

Trustees' Annual Report

For the period

From (start date)

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 to end date

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Section A	Reference and administration details
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Charity name	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">BRIGHOUSE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL</div>
Other names the charity is known by	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Brighouse District Scouts</div>
Registered charity number (if any)	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">1026831</div>
HQ registration number	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">2677</div>
Charity's principal address	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">35 Close Lea Rastrick Brighouse Postcode HD6 3AR</div>

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

(These will be published in the annual report of the charity and the Charity Register if reporting for a Registered Charity with a charity regulator)

	Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1	Christopher Jay	Chair	
2	Margaret Knapton	Treasurer	
3	Andrew Robinson	District Lead Volunteer	
4	Julie Bramley		
5	Laurence Dowson		
6	Bradley Midgley		
7	Indra Parkinson		
8	Fearne Robinson		
9	Adam Watson		
10	Nick Watson		

Names and addresses of advisers (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

(These will be published in the annual report of the charity)

Type of advisor	Name	Address

Section B	Structure, governance and management
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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 Trustee Board, the members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' of the Scout Group which is an educational charity. As charity trustees they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities. This includes the registration, keeping proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate.

The District consists of 2 independent representatives, Chair and Treasurer together with the elected Trustees from the District Scout Council.

Members of the Trustee Board complete all Mandatory training modules and the Trustee module within the first 5 months of joining the committee.

This District Trustee Board exists to support the District Lead Volunteer in meeting the responsibilities of the appointments and is responsible for:

The maintenance of District property;

The raising of funds and the administration of District finance;

The insurance of persons, property and equipment;

District public occasions;

Assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support;

Appointing any sub committees that may be required;

Appointing District Administrators and Advisors other than those who are elected.

Section B

Structure, governance and management (continued)

The District Trustee Board has identified the major risks to which they believe the District is exposed, these have been reviewed and systems have been established to mitigate against them. The main areas of concern that have been identified are:


Damage to the building, property and equipment. The District has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss.

Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members. The District, through the Membership fees, contributes to the Scout Association's national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities.

The District is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and rental of property at Bradley Wood. The Board could raise the value of subscriptions to increase the income to the District on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently.

The District has in place systems of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss, these include 2 signatories for all payments and comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered

Section C	Objectives and activities
	<p>The Purpose of Scouting Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.</p> <p>The Values of Scouting 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.</p> <p>The Scout Method 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.</p>
Public benefit statement	<p>The District meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.</p>
Section D	Achievements and performance
Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year	<p>The District is in a good place financially with a final balance of £74,803.06.</p> <p>This is made up of £4,775.74 in the Current Account, £22,111.92 in the Instant Saver Account, £37,101.56 in the 32 day account, £9,000 in the Tykes Instant Saver Account £1,059.05 in the Badge Account and £754.79 on the Expenses Cards.</p> <p>Sub-accounts within the above are Beavers District Events £412.03, Scouts District Events £236.20, Odyssey Explorers £1,377.91, Tykes Explorers £191.23 and DoFE £3,692.53.</p> <p>Other sub-accounts include International Fund £2,420.50 and Bradley Lodge £2,039.61, leaving a working balance of £64,433.05.</p> <p>Annual Subscriptions received were £21,352.50, a decrease from the previous year. We paid £16,693.50 to County/HQ and passed £718 into the International Fund.</p> <p>Bradley Lodge income from bookings was £6,437.74, an increase on last year with expenditure of £5,481.52.</p>

Section E	Financial Review
	<p>Reserves Policy</p> <p>The District's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the District should income fall short. £10,000 has been allocated.</p>
	<p>Investment Policy</p> <p>The District's Income and Expenditure is very small and as a consequence does not have sufficient funds to invest in stocks and shares.</p> <p>District has therefore adopted a low risk strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or building societies.</p>
Section F	Other Optional Information
Plans for future periods (details of any significant activities planned to achieve them)	<p>Annual Subscriptions to County/HQ will be £17,046.50 and District will receive £19,969.50 with £662.00 being allocated to the International Fund.</p> <p>Plans for Bradley Lodge in the financial year are electrical rewiring of the building.</p>
Section G	Declaration
The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above	
Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees	
Signature	
Full name	Christopher Jay
Position (eg Secretary, Chair)	Chair
Date	21/05/2025



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Brighouse District Scout Council

On accounts for the year
ended

31 March 2025

Charity no
(if any)

1026831

Set out on pages

Attached 3 pages

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 March 2025.

