

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD						
	Start date				End date	
From	1	January	2021	to	31	December 2021

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name Staffordshire Moorlands District Scout Council

Registered charity number (if any) 1026244

Charity's principal address

Unit 3, Uttoxeter Business Centre

Town Meadow Way

Uttoxeter, ST14 8AZ

Names of the Trustees

	Trustee name	Office/Position (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Jonathan Lloyd	District Commissioner		County Commissioner
2	Patricia Russell	District Chair	13/1/19 – 14/6/21	District Commissioner Nomination
3	Stephen Knight	District Chair	14/6/21 – date	Staffordshire Moorlands District Scout Council (SMDSC)
4	Katrina Creaser	District Treasurer	14/8/19 – 14/6/21	SMDSC
	Katrina Creaser	Trustee	14/6/21 - date	SMDSC
5	Derek Simkins	District Treasurer	14/6/21 – date	SMDSC
6	Graham Deavall	Trustee		SMDSC
7	Vacant	District Secretary		
8	Anthony Peterken	Trustee	14/8/19 - 26/7/21	SMDC
9	Philip Shemilt	Trustee (Co-opted)	6/2/20 – 14/6/21	District Executive Committee
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Names and addresses of advisers

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Independent Examiner	Daryl Denson ACMA	VAST, The Dudson Centre, Hope Street, Stoke-on-Trent ST1 5DD.

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (e.g. trust deed, constitution)	The District's governing documents are those of the Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, which in turn gives authority to the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association
How the charity is constituted (e.g. trust, association, company)	Staffordshire Moorlands Scout Council is an Exempt Charity.
Trustee selection methods (e.g. appointed by, elected by)	The District Commissioner is appointed by the County Commissioner. All other trustees are either nominated by the District Commissioner and approved or directly elected at the Annual General Meeting of the charity.

Internal controls

How the charity manages risks (e.g. what internal controls it has)	<p>The District has in place a system of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss.</p> <p>During 2021 Trustees have reviewed internal financial controls (using form CC8) at board meetings, including specifying reserve policies for the District as well as Consall Camp.</p> <p>All District accounts are now organised through the Unity Banking system which is ensuring greater clarity and allowing the Trustees improved financial risk management.</p>
Other governance matters	<p>Disclosure and Barring Service checks are carried out prior to the start of trusteeship. These checks are repeated every five years in line with POR.</p> <p>Trustees are required to undertake four mandatory training elements as a requirement of membership of the Scout Association. The four elements are Essential Information for Executive Committee Members; GDPR; Safety and Safeguarding. These elements are completed through online training and records are kept on Compass (The Scout Associations secure tool to keep track of adult Members in the Association).</p>

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.

As Scouts we are guided by these values:

- Integrity - We act with integrity; we are honest, trustworthy and loyal.
- Respect - We have self-respect and respect for others.
- Care - We support others and take care of the world in which we live.
- Belief - We explore our faiths, beliefs and attitudes.

- Co-operation - We make a positive difference; we co-operate with others and make friends.

Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together based on the values of Scouting and:

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

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to the charity's aims

Included within this section is the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit

In January 2021, there were 244 young people recorded as members on the 2021 Annual Census comprising 74 Beaver Scouts (aged 6-8), 84 Cub Scouts (aged 8-10), 71 Scouts (aged 10-14) and 15 Explorer Scouts (aged 14-17).

The Annual Census also recorded 128 adult members, including Governance roles.

The coronavirus restrictions continued to affect scouting across the District during the year, but due to the resourcefulness of our membership and support from the Scout Association HQ and County Scouts Team many of our groups were able to provide on-line meetings for our youth members. When restrictions allowed a number of sections were able to undertake face to face scouting outdoors in small groups. Risk assessments were carried out prior to each activity in line with The Scout Association's guidance. This enabled young people, across the District, to continue to partake in Scouting activities even during these continued difficult times.

Consall Camp continued to be affected significantly during the year due to coronavirus restrictions. On the 1st July 2021 the camp warden was taken off furlough to allow maintenance work to be carried out to ensure the site was ready when opening was allowed. Significant essential electrical safety work was carried out during the year.

The trustees have had regard for the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

The District does not make grants to outside organisations.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

In spite of the restrictions imposed due to the coronavirus Groups within the District continued to function in enabling young people to access scouting activities whether online or through face-to-face activities. Online adult training continued during the year. Over the year across Beavers/Cubs/Scouts there were a total of 15 Chief Scouts Awards. There were 11 Length of Service Awards ranging from 5 to 60 years. Two Chief Scout Good Service Awards were presented during the year.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

State the level of reserves and why they are held

The District's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources in the current account to continue day to day running of all the charitable activities in the year, should income and fundraising fail to raise sufficient money to replace authorised expenditure.

