



Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01/04/2023	To	31/03/2024
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
grants and donations	1,584			1,584	281
Annual subscriptions	3,130	-	-	3,130	7,830
purchase of girlguiding goods	19,254	-	-	19,254	17,673
Girl Events	6,435			6,435	9,408
training levy	-	-	-	-	-
international trips	-	-	-	-	-
international support fun	-	-	-	-	-
County Show	219			219	220
residential weekends	-		-	-	717
bank interest	327			327	
other	2,211	-	-	2,211	
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	33,160		-	33,160	36,129
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	33,160		-	33,160	36,129
A3 Payments					
annual subscriptions	390		-	390	435
donations		-	-	-	250
international grants	-	760	-	760	
sale of girlguiding goods	18,964	-	-	18,964	15,678
adult leaders training	880	-	-	880	691
girls events	4,848	-	-	4,848	8,591
international trips	-	-	-	-	
Leaders residential weekends	-	-	-	-	666
County Day	611			611	617
County Show	475			475	610
Paxwood legal exps	534			534	750
Awards and Award celebration	1,756			1,756	1,921
County management and administration	5,704			5,704	1,888
County training administration	1,337			1,337	1,366
training equipment					
other inc strategic plann	1,203	-	-	1,203	17
Sub total	36,702	760	-	37,462	33,480
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	36,702	760	-	37,462	33,480
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 3,542	- 760	-	- 4,302	2,649
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	44,171	1,550	-	45,721	-
Cash funds this year end	40,629	790	-	41,419	

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	County & Dept #	35,484	790	-
	depot	5,145	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	40,629	790	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	quarter share of of Girlguiding Paxwood cash funds	-		-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Voucher (Prison Island)	unrestricted		-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date		Period end date	
From	1 April 2023	To	31 March 2024

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Kent Weald County Girl Guides

Other names charity is known by

Girlguiding Kent Weald

Registered charity number (if any)

1033439

Charity's principal address

c/o Miss Rosslyn Vaughan

33 Lansdowne Ave

Maidstone, Kent

Postcode

ME15 9DN

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Mrs Dawn Archer	County Commissioner		Region Commissioner
2	Miss Rosslyn Vaughan	County Treasurer		County Commissioner
3	Mrs Patricia Anne Arnold	Division Commissioner	Ended role 02/06/2023 Appointed 04/01/2024	County Commissioner
4	Mrs Pamela Sell	Division Commissioner		County Commissioner
5	Mrs Angela Margaret Gumbley	Division Commissioner	Appointed 01/02/2023	County Commissioner
6	Mrs Sally-Anne Mary Gathern	Division Commissioner		County Commissioner
7	Emma Jeffrey	Division Commissioner		County Commissioner
8	Mrs Alison Mighell	Division Commissioner	Ended role 04/01/2024	County Commissioner
9	Paula Savage	Division Commissioner	Appointed 2/6/2023	County Commissioner
10	Elizabeth Gallop	Division Commissioner	Ended role 31/01/2023	County Commissioner
11	Tegan Currah	Division Commissioner	Ended role 30/10/23	County Commissioner

Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document
(eg. trust deed, constitution)

Royal Charter 14 December 1922

How the charity is constituted
(eg. trust, association, company)

Association

Trustee selection methods
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

Trustees are the holders of the following appointments:
County Commissioner
County Treasurer
Division Commissioners

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Girlguiding Kent Weald are GDPR compliant. We also comply with Girlguiding Guidelines on Safeguarding.

The Girlguiding Kent Weald County Commissioner is, by way of office, one of the 5 Trustees of the Paxwood facility, which is governed by a Constitution dated 10/11/2014. The Constitution specifies that the County Commissioners of each of the 4 Kent Counties: Greater London Kent, Kent East, Kent Weald and Kent West, are trustees, together with the Treasurer of Paxwood.

The constitution specifies that the 4 Counties are entitled to a quarter share of any profit or loss on disposal of the facility.

The structure of this arrangement is currently being investigated. We now have ownership of Paxwood (freehold) but the governance has not changed, currently in the process of getting advice to move forward with this.

