CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the *accounts*

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees	Charity Name: Swallow Playgroup Charity		
On accounts for the year ended	31st January 2026	**Charity no (if any)**	1200451
Set out on pages	1 to 8 (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/01/2026.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:	P.J. Grafton	**Date:**	5th November 2026
Name:	PHILIP JONATHAN GRAFTON		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	FCA – Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales		
Address:	15 Cwrt Syr Dafydd, Llantwit Major, Vale of Glamorgan, CF61 2SR		

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Section B	Disclosure
	Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).
Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.	

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1 February 2025 To 31 January 2026

Charity name: Swallow Playgroup Charity

Charity registration number: 1200451

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The object of the CIO is to enhance the development and education of children under statutory school age by: - Encouraging parents to understand and provide for the needs of their children. - Providing a nurturing pre-school environment that encourages children to grow and develop holistically by enhancing their wellbeing, independence, and confidence in which parents have the right to take part. - Encouraging other charitable activities through which parents may help the children. - Providing child places primarily for MOD families while also making available places to families from the surrounding areas. - Providing training, support, and knowledge to Early Years practitioners within the setting to expand their knowledge and understanding of child development, and to provide a high standard of good working practice.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	The charity runs a playgroup mainly for the children of personnel at MOD St Athan and of the surrounding community of pre-school age. The playgroup is open every weekday, 9am to 4pm.

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Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees have regard to the guidance issued and believe activities carried out by the charity are in the public benefit.

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	The playgroup remains a popular resource for the area, with all places filled, while any children on the waiting list not waiting for long. This shows that the playgroup has the right level of resources. The playgroup had received more ALN children this past year compared to prior years. Staff have been working hard with outside agencies to provide the support needed. A sensory room has been created, providing a calm space for children, and the forest school area of the outside space has also been enhanced.

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Reserves within the playgroup remain healthy, providing a buffer for fluctuating cashflows within the year.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We do not hold reserves apart from a balance in our bank account. This is used to sustain the day to day running of the playgroup, especially where regular outgo (e.g. staff pay) is not matched by funding or fee, which is received once every 3 to 4 months.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£27,737
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	None
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	None

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Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	By a meeting resolution, as provided under Clause 10 of the Constitution.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Swallow Playgroup Charitable Association
Other name the charity uses	N/A
Registered charity number	1200451
Charity's principal address	West Camp Community Centre, MOD St Athan, Vale of Glamorgan, CF62 4WA

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Mr Rick Glenton	Chair		
2	Mrs Tracey Brown	Treasurer		
3	Mr Gareth O'Callaghan	Secretary		
4	Miss Catherine Miles			

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A

Other optional information

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	T Brown	
Full name(s)	Tracey Brown	Gareth O'Callaghan
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer	Secretary
Date	10/11/2026	

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Swallow Playgroup Charitable Association	1200451

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01-Feb-25	To	31-Jan-26

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Fees	44,867	-	-	44,867	41,765
Grants	129,998	-	-	129,998	120,542
Fund Raising	-	-	-	-	-
Donations		-	-	-	
		-	-	-	
		-	-	-	
		-	-	-	
***Sub total** (Gross income for AR)*	174,865	-	-	174,865	162,306
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	174,865	-	-	174,865	162,306
A3 Payments					
Wages	148,415	-	-	148,415	141,808
Expenses	14,239	-	-	14,239	25,332
Equipment	3,915	-	-	3,915	13,576
Fund Raising	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	
		-	-	-	
		-	-	-	
		-	-	-	
		-	-	-	-
Sub total	166,568	-	-	166,568	180,715
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	166,568	-	-	166,568	180,715
Net of receipts/(payments)	8,296	-	-	8,296	- 18,409
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	19,441	-	-	19,441	37,850
Cash funds this year end	27,737	-	-	27,737	19,441

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Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

B1 Cash funds

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	Bank account	27,737	-	-
	Cash box	-	-	-
			-	-
	Total cash funds	27,737	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
T Brown	Tracey Brown	10/11/26
	GARETH J'CALLAHAN	10/11/26

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