

1ST GRUNDISBURGH SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales · Charity number 1033767

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1994-02-28

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: TO PROMOTE THE DEVELOPMENT OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN ACHIEVING THEIR FULL PHYSICAL, INTERLLECTUAL, SOCIAL AND SPIRITUAL POTENTIALS AS INDIVIDUALS, AS RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS AND AS MEMBERS OF THEIR LOCAL, NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITIES.

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Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- Suffolk

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£60,819	£13,119	-	-
2024-03-31	£43,249	£12,013	-	-
2023-03-31	£33,136	£13,709	-	-
2022-03-31	£33,243	£7,976	-	-
2021-03-31	£166,573	£3,456	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ALISON BANHAM	Chair	2021-01-14
ADRIAN ADAMS		2017-12-07
Carly Richmond		2013-06-14
Caroline Warren		2021-09-18
Christina Poguntke		2021-09-18
David Dring		2022-09-17
Rebecca Hewitt		2023-10-08
STUART ROSS		

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Accounts

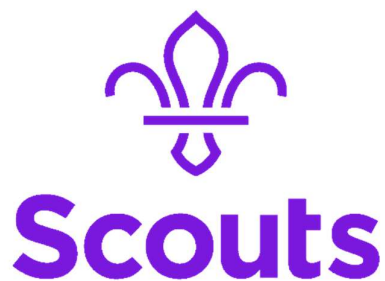


ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 March 2025

MEMBER OF THE UK SCOUT ASSOCIATION



TRUSTEES REPORT**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

Registered Charity No.	1033767
Group Registration No.	
Charity contact name:	Mr Stuart Ross
Charity contact address:	3 Post Mill Crescent, Grundisburgh, Woodbridge, IP13 6UX
Charity main address:	The Scout Hut, Grundisburgh Playing Field, off Ipswich Road, Grundisburgh, Woodbridge, Suffolk, IP13 6TJ
Charity website:	www.grundisburghscouts.org.uk

Trustees who manage the Charity

		Date appointed	Date resigned
THE TRUSTEE BOARD			
Group Chair	Mrs Alison Banham	14/01/2021	
Group Lead Volunteer	Mr Stuart Ross	04/06/2008	
Group Treasurer	Mrs Rebecca Hewitt	08/10/2023	
Board Member/Minutes Secretary	Mrs Christina Poguntke	18/09/2021	
Board Member	Mrs Caroline Warren	18/09/2021	
Board Member	Mrs Patricia Ross	01/06/1993	
Board Member	Mr David Dring	17/09/2022	
Board Member	Mrs Carly Richmond	08/10/2023	
Board Member	Mr Adrian Adams	07/12/2017	

Supporting the Charity and Trustees are the following

GROUP PRESIDENT Mr Philip Stebbings

SECTION TEAM LEADERS

Beaver Section Leader Ms Zarah Decker
 Cub Section Leader Mr Daniel Turner
 Scout Section Leader Mr Stephen Swain

DISTRICT SECTION TEAM MEMBERS

Explorer Section Leader Mr David Brown
 Explorer Section Member Mr Joshua Beavis
 Explorer Section Member Mr Andrew Vobe

SECTION TEAM MEMBERS

Beaver Section Member Ms Geraldine Millar
 Cub Section Member Mr Kenneth Walls
 Scout Section Member Mr Toby Murrill
 Scout Section Member Mr Daniel Catchpole

CO-OPTED

Advisor for the New HQ Mr Paul Boswell
 Advisor for the New HQ Mr Jason Banham
 Advisor for the New HQ Mr Alan Comber
 Guide Unit Representative Mrs Jo Saagi

Custodian Trustees

The Scout Association Trust Corporation, Gilwell Park, Bury Road, Chingford, London E4 7QW

Professional Advisors**Bankers**

Barclays Bank, 1 Princes Street, Ipswich, IP1 1PN
 Cambridge and Counties Bank, Charnwood Court, 5B New Walk, Leicester LE1 6TE
 Co-operative Bank – Business, PO Box 250, Skelmersdale, WN8 6WT
 Nationwide Building Society, Kings Park Road, Moulton Park, Northampton, NN3 6NW
 Redwood Bank, The Nexus Building, Broadway, Letchworth Garden City, Hertfordshire, SC6 3TA
 Suffolk Building Society, PO Box 547, Ipswich, IP3 9WZ
 United Trust Bank, 1 Ropemaker Street, London, EC2Y 9AW

Consultants

Jasmine Fairweather – Advanced Paralegal, Fairweather Law, 10 Riverside, Framlingham, Suffolk, IP13 9AG

Independent Examiner

Celia Comber, 7 Quantock Close. Rushmere St Andrew, Ipswich, IP5 1AS

STRUCTURE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Document

The 1st Grundisburgh Scout Group is part of the Scout Association and belongs to the Deben Scout District. The Group'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.

