

UNIVERSITY OF DUNDEE NURSERY LIMITED

Company No. SC 230105

Charity No. SC 032969

Trustees' Report and Financial Statements

For year ended 31 July 2024

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COMPANY INFORMATION

TRUSTEES

Grainne Barr (appointed 19 May 2025)
Lee Hamill (appointed 30 September 2025)
Shona Johnston (resigned 30 April 2025)
Neale Laker (resigned 30 September 2025)
James McGeorge (resigned 19 May 2025)
Graham Nicholson (resigned 11 October 2024)

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SC 032969

COMPANY NUMBER

SC 230105

TRUSTEES' REPORT

The trustees, who are also directors for the purposes of the Companies Act, have pleasure in presenting their report and the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 July 2024. There has been a delay in the finalisation and approval of these financial statements as a result of circumstances relating to the parent undertaking, University of Dundee. Further details are provided in the Going Concern assessment and Note 15 of these financial statements. Significant matters have been disclosed in the financial statements of the University for the year ended 31 July 2024. The directors of the charitable company have considered these matters in the preparation of the financial statements and are comfortable there are no matters directly impacting the charity during this period or that require specific disclosure in these financial statements.

In preparing this report, the Trustees have taken advantage of the small companies exemptions provided by section 415A of the Companies Act 2006. Additionally, the charitable company has taken advantage of the exemption under section 414(b) of the Companies Act 2006 and has not presented a separate Strategic Report in these financial statements.

LEGAL STATUS

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 9 April 2002 and registered as a charity on 31 January 2003. The company is governed by its Memorandum & Articles of Association dated 27 February 2002. The liability of each member is limited by guarantee to the sum of £5. At 31 July 2024 the charitable company had two members (2023: three). The Directors are also the Charity Trustees. The Company Number is: SC 230105 and charity number: SC 032969

The charity's principal address is University of Dundee, Perth Road, Dundee DD1 4HN.

OBJECTIVES OF UNIVERSITY OF DUNDEE NURSERY LIMITED

The historic objectives of the charity have been to:

- Promote the care and education of children by the provision of nursery care for children of staff employed by, or students of the University of Dundee.
- Carry on any other charitable purpose or objective which can be advantageously or conveniently carried on by the charitable company.

The University of Dundee Nursery closed in August 2026, with the charity and company to be subsequently dissolved. Prior to the closure, the principal activity of the charitable company during the year continued to be that of provision of a nursery service to the staff and students of the University of Dundee.

MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS

The charity has a management committee made up of the trustees who formally meet six monthly and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity. During 2025, only one meeting was held due to long-term absence leave, together with the resignation of all previous directors and the subsequent appointment of new directors in May and September 2025. The Nursery Manager is responsible for the day to day operation of the nursery. The trustees are appointed by the University of Dundee Governance and Nominations Committee.

The charity engages with the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR) and has kept them informed of the delays in finalising these financial statements. As a result of the delays, statutory and regulatory submission deadlines have not been met. The trustees will inform OSCR of the closure of the Nursery in due course.

The charity has also engaged with Companies House regarding the delay in finalising these financial statements, correspondence has been received from Companies House in relation to a late filing penalty to be incurred.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued)

RISK MANAGEMENT

The trustees have carried out a review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed until its closure. Internal control risks are minimised by the procedures in place for all authorisation of transactions and projects to ensure that funds are correctly administered.

REVIEW OF DEVELOPMENTS, ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

The operating performance of the Nursery has deteriorated, with the deficit increasing by £108k to £142k (2023: £34k). Income has declined with fees, including funded fees, of £469k in 2023/24 compared with £586k in 2022/23 – a decrease of £117k. Expenditure decreased overall by £9k to £611k (2023: £620k). The Nursery has negative net funds of £(301)k as at 31 July 2024 compared to £(159)k as at 31 July 2023. The charitable company has not gift aided its profits to the University (2023 – £nil).

