

**EGLINTON COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL
CHARITY NO. NIC 106314**

**TRUSTEES REPORT AND
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS**

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

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Trustees

Daniel Breslin
Gerrie Curry
Angela McCafferty

Committee

Gerrie Curry	Chairperson
Martina Curry	Secretary
Daniel Breslin	Treasurer
Angela McCafferty	
Eileen Gingell	
Shannon Murphy	
Siobhan Rice	

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EGLINTON COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2024

INTRODUCTION

This is Eglinton Community Pre-School's Trustee Annual Report as required by the Charity Commission NI. The report relates to the period from 1st September 2023 to 31st August 2024.

This document has been prepared based on the guidance provided by the Charity Commission and Trustees have had regard to the Commission's Public Benefit requirement statutory guidance.

Signed on behalf of Trustees: -

X A. Curry

Date: 29/11/2024

EGLINTON COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL CENTRE

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Constitution and purpose

Eglinton Community Pre-School is a charity governed by a Constitution adopted on the 8th May 2008. It is managed by a Committee consisting of a Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer and not less than 2 members of the Group elected by and from amongst the members present and voting at an Annual General Meeting.

The aim of the Group is to enhance the development and education of children (0-4) age by encouraging parents/guardians to understand and provide for the needs of their children by:-

- a) Offering appropriate play facilities, with the right of parents/carers to take responsibility for and to become involved in the activities of the Group, ensuring that the Group offers opportunities for all children, regardless of religion, culture, race or means
- b) Encouraging the study of the needs of such children and their families and promoting public interest in and recognition of such needs of such children and their families in the local area.
- c) Support the values and principles of Early Years, the organisation for young children.

We offer a Pre-School education for 3-4 year olds, 5 days a week, with each session lasting 2.5 hours. Staff plan activities around the Northern Ireland Pre-school Curriculum and are inspected on a yearly bases by social services and every 6-7 year by ETI. We are cross community supporting families with Pre-School education and offering advice and guidance for those children who may have additional needs.

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Public Benefit

The direct benefits that flow from our purposes are improved outcomes from pre-school children, through the development of their capabilities, life skills, independence, social skills, play skills, physical development and language and communication.

The families of the children also benefit through the education and care of the children, with staff formally meeting with parents three times per year to feed back and report on children's development. There are also opportunities on a daily basis for parents to talk with staff.

The benefit for the wider community is that parents are involved in the governance of the Pre-School, and through this can access relevant training on roles of responsibility of the committee, Child Protection training, and designated officer training.

Our Pre-School is cross community and promotes respect and understanding with the children and the parents and this has had a significant impact on families and community as friendships are formed and continued when the children move to primary school.

A further benefit of our Pre-School is we work with and have close contact with other relevant professionals who may be involved with the children. Through fundraising that the committee organise, links with businesses in the village have been established and the Pre-school also has close links with day care and those who work in our community e.g. nurses. These benefits are evidenced through children's records e.g. observations, photographs and staff planning and evaluation. Parents are asked for their comments on a yearly basis through a parent questionnaire.

We are registered with the Western Health and Social Care Trust and are inspected annually. We were also inspected by ETI in 2018, with a very good grade. There is no harm arising from the purposes. The beneficiaries are the children attending the Pre-school centre and their families.

There is no private benefit flowing from the purposes of Eglinton Community Pre-School Centre.

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Review of Public Benefit Activities 2024

During the school year 2023/24, there were 24 children enrolled with 4 members of staff.

The group continues to run at a deficit and relies on additional efforts of fundraising to ensure the sustainability of the pre-school provision. There has been a small increase in EA funding per child but with increases in the cost-of-living following Covid-19 and parental contributions being down there is a reliance on outside funders to minimise potential deficits in running costs.

Salaries will remain fixed with possible review in the future if any changes in EA funding or an extension of the pre-school day with the introduction of standardisation in 2025.

Financial Position

At the year end the Charity held £30,103 in reserves. Although funding is tight we aim to keep £16,000 in reserve in order to fund future plans / cover any unforeseen funding shortages etc.

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION REPORT FOR THE
YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Eglinton Community Pre-School

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 August 2024, which are set out on pages 10 to 12.

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act,
- follow the procedure laid down in the general Directions given by the Commission under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act,
- state whether matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

I have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act.

My examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and, seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act.
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records.
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act.
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION REPORT FOR THE
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Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Eglinton Community Pre-School Centre continued

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with the following Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

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Date: 29/11/2024


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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
Year Ended: 31st August 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
		£	£	£	£
Receipts					
Education Authority		58,011	930	58,941	55,619
DOH - small grant		576	-	576	6,696
APEX		362	-	362	-
Fundraising		10,715	-	10,715	9,313
Other Income	1	2,844	-	2,844	1,013
Bank interest		256	-	256	29
		<u>72,764</u>	<u>930</u>	<u>73,694</u>	<u>72,670</u>
Payments					
Nursery Expenses	2	73,023	-	73,023	75,646
Staff Well Being		-	139	139	-
		<u>73,023</u>	<u>139</u>	<u>73,162</u>	<u>75,646</u>
Payments for assets					
		-	-	-	-
Total Payments					
		<u>73,023</u>	<u>139</u>	<u>73,162</u>	<u>75,646</u>
Surplus / (Deficit) for the year					
		<u>(259)</u>	<u>791</u>	<u>532</u>	<u>(2,976)</u>
Reconciliation 31 August 2024					
Cash at bank & in hand 31 August 2023		29,571	-	29,571	32,547
Surplus/ (deficit) this year end		(259)	791	532	(2,976)
Cash at bank & in hand 31 August 2024		<u>29,312</u>	<u>791</u>	<u>30,103</u>	<u>29,571</u>
Represented by:					
Current Account				8,175	7,887
Deposit Account				<u>21,928</u>	<u>21,683</u>
				<u>30,103</u>	<u>29,571</u>

Approved by the trustees on 29th November 2024 and signed on their behalf by:

X 
Gerrie Curry
Chairperson

X 
Daniel Breslin
Treasurer

EGLINTON COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL

Notes to the Accounts Year Ended: 31st August 2024

	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Note 1		
Other Income		
Milk money		313
School fees	509	700
Sale of climbing frame	1,885	-
Sponsorship - City of Derry Airport	200	-
	250	-
	2,844	1,013
Note 2		
Nursery Expenses		
Salaries		54,405
Rent, Heat and Light	53,370	5,459
Telephone and internet	4,994	1,045
Resources	1,552	5,081
Events - Halloween Disco & Easter Hunt	6,996	-
Uniforms	720	620
Early Years	947	1,443
General Expenses	1,248	-
Training	375	590
Building Maintenance	210	4,663
Insurance	774	1,010
Bank fees	1,055	311
Professional fees	56	1,019
	725	75,646
	73,023	75,646
Note 3		
Taxation		
Eglinton Community Pre-School Centre is registered for tax purposes under Revenue reference XN45126 and accordingly is exempt from taxation.		
Note 4		
Trustees remuneration and expenses		
No trustee received any remuneration or reimbursement of expenses during the year.		
Note 5		
Transactions with trustees and connected persons		
No trustee or connected person were paid for services during the year.		