Constitution

The Group is a Trust established under its rules, which are common to all Scouts.

Trustee selection

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

Governance

The Group is managed by the Group 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.

Members of the Trustee Board complete training within the first few months of joining the Board.

The Board consists of the Chair, Treasurer Group Lead Volunteer and selected Parents or individuals and meets at least three times a year. This Trustee Board exists to support the Group Lead Volunteer in meeting the responsibilities of the appointments and is responsible for:

- ❖ The maintenance of Group property;
- ❖ The raising of funds and the administration of Group finance;
- ❖ The insurance of persons, property and equipment;
- ❖ Group public occasions;
- ❖ Assisting in the recruitment of Leaders and other adult support;
- ❖ Appointing any sub committees that may be required;
- ❖ Appointing Group Administrators and Advisors other than those who are elected.

Risk and Internal Control

The Trustee Board has identified the major risks to which they believe the Group 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 Group would request the use of buildings, property, and equipment from neighbouring organisations such as the primary school, village hall, sports pavilion, parish rooms and other Scout Groups. The Group has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss.

Injury to Leaders, helpers, supporters, and members. The Group, through the capitation fees, contributes to the Scout Associations national accident insurance policy.

Reduced income from fund raising. The Group is reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. The Group does hold a reserve, which should ensure the continuity of activities, should there be a major reduction in income. The Trustee Board could raise the value of subscriptions to increase the income to the Group on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently.

Reduction or loss of Leaders. The Group is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the Group. If there were a reduction in the number of Leaders to an unacceptable level in a particular Section or the Group as a whole, then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a Section. In the worst-case scenario, the complete closure of the Group.

Reduction or loss of members. The Group provides activities for all young people aged 6 to 14. If there were a reduction in membership in a particular Section or the whole Group, then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a Section. In the worst-case scenario, the complete closure of the Group.

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

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

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.

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 in.

Belief - We explore our faiths, beliefs, and attitudes.

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

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.

Volunteers

All the Section Leaders and helpers are volunteers and volunteers carry out all the fundraising.

Public Benefit

The Group meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The Scout Group comprises of a Beaver Colony, a Cub Pack and a Scout Troop with a Trustee Board. A District managed Explorer Scouts Unit called 'Fynn Valley' work closely with the Scout Group and participate in many activities and camps.



Group Chairperson's Remarks

I would like to say thanks once again to all on the Trustee Board and supporting Committee Members for giving up their time in supporting and working together for the benefit of 1st Grundisburgh Scout Group. Thanks to all the Leaders and Stuart giving up their time to run a varied programme of activities for the young children.

The Trustee Board have successfully run the Annual Duck Race and Fireworks evening raising monies towards the new HQ building. All I can say on this subject is that we have answered many questions, completed many surveys with regards to ecology, highways and planners. My sincere thanks go to Paul Boswell for his dedication, knowledge, guidance and perseverance as our architect in dealing with all these hurdles on behalf of the Scout Group. Let's hope in the not too distant future we get the planning permission we so desperately need, and can provide a suitable, purpose built building for the Scout Group to enjoy all the activities that we offer them.

Alison Banham, Group Chairperson

Group Lead Volunteer's Report

Another great year of activities, increased membership, and 14 acres of new play space!

The Sections remained full and thriving, providing continued exciting activities to the young people. Every Section camped during the year, which is always our key goal to offer nights away to everyone. Having the new site at Stoney Road has enabled us to create new activities or try out old favourite ones in the new location. Every member is looking forward to creating a brilliant building for years of Scouting to come.

