

1ST STRATFORD UPON AVON SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales · Charity number 1015817

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1992-12-18

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: TO PROMOTE THE DEVELOPMENT OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN ACHIEVING THEIR FULL PHYSICAL, INTELLECTUAL SOCIAL AND SPIRITUAL POTENTIALS, AS INDIVIDUALS, AS RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS AND AS MEMBERS OF THEIR LOCAL, NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITIES

Activities: Scouting activities

Classification

- **How:** Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- Warwickshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£22,378	£36,224	-	-
2024-03-31	£33,500	£56,538	-	-
2023-03-31	£18,901	£20,515	-	-
2022-03-31	£22,668	£28,315	-	-
2021-03-31	£26,680	£26,680	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Christine Mary McIntosh		2017-09-28
Claire Drake		2025-01-08
Derek Reynolds		2024-09-20
Jo Benjamin		2017-09-28
Luca Buratti		2020-09-22
Srikanth Mandava		2023-09-29

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Trustee's Annual Report

For the period 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024

Registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales, number 1015817. This document is issued to demonstrate compliance with the Charities Act 2011 in demonstrating our purpose and activities as being for the public benefit and that the trustees have demonstrated regard to the commission's guidance when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant.

Structure, Governance and Management

The charity's governing documents are those of the Scout Association. The Scout Association's governing document is a royal charter which gives authority to the Bye-laws of the Association and the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association. The group is a trust established under these rules which are common to all Scout groups. At the previous AGM, we reconfirmed our use of the model constitution as laid out in Policy, Organisation and Rules 5.4.

The trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association (POR).

The group is managed by an elected board of trustees, comprising a Group Chairperson, Group Scout Leader, Group Treasurer and Group Secretary along with individual section leaders, parent's representatives and others nominated onto the committee for their knowledge or skills. The Trustee Board meets every two months on average.

The Group Board of Trustees exists to ensure Scouting is run safely, legally and in line with our charitable purpose. They must be confident that:

- The charity is well managed, carrying out its purpose for the public benefit,
- Our activities comply with our governing document and the law,
- We are following POR and the rules of the Charity Commission
- Young people are meaningfully involved in decision making at all levels
- The group has sufficient resources to meet the planned work of the group.

The group has systems that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement and loss. These include requiring two signatories for all payments made by any section within the group, expenditure of a certain amount being approved by a wider group of leaders, maintaining a risk register of potential risks to the charity and mitigating against these and insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

Objectives of the group

The objectives of the group are as part of the wider Scout Association. The purpose of the Scout Association is “to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.”

This is achieved through the Scout Method which states that “Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together based on the values of Scouting and:

- enjoy what they are doing and have fun;
- take part in activities indoors and outdoors;
- learn by doing;
- share in spiritual reflection;
- take responsibility and make choices;
- undertake new and challenging activities;
- and make and live by their Promise.”

We are guided by the Values of Scouting which are:

- Integrity: We act with integrity; we are honest, trustworthy and loyal.
- Respect: We have self-respect and respect for others.
- Care: We support others and take care of the world in which we live.
- Belief: We explore our faiths, beliefs and attitudes.
- Co-operation: We make a positive difference; we co-operate with others and make friends.

In line with the Scout Association, our goals to 2025 are based around achieving:

- Growth; enabling more young people and adult volunteers to benefit from scouting and the skills it gives them.
- Inclusivity; ensuring barriers to inclusion are removed and working to build tolerance.
- Community impact; making a difference in our local and global community.
- Youth-shaped; ensuring our young people get a voice in scouting, share their experiences and take on leadership roles.

31/3/2024 31/3/2023 Variance %age change



INCOME (SAGE)

	31/3/2024	31/3/2023	Variance	%age change	
Subscriptions	6,038	5,055	984	19%	
Group donations	72	2,125	(2,053)	-97%	All donations being directed to Hut Development
Hall lettings	5,089	2,247	2,842	126%	No change to users but increase on usage fee and more regular invoicing
Section activities	1,918	6,389	(4,471)	-70%	decrease in the number of outside of group activities
Other incomes	60	286	(226)	-79%	Leader appreciation
KISC Trip	11,551	2,800	8,751	313%	Kandersteg coming to an end. ie final payments and accounts finalised
Hut Development Grants/Donations	8,772	0	8,772	#DIV/0!	Made up of grants, fundraising
TOTAL INCOME	33,500	18,901	14,598		

EXPENDITURE (SAGE)