The Nursery's financial position has continued to deteriorate further during 2024/25 and 2025/26 as a result of which a decision has been made by the Trustees during 2025/26 to close the Nursery in August 2026. The charitable company is dependent on continuing finance being made available by its parent undertaking, the University of Dundee, to enable it to continue operating and to meet its liabilities as they fall due through to its closure in August 2026 and then for any residual liabilities through its going concern assessment period to 31 July 2028. The trustees have received confirmation that the University of Dundee intends and is able to support the company for the period until wind-up. However, the University financial statements, published on 30 June 2026, disclose its own material uncertainties which cast doubt on its ability to continue as a going concern throughout this same period. The University has determined that it remains appropriate to adopt the going concern basis in its own 2023/24 consolidated financial statements.

Despite the continued support of the University of Dundee the Trustees of University of Dundee Nursery Limited will prepare the financial statements on a basis other than going concern. This is because of the closure of the Nursery in August 2026 ceasing the active operations of the charity and company with the Trustees intentions to wind up the Charity.

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

The nursery closed in August 2026 with the charity and company to be subsequently dissolved.

INVESTMENT POLICY

The charity's funds are held in an interest bearing account.

RESERVES POLICY

The policy is to maintain reserves at a level sufficient to meet ongoing operating spend. Reserves of £(301)k (2023: £159k) were held at 31 July 2024. The University has confirmed its intention to support the charitable company financially to ensure operating costs can be met up until the closure of the Nursery in August 2026. This policy is reviewed annually.

TRUSTEE INDUCTION AND TRAINING

The trustees are already familiar with the work of the charity and their responsibilities as charity trustees. Training sessions are held with new trustees on the operation of the charity.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued)

THE TRUSTEES

The trustees of the charitable company who were in office during the year and up to the date of signing the financial statements were:

Grainne Barr (appointed 19 May 2025)
Lee Hamill (appointed 30 September 2025)
Shona Johnston (resigned 30 April 2025)
Neale Laker (resigned 30 September 2025)
James McGeorge (resigned 19 May 2025)
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There are no directors' interests requiring disclosure under the Companies Act 2006. Under the Memorandum & Articles of Association the trustees are appointed by the Management Committee.

DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITOR

The trustees who were members of the board at the time of approving the trustees report are listed above. Having made enquiries of fellow trustees and of the charity's auditor, each of these trustees confirms that:

- To the best of the trustees knowledge and belief, there is no information relevant to the preparation of their report of which the charity's auditor is unaware; and
- Each trustee has taken all steps a trustee might reasonably be expected to have taken to be aware of relevant audit information and to establish that the charity's auditor is aware of that information.

AUDITOR

The auditor, Ernst & Young LLP, will be proposed for reappointment in accordance with section 485 of the Companies Act 2006.

The report was approved by the board and signed on its behalf by



Lee Hamill
Director

11 September 2026

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees (who are also directors of University of Dundee Nursery Limited for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the trustees have prepared the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

In so far as the trustees are aware:

- (a) there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditor is unaware; and
- (b) the trustees have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as a trustee in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charitable company's auditor is aware of that information.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF DUNDEE NURSERY LIMITED

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of the University of Dundee Nursery Limited for the year ended 31 July 2024 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities (including Statement of Comprehensive Income), Statement of Financial Position, Statement of Changes in Equity and the related notes 1 to 15, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland".

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 July 2024 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice;
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) act 2005 and regulation 8 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report below. We are independent of the charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and the provisions available for small entities, in circumstances set out in note 1 to the financial statements, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of matter – financial statements prepared on a basis other than going concern

We draw attention to note 1 to the financial statements which explains that the directors closed the Nursery in August 2026 and therefore do not consider it to be appropriate to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements. Accordingly, the financial statements have been prepared on a basis other than going concern as described in note 1. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF UNIVERSITY OF DUNDEE NURSERY LIMITED (continued)

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information contained in the annual report.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in this report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of the other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the trustees' report, which includes the directors' report and the strategic report prepared for the purpose of company law, for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the strategic report and the directors' report included within the trustees' report have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In light of the knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have identified no material misstatements in the directors' report included within the trustees' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) regulations 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate and proper accounting records have not been kept or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the trustees were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies exemption in preparing the Trustees' Annual Report.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF UNIVERSITY OF DUNDEE NURSERY LIMITED (continued)

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement set out on page 5, the trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditor under section 44(1)(c) of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and under the Companies Act 2006 and report in accordance with the Acts and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Explanation as to what extent the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect irregularities, including fraud. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery or intentional misrepresentations, or through collusion. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below. However, the primary responsibility for the prevention and detection of fraud rests with both those charged with governance of the entity and management.