Cubs had a great time at the County Cub Camp at Hallowtree with hundreds of activities and other Cubs from across Suffolk. Scouts and Explorers returned once again to the National Scout Archery Competition and came home with even more medals and awards. The Scouts and Explorers went on Summer Camp with 1st Kesgrave Scout Group to Thriftwood Campsite in Brentwood, Essex. They visited a secret Nuclear Bunker, White Water rafting in Lee Valley, Visited Gilwell Park – home of UK Scouting, cycled in Epping Forest and completed the Monopoly Challenge in London by visiting all the streets and stations from the Game.

Beavers had a Christmas sleepover at the Scout Hut where they decorated stockings and waited for Father Christmas to visit. Cubs were back at Hallowtree for their Adventure Challenge Camp and Scouts visited Thorrington Campsite in Essex for theirs. Another Night Hike sleepover was held for the Cubs and the Scouts took on another Expedition Challenge – however much drier this year!

Top Chief Scouts Awards have been gained which is great to see a continued effort by Members to achieve these badges.

Whilst we try to continue excellent Scouting for our Members and manage to cover the necessary ratios for adults required, the Sections do all really need additional support and we therefore are seeking additional help at the weekly meetings for Beavers and Cubs. These additional adults may not necessary be uniformed leaders but having more people involved with the children's structured programmes will be a much needed benefit.

As always, I owe a big thank you to all our volunteer Leaders, Section Assistants, Young Leaders and Trustee Board members who continue to support me, and I look forward to another exciting year of Scouting at 1st Grundisburgh.

Stuart Ross, Group Lead Volunteer

Significant achievements during the year - Criteria and measures used to assess success

Badges

3 Chief Scouts Gold Awards – Congratulations to Nefeli Poguntke, Drew Walls, Petra Jenkins

5 Chief Scouts Silver Awards – Congratulations to Megan Claydon, Owen Flintham, Chester Pynn, William Martin, William Warren-Smith

1 Chief Scouts Bronze Award – Congratulations to Kaitlyn Decker

Various Challenge badges have been completed in each Section. Other badges gained across the Sections were Builder, Space, Safety, First Aid Stage 1 & 2, Pioneer, Road Safety, Nautical Skills, Time on the Water, Hikes and Nights Away.

Camps – All Sections were given an opportunity to a night away during the 2024-2025 year. A total of 26 nights away experiences had been arranged during the reporting year.

UK Scout Association National Archery Competition

Returning once again to the UK Scout Archery Competition held at Phasels Wood in Hertfordshire, a team of Scouts and Explorers from both Kesgrave and Grundisburgh Groups participated and took home 19 medals with our two Teams coming 1st and 3rd overall.

Grundisburgh Cub Owen Flintham won 4 Medals:

1st in Target, 1st in Clout, 1st in the Team, 2nd in Field Archery.

Leader Toby won 2 Medals: 1st in Target (own equipment) and 1st with the Team.

Leader Steve & parent Kathryn won 3rd place with the Team.

Group Scout Leader Stuart won 4 Medals – all Golds – 1st in Target Supplied, 1st in Clout, 1st in Field Archery and 1st with the Team.



New HQ Update

Just over a year on from acquiring the site at Stoney Road, our full planning application was submitted to East Suffolk District Council in July 2024. Within this Application was Topographical Surveys, Stoney Road Speed surveys, Highways Engineer designs for the external footpath, Ecology, Arboricultural and Biodiversity reports.



