



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## **Trustees' Annual Report for the period**

**From 01.04.20 Period start date To 31.03.21 Period end date**

**Charity name: East Merton Learning Together Trust**

**Charity registration number: 1162274**

## **Objectives and Activities**

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1) To advance the education and personal development of pupils attending schools across East Merton by providing additional learning activities (not covered by statutory provision) for these children and their families.</li><li>2) To promote teaching and learning and sharing best practices across the 8 schools in the Cluster</li><li>3) To advance education for the public benefit in particular by<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) Developing the role of schools across East Merton as community based service providers and strengthen partnerships amongst schools, community and voluntary organisations, and other local agencies for the delivery of additional learning activities.</li><li>b) Developing a joint programme of projects and activities that benefit the children and communities of East Merton by aiming to raise achievement for all pupils and narrow the gaps in achievement between disadvantaged children and their peers, notably<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• children for whom English is a second language</li><li>• children with a disability or additional learning need</li><li>• children who attract pupil premium funding (or similar)</li><li>• children from vulnerable families, including young carers, looked after children, children from families with experience of domestic abuse.</li></ul></li></ol></li><li>4) To promote the social inclusion of those who are excluded from society, or part of society,</li></ol>

		<p>in East Merton as a result of being a member of a socially and economically deprived community, or who are excluded by reason of age, ill-health, disability financial hardship or other disadvantage.</p> <p>5) To promote the good health and well being of residents across East Merton.</p>
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	Due to the Covid 19 pandemic, which was present throughout this whole reporting period, there have been no activities or projects at all during this period.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees can confirm that they have regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

### **Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	

Other		
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## 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	<p>Unfortunately the charity has been unable to offer projects or activities to the local community and wider society due to school closures and other restrictions due to Covid.</p> <p>However the trustees have met via video-link which has enabled support to be offered to those in need and services such as testing, vaccination, foodbanks etc. have been signposted to our families.</p>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	Covid has prevented much achievement against our objectives but we are hoping to rectify this once restrictions are lifted and schools are able to return to some sort of normality.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	No fundraising has taken place this year.

Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other		

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	There has been no income or expenditure this year.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	There is a small amount of cash held in the bank to fund future projects
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£12,119.22
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Cluster / Charity's principal source of funding comes from school membership fees and occasional grants from Merton Education Partnership
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/A
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	N/A
Other		

## 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	Appointed by members

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

### Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	East Merton Learning Together Trust
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1162274

Charity's principal address	The Sherwood Primary School Abbotts Road Mitcham CR4 1JP

## 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	Andriana Samouel			
2	Ciara Parris			
3	Phyllis Sternerg			
4	Pearl Harris-Coke			
5	Naomi Martin			
6	Zarah Jussab-Gadatara			
7	Susan Taylor			
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## Corporate trustees - names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

## Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	




## 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	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

#### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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### Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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### Other optional information

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## Declarations

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

### Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>	Susan M Taylor (via email)	Ciara Parris (via email)
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<b>Full name(s)</b>	Susan Taylor	Ciara Parris
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<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Trustee	Trustee
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<b>Date</b>	25.01.2022	25.01.2022
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**East Merton Learning Together Trust  
Account  
1<sup>st</sup> April 2020 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021**

**Opening Balance 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020 b/f:  
12,119.22**

**Income for period: 0**

**Less expenditure for period 0**

**Closing Balance  
12,119.22**

**Represented by:**

**CAF Bank balance as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021  
12,119.22**

**NB: There may be a small amount of bank interest or bank charges not shown on these accounts but, due to the previous bank signatories having resigned, the trust has not yet been able to view the bank statements. We can, however, confirm that there has been no income or expenditure by the trust during this reporting period.**