- We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that are applicable to the charitable company and determined that the most significant are United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (2019), the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and regulation 8 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF UNIVERSITY OF DUNDEE NURSERY LIMITED (continued)

- We understood how University of Dundee Nursery Limited is complying with those frameworks by making enquiries of management and those responsible for legal and compliance procedures. We corroborated our enquiries through the review of the following documentation or completion of the following:
 - Review of all minutes of board meetings held during the year and through to the most recent meeting held prior to the approval of these financial statements;
 - Review of the charitable company's accounting policies and completion of a disclosure checklist to assess compliance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (2019), the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and regulation 8 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006; and
 - Review of any relevant correspondence received from regulatory bodies.
- We assessed that revenue was a judgemental area of the audit which might be more susceptible to fraud. We obtained an understanding of the controls over the process for the recognition of revenue and tested in particular the occurrence of revenue recorded in the financial statements.
- We assessed the susceptibility of the charitable company's financial statements to material misstatement, including how fraud might occur by considering the controls that the charitable company established to address risk identified by the charitable company or that otherwise seek to prevent, deter or detect fraud. We gained an understanding of the charitable company level controls and policies that are applied.
- Based on this understanding we designed our audit procedures to identify noncompliance with such laws and regulations. Our procedures involved: testing of journal entries, with a focus on journals indicating large or unusual transactions or meeting our defined risk criteria based on our understanding of the entity, a review of accounting estimates for evidence of management bias, vouching all revenue transactions to supporting documentation and enquiries of senior members of the management team and the trustees regarding their knowledge of any instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations that could impact the financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at <https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF UNIVERSITY OF DUNDEE NURSERY LIMITED (continued)

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006, and to the charitable company's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Regulation 10 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members and trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company, the charitable company's members as a body and the charitable company's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Signed by:



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Stephen Reid (Senior statutory auditor)

for and on behalf of Ernst & Young LLP, Statutory Auditor

London

Date: 11 September 2026

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCLUDING STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME)
for the year ended 31 July 2024

	Notes	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Incoming resources					
Incoming resources from Generated Funds					
Investment Income		-	-	-	-
Incoming resources from Charitable Activities					
Operation of Nursery	3	-	468,874	468,874	586,143
Total incoming resources		-	468,874	468,874	586,143
Resources expended					
Charitable activities					
Operation of Nursery	4	(1,125)	(609,937)	(611,062)	(620,655)
Total resources expended		(1,125)	(609,937)	(611,062)	(620,655)
Net outgoing resources		(1,125)	(141,063)	(142,188)	(34,512)
Fund balances brought forward at 1 August		3,246	(161,892)	(158,646)	(124,134)
Fund balances carried forward at 31 July		2,121	(302,955)	(300,834)	(158,646)

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
At 31 July 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	8	3,024	5,061
Current assets			
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	9	1,884	14,979
Cash at bank and in hand		16,322	39,457
		18,206	54,436
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	(322,064)	(218,143)
Net current (liabilities)		(303,858)	(163,707)
Total assets less current liabilities		(300,834)	(158,646)
The funds of the charity			
Restricted income funds	11	2,121	3,246
Unrestricted income funds	11	(302,955)	(161,892)
Total charity funds	11	(300,834)	(158,646)

The financial statements on pages 11 to 18 were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:



Lee Hamill
 Director

11 September 2026

Company No. SC 230105
 Charity No. SC 032969

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
As at 31 July 2024

	Retained earnings £	Total equity £
Balance at 1 August 2022	(124,134)	(124,134)
Comprehensive income for the year		
Loss for the year	(34,512)	(34,512)
Other comprehensive income for the year	-	-
Total comprehensive income/(expenditure) for the year	(158,646)	(158,646)
Total transactions with owners	-	-
Balance at 1 August 2023	<u>(158,646)</u>	<u>(158,646)</u>
Comprehensive income for the year		
(Loss) for the year	(142,188)	(142,188)
Other comprehensive income for the year	-	-
Total comprehensive income/(expenditure) for the year	(300,834)	(300,834)
Total transactions with owners	-	-
Balance at 31 July 2024	<u>(300,834)</u>	<u>(300,834)</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
for the year ended 31 July 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

