

Staffordshire Moorlands District Scout Council
Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 December 2022

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD

Start date End date
From 1 1 2022 To 31 12 2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Staffordshire Moorlands District Scout Council

Registered charity number (if any)

1026244

Charity's principal address

County Office, Kibblestone International Scout Camp

Kibblestone Road, Oulton

Stone, ST15 8UJ

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	Stephen Knight	District Chair		Staffordshire Moorlands District Scout Council (SMDSC)
3	Derek Simkins	District Treasurer		SMDSC
4	Vacant	District Secretary		
5	Katrina Creaser	Trustee		SMDSC
6	Graham Deavall	Trustee		SMDSC
7	Philip Shemilt	Trustee	Appointed November 2022	SMDSC
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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 District 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)

The District has in place a system of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss.

During 2022 Trustees have reviewed internal financial controls (using form CC8) at board meetings, including specifying reserve policies for the District, as well as Consall Camp.

All District bank accounts continue to be organised through the Unity Banking system which is ensuring greater clarity and allowing the Trustees improved financial risk management.

Other governance matters

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.

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).

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 2022, there were 321 young people (6-25 years) recorded as members on the 2022 Annual Census, significantly up from the previous year. comprising 104 Beaver Scouts (aged 6-8), 120 Cub Scouts (aged 8-10), 81 Scouts (aged 10-14) and 16 Explorer Scouts (aged 14-17).

The annual census also recorded 126 adult members, including Governance roles.

The beginning of the year saw Scouting fully reopening after Covid restrictions in England were lifted. It was a positive start to the year enabling face to face scouting to take place on a more consistent basis across the District.

Towards the end of the year planning began for a District Camp for all sections to take place June/July 2023.

Consequences of Coronavirus continued to affect Consall Camp and with rising inflation there was a significant impact on the cost of Utilities and Maintenance across the Camp. The Consall Management Group with the Executive worked on mitigating these rising costs and during the year a three-year Development Plan was established.

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

Following the lifting of Covid restrictions at the start of the year the groups in the District were able to function in enabling young people to access scouting through face-to-face activities.

At the start of the year we were delighted that J Wilcox, from the District,

Section D

Achievements and performance

was selected to attend the 2023 Jamboree in South Korea.

Over the year across all sections in the District there were 24 Bronze Chief Scout Awards, 14 Silver Chief Scout Awards and 4 Gold Chief Scout Awards. A Young Leaders Belt and two Bronze DofE Awards were also 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 the year for Consall Scout Camp and £5,000 for the District in order to maintain a level sufficient to cover 12 months fixed cost expenses.

Total cash reserves at the year end were £57,079.

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	29 th September 2023

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 2022 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

Daryl Denson ACMA
VAST
The Dudson Centre
Hope Street
Stoke on Trent
ST1 5DD

Date 25/10/2023

STAFFORDSHIRE MOORLANDS DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL
Receipts and Payments Account

For the year from	1 January 2022	to	31 December 2022
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	2022 Unrestricted funds £	2021 Unrestricted funds £
Receipts		
Donations, legacies and similar income		
Membership subscriptions	13,968	10,208
Campsite Income	36,052	18,340
District income	4,779	1,162
Explorer income	1,672	1,388
Insurance claim	-	9,551
Refund from Scottish Power	-	5,024
Donations and legacies	1,045	-
Other income	-	295
Sub total	57,516	45,968
Grants		
Covid grants(including Furlough scheme)	2,667	20,075
Other grants	-	-
Sub total	2,667	20,075
Fundraising (gross)		
Special Camps	-	-
Korea Jamboree	3,072	-
Bagpacking	-	-
Other fundraising activities	-	-
Sub total	3,072	-
Investment income		
Bank interest	-	-
Building Society interest	-	31
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	-	-
Property Rent income	-	-
Other investment income	-	-
Sub total	-	31
Total Gross Income	63,255	66,074
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-
Total receipts	63,255	66,074

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	2022 Unrestricted funds	2021 Unrestricted funds
Payments		
Charitable Payments		
Membership subscriptions paid on (National /Area /District)	(13,642)	(10,736)
Youth programme and activities	(4,491)	(1,779)
Adult support and training	(542)	(539)
Rent	(280)	-
Water and Sewerage	(2,788)	(1,072)
Electricity and Gas	(7,364)	(3,844)
Insurance	(3,586)	(3,509)
Repairs and Renewals	(6,891)	(19,765)
Materials and equipment	(6,742)	(1,901)
Shop Materials	(1,384)	-
Admin, Postage and printing	(189)	(65)
Employee costs	(15,508)	-
other camp costs, rates,bins,forestry,phone	(1,764)	-
AGM, trustee expenses	(650)	(660)
Bank & account fees	(423)	-
Camp expenditure costs	-	(11,053)
Other costs - Jamboree	(2,431)	-
Other costs - cleaning	(606)	(903)
Other costs - fuel, sundries	(526)	(102)
Sub total	(69,807)	(55,928)
Total Gross Expenditure	(69,807)	(55,928)
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	-	-
Total payments	(69,807)	(55,928)
Net of receipts/(payments)	(6,552)	10,146

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STAFFORDSHIRE MOORLANDS DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL
Receipts and Payments Account

	2022 Unrestricted funds	2021 Unrestricted funds
Cash funds		
Unity Bank current accounts	56,667	63,324
Building society account	-	-
Cash/Floats	412	307
Total cash funds	57,079	63,631
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	1,064,855	869,792
Motor vehicles	18,799	18,799
Scouting equipment, furniture etc Note 2	60,543	47,636
Other	-	-
Sub total	1,144,197	936,227
Liabilities		
Accounts not yet paid (Jamboree Fees)	(1,259)	-
Expenses incurred but not invoiced	-	-
Subscriptions not yet paid	-	-
Amounts due to HMRC	(200)	(1,708)
Other liabilities	-	-
Sub total	(1,459)	(1,708)

Note 1 - This is the (declared) insurance valuation of buildings owned by the charity but situated on land

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

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 25/10/2023

and signed on their behalf by Derek Simkins (Treasurer)

