

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

England & Wales - Charity number 1023671

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1993-07-12

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: provide Scouting Activities for the young people of the Gosport area.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Education/training, Amateur Sport
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- Hampshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-09-30	£118,210	£115,914	-	-
2023-09-30	£112,916	£129,454	-	-
2022-09-30	£94,476	£98,485	-	-
2021-09-30	£47,209	£43,521	-	-
2020-09-30	£73,982	£51,001	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Ian David Batchelor	Chair	2020-10-01
Amanda Jane Batchelor		2020-10-01
Gwyneth May Evans		2020-10-01
JANE WARNER		2013-08-01
PATRICIA ANNE BROWN		
Peter John Giffin		2020-10-01
Robin Peddell		2010-10-01
Trevor Martin Smith		2020-10-01

Linked charities

- TRUST PROPERTY HELD IN CONNECTION WITH GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL (1023671-1)

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Accounts

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

30 September 2024

Charity registration number: 1023671

Scout Association: 12014

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GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL**TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT**

Year ended 30 September 2024

Section A - Reference and administration details

Gosport District Scout Council- The Scout Association District Registration number is 12014.

The Gosport District Scout Council is a registered Charity and its Charity registration Number is 1023671

List of Trustees:-

Name	Appointment	Sub committee	
Paul Jeram	District Chairman	Ex Officio	Nominated
Robin Peddell	Lead Volunteer	Ex Officio	Nominated
Jane Warner	District Treasurer	Finance	Elected
Mandy Batchelor	Deputy Treasurer	Finance	Elected
Gwyn Evans	District Secretary	Finance Appointments	Elected
Jessica Haggard	District Youth Commissioner	Ex Officio	Nominated
Trevor Smith	Deputy District Commissioner	Ex Officio	Nominated
Peter Giffin	Deputy District Commissioner	Ex Officio	Nominated
Patricia Brown	Appointments Secretary	Finance Appointments	Elected
Clive Pittard	Scout Active Support Manager		Nominated
Ryan McGarvey	DESC		Appointment
Chris Smith	DNSC		Appointment
Lee Pounds	GSL rep.	Appointments	Elected
Vacant	Beaver ADC		Elected
Lisa Young	Cub ADC		Elected
Nigel Fleetwood	Scout Leader		Elected
Sean Werren	18-25		Co opted
Trevor Smith	Gang Show		Co-opted
Allan Davey	Kayaking Rep		Co-opted
Carl Pettitt, Charles Nunn, Mike Brown	Solent Training Centre	Appointments	Co opted
Tory Smith	Fundraising Chair		

Professional advisers

Bankers: HSBC Bank, 26 High Street, Gosport, Hampshire PO12 1DG

Independent examiner: A Weston FMAAT

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL**TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (CONTINUED)****Year ended 30 September 2024****Section B - Structure, governance and management**

The District's governing documents are those of the Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, which in turn gives authority to the bye-laws of the Association and the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

The District is a Trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

The District is managed by the District Executive Committee the members of which are Charity Trustees of the Gosport District Scouts, which is an Educational charity. As charity trustees they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities. This includes the registration, keeping of proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate.

The Committee meets every two months and consists of three independent representatives, the Chairman; the Treasurer and the Secretary together with the District Commissioner and section representatives.

The District Executive Committee exists to support the District Commissioner in meeting the responsibility of the appointment and is responsible for: the maintenance of District property; the raising of funds and the administration of District finance; the insurance of persons and property and equipment; District Public occasions; assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support; appointing any sub-committees that may be required; and, appointing District administrators other than those elected.

Risk Management

The Trustees have assessed and will continue to monitor the major risks to which they believe the Scout Council is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances and are, at present, satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate the exposure to major risks.

The main areas of concern are: damage to buildings and property; injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members; and, loss of income from Scout Shop, District Headquarters and Gang Show.

The District, through the capitation fees, contributes to the Scout Association's national accident insurance policy. Risk assessments are carried out before all activities are undertaken.

DBS checks are carried out for all adult members of the Scout Association and for parent helpers.

Reduced income - The District is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions. The District does hold a reserve to ensure continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income.

The District Constitution was approved at the last Annual General Meeting. It is held by the District Secretary and is reviewed annually.

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (CONTINUED)
Year ended 30 September 2024

Section B - Structure, governance and management (continued)

Reserves Policy

Gosport District Scout Council's policy is to hold sufficient unrestricted reserves to enable it to:

- (a) meet the financial uncertainty over the lease of the DHQ.
- (b) withstand any other unforeseen financial setback;
- (c) take advantage of any opportunity which the District Executive Committee considers will benefit the Council and the community it serves.
- (d) provide temporary financial assistance to Scout groups in the expectation of receipt of funding from other organisations.

The Trustees have determined that the appropriate level of general reserves should be, at least, equal to 6 months expenditure of general funds.

Section C - Objectives and activities Policy Organisation and Rules Chapter 1

The Purpose of the Scout Association - Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to Society.

The Values - Integrity; Respect; Care; Belief; Co-operation.

The Method - Scouting takes place when young people in partnership with adults, work together based on the Values of Scouting and in the attainment of the objectives and activities the Trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on Public Benefit.

Section D - Achievements and performance

Membership - The District has held steady in terms of the youth and adult members in Gosport with no change during the past year.

Assets- the buildings and equipment owned by Gosport District Scout Council have been assessed and procedures are being put in place to monitor usage and value.

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (CONTINUED)

Year ended 30 September 2024

Section E - Financial review

The District made an overall surplus of £2,296.

The Unrestricted funds at the year-end total £139,338, of which £97,140 has been designated for the Scout shop, Gang show and other activities. Thus £42,198 [£4,228 is fixed assets] remains as an unrestricted general fund which the trustees believe is sufficient to cover short-term fluctuations in income and expenditure.

Section F - Plans for the future period

a) To continue to provide the governance and management to enable young people to have access to the Objectives and Activities within the Policy Organisation of the Scout Association.

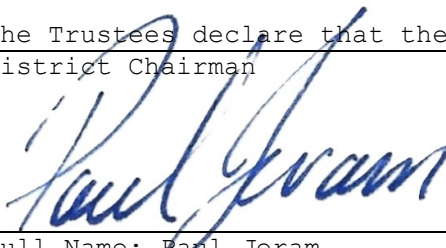
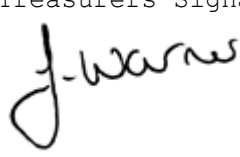
b) Our plan to Support, Develop and Grow continues and will form the foundations for our strategy in Gosport moving forward.

c) During the next year, the management team will undertake the following:

- Ensure that the District continues to thrive and has the best systems in place to support the groups, to support all adult volunteers in the District and develop Scouting in the District.
- Provide Governance and support to the adults in the District in delivering the Trustees responsibilities
- Support the District Leadership team in delivering their vision for the District and assist with a development plan to meet that vision.
- Support the District Leadership Team to ensure that Scouting is attractive to young people and adults from all backgrounds in the District.
- Ensure the District Board of Trustees support the District Leadership team in providing an exciting program of events and to work together with others to meet the Scouting needs of the area.
- Support the District Leadership team to deliver the County Commissioner vision for Scouting across the county.

Section G - Declaration

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

District Chairman 	Treasurers Signature 
Full Name: Paul Jeram	Full name: Jane Warner
Date: 15 July 2025	Date: 15 July 2025

The Board of Trustees
 Gosport District Scout Council
 24, Pilbrow Court
 Canberra Close
 Gosport
 Hampshire PO12 2NZ

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

I report on the financial accounts of Gosport District Scout Council for the year ended 30 September 2024 which are set out on pages 7 to 18.

Respective responsibilities of the executive committee and examiner

The Charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial accounts. The Charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act), and that an Independent Examination is needed.

It is, therefore, my responsibility:

- to examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act;
- to follow the procedures in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities 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 financial accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial accounts, and seeking explanations from the 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 Charities Act; and,
 - to prepare financial accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities 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 financial accounts to be reached.



Angela Weston FMAAT

15 July 2025

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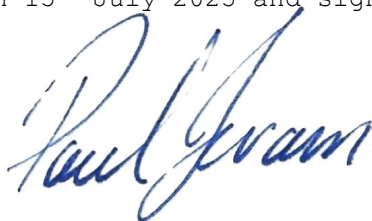
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BALANCE SHEET

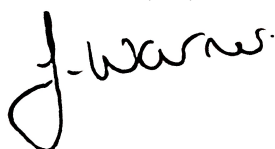
30 September 2024

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2024</u> £	<u>2023</u> £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	2	<u>53,821</u>	<u>53,242</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks		12,253	14,001
Debtors	3	3,732	3,663
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>70,709</u>	<u>70,448</u>
Total current assets		86,694	88,112
LIABILITIES			
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	4	<u>(1,177)</u>	<u>(4,312)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS	13	<u>85,517</u>	<u>83,800</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS	13	<u>£139,338</u>	<u>£137,042</u>
THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY:			
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	14	42,198	41,892
Designated funds	14	<u>97,140</u>	<u>95,150</u>
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS AT 30 SEPTEMBER,		<u>£139,338</u>	<u>£137,042</u>

Approved by the members of the Gosport District Scouts Council
on 15th July 2025 and signed on its behalf by



District Chairman
P Jeram (Mr)



District Treasurer
J Warner (Mrs)

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

Year ended 30 September 2024

	Note	2024			2023		
		Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £	Total £	Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £	Total £
INCOME from:							
Donations and legacies							
Voluntary income	5	4,323		4,323	2,860		2,860
Income from fundraising events		29,411		29,411	24,220		24,220
		<u>33,734</u>	-	<u>33,734</u>	<u>27,080</u>	-	<u>27,080</u>
Charitable activities							
Membership subscriptions	6	58,321		58,321	51,911		51,911
Income from activities		26,155		26,155	33,643		33,643
		<u>84,476</u>	-	<u>84,476</u>	<u>85,554</u>	-	<u>85,554</u>
Bank interest received		-		-	282		282
Total income		<u>118,210</u>	-	<u>118,210</u>	<u>112,916</u>	-	<u>112,916</u>
EXPENDITURE on:							
Raising funds	7	10,811		10,811	12,346		12,346
Charitable activities	8	105,103		105,103	117,108		117,108
Total expenditure		<u>115,914</u>	-	<u>115,914</u>	<u>129,454</u>	-	<u>129,454</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		<u>2,296</u>		<u>2,296</u>	<u>(16,538)</u>		<u>(16,538)</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:							
Total funds brought forward		<u>137,042</u>		<u>137,042</u>	<u>153,580</u>		<u>153,580</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	14	<u>£139,338</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£139,338</u>	<u>£137,042</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£137,042</u>

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2024

NOTE 1 – ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Accounting framework

The financial accounts have been set out in accordance with the accounting framework required under the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing accounts in accordance with FRS 102 (SORP FRS 102 updated October 2019).

There were no material departures from these standards.

(b) Basis and content of the financial accounts

The accounts have been prepared on the basis of historical cost and the accruals concept to show a true and fair view of the Charity's financial position and activities.

The accounts are expressed in pounds Sterling, rounded to the nearest pound and include all the assets and liabilities under the control of the Trustees of the Charity.

(c) Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Land and buildings

Acquisition information relating to the Council's freehold land and buildings is not readily available and these premises are included in the accounts at a historical valuation and are not depreciated.

These costs are depreciated over the shorter of the estimated useful economic life of the assets and the lease term.

Other tangible fixed assets

Other tangible assets are capitalised at cost and depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life as follows:

Electrical equipment	4 Years straight line
Other equipment	10 Years straight line
Fixtures and fittings	20 Years straight line

Acquisition information relating to the Council's freehold land and buildings is not readily available and these premises are included in the accounts at a historical valuation and are not depreciated.

(d) Debtors

Debtors are stated at the amounts due to the Charity at the balance sheet date. Prepayments are recorded for the proportion of time-based expenditures attributable to the ensuing year.

(e) Cash and cash equivalents

This caption represents the amounts held in bank current accounts and cash at the balance sheet date together with bank deposits on less than 90 days' notice at the balance sheet date.

(f) Liabilities

Liabilities are recognised as soon as an outflow of economic benefit is considered more likely than not to occur under a legal or constructive obligation committing the Charity to pay out resources. Creditors that are current liabilities are recognised at the settlement amount expected to be paid at the balance sheet date.

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2024

NOTE 1 – ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**(g) Funds**

Grants and donations received for non-specific purposes or general funding are available for utilisation at the discretion of the Trustees and are dealt with through the General Fund.

Certain designated funds have been created by the Trustees to ring-fence resources that are not considered to be readily expendable. See Note 14.

Grants, donations and legacies received for specific projects are treated as restricted funds for use only in connection with the specified purposes as imposed by the donor or trust deed. Deficits on restricted funds are carried forward to the extent that the Trustees are satisfied that future funding will cover such deficits on a last-in-first-out basis.

(h) Income recognition

Income is brought into account when it is more likely than not that the economic benefit will accrue to the Charity.

Grants and donations

Grants and donations (including government grants) received without pre-conditions attached are recognised on receipt. Gifts subject to performance-related or other conditions are recognised when such conditions are fulfilled and all the donors associated requirements concerning them have been complied with.

Gift Aid

Tax refunds receivable under gift aid arrangements are recognised by reference to the date of the related gift. Gift aid recoverable on donations to trust and special funds is included in the fund to which the gifts relate.

Legacies

Incoming resources from legacies are recognised when there is reasonable certainty that the legacy will be received and the value can be reliably measured.

Investment income

Interest receivable is recognised in the year in which it is earned.

Other income

Individual amounts classified as other income are disclosed separately if they are considered to be material.

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2024

NOTE 1 – ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**(h) Income recognition** (continued)

Gifts in kind and intangible income

Gifts of tangible fixed assets for the Charity's use are recognised as incoming resources on the basis of their actual or estimated value, including VAT where appropriate, at the time the gift is made.

The value of volunteer time is not recognised in the financial statements since there is no measurable cost for their services.

Donated services are recognised as incoming resources insofar as another party is bearing the financial cost of the resources supplied and the benefit is quantifiable and measurable. An equivalent cost is recorded under the appropriate expenditure caption in the Statement of Financial Activities.

(i) Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised when a liability is incurred or a constructive obligation arises resulting in payment being unavoidable or a commitment to pay that is intended to be acted upon.

(j) Stock

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

(k) Allocation and analysis of charitable support and administrative charges

All central costs for charitable support and administration are met from general funds.

(l) Tax

The Charity is exempted by HM Revenue & Customs from liability to tax on its operating surpluses and investment income whilst it pursues its charitable objectives.

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2024

NOTE 2 – TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	<u>Land and buildings</u> £	<u>Equip- ment</u> £	<u>Fixtures and fittings</u> £	<u>Total</u> £
Cost or valuation				
At 1 October 2022	45,000	28,385	-	73,385
Additions during year		3,834		3,834
Disposals				
At 30 September 2024	<u>45,000</u>	<u>32,219</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>77,219</u>
Depreciation/amortisation				
At 1 October 2022		20,143		20,143
Charge for year		3,255		3,255
Disposal				-
At 30 September 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>23,398</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>23,398</u>
Net book value				
At 30 September 2024	<u>£45,000</u>	<u>£ 8,821</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£53,821</u>
At 30 September 2023	<u>£45,000</u>	<u>£ 8,242</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£53,242</u>

NOTE 3 – DEBTORS

	<u>2024</u> £	<u>2023</u> £
Debtors	615	790
Prepayments	2,058	1,908
Accrued income	1,059	965
	<u>£3,732</u>	<u>£3,663</u>

NOTE 4 – CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	<u>2024</u> £	<u>2023</u> £
Creditors	810	1,589
Accrued charges	367	2,723
Deferred income	-	-
	<u>£1,177</u>	<u>£4,312</u>

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2024

NOTE 5 - INCOME FROM DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2024			2023
	Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £	Total £	Total £
Voluntary income				
Donations	2,856		2,856	1,500
Patrons	1,467		1,467	1,360
Gift Aid	-		-	-
	<u>4,323</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,323</u>	<u>2,860</u>
Income from fundraising events				
Tuck Shop Sales	1,219		1,219	2,066
Hall hire	7,048		7,048	1,248
Raffles/Lottery	535		535	669
Scout shop sales	10,890		10,890	12,133
Ticket sales	7,873		7,873	7,462
Sponsors	1,846		1,846	642
	<u>29,411</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>29,411</u>	<u>24,220</u>
Income from Grants				
Interest Received	-		-	282
	<u>£33,734</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£33,734</u>	<u>£27,362</u>

NOTE 6 - INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2024			2023
	Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £	Total £	Total £
Membership subscriptions				
Capitation fees	48,271		48,271	41,985
Membership fees	10,050		10,050	9,926
	<u>58,321</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>58,321</u>	<u>51,911</u>
Income from activities				
Camp fees	22,039		22,039	28,466
Activities	3,962		3,962	4,357
Miscellaneous Income	-		-	820
Clothing Reimbursements	154		154	
	<u>26,155</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>26,155</u>	<u>33,643</u>
	<u>£84,476</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£84,476</u>	<u>£85,554</u>

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2024

NOTE 7 - RAISING FUNDS

	2024			2023
	Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £	Total £	Total £
Stock purchases	9,064		9,064	10,467
Tuck Shop Purchases	1,503		1,503	1,379
Advertising	244		244	300
Prizes	-		-	200
	<u>£10,811</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£10,811</u>	<u>£12,346</u>

NOTE 8 - CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2024			2023
	Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £	Total £	Total £
Membership subscriptions paid				
Capitation fees	41,463	-	41,463	35,984
Donations Paid				
Sundry donations		-		1,000
Activities Expensed				
Camp site fees	6,057		6,057	5,688
Camp activities	9,976		9,976	8,329
Materials purchased	2,260		2,260	4,444
Catering	6,269		6,269	7,739
Activities	2,429		2,429	5,579
Hall hire	5,031		5,031	5,035
Training	140		140	90
Transport	593		593	3,370
Clothing costs	5,742		5,742	6,989
Services purchased	3,270		3,270	6,223
	<u>41,767</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>41,767</u>	<u>53,486</u>
Premises Expenses				
Rent and rates	6,303		6,303	6,732
Utilities	7,592		7,592	6,150
Repairs and maintenance	84		84	2,700
Insurance	3,598		3,598	2,803
Cleaning	(13)		(13)	360
	<u>17,564</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>17,564</u>	<u>18,745</u>
Management and Administration				
Printing, postage and stationery	216		216	1,281
Telephone	25		25	-
Depreciation	3,255		3,255	3,178
Bank and Card charges	753		753	1,008
Misc	-		-	26
Independent examiner's fees	60		60	2,400
	<u>4,309</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,309</u>	<u>7,893</u>
	<u>£105,103</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£105,103</u>	<u>£117,108</u>

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2024

NOTE 9 - TRUSTEES REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

No trustees, nor anyone connected with them, received any remuneration in connection with their services as trustees of the Charity during the year.

No trustee expenses were incurred.

The Trustees control and manage the Charity and make all strategic decisions in relation to its activities.

NOTE 10 - STAFF COSTS**Number of employees**

Average number of persons employed under contracts of service during the year was: nil (2023: nil).

NOTE 11 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Charity did not engage in any transactions with related parties during the year.

NOTE 12 - FUNDS HELD AS CUSTODIAN TRUSTEE

Gosport District Scout Council holds funds on behalf of the 4th and 9th Gosport Scout Group as their agent.

These amounts are not included in the assets, income or expenditure of Gosport District Scout Council in the reporting period. All monies are separated to their own funds on the Charity's accounting software to ensure segregation and safe custody from the Charity's own assets. The amounts received and paid as agent were as follows:

9 th Gosport Scouts Group	2024	2023
	£	£
Membership fee income	140	140
Income from activities	188	188
Expenditure on activities		
	<u>£ 328</u>	<u>£328</u>
4 th Gosport Scout Group	£	£
Bank Balance (overdrawn)	(97)	(97)
	<u>£ (97)</u>	<u>£ (97)</u>

These groups are voluntary organisations with objectives that the trustees consider to align with Gosport District Scout's objectives, as such the general fund of the Council was used to cover the shortfall in the current period and was recovered in the subsequent accounting year.

No fees were charged to either Group for the administration of the agency arrangement.

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NOTE 13 - ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	<u>Fixed assets</u> £	<u>Net current assets</u> £	<u>Net assets</u> £
Unrestricted:			
General fund	4,128	38,070	42,198
Designated funds: Active Support Group		3,510	3,510
Youth sections:			
Beavers		-	-
Cubs		-	-
Scouts		-	-
Explorers	37	11,691	11,728
Gang Show	622	2,567	3,189
Kayak	-	556	556
Network Unit		640	640
Activities	4,034		4,034
Scout Shop	45,000	28,483	73,483
	<u>49,693</u>	<u>47,447</u>	<u>97,140</u>
ACCUMULATED FUNDS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2024	<u>£53,821</u>	<u>£ 85,517</u>	<u>£139,338</u>

NOTE 14 - MOVEMENTS ON FUNDS

	<u>Fund balances brought forward</u> £	<u>Income</u> £	<u>Expenditure</u> £	<u>Trans- fers</u> £	<u>Fund balances carried forward</u> £
(a) Unrestricted					
General fund	41,892	56,250	(46,678)	(9,266)	42,198
Designated funds:					
Active Support Group	3,801	1,219	(1,510)		3,510
Youth sections:					
Beavers	(2,143)	150	(895)	2,888	-
Cubs	(1,476)	95	(295)	1,676	-
Scouts	418	689	(1,271)	164	-
Explorers	14,850	9,927	(12,549)	(500)	11,728
Gang Show	2,773	17,807	(17,391)		3,189
Kayak	1,474		(918)		556
Network Unit	640				640
Activities	668	21,183	(22,855)	5,038	4,034
Scout Shop	74,145	10,890	(11,552)		73,483
	<u>95,150</u>	<u>61,960</u>	<u>(69,236)</u>	<u>9,266</u>	<u>97,140</u>
Total funds	<u>£137,042</u>	<u>£118,210</u>	<u>£ (115,914)</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£139,338</u>

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NOTE 15 - DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - DESIGNATED FUNDS

	<u>Total</u>	<u>Active</u>	<u>Beavers</u>	<u>Cubs</u>	<u>Expl-</u>	<u>Gang</u>	<u>Kayak</u>	<u>Network</u>	<u>Acti-</u>	<u>Scouts</u>	<u>Scout</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>Support</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>orers</u>	<u>Show</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>vities</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>shop</u>
		<u>£</u>			<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>			<u>£</u>		<u>£</u>
Incoming resources											
Membership subscriptions	10,050				7,905	2,145					
Voluntary income	3,928					3,928					
Income from activities	26,155		150	95	2,022	2,424			20,775	689	
Income from fundraising events	21,827	1,219				9,310			408		10,890
Total incoming resources	61,960	1,219	150	95	9,927	17,807	-	-	21,183	689	10,890
Resources used											
Membership Paid	5,467				5,467						
Activities expenses	39,547	71	895	228	6,104	8,977			22,001	1,271	
Fundraising costs	10,811	1,436		67		244					9,064
Premises expenses	10,287				494	7,454					2,339
Management and administration	794	3			424	214			4		149
Miscellaneous expenses	-										
Depreciation charge	2,330				60	502	918		850		
Total resources used	69,236	1,510	895	295	12,549	17,391	918	-	22,855	1,271	11,552
NET RESOURCES ARISING (USED) IN YEAR	£ (7,276)	£ (291)	£ (745)	£ (200)	£ (2,622)	£ 416	£ (918)	£ -	£ (1,672)	£ (582)	(662)

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NOTE 16 - STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES - DESIGNATED FUNDS

	<u>Total</u> £	<u>Active</u> <u>Support</u> £	<u>Beavers</u> £	<u>Cubs</u> £	<u>Expl-</u> <u>orers</u> £	<u>Gang</u> <u>Show</u> £	<u>Kayak</u> £	<u>Network</u> £	<u>Acti</u> <u>vities</u> £	<u>Scouts</u> £	<u>Scout</u> <u>Shop</u> £
FIXED ASSETS											
Land and buildings	45,000										45,000
Equipment	4,693				37	622			4,034		
Fixtures and fittings											
CURRENT ASSETS											
Stock	12,253										12,253
Debtors and prepayments	3,732				615	1,691				366	1,060
Bank balances and cash	31,565	3,510	30		11,076	876	556	640		(366)	15,243
CURRENT LIABILITIES											
Creditors and accrued charges	(103)		(30)								(73)
TOTAL ASSETS BY FUND AT END OF YEAR	<u>£ 97,140</u>	<u>£3,510</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£11,728</u>	<u>£3,189</u>	<u>£556</u>	<u>£640</u>	<u>£4,034</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£73,483</u>

NOTE 17 - STATEMENT OF ACCUMULATED FUNDS -
DESIGNATED FUNDS

FUND BALANCES AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	95,150	3,801	(2,143)	(1,476)	14,850	2,773	1,474	640	668	418	74,145
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS	9,266		2,888	1,676	(500)				5,038	164	
NET RESOURCES ARISING (USED) IN YEAR	<u>(7,276)</u>	<u>(291)</u>	<u>(745)</u>	<u>(200)</u>	<u>(2,622)</u>	<u>416</u>	<u>(918)</u>		<u>(1,672)</u>	<u>(582)</u>	<u>(662)</u>
FUND BALANCES AT END OF YEAR	<u>£ 97,140</u>	<u>£3,510</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£11,728</u>	<u>£3,189</u>	<u>£ 556</u>	<u>£640</u>	<u>£4,034</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>£73,483</u>

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

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Gosport Scouts AGM

1st October 2022 – 30th September 2023



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AGM Agenda

1. Introduction and welcome

2. Apologies for absence

3. Governance topics

a. Approve the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 12/07/2023

b. Adopt the model constitution from Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR)

c. Note the District's financial year

e. Agree the number of members that may be appointed to the Trustee Board

f. Agree the quorum for future meetings of the District Scout Council (excluding this AGM)

4. Review of the previous year

a. The District Lead Volunteer's review of Scouts (Reports included)

b. Receive and consider the Annual Report of the District Trustee Board, including the annual Statement of the Accounts

5. Making appointments

a. Appoint the District Chair, following recommendation from the open selection process initiated by the District Trustee Board

b. [Appoint the District Treasurer, following recommendation from the open selection process initiated by the District Trustee Board

c. Appoint members of the District Trustee Board, following recommendations from the open selection process initiated by the District Trustee Board

d. (Re-)appoint District President and/or Vice Presidents

e. Appoint the Independent Auditor

f. Nominate representatives of the District Scout Council to represent the District on the County Scout Council

6. Closing remarks



Nominations for Board of Trustees 2024

The District Commissioners Nomination for District Chair - Paul Jeram

Election of Officers to Gosport District Scout Board of Trustees Executive Committee

District Secretary – Gwyn Evans

District Treasurer – Jane Warner

Deputy Treasurer – Mandy Batchelor

Ex-officio members

Team DC Representative Trevor Smith

Election and/or co-opt members to the Executive





AGM Reports



Welcome to Gosport Scouts AGM

It has been great to see the fantastic increase in numbers of both youth & leaders across the District. The opening of new Squirrel sections (dreys) and the expansion of other sections has meant so many more young people have been enriched by Scouting in Gosport.



In September 2023 Ian Batchelor our Chair for many years after much thought resigned as District Chair.

The District had experienced the hardest Scouting district times over COVID and Ian together with the leadership team worked together to rebuild the district.

Without Ian's hard work in obtaining the COVID grants for the District we would not have been financially viable. In addition, Ian secured community grants from his business contacts to redecorate the DHQ of over £10,000 which was another testament to his volunteering.

As District Commissioner I can't thank Ian enough for his support and encouragement over the last 4 years. We all wish him all the best. At the last AGM in recognition for his commitment to Gosport Scouts we appointed him as an honorary Vice President as a thank you for all his hard work.

We are pleased that we have been able to nominate a new chairman, Paul who has written a few words of introduction.

Robin Peddell
Team District Commissioner

Nomination for Board of Trustees Chair

Paul Jeram – Nominated Chair

Having been a Cub, a Scout, a Venture Scout, an Instructor and a Leader within the Gosport District along with being member of Gosport Gang Show and a County climbing and mountaineering instructor, Scouts has not only given me some incredible life experiences, but also huge degree guidance and skills learned during my formative years that have stood me in great stead during adulthood. (In fact were it not for Scouts I would not have met my wife, so I really do have everything to be thankful for.)



Scouts always has and will continue to provide the best of experiences, guidance and learnings for the young people within its membership. Our role as adult volunteers is to ensure we provide a welcoming, safe and structured environment in which to deliver this.

I'd like to extend my thanks to Robin, Trevor, Pete and wider team of volunteers throughout the District, who have delivered this over the last 12 months, and undoing so have increased the membership numbers with in the District too.

Having taken a 20 year sabbatical from Scouts I am both thrilled and honoured to be nominated for the position of Chair of the Board of Trustees. I look forward to working with you all and to give back whatever I can to an Association that has given me so much.

Team DC's Reports

Trevor Smith – Team District Commissioner (Sections)

In what has been another amazing year for Gosport Scouting, I wanted to thank all our volunteers for all their hard work in running and supporting their sections, delivered amazing programmes with some wonderful and engaging activities, and have helped to grow our membership once again. Particular thanks go to my ADCs – Marie and Clive who have supported me and the District by developing and delivering an active programme and providing help to groups and leaders to support them with the exceptional growth of the District



We have grown the District with another the 9th opening a Scout Troop and the 4th Gosport continuing to grow with a Beaver Section. We continue to look to open Squirrel Dreys in the remaining groups wherever we can.

I wish you all a great Summer and look forward to seeing equally exciting times in 2023/24.

Pete Giffin – Team District Commissioner (Adventurous Activities)

Our Land and Water activity teams have been extremely busy running activities for the groups, at section evenings, events, and camps, which is great to see.

Over this year we have had more Leaders complete their Nights Away assessments to gain their permit. This is really helping to ensure that all the groups have the necessary resources to ensure a wide and varied programme, as well as some adventurous nights away.

It has been great to see so many outdoors activities and camps taking place this year, the number of events groups are participating in is increasing again and we are seeing more and more adventurous content in the group and district programmes.

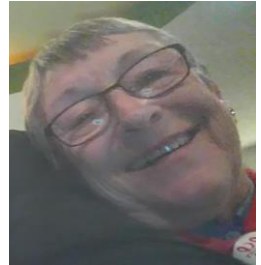
One of our primary focuses this year has been increasing the number of permitted leaders able to run activities for our young people and that has been a success, with further leaders now permitted in Climbing, Archery and Rifle Shooting.



I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for keeping the adventure alive this year, with special thanks to Jodie and Allan for their incredible commitment to the activities in their areas and always upholding their Scouting Values.

Scout Active Support Report

Pat Brown – SAS Manager

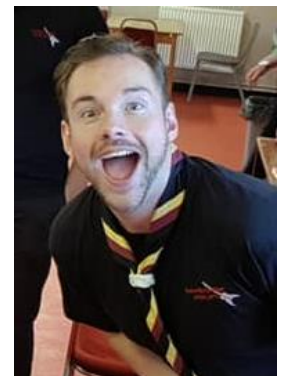


Members are working hard at the many District Events and with their Groups.

