

# **MISTLEY KIDS CLUB LIMITED**

(A company limited by guarantee)

## **TRUSTEES' REPORT to the Mistley Parish Assembly April 2024**

### **Trustees**

Mrs Nicola Moxey, Secretary

Mrs Rosemary Smith, Chair

Revd. Paul Greenland, Treasurer

Mrs Rebecca Kenneison

### **Company registered number**

07336182

### **Charity registered number**

1140273

### **Registered Address**

Village Hall Shrubland Road

Mistley

Manningtree

Essex

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## **TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023**

The Trustees (who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act) present their annual report to the Parish Assembly.

## **METHOD OF APPOINTMENT OR ELECTION OF TRUSTEES**

Trustees are returned by election at the Annual General Meeting. If skills are needed in the interim, then candidates are invited to join the Board to contribute those particular skills.

## **POLICIES AND OBJECTIVES**

Mistley Kids Club Ltd. runs a thriving after school and holiday club for local children; including children with additional social, emotional, and medical needs. We accept children within the age range of 4-16 (and for continuity of care, up to 19 if they have additional needs). We aim to empower both mainstream children and those with additional needs in a fully inclusive play environment. In the school holidays we are able to give the children a broader experience through a variety of organized activities.

Our Club supports working families, enabling them to pursue employment or training. For the parents and carers of children with special needs we provide an essential source of respite.

To ensure high standards, we promote the education and training of the persons engaged in the provision of such care, education and recreational facilities.

The trustees have paid due regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit and have striven to ensure that the charity's activities reflect this.

## **REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES**

The number of children coming to depend on the Charity's services continues to grow, in part due to the rundown of other services in the area. Children come to us from 14 different schools during term time and from several more than this during school holidays; we have up to 60 children attending in each session.

Some children have very specialised needs and require one-to-one support and a high level of specialist training. The number of staff required increases significantly during school holidays.

The Charity remains dependent on long term Government funding in the form of grants from Essex County Council, and will remain so for the foreseeable future.

The Charity receives a number of smaller donations from the public and from other charities, but does not use any professional fundraisers.

Our Manager and the senior staff have full NVQ level 3 qualifications in Play-work. We work with the Pre-school Learning Alliance to keep up to date on best practice in childcare, and to help us source appropriate training. Professional standards are regulated and inspected by OFSTED. All staff and Trustees are subject to Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks.

## **f PRINCIPAL FUNDING & DONATIONS**

Thanks to the support of the following organisations, Mistley Kids Club Limited continues to be financially viable:-

Essex County Council

Active Essex

Jack Petchey Foundation

Colchester Catalyst

Hyper Local Fund

Robin Wilshaw

Manningtree Beer Festival

Manningtree & Stour Valley Rotary

CVST

Local Giving Magic Grant

Grassroots

Provide Community

Essex community foundation

EALC Food Fund

Sport England