Section C Objectives and activities

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

To pursue the objectives of The Guide Association using a balanced and stimulating programme for each age group, thereby unlocking the potential of girls and young women and encouraging good citizenship.

The Association acknowledges its requirements to demonstrate clearly that it must have charitable purposes that are for the Public Benefit. The trustees confirm that they have paid due regards to the Charity

Commission guidance on Public Benefit before deciding what activities the Charity should undertake.

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Girlguiding Kent Weald is part of the larger organisation of Girlguiding and seeks to provide quality training, advice and support to its members. Girlguiding Kent Weald covers 180 units in seven divisions (a reduction from eight in the past year as areas are consolidated for administrative purposes) and 19 districts and has approximately 3,400 members at present. The membership is spread over a wide age range – from four years upwards, with Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Rangers, Young Leaders and adult volunteers. Attracting volunteers is still a problem, more are needed to support current units and to open more to reduce waiting lists in many areas.

The work of supporting our members is carried out by the county executive, an adventure team, a learning and development team, an awards team and other lead volunteers/teams on a voluntary basis. Travel and incidental expenses are paid. A finance team to support the county treasurer is being created. We employ a part-time administrator for approximately 5 hours a week. She is self-employed so has no contract of employment and the charity does not have to account for tax and national insurance. During the year no Trustees received payments for acting as Trustee and 9 Trustees have received a total of £291.40 in expenses .

The county has advisers in several areas including residential, leadership support and a volunteer trainers. Advisers and trainers attend trainings and meetings in their specialist areas provided locally, regionally and nationally so that they are able to provide help and support when required. These meetings are a mixture of in person meetings, online e-learning, via zoom or webinars.

Over the year we were able to offer our regular, annual activities - Guide Sailing Day, Brownie and Guide Water Fun Days and Challenge Invicta, an incident hike in the Benenden area.

Across the county, young members had residential opportunities organised by units or local areas.

International trips have taken place, with units organising their own trips and members have

also taken part in trips organised by the region. Planning for further international trips for individual units is under way as well as scoping for an adult international trip. There will also be opportunities for young and adult members to take part in region international trips.

Kent Weald Walkers continue to offer monthly walks for volunteers.

In 2022 we held our first Awards Celebration, which is an opportunity to present awards and to recognise the achievements of our volunteers. This has become an annual event with the format being an informal setting with afternoon tea.

Girlguiding's mandatory training sessions can be accessed online as elearning or webinars via Girlguiding's Learning Platform or in person

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

sessions. County trainers help to facilitate training offered via the Learning Platform. Our specialist trainer has delivered Girlguiding's own first aid course, First Response in person. We held a County Training Day in November 2023, providing varying sessions. We continue to provide mandatory in person First Response training to volunteers. Mentors continue to support our leaders in training as they complete the Learning Development programme. We do not charge units an additional levy to cover training costs and continue to cover this from general funds.

In January, a strategy planning day was held. Led by a region trainer, division commissioners, trainers, advisers, coordinators, other county appointment holders and representatives from each division came together to work on a county plan for the next 3 years. This covers everything from future events to ways of working and should put the county in a good position

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Section D

Achievements and performance

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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Please see Section C above

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Because of the need to pay deposits, to book facilities and tickets in advance of event income being received, the charity needs to carry sufficient reserves to meet its objectives of running events

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Having considered their finances, the Trustees consider the charity is a "Going Concern".

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)





Full name(s)

Dawn Archer

Rosslyn Vaughan

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

County Commissioner

County Treasurer

Date

25/11/2024

Independent examiner's report on the accounts



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Kent Weald County Girl Guides

On accounts for the year
ended

31st March 2024

Charity
no

1033439

Set out on pages

1 - 8

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

Respective
responsibilities of
trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed. Where the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified Fellow of the Association of Charity Independent Examiners.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down 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 statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the 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 accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Acthave not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

D R Ralph

Date:

11th December 2024

Name:

David R Ralph

Qualification

FCIE

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50 Southwood Road, Rusthall, TUNBRIDGE WELLS, Kent. TN4 8SP