We have spent the last year mainly meeting once a month in the afternoons, the evening meetings don't seem to be wanted any more as most of our members are also helping in Groups and do not have time for another meeting in the week

Network Section Report

Chris Smith- Network Commissioners Report



The Gosport Sharks Network continue to provide an opportunity for 18-25 year olds within the district to make new friends, and meet people, keep connected with others, to get outdoors and really get stuck in.

Our members are active all across the district with many holding multiple roles with the different groups and sections and we strive to provide a touch-point to enable these individuals to create a positive impact across the scouting community.

Highlight of the year so far has been the District Camp where the Sharks were able to provide help setting up, running, and supporting many of the activities put on over the course of the weekend.

Explorers Section Report

Ryan Mcgarvey - Explorers Commissioners Report



Over the past year, our numbers have steadily risen and have now grown to a remarkable point where it has become necessary to expand the way we deliver our activities. We are shifting from a focus on weekly meetings towards an event-based structure. This ensures there is always room to grow and accept all the amazing young people we work with. A massive thank you to our leaders and a special BRAVO to the explorer leaders and occasional helpers for their hard work, time, and patience.

This year has seen some firsts for the unit: Our Explorer Scouts had an incredible time participating in various activities and bonding with Explorer Scouts from other regions. This year's Ferny Fest offered a wide array of activities that challenged our Explorer Scouts both physically and mentally. From outdoor adventure courses to team-building exercises, there was something for everyone. The event also provided a unique opportunity for our Explorer Scouts to interact with peers from different districts, fostering new friendships and a greater sense of community. The shared experiences and collaborative spirit of Ferny Fest have left a lasting positive impact on our Scouts, inspiring them to bring back new ideas and enthusiasm to our local group.

Thirty Explorers attended the annual district camp. I cannot overstate the incredible work the Explorers put in, and we cannot wait to see all of these amazing young people develop and grow with how well they handled themselves and the challenges set before them.

Our current focus is on providing a diverse array of events for all sections and encouraging more outdoor activities. We aim to facilitate smooth transitions both from Scouts to Explorers and from Explorers to network and leadership roles. By organising inclusive events and fostering a love for the outdoors, we feel very confident about the future of our ever-expanding unit. With a brilliant 70 members and more joining every week, the future looks incredibly bright for our Explorer community.

District Support Report

Gwyn Evans – ADC District Support



CHIEF SCOUT AWARDS REPORT OCT 22 – SEPT 23

Gosport has seen increases in numbers joining the movement and these numbers are gaining the top awards in their section. We now have Squirrel Drey's in most of the groups which has led to 14 Acorn Awards, Beavers have gained 16 Bronze, Cubs have gained 25 Silver awards and Scouts 4 Gold. We also had 1 explorer gain his Platinum.

We need to mention the award of King's Scout going to James Dolton who is a Leader at the 12th Gosport.

Many congratulations to all of these young people.

Scout Section Report

Clive Pittard – ADC Scouts



First of all, can I Thank the few of you who stepped up and volunteered to help us run however many of the Events Gwyn Evans (ADC District Support) & I Organise & Run for the Scouts & the District in this Scouting year, October 1st 2022 up until the end of September 30th 2023, as we couldn't have done any of it without you, so Thank You, again

There were many events in this period. I will list some of them, and forget some on the list too I am sure:

Robin Peddell (District Commissioner) & I were finishing off with our Silver DofE Group's Route Card Planning & Preparation & Checking at the beginning of October '22 before the Weekend's Silver Practice Hike. Gwyn & I had finished preparing, Ian Batchelor & I walked the route again, and Gwyn & I executed our yearly Scout Lightweight Hike near the end of October 2022, where the Scouts plan & formulate their routes from a given start point up until Lyons Copse Scout Camp Site in Shedfield carrying all their kit including tents & food etc, and that for starters is a very hungry event in the respect of needs & musts from Adult

& Explorer Help! And in November 2022 Robin & I had a presentation evening for our successful DofE'ers to show their parents what they had achieved and what they got up to. Following that we had a good turnout at one of the Remembrance Day Parades & Services outside the War Memorial; Because of the previous Covid Restrictions, we were able this year to bring back the District Carol Service December 2022 too;

Robin & I Welcomed a new batch of Explorers & Network members to hopefully start their journey onto being DofE Participants for Bronze & Silver and the Scouting equivalent (Platinum, Diamond, and Queens as was then) Top Awards in January 2023; Gwyn also ran the Scout Chess Competition January 2023 which usually attracts around a dozen competitors and in respect is an event that we wouldn't knock off of our yearly planner;

Gwyn & Robin & I planned & prepared many events in February '23, and we had a few Patrols enter the Scout Cooking Competition March '23 in the DHQ and as always they never cease to impress us with what they can do in such a short space of time; ran the Scout Patrol Leader/Leadership Training Day March '23 too this time at the DHQ in Alverstoke and despite the time of year had a few dozen Scouts come along and hopefully learn some new or reminder of old skills to take away from; and Robin & I ran another Gosport DofE/Top Awards Planning/Training evening in March '23 too;

We had a Great turnout for our St. George's Day Parade in April '23; more evenings of Training/Planning for our Gosport Bronze & Silver DofE/Top Award participants April '23 too;

Gwyn Kicked off this year's SuperScout Heats in May '23 in and around the District; and we ran the Scout's Camp Skills Weekend May '23 where they learn or hone more outdoor skills into hopefully perfecting and safe Knife/Axe/Saw & Fire Building & Cooking & Tent erection etc;

Gwyn ran more SuperScout Heats continue into June '23; a few more Gosport Explorer/Network Bronze & Silver DofE/Top Award evenings; and also managed to fit in the Gosport District Scout Elles Shield Camping Competition in June '23 too;

The SuperScout Final came at last in July '23; and there were many many Scouts attend Jodie Warner (ADC Land Activities) & Peter Giffin (Deputy District Commissioner Adventure)'s District Camp at Lyons Copse totalling many hundreds of Gosport Scouting Members altogether in July '23; and a Practice DofE Expedition for the Bronze's & Silvers July '23 as well;

We carried on planning Routes for the DofE Awards & Lightweight Hike too throughout August '23;

and Re-started the Gosport Explorer/Network Bronze/Silver DofE/Top Award Participants group off again in September '23 enabling them to get their Expedition done & dusted in September '23 too and under their belts giving them a fighting chance of completing their chosen Award by the end of the year;

None of this is Possible without not only the young people coming forward to take part and enter these events, But ALSO, FROM YOU, the Leaders & Young Adults & not-so-young adults & Explorers etc, and dare I say, the list of volunteers putting their hands up and putting their names down to help us run safe & successful events is getting smaller and smaller, with the same few people coming along and helping (Thank You So Very Much!) over & over, and the list of registered Gosport Scouting Members becoming longer this really isn't fair

I Know that Many of you run your own Drays or Colonies or Packs or Troops or have your own regular Scouting commitments, and massive hats off to you, Seriously, But I'm Sorry, and possibly sounding selfish perhaps, WE NEED MORE OF YOU to please step up and help us out with an event or Better Still a few events of ours too, or we simply won't be able to run a full & Successful Safe Engaging Programme of Events across the Scouting Calendar, Please Look Forward to seeing a lot more of you sometime Soon Please

Beavers and Cub Section Report

Marie Smith – ADC Cubs

BEAVERS REPORT

This year has been action packed once again with the district team running competitions and events to enrich the Beaver colonies' programmes. We ran the Super Beaver event for the first time in January 2023 and it was a huge success. Unlike the Scout and Cub competitions, it was decided the Beaver competition would be a team event and a straight final. Teams arrived and took part in a carousel of activities where teamwork was the main focus. November 2022 saw the Beavers take part in a district sleepover and it was a chance for leaders without permits to bring their Beavers for their first night away. It was certainly busy! A massive thank you to all the leaders and helpers who helped in the running of the 4 competitions across the year as well as the range of events.



CUB SCOUT REPORT

This year saw some new activities and opportunities as well as some returning favourites. September 2023 saw some packs signing up to an activity day at Calshot Activity Centre. Cubs enjoyed the unique experiences of sailing or windsurfing, dry slope skiing and did a bit of indoor orienteering. Competitions run from April to March and what is run varies. 4 competitions are run towards the trophy and then additional activities as requested are put on such as the Cub hike. Teams of Cubs hiked across Lee on Solent this year stopping past bases for some activities along the way. A massive thank you to leaders for supporting events and for those district leaders and helpers who helped run events and competitions.

Land Activities Report

Jodie Warner – ADC Land



This year we have continued to expand the amount of sessions we can offer to groups for section evening, camps and events. We have visited almost every group this year and next year we would like to have visited every group.

We have had yet another successful district camp in which every group was represented, the children seemed to thoroughly enjoy themselves and it was great to see such a fantastic turn out.

We have had a large focus this year on the storage and maintenance of the activity equipment and we would like to thank everyone that played a part in this, the equipment is now much more accessible.

If you would like to book an activity or would like to join our activity team please get in touch at adc-land@gosportscouts.org.uk

Lastly I would like to thank everyone who has helped out with the activities in the past 12 months, without your help we would not be able to offer as many adventurous activities as we currently do. You are all amazing!

Water Activities Report

Allan Davey – ADC Water



Gosport Scout Kayaking has been somewhat quiet due to availability of team members but a number of taster sessions have been run for both Scouting and also a Brownie Group and we continue to run these.

Over the 2023/24 year other events supported by GSK have included the Raft Race, which was held at the Gosport Marine Festival in Walpole Park.

We will aim to hold a Water Fun Day in September and run some more taster sessions for Scouts and Guides.

Expenditure over the last year has been limited with only the water access / jetty license a cost.

Lastly with a disrupted season we are preparing plans so we can start some activities when we can and also looking to reschedule our base of operations.

Gang Show Report

Trevor Smith – Show Producer



We have managed another successfully Gosport Gang Show.

The Show was very well received by members of the public and was well supported in terms of Gang Members both on and off stage.

Returning to the Thorngate Theatre and Gosport has also proved popular with lots of people embracing the future of the show and the Theatre.

The Show team have worked to improve the facilities at the theatre and make it more usable for all – this we hope to make use of for the 2025 show!

Thanks to all in the District for their continued support

Media and Communications Report

Lisa Young – ADC Media and Communications



Groups and the District are continuing to use social media to spread the fantastic work they are doing for our young people and we are continuing to see the benefits of this.

Media workshops are available at County level for both adults and young people can attend Scouts Speak up.

There has been local and national media coverage of groups and Scouts in Gosport is to soon feature in Gosport Borough Council's promotional videos.

Advice and support is always available to anyone who needs it.

Growth and Development Report

Gemma Shaw – ADC Growth and Development



Growth and development

Another busy year with lots of parents getting more involved with the movement, volunteering as occasional helpers then extending their roles. We have had interest from both adult volunteers and youth members at various events and a couple more booked towards the end of this year. County have supported the 9th Gosport who now have both Beavers and Cubs with Scouts in the pipelines. County have also supported re-opening the 4th Gosport Squirrels with hope to open Beavers in the Autumn.

Squirrels

There are now 6 Dreys in the district. Plans to hold a Squirrel leader meeting in the Autumn term to introduce District Squirrel events, starting with a Christmas party.

Inclusion and Diversity

During the last few months, I've been supporting several individuals within the district to help integrate strategies from their homes and EHCPs into their scouting.

Adult Support Report

Rick Dickinson – ADC Adult Support



Continued to conduct First Aid Courses throughout the year successfully keeping adults compliant.

Continued to visit groups and provide support to the adults.

Continued to support training in the District including the bringing on of new training advisors.

Assisted with several camps as an extra leader to help with numbers.

Assisted several groups and district with First Aid training for young people.

Appointments Advisory Committee

Nigel Fleetwood – Appointments Advisory Committee Chairman



We have continued to deliver panels and have seen numerous members pass through the panels in the last year. Recently we have updated our systems introducing an online booking system to relieve the pressure on the committee

secretary. This process now also includes an automatic reference request system. This will automatically send a request to the applicant's referee's request they complete the form and send it back.

There are currently 48 adult members due to come through panel in accordance with Compass. All 48 have been invited to book a place on a panel. There are panels booked in for the remainder of the year with 5 seats on each panel. Currently only 3 out of the 48 new volunteers, have signed up. Reducing the number of volunteers waiting for a panel is the number 1 priority for the next year.

The AAC has struggled this year with committee member availability and with so many changes on the horizon it was highly anticipated that the AAC would not be around by now. We currently have 5 members on the panel, all of which carry additional roles within District and section roles. All panel members are also above the age of 25, So I am really keen to recruit some younger members of the District. I have released a couple of posts on Facebook but with zero volunteers coming forward. This is why the recruitment of additional members is my number 2 priority.

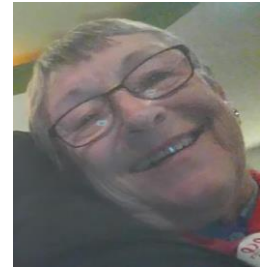
Last year the style of the meetings was changed to include 5 people at a time, and this was reduced from 10 which was too many. The new 5 member maximum has worked well and ensure everyone is included in the conversation whilst maximising committee members valuable time and helps reduce the number of people waiting around. By having 5 people in each session, we can now see 10 people in an evening compared to the original 4/5 a night, doubling availability of panels.

Due to significant changes around district with groups adding section and the re-introduction of groups there has been some changes to the panel day and times. The meetings will continue to run on Tuesdays and Thursdays, but the dates have changed to later in the month. All Tuesday meetings will be held at Nobes Hall and will run from 8-9pm. All Thursday meetings will run at DHQ and will run 7-9pm.

My aims for this year is to address my 2 priorities above and continue to lead the team into transformation and support the GSL's through the process and offer support and guidance where needed.

DHQ Report

Pat Brown – Bookings Secretary



The DHQ has been completely redecorated, including the renewal of all the toilets

We now have a Pre-School using the Hall Monday to Friday in the daytime, leaving plenty of time for Scouting in the evenings and weekends

9th Gosport Beavers meet in the Hall from 5pm Wednesdays

9th Gosport Cubs and Scouts meet in the Hall from 6pm Fridays

Private bookings are also going well

Lyons Copse Report

Mike Brown, Carl Pettit, Charles Nunn
Gosport Lyons Copse Representatives



This year has seen numbers back to normal but we have been struggling with keeping the site going with large camps, weekend after weekend hence we voted in a change to the site numbers.

Our aim now is to have a max of 300 on site for normal weekend with whole site bookings 300 - 700 being member Districts only.

We have to do this to cope with traffic on site , parking etc and the increase in issues with locals due to traffic on Sandy lane etc.

This has been very evident over the start of this year with it being the wettest for the site it has ever been. We have only got the cut the last of the grass mid June , some 3 months later than normal.

Site Overall:

Camping is doing well but as previously mentioned some camps have had to be cancelled due to the weather, however these have rebooked new dates.

What has taken off big time is evening bookings with groups using the site to get out into the fresh air.

The tower, rafting, Barn etc have never been used so much. Again we are having to restrict numbers to 2 groups per night. We are also asking for host groups to let themselves into the site, otherwise the local volunteers are turning out every night. Some of this surge has been down to the New Cave bus which also seems very popular.

We have been asked about pond testing due to the smell, this is fully in place and we have passed no issues.

Buildings:

Toilets.

We are back to general toilet use and this has eased the work for the cleaning team. We have fitted all the toilets with stock cupboards so groups can keep them clean and refill items as needed. Groups camping are allocated toilets to keep clean over the weekend etc.

The Lodge:

No issues with the lodge , our plans are for new Led lighting in the main hall and landscape / hard surface out the front to get rid of the mud.

Pine Cabin:

We have now completed the changes to the toilets in the cabin with a new gender neutral / leaders toilet in place.

All safety checks have been completed with no major issues. We have started some upgrades on the site power set up but have hit a snag part way through with the company doing the work.

General items:

As mentioned before we have been looking at our ongoing fuel costs and trying to keep our fees as low as we can we are now exploring the use of green energy options, solar power etc. So far this has not been very easy with very few companies offering us any way forward. This is mainly due to the setup of the site.

Moving forward as a site we now need to start looking at the future and trying to get new people on board to start having back up support in place.

We have had to deal with a major complaint by a neighbour re noise on the site. This has required hours of work to prove the site has various permissions to run as a campsite etc. This is still ongoing.

Scouts 

**Our Gosport Youth Membership
Has Grown by a further 10% for the
second consecutive year!**

**We have over 758 Youth Members aged from 4 to 18 years!
Squirrels 4 - 6, Beavers 6 - 8, Cubs 8 -10,
Scouts 10 - 14, Explorers 14 -18**

We are the biggest we have been since our records began in 2000

Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers!

But we need more adult volunteers

Can you help?

Minutes of the Gosport District Annual General Meeting

Held at District Headquarters on 12th
July 2023 at 7.30pm



Present: Robin Peddell (DC) Ian Batchelor, (Chairman) Jane Warner, (Treasurer) Gwyn Evans (Secretary) Paul Bell (County Representative) Richard Earle (Deputy Mayor) and 38+ Members of Gosport District Scouts.

1. Ian welcomed all our guests and was really pleased to see so many there.
2. Apologies: Anne-Marie Werren / David Harvey / Nigel Fleetwood / Lee Pounds / Allan Davey / David Cole / Melenie Coulbert / Adrian Roberts / Sean Blackman / Daniel Fox. / Dame Caroline Dinenage MP
3. Approval of the previous year's minutes – Trevor Smith Seconded Ryan McGarvey
4. Approval of Financial Report: Talk on finances.

If we start by looking at page 8 of the report, you will notice that both the income and the expenditure for the year are almost double that of last year. As you will appreciate, last year's figures were still within the period of restrictions for Covid, which is why there is a substantial figure in the grants last year and nothing this year. This does, however, makes it more difficult to draw comparison between the two years. You will that there is an overall deficit this year of £4009, which was largely due to the purchase of new air rifles, climbing equipment, soft archery, and gazebos, which can be seen on page 12 in the tangible fixed assets as additions during the year.

The Capitation fees shown on page 14 under membership subscriptions, even with the increased charge per young person still indicates that there is an increase of young people during the year.

On page 15 you will notice that the only figures which can be accurately compared to last year, are the premises expenses. These is because these are mainly fixed costs, which need to be paid even if there is no income.

On page 12 the prepayments are camp site deposits which have been paid during this, or previous, financial years, but do not take place until future years. The debtors are explorers who pay through Go Cardless. Their membership fees are collected a month in arrears. The accrued income is primarily owed to the scout shop. Now there is a card machine available for customers to use the income from those payments has not yet been received by the bank. The deferred income is also that of the Explorers who have paid for a camp which didn't take place until October. The accrued charges are mostly for the Independent Examiners who are always paid after they have completed this year's examination.

In conclusion, the funds of the District have remained relatively stable and the Executive Committee are confident that there are sufficient funds available for the foreseeable future.

My thanks, as ever, go to Mandy for all her support over the past year.

Report was Approved by Carl Pettit. Seconded by Sandra Hicks.

Jane asked if Wood /Hicks be approved to continue as Auditors. Proposed Carl Pettit Seconded Matt Hicks.

5. Annual Section Reports: Robin then showed a video of the District activities throughout the year. Thanked Dave Jenkins for putting together.

6. District Commissioner's Report: He thank all the district for their support over the last year.

7. Approval of DC's Nomination of District Chair: Ian was proposed by Robin and accepted.

8. Election of Officers to Gosport District Scout Executive Committee

Election of District Secretary – Gwyn Evans was proposed by Pat Brown. Seconded by Sandra Martin

Election of District Treasurer – Jane Warner was proposed by Pat Brown. Seconded by Sandra Martin

Election of Deputy Treasurer – Mandy Batchelor was proposed by Pat Brown. Seconded by Sandra Martin

9. Ex – Officio Members:

DC Robin Peddell

DYC Marcus Chambers

DDC Trevor Smith

DDC Pete Giffin

DNSC Chris Smith

DESC Ryan McGarvey

9. Election and/or co-opt members to the Executive:

GSL- Lee Pounds

Squirrels Jodie Warner

Beavers-

Cubs – Lisa Young

Scouts- Clive Pittard

18-25 Network – Sean Werren

SAS- Pat Brown

Gang Show – Trevor Smith

Gosport Kayaking- Allan Davey

Lyons Copse Representatives – Carl Pettit, Charles Nunn, and Mike Brown

District Appointments Chair-(Non-Trustee) Nigel Fleetwood

District Appointment Secretary- Helena Dawson

Fundraising Chair- Tory Smith

District Scout Shop Managers – Sandra Hicks

District Badge Secretary- Pete Phillips.

Property Services Chair- Hannah Batchelor

Property Services Committee – Pete Phillips.

10. New Constitution (Set out in P.O.R.5.4 Board of Trustees)

All agreed to adopt the constitution.

11. A.O.B. There were no questions at this point. Carl asked to speak re the Lyons Copse Committee and explained that we part-owned this site. To keep the site at its best help was needed on a regular basis. Members who willingly give their time on a Monday night are getting older and new blood is needed to keep the site looking inviting and pristine. Please if you can give some time, you will be very welcome.

12. District Chair:

Thanks to our distinguished guests, leaders, parents & young people for attending our AGM tonight.

Robin and his team have done an outstanding job in rejuvenating scouting after Covid and it was a delight to hear that Robin was awarded a Silver Acorn for his continued outstanding service to Scouting-truly deserved.

It's great to see all our Scouting activities returning after the enforced COVID break and the increase in both leaders & young people in Gosport who want to enjoy Scouting is fantastic. The life skills that the leaders provide to the young people is ensuring they are ready for anything the 21st century can throw at them.

It is a pleasure working with the leadership team and wider leaders within Gosport and the dedication those leaders show is something we should all be proud of.

Gosport Scouts is a key community partner and is recognised as a leading provider of youth activities within Gosport.

It is worthy to note that only yesterday the Royal Navy assisted our Gang Show team in replacing a fence at our new workshop facility and over the next 7 working days over 20 contractors will be undertaking a Nick Knowles type big build in this very building replacing toilets, lights, electrical equipment, boxing in radiators and painting the entire inside of the building as part of their community engagement. This truly shows that professionals are proud to work with Gosport Scouts to build a better environment for our young people.

To continue to grow as a Scout district we really do need additional support and if you know of anyone that can give up a few hours a month please speak to any of us. I have seen many parents join our groups over

the last few months and they all say how much pleasure they get out of working with the young people. It is truly rewarding.

Thanks to my Exec team for the support, you have given over the last 12 months, and I look forward to working with you moving forward.

Finally, please pass on a huge thankyou to all the Scouting widows, widowers & orphans who without complaint let their loved ones give up so much personal time to Scouting week in & week out.

Thanks all.

13.. Deputy Mayor: Richard wished to thank you for inviting him, he realised through his friends the amount of time gives to the youth of Gosport. He thanked Robin and Ian for the organising and the fantastic effort in making the District so successful. He then told a story of his Father finding his second family in scouting after returning from Australia because of the war. He then again thanked all those who put their time and effort in for the benefit of the youth of Gosport.

14.County Representative: Paul started by saying he was proud to be in Hampshire Scouting as we were the biggest county with 29,000 members in 21 Districts, of those districts Gosport was the one which had grown by 20% more over the last year and the district with the biggest increase. To the leaders he said it was them who made Gosport what it was and always looking to improve. Thanks to all.

17. Presentations: There were a few presentations:

George Hind and Jerry Nottingham --- Duke of Edinburgh Silver award

Ellie Moore and Zoe Myall --- Young Leader award

Robin then explained that he wished to reward those who have put many years into Scouting for Gosport and have now partly retired. The District has now made the following Members Vice Presidents of Gosport District.

David South

Ian Batchelor

Peter Phillips

Mike Brown.

He then thanked them with trophies and Badges.

18. District Commissioners closing remarks: Robin stated he loved Gosport Scouts and was proud for the growth within the District. He congratulated the 6th on their award from the County. He thanked everyone for their time given to their groups. He thanked Ian for always being there when he needed to chat. He thanked his amazing GSL's and wished he give all a great big hug.

Meeting closed at 20.00



GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2023

Charity registration number: 1023671

Scout Association: 12014

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

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GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

Year ended 30 September 2023

Section A - Reference and administration details

Gosport District Scout Council- The Scout Association District Registration number is 12014.

The Gosport District Scout Council is a registered Charity and its Charity registration Number is 1023671

The Address of the District Secretary is:
**27, Hill Park Road
Gosport, Hampshire
PO12 3EB**

List of Trustees:-

Name	Appointment	Sub committee	
Ian Batchelor	District Chairman	Ex Officio	Nominated
Robin Peddell	District Commissioner	Ex Officio	Nominated
Jane Warner	District Treasurer	Finance	Elected
Mandy Batchelor	Deputy Treasurer	Finance	Elected
Gwyn Evans	District Secretary	Finance Appointments	Elected
Jessica Haggard	District Youth Commissioner	Ex Officio	Nominated
Trevor Smith	Deputy District Commissioner	Ex Officio	Nominated
Peter Giffin	Deputy District Commissioner	Ex Officio	Nominated
Patricia Brown	Appointments Secretary	Finance Appointments	Elected
Clive Pittard	Scout Active Support Manager		Nominated
Ryan McGarvey	DESC		Appointment
Chris Smith	DNCS		Appointment
Lee Pounds	GSL rep.	Appointments	Elected
Vacant	Beaver ADC		Elected
Lisa Young	Cub ADC		Elected
Nigel Fleetwood	Scout Leader		Elected
Sean Werren	18-25		Co opted
Trevor Smith	Gang Show		Co-opted
Allan Davey	Kayaking Rep		Co-opted
Carl Pettitt, Charles Nunn, Mike Brown	Solent Training Centre	Appointments	Co opted
Tory Smith	Fundraising Chair		

Professional advisers

Bankers: HSBC Bank, 26 High Street, Gosport, Hampshire PO12 1DG

Independent examiner: P J Sommerville ACA, Wood, Hicks & Co Chartered Accountants, Units 1-2, Warrior Court, 9-11 Mumby Road, Gosport, Hampshire PO12 1BS

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (CONTINUED)

Year ended 30 September 2023

Section B - Structure, governance and management

The District's governing documents are those of the Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, which in turn gives authority to the bye-laws of the Association and the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

The District is a Trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

The District is managed by the District Executive Committee the members of which are Charity Trustees of the Gosport District Scouts, which is an Educational charity. As charity trustees they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities. This includes the registration, keeping of proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate.

The Committee meets every two months and consists of three independent representatives, the Chairman; the Treasurer and the Secretary together with the District Commissioner and section representatives.

The District Executive Committee exists to support the District Commissioner in meeting the responsibility of the appointment and is responsible for: the maintenance of District property; the raising of funds and the administration of District finance; the insurance of persons and property and equipment; District Public occasions; assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support; appointing any sub-committees that may be required; and, appointing District administrators other than those elected.

Risk Management

The Trustees have assessed and will continue to monitor the major risks to which they believe the Scout Council is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances and are, at present, satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate the exposure to major risks.

The main areas of concern are: damage to buildings and property; injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members; and, loss of income from Scout Shop, District Headquarters and Gang Show.

The District, through the capitation fees, contributes to the Scout Association's national accident insurance policy. Risk assessments are carried out before all activities are undertaken.

DBS checks are carried out for all adult members of the Scout Association and for parent helpers.

Reduced income - The District is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions. The District does hold a reserve to ensure continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income.

The District Constitution was approved at the last Annual General Meeting. It is held by the District Secretary and is reviewed annually.

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (CONTINUED)

Year ended 30 September 2023

Section B - Structure, governance and management (continued)

Reserves Policy

Gosport District Scout Council's policy is to hold sufficient unrestricted reserves to enable it to:

- (a) meet the financial uncertainty over the lease of the DHQ.
- (b) withstand any other unforeseen financial setback;
- (c) take advantage of any opportunity which the District Executive Committee considers will benefit the Council and the community it serves.
- (d) provide temporary financial assistance to Scout groups in the expectation of receipt of funding from other organisations.

The Trustees have determined that the appropriate level of general reserves should be, at least, equal to 6 months expenditure of general funds.

Section C - Objectives and activities Policy Organisation and Rules Chapter 1

The Purpose of the Scout Association - Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to Society.

The Values - Integrity; Respect; Care; Belief; Co-operation.

The Method - Scouting takes place when young people in partnership with adults, work together based on the Values of Scouting and in the attainment of the objectives and activities the Trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on Public Benefit.

Section D - Achievements and performance

Membership - Robin and the team continue to increase the youth and adult members in Gosport.

High lights form the census this year

- Youth membership has increased by 66
- Total youth membership 758
- Two new Beaver Colonies created
- Two new Squirrel Drays created
- Adult increase +16% since 2018
- Overall % increase +10% on prior year

A fantastic achievement and one the whole District should be extremely proud of.

Assets- the buildings and equipment owned by Gosport District Scout Council have been assessed and procedures are being put in place to monitor usage and value.

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (CONTINUED)
Year ended 30 September 2023

Section E - Financial review

The District made an overall loss of £16,538.

The Unrestricted funds at the year-end total £137,042, of which £95,150 has been designated for the Scout shop, Gang show and other activities. Thus £41,892 remains as an unrestricted general fund which the trustees believe is sufficient to cover short-term fluctuations in income and expenditure.

Section F - Plans for the future period

a) To continue to provide the governance and management to enable young people to have access to the Objectives and Activities within the Policy Organisation of the Scout Association.

b) Our plan to Support, Develop and Grow continues and will form the foundations for our strategy in Gosport moving forward.

c) The leadership team, now complete, have with Robins leadership undertaken the following:

- Ensure that the District thrives and has the best systems in place to support the groups, to support all adult volunteers in the District and develop Scouting in the District.
- Provide Governance and support to the adults in the District in delivering the Trustees responsibilities
- Support the District Leadership team in delivering their vision for the District and assist with a development plan to meet that vision.
- Support the District Leadership Team to ensure that Scouting in the District is attractive to young people and adults from all backgrounds in the District.
- Ensure the District Board of Trustees support the District Leadership team in providing an exciting program of events and to work together with others to meet the Scouting needs of the area.
- Support the District Leadership team to deliver the County Commissioner vision for Scouting across the county.

Section G - Declaration

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

District Commissioner	Treasurers Signature
Full Name: Robin Peddell	Full name: Jane Warner
Date:	Date:

The Board of Trustees
Gosport District Scout Council
5 South Close
Gosport
Hampshire PO12 2PS

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

I report on the financial accounts of Gosport District Scout Council for the year ended 30 September 2023 which are set out on pages 7 to 18.

Respective responsibilities of the executive committee and examiner

The Charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial accounts. The Charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act), and that an Independent Examination is needed.

It is, therefore, my responsibility:

- to examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act;
- to follow the procedures in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the Charities 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 financial accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial accounts, and seeking explanations from the 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 Charities Act; and,
 - to prepare financial accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities 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 financial accounts to be reached.