In June 2026, it was announced the University of Dundee Nursery would close and cease operations from August 2026. The company continued to operate until August 2026 and Trustees are preparing to wind up the charity, which involves consultation with and consent from the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator. There is no agreed timeline currently for how long this process will take.

In these circumstances, it is not appropriate to prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis and accordingly a 'basis other than going concern' has been adopted. As the Nursery has not commenced any formal wind up procedures, the Trustees have determined the accounting policies applied to individual items should be consistent with those adopted in the prior year. However, these plans have led to the write-off and increased provision against debtor balances and the intended write-back of the intercompany creditor with the University of Dundee as disclosed in Note 15.

Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

The preparation of financial statements in compliance with FRS 102 requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise judgement in applying the Company's accounting policies (see note 2).

1.2 Going Concern

The Nursery's financial position has continued to deteriorate further during 2024/25 and 2025/26 as a result of which a decision has been made by the Trustees during 2025/26 to close the Nursery in August 2026. The charitable company is dependent on continuing finance being made available by its parent undertaking, the University of Dundee, to enable it to continue operating and to meet its liabilities as they fall due through to its closure in August 2026 and then for any residual liabilities through its going concern assessment period to 31 July 2028. The trustees have received confirmation that the University of Dundee intends and is able to support the company for the period until wind-up. However, the University financial statements, published on 30 June 2026, disclose its own material uncertainties which cast doubt on its ability to continue as a going concern throughout this same period. The University has determined that it remains appropriate to adopt the going concern basis in its own 2023/24 consolidated financial statements.

Despite the continued support of the University of Dundee the Trustees of University of Dundee Nursery Limited will prepare the financial statements on a basis other than going concern. This is because of the closure of the Nursery in August 2026 ceasing the active operations of the charity and company with the Trustees intentions to wind up the Charity.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)
for the year ended 31 July 2024

1.3 Reduced disclosure exemptions

The charitable company has taken advantage of the following exemptions in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102 “The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland”:

- The requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows;
- The requirements of Section 3 Financial Statement Presentation paragraph 3.17(d);
- The requirements of Section 33 Related Party Disclosure paragraph 33.7.

This information is included in the consolidated financial statements of The University of Dundee.

1.4 Incoming Resources

Incoming resources are recognised on an accrual basis from provisions of nursery services at University of Dundee.

1.5 Resources Expended

Resources expended are recognised in the period in which they were incurred. Resources expended are allocated to the particular activity where the cost relates directly to that activity.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Fixed assets are stated in the balance sheet at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost or valuation less estimated residual value of each asset evenly over its expected useful life, as follows:

Property, plant and equipment	-	over 4 years
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1.7 Financial instruments

The charitable company only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2. JUDGEMENT IN APPLYING ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported for assets and liabilities as at the balance sheet date and the amounts reported for revenues and expenses during the year. However, the nature of estimation means that actual outcomes could differ from those estimates.

Debtors are stated at the amounts expected to be recoverable. As the financial statements have been prepared on a basis other than going concern, the carrying amounts reflect director's assessment of the amounts expected to be realised.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)
for the year ended 31 July 2024

3. INCOME

Income from charitable activities includes

	2024	2024	2024	2023
	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
Nursery fees	-	285,389	285,389	346,334
Council partnership scheme	-	183,485	183,485	239,451
Other income	-	-	-	358
	<u>-</u>	<u>468,874</u>	<u>468,874</u>	<u>586,143</u>

4. EXPENDITURE

Charitable expenditure includes:

	2024	2024	2024	2023
	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
Wages and salaries	-	474,437	474,437	475,358
Nursery operating costs	-	110,196	110,196	123,412
Auditor's remuneration for audit services	-	24,392	24,392	18,400
Depreciation of owned fixed assets	1,125	912	2,037	3,485
	<u>1,125</u>	<u>609,937</u>	<u>611,062</u>	<u>620,655</u>

All expenditure is considered directly attributable to charitable objectives and operation of the nursery.

5. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the year was 16 (2023: 19). There are no higher paid employees with salaries exceeding £60k per annum (2023: nil).

	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	<u>474,437</u>	<u>475,358</u>

6. TRUSTEES REMUNERATION

The trustees did not receive any remuneration or expenses in respect of their services (2023: nil).

7. TAXATION

No tax charge arises on the incoming resources for the year due to the charitable status of University of Dundee Nursery Limited.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)
for the year ended 31 July 2024

8. TANGIBLE ASSETS

	Property, Plant & Equipment
	£
Cost	
At 1 August 2023	58,991
Additions	-
Disposals	-
At 31 July 2024	58,991
Accumulated depreciation	
At 1 August 2023	(53,930)
Charge for the year	(2,037)
Disposals	-
At 31 July 2024	(55,967)
Net book value	
At 31 July 2024	3,024
At 31 July 2023	5,061

Despite the intention to wind up the charity and company after the closure of the Nursery in August 2026, it is appropriate for these assets to remain as non-current as at 31 July 2024. This is because the assets have been used for longer than 12 months.

9. DEBTORS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Trade Debtors	1,588	14,719
Other Debtors	296	260
	1,884	14,979

10. CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Amounts owed to parent undertakings	280,556	164,630
Trade Creditors	8,166	14,369
Accruals and Deferred Income	33,342	39,144
	322,064	218,143

11. FUNDS

	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total
	£	£	£
At 1 August 2023	3,246	(161,892)	(158,646)
Net movement in funds	(1,125)	(141,063)	(142,188)
At 31 July 2024	2,121	(302,955)	(300,834)

During 2021-22 £4,500 of grant income was received from Childcare Sector Omicron Impacts Fund to be spent on capital assets. This was spent on building an outdoor classroom which has been capitalised. The restricted reserve is being released in line with the asset's useful life.

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12. SHARE CAPITAL

The company does not have share capital and is limited by guarantee. The liability of members is limited to £5 each. At 31 July 2024 the company had 2 members (2023: 3).

13. ULTIMATE PARENT UNDERTAKING

The Trustees regard the ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party as the University of Dundee, established by grant of a Royal Charter and Statutes in 1967. The trustees are appointed by the University of Dundee Governance and Nominations Committee. The University of Dundee is a registered charity with registration number SC015096. The principal activity of the University of Dundee is the provision of higher education, learning and academic research. The University of Dundee is the only entity to consolidate the financial statements of the Nursery. The consolidated financial statements may be obtained from University of Dundee, Dundee, DD1 4HN.

14. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The charitable company has taken an exemption, as allowed by FRS 102 section 33 paragraph 33.1A, not to disclose related party transactions with wholly owned undertakings of the University of Dundee which prepares consolidated accounts.

The trustees of the charity did not receive any remuneration during the year (2023: Nil). No other related party transactions took place during the year requiring disclosure.

15. EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

The charitable company's financial position has continued to deteriorate and as a result during 2025-26 it was announced that the Nursery would be closed in August 2026. Following this decision these financial statements have been prepared on a basis other than going concern as explained in Note 1.2. The charity will be dissolved after its final financial statements are prepared.

As a result of the deterioration of the financial capacity of the Nursery, it will be unable to repay the inter-company loan. Informal discussions have taken place with the University of Dundee to advise them of the circumstances. The Nursery awaits the formal waiver of the loan before the loan is written-off.

Following the year end 31 July 2024, the parent undertaking, University of Dundee went through a series of events resulting in a material adverse change in its financial position. As noted in the going concern assessment in Note 1.2, the University of Dundee concluded that it is appropriate to prepare the group financial statements on a going concern basis. Full details of the issues arising can be found in Note 27 of the publicly available financial statements for the University of Dundee. These events are considered non-adjusting events as they reflect conditions that became evident after the reporting date. Accordingly, no adjustments are required in these financial statements for the year ended 31 July 2024.