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

**Independent
examiner's statement**

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

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

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:

J.B. Smith

Date:

20-03-2025

Name:

John Barry Smith FCA

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

Institute of Chartered Accountants

Address:

First Floor

1 Edmund Street, Bradford

West Yorkshire BD5 0BH

Section B**Disclosure**

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

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

Brighouse District Scouts

Annual Accounts 2024-2025

Year start date

Year end date

For the year from

01/04/2024

To

31/03/2025

Receipts

	2024/25 £ This Year	2023/24 £ Last Year
Receipts		
Donations, legacies and similar income		
Annual subscriptions from Groups	21,353	21,516
Monthly subscriptions from Odyssey Odyssey Explorers	96	
Monthly subscriptions from Tykes Tykes Explorers	5,186	4,164
Donations (District)		2,027
Donations (DofE) DofE		925
Donations (Tykes) Tykes Explorers		424
Badge Stock Sales (Badges) Badge	2,531	2,151
Sub total	29,165	31,207
Grants		
Charity Grant (Odyssey) Odyssey Explorers	1,000	
HMRC Gift Aid (Tykes) Tykes Explorers	1,029	763
Sub total	2,029	763
Fundraising (gross)		
Fundraising (Odyssey) Odyssey Explorers	53	
Other fundraising activities		
Sub total	53	
Investment income		
Bank Interest (Tykes) Tykes Explorers	72	
Bank Interest (District)	1,084	983
Property rent income (Bradley Lodge)	6,438	6,317
Sub total	7,594	7,300
Youth Programme & Activity Income		
World Jamboree		1,052
Activities & Events (District)		115
Activities & Events (DofE) DofE	4,270	3,603
Activities & Events (Tykes) Tykes Explorers	1,946	1,625
Miscellaneous Income (District)	509	758
Miscellaneous Income (Odyssey) Odyssey Explorers	12	
Miscellaneous Income (Tykes) Tykes Explorers		546
Sub total	6,737	7,699
Total receipts	45,578	46,968

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Payments		
Donations, legacies and similar expenses		
Membership subscriptions to WYCSC	16,694	15,791
Membership subscriptions to District (Tykes) Tykes Explorers	1,910	1,720
Expenses none receipted	500	600
Sub total	19,104	18,111
Youth programme and activities		
Activities & Events (District)	277	2,225
Activities & Events (DofE) DofE	3,896	986
Activities & Events (Tykes) Tykes Explorers	2,364	2,419
World Jamboree		2,750
Sub total	6,536	8,379
Overheads		
Adult Support and Training (District)	515	
Adult Support and Training (DofE) DofE	245	
Badge & Uniform Purchases (Odyssey) Odyssey Explorers	180	
Badge & Uniform Purchases (Tykes) Tykes Explorers	190	975
Badge Stock Purchases (Badges) Badge	2,374	2,078
Bradley Lodge Cleaning, Repairs and Renewals	1,962	1,458
Bradley Lodge Equipment	1,517	139
Bradley Lodge Insurance	1,369	1,170
Bradley Lodge New Build	223	2,264
Bradley Lodge Professional Fees		612
Bradley Lodge Refunds	410	125
Computer Domain & Consumables	23	371
Hall Hire (Tykes) Tykes Explorers	1,425	1,420
Loan to DofE DofE		627
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Materials and Equipment (DofE) DofE		520
Materials and Equipment (Odyssey) Odyssey Explorers	93	
Materials and Equipment (Tykes) Tykes Explorers	126	766
Miscellaneous (District)	716	392
Miscellaneous (Tykes) Tykes Explorers		492
Online Scout Manager	603	573
PAT tester	71	
Regulatory and Entertainment licences	320	299
Sub total	12,363	14,909
Total Gross Expenditure	38,003	41,399
Net of receipts/(payments)	7,576	5,569
Cash funds last year end	67,227	61,658
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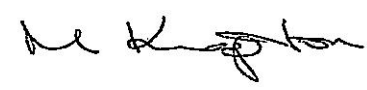
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Expense Cards	755	244
District Badge Secretary Account Badge	1,059	902
Total cash funds	74,803	67,227
Non monetary assets for charity's own use		
Badge stock Badge	442	440
Sub total	442	440
Liabilities		
Accounts not yet paid		442
Other liabilities	-00	-00
Sub total	-00	442
Total Assets	75,245	67,667
Total Liabilities	-00	442
Solvency	75,245	67,225

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by
the Trustees on 12 June 2025 and signed on their behalf by

Signature





Print Name

Chris Jay (Chair)

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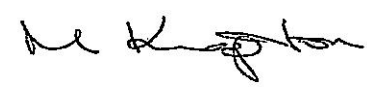
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