.....
P J Sommerville

..... July 2024

Wood, Hicks & Co.
Chartered Accountants
Units 1-2 Warrior Court
9-11 Mumby Road
Gosport
Hampshire PO12 1BS

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

BALANCE SHEET

30 September 2023

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2023</u> £	<u>2022</u> £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	2	<u>53,242</u>	<u>54,961</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks		14,001	13,076
Debtors	3	3,663	3,981
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>70,448</u>	<u>85,518</u>
Total current assets		88,112	102,575
LIABILITIES			
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	4	<u>(4,312)</u>	<u>(3,956)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>83,800</u>	<u>98,619</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS		<u>£137,042</u>	<u>£153,580</u>

THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY:

Unrestricted funds

General fund	14	41,892	51,157
Designated funds	14	<u>95,150</u>	<u>102,423</u>
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS AT 30 SEPTEMBER,		<u>£137,042</u>	<u>£153,580</u>

Approved by the members of the Gosport District Scouts Council
on July 2024 and signed on its behalf by

..... District Commissioner
R Peddell (Mr)

..... District Treasurer
J Warner (Mrs)

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

Year ended 30 September 2023

	Note	2023			2022		
		Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £	Total £	Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £	Total £
INCOME from:							
Donations and legacies							
Voluntary income	5	2,860		2,860	11,105		11,105
Income from fundraising events		24,220		24,220	20,917		20,917
		<u>27,080</u>	-	<u>27,080</u>	<u>32,022</u>	-	<u>32,022</u>
Charitable activities							
Membership subscriptions	6	51,911		51,911	35,669		35,669
Income from activities		33,643		33,643	26,759		26,759
		<u>85,554</u>	-	<u>85,554</u>	<u>62,428</u>	-	<u>62,428</u>
Bank interest received		<u>282</u>		<u>282</u>	<u>26</u>		<u>26</u>
Total income		<u>112,916</u>	-	<u>112,916</u>	<u>94,476</u>	-	<u>94,476</u>
EXPENDITURE on:							
Raising funds	7	12,346		12,346	12,660		12,660
Charitable activities	8	117,108		117,108	85,825		85,825
Total expenditure		<u>129,454</u>	-	<u>129,454</u>	<u>98,485</u>	-	<u>98,485</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		<u>(16,538)</u>		<u>(16,538)</u>	<u>(4,009)</u>		<u>(4,009)</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:							
Total funds brought forward		<u>153,580</u>		<u>153,580</u>	<u>157,589</u>		<u>157,589</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	14	<u>£137,042</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£137,042</u>	<u>£153,580</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£153,580</u>

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2023

NOTE 1 – ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Accounting framework

The financial accounts have been set out in accordance with the accounting framework required under the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing accounts in accordance with FRS 102 (SORP FRS 102 updated October 2019).

There were no material departures from these standards.

(b) Basis and content of the financial accounts

The accounts have been prepared on the basis of historical cost and the accruals concept to show a true and fair view of the Charity's financial position and activities.

The accounts are expressed in pounds Sterling, rounded to the nearest pound and include all the assets and liabilities under the control of the Trustees of the Charity.

(c) Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Land and buildings

Acquisition information relating to the Council's freehold land and buildings is not readily available and these premises are included in the accounts at a historical valuation and are not depreciated.

These costs are depreciated over the shorter of the estimated useful economic life of the assets and the lease term.

Other tangible fixed assets

Other tangible assets are capitalised at cost and depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life as follows:

Electrical equipment	4 Years straight line
Other equipment	10 Years straight line
Fixtures and fittings	20 Years straight line

Acquisition information relating to the Council's freehold land and buildings is not readily available and these premises are included in the accounts at a historical valuation and are not depreciated.

(d) Debtors

Debtors are stated at the amounts due to the Charity at the balance sheet date. Prepayments are recorded for the proportion of time-based expenditures attributable to the ensuing year.

(e) Cash and cash equivalents

This caption represents the amounts held in bank current accounts and cash at the balance sheet date together with bank deposits on less than 90 days' notice at the balance sheet date.

(f) Liabilities

Liabilities are recognised as soon as an outflow of economic benefit is considered more likely than not to occur under a legal or constructive obligation committing the Charity to pay out resources. Creditors that are current liabilities are recognised at the settlement amount expected to be paid at the balance sheet date.

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2023

NOTE 1 – ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(g) Funds

Grants and donations received for non-specific purposes or general funding are available for utilisation at the discretion of the Trustees and are dealt with through the General Fund.

Certain designated funds have been created by the Trustees to ring-fence resources that are not considered to be readily expendable. See Note 14.

Grants, donations and legacies received for specific projects are treated as restricted funds for use only in connection with the specified purposes as imposed by the donor or trust deed. Deficits on restricted funds are carried forward to the extent that the Trustees are satisfied that future funding will cover such deficits on a last-in-first-out basis.

(h) Income recognition

Income is brought into account when it is more likely than not that the economic benefit will accrue to the Charity.

Grants and donations

Grants and donations (including government grants) received without pre-conditions attached are recognised on receipt. Gifts subject to performance-related or other conditions are recognised when such conditions are fulfilled and all the donors associated requirements concerning them have been complied with.

Gift Aid

Tax refunds receivable under gift aid arrangements are recognised by reference to the date of the related gift. Gift aid recoverable on donations to trust and special funds is included in the fund to which the gifts relate.

Legacies

Incoming resources from legacies are recognised when there is reasonable certainty that the legacy will be received and the value can be reliably measured.

Investment income

Interest receivable is recognised in the year in which it is earned.

Other income

Individual amounts classified as other income are disclosed separately if they are considered to be material.

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2023

NOTE 1 – ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(h) Income recognition (continued)

Gifts in kind and intangible income

Gifts of tangible fixed assets for the Charity's use are recognised as incoming resources on the basis of their actual or estimated value, including VAT where appropriate, at the time the gift is made.

The value of volunteer time is not recognised in the financial statements since there is no measurable cost for their services.

Donated services are recognised as incoming resources insofar as another party is bearing the financial cost of the resources supplied and the benefit is quantifiable and measurable. An equivalent cost is recorded under the appropriate expenditure caption in the Statement of Financial Activities.

(i) Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised when a liability is incurred or a constructive obligation arises resulting in payment being unavoidable or a commitment to pay that is intended to be acted upon.

(j) Stock

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

(k) Allocation and analysis of charitable support and administrative charges

All central costs for charitable support and administration are met from general funds.

(l) Tax

The Charity is exempted by HM Revenue & Customs from liability to tax on its operating surpluses and investment income whilst it pursues its charitable objectives.

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2023

NOTE 2 – TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	<u>Land and buildings</u> £	<u>Equip- ment</u> £	<u>Fixtures and fittings</u> £	<u>Total</u> £
Cost or valuation				
At 1 October 2022	45,000	26,927	-	71,927
Additions during year		1,458		1,458
Disposals				
At 30 September 2023	<u>45,000</u>	<u>28,385</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>73,385</u>
Depreciation/amortisation				
At 1 October 2022		16,966		16,966
Charge for year		3,177		3,177
Disposal				-
At 30 September 2023	<u>-</u>	<u>20,143</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>20,143</u>
Net book value				
At 30 September 2023	<u>£45,000</u>	<u>£ 8,242</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£53,242</u>
At 30 September 2022	<u>£45,000</u>	<u>£ 9,961</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£54,961</u>

NOTE 3 – DEBTORS

	<u>2023</u> £	<u>2022</u> £
Debtors	790	472
Prepayments	1,908	2,526
Accrued income	965	983
	<u>£3,663</u>	<u>£3,981</u>

NOTE 4 – CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	<u>2023</u> £	<u>2022</u> £
Creditors	1,589	1,075
Accrued charges	2,723	2,601
Deferred income	-	280
	<u>£4,312</u>	<u>£3,956</u>

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NOTE 5 - INCOME FROM DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2023			2022
	Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £	Total £	Total £
Voluntary income				
Donations	1,500		1,500	6,371
Patrons	1,360		1,360	1,265
Gift Aid	-		-	3,469
	<u>2,860</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,860</u>	<u>11,105</u>
Income from fundraising events				
Tuck Shop Sales	2,066		2,066	1,226
Hall hire	1,248		1,248	2,730
Raffles/Lottery	669		669	1,864
Scout shop sales	12,133		12,133	11,218
Ticket sales	7,462		7,462	3,879
Sponsors	642		642	-
	<u>24,220</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>24,220</u>	<u>20,917</u>
Income from Grants				
Interest Received	282		282	26
	<u>£27,362</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£27,362</u>	<u>£32,048</u>

NOTE 6 - INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2023			2022
	Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £	Total £	Total £
Membership subscriptions				
Capitation fees	41,985		41,985	28,380
Membership fees	9,926		9,926	7,289
	<u>51,911</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>51,911</u>	<u>35,669</u>
Income from activities				
Camp fees	28,466		28,466	20,976
Activities	4,357		4,357	5,773
Miscellaneous Income	820		820	10
	<u>33,643</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>33,643</u>	<u>26,759</u>
	<u>£85,554</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£85,554</u>	<u>£62,428</u>

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NOTE 7 - RAISING FUNDS

	2023			2022
	Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £	Total £	Total £
Stock purchases	10,467		10,467	11,474
Tuck Shop Purchases	1,379		1,379	948
Advertising	300		300	238
Prizes	200		200	-
	<u>£12,346</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£12,346</u>	<u>£12,660</u>

NOTE 8 - CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2023			2022
	Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £	Total £	Total £
Membership subscriptions paid				
Capitation fees	35,984	-	35,984	24,871
Donations Paid				
Sundry donations	1,000	-	1,000	1,375
Activities Expensed				
Camp site fees	5,688		5,688	7,905
Camp activities	8,329		8,329	5,235
Materials purchased	4,444		4,444	3,004
Catering	7,739		7,739	4,776
Activities	5,579		5,579	4,045
Hall hire	5,035		5,035	2,370
Training	90		90	920
Transport	3,370		3,370	1,337
Clothing costs	6,989		6,989	5,761
Services purchased	6,223		6,223	2,307
	<u>53,486</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>53,486</u>	<u>37,660</u>
Premises Expenses				
Rent and rates	6,732		6,732	6,229
Utilities	6,150		6,150	4,064
Repairs and maintenance	2,700		2,700	591
Insurance	2,803		2,803	2,075
Cleaning	360		360	422
	<u>18,745</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>18,745</u>	<u>13,381</u>
Management and Administration				
Printing, postage and stationery	1,281		1,281	1,591
Telephone	-		-	30
Depreciation	3,178		3,178	3,706
Bank and Card charges	1,008		1,008	534
Misc	26		26	157
Independent examiner's fees	2,400		2,400	2,520
	<u>7,893</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,893</u>	<u>8,538</u>
	<u>£117,108</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£117,108</u>	<u>£85,825</u>

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NOTE 9 - TRUSTEES REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

No trustees, nor anyone connected with them, received any remuneration in connection with their services as trustees of the Charity during the year.

No trustee expenses were incurred.

The Trustees control and manage the Charity and make all strategic decisions in relation to its activities.

NOTE 10 - STAFF COSTS

Number of employees

Average number of persons employed under contracts of service during the year was: nil (2022: nil).

NOTE 11 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Charity did not engage in any transactions with related parties during the year.

NOTE 12 - FUNDS HELD AS CUSTODIAN TRUSTEE

Gosport District Scout Council holds funds on behalf of 9th Scout Group as agent.

These amounts are not included in the assets, income or expenditure of Gosport District Scout Council in the reporting period. All monies are separated to their own funds on the Charity's accounting software to ensure segregation and safe custody from the Charity's own assets. The amounts received and paid as agent were as follows:

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
	£	
Membership fee income	140	140
Income from activities	188	188
Expenditure on activities		
	<u>£ 328</u>	<u>£328</u>

The balance owed to the 9th Scout Group at the end of the year was £328.

The 9th Scout Group is a voluntary organisation with objectives that the trustees consider to align with Gosport District Scout's objectives, as such the general fund of the Council was used to cover the shortfall in the current period and was recovered in the subsequent accounting year.

No fees were charged to the 9th Scout Group for the administration of the agency arrangement.

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NOTE 13 - ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	<u>Fixed assets</u> £	<u>Net current assets</u> £	<u>Net assets</u> £
Unrestricted:			
General fund	2,366	39,526	41,892
Designated funds: Active Support Group		3,801	3,801
Youth sections:			
Beavers		(2,143)	(2,143)
Cubs		(1,476)	(1,476)
Scouts		418	418
Explorers	97	14,753	14,850
Gang Show	535	2,238	2,773
Kayak	918	556	1,474
Network Unit		640	640
Activities	4,326	(3,658)	668
Scout Shop	45,000	29,145	74,145
	<u>50,876</u>	<u>44,274</u>	<u>95,150</u>
ACCUMULATED FUNDS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2023	<u>£53,242</u>	<u>£ 83,800</u>	<u>£137,042</u>

NOTE 14 - MOVEMENTS ON FUNDS

	<u>Fund balances brought forward</u> £	<u>Income</u> £	<u>Expenditure</u> £	<u>Trans- fers</u> £	<u>Fund balances carried forward</u> £
(a) Unrestricted					
General fund	51,157	44,135	(58,125)	4,725	41,892
Designated funds:					
Active Support Group	3,639	1,474	(1,312)		3,801
Youth sections:					
Beavers	594	388	(3,125)		(2,143)
Cubs	372	1,077	(2,925)		(1,476)
Scouts	331	2,834	(2,747)		418
Explorers	14,844	15,751	(10,045)	(5,700)	14,850
Gang Show	5,866	13,763	(16,856)		2,773
Kayak	2,392		(918)		1,474
Network Unit	640				640
Activities	-	21,361	(21,668)	975	668
Scout Shop	73,745	12,133	(11,733)		74,145
	<u>102,423</u>	<u>68,781</u>	<u>(71,329)</u>	<u>(4,725)</u>	<u>95,150</u>
Total funds	<u>£153,580</u>	<u>£112,916</u>	<u>£ (129,454)</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£137,042</u>

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NOTE 15 - DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - DESIGNATED FUNDS

	<u>Total</u> £	<u>Active</u> <u>Support</u> £	<u>Beavers</u> £	<u>Cubs</u> £	<u>Expl- orers</u> £	<u>Gang</u> <u>Show</u> £	<u>Kayak</u> £	<u>Network</u> £	<u>Acti- vities</u> £	<u>Scouts</u> £	<u>Scout</u> <u>shop</u> £
Incoming resources											
Membership subscriptions	9,926				8,594	1,332					
Voluntary income	2,860					2,860					
Income from activities	33,643		388	1,029	7,157	1,351		20,884		2,834	
Income from fundraising events	22,352	1,474		48		8,220		477			12,133
Total incoming resources	68,781	1,474	388	1,077	15,751	13,763	-	-	21,361	2,834	12,133
Resources used											
Donations Paid	-										
Activities expenses	48,464	100	3,124	2,875	9,495	9,882		20,393		2,563	32
Fundraising costs	11,946	1,208		50		120				100	10,468
Premises expenses	6,490					5,413					1,077
Management and administration	1,908	4	1		490	948		225		84	156
Miscellaneous expenses	-										
Depreciation charge	2,521				60	493	918		1,050		
Total resources used	71,329	1,312	3,125	2,925	10,045	16,856	918	-	21,668	2,747	11,733
NET RESOURCES ARISING (USED) IN YEAR	£ (2,548)	£ 162	£ (2,737)	£ (1,848)	£5,706	£ (3,093)	£ (918)	£ -	£ (307)	£ 87	£ 400

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NOTE 16 - STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES - DESIGNATED FUNDS

	<u>Total</u> £	<u>Active</u> <u>Support</u> £	<u>Beavers</u> £	<u>Cubs</u> £	<u>Expl- orers</u> £	<u>Gang</u> <u>Show</u> £	<u>Kayak</u> £	<u>Network</u> £	<u>Acti vities</u> £	<u>Scouts</u> £	<u>Scout</u> <u>Shop</u> £
FIXED ASSETS											
Land and buildings	45,000										45,000
Equipment	5,876				97	535	918		4,326		
Fixtures and fittings											
CURRENT ASSETS											
Stock	14,001										14,001
Debtors and prepayments	3,663				790	1,112				138	1,623
Bank balances and cash	27,648	3,801	(2,143)	(1,476)	13,963	2,103	556	640	(3,658)	280	13,582
CURRENT LIABILITIES											
Creditors and accrued charges	(1,038)					(977)					(61)
TOTAL ASSETS BY FUND AT END OF YEAR	<u>£ 95,150</u>	<u>£3,801</u>	<u>£(2,143)</u>	<u>£(1,476)</u>	<u>£14,850</u>	<u>£2,773</u>	<u>£1,474</u>	<u>£640</u>	<u>£ 668</u>	<u>£418</u>	<u>£74,145</u>

NOTE 17 - STATEMENT OF ACCUMULATED FUNDS -
DESIGNATED FUNDS

FUND BALANCES AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	102,423	3,639	594	372	14,844	5,866	2,392	640		331	73,745
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS	(4,725)				(5,700)				975		
NET RESOURCES ARISING (USED) IN YEAR	<u>(2,548)</u>	<u>162</u>	<u>(2,737)</u>	<u>(1,848)</u>	<u>5,706</u>	<u>(3,093)</u>	<u>(918)</u>		<u>(307)</u>	<u>87</u>	<u>400</u>
FUND BALANCES AT END OF YEAR	<u>£ 95,150</u>	<u>£3,801</u>	<u>£(2,143)</u>	<u>£(1,476)</u>	<u>£14,850</u>	<u>£2,773</u>	<u>£1,474</u>	<u>£640</u>	<u>£ 668</u>	<u>£418</u>	<u>£74,145</u>

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FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

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Charity registration number: 1023671

Scout Association: 12014

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

Year ended 30 September 2023

Section A - Reference and administration details

Gosport District Scout Council- The Scout Association District Registration number is 12014.

The Gosport District Scout Council is a registered Charity and its Charity registration Number is 1023671

The Address of the District Secretary is:
**27, Hill Park Road
Gosport, Hampshire
PO12 3EB**

List of Trustees:-

Name	Appointment	Sub committee	
Ian Batchelor	District Chairman	Ex Officio	Nominated
Robin Peddell	District Commissioner	Ex Officio	Nominated
Jane Warner	District Treasurer	Finance	Elected
Mandy Batchelor	Deputy Treasurer	Finance	Elected
Gwyn Evans	District Secretary	Finance Appointments	Elected
Jessica Haggard	District Youth Commissioner	Ex Officio	Nominated
Trevor Smith	Deputy District Commissioner	Ex Officio	Nominated
Peter Giffin	Deputy District Commissioner	Ex Officio	Nominated
Patricia Brown	Appointments Secretary	Finance Appointments	Elected
Clive Pittard	Scout Active Support Manager		Nominated
Ryan McGarvey	DESC		Appointment
Chris Smith	DNCS		Appointment
Lee Pounds	GSL rep.	Appointments	Elected
Vacant	Beaver ADC		Elected
Lisa Young	Cub ADC		Elected
Nigel Fleetwood	Scout Leader		Elected
Sean Werren	18-25		Co opted
Trevor Smith	Gang Show		Co-opted
Allan Davey	Kayaking Rep		Co-opted
Carl Pettitt, Charles Nunn, Mike Brown	Solent Training Centre	Appointments	Co opted
Tory Smith	Fundraising Chair		

Professional advisers

Bankers: HSBC Bank, 26 High Street, Gosport, Hampshire PO12 1DG

Independent examiner: P J Sommerville ACA, Wood, Hicks & Co Chartered Accountants, Units 1-2, Warrior Court, 9-11 Mumby Road, Gosport, Hampshire PO12 1BS

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (CONTINUED)

Year ended 30 September 2023

Section B - Structure, governance and management

The District's governing documents are those of the Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, which in turn gives authority to the bye-laws of the Association and the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

The District is a Trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

The District is managed by the District Executive Committee the members of which are Charity Trustees of the Gosport District Scouts, which is an Educational charity. As charity trustees they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities. This includes the registration, keeping of proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate.

The Committee meets every two months and consists of three independent representatives, the Chairman; the Treasurer and the Secretary together with the District Commissioner and section representatives.

The District Executive Committee exists to support the District Commissioner in meeting the responsibility of the appointment and is responsible for: the maintenance of District property; the raising of funds and the administration of District finance; the insurance of persons and property and equipment; District Public occasions; assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support; appointing any sub-committees that may be required; and, appointing District administrators other than those elected.

Risk Management

The Trustees have assessed and will continue to monitor the major risks to which they believe the Scout Council is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances and are, at present, satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate the exposure to major risks.

The main areas of concern are: damage to buildings and property; injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members; and, loss of income from Scout Shop, District Headquarters and Gang Show.

The District, through the capitation fees, contributes to the Scout Association's national accident insurance policy. Risk assessments are carried out before all activities are undertaken.

DBS checks are carried out for all adult members of the Scout Association and for parent helpers.

Reduced income - The District is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions. The District does hold a reserve to ensure continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income.

The District Constitution was approved at the last Annual General Meeting. It is held by the District Secretary and is reviewed annually.

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Year ended 30 September 2023

Section B - Structure, governance and management (continued)

Reserves Policy

Gosport District Scout Council's policy is to hold sufficient unrestricted reserves to enable it to:

- (a) meet the financial uncertainty over the lease of the DHQ.
- (b) withstand any other unforeseen financial setback;
- (c) take advantage of any opportunity which the District Executive Committee considers will benefit the Council and the community it serves.
- (d) provide temporary financial assistance to Scout groups in the expectation of receipt of funding from other organisations.

The Trustees have determined that the appropriate level of general reserves should be, at least, equal to 6 months expenditure of general funds.

Section C - Objectives and activities Policy Organisation and Rules Chapter 1

The Purpose of the Scout Association - Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to Society.

The Values - Integrity; Respect; Care; Belief; Co-operation.

The Method - Scouting takes place when young people in partnership with adults, work together based on the Values of Scouting and in the attainment of the objectives and activities the Trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on Public Benefit.

Section D - Achievements and performance

Membership - Robin and the team continue to increase the youth and adult members in Gosport.

High lights form the census this year

- Youth membership has increased by 66
- Total youth membership 758
- Two new Beaver Colonies created
- Two new Squirrel Drays created
- Adult increase +16% since 2018
- Overall % increase +10% on prior year

A fantastic achievement and one the whole District should be extremely proud of.

Assets- the buildings and equipment owned by Gosport District Scout Council have been assessed and procedures are being put in place to monitor usage and value.

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (CONTINUED)
Year ended 30 September 2023

Section E - Financial review

The District made an overall loss of £16,538.

The Unrestricted funds at the year-end total £137,042, of which £95,150 has been designated for the Scout shop, Gang show and other activities. Thus £41,892 remains as an unrestricted general fund which the trustees believe is sufficient to cover short-term fluctuations in income and expenditure.

Section F - Plans for the future period

a) To continue to provide the governance and management to enable young people to have access to the Objectives and Activities within the Policy Organisation of the Scout Association.

b) Our plan to Support, Develop and Grow continues and will form the foundations for our strategy in Gosport moving forward.

c) The leadership team, now complete, have with Robins leadership undertaken the following:

- Ensure that the District thrives and has the best systems in place to support the groups, to support all adult volunteers in the District and develop Scouting in the District.
- Provide Governance and support to the adults in the District in delivering the Trustees responsibilities
- Support the District Leadership team in delivering their vision for the District and assist with a development plan to meet that vision.
- Support the District Leadership Team to ensure that Scouting in the District is attractive to young people and adults from all backgrounds in the District.
- Ensure the District Board of Trustees support the District Leadership team in providing an exciting program of events and to work together with others to meet the Scouting needs of the area.
- Support the District Leadership team to deliver the County Commissioner vision for Scouting across the county.

Section G - Declaration

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

District Commissioner	Treasurers Signature
Full Name: Robin Peddell	Full name: Jane Warner
Date:	Date:

The Board of Trustees
Gosport District Scout Council
5 South Close
Gosport
Hampshire PO12 2PS

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

I report on the financial accounts of Gosport District Scout Council for the year ended 30 September 2023 which are set out on pages 7 to 18.

Respective responsibilities of the executive committee and examiner

The Charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial accounts. The Charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act), and that an Independent Examination is needed.

It is, therefore, my responsibility:

- to examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act;
- to follow the procedures in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the Charities 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 financial accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial accounts, and seeking explanations from the 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 Charities Act; and,
 - to prepare financial accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities 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 financial accounts to be reached.

.....
P J Sommerville

..... July 2024

Wood, Hicks & Co.
Chartered Accountants
Units 1-2 Warrior Court
9-11 Mumby Road
Gosport
Hampshire PO12 1BS

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

BALANCE SHEET

30 September 2023

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2023</u> £	<u>2022</u> £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	2	<u>53,242</u>	<u>54,961</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks		14,001	13,076
Debtors	3	3,663	3,981
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>70,448</u>	<u>85,518</u>
Total current assets		88,112	102,575
LIABILITIES			
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	4	<u>(4,312)</u>	<u>(3,956)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>83,800</u>	<u>98,619</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS		<u>£137,042</u>	<u>£153,580</u>

THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY:

Unrestricted funds

General fund	14	41,892	51,157
Designated funds	14	<u>95,150</u>	<u>102,423</u>
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS AT 30 SEPTEMBER,		<u>£137,042</u>	<u>£153,580</u>

Approved by the members of the Gosport District Scouts Council
on July 2024 and signed on its behalf by

..... District Commissioner
R Peddell (Mr)

..... District Treasurer
J Warner (Mrs)

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

Year ended 30 September 2023

	Note	2023			2022		
		Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £	Total £	Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £	Total £
INCOME from:							
Donations and legacies							
Voluntary income	5	2,860		2,860	11,105		11,105
Income from fundraising events		24,220		24,220	20,917		20,917
		<u>27,080</u>	-	<u>27,080</u>	<u>32,022</u>	-	<u>32,022</u>
Charitable activities							
Membership subscriptions	6	51,911		51,911	35,669		35,669
Income from activities		33,643		33,643	26,759		26,759
		<u>85,554</u>	-	<u>85,554</u>	<u>62,428</u>	-	<u>62,428</u>
Bank interest received		<u>282</u>		<u>282</u>	<u>26</u>		<u>26</u>
Total income		<u>112,916</u>	-	<u>112,916</u>	<u>94,476</u>	-	<u>94,476</u>
EXPENDITURE on:							
Raising funds	7	12,346		12,346	12,660		12,660
Charitable activities	8	117,108		117,108	85,825		85,825
Total expenditure		<u>129,454</u>	-	<u>129,454</u>	<u>98,485</u>	-	<u>98,485</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		<u>(16,538)</u>		<u>(16,538)</u>	<u>(4,009)</u>		<u>(4,009)</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:							
Total funds brought forward		<u>153,580</u>		<u>153,580</u>	<u>157,589</u>		<u>157,589</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	14	<u>£137,042</u>	£ -	<u>£137,042</u>	<u>£153,580</u>	£ -	<u>£153,580</u>

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2023

NOTE 1 – ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Accounting framework

The financial accounts have been set out in accordance with the accounting framework required under the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing accounts in accordance with FRS 102 (SORP FRS 102 updated October 2019).

There were no material departures from these standards.

(b) Basis and content of the financial accounts

The accounts have been prepared on the basis of historical cost and the accruals concept to show a true and fair view of the Charity's financial position and activities.

The accounts are expressed in pounds Sterling, rounded to the nearest pound and include all the assets and liabilities under the control of the Trustees of the Charity.

(c) Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Land and buildings

Acquisition information relating to the Council's freehold land and buildings is not readily available and these premises are included in the accounts at a historical valuation and are not depreciated.

These costs are depreciated over the shorter of the estimated useful economic life of the assets and the lease term.

Other tangible fixed assets

Other tangible assets are capitalised at cost and depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life as follows:

Electrical equipment	4 Years straight line
Other equipment	10 Years straight line
Fixtures and fittings	20 Years straight line

Acquisition information relating to the Council's freehold land and buildings is not readily available and these premises are included in the accounts at a historical valuation and are not depreciated.

(d) Debtors

Debtors are stated at the amounts due to the Charity at the balance sheet date. Prepayments are recorded for the proportion of time-based expenditures attributable to the ensuing year.

(e) Cash and cash equivalents

This caption represents the amounts held in bank current accounts and cash at the balance sheet date together with bank deposits on less than 90 days' notice at the balance sheet date.

(f) Liabilities

Liabilities are recognised as soon as an outflow of economic benefit is considered more likely than not to occur under a legal or constructive obligation committing the Charity to pay out resources. Creditors that are current liabilities are recognised at the settlement amount expected to be paid at the balance sheet date.

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NOTE 1 – ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(g) Funds

Grants and donations received for non-specific purposes or general funding are available for utilisation at the discretion of the Trustees and are dealt with through the General Fund.

Certain designated funds have been created by the Trustees to ring-fence resources that are not considered to be readily expendable. See Note 14.

Grants, donations and legacies received for specific projects are treated as restricted funds for use only in connection with the specified purposes as imposed by the donor or trust deed. Deficits on restricted funds are carried forward to the extent that the Trustees are satisfied that future funding will cover such deficits on a last-in-first-out basis.

(h) Income recognition

Income is brought into account when it is more likely than not that the economic benefit will accrue to the Charity.

Grants and donations

Grants and donations (including government grants) received without pre-conditions attached are recognised on receipt. Gifts subject to performance-related or other conditions are recognised when such conditions are fulfilled and all the donors associated requirements concerning them have been complied with.

Gift Aid

Tax refunds receivable under gift aid arrangements are recognised by reference to the date of the related gift. Gift aid recoverable on donations to trust and special funds is included in the fund to which the gifts relate.

Legacies

Incoming resources from legacies are recognised when there is reasonable certainty that the legacy will be received and the value can be reliably measured.

Investment income

Interest receivable is recognised in the year in which it is earned.

Other income

Individual amounts classified as other income are disclosed separately if they are considered to be material.

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30 September 2023

NOTE 1 – ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(h) Income recognition (continued)

Gifts in kind and intangible income

Gifts of tangible fixed assets for the Charity's use are recognised as incoming resources on the basis of their actual or estimated value, including VAT where appropriate, at the time the gift is made.

The value of volunteer time is not recognised in the financial statements since there is no measurable cost for their services.

Donated services are recognised as incoming resources insofar as another party is bearing the financial cost of the resources supplied and the benefit is quantifiable and measurable. An equivalent cost is recorded under the appropriate expenditure caption in the Statement of Financial Activities.

(i) Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised when a liability is incurred or a constructive obligation arises resulting in payment being unavoidable or a commitment to pay that is intended to be acted upon.

(j) Stock

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

(k) Allocation and analysis of charitable support and administrative charges

All central costs for charitable support and administration are met from general funds.

(l) Tax

The Charity is exempted by HM Revenue & Customs from liability to tax on its operating surpluses and investment income whilst it pursues its charitable objectives.