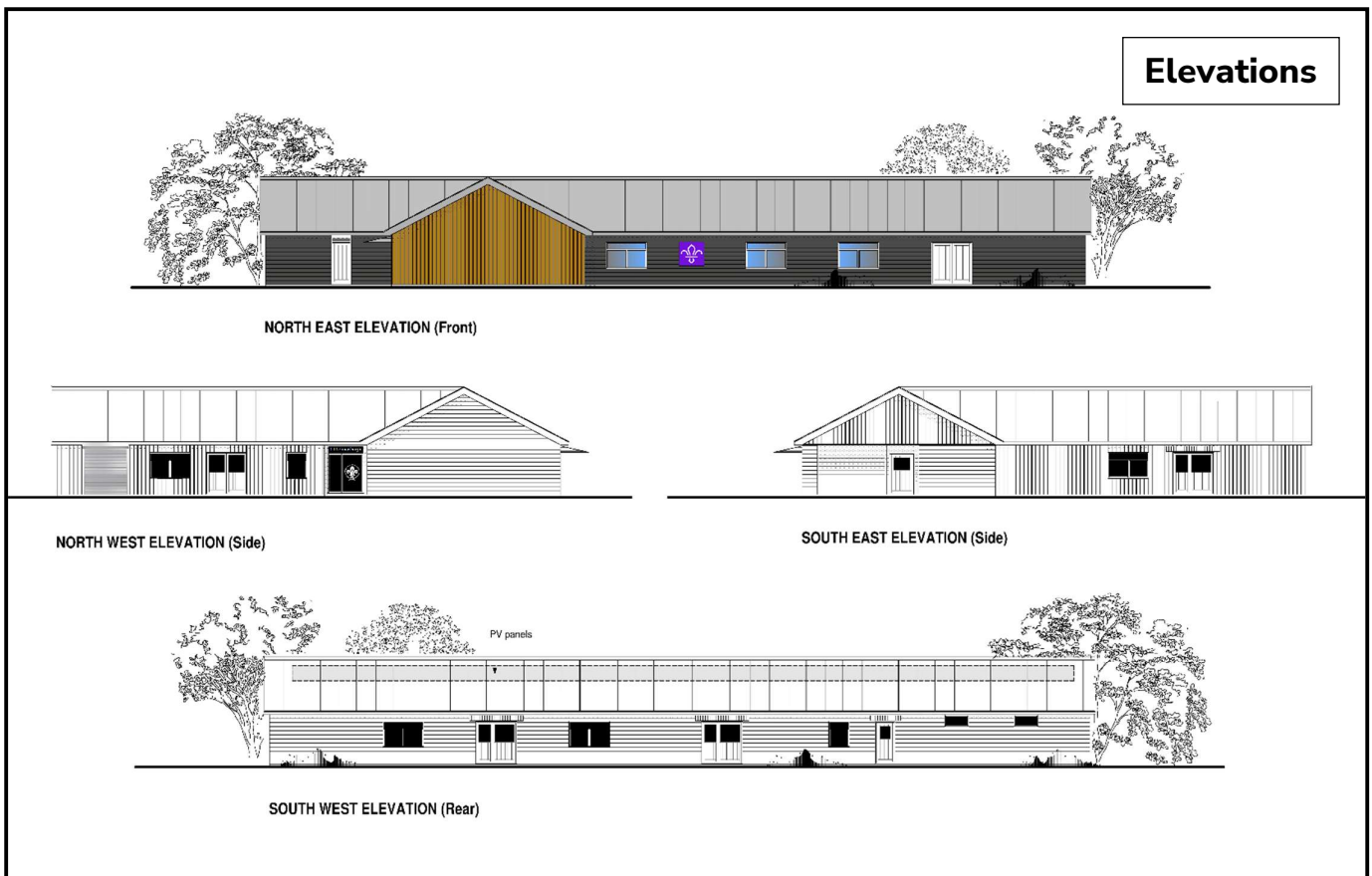
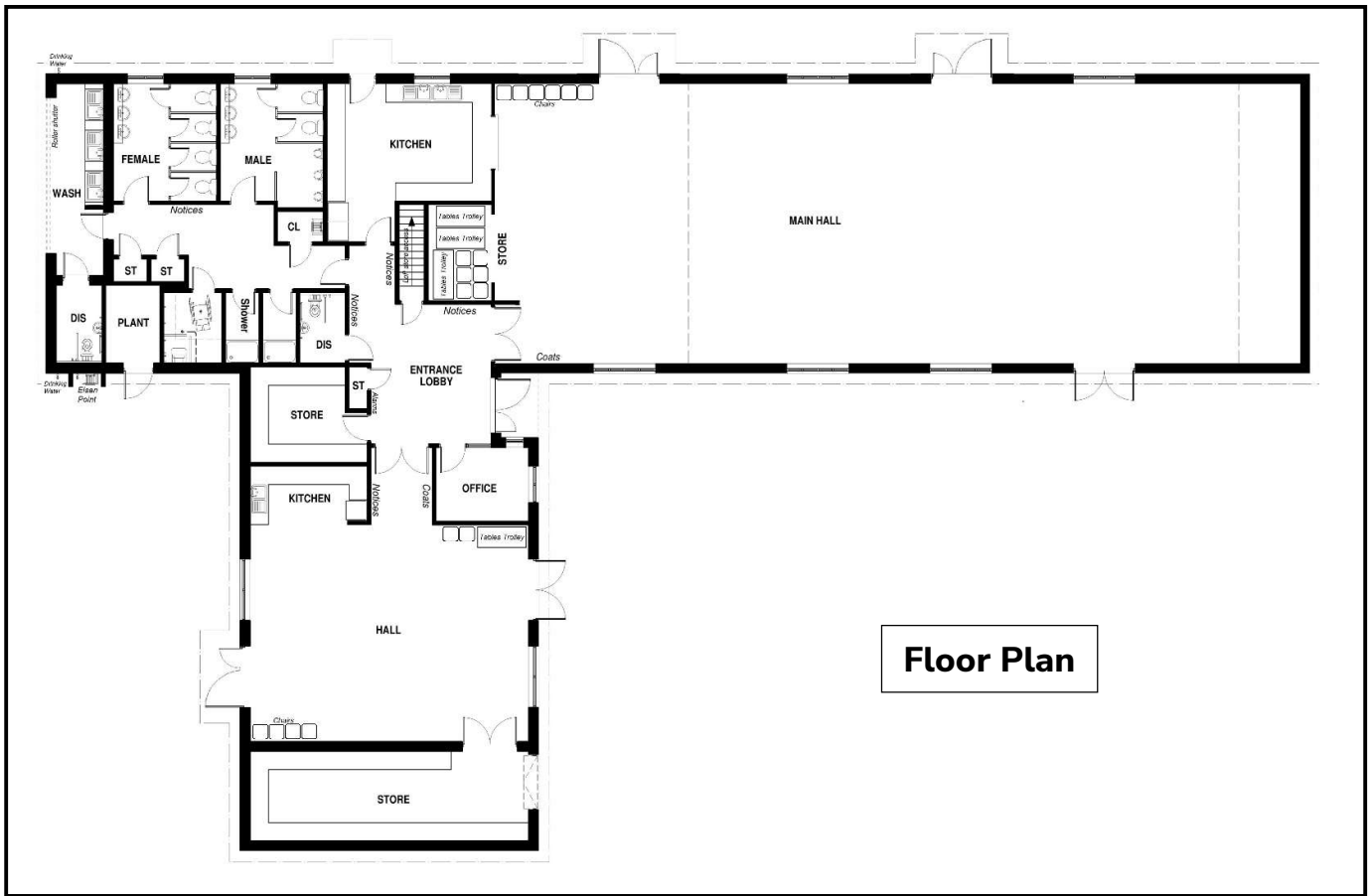
The application has great support by the Grundisburgh and Culpho Parish Council who volunteered to submit the plans via themselves which saves 50% of the planning fee. Paul Boswell one of our Committee Members and Director at Patrick Allen & Associates Architects drew up the plans and has guided the Scout Group through the planning process.

