



CROMWELL DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

Trustee's Annual Report & Accounts for the year ending 31st December 2024

TRUSTEES: Ex-Officio

Name

District Lead Volunteer

Mrs S Best

TRUSTEES: Appointed

District Chair

Mr M Wenham

District Treasurer

Mrs S McConnachie-Kessel

Trustee

Mr T Best

Trustee

Mr C Hennessy

Trustee

Mr D Stevens

TRUSTEES: Co-Opted

BANKERS:

Barclays Bank PLC, Huntingdon Business Centre, The Pavement, St Ives Branch, Huntingdon, Cambs, PE27 4AQ

Redwood Bank Ltd, Suite 101, The Nexus Building, Broadway, Letchworth Garden City, Hertfordshire, SG6 3TA

CUSTODIAN TRUSTEES: The Scout Association Trust Corporation in respect of District Campsite and Headquarters.

District Registration Number with the Scout Association : 10713

Charity Registration Number: 1030974

Contact: Mr Michael Wenham, 34, Ashton Close, Needingworth, Huntingdon, Cambs, PE27 4UA



Cromwell District Scout Council
Trustees Annual Report and Annual statement of Accounts
For the year ending 31st December 2024

The Trustee Board have met on 3 occasions during 2024 and have taken on board their new role focus on governance tasks rather than operational issues and am pleased that most board members are also Team members within the District Support

The District minibus was well used and we had 35 bookings during the year not only from our own District but other groups in Cambridgeshire

The District Badge Secretary has been kept busy again this year with 81 orders generating nearly £5k worth of sales equating to over 6,000 badges

2024, was a year of growth. At the census at the start of this year we had a return of a total of 832 young people supported by 264 adults, and 54 Young Leaders volunteering in 42 sections around the District. We have been steadily growing over the past 4 years. Sadly we still have 356 young people wanting to join us across the sections, that is the highest it has been this century!. 45% of our Squirrels gained their Acorn Award, 60% of Beavers gained their Bronze, 37% of Cubs their Silver Award and 35% of Scouts were awarded their Gold. For our older sections, 13 Bronze D of E and 4 Silver were Awarded in Cromwell in 2024.

Those 264 adult volunteers, whether providing a weekly program, governance support with their Trustee Boards, or being part of a support team, are working incredibly hard. They are making sure they are compliant with their online mandatory safety, safeguarding and keeping up to date with their first aid training in addition to creating safe challenging and creative experiences for our young people. In addition to the weekly sectional program there has been a series of District led activities, Sausages Sizzles, Night Hikes, a Cub Water Carnival, and our very popular St Georges Day Renewal of promises event. CMC are celebrating over 40 years of climbing mountains! This is our opportunity to thank each of them for their continued support and enthusiasm, knowledge and willingness. Each volunteer, with their own set of skills and commitment keeping the cogs of Cromwell turning. THANK YOU.

The District Leadership Team remains small, but just like the Groups we are also growing. The YL training scheme is back and running, we are looking at how we can support the sections with their Top Awards and we are working with both County and HQ Growth and Development teams to open up sections. We are looking forward and we are moving forward



As a District we have adapted to the Association's new way of working flexibly in Teams, each bringing our own strengths. We have moved to a warmer welcome and experienced the new digital tools. We have adopted the new Membership System - some with open arms and some with arms firmly folded!

Fund raising through renting out Copley Scouting Centre saw a large drop in receipts due to the site being flooded several times during the year. Despite that the surplus for the year was just over £10k. The planned maintenance carried out during 2024 saw new heaters in the hall, upgrading the camp fire lighting, repairs to window shutters and a tree survey together with the associated safety work. We have recently spent over £10k on tree surgery work with further cost of £2.5k still to come.

The overall reserve still stands at £32,000, being £12,000 contingency and £20,000 for the Property Refurbishment

In the last 12 months £67,000 sat in the Redwood Bank earning 4.3% and on target to give us a yield of just over £3k in interest at the end of April 2025

The District is a Trust established under its rules that are common to all Districts, and the Trustees are appointed in accordance with Policy, Organisation & Rules of the Scout Association and the Accounts have been drawn up on the receipts and payment basis that is consistent with the previous year and approved by the Trustees on the 10th March 2025 and signed by the District Chair.

CROMWELL DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ANNUAL ACCOUNT SUMMARY
FOR THE YEAR END 31ST DECEMBER 2024



	This Year Total £	Previous Year Total £
Total Receipts for the Year	67,483.63	99,032.81
Total Payments for the Year	57,764.09	77,218.71
Net Surplus / Deficit for the year	9,719.54	21,814.10
Cash, Bank and similar funds brought forward	124,163.34	86,659.09
Cash, Bank and similar funds carried forward	133,882.88	108,473.19

The above accounts and accompanying statement(s) of assets and liabilities were approved

by Trustees on 10th March 2005 and signed on their behalf by

M wenham

Mike Wenham

Independent Examiners Statement

I have independently examined the records and the accounts as set out on pages 3 to 8 and in my opinion the accounts are in accordance with the records produced to me.