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NOTE 2 – TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	<u>Land and buildings</u> £	<u>Equip- ment</u> £	<u>Fixtures and fittings</u> £	<u>Total</u> £
Cost or valuation				
At 1 October 2022	45,000	26,927	-	71,927
Additions during year		1,458		1,458
Disposals				
At 30 September 2023	<u>45,000</u>	<u>28,385</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>73,385</u>
Depreciation/amortisation				
At 1 October 2022		16,966		16,966
Charge for year		3,177		3,177
Disposal				-
At 30 September 2023	<u>-</u>	<u>20,143</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>20,143</u>
Net book value				
At 30 September 2023	<u>£45,000</u>	<u>£ 8,242</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£53,242</u>
At 30 September 2022	<u>£45,000</u>	<u>£ 9,961</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£54,961</u>

NOTE 3 – DEBTORS

	<u>2023</u> £	<u>2022</u> £
Debtors	790	472
Prepayments	1,908	2,526
Accrued income	965	983
	<u>£3,663</u>	<u>£3,981</u>

NOTE 4 – CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	<u>2023</u> £	<u>2022</u> £
Creditors	1,589	1,075
Accrued charges	2,723	2,601
Deferred income	-	280
	<u>£4,312</u>	<u>£3,956</u>

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30 September 2023

NOTE 5 - INCOME FROM DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2023			2022
	Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £	Total £	Total £
Voluntary income				
Donations	1,500		1,500	6,371
Patrons	1,360		1,360	1,265
Gift Aid	-		-	3,469
	<u>2,860</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,860</u>	<u>11,105</u>
Income from fundraising events				
Tuck Shop Sales	2,066		2,066	1,226
Hall hire	1,248		1,248	2,730
Raffles/Lottery	669		669	1,864
Scout shop sales	12,133		12,133	11,218
Ticket sales	7,462		7,462	3,879
Sponsors	642		642	-
	<u>24,220</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>24,220</u>	<u>20,917</u>
Income from Grants				
Interest Received	282		282	26
	<u>£27,362</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£27,362</u>	<u>£32,048</u>

NOTE 6 - INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2023			2022
	Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £	Total £	Total £
Membership subscriptions				
Capitation fees	41,985		41,985	28,380
Membership fees	9,926		9,926	7,289
	<u>51,911</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>51,911</u>	<u>35,669</u>
Income from activities				
Camp fees	28,466		28,466	20,976
Activities	4,357		4,357	5,773
Miscellaneous Income	820		820	10
	<u>33,643</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>33,643</u>	<u>26,759</u>
	<u>£85,554</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£85,554</u>	<u>£62,428</u>

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NOTE 7 - RAISING FUNDS

	2023			2022
	Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £	Total £	Total £
Stock purchases	10,467		10,467	11,474
Tuck Shop Purchases	1,379		1,379	948
Advertising	300		300	238
Prizes	200		200	-
	<u>£12,346</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£12,346</u>	<u>£12,660</u>

NOTE 8 - CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2023			2022
	Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £	Total £	Total £
Membership subscriptions paid				
Capitation fees	35,984	-	35,984	24,871
Donations Paid				
Sundry donations	1,000	-	1,000	1,375
Activities Expensed				
Camp site fees	5,688		5,688	7,905
Camp activities	8,329		8,329	5,235
Materials purchased	4,444		4,444	3,004
Catering	7,739		7,739	4,776
Activities	5,579		5,579	4,045
Hall hire	5,035		5,035	2,370
Training	90		90	920
Transport	3,370		3,370	1,337
Clothing costs	6,989		6,989	5,761
Services purchased	6,223		6,223	2,307
	<u>53,486</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>53,486</u>	<u>37,660</u>
Premises Expenses				
Rent and rates	6,732		6,732	6,229
Utilities	6,150		6,150	4,064
Repairs and maintenance	2,700		2,700	591
Insurance	2,803		2,803	2,075
Cleaning	360		360	422
	<u>18,745</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>18,745</u>	<u>13,381</u>
Management and Administration				
Printing, postage and stationery	1,281		1,281	1,591
Telephone	-		-	30
Depreciation	3,178		3,178	3,706
Bank and Card charges	1,008		1,008	534
Misc	26		26	157
Independent examiner's fees	2,400		2,400	2,520
	<u>7,893</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,893</u>	<u>8,538</u>
	<u>£117,108</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£117,108</u>	<u>£85,825</u>

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NOTE 9 - TRUSTEES REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

No trustees, nor anyone connected with them, received any remuneration in connection with their services as trustees of the Charity during the year.

No trustee expenses were incurred.

The Trustees control and manage the Charity and make all strategic decisions in relation to its activities.

NOTE 10 - STAFF COSTS

Number of employees

Average number of persons employed under contracts of service during the year was: nil (2022: nil).

NOTE 11 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Charity did not engage in any transactions with related parties during the year.

NOTE 12 - FUNDS HELD AS CUSTODIAN TRUSTEE

Gosport District Scout Council holds funds on behalf of 9th Scout Group as agent.

These amounts are not included in the assets, income or expenditure of Gosport District Scout Council in the reporting period. All monies are separated to their own funds on the Charity's accounting software to ensure segregation and safe custody from the Charity's own assets. The amounts received and paid as agent were as follows:

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
	£	
Membership fee income	140	140
Income from activities	188	188
Expenditure on activities		
	<u>£ 328</u>	<u>£328</u>

The balance owed to the 9th Scout Group at the end of the year was £328.

The 9th Scout Group is a voluntary organisation with objectives that the trustees consider to align with Gosport District Scout's objectives, as such the general fund of the Council was used to cover the shortfall in the current period and was recovered in the subsequent accounting year.

No fees were charged to the 9th Scout Group for the administration of the agency arrangement.

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NOTE 13 - ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	<u>Fixed assets</u> £	<u>Net current assets</u> £	<u>Net assets</u> £
Unrestricted:			
General fund	2,366	39,526	41,892
Designated funds: Active Support Group		3,801	3,801
Youth sections:			
Beavers		(2,143)	(2,143)
Cubs		(1,476)	(1,476)
Scouts		418	418
Explorers	97	14,753	14,850
Gang Show	535	2,238	2,773
Kayak	918	556	1,474
Network Unit		640	640
Activities	4,326	(3,658)	668
Scout Shop	45,000	29,145	74,145
	<u>50,876</u>	<u>44,274</u>	<u>95,150</u>
ACCUMULATED FUNDS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2023	<u>£53,242</u>	<u>£ 83,800</u>	<u>£137,042</u>

NOTE 14 - MOVEMENTS ON FUNDS

	<u>Fund balances brought forward</u> £	<u>Income</u> £	<u>Expenditure</u> £	<u>Trans- fers</u> £	<u>Fund balances carried forward</u> £
(a) Unrestricted					
General fund	51,157	44,135	(58,125)	4,725	41,892
Designated funds:					
Active Support Group	3,639	1,474	(1,312)		3,801
Youth sections:					
Beavers	594	388	(3,125)		(2,143)
Cubs	372	1,077	(2,925)		(1,476)
Scouts	331	2,834	(2,747)		418
Explorers	14,844	15,751	(10,045)	(5,700)	14,850
Gang Show	5,866	13,763	(16,856)		2,773
Kayak	2,392		(918)		1,474
Network Unit	640				640
Activities	-	21,361	(21,668)	975	668
Scout Shop	73,745	12,133	(11,733)		74,145
	<u>102,423</u>	<u>68,781</u>	<u>(71,329)</u>	<u>(4,725)</u>	<u>95,150</u>
Total funds	<u>£153,580</u>	<u>£112,916</u>	<u>£ (129,454)</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£137,042</u>

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NOTE 15 - DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - DESIGNATED FUNDS

	<u>Total</u> £	<u>Active</u> <u>Support</u> £	<u>Beavers</u> £	<u>Cubs</u> £	<u>Expl- orers</u> £	<u>Gang</u> <u>Show</u> £	<u>Kayak</u> £	<u>Network</u> £	<u>Acti- vities</u> £	<u>Scouts</u> £	<u>Scout</u> <u>shop</u> £
Incoming resources											
Membership subscriptions	9,926				8,594	1,332					
Voluntary income	2,860					2,860					
Income from activities	33,643		388	1,029	7,157	1,351		20,884	2,834		
Income from fundraising events	22,352	1,474		48		8,220		477			12,133
Total incoming resources	68,781	1,474	388	1,077	15,751	13,763	-	-	21,361	2,834	12,133
Resources used											
Donations Paid	-										
Activities expenses	48,464	100	3,124	2,875	9,495	9,882		20,393	2,563	32	
Fundraising costs	11,946	1,208		50		120			100	10,468	
Premises expenses	6,490					5,413				1,077	
Management and administration	1,908	4	1		490	948		225	84	156	
Miscellaneous expenses	-										
Depreciation charge	2,521				60	493	918		1,050		
Total resources used	71,329	1,312	3,125	2,925	10,045	16,856	918	-	21,668	2,747	11,733
NET RESOURCES ARISING (USED) IN YEAR	£ (2,548)	£ 162	£ (2,737)	£ (1,848)	£5,706	£ (3,093)	£ (918)	£ -	£ (307)	£ 87	£ 400

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30 September 2023

NOTE 16 - STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES - DESIGNATED FUNDS

	<u>Total</u> £	<u>Active</u> <u>Support</u> £	<u>Beavers</u> £	<u>Cubs</u> £	<u>Expl- orers</u> £	<u>Gang</u> <u>Show</u> £	<u>Kayak</u> £	<u>Network</u> £	<u>Acti vities</u> £	<u>Scouts</u> £	<u>Scout</u> <u>Shop</u> £
FIXED ASSETS											
Land and buildings	45,000										45,000
Equipment	5,876				97	535	918		4,326		
Fixtures and fittings											
CURRENT ASSETS											
Stock	14,001										14,001
Debtors and prepayments	3,663				790	1,112				138	1,623
Bank balances and cash	27,648	3,801	(2,143)	(1,476)	13,963	2,103	556	640	(3,658)	280	13,582
CURRENT LIABILITIES											
Creditors and accrued charges	(1,038)					(977)					(61)
TOTAL ASSETS BY FUND AT END OF YEAR	<u>£ 95,150</u>	<u>£3,801</u>	<u>£(2,143)</u>	<u>£(1,476)</u>	<u>£14,850</u>	<u>£2,773</u>	<u>£1,474</u>	<u>£640</u>	<u>£ 668</u>	<u>£418</u>	<u>£74,145</u>

NOTE 17 - STATEMENT OF ACCUMULATED FUNDS -
DESIGNATED FUNDS

FUND BALANCES AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	102,423	3,639	594	372	14,844	5,866	2,392	640		331	73,745
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS	(4,725)				(5,700)				975		
NET RESOURCES ARISING (USED) IN YEAR	<u>(2,548)</u>	<u>162</u>	<u>(2,737)</u>	<u>(1,848)</u>	<u>5,706</u>	<u>(3,093)</u>	<u>(918)</u>		<u>(307)</u>	<u>87</u>	<u>400</u>
FUND BALANCES AT END OF YEAR	<u>£ 95,150</u>	<u>£3,801</u>	<u>£(2,143)</u>	<u>£(1,476)</u>	<u>£14,850</u>	<u>£2,773</u>	<u>£1,474</u>	<u>£640</u>	<u>£ 668</u>	<u>£418</u>	<u>£74,145</u>

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

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Gosport Scouts AGM

1st October 2021 – 30th September 2022



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AGM Agenda

1. Welcome by Ian Batchelor - District Chair
2. Apologies for absence
3. Approval of the minutes from the last AGM
4. Adoption of the Annual Treasurers Report and Accounts.
5. Annual Section reports: as published in the Annual report.
6. District Commissioners report: as published in the Annual report.
7. The District Commissioners Nomination for District Chair
8. Election of Officers to Gosport District Scout Executive Committee
9. Election and/or co-opt members to the Executive
10. Adoption of the new constitution as set out in POR 5.4 to Board of Trustees
11. Any Other Business
12. District Chair - Response
13. Honorary President Gosport Mayor Representative – Response
14. Hampshire Scouts Representative - Response
15. DC's Closing remarks

Nominations for Exec 2023

The District Commissioners Nomination for District Chair - Ian Batchelor

Election of Officers to Gosport District Scout Executive Committee

District Secretary – Gwyn Evans

District Treasurer – Jane Warner

Deputy Treasurer – Mandy Batchelor

Ex-officio members

DC Robin Peddell

DYC Marcus Chambers

DDC Trevor Smith

DDC Pete Giffin

DNSC Chris Smith

DESC Ryan McGarvey

Election and/or co-opt members to the Executive

GSL - Lee Pounds

Squirrels – Jodie Warner

Beavers – Louise Pounds

Cubs – Lisa Young

Scouts – Clive Pittard

18-25 Reps – Sean Werren

SAS – Pat Brown

Gang Show – Trevor Smith

Gosport Kayaking – Allan Davey

Lyons Copse Representative – Carl Pettit, Charles Nunn and Mike Brown

District Appointment Chairman – Nigel Fleetwood

District Appointments Secretary – Helena Dawson

Fundraising Chair – Tory Smith



AGM Reports



District Chairs Report

Ian Batchelor District Chair



Welcome to Gosport Scouts AGM!

It has been great to see the fantastic increase in numbers of both youth & leaders across the District. The opening of new Squirrel sections (dreys) and the expansion of other sections has meant so many more young people have been enriched by Scouting in Gosport

I have seen first hand the value our leaders add to the lives of young people with fantastic activities delivered throughout the year including our annual district camp and the revival of Gosport Gang Show.

It is a privilege to continue to act as your District Chair supported by a great District Leadership team and my thanks must go to Robin & team for their continued enthusiasm and dedication.

Finally, a massive thankyou to everyone that has given their time over the past year to Gosport Scouts-you have enriched the lives of our youth.

DC's Report

Robin Peddell - District Commissioner

Well what a year!



All our activities are relaunched and our district is growing what more can we ask!

We have 5 new Squirrel Dreys across the district with another 2 in wings to start soon we also relaunched the 9th Beavers and Cubs with a view to starting a new Scout Troop Summer 2023.

In May 2023 we relaunched the 4th Gosport launched a new Squirrel Drey.

The 6th Gosport have grown by 100% with two squirrel, two beaver and two cub packs. All Groups across the district have grown since our return and shows how truly amazing and resilient our volunteers are.

One thing stopping our growth is volunteers and we are working hard to raise our profile to encourage new volunteers.

More recently Jess our District Youth Commissioner decided to step down but is still active as a leader in the Scout Section. On behalf of Gosport Scouts thank you for everything you have done during your time as Youth commissioner. We now welcome Marcus as our new youth commissioner and we look forward to working together to ensure we fully consider youth involvement in everything we do.

Change from 2022

Highlights from the census this year.

Up a total membership of 207 (YP+160, Adults +47)

Young People % increase +30% from 2022

Adult increase +16% from 2022
Overall % increase +25% from 2022

Change since 2018 (5 years)

Up a total membership of 190 (YP+138, Adults +52)
Young People % increase +25% from 2018
Adult % increase +18% from 2018
Overall % increase +23% from 2018

The amount and quality of activities run by the district team has been absolutely amazing thank you. But, every event has suffered from a shortage, of doers, not organisers. We as a team will work hard to ensure that we can resolve this.

Overview of 2022 Awards

Chief Scouts Awards	No of young People
Acorn	29
Bronze	36
Silver	42
Gold	23
Bronze D of E	8

Thank you to Ian and the newly named board of trustees for supporting the District and all out trustees. Also, everyone that volunteers in whatever way at Gosport Scouts, in all areas and providing skills for life!

DDC's (Sections) Report

Trevor Smith – Deputy District Commissioner (Sections)

In what has been an amazing year for Gosport Scouting, I wanted to thank all the trained volunteers for all their hard work in running and supporting their sections, delivered amazing programmes with some truly inspiring activities, and have helped to grow our membership to pre covid levels.



Particular thanks go to my ADCs – Marie and Clive who have supported me and the District by developing and delivering an active programme and providing help to groups and leaders to support them in keeping the mantra of the District – Support, Develop and Grow.

We have grown the District with another group – the 9th opening a Cub Pack and we continue to look to open Squirrel Dreys in the remaining groups wherever we can. I wish you all a great Summer and look forward to seeing equally exciting times in 2023/24.

DDC's (Adventurous Activities) Report

Pete Giffin – Deputy District Commissioner (Adventurous Activities)

Over the last year we have seen a massive growth in activities being available to young people in the district, which is amazing to see. The activities teams have started to increase and more opportunities for Adventure have been available.



We have seen such a great variety of experiences available this year and that's all down to our amazing volunteers.

Moving forward we need to work on the recruitment of members into the District Activities Team for both Land and Water activities, to help build on our successes.

Finally I would like to thank Jodie and Allan for all their hard work and commitment in their respective areas.

Youth Commissioners Report

Marcus Chambers – Youth Commissioner



In the summer term I'm hoping to be able to get round the groups to introduce myself and try and push the YOUSHAPE badge and remind the older scouts about link to explorers

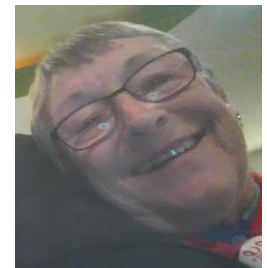
After this I will attempt to go back to groups and with the help of others choose a couple scouts aged 13+ to be Youth reps for their group

The youth reps will run a forum with help from their leaders and will report back at a youth forum once a term with me

This will allow me to report back to members of groups and district about what the young people wish to see happen.

Scout Active Support Report

Pat Brown – SAS Manager



When I took over Scout Active Support (SAS) we didn't have a full meeting until the September (due to Covid restrictions). At the September meeting we had a good turn out and discussed the way we all wanted to continue with helping the District and Group activities in the future months, with the Carol Service and Christingle being the first, we also discussed how we wanted to structure our monthly meetings.

SAS now meets on the third Tuesday in the month at 2pm and a second meeting at 7.45pm, both these meetings take place at Nobes Hall, we decided on the two meetings per day as many people do not want to turn out in the evening, especially in the winter.

Over the year we have helped at most of the District Events, and some members are helping out with Groups due to low Leader numbers.

On the 17th May some of us went out for a Cream Tea at Claire's, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all, I am hoping to get us all out on an outing this year, just need some ideas of where to go.

Network Section Report

Chris Smith- Network Commissioners Report

Network has seen substantial growth since 2022 with a continued focus on link relationships from Explorers. With goals to help support the District and Groups with supplying services to help run activities for our youth lead programs



Network continues to provide a space for our 18-25 members to connect, grow and expand their Scouting journey. I'd like to say a special 'BRAVO' to Ryan for all his support over the past few months.

Explorers Section Report

Ryan Mcgarvey - Explorers Commissioners Report



Over the past year, our numbers have steadily risen and have now grown to a remarkable point where it has been necessary to reopen the Air Explorer section, so there is always room to grow and accept all the amazing young people we work with. The permanent introduction of the Air Explorer unit now allows explorers to attend meetings even if they had commitments on one of the typical meeting days. A massive thank you to our new leaders and a special BRAVO to Lawrence for taking the lead with the section and creating an amazing programme to provide our young people with new opportunities. I would first like to thank the explorer leaders and occasional helpers for their hard work, time and patience

This year has seen some firsts for the unit; with our first attendance at IOW Revolution, an amazing camp with explorers from all over the country, the introduction of the new activity wear, and the exciting new Nighthawks section (Air explorers).

A staggering 50 Explorers for the annual district camp. I cannot overstate the incredible work the explorers put in and we cannot wait to see all of these amazing young people develop and grow with how well they handled themselves and the challenges set before them.

Our current focus is now the retention of young people and providing as wide a range of activities as possible. Both from scouts to explorers and from explorers to network and leadership roles. With the use of link events, we feel very confident about the future of the ever-expanding unit. With a brilliant 77 members with more joining every week.

District Support Report

Gwyn Evans – ADC District Support



CHIEF SCOUT AWARDS REPORT OCT 21 – SEPT 22

Great numbers have continued to gain their highest awards in their section. With the start of the Squirrel Dreys we had our first award of the Acorn awards, 12 Bronze awards, 22 Silver and 15 Golds. Well done to all our members who worked hard to attain these awards.

Scout Section Report

Clive Pittard – ADC Scouts



Can I first of all Thank those of you who stepped up and volunteered to help run however many of the Events Gwyn Evans (ADC District Support) & I Organise & Run for the Scouts & the District in this Scouting year, October 1st 2021 up until the end of September 30th 2022, as we couldn't have done any of it without you, so Thank You, again

There were many events in this period, despite still having some on & off Covid restrictions. I will list some of them, and forget to jot some on the list too I am sure:

We finished preparing and executed our yearly Scout Lightweight Hike near the end of October 2021, where the Scouts plan & formulate their routes from a given start point up until Lyons Copse Scout Camp Site in Shedfield carrying all their kit including tents & food etc, and that for starters is a very hungry event in the respect of needs & musts from Adult & Explorer Help! And in November 2021 we had a good turnout at one of the Remembrance Day Parades & Services outside the War Memorial; Because of the Restrictions being brought back upon and into our lives we sadly Didn't have the District Carol Service December 2021;

Robin Peddell (District Commissioner) & I Welcomed a new batch of Explorers & Network members to hopefully start their journey onto being DofE Participants for Bronze & Silver and the Scouting equivalent (Platinum, Diamond, and Queens as was then) Top Awards in January 2022; Gwyn also ran the Scout Chess Competition January 2022 which usually attracts around a dozen competitors and in respect is an event that we wouldn't knock off of our yearly planner;

We planned and ran the Scout Patrol Leader/Leadership Training Weekend February 2022 again at Lyons Copse and despite the time of year had a few dozen Scouts come along and stay for the weekend and hopefully learn some new or reminder of old skills to take away from; and Robin & I ran another Gosport DofE/Top Awards Planning/Training evening in February 2022 too;

We had a few Patrols enter the Scout Cooking Competition March 2022 in the DHQ and as always they never cease to impress us with what they can do in such a short space of time; and again, Robin & I ran another couple of planning/Training evenings for our Gosport DofE/Top Awards in March 2022;

We had a Great turnout for our St. George's Day Parade in April 2022; more evenings of Training/Planning for our Gosport Bronze & Silver DofE/Top Award participants April 2022 too; and a Practice DofE Expedition for the Bronze's & Silvers April 2022 as well;

Gwyn Kicked off this year's SuperScout Heats in May 2022 in and around the District; and we ran the Scout's Camp Skills Weekend May 2022 where they learn or hone more outdoor skills into hopefully perfecting and safe Knife/Axe/Saw & Fire Building & Cooking & Tent erection etc;

We had more SuperScout Heats continue into June 2022; the Scout Raft Race & Water Fun Day in June 2022; a few more Gosport Explorer/Network Bronze & Silver DofE/Top Award evenings; and also managed to fit in the Gosport District Scout Elles Shield Camping Competition in June 2022 too;

The SuperScout Final came at last in July 2022; and there were many many Scouts attend Jodie Warner (ADC Land Activities) & Peter Giffin (Deputy District Commissioner Adventure)'s District Camp at Lyons Copse totalling many hundreds of Gosport Scouting Members altogether in July 2022;

We Restarted the Gosport Explorer/Network Bronze/Silver DofE/Top Award Participants group off again in September 2022 enabling them to get their Expedition done & dusted and under their belts giving them a fighting chance of completing their chosen Award by the end of the year;

None of this is Possible without not only the young people coming forward to take part and enter these events, But ALSO, FROM YOU, the Leaders & Young Adults & not-so-young adults & Explorers etc, and dare I say, the list of volunteers putting their hands up and putting their names down to help us run safe & successful events is getting smaller and smaller, with the same few people coming along and helping (Thank You So Very Much!) over & over, and the list of registered Gosport Scouting Members becoming longer this really isn't fair

I Know that Many of you run your own Dreys or Colonies or Packs or Troops or have your own regular Scouting commitments, and massive hats off to you, Seriously, But I'm Sorry, and possibly sounding selfish perhaps, WE NEED MORE OF YOU to please step up and help us out with an event or Better Still a few events of ours too, or we simply won't be able to run a full & Successful Safe Engaging Programme of Events across the Scouting Calendar, Please Look Forward to seeing a lot more of you sometime Soon Please.

Beavers and Cub Section Report

Marie Smith – ADC Cubs

BEAVER SCOUT REPORT



This year has been my first full year of activities and it has been busy!! We have held competitions (connect 4, sports day, Super Beaver) as well as events like the activity sleepover, Christingle and the Christmas party. Both the events and competitions have been well attended although this coming year the programme will be different to accommodate the wishes of leaders and to add variety.

A massive thanks as always to the amazing leaders and those that have helped me run these events- without them it would not be possible.

CUB SCOUT REPORT

Just like the Beavers, this has been the first year of a full activities and competitions. The competitions included a joint sports day with the Beavers, a Go kart competition and a cooking competition. As part of the additional activities arranged there was an outdoor day and sleepover at Lyons Copse and a district hike. Again, these activities and competitions will vary for this year to allow some variety. As part of my role since Easter I have also been supporting 7th Gosport Cub Pack to continue running while we look to recruit a section leader. As always my thanks goes to the many leaders but also to those who have helped me run these activities.

Land Activities Report

Jodie Warner – ADC Land

We kick started this year with another incredible Climbing Competition for the Explorer Section, despite the pouring rain, the competition was a huge success, and the explorers all had a fantastic time.



Throughout the year we have been working on expanding our activity equipment so that we can continue to offer a variety of adventurous activities for all sections. This year we have invested in some brand-new activities predominantly for the Squirrel Section, these being Soft Archery and Soft Tomahawks, the young people have had a brilliant time having a go at both of these and we are hoping to promote the hiring of these more next year. We have also invested in 4 brand new air rifles so we can decommission the old rifles. Although we had a few issues with these at first, they are now looking to be in good use.

Over the past 12 months we have been encouraging Groups within Gosport to book us for a variety of activity sessions this could be during their normal evening meetings, at camps or at other events. We have this year visited 1st Gosport, 6th Gosport, 7th Gosport, 12th Gosport, 1st Lee, Network and Explorers to run a variety of activities. We have also run a few sessions for out of the District including Fareham East, Itchen and Farlington Brownies. Next year we are going to try and visit every group to run an activity session.

We have also been working on expanding our team of instructors this year to ease the load off of everyone. In June 2022 we managed to arrange an Archery Permit Course for 12 members of the District this has helped expand the amount of archery sessions we have been able to offer as a district. We also had 2 members of the District successfully pass their NRSA Air Rifle Qualification which has helped massively in the running of air rifle shooting. Moving forward we are still looking for members to join our activity team so if you are interested please let me know.

The most exciting event that was finally able to take place this year was the return of District Camp!!! We have received nothing but positive feedback from the camp and It was incredible to see all the young people and adults back to being able to camp with some freedom. We were blessed with the sun (even if it was a little too hot) and it looked like everybody had a brilliant time!

If you would like to book an activity or would like to join our activity team please get in touch at adc-land@gosportscouts.org.uk

Lastly I would like to thank everyone who has helped out with the activities in the past 12 months, without your help we would not be able to offer as many adventurous activities as we currently do. You are all amazing!

Water Activities Report

Allan Davey – ADC Water



Following the Covid break we ran a number of taster sessions during 2022 with Guides, Rangers, Cubs and Scouts mainly from Gosport and a number are planned over the Summer. A bit late but we will also get some advertising out locally to run some more tasters in September and we already have some interest for some tasters during August.

We have again actively supported the Gosport Marine Festival held in May 2023 working with the organisers and the Sea Cadets and this year we held the District Scout raft Race at the event which went very well. Thanks also to the team that ran the Scout recruitment area supporting us on the day.

The Crown Estate license for the pontoon and access to the water is in place and we paid the license fee for the current year which secures access to the water for Scouting.

Expenditure over the last year has been limited, as we had limited use of Broderick Hall during 2022 and are using the DHQ for activities going forward.

Planning ahead we need to attract some water helpers / coaches to support our team and start to get plans in place to get courses back on for 2024

Gang Show Report

Trevor Smith

We have managed to successfully reboot Gosport Gang Show after the enforced break due to Covid. The Show was very well received by members of the public and was well supported in terms of Gang Members both on and off stage.



Bringing the show back to its roots of Thorngate Theatre and returning it back to Gosport has also proved popular with lots of people able to reminisce about the old days while also embracing the future of the show and the Theatre.

The Show team guided by Bill have worked to improve the facilities at the theatre and make it more usable for all – this we hope to make use of for the 2023 show!

Thanks to all in the District for their continued support

Media and Communications Report



Lisa Young – ADC Media and Communications

It's been another good year with coverage on both social media and in the printed press. Lots of groups are embracing the branding with fantastic signage for their HQ's, which is smart fresh and modern.

4500 people saw the post about district camp, and our Ambassador Caroline Dinenage has also provided the District with some positive publicity.

Most groups are using social media well, and support is available for those that would like it.

If groups have any questions, or need clarification please do ask, let's share the awesome work being undertaken in Gosport

Growth and Development Report

Gemma Shaw – ADC Growth and Development



Growth and development

Another busy year with lots of parents getting more involved with the movement, volunteering as occasional helpers then extending their roles. We have had interest from both adult volunteers and youth members at various events and a couple more booked towards the end of this year. County have supported the 9th Gosport who now have both Beavers and Cubs with Scouts in the pipelines. County have also supported re-opening the 4th Gosport Squirrels with hope to open Beavers in the Autumn.

Squirrels

There are now 7 Dreys in the district. Plans to hold a Squirrel leader meeting in the Autumn term to introduce District Squirrel events, starting with a Christmas party.

Inclusion and Diversity

During the last few months, I've been supporting a number of individuals within the district to help integrate strategies from their homes and EHCPs into their scouting.

Adult Support Report

Rick Dickinson – ADC Adult Support



It has been another busy year. Leaders in the District have actively completed both online and face to face training. Face to face scouting is now the norm and the Groups and District Staff have again done very well. First Aid training continues and there has been a good take up with the courses. I would like to thank everyone who has worked so hard this year.

Appointments Advisory Committee

Nigel Fleetwood – Appointments Advisory Committee Chairman



Over the last year the AAC has adapted to the increasing number of adult volunteers joining Gosport Scouts. With an increase in applicants again this year we continue to see Gosport Scouting thrive, delivering Skills for life to even more youngsters across the whole of Gosport.

Sitting before the panel we have had an average of four adult members per month, with approximately ten more still waiting to be invited from the different Groups within our District. However availability of panel members due to the multiple hats worn by every single member, has been problematic at times. We are a fresh and

modern committee and we are actively recruiting members of all ages and backgrounds and implore anyone who wants to help shape the future of Gosport Scouting to get in touch via your GSL's.

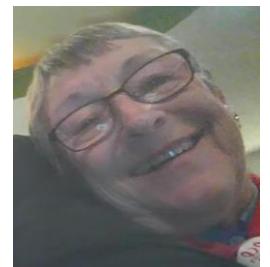
We are continually reviewing the AAC process and adapting to the changes of modern life and modern scouting and also at how we can make the process an enjoyable/less daunting experience. This has seen small group sessions with a more friendly environment be established, whilst ensuring the important task of reviewing the candidates suitability and ability to carry out the roles assigned, remains at the forefront of our minds. This new approach has assisted with reducing the waiting times for new leaders to meet with the committee members. This is until such a time as the process is changed by Headquarters.