The minimum reserves have been set at £15,000 for Consall Scout Camp and £5,000 for the District in order to maintain a level sufficient to cover 12 months fixed cost expenses.

Note on accounts presentation


The change of presenting Consall receipts and expenditure was made to clarify the different areas of responsibility. For example, District organise a training event incurring the cost of an external Trainer, that takes place at Consall site. This would have been shown as Consall income and District costs.

We now report this as District income, District Trainer costs, Consall site costs charged to District, thus reporting the final financial result to the correct management team.

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature	
Full names	Stephen Knight
Position	District Chair
Date	<u>28/09/2022</u>

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Staffordshire Moorlands District Scout Council

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2021 which are set out on pages 6 to 8.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of Staffordshire Moorlands District Scout Council required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Signed



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Date 29/09/2022

For the year from 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2021

	2021 Unrestricted £	2020 Unrestricted £
Receipts		
Donations, legacies and similar income		
Membership subscriptions	10,208	11,956
Campsite Income	18,340	6,260
District income	1,162	-
Explorer income	1,388	-
Insurance claim	9,551	-
Refund from Scottish Power	5,024	-
Other income	295	73
Sub total	45,968	18,289
Grants		
Covid Grants (including Furlough Scheme)	20,075	13,955
Other grants	-	-
Sub total	20,075	13,955
Fundraising (gross)		
Special Camps	-	-
Japan Jamboree	-	-
Bagpacking	-	-
Other fundraising activities	-	-
Sub total	-	-
Investment income		
Bank interest	-	8
Building Society interest	31	-
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	-	-
Property Rent income	-	-
Other investment income	-	-
Sub total	31	8
Total Gross Income	66,074	32,252
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-
Total receipts	66,074	32,252

STAFFORDSHIRE MOORLANDS DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL
Receipts and Payments Account

	2021 Unrestricted	2020 Unrestricted
Payments		
Charitable Payments		
Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/Area/District)	(10,736)	(10,403)
Youth programme and activities	(1,779)	(718)
Adult support and training	(539)	-
Water and Sewerage	(1,072)	-
Electricity and Gas	(3,844)	-
Insurance	(3,509)	(3,833)
Repairs and Renewals	(19,765)	-
Materials and equipment	(1,901)	-
Admin, Postage and printing	(65)	(958)
AGM, trustee expenses, Accounts	(660)	(1,476)
Camp Site Expenditure Costs	(11,053)	(56,067)
Sundries	(903)	(541)
Cash float	(102)	-
Sub total	(55,928)	(73,996)
Total Gross Expenditure	(55,928)	(73,996)
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	-	-
Total payments	(55,928)	(73,996)
Net of receipts/(payments)	10,146	(41,744)
Cash funds last year end	53,485	95,229
Cash funds this year end	63,631	53,485

STAFFORDSHIRE MOORLANDS DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL
Receipts and Payments Account

	2021 Unrestricted	2020 Unrestricted
Cash funds		
Unity Bank current accounts	63,324	47,311
Building society account	-	5,766
Cash/Floats	307	408
Total cash funds	63,631	53,485
Other monetary assets		
Tax claim	-	-
Debts due from the County/Area/District/Group	-	-
Insurance claim	-	-
Sub total	-	-
Investment assets		
Investment property - detail	-	-
Quoted investments	-	-
Other investments - detail	-	-
Sub total	-	-
Non monetary assets for charity's own use		
Badge stock	-	-
Shop stock	-	-
Other stock	-	-
Buildings Note 1	869,792	869,792
Motor vehicles	18,799	23,799
Scouting equipment, furniture etc Note 2	47,636	47,636
Other	-	-
Sub total	936,227	941,227
Liabilities		
Accounts not yet paid (Jamboree Fees)	-	-
Expenses incurred but not invoiced	-	-
Subscriptions not yet paid	-	-
Loan - detail	-	-
Other liabilities	(1,708)	-
Sub total	(1,708)	-

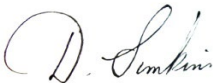
Note 1 - This is the (declared) insurance valuation of buildings owned by the charity but situated on land held in trust and not owned by the charity

Note 2 - This is the (declared) insurance valuation of equipment held by the District and fixtures/fittings at Consall

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved

28/09/2022 and signed on their behalf by:-

Signature



Print Name

Derek Simkins