Name Graeme Huttley

Signed Graeme Huttley

G Huttley

Date:- 27th April 2025

NOTE Figures for all 3 Explorer Units, Network, CMC, Badge Secretary are separate activities but are included in the general fund for audit purposes.

CROMWELL DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL RECEIPTS
FOR THE YEAR END 31ST DECEMBER 2024

	This Year Total £	Previous Year Total £
MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS	42,552.00	37,646.50
Less paid to HQ\County\Rebates	35,854.00	33,364.50
	6,698.00	4,282.00
INVESTMENT INCOME RECEIVED		
Redwood Bank Interest	690.06	1,213.86
DONATIONS/GRANTS/ LEGACY		
Donations	500.00	20.00
Legacy (John Hancox)	1,935.89	25,000.00
	2,435.89	25,020.00
ACTIVITIES		
Copley Scouting Centre	13,065.68	19,554.01
Beavers	50.00	0.00
Cubs	650.18	490.00
Scouts	0.00	595.00
Young Leaders	0.00	0.00
Minibus	3,439.00	2,330.40
International Trips	520.00	0.00
Houghton Scout Group	0.00	455.06
Needingworth Scout Group (Sum Up)	1,108.17	0.00
Midas, D1 Train, Insurance Excess	430.00	400.00
Cygnnet	2,470.00	2,660.00
Cromwell Explorer Scout Unit & Network	14,142.77	11,712.23
Nulli Secundi Explorer Sea Scout Unit	4,211.59	8,554.11
Cromwell Mountain Club ASU	10,660.55	12,331.87
Cromwell District Active Support Unit	0.00	0.00
Ramsey Scout group	2,748.68	3,345.52
	53,496.62	62,428.20
FUND RAISING		
District	0.00	0.00
St Georges Day	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00
OTHER INCOME		
Gift Aid Rebate	0.00	0.00
Rates Refund HDC - Covid	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00
SUNDRY RECEIPTS		
Phone	0.00	0.00
Badges	4,163.06	6,088.75
	4,163.06	6,088.75
TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR	67,483.63	99,032.81

CROMWELL DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR END 31ST DECEMBER 2024

	This Year Total	Previous Year Total
	£	£
PREMISES		
New Equipment / Repairs	0.00	349.20
Cleaning	2,562.44	2,350.24
Rates	99.42	92.98
Water & Septic Tank	561.46	544.75
Electricity - Light and Heat	1,862.55	1,814.23
Insurance	1,711.43	2,109.55
BT - Phone & Internet	1,363.16	952.56
Fire Extinguishers & Fire Alarm Service	672.02	137.49
	8,832.48	8,351.00
DONATIONS/GRANTS		
Donations	500.00	0.00
	500.00	0.00
ACTIVITIES		
Copley Scouting Centre	1,629.68	1,731.88
Planned Maintenance	11,332.57	11,230.87
Beavers	80.89	150.36
Cubs	1,068.70	130.51
Scouts	0.00	930.39
Young Leaders	161.00	14.00
Houghton Scout Group	0.00	455.06
Needingworth Scout Group (Sum up)	1,108.17	0.00
International Trips	0.00	0.00
Transformation Costs	266.75	0.00
Midas, D1 Training, Insur excess	120.00	0.00
Cygnat	1,846.72	3,127.53
Minibus	2,028.98	10,856.21
Cromwell Explorer Scout Unit & Network	11,652.05	13,579.53
Nulli Secundi Explorer Sea Scout Unit	1,625.51	5,967.96
Cromwell Mountain Club ASU	8,387.00	12,312.32
Cromwell District Active Suport Unit	0.00	16.00
Ramsey Scout Group	1,913.72	1,584.75
	43,221.74	62,087.37
FUND RAISING EXPENSES		
District	0.00	0.00
ADMIN/ESTAB EXPENSES	0.00	0.00
TRUSTEE / DISTRICT EXPENSES	437.90	891.49
OTHER EXPENSES		
AGM	22.00	37.49
St Georges Day	441.53	11.72
	463.53	49.21
PURCHASE OF BADGES	4,308.44	5,839.64
SUNDRY PAYMENTS	0.00	0.00
TOTAL PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	57,764.09	77,218.71

This Year Total £	Previous Year Total £
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0.00

124,163.34

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CROMWELL DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL - OPENING BALANCES

	£ Opening Balance 01.01.2024	£ Closing Balance 31.12.2024
1 District	89,669.41	92,183.98 * see below
2 CESU	13,500.13	15,990.85
3 Nulli Secundi Explorers	5,586.28	8,172.36
4 CMC Active Support	12,021.43	14,294.98
5 CD Active Support	0.00	0.00
6 Badge Secretary	3,386.09	3,240.71
7 Young Leaders	0.00	0.00