We would also like to take this opportunity to pass on our gratitude to Pat Brown, as she steps down as AAC Secretary, handing the baton over to Helena. Pat has done a fantastic job as our secretary for many years and she will be missed. We wish her all the best for her future and her change in direction within Scouting in Gosport.

Meeting all the new members of our Scouting family has been an honour and a privilege, and on behalf of the committee members we wish them well.

DHQ Report

Pat Brown – Bookings Secretary



Many changes this year.

Bookings are ticking along very nicely.

The 9th Gosport Scout Group is now using the DHQ for their HQ, just Beavers at the moment, Cubs are starting up shortly and then Scouts hopefully next year (2023)

Explorers continue to use the DHQ as their HQ

The grounds and inside the building continue to be kept in good order, but there is still plenty of work to be done

Many thanks to all who help to keep the hall in tip top condition.

Lyons Copse Report

Mike Brown, Carl Pettit, Charles Nunn
Gosport Lyons Copse Representatives



This has been a full on year for the site with the full on return following the lockdowns. The site has seen a real surge in bookings especially all site district camps, to that end we are proposing a change to whole site bookings , the main part being owner Districts only. A big part of this is ensuring our impact on the locals is kept to a minimum, i.e – traffic flow . There is also a proposal to ease numbers on the site to help the volunteers cope with keeping the site running. Our wild life this season has also been magical with Kingfishers, Deer, Badgers and foxes plus squirrels and countless birds. As a Brownie group found out Fox Cubs love Spag Bog!

Site Overall:

Camping is heading back to our pre- covid numbers and as mentioned we have seen a real increase in whole site bookings. Our plans are still to aim to keep the camping numbers under control, with keeping to one group per field. This will allow for toilet allocation to each group and also young people and leaders to get back to the camping experience without competing with another group. Comments from many leaders have been how hard it has been to get everyone back to camping.

What has taken off big time is evening bookings with groups using the site to get out into the fresh air.

The tower, rafting, Barn etc has never been used so much. Again we are having to restrict numbers to 2 groups per night. We are also asking for host groups to let themselves into the site, otherwise the local volunteers are turning out every night. We are also now flood lighting the Tower.

Buildings:

Toilets.

We are back to general toilet use and this has eased the work for the cleaning team. We have fitted all the toilets with stock cupboards so groups can keep them clean and refill items as needed. Groups camping are allocated toilets to keep clean over the weekend etc.

The Lodge:

The Lodge now has new sliding front doors, a far better option than the old folding ones.

Pine Cabin:

The cabin has started its refit to the toilets to increase the options as to who can use what toilet etc.

General items:

Looking at our ongoing fuel costs and trying to keep our fees as low as we can we are now exploring the use of green energy options, solar power etc. More info to follow.

Moving forward as a site we now need to start looking at the future and trying to get new people on board to start having back up support in



Minutes of the Gosport District Annual General Meeting

Held at District Headquarters on 23rd June 2022 at 7.30pm

Present: Robin Peddell (DC) Ian Batchelor, (Chairman) Jane Warner, (Treasurer) Gwyn Evans (Secretary) Peter Knott (County Representative) Martin Peppar (Deputy Mayor) Suzanne Peppar (Deputy Mayoress and 37+ Members of Gosport District Scouts.

Ian (Chairman) led a minute's silence for Lyn Bennett who had "Gone Home" recently

1. The meeting continued with Ian welcoming all our guests and was really pleased that we now have a Face-to-Face meeting at last.

2. Apologies: Jason Warrington, Wendy Durrant, Lester Ayres, Helena Dawson, Marie Smith, David South, Wayne Peake, Clive Pittard, Nigel Fleetwood, Ali Rance, Adrian Roberts, Neil and Sue Archer, Jennie Jordan Gunfield, Charles Nunn, Rick Dickinson.

3. Approval of the previous year's minutes – Carl Pettit. Seconded Steve Jenner.

4. Approval of Financial Report: Talk on finances, part was still affected by Covid 19, therefore lots of differences. Jane explained: -

Treasurers Report:

As part of this financial year was still covered by covid restrictions, naturally, this year has seen a reduction in both the income and the expenditure compared to last year. You will notice, however, on page 8, that the difference between last years and this years' income is far greater than the difference between the expenditure for the same period. (If you turn to page 13) you will see that as Gang Show were unable to put on a production this year, they obviously didn't record any income from members, plus the overall youth membership recorded on the census was reduced at this time, hence the large difference from last year in membership income. There is also a marked difference in the ticket sale figures which, again, was due to the restriction of activity from Gang Show. The income from camp fees is showing as a negative as fees which had been paid in advance had to be repaid. We were, however, fortunate enough to receive additional Government Grants for both the DHQ and Scout Shop.

(If you turn to page 14) The reduction in expenditure is largely due to the lower capitation payment. With fewer youth members the invoice from Headquarters was much lower than in previous years. For obvious reasons the activity expenditure is

lower than last year, however, you will notice that the premises and management and administration expenses remain virtually the same as the previous year. Many of the categories which make up these figures are fixed costs; these need to be paid regardless of whether we are operating fully or locked down.

Page 12 shows our fixed assets. There have been a number of assets purchased within the year, but the largest expense was for a new District Trailer. Some of the climbing equipment was also replaced in order for activities to begin again once all restrictions were lifted.

The prepayments are camp site deposits which have been paid during this, or previous, financial years, but don't take place until next year. The debtors are explorers who pay through Go Cardless. Their membership fees are collected a month in arrears.

During this financial year the District have moved funds to cover the cost of the rent for the Gang Show costume store. Without the ability to stage a performance, Gang Show were unable to finance this themselves, as they have done for many years previously. Moving forward, with the relaunch of the show and other fundraising activities Gang Show are now in a more financially stable position.

I would like to draw your attention to the information on page 15, regarding funds held by the District on behalf of 9th Gosport. The District account was used until their own bank account could be established. You will note that at the end of this financial period they owed the District £33, but this deficit has now been cleared.

In conclusion, there was an overall surplus of £3,688, however, we must remember that we did receive approximately £17,000 in grant funding and without these funds we would have been in a deficit.

I would like to personally thank Mandy, for doing such a wonderful job with the accounts at a local level and making my life much less stressful.

Any questions?

Jane asked the district to not propose Hicks and Sons for next years Auditors. All agreed.

Report was Approved by Carl Pettit. Seconded by Allan Davey.

5. Annual Section Reports: Robin explained that it had been a difficult time for all sections there followed a short show on what the district had achieved.

6. District Commissioner's Report: He thank all the district for their support over the last year.

7. Approval of DC's Nomination of District Chair: Ian was proposed and accepted by all.

8. Election of Officers to Gosport District Scout Executive Committee

9. Election of District Secretary – Gwyn Evans was proposed by Andy Harman.
Seconded by Sandra Martin

10. Election of District Treasurer – Jane Warner was proposed by Andy Harman.
Seconded by Sandra Martin

11. Election of Deputy Treasurer – Mandy Batchelor was proposed by Andy Harman.
Seconded by Sandra Martin 12. Ex – Officio Members:

DC Robin Peddell

DYC Jessica Haggard

DDC Trevor Smith

DDC Pete Giffin

DNSC Chris Smith

DESC Ryan McGarvey

13. Election and/or co-opt members to the Executive:

GSL- Lee Pounds

Squirrels – Jodie Warner

Beavers- Louise Pounds

Cubs – Lisa Young

Scouts- Clive Pittard

18-25 Network – Sean Werren

SAS- Pat Brown

Gang Show – Trevor Smith

Gosport Kayaking- Allan Davey

Lyons Copse Representatives – Carl Pettit, Charles Nunn, and Mike Brown

District Appointments Chair-(Non-Trustee) Nigel Fleetwood

District Appointment Secretary- Pat Brown

Fundraising Chair- Tory Smith

District Scout Shop Managers – Sandra Hicks

District Badge Secretary- Pete Phillips.

Property Services Chair- Hannah Batchelor

Property Services Committee – Pete Phillips.

14. A.O.B. There were no questions at this point.

15. The Deputy Mayor realised that everyone was under pressure with the advance in technical advances. Martin said it was a real privilege to be asked and felt there was a buzz within the room. He had looked at all the activities the district had taken part in and thanked Robin, Ian and all the volunteers who give up their time for the benefit of all. Felt the district was recovering well with only a few not returning after the

pandemic. The district should be proud of all their achievements and was looking forward to the rest of this year and 2023.

16. County Representative: Peter thanked us for his invite and realised how hard running the sections via zoom can be but congratulated those who had persevered and successfully retained most of their members. Peter said the County said thank you.

17. Presentation to the Deputy Mayoress.

18. District Commissioners closing remarks: Robin said we now need to concentrate on the rest of 2022 where we have 4 Squirrel Dreys with a possible 2 more, also the other sections are increasing in numbers and sections. We have successfully rebooted both Gosport Kayaking and Gang Show, extra 10 permits have been achieved in various activities, but we still need to recruit adult helpers, we do have a County Development Officer helping, so thank you. Finally, many thanks to all the volunteers who give unstinting help where needed.

Meeting closed at 20.00



We are on the up!

The highlights from the District census this year.

Total membership is UP 207 (YP+160, Adults +47)

Young People % increase +30% from 2022

Adult increase +16% from 2022

Overall % increase +25% from 2022



GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2022

Charity registration number: 1023671

Scout Association: 12014

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

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GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

Year ended 30 September 2022

Section A - Reference and administration details

Gosport District Scout Council= The Scout Association District Registration number is 12014.

**The Gosport District Scout Council is a registered Charity and its
Charity registration Number is
1023671**

The Address of the District Secretary is:
**Flat 24, Pilbrow Court
Canberra Close, Gosport
PO12 2NZ**

List of Trustees:-

Name	Appointment	Sub committee	
Ian Batchelor	District Chairman	Ex Officio	Nominated
Robin Peddell	District Commissioner	Ex Officio	Nominated
Jane Warner	District Treasurer	Finance	Elected
Mandy Batchelor	Deputy Treasurer	Finance	Elected
Gwyn Evans	District Secretary	Finance Appointments	Elected
Jessica Haggard	District Youth Commissioner	Ex Officio	Nominated
Trevor Smith	Deputy District Commissioner	Ex Officio	Nominated
Peter Giffin	Deputy District Commissioner	Ex Officio	Nominated
Patricia Brown	Appointments Secretary	Finance Appointments	Elected
Clive Pittard	Scout Active Support Manager		Nominated
Ryan McGarvey	DESC		Appointment
Chris Smith	DNSC		Appointment
Lee Pounds	GSL rep.	Appointments	Elected
Vacant	Beaver ADC		Elected
Lisa Young	Cub ADC		Elected
Nigel Fleetwood	Scout Leader		Elected
Sean Werren	18-25		Co opted
Trevor Smith	Gang Show		Co-opted
Allan Davey	Kayaking Rep		Co-opted
Carl Pettitt, Charles Nunn, Mike Brown	Solent Training Centre	Appointments	Co opted
Tory Smith	Fundraising Chair		

Professional advisers

Bankers: HSBC Bank, 26 High Street, Gosport, Hampshire PO12 1DG

Independent examiner: P J Sommerville ACA, Wood, Hicks & Co Chartered
Accountants, Units 1-2, Warrior Court,
9-11 Mumby Road, Gosport, Hampshire PO12 1BS

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (CONTINUED)

Year ended 30 September 2022

Section B - Structure, governance and management

The District's governing documents are those of the Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, which in turn gives authority to the bye-laws of the Association and the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

The District is a Trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

The District is managed by the District Executive Committee the members of which are Charity Trustees of the Gosport District Scouts, which is an Educational charity. As charity trustees they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities. This includes the registration, keeping of proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate.

The Committee meets every two months and consists of three independent representatives, the Chairman; the Treasurer and the Secretary together with the District Commissioner and section representatives.

The District Executive Committee exists to support the District Commissioner in meeting the responsibility of the appointment and is responsible for: the maintenance of District property; the raising of funds and the administration of District finance; the insurance of persons and property and equipment; District Public occasions; assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support; appointing any sub-committees that may be required; and, appointing District administrators other than those elected.

Risk Management

The Trustees have assessed and will continue to monitor the major risks to which they believe the Scout Council is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances and are, at present, satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate the exposure to major risks.

The main areas of concern are: damage to buildings and property; injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members; and, loss of income from Scout Shop, District Headquarters and Gang Show.

The District, through the capitation fees, contributes to the Scout Association's national accident insurance policy. Risk assessments are carried out before all activities are undertaken.

DBS checks are carried out for all adult members of the Scout Association and for parent helpers.

Reduced income - The District is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions. The District does hold a reserve to ensure continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income.

The District Constitution was approved at the last Annual General Meeting. It is held by the District Secretary and is reviewed annually.

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (CONTINUED)
Year ended 30 September 2022

Section B - Structure, governance and management (continued)

Reserves Policy

Gosport District Scout Council's policy is to hold sufficient unrestricted reserves to enable it to:

- (a) meet the financial uncertainty over the lease of the DHQ.
- (b) withstand any other unforeseen financial setback;
- (c) take advantage of any opportunity which the District Executive Committee considers will benefit the Council and the community it serves.
- (d) provide temporary financial assistance to Scout groups in the expectation of receipt of funding from other organisations.

The Trustees have determined that the appropriate level of general reserves should be, at least, equal to 6 months expenditure of general funds.

Section C - Objectives and activities Policy Organisation and Rules Chapter 1

The Purpose of the Scout Association - Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to Society.

The Values - Integrity; Respect; Care; Belief; Co-operation.

The Method - Scouting takes place when young people in partnership with adults, work together based on the Values of Scouting and in the attainment of the objectives and activities the Trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on Public Benefit.

Section D - Achievements and performance

Membership - Robin and the team continue to increase the youth and adult members in Gosport and under his leadership within the 23 districts in Hampshire and the 2022 census has shown some outstanding results.

High lights from the census this year

- Up a total membership of 207 (YP+160, Adults+47)
- Adult increase +16% from 2018
- Overall % increase +25% from 2022

A fantastic achievement and one the whole District should be extremely proud of.

Assets- the buildings and equipment owned by Gosport District Scout Council have been assessed and procedures are being put in place to monitor usage and value.

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (CONTINUED)
Year ended 30 September 2022

Section E - Financial review

The District made an overall loss of £4,009.

The Unrestricted funds at the year-end total £153,580, of which £102,423 has been designated for the Scout shop, Gang show and other activities. Thus £51,157 remains as an unrestricted general fund which the trustees believe is sufficient to cover short-term fluctuations in income and expenditure.

Section F - Plans for the future period

a) To continue to provide the governance and management to enable young people to have access to the Objectives and Activities within the Policy Organisation of the Scout Association.

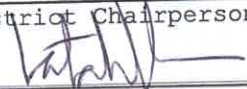
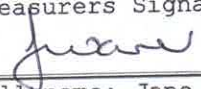
b) Our plan to Support, Develop and Grow continues and will form the foundations for our strategy in Gosport moving forward.

c) The leadership team, now complete, have with Robins leadership undertaken the following:

- Ensure that the District thrives and has the best systems in place to support the groups, to support all adult volunteers in the District and develop Scouting in the District.
- Provide line management and support to the adults in the District.
- Produce a vision for the District and implement a development plan to meet that vision.
- Ensure that Scouting in the District is attractive to young people and adults from all backgrounds in the District.
- Ensure that the District has an adequate team of supported and appropriate adults working effectively together and with others to meet the Scouting needs of the area.
- Work with the County Commissioner to support the delivery of Scouting across the County.

Section G - Declaration

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

District Chairperson 	Treasurers Signature 
Full Name: Ian Batchelor	Full name: Jane Warner
Date: 10/7/23	Date: 10/07/2023

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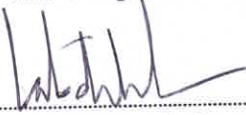
BALANCE SHEET

30 September 2022

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2022</u> £	<u>2021</u> £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	2	<u>54,961</u>	<u>53,774</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks		13,076	16,261
Debtors	3	3,981	3,500
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>85,518</u>	<u>86,430</u>
Total current assets		102,575	106,191
LIABILITIES			
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	4	<u>(3,956)</u>	<u>(2,376)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>98,619</u>	<u>103,815</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS		<u><u>£153,580</u></u>	<u><u>£157,589</u></u>
THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY:			
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	14	51,157	60,274
Designated funds	14	<u>102,423</u>	<u>97,315</u>
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS AT 30 SEPTEMBER,		<u><u>£153,580</u></u>	<u><u>£157,589</u></u>

Approved by the members of the Gosport District Scouts Council

on July 2022 and signed on its behalf by


 District Chairperson
 I Batchelor (Mr)


 District Treasurer
 J Warner (Mrs)

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

Year ended 30 September 2022

	Note	2022		2021	
		Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £	Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £
INCOME from:					
Donations and legacies	5				
Voluntary income		11,105		1,952	1,952
Income from fundraising events		20,917		6,850	6,850
Grants		-		17,103	17,103
		<u>32,022</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,905</u>	<u>25,905</u>
Charitable activities	6				
Membership subscriptions		35,669		22,261	22,261
Income from activities		26,759		(979)	(979)
		<u>62,428</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>21,282</u>	<u>21,282</u>
Bank interest received		26		22	22
		<u>94,476</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>47,209</u>	<u>47,209</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(4,009)		3,688	3,688
EXPENDITURE on:					
Raising funds	7	12,660		5,490	5,490
Charitable activities	8	85,825		38,031	38,031
		<u>98,485</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>43,521</u>	<u>43,521</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(4,009)		3,688	3,688
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:					
Total funds brought forward		157,589		153,901	153,901
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	14	£153,580	£ -	£157,589	£157,589

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2022

NOTE 1 – ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Accounting framework

The financial accounts have been set out in accordance with the accounting framework required under the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing accounts in accordance with FRS 102 (SORP FRS 102 updated October 2019).

There were no material departures from these standards.

(b) Basis and content of the financial accounts

The accounts have been prepared on the basis of historical cost and the accruals concept to show a true and fair view of the Charity's financial position and activities.

The accounts are expressed in pounds Sterling, rounded to the nearest pound and include all the assets and liabilities under the control of the Trustees of the Charity.

(c) Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Land and buildings

Acquisition information relating to the Council's freehold land and buildings is not readily available and these premises are included in the accounts at a historical valuation and are not depreciated.

These costs are depreciated over the shorter of the estimated useful economic life of the assets and the lease term.

Other tangible fixed assets

Other tangible assets are capitalised at cost and depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life as follows:

Electrical equipment	4 Years straight line
Other equipment	10 Years straight line
Fixtures and fittings	20 Years straight line

Acquisition information relating to the Council's freehold land and buildings is not readily available and these premises are included in the accounts at a historical valuation and are not depreciated.

(d) Debtors

Debtors are stated at the amounts due to the Charity at the balance sheet date. Prepayments are recorded for the proportion of time-based expenditures attributable to the ensuing year.

(e) Cash and cash equivalents

This caption represents the amounts held in bank current accounts and cash at the balance sheet date together with bank deposits on less than 90 days' notice at the balance sheet date.

(f) Liabilities

Liabilities are recognised as soon as an outflow of economic benefit is considered more likely than not to occur under a legal or constructive obligation committing the Charity to pay out resources. Creditors that are current liabilities are recognised at the settlement amount expected to be paid at the balance sheet date.

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2022

NOTE 1 – ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(g) Funds

Grants and donations received for non-specific purposes or general funding are available for utilisation at the discretion of the Trustees and are dealt with through the General Fund.

Certain designated funds have been created by the Trustees to ring-fence resources that are not considered to be readily expendable. See Note 14.

Grants, donations and legacies received for specific projects are treated as restricted funds for use only in connection with the specified purposes as imposed by the donor or trust deed. Deficits on restricted funds are carried forward to the extent that the Trustees are satisfied that future funding will cover such deficits on a last-in-first-out basis.

(h) Income recognition

Income is brought into account when it is more likely than not that the economic benefit will accrue to the Charity.

Grants and donations

Grants and donations (including government grants) received without pre-conditions attached are recognised on receipt. Gifts subject to performance-related or other conditions are recognised when such conditions are fulfilled and all the donors associated requirements concerning them have been complied with.

Gift Aid

Tax refunds receivable under gift aid arrangements are recognised by reference to the date of the related gift. Gift aid recoverable on donations to trust and special funds is included in the fund to which the gifts relate.

Legacies

Incoming resources from legacies are recognised when there is reasonable certainty that the legacy will be received and the value can be reliably measured.

Investment income

Interest receivable is recognised in the year in which it is earned.

Other income

Individual amounts classified as other income are disclosed separately if they are considered to be material.

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2022

NOTE 1 – ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(h) **Income recognition** (continued)

Gifts in kind and intangible income

Gifts of tangible fixed assets for the Charity's use are recognised as incoming resources on the basis of their actual or estimated value, including VAT where appropriate, at the time the gift is made.

The value of volunteer time is not recognised in the financial statements since there is no measurable cost for their services.

Donated services are recognised as incoming resources insofar as another party is bearing the financial cost of the resources supplied and the benefit is quantifiable and measurable. An equivalent cost is recorded under the appropriate expenditure caption in the Statement of Financial Activities.

(i) **Expenditure**

Expenditure is recognised when a liability is incurred or a constructive obligation arises resulting in payment being unavoidable or a commitment to pay that is intended to be acted upon.

(j) **Stock**

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

(k) **Allocation and analysis of charitable support and administrative charges**

All central costs for charitable support and administration are met from general funds.

(l) **Tax**

The Charity is exempted by HM Revenue & Customs from liability to tax on its operating surpluses and investment income whilst it pursues its charitable objectives.

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2022

NOTE 2 – TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	<u>Land and buildings</u> £	<u>Equip- ment</u> £	<u>Fixtures and fittings</u> £	<u>Total</u> £
Cost or valuation				
At 1 October 2021	45,000	22,035	4,571	71,606
Additions during year		4,892		4,892
Disposals			(4,571)	(4,571)
	<u>45,000</u>	<u>26,927</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>71,927</u>
Depreciation/amortisation				
At 1 October 2021		13,286	4,546	17,832
Charge for year		3,680	25	3,705
Disposal			(4,571)	(4,571)
	<u>-</u>	<u>16,966</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,966</u>
Net book value				
At 30 September 2022	<u>£45,000</u>	<u>£ 9,961</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£54,961</u>
At 30 September 2021	<u>£45,000</u>	<u>£ 8,749</u>	<u>£ 25</u>	<u>£53,774</u>

NOTE 3 – DEBTORS

	<u>2022</u> £	<u>2021</u> £
Debtors	472	408
Prepayments	2,508	3,085
Accrued income	1,001	7
	<u>£3,981</u>	<u>£3,500</u>

NOTE 4 – CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	<u>2022</u> £	<u>2021</u> £
Creditors	1,075	390
Accrued charges	2,601	1,606
Deferred income	280	380
	<u>£3,956</u>	<u>£2,376</u>

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2022

NOTE 5 - INCOME FROM DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2022			2021
	<u>Unrest- ricted</u>	<u>Rest- ricted</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Total</u>
	£	£	£	£
Voluntary income				
Donations	6,371		6,371	1,129
Patrons	1,265		1,265	823
Gift Aid	3,469		3,469	-
	<u>11,105</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,105</u>	<u>1,952</u>
Income from fundraising events				
Tuck Shop Sales	1,226		1,226	-
Hall hire	2,730		2,730	955
Raffles/Lottery	1,864		1,864	988
Scout shop sales	11,218		11,218	4,892
Ticket sales	3,879		3,879	15
	<u>20,917</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>20,917</u>	<u>6,850</u>
Income from Grants				
Government grants	-		-	17,103
Interest Received	26		26	=
	<u>£32,048</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£32,048</u>	<u>£25,905</u>

NOTE 6 - INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2022			2021
	<u>Unrest- ricted</u>	<u>Rest- ricted</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Total</u>
	£	£	£	£
Membership subscriptions				
Capitation fees	28,380		28,380	17,887
Membership fees	7,289		7,289	4,374
	<u>35,669</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>35,669</u>	<u>22,261</u>
Income from activities				
Camp fees	20,976		20,976	(990)
Activities	5,773		5,773	-
Miscellaneous Income	10		10	-
	<u>26,759</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>26,759</u>	<u>(979)</u>
	<u>£62,428</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£62,428</u>	<u>£21,282</u>

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2022

NOTE 7 - RAISING FUNDS

	2022			2021
	Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £	Total £	Total £
Stock purchases	11,474		11,474	5,270
Tuck Shop Purchases	948		948	-
Advertising	238		238	220
Prizes	-		-	-
	<u>£12,660</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£12,660</u>	<u>£5,490</u>

NOTE 8 - CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2022			2021
	Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £	Total £	Total £
Membership subscriptions paid				
Capitation fees	24,871	-	24,871	16,750
Donations Paid				
Sundry donations	1,375	-	1,375	950
Activities Expensed				
Camp site fees	7,905		7,905	-
Camp activities	5,235		5,235	-
Materials purchased	3,004		3,004	610
Catering	4,776		4,776	-
Activities	4,045		4,045	336
Hall hire	2,370		2,370	21
Training	920		920	83
Transport	1,337		1,337	-
Clothing costs	5,761		5,761	68
Services purchased	2,307		2,307	1,872
Collections redistributed			-	(253)
	<u>37,660</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>37,660</u>	<u>2,737</u>
Premises Expenses				
Rent and rates	6,229		6,229	6,148
Utilities	4,064		4,064	3,346
Repairs and maintenance	591		591	279
Insurance	2,075		2,075	2,254
Cleaning	422		422	208
	<u>13,381</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,381</u>	<u>12,235</u>
Management and Administration				
Printing, postage and stationery	1,591		1,591	141
Computer	-		-	-
Telephone	30		30	-
Depreciation	3,706		3,706	3,157
Bank charges	534		534	143
Misc	157		157	358
Independent examiner's fees	2,520		2,520	1,560
	<u>8,538</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,538</u>	<u>5,359</u>
	<u>£85,825</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£85,825</u>	<u>£38,031</u>

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2022

NOTE 9 - TRUSTEES REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

No trustees, nor anyone connected with them, received any remuneration in connection with their services as trustees of the Charity during the year.

No trustee expenses were incurred.

The Trustees control and manage the Charity and make all strategic decisions in relation to its activities.

NOTE 10 = STAFF COSTS

Number of employees

Average number of persons employed under contracts of service during the year was: nil (2020: nil).

NOTE 11 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Charity did not engage in any transactions with related parties during the year.

NOTE 12 = FUNDS HELD AS CUSTODIAN TRUSTEE

Gosport District Scout Council holds funds on behalf of 9th Scout Group as agent.

These amounts are not included in the assets, income or expenditure of Gosport District Scout Council in the reporting period. All monies are separated to their own funds on the Charity's accounting software to ensure segregation and safe custody from the Charity's own assets. The amounts received and paid as agent were as follows:

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
	£	
Balance brought forward	(33)	-
Membership fee income	140	226
Income from activities	188	718
Expenditure on activities	-	(977)
	<u>£ 295</u>	<u>£ (33)</u>

The balance owed to the 9th Scout Group at the end of the year was £295.

The 9th Scout Group is a voluntary organisation with objectives that the trustees consider to align with Gosport District Scout's objectives, as such the general fund of the Council was used to cover the shortfall in the current period and was recovered in the subsequent accounting year.

No fees were charged to the 9th Scout Group for the administration of the agency arrangement.

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Accounts



Gosport Scouts AGM

1st October 2020 – 30th September 2021



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AGM Agenda

1. Welcome by Ian Batchelor - District Chair
2. Apologies for absence
3. Approval of the minutes from the last AGM
4. Adoption of the Annual Treasurers Report and Accounts.
5. Annual Section reports: as published in the Annual report.
6. District Commissioners report: as published in the Annual report.
7. The District Commissioners Nomination for District Chair
8. Election of Officers to Gosport District Scout Executive Committee
9. Election and/or co-opt members to the Executive
10. Any Other Business
11. District Chair - Response
12. Honorary President Gosport Mayor Representative – Response
13. Hampshire Scouts Representative - Response
14. DC's Closing remarks

Nominations for Exec 2022

The District Commissioners Nomination for District Chair - Ian Batchelor

Election of Officers to Gosport District Scout Executive Committee

District Secretary – Gwyn Evans

District Treasurer – Jane Warner

Deputy Treasurer – Mandy Batchelor

Ex-officio members

DC Robin Peddell

DYC Jess Haggard

DDC Trevor Smith

DDC Pete Giffin

DNSC Chris Smith

DESC Ryan McGarvey

Election and/or co-opt members to the Executive

GSL - Lee Pounds

Beavers - Vacant

Cubs – Lisa Young

Scouts – Clive Pittard

18-25 Reps – Sean Werren

SAS – Pat Brown

Gang Show – Trevor Smith

Gosport Kayaking – Allan Davey

Lyons Copse Representative – Carl Pettit, Charles Nunn and Mike Brown

District Appointment Chairman – Nigel Fleetwood

District Appointments Secretary – Pat Brown

Fundraising Chair – Tory Smith



AGM Reports



District Chairs Report

Ian Batchelor District Chair



Welcome to Gosport Scouts AGM!

In reflecting on the year to September 2021 it was another difficult year as Scouting was still in “hibernation” and operating with a programme based on virtual events to a great extent.

Once again the leadership & young people were outstanding in promoting Scouting & youth activity in Gosport. The programme of events that I have seen delivered by both the District team and Group continued to show how creative and innovative we are in Gosport. It’s a shame this report reflects 2021 but as an indication of how your efforts to maintain Scouting during 2021 have been rewarded its worth stating that in 2022:

Gosport saw the second largest percentage increase of YP and overall numbers in the County compared to 2021: 41.6% and 31.7% respectively.

Gosport was one of only 8 districts in Hampshire to record Squirrel Scouts and made history in doing so.

Gosport saw one of the largest percentage increases in adults compared to 2021: 15.8%

Thanks again for all your support.

DC's Report

Robin Peddell - District Commissioner

I feel very honoured to be Gosport Scouts DC and even after some challenges that came our way all the district responded positively and we saw some amazing resilience from our volunteer leaders and youth membership across the district, who adapted to the restrictions and continued to provide a programme over zoom to serve our community.



What we achieved in 2021

1. Face to Face Meetings
2. Every Group restarted Scouting
3. Started Camping Again
4. New Squirrel Dreys
5. Established the Gosport Gang Show Scout Active
6. Light Weight Hike
7. Paultons Day Trip
8. Monkey Business Christmas Activity
9. Virtual St Georges Day Parade
10. Adult Training
11. Young Leaders Training Virtually
12. District AGM
13. Signed the Lease for a further 7 years
14. Risk Assessments
15. New Leaders
16. Recruitment at the Maritime and Victory Day
17. Remembrance Parade
18. Tomahawk Throwing
19. New Trailer

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- 20.OSM
 - 21.Awards
 - 22.Chief Scouts Awards Presentations
 - 23.Gosport Gang Show Reboot
 - 24.Most money spent on equipment!