To give the project focus the Group has given it the name 'Project Platinum' as the Group will be celebrating 70 years of Scouting in the Village in 2026, and therefore a new building will mark this occasion.

The designs submitted are shown below. Some design points are as follows:

- ❖ Placing the building in the middle of the site for best all-round use of the whole 14 acres
- ❖ Having the building central for best access and control in Emergencies and Safeguarding situations
- ❖ Using the natural internal tree line of the site to hide and blend the building in the rural landscape
- ❖ Road access on the safest stretch of Stoney Road – away from the tight bend and any poor visibility
- ❖ A building with two halls to suit multiple sections at one time during the day
- ❖ Toilets with access to suit the internal building users and any outdoor activities/camping users
- ❖ A larger Hall to suit a full-length indoor Archery range, plus other functions
- ❖ Kitchens off both halls and an office near the front door
- ❖ Internal storage to suit camping equipment, games equipment, plus hall and toilet cleaning materials
- ❖ Parking at the hall for disabled users and loading/unloading
- ❖ Pedestrian access up to the HQ from a gate on the eastern point of the site
- ❖ New external footpath by Ablitts Meadow to connect to the Village





After a few months of East Suffolk validating the paperwork, in October 2024 the application went live on the Planning Website and the public were able to make comments. Before it went live the Group wrote letters to the near by residents to inform them of the impending application, to be open and honest about we are doing because construction works will happen near their homes.

