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September Cottage
Shabbington

Ickford Preschool and After-School Club: Chair's Report Year Sep 19-Aug20

As resigning chairperson this forms part of my final report after three years overseeing the governance of the Ickford Pre-School charitable group.

The year which will be known as covid year for ever has presented a number of challenges and these have been met with great support from the committee and the staff to ensure no incidences of this pandemic has been recorded with personal or people through the operation or location.

One important role of any charitable committee is to ensure that good governance is applied and that Safety, Health and financial planning is in the forefront for individual and collective responsibility. This I can express personally I have been extremely lucky to have the support of those individuals within the committee and embarrassingly I am going to express some of those by name and thank them for their service not only through a challenging year but also for their past service to the committee.

Amy Wallace, her support and knowledge in response to best practise and specifically around risk management and mitigation has proved invaluable. Her recognition to staff engagement and the importance that their opinions are being heard is an area that I encouraged and realisation that more needed to be done.

Dr Jacqueline Collin, her compassion and care for other human beings but specifically to the welfare of staff.

Tania Kendal, Recognising the importance of good financial planning and strong leadership provided to Crystal within her appointed admin role

Big Shoes to fill.

To draw on some of the areas that these individuals were able to support me I take this opportunity to report on activities that were addressed but need to be governed for the future.

Staff morale was a point of issue and this was not just contributed to Covid. This exasperated the issues but only exposed the underlying concern. People engagement is fundamental to any successful organisation and I strongly encourage that improvements are challenged by future committee member's that management lead a program of improvement.

HR responsibilities relating to governance of individual contractual irregularities have now been resolved and also this provides some financial stability in auditing and control. I would like to reach out to applaud the strong leadership that Crystal demonstrates in financial management and the importance of governance under the charitable obligations that we hold. My 2018/2019 objectives were outlined as followed:- *our commitment is to manage the budgets in a far more representational way going forward in line with our charitable status and this will become a greater part of the management team focus for the coming year with staffing costs and expenses high on the control priorities. Also it is a desire that the organisation moves to an environment that reflects both a greater level of cleanliness and organisational excellence.*

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In signing off I am fulfilled that the organisation is on a sound financial footing and that greater scope can be achieved. Finally to all those that contribute to the organisation I wish you success.

Andrew



ICKFORD PRE-SCHOOL INCORPORATING AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2020

ICKFORD PRE SCHOOL PLAYGROUP INCORPORATING AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

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ICKFORD PRE SCHOOL PLAYGROUP INCORPORATING AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Ickford Pre-School Incorporating After School Club (Charity number 1036452)

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the period ended 31 August 2020, which are set out on page 3.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair" view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act

have not been met; or

- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Robert G McKinney CTA

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Date

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ICKFORD PRE SCHOOL PLAYGROUP INCORPORATING AFTER SCHOOL CLUB
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

	2020		2019	
	£	£	£	£
<i>Receipts and Payments Account</i>				
RECEIPTS				
Preschool Fees		123,194		132,342
Interest		-		8
Grants		3,579		-
Donations/Fundraising		421		546
Miscellaneous Income		13,872		-
		141,065		132,896
PAYMENTS				
Wages & Salaries	99,481		111,829	
Pension Contributions	4,204		2,036	
Training	379		1,290	
Professional Fees & Licences	2,757		3,207	
Catering (Children)	3,594		4,975	
Materials (essentials)	2,278		1,407	
Learning materials	5,293		4,760	
Rent & Rates	6,043		19,634	
Light and heat	1,532		492	
Phone & Broadband	695		758	
Equipment	4,388		4,368	
Administration - Stationery	767		1,701	
Uniforms	367		409	
Venue Hire	-		100	
Repairs and maintenance	850		3,799	
Miscellaneous Expenses	1,007		1,800	
		133,632		162,564
Surplus for the year		7,434		(29,668)
Funds brought forward		32,555		62,223
Funds carried forward		39,989		32,555

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

Cash Funds			
Cash at bank - C A F		24,617	19,678
Cash at bank - Lloyds Current Account		15,232	12,832
Cash Account		140	45
		39,989	32,555

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