To name a few...

Lastly thank you to all our volunteers you are all amazing people.

I look forward to reporting our progress next year.

Keep safe

DDC's (Sections) Report

Trevor Smith – Deputy District Commissioner (Sections)

This year the sections across the district have started to return to normal. We have run many district events, some are the ones that have traditionally been run and some have been run with a new twist to try and freshen up the way things are done.



It's been great to see most of our groups supporting the events and the fantastic job our ADCs are doing. Big thanks to Marie, Clive, Georgie and Paul Gutman for all you have done within the Sections team this year and here's for continued success through the next 12 months.

DDC's (Adventurous Activities) Report

Pete Giffin – Deputy District Commissioner (Adventurous Activities)



This last year started slowly and mostly virtual, but we have bounced back stronger than ever, after a period of massive change. Face to face scouting came back and it has been great to see so many groups running an active programme.

Our Land and Water activity teams have also been extremely busy running activities for the groups, at section evenings, events, and camps, which is great to see.

Over this year we have had 8 Leaders complete a renewal of their camping permit, as well as a further 4 Leaders complete their assessment camp to gain their first permit. This is really helping to ensure that all the groups have the necessary resources to ensure a wide and varied programme, as well as some adventurous nights away.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for keeping the adventure alive this year, with special thanks to Jodie and Allan for their incredible commitment to the activities in their areas and always upholding their Scouting Values.

Over the next year there will be a focus on expanding our activity teams, increasing available instructors for various activities and developing adventurous activities to ensure our young people can have the best experience scouting can offer to them

Youth Commissioners Report

Jess Haggard – Youth Commissioner



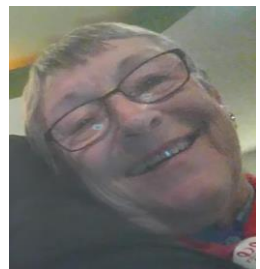
Since taking on the role of DYC last summer, I have enjoyed getting to grips with this exciting new challenge. To date I have introduced the YouShaped Award, which focuses on giving more choice to the young people in the area of leadership skills. This task involved me visiting all scout

groups across the district to give them a presentation explaining the YouShaped Award.

I will be running a Youth Forum at District camp next month, which will give the youth people a chance to voice and share opinions. Going into the future I will look at running one of these forums at least once a term to ensure ideas remain relevant and fresh, so that the young people can see that their ideas and opinions are listened to and acted upon.

Scout Active Support Report

Pat Brown – SAS Manager

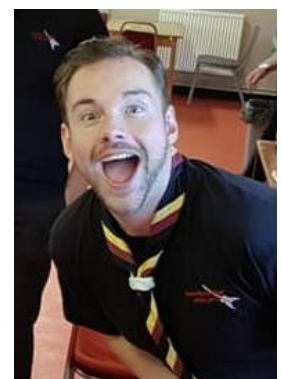


I took over Scout Active Support (SAS) from Clive Pittard in July 2021, so I do not have a lot to report, I did not hold a meeting with all the members until September as we were still not meeting face to face due to Covid 19

At the September meeting we had a good turn out and discussed the way we all wanted to continue with helping the District and Group activities in the future months, with the Carol Service and Christingle being the first, we also discussed how we wanted to structure our monthly meetings

Network Section Report

Chris Smith- Network Commissioners Report



Last year we reported that The Gosport Sharks had been forced into Covid-induced hibernation, keeping in touch via social media, running virtual meetings, very much awaiting to be let loose on the District again.

This year we are starting to see a bounce back to normal operation!

As is usual with the 18-25's many of our core members serve dual roles helping out with various other groups, and other aspects of scouting life. Over the past few months I have been proud to see many Network Members sit in front of the Appointments Committee eagerly seeking out supporting roles with many groups throughout the District.

With a lifting of Covid restrictions, we have now been able to get back to what we do best and our goal for this next year is to start to increase the amount of permit holders, so as to better provide a 'Ready to go' bank of qualified helpers to run activities for the other sections.

Explorers Section Report

Ryan Mcgarvey - Explorers Commissioners Report



I would first like to thank the explorer leaders and occasional helpers for their hard work and time. Over the past eight months where I have been involved, numbers have steadily risen and have now exceeded those of pre-covid numbers, with room still to grow. The permanent introduction of the Sea explorer unit now allows explorers to attend meetings even if they had commitments on one of the typical meeting days.

As of September 2021, there was a total of 45 explorers, which has increased to 62 explorers, three additional occasional helpers, and 5 Leaders. Showing numbers have increased by 27.42% and are expected to increase further as scout sections feed into the explorer age bracket.

New activity wear is being evaluated for suitability while conforming to the scout brand regulations. The suggestions of the explorers will heavily influence this, and we will put all decisions past the explorers to allow them to make the unit their own.

The young leaders' section has recently completed a full round of training, and many young leaders have earned their awards and buckles; another complete training module will begin in due time to prevent explorers from joining part way through and missing

out on the required training modules, it has been more effective to run with larger groups as opposed to smaller groups requiring more time and individual meetings. D of E is also well underway, with expeditions being planned, completed and passed for their awards.

As district events are advertised, explorers are asked for assistance to create opportunities for leadership qualities to present themselves.

A District explorer plan is yet to be reviewed and implemented; however, many exciting developments are in the works.

Additionally, I would like especially to thank Gary for returning to the explorer unit and providing a fantastic programme and bringing his expertise to the unit.

Scout Section Report

Clive Pittard – ADC Scouts & Gwyn Evans – ADC District Support



Another odd or disjointed/fragmented year in the world and the Gosport Scouting District too. We did what we could, when we could, and dare I say that the Scout Leaders ran some Fantastic events in their programs throughout the 12 months. We were still having Zoom/online meetings rather than face-to-face which brought it's own challenges, advantages & disadvantages (hic!).

Obviously some or most of our yearly events we run for the Scouts were delayed or postponed or cancelled:

October's Scout Lightweight Hike was lost and drowned;

Robin(DC) ran a very well attended & viewed online District Carol Service which complimented his hard work;

January's Scout Chess Competition was Check Mate;

As was February's Scout Leadership Training Weekend frozen out;

I starved in March not being able to taste the hard work produced at the usual Scout Cooking Competition;

April saw our regular St. George's Day Celebrations & Promise Rededication ran online too;

May/June/July regrettably saw no District Camp/SuperScout Heats or Final/Elles Scout Camping Competition;

August is normally planning for the next calendar year but still all uncertain at the time;

And lastly September where we kick-started our planning for the re-launch of the Scout Lightweight Hike in October 2021;

So lots fell by the wayside because of Covid Restrictions, The Scout Leaders largely ran some fantastic programmes within the Government Guidelines, and a BRAVO to them for sticking at it throughout where they were allowed & felt comfortable J

Beavers and Cub Section Report

Marie Smith – ADC Cubs

BEAVER SCOUT REPORT

I'm happy to say that all the Beaver colonies are back and running including the newly relocated 9th Beaver colony after the hiatus caused by COVID.

Some of the colonies took their Beavers to the Hampshire organised Paulton's Park take over and as a district we arranged a coach for one of the two days (something we are looking to repeat this year). It was fantastic to see the different colonies coming together.



Although we didn't have enough competitions to give out the annual David Cope trophy in time for St George's Day, we did have the first ever Gosport Beaver Scout Connect 4 Competition!

We are looking at the mixture of activities and competitions at a district level and we celebrated as a district at Monkey Bizness. Planned for the year ahead we have a district Beaver hike which will be sponsored to raise money for Beaver Scout activities in the district as well as a sports event. There are also plans for a Science activity day and a sleepover!

It is so lovely to see Beaver leaders at meeting although these are mostly on zoom as it is easier to fit it in with everyone's busy lives (mine included).

I'd like to take this opportunity to say a massive thank you to all the Beaver leaders of Gosport for all their hard work.

CUB SCOUT REPORT

Our Cub packs in the district are thriving with many having waiting lists. They have returned to face to face meetings with gusto.

We have started our district competitions and although we had only run the Scrapheap challenge competition by St George's day so the Doris Long Trophy couldn't be handed out, we have plenty more planned included the much anticipated return of Super Cub (thank you to SAS and Gwyn for this).

Cub leader meetings have been taking part on zoom and as a result we are getting feedback about what activities our young people want to do and making changes to competitions run.

It has been decided that for 2022-2023 there will be 4 activities which will count towards the Doris Long trophy: Scrapheap challenge, sports day, go karts and Super Cub. These were chosen by the leaders to represent a wide range of skills and talents of our Cub Scouts.

Looking ahead we have the return of a Sports style event in the guise of a Sports activity day which will include crafts and some less competitive elements for all to

enjoy. This will form the first of Gosport's Cub Scout triathlon an initiative the leaders have created to encourage Cubs to 3 activities throughout the year: the Sports Activity Day, District Cub hike and an outdoor activity day. These activities all have an element of participation and experience rather than or as well as competition.

The Cub leaders of Gosport have been incredibly busy and a huge thanks goes from me to them. From weekly meetings to trips at weekends at evenings it is amazing to hear about all the opportunities you provide for our young people. Bravo.

Land Activities Report

Jodie Warner – ADC Land



Like all Scouting, Land Activities had a rough start to the year with us all still being mostly locked down with a large amount of restrictions still in place, however we were pleased when things started relaxing in April 2021 and the taster sessions could begin to take place again. This did cause some challenges that we were able to work through, some of these being social distancing, cleaning of equipment after every use, and finding suitable locations to host the activities.

In August 2021 things started to really pick up, we were able to offer a variety of activities to group camps, we attended 12th Gosport Cub Camp and 1st Lee Beavers, Cubs and Scout Camps. Towards the end of August 12 members of the District also attended a Tomahawks training course which was incredible and we are now pleased that this can be offered as another activity within the district, many thanks to 6th Gosport for organising this.

We also managed to return the Explorer Climbing Competition in September which was a massive success, even in the pouring rain the explorers had a fantastic camp.

Unfortunately, due to the restrictions that were still in place it was agreed that District Camp would be postponed for another year when we can ensure a safer and hopefully more enjoyable camp for all, District Camp will be returning from 15th – 17th July 2022!

For the remainder of the year we visited nearly every group in Gosport to offer at least one activity which is incredible, for next year we would love for all groups to have had the opportunity to book sessions with us. We have also been able to purchase some much needed activity equipment this year which has been a massive help in the running of things, our biggest purchase was of the new district trailer which has been a lifesaver when it comes to transporting kit it is also available to hire for your groups camps/events.

Over the next year we will be focusing on expanding our instructors for each of the activities and expanding the activity team if you are interested in any of the Land activities please get in touch as we would love to have you join the team.

We will also be focusing on continuing to expand the amount of visits we are able to offer to the groups/sections, if you would like to book a session for your section, be it your regular evening meeting or at a camp please contact me at adc-land@gosportscouts.org.uk to discuss your requirements.

Overall we have had a fantastic year and I look forward to watching it grow further next year. Many Thanks to all the Instructors for your hard work this year, you are amazing!

Water Activities Report

Allan Davey – ADC Water

Due to the Covid lockdown all courses and taster sessions were cancelled for the 2021 season, but we have only just been in a position when we can consider restarting them again.



We did actively support the Gosport Marine Festival in September 2021 which saw us grow some contacts with the Sea Cadets as well as Gosport Council as we ran some water activities for the public and some demonstration water skills alongside the cadets, thanks to all the Sea Explorers who attended the training during the summer and participated at the event. Also great to have a Scout recruitment area supporting us on the day led by Robin and Gemma with a number of others supporting.

2022 has seen us restart getting back on the water and we have so far completed 10 taster sessions with Guides, Rangers, Cubs and Scouts mainly from Gosport and held the Scout District Raft Race with a well attended Scout Water afternoon that followed. We want to extend our thanks to the Broderick Hall, Prime Paddling team and the Diocese for their support.

Following a request from Crown Estate to formalise the water access we have now completed a license with the Diocese and Crown Estate for the pontoon and slipway and whilst we will need to pay a yearly license fee we have secured access to the water for Scouting.

Expenditure over the last year has been limited, as we have not used the Broderick Hall during 2021 other than for storage of our kayaks but we have bookings for this year with the support of Prime Paddling which is the process of being paid and we are also aiming to arrange some dates for September.

Planning ahead we need to attract some water helpers / coaches to support our team and start to get plans in place to get courses back on for 2023

Gang Show Report

Trevor Smith

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic no creative activity has been able to take place. This doesn't mean that the team haven't been busy during that time.



The Costume team have been sorting out the wardrobe and dealing with running repairs of the building and Paul Gutman has been in discussions with regards to setting up an Active support group for Gang Show which we hope to launch.

We are hopeful that we can run the creative activity in 2022, especially as this marks the 90th anniversary of Gang Show.

Thanks to everyone for their hard work, continued support and patience during these times.

Media and Communications Report

Lisa Young – ADC Media and Communications



It is great to see so many groups in Gosport embracing the use of social media and reaping the rewards from the benefit it brings.

The 1st, 5th, 6th and 1st Lee all have fantastic Facebook pages which are well worth a follow for ideas, inspiration and to see what our amazing Scouts are up to. Other groups are making good use of facebook groups and twitter.

The Gosport Scouts Facebook page is going from strength to strength, being used for both recruitment and to share what our Groups are doing.

In the 28 days to the 17 June, Gosport District Facebook page was seen by 6800 people. This is helped by people sharing and liking posts.

As a district we have also had groups represented in both the printed press, with some fantastic articles from the 2nd Gosport and also on the radio.

It's also great to see shiny, on brand signage popping up across the Borough.

Gosport Gang Show and Gosport Scout Kayaking are both making use of social media to promote their activities and it's great to be able to 'tag' them and share their work further.

The priority moving forward is the District Website, we are keen to get a volunteer to take this on and help spread news of Gosport Scout further.

As always, if you need a hand getting set up on social media, want some support with branding, or advice as to what is and isn't acceptable on social media, please do get in touch

Inclusion and Diversity Report

Georgina Scanlon – ADC Inclusion and Diversity



I am and will continue to work towards a more diverse and inclusive Gosport scouting district for all, also hope to work closely with the 27th link.

Growth and Development Report

Gemma Shaw – ADC Growth and Development



Growth and Development has been busy over the last year. We had recruitment stands at the Gosport Waterfront Festival and the Victory Day in Lee Highstreet where 2 groups also joined the Victory Day Parade. Both events had large numbers of children signing up and a handful of volunteers. County have been supporting the 2nd in setting up their Squirrels and getting the group back up and running after COVID. we have already attended events this summer at the Makers Market at Fort Brockhurst and the Explorers "Meet the leaders" BBQ where we received more interest from both children and occasional help from adult volunteers. Leesland Parkfest has been booked for September the 17th and we have the possibility of attending the Car Rally at Stokes Bay on Monday 29th August.

From the Makers Market, we now have contacts with National Heritage who are keen to get more use from the Fort so please contact me for more information regarding groups meeting there. We are hoping to plan a District event there later this year. They have invited us to attend another event however this clashes with Parkfest.

Adult Support Report

Rick Dickinson – ADC Adult Support



It has been another busy and difficult year. Many more of the leaders in the District have completed both online and face to face training to become compliant. This has put the District in a very good place as we continue to recover from lock down and fully integrate back to full facing scouting. The Groups and District Staff have again done very well. I would like to thank everyone who has worked so hard this year.

Appointments Advisory Committee

Nigel Fleetwood – Appointments Advisory Committee Chairman



Gosport District Scouts has had an amazing year recovering from the events of the last couple of years. It is inspirational to see the effort and commitment that adult volunteers across Gosport have shown to get us to this point.

This is heavily reflected in the vast increase in potential adult leaders coming through the panels in recent months.

With panels meeting every month, where possible, the number of adult volunteers still waiting for panel is currently sitting at around 14 adults. Some of these are booked on

the next panel and others are being held up slightly due to the administrative process that we are required to follow.

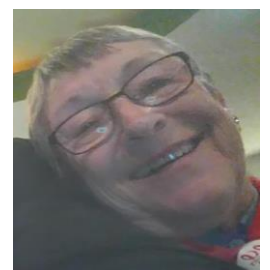
Upon taking over as AAC chair my goal was to overhaul the AAC process into a more modern and friendlier environment providing a better opportunity for us to meet potential volunteers but just as importantly allowing the potential volunteers to get to meet representatives from the District team, and to give them the opportunity to ask questions from us. This we have achieved with great success allowing a more open and frank discussion to take place between all involved.

Part of my modernisation process was to look at the administrative process and see what areas could be streamlined and updated from the old system that remains in place currently. Unfortunately, this project is currently on hold until such a time as the future of the AAC is determined by headquarters.

I'm sure I speak on behalf of all the AAC when I say we are privileged to have the opportunity to meet so many new adults joining Gosport and look forward to what the next year holds, whether remaining as the AAC or in a more supportive role for the GSL under the new structure to be released later this year.

DHQ Report

Pat Brown – Bookings Secretary



Once again many changes this year.

Some of the permanent Bookings are starting up again after Covid Lockdown, and one off bookings are picking up slowly, our overheads are still having to be met by the District, looking forward to getting back to normal

The grounds and inside the building continue to be kept in good order, but there is still plenty of work to be done

Many thanks to all who help to keep the hall in tip top condition

Lyons Copse Report

Mike Brown, Carl Pettit, Charles Nunn
Gosport Lyons Copse Representatives



Site Overall:

The site has taken off in two ways since our last meeting.

Firstly, we have seen a big increase in the number of site users, both weekend and evenings. As a site we need to sort a better process to unlock evenings, rather than keep sending people to the site. Whole site bookings are at a high level from the end of April to the end of June. Please can I ask we make sure that Districts ensure they keep their duties covered. If you cannot cover your booking then please follow the process and keep Amanda in the loop. If you cannot find any cover then you will need to swap with another District, again via Amanda.

Our second take off is the trees being blown down in the recent storms. Over 30 trees have been lost with some big damage in North field to the Fir trees. Along with a good tree surgeon team and our Monday crew we are getting on top of it but it has been real hard work.

Our grass cutting is back under way and also some of the stie repair work. A few plans have been changed to accommodate the cost of the tree work etc and keep our funds in place.

Buildings /site work

The lodge Showers now has new showers floors, thanks to Colin for the solo effort in getting the tiling back in place – I did not plan this job well.

Our office is next to be lifted and repaired with a new walk way at the front.

Lawrence paddock entrance has now been changed to accommodate the cave bus and allow for better access to the field when the car park is full.

Our new toilet blocks have been vandalised and the paint work damaged. We aim to resolve this over the coming weeks hoping the weather will be kind.

Thanks to the Denewolf activity team we now have a shelter and store by the climbing tower. This allows for kit to be stored at the weekend end and also a cover to set up the harnesses etc.

Site Cleaning plan .

Normally we would have had a working weekend at the start of the season to clean all the buildings and carry out other work. This year we had to cancel it as no one was able to cover the weekend to coordinate the work. Hence this proposed plan. We are now asking each owner District to plan an evening where they can come to site and carry out the work they would have done on the working weekend. So I asked each district to give me the date of a Mon – Thursday they can volunteer to do this work. I will then co-ordinate the plan. We are looking for one evening per District - mainly cleaning and painting.

Monday night is maintenance night and volunteers are most welcome. Gosport is represented on a Monday by Carl Pettit. As he is often away Gosport it is not always represented. If anyone would like to attend on a Monday, just turn up at Lyons Lodge by 19:00 and introduce yourself. It is not compulsory nor does it need to be regular. Any help is appreciated.



Last Years AGM Minutes

Held online on 3rd July 2021 @ 2.30pm.

Present: Robin Peddell (DC) Ian Batchelor, (Chairman) Jane Warner, (Treasurer) Gwyn Evans (Secretary) Martin Mackey (County Commissioner) Mark Hook (Mayor) and 29+ Members of Gosport District Scouts.

Before the AGM commenced a short prelude to those Scouters who have 'Gone Home' in the Past year were shown.

1. The meeting continued with Ian welcoming everyone and was sad that it had to happen again virtually. Felt it was very odd year with some amazing activities undertaken by all the sections. Well done to all.

2. Apologies: Sandra Pettit. Ellen Hicks Matt Hicks, Sandra Hicks, Carl Pettit, Charles Nunn, Tory Smith, Gemma Shaw, Clive Pittard.

3. Approval of the previous year's minutes – Approval of 96%

4. Approval of Financial Report: Jane explained that within all sections there was little movement, balance was lower due to Covid 19, also fundraising non-existent although did receive to grants totaling £20,000. There were no new assets, and Camp site deposits were being carried over. A van for a camp had been refunded. District Surplus around £22,000. Jane thanked Tory and Mandy for their help. Ian asked for any questions regarding the accounts, non-forthcoming, Ian ask for the accounts to be approved – 92%

5. Annual Section Reports: There followed a video of the District activities during the period, there was no questions, so the reports were approved.

6. District Commissioner's Report: He thank all the district for their support, commentating on doing a Virtual Camp Fire very strange singing by himself.

7. Approval of DC's Nomination of District Chair: Ian was proposed and accepted. District 92%

8. Election of Officers to Gosport District Scout Executive Committee

9. Election of District Secretary – Gwyn Evans was proposed and accepted 96%

10. Election of District Treasurer – Jane Warner was proposed and accepted 96%

11. Election of Deputy Treasurer – Mandy Batchelor was proposed and accepted 92%

12. Ex – Officio Members:

DC Robin Peddell
DYC Joseph Dawson
DDC Trevor Smith
DDC Pete Giffin
DNSC Chris Smith
DESC Vacant

13. Election and/or co-opt members to the Executive:

GSL- Lee Pounds
Beavers-
Cubs – Lisa Young
Scouts- Clive Pittard
18-25 Network – Sean Werren
SAS- Pat Brown
Gang Show – Trevor Smith
Gosport Kayaking- Allan Davey
Lyons Copse Representatives – Carl Pettit, Charles Nunn and Mike Brown
District Appointments Chair-(Non-Trustee) Nigel Fleetwood
District Appointment Secretary- Pat Brown
Fundraising Chair- Tory Smith
District Scout Shop Managers – Sandra Hicks
District Badge Secretary- Pete Phillips.
Property Services Chair- Hannah Batchelor
Property Services Committee – Pete Phillips.

14. A.O.B. There were no questions at this point.

15. The Mayor Councillor Mark Hook said it was good to see so many there and as it was “Thank You” day he wished to say thank you to the scouts for delivering an imaginative programme in such different times. There is always great energy especially in Gosport where the Executive Committee and Leaders were awesome. He was

amazed at what has been achieved via zoom. Praised the 6th Gosport due to the fact his grandson is a member and saw all the activities they were doing. He mentioned the start hopefully of the Squirrels where their age will be 4 to 6 years. Scouts have been on a great journey and congratulated all the leaders and said how proud he was of Gosport Scouts, mentioning Robin's baptism of fire taking over 2 weeks after lockdown was announced. WELL DONE ALL.

16. Gosport's Scout Ambassador. Caroline said how sorry that she was not able to attend as promised and was happy to have been asked, she expressed how fantastic the district was and with the number of children involved. Caroline praised all the leaders and volunteers and was hoping she would be able to see us soon.

17. County Commissioner Martin Mackey. Martin said it was a great pleasure to be able to join us for our AGM, sorry it was not as we would have liked. Martin could see how the groups and District were working after having read the reports. Could see the leaders were keeping the groups going and although showed number loss in March a quick census counts earlier showed are figures had already gone up by 23% in 3 months. Congratulations to Lisa and Maggie for the Solent Radio slot to promote scouting. Martin went to promote the World Scout Jamboree in South Korea and said that scouts should be eligible to attend the selection weekend. We need to encourage even those who are disadvantaged. He said that there were many General Service awards and some from Gosport in the St George's Day list. Thank you all for the year gone by which was difficult. Thank you for Invitation and well done to all.

18. District Commissioners closing remarks: Robin wished to say thank you to all the Executive committee, all the groups and volunteers. The virtual events were a great success with 3000+ watching Remembrance Parade and 1500 watching St George's Day Parade. The DC then closed with the poem which was read at the parade.

Meeting closed at 15.15



GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2021

Charity registration number: 1023671

Scout Association: 12014

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

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GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

Year ended 30 September 2021

Section A - Reference and administration details

Gosport District Scout Council- The Scout Association District Registration number is 12014.

The Gosport District Scout Council is a registered Charity and its Charity registration Number is 1023671

The Address of the District Secretary is:

27, Hill Park Road
Gosport, Hampshire
PO12 3EB

List of Trustees:-

Name	Appointment	Sub committee	
Ian Batchelor	District Chairman	Ex Officio	Nominated
Robin Peddell	District Commissioner	Ex Officio	Nominated
Jane Warner	District Treasurer	Finance	Elected
Mandy Batchelor	Deputy Treasurer	Finance	Elected
Gwyn Evans	District Secretary	Finance Appointments	Elected
Jessica Haggard	District Youth Commissioner	Ex Officio	Nominated
Trevor Smith	Deputy District Commissioner	Ex Officio	Nominated
Peter Giffin	Deputy District Commissioner	Ex Officio	Nominated
Patricia Brown	Appointments Secretary	Finance Appointments	Elected
Clive Pittard	Scout Active Support Manager		Nominated
Ryan McGarvey	DESC		Appointment
Chris Smith	DNSC		Appointment
Lee Pounds	GSL rep.	Appointments	Elected
Vacant	Beaver ADC		Elected
Lisa Young	Cuc Rep		Elected
Nigel Fleetwood	Scout Leader		Elected
Sean Werren	18-25		Co opted
Trevor Smith	Gang Show		Co-opted
Allan Davey	Kayaking Rep		Co-opted
Carl Pettitt, Charles Nunn, Mike Brown	Solent Training Centre	Appointments	Co opted
Tory Smith	Fundraising Chair		

Professional advisers

Bankers: HSBC Bank, 26 High Street, Gosport, Hampshire PO12 1DG

Independent examiner: P J Sommerville ACA, Wood, Hicks & Co Chartered Accountants, Units 1-2, Warrior Court, 9-11 Mumby Road, Gosport, Hampshire PO12 1BS

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (CONTINUED)

Year ended 30 September 2021

Section B - Structure, governance and management

The District's governing documents are those of the Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, which in turn gives authority to the bye-laws of the Association and the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

The District is a Trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

The District is managed by the District Executive Committee the members of which are Charity Trustees of the Gosport District Scouts, which is an Educational charity. As charity trustees they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities. This includes the registration, keeping of proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate.

The Committee meets every two months and consists of three independent representatives, the Chairman; the Treasurer and the Secretary together with the District Commissioner and section representatives.

The District Executive Committee exists to support the District Commissioner in meeting the responsibility of the appointment and is responsible for: the maintenance of District property; the raising of funds and the administration of District finance; the insurance of persons and property and equipment; District Public occasions; assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support; appointing any sub-committees that may be required; and, appointing District administrators other than those elected.

Risk Management

The Trustees have assessed and will continue to monitor the major risks to which they believe the Scout Council is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances and are, at present, satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate the exposure to major risks.

The main areas of concern are: damage to buildings and property; injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members; and, loss of income from Scout Shop, District Headquarters and Gang Show.

The District, through the capitation fees, contributes to the Scout Association's national accident insurance policy. Risk assessments are carried out before all activities are undertaken.

DBS checks are carried out for all adult members of the Scout Association and for parent helpers.

Reduced income - The District is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions. The District does hold a reserve to ensure continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income.

The District Constitution was approved at the last Annual General Meeting. It is held by the District Secretary and is reviewed annually.

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (CONTINUED)

Year ended 30 September 2021

Section B - Structure, governance and management (continued)

Reserves Policy

Gosport District Scout Council's policy is to hold sufficient unrestricted reserves to enable it to:

- (a) meet the financial uncertainty over the lease of the DHQ.
- (b) withstand any other unforeseen financial setback;
- (c) take advantage of any opportunity which the District Executive Committee considers will benefit the Council and the community it serves.
- (d) provide temporary financial assistance to Scout groups in the expectation of receipt of funding from other organisations.

The Trustees have determined that the appropriate level of general reserves should be, at least, equal to 6 months expenditure of general funds.

Section C - Objectives and activities Policy Organisation and Rules Chapter 1

The Purpose of the Scout Association - Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to Society.

The Values - Integrity; Respect; Care; Belief; Co-operation.

The Method - Scouting takes place when young people in partnership with adults, work together based on the Values of Scouting and in the attainment of the objectives and activities the Trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on Public Benefit.

Section D - Achievements and performance

Membership - Robin and the team have worked tirelessly to increase the youth and adult members in Gosport since the pandemic and under his leadership within the 23 districts in Hampshire the 2022 census has shown some outstanding results.

- Gosport saw the second largest percentage increase of young people and overall numbers in the County compared to 2021: 41.6% and 31.7% respectively
- Gosport was one of only 8 districts in Hampshire to record Squirrel Scouts and made history in doing so.
- Gosport saw one of the largest percentage increases in adults compared to 2021: 15.8%

A fantastic achievement and one the whole District should be extremely proud of.

Assets- the Buildings and equipment owned by Gosport District Scout Council have been assessed and procedures are being put in place to monitor usage and value.

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (CONTINUED)

Year ended 30 September 2021

Section E - Financial review

The District made an overall surplus of £3,688.

The Unrestricted funds at the year-end total £157,589, of which £97,315 has been designated for the Scout shop, Gang show and other activities. Thus £60,762 remains as an unrestricted general fund which the trustees believe is sufficient to cover short-term fluctuations in income and expenditure.

Section F - Plans for the future period

a) To continue to provide the governance and management to enable young people to have access to the Objectives and Activities within the Policy Organisation of the Scout Association.

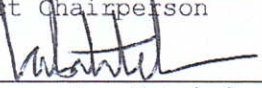
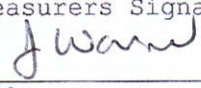
b) Our plan to Support, Develop and Grow continues and will form the basis for our strategy in Gosport moving forward.

c) The leadership team, now in place, have with Robins leadership undertaken the following:

- Ensure that the District thrives and has the best systems in place to support the groups, to support all adult volunteers in the District and develop Scouting in the District.
- Provide line management and support to the adults in the District.
- Produce a vision for the District and implement a development plan to meet that vision.
- Ensure that Scouting in the District is attractive to young people and adults from all backgrounds in the District.
- Ensure that the District has an adequate team of supported and appropriate adults working effectively together and with others to meet the Scouting needs of the area.
- Work with the County Commissioner to support the delivery of Scouting across the County.