Premises - maintenance	80	36	44	122%	
electricity	745	607	138	23%	
gas	3,778	3,737	41	1%	
water	387	360	27	8%	
rates	83	187	(104)	-55%	Gov discount. scheme in place for this year.
insurance	215	594	(379)	-64%	Clopton garge cover
internet	211	202	9	4%	
Section activity	3,301	7,323	(4,022)	-55%	Additional resources purchased. set up costs of new section
KISC Trip	12,783	1,526	11,257	738%	Kandersteg coming to an end. ie final payments and accounts finalised
Subscriptions (District & County)	2,913	2,290	623	27%	
Legal Costs	540	1,140	(600)	-53%	
Badges & neckers	904	821	84	10%	
Equipment	1,342	346	996	287%	Paddle boating equipment
Training	0	120	(120)	-100%	
Hut related Expenditure	1,196	425	771	181%	Made up of a mix of different normal expenses
Sundries	75	139	(64)	-46%	
Bank charges	(157)	103	(260)	-251%	
Grant	0	275	(275)	-100%	
Direct	10	284	(274)	-97%	
Hut Development Cost	28,111	0	28,111	#DIV/0!	£27,096 on Sudio Spicer invoices
Hut Development (fundraising costs)	20	0	20	#DIV/0!	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	56,538	20,515	36,023		

PROFIT/(LOSS) PER SAGE

	(23,038)	(1,614)	(21,425)	1328%
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Deposit account interest

	3	72
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TOTAL PROFIT/(LOSS)

	(23,035)	(1,542)
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BANK STATEMENT

CURRENT A/C	4,232.24	6,533.90
SAVINGS A/C	13,573.59	32,332.81
	17,805.83	38,866.71

BANK A/C RECONCILIATION

B/f per bank statement	38,866.71
Receipts (SAGE)	33,499.72
Funds transfer	1,977.51
Payments (SAGE)	(56,538.11)
C/f per bank statement	17,805.83

C/f per bank statement

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DIFFERENCE (SHOULD BE NIL)

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CHARITY COMMISSION RETURN

INCOME	33,503	18,973
EXPENDITURE	56,538	20,515



**Report to the trustees/
members of**

1st STRATFORD-UPON-AVON SCOUT GROUP

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31ST MARCH 2024

**Charity no
(if any)**

1015817

Set out on pages

1-2

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 / 03 / 2024**.

**Responsibilities and basis
of report**

As the charity trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect,:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

statement

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

S Bower

Date:

21/06/2024

Name:

SUZANNE BOWER

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body (if
any):**

ASSOCIATE CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT (ACA), ICAEW

Address:

FIELD HOUSE, AVENUE ROAD

STRATFORD-UPON-AVON

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **2021** Period start date To **31 March**
Period end date

Charity name: **1st Stratford Upon Avon Scout Group**

Charity registration number: **1015817**

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	TO PROMOTE THE DEVELOPMENT OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN ACHIEVING THEIR FULL PHYSICAL, INTELLECTUAL SOCIAL AND SPIRITUAL POTENTIALS, AS INDIVIDUALS, AS RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS AND AS MEMBERS OF THEIR LOCAL, NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITIES
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	<p>Personal development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Regular meetings for beavers, cubs and scouts sections – weekly during term time.• Activities and exercise towards, the young people's attainment of badges.• Frequent trips providing exercise, improving community knowledge and understanding, and providing exposure to new skills and experiences.• Camps and sleepovers, building personal resilience and developing various skills. <p>Positive contributions to society:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Supporting community projects by volunteering help.• Participating in community events such as remembrance day parade. <p>The trustees have taken the charity commission's guidance on public benefit into account when making decisions to which it is relevant.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	All charity trustee's follow all guidelines set by the Charity Commission and The Scout Association.

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Follow the Scouting policy, organisation and rules (POR)
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£30,000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	Upcoming rebuild of our owned premises.
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	No deficit.
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	n/a

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		Registered Charity
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Royal Charter
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Charitable Trust
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	Follow the Policy, organisation and rules (POR) set by the Scout association

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	Luca Buratti	Group Chair		AGM
2	Jo Benjamin	Group Scout Leader		AGM
3	Christine Mcintosh	Assistant Group Scout Leader		AGM

4	Judith Leask	Secretary		AGM
5	Andrew Mills	Beaver Section Leader		AGM
6	Fiona Chambers	Admin Support		AGM
7	Martin Lewis	Cub Parent Rep		AGM
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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

L.Buratti

Full name(s)

Luca Buratti

**Position (eg
Secretary, Chair, etc)**

Group Chair

Date

11th April 2022