

**St Nicholas Pre-School Playgroup Hurst**  
**Charity Number 900344**

**Accounts for the Year ended 31 August 2017**

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**Trustees Report**

The following trustees held office during the year ended 31 August 2017:

Chair	Mrs G Hoekstra
Secretary	Mrs A Collins
Co-Treasurers	Mr S Holmes BA (Hons) ACA CF

The Chair Mrs G Hoekstra, the secretary Mrs A Collins and the co-treasurers Mr S Holmes all resigned on 11th October 2017 at the AGM. During this meeting the new trustees were appointed, which are Chair Mrs M Knight, Secretary Mrs J Davis and Treasurer Mrs J Littlejohn.

Both the incoming and outgoing Chair and Secretary have an interest in the activities of the pre-school by virtue of their children attending the setting. The incoming Treasurer is the Administrator and also has a child attending the setting.

Governance and Management

The charity is an association consisting of three parent lead trustees and five further parent lead committee members with roles encompassing safeguarding, fund-raising, marketing, parent liaison, school halls liaison and health and safety.

Objectives of the charity

At St. Nicholas Pre-School we aim to provide a happy, fun and secure learning experience for our children where their individuality is respected and valued. We will promote all areas of their development through the Early Learning Goals helping them to become more independent in preparation for their transition from Pre-School to Reception Class. We do this by providing play facilities appropriate to age and development so that Social linguistic, Physical, Creative, Intellectual, and Emotional development may be explored and enhanced. Parents and carers are vital to the group to achieve these goals and they are always very welcome to stay and help. Parents are encouraged to join their child at St. Nicholas at least once a term to share their child's experiences.

Provision

Provision is made for up to 24 pupils per session over 10 sessions per week (Monday to Friday) as follows:

Morning session (9am - 12 noon)

Afternoon session (1pm - 3pm)

In addition, a lunch club is run daily between 12 noon and 1pm

Chairman's review of performance

Since the appointment of the new manager in December 2016, who is also a qualified primary school teacher, the pre-school has changed beyond the expectations of the trustees. During 2016-17 the pre-school benefited from a new large sandpit and outdoor wooden canopy to create an outdoor classroom. Since October 2017 the manager has enabled pre-school to up the provision from 24 pupils per session to 25. This has been possible with the major change inside and outside the setting including turning a window into a door to ensure all day free flow for the children, an important element of EYFS.

#### Summary of financial results and charitable activity

The Trustees and Committee have invested much time and commitment to improve the reputation and performance of the pre-school. This have been achieved by reviewing staff effectiveness and appointing a new manager who is a qualified primary school teacher. There has also been a combination of marketing, raising standards and implementing policies and procedures up to date with current legislation.

#### Post balance sheet events

Ofsted reviewed the setting in January 2017. The outcome is a 'Good' in all areas with a very positive overall report. The pre-school continues to strive to become 'Outstanding' in all areas and is anticipating an Ofsted visit in the near future.

#### Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have laid the financial statements and trustees report before the members of the committee attending a meeting held on 11 October 2017 and that the financial statements and trustees report were duly approved at the meeting.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

.....*M. Knight*.....  
Mrs M Knight  
Chair

.....18<sup>th</sup> June 2018.....  
Date

## Independent examiner's report to the trustees of St Nicholas Pre-School Playgroup Hurst

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 August 2017.

### 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 period under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 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 the 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 you as 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 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 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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Date: 15 June 2018



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**Year ended 31 August 2017**  
**Income & Expenditure Account**

	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Income</b>	<b>109,863</b>	<b>97,830</b>
Direct Pre School Costs	8,911	5,259
Other Direct Costs	985	287
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b><u>99,967</u></b>	<b><u>92,284</u></b>
<b>Other Income</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Employee Costs	72,088	68,791
Premises Costs	9,313	10,009
Repairs/Maintenance	1,871	1,627
General Administrative Expenses	5,105	4,856
Advertising, Promotion & Entertainment	32	232
Payroll Bookkeeping	1,450	1,666
Other Expenses	32	64
	<b><u>89,891</u></b>	<b><u>87,245</u></b>
<b>Surplus</b>	<b><u>10,113</u></b>	<b><u>5,067</u></b>

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**Balance Sheet**

	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Current Account	150	1,190
Savings account	86,669	71,798
Petty cash	-	122
Fees & equipment debtors	2,548	1,613
Other debtors	1,227	850
Prepayments	1,250	1,258
	<u>91,844</u>	<u>76,831</u>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Trade creditors	1,659	802
PAYE	-	386
Other creditors	282	137
Accruals & deferred income	25,657	21,373
	<u>27,598</u>	<u>22,698</u>
<b>Net Current Assets</b>	<u>64,246</u>	<u>54,133</u>
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<b>Capital Account</b>		
Balance at start of period	54,133	49,066
Net Surplus	10,113	5,067
	<u><b>64,246</b></u>	<u><b>54,133</b></u>