Section G - Declaration

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

District Chairperson 	Treasurers Signature 
Full Name: Ian Batchelor	Full name: Jane Warner
Date: 16 June 2022	Date: 16 June 2022

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BALANCE SHEET

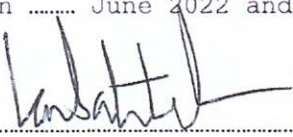
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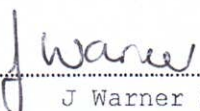
	<u>Note</u>	<u>2021</u> £	<u>2020</u> £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	2	<u>53,774</u>	<u>52,389</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks		16,261	16,989
Debtors	3	3,500	3,775
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>86,430</u>	<u>82,703</u>
Total current assets		106,191	103,467
LIABILITIES			
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	4	<u>(2,376)</u>	<u>(1,955)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>103,815</u>	<u>101,512</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS		<u>£157,589</u>	<u>£153,901</u>

THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY:

Unrestricted funds			
General fund	14	60,274	50,784
Designated funds	14	<u>97,315</u>	<u>103,117</u>
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS AT 30 SEPTEMBER,		<u>£157,589</u>	<u>£153,901</u>

Approved by the members of the Gosport District Scouts Council
on June 2022 and signed on its behalf by


..... District Chairperson
I Batchelor (Mr)


..... District Treasurer
J Warner MAAT (Mrs)

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

Year ended 30 September 2021

	Note	2021		2020		
		Unrest- riected £	Rest- riected £	Unrest- riected £	Rest- riected £	Total £
INCOME from:						
Donations and legacies	5					
Voluntary income		1,952		3,445		3,445
Income from fundraising events		6,850		10,943		10,943
Grants		17,103		20,000		20,000
		<u>25,905</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>34,388</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>34,388</u>
Charitable activities						
Membership subscriptions	6	22,261		33,262		33,262
Income from activities		(979)		6,247		6,247
		<u>21,282</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>39,509</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>39,509</u>
Bank interest received		22		85		85
Total income		<u>47,209</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>73,982</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>73,982</u>
EXPENDITURE on:						
Raising funds	7	5,490		4,610		4,610
Charitable activities	8	38,031		46,391		46,391
		<u>43,521</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>51,001</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>51,001</u>
Total expenditure		<u>43,521</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>51,001</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>51,001</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		<u>3,688</u>		<u>22,981</u>		<u>22,981</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:						
Total funds brought forward		153,901		130,920		130,920
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	14	<u>£157,589</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£153,901</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£153,901</u>

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2021

NOTE 1 – ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Accounting framework

The financial accounts have been set out in accordance with the accounting framework required under the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing accounts in accordance with FRS 102 (SORP FRS 102 updated October 2019).

There were no material departures from these standards.

(b) Basis and content of the financial accounts

The accounts have been prepared on the basis of historical cost and the accruals concept to show a true and fair view of the Charity's financial position and activities.

The accounts are expressed in pounds Sterling, rounded to the nearest pound and include all the assets and liabilities under the control of the Trustees of the Charity.

(c) Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Land and buildings

Acquisition information relating to the Council's freehold land and buildings is not readily available and these premises are included in the accounts at a historical valuation and are not depreciated.

These costs are depreciated over the shorter of the estimated useful economic life of the assets and the lease term.

Other tangible fixed assets

Other tangible assets are capitalised at cost and depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life as follows:

Electrical equipment	4 Years straight line
Other equipment	10 Years straight line
Fixtures and fittings	20 Years straight line

Acquisition information relating to the Council's freehold land and buildings is not readily available and these premises are included in the accounts at a historical valuation and are not depreciated.

(d) Debtors

Debtors are stated at the amounts due to the Charity at the balance sheet date. Prepayments are recorded for the proportion of time-based expenditures attributable to the ensuing year.

(e) Cash and cash equivalents

This caption represents the amounts held in bank current accounts and cash at the balance sheet date together with bank deposits on less than 90 days' notice at the balance sheet date.

(f) Liabilities

Liabilities are recognised as soon as an outflow of economic benefit is considered more likely than not to occur under a legal or constructive obligation committing the Charity to pay out resources. Creditors that are current liabilities are recognised at the settlement amount expected to be paid at the balance sheet date.

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2021

NOTE 1 – ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(g) Funds

Grants and donations received for non-specific purposes or general funding are available for utilisation at the discretion of the Trustees and are dealt with through the General Fund.

Certain designated funds have been created by the Trustees to ring-fence resources that are not considered to be readily expendable. See Note 14.

Grants, donations and legacies received for specific projects are treated as restricted funds for use only in connection with the specified purposes as imposed by the donor or trust deed. Deficits on restricted funds are carried forward to the extent that the Trustees are satisfied that future funding will cover such deficits on a last-in-first-out basis.

(h) Income recognition

Income is brought into account when it is more likely than not that the economic benefit will accrue to the Charity.

Grants and donations

Grants and donations (including government grants) received without pre-conditions attached are recognised on receipt. Gifts subject to performance-related or other conditions are recognised when such conditions are fulfilled and all the donors associated requirements concerning them have been complied with.

Gift Aid

Tax refunds receivable under gift aid arrangements are recognised by reference to the date of the related gift. Gift aid recoverable on donations to trust and special funds is included in the fund to which the gifts relate.

Legacies

Incoming resources from legacies are recognised when there is reasonable certainty that the legacy will be received and the value can be reliably measured.

Investment income

Interest receivable is recognised in the year in which it is earned.

Other income

Individual amounts classified as other income are disclosed separately if they are considered to be material.

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2021

NOTE 1 – ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(h) **Income recognition** (continued)

Gifts in kind and intangible income

Gifts of tangible fixed assets for the Charity's use are recognised as incoming resources on the basis of their actual or estimated value, including VAT where appropriate, at the time the gift is made.

The value of volunteer time is not recognised in the financial statements since there is no measurable cost for their services.

Donated services are recognised as incoming resources insofar as another party is bearing the financial cost of the resources supplied and the benefit is quantifiable and measurable. An equivalent cost is recorded under the appropriate expenditure caption in the Statement of Financial Activities.

(i) **Expenditure**

Expenditure is recognised when a liability is incurred or a constructive obligation arises resulting in payment being unavoidable or a commitment to pay that is intended to be acted upon.

(j) **Stock**

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

(k) **Allocation and analysis of charitable support and administrative charges**

All central costs for charitable support and administration are met from general funds.

(l) **Tax**

The Charity is exempted by HM Revenue & Customs from liability to tax on its operating surpluses and investment income whilst it pursues its charitable objectives.

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2021

NOTE 2 – TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	<u>Land and buildings</u> £	<u>Equip- ment</u> £	<u>Fixtures and fittings</u> £	<u>Total</u> £
Cost or valuation				
At 1 October 2020	45,000	17,493	4,571	67,064
Additions during year		4,542		4,542
At 30 September 2021	<u>45,000</u>	<u>22,035</u>	<u>4,571</u>	<u>71,606</u>
Depreciation/amortisation				
At 1 October 2020		10,358	4,317	14,675
Charge for year		2,928	229	3,157
At 30 September 2021	<u>-</u>	<u>13,286</u>	<u>4,546</u>	<u>17,832</u>
Net book value				
At 30 September 2021	<u>£45,000</u>	<u>£ 8,749</u>	<u>£ 25</u>	<u>£53,774</u>
At 30 September 2020	<u>£45,000</u>	<u>£ 7,135</u>	<u>£ 254</u>	<u>£52,389</u>

NOTE 3 – DEBTORS

	<u>2021</u> £	<u>2020</u> £
Debtors	408	400
Prepayments	3,085	3,336
Accrued income	7	39
	<u>£3,500</u>	<u>£3,775</u>

NOTE 4 – CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	<u>2021</u> £	<u>2020</u> £
Creditors	390	90
Accrued charges	1,606	1,865
Deferred income	380	-
	<u>£2,376</u>	<u>£1,955</u>

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2021

NOTE 5 - INCOME FROM DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2021			2020
	Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £	Total £	Total £
Voluntary income				
Donations	1,129		1,129	2,694
Patrons	823		823	751
	<u>1,952</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,952</u>	<u>3,445</u>
Income from fundraising events				
Hall hire	955		955	1,470
Raffles/Lottery	988		988	901
Scout shop sales	4,892		4,892	5,793
Ticket sales	15		15	2,779
	<u>6,850</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,850</u>	<u>10,943</u>
Income from Grants				
Government grants	17,103		17,103	20,000
	<u>£25,905</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£25,905</u>	<u>£34,473</u>

NOTE 6 - INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2021			2020
	Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £	Total £	Total £
Membership subscriptions				
Capitation fees	17,887		17,887	26,108
Membership fees	4,374		4,374	7,154
	<u>22,261</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>22,261</u>	<u>33,262</u>
Income from activities				
Camp fees	(990)		(990)	2,017
Activities	-		-	2,891
Collections	-		-	391
Miscellaneous Income	-		-	570
Clothing reimbursement	11		11	378
	<u>(979)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(979)</u>	<u>6,247</u>
	<u>£21,282</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£21,282</u>	<u>£39,509</u>

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2021

NOTE 7 - RAISING FUNDS

	2021			2020
	Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £	Total £	Total £
Stock purchases	5,270		5,270	4,604
Advertising	220		220	-
Prizes	-		-	6
	<u>£5,490</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£5,490</u>	<u>£4,610</u>

NOTE 8 - CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2021			2020
	Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £	Total £	Total £
Membership subscriptions paid				
Capitation fees	16,750	-	16,750	22,485
Donations Paid				
Sundry donations	950	-	950	93
Activities Expensed				
Camp site fees	-		-	197
Camp activities	-		-	10
Materials purchased	610		610	1,178
Catering	-		-	1,091
Activities	336		336	1,014
Hall hire	21		21	284
Training	83		83	124
Trophies and engraving	-		-	63
Clothing costs	68		68	1,027
Services purchased	1,872		1,872	212
Collections redistributed	(253)		(253)	391
	<u>2,737</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,737</u>	<u>5,591</u>
Premises Expenses				
Rent and rates	6,148		6,148	6,949
Utilities	3,346		3,346	2,829
Repairs and maintenance	279		279	826
Insurance	2,254		2,254	2,662
Cleaning	208		208	260
	<u>12,235</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,235</u>	<u>13,526</u>
Management and Administration				
Printing, postage and stationery	141		141	524
Computer	-		-	174
Depreciation	3,157		3,157	2,396
Bank charges	143		143	402
Misc	358		358	-
Independent examiner's fees	1,560		1,560	1,200
	<u>5,359</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,359</u>	<u>4,696</u>
	<u>£38,031</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£38,031</u>	<u>£46,391</u>

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2021

NOTE 9 - TRUSTEES REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

No trustees, nor anyone connected with them, received any remuneration in connection with their services as trustees of the Charity during the year.

No trustee expenses were incurred.

The Trustees control and manage the Charity and make all strategic decisions in relation to its activities.

NOTE 10 - STAFF COSTS

Number of employees

Average number of persons employed under contracts of service during the year was: nil (2020: nil).

NOTE 11 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Charity did not engage in any transactions with related parties during the year.

NOTE 12 - FUNDS HELD AS CUSTODIAN TRUSTEE

Gosport District Scout Council holds funds on behalf of 9th Scout Group as agent.

These amounts are not included in the assets, income or expenditure of Gosport District Scout Council in the reporting period. All monies are separated to their own funds on the Charity's accounting software to ensure segregation and safe custody from the Charity's own assets. The amounts received and paid as agent were as follows:

	<u>2021</u>
	£
Membership fee income	226
Income from activities	718
Expenditure on activities	<u>(977)</u>
	<u>£ (33)</u>

The balance owed from the 9th Scout Group at the end of the year was £33.

The 9th Scout Group is a voluntary organisation with objectives that the trustees consider to align with Gosport District Scout's objectives, as such the general fund of the Council was used to cover the shortfall in the current period and was recovered in the subsequent accounting year.

No fees were charged to the 9th Scout Group for the administration of the agency arrangement.

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2021

NOTE 13 - ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	<u>Fixed assets</u> £	<u>Net current assets</u> £	<u>Net assets</u> £
Unrestricted:			
General fund	3,409	56,865	60,274
Designated funds: Active Support Group		3,520	3,520
Youth sections:			
Beavers			-
Cubs			-
Scouts		210	210
Explorers	67	12,547	12,614
Gang Show	800	1,290	2,090
Kayak	3,239	396	3,635
Network Unit		640	640
Activities	1,253	(1,253)	-
Scout Shop	45,006	29,600	74,606
	<u>50,365</u>	<u>46,950</u>	<u>97,315</u>
ACCUMULATED FUNDS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2021	<u>£53,774</u>	<u>£103,815</u>	<u>£157,589</u>

NOTE 14 - MOVEMENTS ON FUNDS

	<u>Fund balances brought forward</u> £	<u>Income</u> £	<u>Expenditure</u> £	<u>Trans- fers</u> £	<u>Fund balances carried forward</u> £
(a) Unrestricted					
General fund	50,784	37,370	(27,628)	(252)	60,274
Designated funds:					
Active Support Group	3,569	10	(59)		3,520
Youth sections:					
Beavers	-				-
Cubs	-				-
Scouts	210				210
Explorers	12,704	4,085	(1,383)	(2,792)	12,614
Gang Show	4,643	852	(5,655)	2,250	2,090
Kayak	5,392		(1,757)		3,635
Network Unit	640				640
Activities	-		(794)	794	-
Scout Shop	75,959	4,892	(6,245)		74,606
	<u>103,117</u>	<u>9,839</u>	<u>(15,893)</u>	<u>(252)</u>	<u>97,315</u>
Total funds	<u>£153,901</u>	<u>£47,209</u>	<u>£(43,521)</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£157,589</u>

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Accounts



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Gone Home

We regret to advise the sad passing of the following Gosport Scouts Members in 2021.

Gone but not forgotten.

Derek Hodge



Jon Meyer



Welcome



Honorary President of Gosport Scouts

The Mayor of Gosport Councillor Mark Hook

Hampshire Scout Commissioner

Martin Mackey

Gosport Scouts Ambassador

Caroline Dinenage MP

All our Volunteers

**Support, Develop and Grow
in 2021**

Scouts 
Gosport

District Chairs Report

Ian Batchelor District Chair



Welcome to Gosport Scouts AGM!

Its been a difficult year for Gosport Scouting with Covid19 generating a challenging environment for us all to provide quality Scouting to our young people.

The programme of events that I have seen delivered by both the District team and Group leaders such as the on-line District Camp to section cooking evenings has been inspiring. Every leader in the District should be extremely proud to know they have continued to motivate & enthuse the youth of Gosport and worked hard to maintain youth interest & engagement in local Scouting.

It is a privilege to act as your District Chair supported by a great District Leadership team and my thanks must go to Robin & team for their enthusiasm and dedication.

Finally, a massive thankyou to everyone that has given their time over the past year to Gosport Scouts-you have enriched the lives of our youth.

Minutes of Last AGM

Minutes of the Gosport District Annual General Meeting

Held online on 30th July 2020 @ 7pm.

Present: Robin Peddell (DC) Ian Batchelor, (Chairman) Jane Warner, (Treasurer) Chris Hodge, (Secretary) Tim Kidd (UK Chief Commissioner) Martin Mackey (County Commissioner) Zoe Huggins (Mayor)

Andrew Chapman (Auditor) and 32+ Members of Gosport District Scouts.

Apologies: Dave South, Bonnie Wakefield, Sandra Pettit.

Before the AGM commenced a short prelude to those Scouters who have 'Gone Home' in the Past year were shown.

1. The evening continued with Robin welcoming everyone to the meeting.
2. Martin Mackey was introduced by Robin and he gave a short speech. He talked about Lockdown and how it had impacted on the whole of Scouting. Martin said there was no pressure for Districts and Groups to open up, he said that it would be a long time until Scouting got back to normal. Martin thanked everyone for their hard work in keeping Scouting going.

He then went on to talk about The District Commissioners Commendations, (Robin's Award) Lisa Young was nominated for all the hard work she had done in the District with parents and young people. Well done Lisa.

Pete Giffin and Jodie Warner were also nominated for all their outstanding hard work for their Virtual Camp and for all their Camps over the years. Well done Jodie and Pete. Martin finished off by saying to all have a good break and re-charge your batteries.

3. District Chairman then took over the meeting, saying that last year's minutes and Accounts were circulated to the District Minutes were proposed by Ian and approved by Chris.

4. Annual reports were proposed by Allan Davey and accepted by Members. 27th Gosport and Gang show reports were not submitted. Pete Phillips also submitted his report as DC from last year. Report accepted.

5. DC no comments to make.

6. Adoption of the Annual report and accounts. Andrew Chapman attended the meeting. He started the meeting by saying that due to Covid 19 Charities income and expenditures up slightly. He gave praise to Jane saying the accounts were always well prepared. He did say that maybe a change in software would benefit the District

Andrew said that 10,000 grants had been awarded on 2 properties. Andrew asked if anyone had any questions, no questions were forthcoming. The Chairman thanked Andrew for attending the meeting. The order of the Accounts was proposed by Robin and Seconded by Chris,

7. Ex – Officio Members:

DC Robin Peddell

DDC Trevor Smith

DDC Pete Giffin

DNAC Chris Smith

DESC Hannah Fokinther

8. Nominations:

The District Commissioners Nomination for District Chairman – Ian Batchelor - proposal District Commissioner- Accepted by Members.

Election of Officers to Gosport District Scout Executive Committee:

District Secretary Chris Hodge – Proposed and Accepted.

District Treasurer Jane Warner – Proposed and Accepted

Deputy Treasurer Mandy Batchelor – Proposed and Accepted.

9. Election and/or co-opt members to the Executive:

GSL-Lee Pounds

Beavers- Derek Hodge

Cubs – Alison Taylor

Scouts- Nigel Fleetwood.

18-25 Network – Sean Werren

SAS- Clive Pittard

Gang Show – Trevor Smith

Gosport Kayaking- Allan Davey

Lyons Copse Representatives – Carl Pettit, Charles Nunn and Mike Brown

District Appointments Chairman-David South (Non-Trustee)

District Appointment Secretary- Pat Brown

Fundraising Chair-Tory Smith

District Scout Shop Managers – Appointments to be confirmed.

District Badge Secretary- Pete Phillips.

Property Services Committee – Pete Phillips.

Proposals Chairman- Accepted Theresa Craven, Sandra martin.

10. Zoe Huggins said it was a great honour to be Mayor and Honorary President of Gosport District Scout Council and thanked Robin for inviting her this evening. She said congratulations to Lisa, Pete and Jodie for their achievement and awards this evening. She went onto say it was fantastic to see so many Volunteers and young people taking part in the District Virtual camp, around 200. She also commented on the continuing use of Zoom for groups keeping in touch with their young people. As Coronavirus hit 19 weeks ago, and as volunteers you were all dealing with your own challenges, but you kept your groups going and that is amazing. The Mayor said that she enjoyed the Zoom Gang show. She was amazed at the positive interest and the enthusiasm. She finished by thanking Robin for inviting her to join in the AGM.

AOB:

11. DC said he would like to thank Dena and Maureen for their outstanding contribution over the years for running the Scout Shop. Bouquets were sent to them in appreciation of their service. Dena has since sent a thankyou letter. Sandra Martin had also been presented with a Bouquet for her service to the Cub Scout section over the years.

District Chairman said he wanted to say he was excited to see Robin's enthusiasm, Robin took over when lockdown appeared, which brought very challenging times. But huge numbers of Scouting Members have stepped up and done amazing things. Bravo to you all. Well done.

12. District Commissioners closing remarks:

DC said thankyou to everyone, you are all amazing adapting programmes and making them virtual, in these very difficult times. There have been lots of activities via zoom, Virtual Camp, Gang Show, and all the activities you have done throughout the year,

Robin thanked Leaders and Parents. To end the evening Robin put on a fantastic show of scouting throughout the year. Well done to you Robin.

Meeting closed at 19.43.

AGM Agenda

1. Welcome by Ian Batchelor - District Chair
2. Apologies for absence – District Chair
3. Approval of the minutes from the last AGM
4. Adoption of the Annual Treasurers Report and Accounts.
5. Annual Section reports: as published in the Annual report.
6. District Commissioners report: as published in the Annual report.
7. The District Commissioners Nomination for District Chair
8. Election of Officers to Gosport District Scout Executive Committee
9. Election and/or co-opt members to the Executive
10. Any Other Business
11. District Chair - Response
12. Honorary President The Mayor Gosport – Response
13. Hampshire County Commissioner
14. Gosport Scouts Ambassador – Caroline Dinenage MP
15. DC's Closing remarks

Nominations for Exec 2021

The District Commissioners Nomination for District Chair - Ian Batchelor

Election of Officers to Gosport District Scout Executive Committee

District Secretary – Gwyn Evans

District Treasurer – Jane Warner

Deputy Treasurer – Mandy Batchelor

Ex-officio members

DC Robin Peddell

DYC Joseph Dawson

DDC Trevor Smith

DDC Pete Giffin

DNSC Chris Smith

DESC Vacant

Election and/or co-opt members to the Executive

GSL - Lee Pounds

Beavers - Vacant

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Property Services Chair – Hannah Batchelor

Property Services Committee Member – Pete Phillips



AGM Reports



DC's Report

Robin Peddell - District Commissioner



This is my first report as DC following my appointment in March 2020. Little did we know that two weeks after my appointment COVID would appear, and we all enter a national lock down.

Despite the lock down we have seen some amazing resilience from our volunteer leaders and youth membership across the district, who have adapted to the new restrictions and continued to provide a programme over zoom to serve our community.

Many of us had never heard of Zoom before March last year. Our volunteers have adapted their programme to support our youth members and provide some much-needed relief. Bravo and Thank You without your hard work we would have not retained 70% our youth membership.

Here is just a selection of amazing activities that Gosport Scouts have been able to organise: -

- More Training Advisers
- More M & S Training Advisers
- District SharePoint – Risk Assessments
- Nights Assessors
- District Newsletter
- Robins Ramblings (DC Update Emails)
- Appointments Committee - New Members and zoom panels
- Virtual Activities
 - District Kahoot Quizzes
 - Scavenger Hunts
 - District Camp
 - Campfires
 - Virtual Remembrance Service with over 3K views
 - District Online Panto
 - Carol Service with over 2K views raised £100
 - St Georges Day with over 1.5K views
 - Online Gang Show Premier

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- GSK – Upgrade to Pontoon
 - Lord Mayors – Christmas Message
 - Cubs District Scrapheap Challenge
 - Online Scout Manager for all groups
 - 2021 Development Plan
 - Risk Assessment Workshop

To name a few...

Lastly thank you to all our volunteers you are all amazing people. I look forward to rebuilding our district over the next year.

Keep safe

DDC's (Sections) Report

Trevor Smith – Deputy District Commissioner (Sections)

After what has been a very different year in terms of Gosport Scouting, I wanted to thank all the trained volunteers that have kept sections running, delivered amazing programmes, and have helped to retain over 70% of our membership. Particular thanks go to my team of ADCs – Marie, Clive and Georgie who have supported me and the district in keeping an active programme and engagement with the leaders to support them in helping to keep the mantra of the district – Support, Develop and Grow.



With the growth element we have also begun the setup of a Gang Show Active Support Unit and, subject to DBS and Appointments Panel approval, we will launch this in September. More details to follow so watch this space! Have a great Summer everyone and here is to a more normal start to our 2021/22 Scouting season when we come back in September!

DDC's (Adventurous Activities) Report

Pete Giffin – Deputy District Commissioner (Adventurous Activities)



This year has been very different and a challenge for so many, however Gosport scouts pulled through, with so many amazing activities taking place, helping young people gain Skills For Life.

It's been great to see so many young people engaging in the activities available to them, even though many of them this year have been in a virtual environment. We have seen a fun filled virtual District Camp, various Online activity sessions and also water activities such Kayaking sessions when this has been possible within the guidelines.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their amazing efforts in keeping adventure alive in such a difficult time for everyone, with special thanks to my ADCs Jodie and Allan for their incredible commitment in keeping scouting alive for so many. The restrictions in place have also helped us to plan for the future, laying a clear path for us to Bounce Back and look forward to the year ahead.

In September 2021 we will be launching a new Scout Active Support Unit, to help us pool our resources and ideas for the adventurous activities and hopefully in the long term ease the strain on individual scouters by spreading the load.

Youth Commissioners Report

Joseph Dawson – Youth Commissioner

Since taking on the role as Youth Commissioner in January there have been numerous challenges with achieving my goals, not limited to Covid 19 and Exams. However, the last six months I have been familiarising myself with adult volunteering and ensuring young people are represented on our Executive committee. Over the course of the next year, as restrictions lift, I plan to be organising a youth



conference day and continuing to increase the representation of the young people across the district.

Scout Active Support Report

Clive Pittard – SAS Manager

Well, amongst many, Many, MANY things “Planned” for this twelve-month period, Include:



October 2019: We Ran Most of the SuperCub 2019 Heats; Sadly there was no Kudu/Night Hike for the Explorers this year; And we Organised and but didn't get to run the Lightweight Hike Weekend and associated competitions for the Scouts as Lyons Copse was badly flooded;

November 2019: Helped out at Gwyn's Chief Scout Awards Presentations Afternoon; Some more of the Cub's SuperCub 2019 Heats and the Final too; Attended the local Remembrance Day Parade & Service;

December 2019: Attended & helped out at the District Carol Service, & helped out at the Beaver's Christingle the next day too; We also had our Fellowship Christmas Party & Quiz & American Supper;

January 2020: Helped Gwyn out at the Cub & Scout Chess Competition; & lots of prep for February and for the St. George's Day Parade 2020 Celebrations;

February 2020: Reinvented and ran a Re-hashed Lightweight Hike in Gosport for the Scouts; Ran & Helped out at the Scout's Leadership Training Weekend; and also the Scout Cooking Competition;

March 2020: Robin Introduced himself to the Masses as the New District Commissioner at his “All District Meeting”, and showed us all his Roadmap for the next 12 months, and the following howevermany years; we then Attended the Scout Active Support

County Meeting in Portsmouth followed by the County Quiz too; Helped out at another of Gwyn's Chief Scout Awards Presentations Afternoons; Spend a few evenings teaching some of the Scouts Knife & Axe & Saw over their Troop nights; and sadly attended the Seeing off of Andy Davis (District Chaplain) as he left Gosport for pastures new somewhere up the A3;.....

.....And then, Everything came to a grinding halt, and as far as Fellowship/Scout Active Support is concerned, despite Robin Rallying the District into new Territory with Microsoft Teams & Zoom Meetings & Quizzes & all sorts of Online Activities, we didn't and couldn't meet face-to-face at all, and still to this day cannot, until the Government and Gilwell decide it is safe and sensible for adults to meet indoors face-to-face and swap our stories in an available local neighbourhood Gosport District HQ nearby

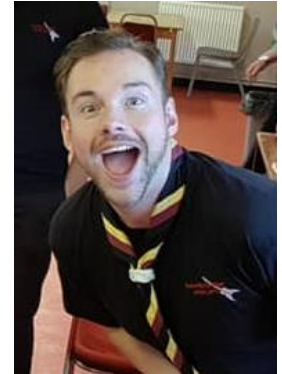
So: Our Traditional Outdoor Face-to-Face St. George's Day Parade was cancelled, but Robin and his Team ran an online version; SuperScout was Cancelled; Camp Skills was cancelled; Raft Race & Water Skills was Cancelled; Elles Camping Competition was cancelled; Water Fun Day was cancelled; Jodie & Pete ran a very popular Online District Camp; Emlyn County Camping Competition was cancelled;

Our numbers are still good, about 4 dozen Members of all ages from late teens/early 20's right up to 90+ years young too including honorary members and members that still help but have moved away and properly fully paid-up invested Members too;

We have everything crossed that we'll be able to return to proper face-to-face getting-our-hands-dirty good-ol'-fashioned Scouting as soon as we're allowed, and to help out wherever and whenever we're needed

Network Commissioners Report

Chris Smith- Network Commissioners Report



The Gosport Sharks have, like much of the district, faced a number of challenges throughout this past year; none no more so than the frustration at not being able to be present with other other and providing valuable support Gosport Scouting.

While we have remained in a 'dormant' status for much of the pandemic, we have been able to stay social and connected via online communication methods, and semi regular virtual games nights.

While many of our core members have been serving their duties helping out with various other groups, and other aspects of scouting life, we remain hopeful that we can build ourself back up soon and return to participating in, and assisting in, the events and activities we are more accustomed to once we see a full lifting of Covid restrictions.

Explorers and Young Leaders Report

Vacant - Explorers Commissioners Report Report by Robin Peddell – District Commissioner



The Explorer Section have been active online including online quizzes and training. Our membership has reduced to approximated 50 land, sea and air explorers. We will be splitting into three sections Sea, Land and Air.

Due to leadership shortages the I am currently running land and air whilst we find new volunteers.

Young Leaders Unit

I have been able to run online Young Leaders Training and we have 17 explorers able to complete their young leaders training.

These explorers will stay with the Young Leader Group, and be supported until they turn 18, It is great to see young leaders moving to leaders over this year and it is hoped that they will also impart some of their experience to the new Young Leaders. Despite our number reducing by approximate 20, Explorer Scouting continues to remain strong in Gosport and I would like to thank all the volunteer leaders for their help in running the section over the last year.

Scout Section Report

Clive Pittard – ADC Scouts & Gwyn Evans – ADC District Support



The scout section has continued to enjoy a full programme the first which should have been the 3 competitions weekend which was cancelled due to the fields at Lyons Copse being waterlogged. We started the year with the Chess where we could not split 2 of our strong players so they agreed to be joint winners for this year. In February we decided to run a local hike and cooking to replace the October competition, all three events went to the 6th Gosport who entered 3 teams out of the 10 entered. We also managed to hold a Leadership Training weekend where we had 31 scouts taking part. March saw our last competition of the year also being won by the 6th which was the Cooking.

Unfortunately, that was where we locked down due to the Covid outbreak, so as the St George's Day parade could not take place the yearly trophy was virtually award as follows:

WILSON GRINAWAY TROPHY:

1st 6th Gosport 69pts 6th 7th Gosport 23pts

2nd 1st Gosport 66pts 7th 3rd Gosport 8pts

3rd 5th Gosport 60pts 8th 2nd Gosport 6pts

4th 1st Lee 40pts 9th 16th Gosport 3pts

5th 12th Gosport 40pts

Thanks must go to all the help that has been given from Active Support and Leaders, many thanks go to Clive for all his very valuable help.

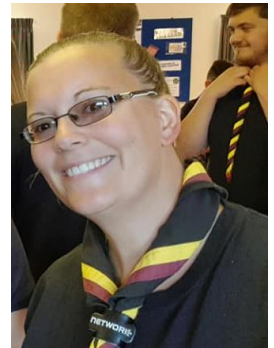
CHIEF SCOUT AWARDS

October 2019 - September 2020

We have held 2 afternoon events during this period where we have presented 49 awards. There were 19 Bronze, 18 Silver, 8 Gold and 4 Young Leader Buckles. These children represented 7 groups within the District and we are very proud of the hard work they have put into gaining their awards.

Beavers and Cub Section Report

Marie Smith – ADC Cubs



BEAVER SCOUT REPORT

This year has been an especially challenging time for the Beaver Colonies of Gosport. With the implementation of lockdown many colonies' numbers shrank. Some Colonies met online although with the children being younger many found this a definite challenge.

District Camp allowed our beavers to take part in an at home sleepover and a whole range of activities although most of the county activities seem to be aimed at leaders running their own activities such as Teddy Bear's Picnic.