124,163.34

133,882.88

Allocation of District Funds

Property Refurbishment Reserve	32,000.00	32,000.00
Pat Tylers Legacy	25,000.00	25,000.00
District Camp	2,097.02	2,097.02
Planned Maintenance	11,935.91	14,089.23
D1 Train, Midas, insur excess	525.79	835.79
Beavers	761.62	730.73
Cubs	159.22	-259.30
Scouts	685.42	685.42
Young Leaders	-14.00	-175.00
CDASU	170.36	170.36
International Trip Support	1,075.00	1,595.00
Cygnet	78.67	701.95
Ramsey Scout Group	10,823.16	11,658.12
Minibus	0.00	1,410.02
Non Allocated Funds	4,371.24	1,644.64

89,669.41

92,183.98

CROMWELL DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL - CLOSING BALANCES

	£ Bank Current Account 31-Dec-24	£ Bank Deposit Account 31-Dec-24	£ Building Society Account 31-Dec-24	£ Cash in Hand 31-Dec-24	£ Total 31-Dec-24
1 District	25,280.06	66,903.92	0.00	0.00	92,183.98
2 CESU & Network	15,990.85	0.00	0.00	0.00	15,990.85
3 Nulli Secundi Explorers	6,122.07	2,050.29	0.00	0.00	8,172.36
4 CMC ASU	14,294.98	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,294.98
5 Badge Secretary	2,722.79	517.92	0.00	0.00	3,240.71
6 Young Leaders	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	64,410.75	69,472.13	0.00	0.00	133,882.88

CROMWELL EXPLORER, RAMWELL NETWORK SCOUT UNIT
ACCOUNTS FOR PERIOD 1ST JANUARY TO 31ST DECEMBER 2024

	Receipts	Payments
1 Subscriptions	3,184.00	38.96
2 Membership		1,512.00
3 Insurance		255.37
4 Rent		708.00
5 Gift Aid	1,117.57	
6 Activities	1,321.00	1,745.30
7 Trips Totals	7,299.68	6,315.98
8 Misc	265.14	275.93
9 Equipment		22.51
10 Ramwell	626.63	205.00
11 Network	328.75	573.00
Total	14,142.77	11,652.05

Opening Balance 01.01.2024 13,500.13

Receipts 14,142.77

Payments -11,652.05

Closing Balance 31.12.2024 15,990.85

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ACCOUNTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2024

	Receipts	Payments
1.0 Subscriptions	3,601.39	
2.0 Membership	0.00	0.00
3.0 Hall Hire	0.00	0.00
4.0 Donations	0.00	0.00
5.0 Fundraising	0.00	0.00
6.0 Activities	525.05	534.85
7.0 Camps	61.02	137.86
8.0 Uniform/Clothing/Badges	0.00	306.96
9.0 Insurance / Registration	0.00	0.00
10.0 Equipment	0.00	645.84
11.0 Misc	0.00	0.00
12.0 Interest (Deposit Account)	24.13	0.00
	4,211.59	1,625.51
Opening Balance 01.01.2024	5,586.28	
Receipts	4,211.59	
Payments	-1,625.51	
Closing Balance 31.12.2024	8,172.36	
	01.01.24	31.12.24
	Open Balance	Close Balance
Current account	3,560.12	6,122.07
Deposit Account	2,026.16	2,050.29
Overall Balances	5,586.28	8,172.36

CMC ACCOUNTS FOR PERIOD 1ST JANUARY TO 31ST JANUARY 2024

	Receipts	Payments
1.0 Trips & Expeditions		
1.1 Big Rock 2024	510.00	844.61
1.2 Beddgelert 2023	70.00	540.00
1.3 Ennerdale 2024	3,761.30	2,649.58
1.4 Gradbach 2024	2,215.00	1,450.75
1.5 Yr Haford 2024	2,169.25	1,832.85
1.5 Rutland Day Trip	225.00	122.55
1.6 North Norfolk Day Trip 2025	375.00	0.00
1.7 Big Rock 2025	805.00	0.00
1.8 Gradbach 2025	0.00	230.00
1.9 Beddgelert 2025	75.00	118.80
1.10 Curly Hill 2025	0.00	100.00
1.11 Trip refunds account	435.00	285.00
1.12 Minibus	0.00	11.00
1.13 Kit	20.00	201.86
	10,660.55	8,387.00
Opening Balance 01.01.2024	12,021.43	
	12,021.43	
Receipts	10,660.55	
Payments	-8,387.00	
Closing Balance 31.12.2024	14,294.98	
Current Account Barclays	14,294.98	

BADGE SECRETARY ACCOUNTS 1ST JANUARY TO 31ST DECEMBER 2024

Closing Balance 31st Dec 2023

Bank Deposit	510.25
Bank Current	2,875.84
Cash in hand	0.00

3,386.09

Open Balance 1st Jan 2024 3,386.09

Receipts:

Badge Sales Cash	0.00
Badge Sales Cheques	0.00
Badge Sales Direct Payments	4,155.39
Premium Account Interest	7.67

Total	7,549.15
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Payments -4,308.44

Closing Balance 31st Dec 2024

3,240.71

Bank Deposit	517.92
Bank Current	2,722.79
Cash in hand	0.00

Total	3,240.71
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Debtors C/F at 31/12/2024 578.95

Badge Stock

3,393.76