As restrictions eased many of our colonies returned to face-to-face Scouting and a new colony opened. Numbers of Beaver scouts have again increased, and it is a joy to know that young people are once again enjoying their evenings at beavers.

Currently, our colonies have been set the challenge of colouring in birthday cakes and making handprints on celebration of the Beaver Scout's 35th Birthday. We cannot wait to get all the birthday cakes together and make a big mural to celebrate.

Although we have met online, we are yet to put any of our district activities in place due to the current restrictions. However, as lockdown eases, I look forward to more meetings to plan some exciting challenges, days out and activities.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the volunteers involved in Beaver Scouts across the district. Thank you to all the leaders for their continued hard work.

CUB SCOUT REPORT

This year certainly has not been all I had wished it would be however it has also had some accomplishments. Just like the rest of the District, the cubs ventured into the world of online scouting.

There were plenty of camping at home opportunities including Virtual District Camp, the Great Indoors national event and County's Virtual Cub Camp. Some packs within the district also ran their own virtual camps providing fun activities for our young people.

Many of our Cub Packs continued to run a weekly programme of fun activities during lockdown (with many experiencing the joys of the mute button on Zoom!). As a District we were able to supplement these activities with many cubs taking part in the crafts, games and challenges of District Camp and we held our first 'virtual' scrapheap challenge. It was great to see so many children being creative! County recently held their Photographer competition which a couple of Gosport Cubs entered.

Although we have only managed one cub leader's meeting, there have certainly been lots of ideas of events to organise and things to try. We now eagerly await the ease of lockdown to allow these to happen.

May I take this opportunity to thank all the leaders that have put time and effort into planning and delivering their programme this year. I cannot wait to see what we can achieve together as lockdown eases.

Land Activities Report

Jodie Warner – ADC Land



At the beginning of this year Land activities were very active and running well, we were able to hold many trial sessions for the young people and we were trying to improve our online presence to encourage more young people to take part in the activities/events and Activity Clubs offered.

From October 19 – March 20 we had held a number of trial sessions in Archery, Air Rifle Shooting and Climbing for a number of different groups. These sessions were held both at group huts and at our local camp sites (Lyons Copse and Cricket Camp Site). At the beginning of December 19 we held our annual Shooting Competition which was a huge success. Followed by the Cubs Archery competition held in February 2020 which again was a massive success and enjoyed by all that attended.

Unfortunately like many others Land activities had to come to a pause from March 2020 onwards meaning many events including District Camp, Beaver and Scout Archery Competitions, Rifle Shooting Competition all had to be postponed, during this time we did however hold our first ever virtual district camp which had a huge uptake with around 200 people joining us over the weekend for a number of games, crafts, camp fire and so much more. During this difficult period we have made sure not to waste any time in preparing for land activities to be able to restart this included doing some essential maintenance on equipment so we can keep the activities running in the future

I would like to say a massive thank you to all that have helped with activities over the last year especially the Rifle Shooting, Archery and Climbing Instructors. Going forward we are looking forward to being able to return to offering land activities as part of the scouting programme.

Water Activities Report

Allan Davey – ADC Water



Firstly, we want to record the very news that we heard that Ken Greenwood who founded Gosport Scout Kayaking (in 1982) and was the driving force to develop, grow and drive the success of GSK and who inspired most of the team to take up paddle sports sadly passed away in May 2020. Ken is and will be hugely missed by us all and we hope we can keep up his legacy.

Due to the Covid lockdown all courses and taster sessions were cancelled for the 2020 season, and we have only just been in a position when we can consider restarting them again.

We have maintained our contact with the Broderick Hall committee, and we will be able to continue use of the facilities for the courses, taster sessions and storage of equipment for the year ahead and have booked some slots for the coming months. We want to extend our thanks to both the Broderick Hall team and the Diocese for their continued support and we now have a representative on the Broderick Hall committee so we can support them.

We have just started looking to book in taster sessions for individual Groups Sections and have run a couple for local groups sections so far.

In addition, the instructor team have undertaken some refurbishment works to the existing pontoon which was in poor condition replacing a lot of the scaffold tubes and deck. This does seem to have prompted a request from Crown Estate to ask for rent and an agreement to be put in place for the pontoon and we have challenged this with their representatives, the Diocese are supportive of our continued use but cannot substantiate paying a rent for the pontoon so worst case is that it may need to be removed. We will update the District Executive when we hear more.

Expenditure over the last year has been limited, as we have not used the Broderick Hall for the coaching sessions and this has been credited but we have refurbished the pontoon and paid for the scaffold boards and tubes.

Gang Show Report

Trevor Smith

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic no creative activity has been able to take place during the past 18 months. This doesn't mean that the team haven't been busy during that time.



The Costume team have been sorting out the wardrobe and dealing with running repairs of the building and Paul Gutman has been in discussions with regards to setting up an Active support group for Gang Show which we hope to launch in September.

We are hopeful that we can run some sort of creative activity at the end of 2021 and look to do a show of some sort in 2022, especially as this marks the 90th anniversary of Gang Show. Thanks to everyone for their hard work, continued support and patience during these times.

Here's to a more normal 2021/22 season!

Media and Communications Report

Lisa Young – ADC Media and Communications



Media and comms have been successful for the district this year, with some local press and close links with county.

As we return face to face we will work harder to empower groups and to create a digital library.

Inclusion and Diversity Report

Georgina Scanlon – ADC Inclusion and Diversity



I am and will continue to work towards a more diverse and inclusive Gosport scouting district for all, also hope to work closely with the 27th link. So everyone can enjoy scouting after a very difficult time period due to the pandemic covid 19.

Growth and Development Report

Gemma Shaw – ADC Growth and Development



Since taking on the role at the end of 2020, I have been working to collate days and times groups meet in the district putting together a contact list for groups which also includes their meeting place. This makes it easier to direct potential new starters when enquiries are made. To support this, a district waiting list has been set up on OSM. Any parent wanting information on joining a group can be sent to this page. I contact them to confirm which group they would like to join and for those who have signed up, I can see which groups have spaces or waiting lists so the parent knows what to expect and can make an informed choice. When they choose which group suits them best, I am able to transfer their details straight to the appropriate group through OSM where the leader in charge is able to then get them started.

The reformed Beaver colony at the 9th have been set up and started meeting face to face recently. Through free advertising on Facebook groups and word of mouth, they went from having no Beaver's to being full within a couple of weeks.

Over the summer I will be working on recruiting leaders and setting up Squirrels in Gosport.

Adult Support Report

Rick Dickinson – ADC Adult Support



It has been a busy and difficult year behind the scenes. Many of the leaders in the District have completed online training to become compliant. This has put the District in a very good place as we exit the lock down period and transform into full facing scouting.

It has been a difficult time, but the Groups and District Staff have all done very well. They all deserve a BRAVO.

Appointments Advisory Committee

Nigel Fleetwood – Appointments Advisory Committee Chairman



Having only been in the role for around 8 months my time as AAC Chairman has been 'different', joining whilst in the middle of a worldwide pandemic has definitely created a few challenges. However during this period Gosport Appointments Advisory Committee has overcome these challenges and not only continued but moved forward and started on a path of positive change.

Gosport AAC back in November had ceased all panels in response to the Pandemic. However with candidates still presenting, and the waiting list for panels building, we decided to take the AAC virtual. Now meeting monthly via Zoom, we have managed to clear our waiting list whilst maintaining the important standards expected, all from the safe distance of our own homes.

We have also began the work that was needed to create a welcoming and friendly feel to the panels. I'm sure we can all remember the interrogation style panels we all sat. This style must never return and we are working hard to cement this into the committee, enabling this to be carried through generation to generation.

Some of the ways we are achieving this is the recruitment of new panel members to include members from all aspects of scouting. We are a diverse and inclusive organisation and I feel its important to represent this in our panels. I would also like to recruit some younger members onto the panel. This would enable us to pass on the knowledge and skills allowing the younger generations to support the AAC for many years to come.

Lots of positive change has already occurred however this must not stop here. Moving forward, I would like to further develop the infrastructure around the administration of the panels and the panel's procedures. A few projects are already being developed in the background and more information on these will be released in due course.

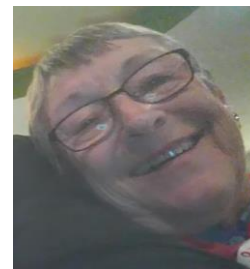
One thing we would like to highlight though is the lack of understanding and information provided to some of the candidates, prior to attending their panels. To try and alleviate some of this, a welcome booklet has been produced and is now issued with every invite. This outlines more of the procedural information such as what a panel is, why they attend one, the process and key points of contact... However it is a real common trait that candidates are attending panel having not been shown a role description, have no prior understanding of training requirements, what safeguarding or POR is etc etc. This is not acceptable. The AAC is there to assess suitability of individuals for the roles they are in. This becomes increasingly difficult when the panels end up becoming a training session.

I feel due to the above a more symbiotic relationship between the AAC and GSL's would benefit all parties involved. This is something I would like to establish moving forward.

We have had a positive year under the current circumstances and challenges but are all looking forward to being able to return to face-2-face panels and continuing to develop and grow Gosports AAC.

DHQ Report

Pat Brown – Bookings Secretary



Many changes this year.

Bookings were ticking along very nicely, then from March 2020 onwards we have not been able to use the DHQ due to Covid-19, this means all our overheads are having to be met by the District, looking forward to the restrictions being lifted, so we can all get back to normal.

The grounds and inside the building continue to be kept in good order, but there is still plenty of work to be done.

Many thanks to all who help to keep the hall in tip top condition.

Lyons Copse Report

**Mike Brown, Carl Pettit, Charles Nunn
Gosport Lyons Copse Representatives**



During the Covid-19 lockdown the maintenance team have been very busy under the direction of the Camp Warden Alan Crabb

They have done the maintenance on the Tractor, given the Lawrence Toilet Block an overhaul, removed Bees from the Lodge and relocated, the Wasps however still remain for the moment.

The new Showers are operational, the tokens system has been scrapped, and there is now a charge of 30p

The Lyons Copse Committee meetings have all been held on Zoom

Anyone who has booked the site with deposits to the end of this year have been contacted, most have re-booked for 2021

Finance at the site is healthy, as no staff to pay

Groups are using the site outside under Covid rules

It has been discussed at meeting to have a caving bus

The AGM was held on Thursday 19th November 2020 by Zoom



Scouts

Thank You

Keep Safe

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2020

Charity registration number: 1023671

Scout Association: 12014

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

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GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

Year ended 30 September 2020

Section A - Reference and administration details

Gosport District Scout Council- The Scout Association District Registration number is 12014.

**The Gosport District Scout Council is a registered Charity and its
Charity registration Number is
1023671**

The Address of the District Secretary is:

**57 Village Road
Alverstoke Gosport Hampshire
PO12 2LE**

List of Trustees:-

Name	Appointment	Sub committee	
Ian Batchelor	District Chairman	Ex Officio	Nominated
Robin Peddell	District Commissioner	Ex Officio	Nominated
Jane Warner	District Treasurer	Finance	Elected
Mandy Batchelor	Deputy Treasurer	Finance	Elected
Christine Hodge	District Secretary	Finance Appointments	Elected
Vacant	District Youth Commissioner	Ex Officio	Nominated
Trevor Smith	Deputy District Commissioner	Ex Officio	Nominated
Peter Giffin	Deputy District Commissioner	Ex Officio	Nominated
Patricia Brown	Appointments Secretary	Finance Appointments	Elected
Peter Phillips	Badge secretary		Elected
Vacant	Scout shop Manager	Appointments	Nominated
Clive Pittard	Scout Active Support Manager		Nominated
Hannah Fokinther	DESC		Appointment
Chris Smith	DNSC		Appointment
Lee Pounds	GSL rep.	Appointments	Elected
Derek Hodge	Beaver ADC		Elected
Alison Taylor	Cub ADC		Elected
Nigel Fleetwood	Scout Leader		Elected
Sandra Pettit	Special Needs		Elected
Sean Werren	18-25		Co opted
Trevor Smith	Gang Show		Co-opted
Allan Davey	Kayaking Rep		Co-opted
Carl Pettitt, Charles Nunn, Mike Brown	Solent Training Centre	Appointments	Co opted
Tory Smith	Fundraising Chair		
Vacant	District Chaplain		Co opted

Professional advisers

Bankers: HSBC Bank, 26 High Street, Gosport, Hampshire PO12 1DG

Independent examiner: P J Sommerville ACA, Wood, Hicks & Co., Chartered Accountants, Units 1-2, Warrior Court, 9-11 Mumby Road, Gosport, Hampshire PO12 1BS

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (CONTINUED)

Year ended 30 September 2020

Section B - Structure, governance and management

The District's governing documents are those of the Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, which in turn gives authority to the bye-laws of the Association and the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

The District is a Trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

The District is managed by the District Executive Committee the members of which are Charity Trustees of the Gosport District Scouts, which is an Educational charity. As charity trustees they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities. This includes the registration, keeping of proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate.

The Committee meets every two months and consists of three independent representatives, the Chairman; the Treasurer and the Secretary together with the District Commissioner and section representatives.

The District Executive Committee exists to support the District Commissioner in meeting the responsibility of the appointment and is responsible for: the maintenance of District property; the raising of funds and the administration of District finance; the insurance of persons and property and equipment; District Public occasions; assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support; appointing any sub-committees that may be required; and, appointing District administrators other than those elected.

Risk Management

The Trustees have assessed and will continue to monitor the major risks to which they believe the Scout Council is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances and are, at present, satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate the exposure to major risks.

The main areas of concern are: damage to buildings and property; injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members; and, loss of income from Scout Shop, District Headquarters and Gang Show.

The District, through the capitation fees, contributes to the Scout Association's national accident insurance policy. Risk assessments are carried out before all activities are undertaken.

DBS checks are carried out for all adult members of the Scout Association and for parent helpers.

Reduced income - The District is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions. The District does hold a reserve to ensure continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income.

The District Constitution was approved at the last Annual General Meeting. It is held by the District Secretary and is reviewed annually.

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (CONTINUED)

Year ended 30 September 2020

Section B - Structure, governance and management (continued)

Reserves Policy

Gosport District Scout Council's policy is to hold sufficient unrestricted reserves to enable it to:

- (a) meet the financial uncertainty over the lease of the DHQ;
- (b) withstand any other unforeseen financial setback;
- (c) take advantage of any opportunity which the District Executive Committee considers will benefit the Council and the community it serves.
- (d) provide temporary financial assistance to Scout groups in the expectation of receipt of funding from other organisations.

The Trustees have determined that the appropriate level of general reserves should be, at least, equal to 6 months expenditure of general funds.

Section C - Objectives, activities, Policy and Rules

The Purpose of the Scout Association - Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to Society.

The Values - Integrity; Respect; Care; Belief; Co-operation.

The Method - Scouting takes place when young people in partnership with adults, work together based on the Values of Scouting and in the attainment of the objectives and activities. The Trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on Public Benefit.

Section D - Achievements and performance

Membership - census figures for 2019/20 indicated that young member numbers have dropped by approximately 30%. However, given Covid restrictions and the lack of face-to-face scouting during 2020 we do not think the District should be overly concerned. Some fantastic virtual events have taken place during the year and the trustees are confident, once Scouting re-starts, the strategy our DC and leadership team have in place will grow our membership significantly.

Assets - the buildings and equipment owned by Gosport District Scout Council have been assessed and procedures are being put in place to monitor usage and value.

Section E - Financial review

The District made an overall surplus of £22,981.

The Unrestricted funds at the year-end total £153,901, of which £103,117 has been designated for the Scout shop, Gang show and other activities. Thus £50,784 remains as an unrestricted general fund which the trustees believe is sufficient to cover short-term fluctuations in income and expenditure.

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (CONTINUED)


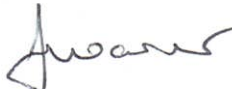
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Section F - Plans for the future period

- a) To continue to provide the governance and management to enable young people to have access to the Objectives and Activities within the Policy Organisation of the Scout Association.
- b) Our plan to Support, Develop and Grow lays the foundation for 2021 and will form the basis for our strategy in Gosport moving forward.
- c) The leadership team, now in place, provide a broader range of skills to ensure the District continues to provide our leaders and young people with all the support they need. We will continue to develop our District team so that the entire membership of Gosport Scouts feels fully supported.

Section G - Declaration

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

District Chairperson 	Treasurers Signature 
Full Name: Ian Batchelor	Full name: Jane Warner
Date: 30 June 2021	Date: 30 June 2021

The Board of Trustees
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

I report on the financial accounts of Gosport District Scout Council for the year ended 30 September 2020 which are set out on pages 7 to 16.

Respective responsibilities of the executive committee and examiner

The Charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial accounts. The Charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act), and that an Independent Examination is needed.

It is, therefore, my responsibility:

- to examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act;
- to follow the procedures in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities 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 financial accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial accounts, and seeking explanations from the 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 Charities Act; and,
 - to prepare financial accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities 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 financial accounts to be reached.


P J Sommerville ACA

30 June 2021

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GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL


BALANCE SHEET

30 September 2020

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2020</u> £	<u>2019</u> £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	2	<u>52,389</u>	<u>54,785</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks		16,989	14,650
Debtors	3	3,775	2,570
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>82,703</u>	<u>63,365</u>
Total current assets		103,467	80,585
LIABILITIES			
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	4	<u>(1,955)</u>	<u>(4,450)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>101,512</u>	<u>76,135</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS		<u><u>£153,901</u></u>	<u><u>£130,920</u></u>
 THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY:			
Unrestricted funds			
General fund		50,784	45,516
Designated funds	13	<u>103,117</u>	<u>85,404</u>
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS AT 30 SEPTEMBER,		<u><u>£153,901</u></u>	<u><u>£130,920</u></u>

Approved by the members of the Gosport District Scouts Council
on 30 June 2021 and signed on its behalf by


..... District Chairperson
I Batchelor (Mr)


..... District Treasurer
J Warner MAAT (Mrs)

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

Year ended 30 September 2020

	Note	2020		2019	
		Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £	Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £
INCOME from:					
Donations and legacies					
Voluntary income	5	3,445	-	4,703	4,703
Income from fundraising events		10,943	-	32,225	32,225
Grants		20,000	-	-	-
		<u>34,388</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>36,928</u>	<u>36,928</u>
Charitable activities					
Membership subscriptions	6	33,262	-	37,332	37,332
Income from activities		6,247	-	31,136	31,136
		<u>39,509</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>68,468</u>	<u>68,468</u>
Investments		85	-	80	80
Total income		<u>73,982</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>105,476</u>	<u>105,476</u>
EXPENDITURE on:					
Raising funds	7	4,610	-	10,585	10,585
Charitable activities	8	46,391	-	85,478	85,478
		<u>51,001</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>96,063</u>	<u>96,063</u>
Total expenditure		<u>51,001</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>96,063</u>	<u>96,063</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		<u>22,981</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,413</u>	<u>9,413</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:					
Total funds brought forward		130,920	-	121,507	121,507
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	14	<u>£153,901</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£130,920</u>	<u>£130,920</u>

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2020

NOTE 1 – ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) **Accounting framework**

The financial accounts have been set out in accordance with the accounting framework required under the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing accounts in accordance with FRS 102 (SORP FRS 102 updated October 2019).

There were no material departures from these standards.

(b) **Basis and content of the financial accounts**

The accounts have been prepared on the basis of historical cost and the accruals concept to show a true and fair view of the Charity's financial position and activities.

The accounts are expressed in pounds Sterling, rounded to the nearest pound and include all the assets and liabilities under the control of the Trustees of the Charity.

(c) **Going concern**

The Charity has continued to maintain a 6-month reserve to fund continuing activities and allow time for other sources of income to be sought should income decline.

Based on the information available and the monetary assets and human resources available at the time, the Trustees believe that the Charity is a going concern and will remain so for a period of at least one year from the date of this report.

COVID-19

The trustees believe COVID-19 to not have impacted the Charity's ability to continue to operate as a going concern. The Charity was awarded £20,000 in small business rates relief grants which, together with current levels of reserves, has been deemed sufficient for the Charity to continue activities albeit at a slightly reduced level.

(d) **Tangible fixed assets and depreciation**

Land and buildings

Acquisition information relating to the Council's freehold land and buildings is not readily available and these premises are included in the accounts at a historical valuation and are not depreciated.

These costs are depreciated over the shorter of the estimated useful economic life of the assets and the lease term.

Other tangible fixed assets

Other tangible assets are capitalised at cost and depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life as follows:

Electrical equipment	4 Years straight line
Other equipment	10 Years straight line
Fixtures and fittings	20 Years straight line

Individual items of capital expenditure with a purchase price of £50 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2020

NOTE 1 – ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(e) **Debtors**

Debtors are stated at the amounts due to the Charity at the balance sheet date. Prepayments are recorded for the proportion of time-based expenditures attributable to the ensuing year.

(f) **Cash and cash equivalents**

This caption represents the amounts held in bank current accounts and cash at the balance sheet date together with bank deposits on less than 90 days' notice at the balance sheet date.

(g) **Liabilities**

Liabilities are recognised as soon as an outflow of economic benefit is considered more likely than not to occur under a legal or constructive obligation committing the Charity to pay out resources. Creditors that are current liabilities are recognised at the settlement amount expected to be paid at the balance sheet date.

(h) **Funds**

Grants and donations received for non-specific purposes or general funding are available for utilisation at the discretion of the Trustees and are dealt with through the General Fund.

Certain designated funds have been created by the Trustees to ring-fence resources that are not considered to be readily expendable. See Note 14.

Grants, donations and legacies received for specific projects are treated as restricted funds for use only in connection with the specified purposes as imposed by the donor or trust deed. Deficits on restricted funds are carried forward to the extent that the Trustees are satisfied that future funding will cover such deficits on a last-in-first-out basis.

(i) **Income recognition**

Income is brought into account when it is more likely than not that the economic benefit will accrue to the Charity.

Grants and donations

Grants and donations (including government grants) received without pre-conditions attached are recognised on receipt. Gifts subject to performance-related or other conditions are recognised when such conditions are fulfilled and all the donors associated requirements concerning them have been complied with.

Gift Aid

Tax refunds receivable under gift aid arrangements are recognised by reference to the date of the related gift. Gift aid recoverable on donations to trust and special funds is included in the fund to which the gifts relate.

Legacies

Incoming resources from legacies are recognised when there is reasonable certainty that the legacy will be received and the value can be reliably measured.

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2020

NOTE 1 – ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(i) Income recognition (continued)

Investment income

Interest receivable is recognised in the year in which it is earned.

Other income

Individual amounts classified as other income are disclosed separately if they are considered to be material.

Gifts in kind and intangible income

Gifts of tangible fixed assets for the Charity's use are recognised as incoming resources on the basis of their actual or estimated value, including VAT where appropriate, at the time the gift is made.

The value of volunteer time is not recognised in the financial statements since there is no measurable cost for their services.

Donated services are recognised as incoming resources insofar as another party is bearing the financial cost of the resources supplied and the benefit is quantifiable and measurable. An equivalent cost is recorded under the appropriate expenditure caption in the Statement of Financial Activities.

(j) Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised when a liability is incurred or a constructive obligation arises that results in payment being unavoidable or a commitment to pay that is intended to be acted upon.

(k) Stock

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

(l) Allocation and analysis of charitable support and administrative charges

All central costs for charitable support and administration are met from general funds.

(m) Corporation tax

The Charity is exempted by HM Revenue & Customs from liability to corporation tax on its operating surpluses and investment income whilst it pursues its charitable objectives.

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2020

NOTE 2 – TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	<u>Land and buildings</u> £	<u>Equip- ment</u> £	<u>Fixtures and fittings</u> £	<u>Total</u> £
Cost or valuation				
At 1 October 2019	45,000	17,493	4,571	67,064
Additions during year				-
Removal of asset				
At 30 September 2020	<u>45,000</u>	<u>17,493</u>	<u>4,571</u>	<u>67,064</u>
Depreciation/amortisation				
At 1 October 2019		8,191	4,088	12,279
Charge for year		2,167	229	2,396
Removal of depreciation				
At 30 September 2020	<u>-</u>	<u>10,358</u>	<u>4,317</u>	<u>14,675</u>
Net book value				
At 30 September 2020	<u>£45,000</u>	<u>£ 7,135</u>	<u>£ 254</u>	<u>£52,389</u>
At 30 September 2019	<u>£45,000</u>	<u>£ 9,302</u>	<u>£ 483</u>	<u>£54,785</u>

NOTE 3 – DEBTORS

	<u>2020</u> £	<u>2019</u> £
Debtors	400	562
Prepayments	3,336	1,963
Accrued Income	39	45
	<u>£3,775</u>	<u>£2,570</u>

NOTE 4 – CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	<u>2020</u> £	<u>2019</u> £
Creditors	90	2,803
Accrued charges	1,865	1,647
	<u>£1,955</u>	<u>£4,450</u>

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2020

NOTE 5 - INCOME FROM DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2020			2019
	Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £	Total £	Total £
Voluntary income				
Donations	2,694		2,694	2,379
Patrons	751		751	2,324
	<u>3,445</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,445</u>	<u>4,703</u>
Income from fundraising events				
Tuck shop sales	-		-	3,362
Hall hire	1,470		1,470	4,457
Raffles	901		901	1,600
Scout shop sales	5,793		5,793	9,343
Ticket sales	2,779		2,779	12,463
Sponsors	-		-	1,000
	<u>10,943</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,943</u>	<u>32,225</u>
Income from Investments				
Bank Interest Received	85		85	80
	<u>85</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>85</u>	<u>80</u>
Income from Grants				
Government grants	20,000		20,000	-
	<u>20,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>20,000</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>£34,473</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£34,473</u>	<u>£37,008</u>

NOTE 6 - INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2020			2019
	Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £	Total £	Total £
Membership subscriptions				
Capitation fees	26,108		26,108	25,396
Membership fees	7,154		7,154	11,936
	<u>33,262</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>33,262</u>	<u>37,332</u>
Income from activities				
Camp fees	2,017		2,017	22,708
Course fees	-		-	2,412
Activities	2,891		2,891	5,168
Collections	391		391	848
Miscellaneous Income	570		570	-
Clothing reimbursement	378		378	-
	<u>6,247</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,247</u>	<u>31,136</u>
	<u>£39,509</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£39,509</u>	<u>£68,468</u>

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2020

NOTE 7 - RAISING FUNDS

	2020			2019
	Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £	Total £	Total £
Stock purchases	4,604		4,604	8,091
Tuck shop purchases	-		-	2,042
Advertising	-		-	452
Prizes	6		6	-
	<u>£ 4,610</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 4,610</u>	<u>£10,585</u>

NOTE 8 - CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2020			2019
	Unrest- ricted £	Rest- ricted £	Total £	Total £
Membership subscriptions paid				
Capitation fees	22,485	-	22,485	21,574
Donations Paid				
Sundry donations	93	-	93	-
Activities Expensed				
Camp Site Fees	197		197	7,585
Camp Activities	10		10	3,482
Materials purchased	1,178		1,178	2,718
Catering	1,091		1,091	7,480
Activities	1,014		1,014	1,430
Hall Hire	284		284	12,612
Training	124		124	1,201
Transport Costs	-		-	1,631
Trophies and Engraving	63		63	42
Clothing Costs	1,027		1,027	5,244
Services purchased	212		212	464
Collections redistributed	391		391	843
	<u>5,591</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,591</u>	<u>44,732</u>
Premises Expenses				
Rent and Rates	6,949		6,949	6,151
Utilities	2,829		2,829	2,947
Repairs and Maintenance	826		826	643
Insurance	2,662		2,662	2,873
Cleaning	260		260	552
	<u>13,526</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,526</u>	<u>13,166</u>
Management and Administration				
Printing, postage and stationery	524		524	1,523
Computer	174		174	294
Telephone	-		-	103
Depreciation	2,396		2,396	2,395
Bank Charges	402		402	491
Independent examiner's fees	1,200		1,200	1,200
	<u>4,696</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,696</u>	<u>6,006</u>
	<u>£46,391</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£46,391</u>	<u>£ 85,478</u>

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2020

NOTE 9 - TRUSTEES REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

No trustees, nor anyone connected with them, received any remuneration in connection with their services as trustees of the Charity during the year.

No trustee expenses were incurred.

The Trustees control and manage the Charity and make all strategic decisions in relation to its activities.

NOTE 10 - STAFF COSTS

Number of employees

Average number of persons employed under contracts of service during the year was: nil (2019: nil).

NOTE 11 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Charity did not engage in any transactions with related parties during the year.

NOTE 12 - OTHER FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

	2020 £	2019 £
At the end of the year the Council had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as set out below:		
Operating leases for each of the following periods		
Not later than one year	-	1,775
Later than one year and not later than five years	-	-
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

NOTE 13 - ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Fixed assets £	Net current assets £	Net assets £
Unrestricted:			
General fund	1,275	49,509	50,784
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Designated funds: Active Support Group		3,569	3,569
Youth sections:			
Beavers		-	-
Cubs		-	-
Scouts		210	210
Explorers		12,704	12,704
Gang Show	1,113	3,530	4,643
Kayak	4,643	749	5,392
Network Unit		640	640
Activities	300	(300)	-
Scout Shop	45,058	30,901	75,959
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	51,114	52,003	103,117
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
ACCUMULATED FUNDS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2020	<u>52,389</u>	<u>101,512</u>	<u>153,901</u>

GOSPORT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

30 September 2020

NOTE 14 - MOVEMENTS ON FUNDS

	Fund balances brought forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Trans- fers £	Fund balances carried forward £
(a) Unrestricted					
General fund	<u>45,516</u>	<u>40,654</u>	<u>(32,777)</u>	<u>(2,609)</u>	<u>50,784</u>
Designated funds:					
Active Support Group	3,275	461	(167)		3,569
Youth sections:					
Beavers	(1,137)	153	(266)	1,250	-
Cubs	(1,320)	620	(320)	1,020	-
Scouts	(112)	974	(652)		210
Explorers	3,729	10,605	(1,630)		12,704
Gang Show	6,880	3,877	(6,114)		4,643
Kayak	7,734	-	(2,342)		5,392
Network Unit	640	-	-		640
Activities	-	845	(1,184)	339	-
Scout Shop	<u>65,715</u>	<u>15,793</u>	<u>(5,549)</u>		<u>75,959</u>
	<u>85,404</u>	<u>33,328</u>	<u>(18,224)</u>	<u>2,609</u>	<u>103,117</u>
Total funds	<u><u>£130,920</u></u>	<u><u>£73,982</u></u>	<u><u>£(51,001)</u></u>	<u><u>£ -</u></u>	<u><u>£153,901</u></u>

The general fund has been reduced by £2,609 to cover the accumulated shortfall of the Beavers and Cubs designated funds, as well as the current year shortfall suffered by the Activities fund.

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The Charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial accounts. The Charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act), and that an Independent Examination is needed.

It is, therefore, my responsibility:

- to examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act;
- to follow the procedures in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities 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 financial accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial accounts, and seeking explanations from the 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 Charities Act; and,
 - to prepare financial accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities 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 financial accounts to be reached.


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