The application listed as DC/24/2708 had 29 comments from residents and Scouting families who were all in favour of support. There were no objections from the public. Suffolk County Highways put a 'Holding Objection' on the application as they wanted more information about the visibility splays of the pedestrian crossing and footpath details around Ablitts Meadow. Unfortunately, Suffolk County Highways have not been very efficient in responding to explain exactly what details they need and at the end of the reporting year we are still waiting for them to accept new plans and details submitted.

East Suffolk Planning Department have also not responded to the application and yet no advice or discussion from the Planning Case Officer has been received by the end of this reporting year.

New HQ - Diocese Covenant

The site at Stoney Road was once a former piece of land owned by the St.Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocese, used many years ago as farming land they rented out. Attached to the land is a Covenant set up by the Diocese which restricted the site to be only farming land and have no buildings. This Covenant was known to the Group when purchasing the land. Discussion with the Diocese as to whether a Scout Group can build on it were taken before purchased. The Diocese said they can release the Covenant and change its use for Community benefits, such as a new Scout HQ. However, the Group would still require paying them some funds to release the Covenant and pay the legal fees. The chosen amount was £10,000 to be paid after planning permission was granted. The Group have employed Jasmine Fairweather an Advanced Paralegal at Fairweather Law in Framlingham to help with the legal matters with this change of Covenant.

New HQ - Grass Cutting, Tree and Hedges Planting

While we waited for Planning Permission to come through the Group has been busy at the site to assist with the Ecology and Biodiversity net gain i.e. introducing more trees and hedges than what we take away with construction. Over 250 metres of mixed species hedgerow and 150 mixed native trees have been planted on the site since its purchase. This is far more than what we will take away in the build process. We would like to thank the group of parents and young members who came along and planted these trees and hedgerow.

The site continues to grow grass and with the help of Group President Phil Stebbings he has managed to maintain it so that Sections can still enjoy playing and having activities there.



Planting Hedgerow



Grass Cutting

New HQ - Expenses

A breakdown of all expenses so far regarding the New Headquarters can be found in the Notes to the Accounts, Section 12, page 19.

Changes to Scouting, Committee & Trustees

During the past year the Scout Association had made some changes to roles within the Group. Leadership Sections are now into 'Teams' which allows better movement of individuals to other Sections i.e. A Cub Leader becoming a Scout Leader. The structure of Executive Committee's has also changed where now there is only up to 12 Trustees who manage the Groups finances and facilities.

This new structure has been incorporated at 1st Grundisburgh as stated on Page 2, but due to the unique and excellent efforts of all our Executive Committee Members we will continue to hold meetings with everyone as before – all Leaders, Trustees and Co-opted people. Our unifying goal is to create this New HQ for our Scouting, and we think it is best to do this altogether.

We would like new parents or people to join as Trustee's or attached Committee members, so we will continue to look for individuals.

Our Events for the Village and Community

The Duck Race returned once again on a mild cool Sunday afternoon. After the sell out of Ducks in 2023 we increased the amount to 3000. This would be the absolute limit for any future years. The event again was extremely popular, thus proving a Sunday afternoon is the ideal way to go because it suits families. All Ducks were sold with 25 prizes available. The Trustee board set a target of 25 prizes as this felt like the correct amount for 3000 ducks. The whole event took £5,199 profit which was the most ever the Duck Race has taken in its 15 years.

The 2024 Fireworks Display was held once again on the Playing Field. This year the date clashed with School half term and some members of the Trustee Board and the Committee were unavailable, so new members were used in the Launch team. The pre-set list from the Fireworks Shop worked well again and we saw increased sales online and at the gates on the night. The turnout was around 1300 people. With the closure of William Stores there were far fewer paper tickets, something to consider removing completely in future years. Over 1100 items of food were cooked and we were praised for the quickness of food delivery, however this is almost at our maximum that we can achieve in the time and area constraints of the hard standing basketball court. The event raised £7,124 profit for the Group which was another huge amount for the new HQ funds and proves that the Firework Display is now our most popular and lucrative event.

New Group Trailer

Towards the end of 2024, our Scout Leader Steve changed his job and no longer had a white van which the Group regularly used for camps and events. It was therefore time the Scout Group purchased a new Group Trailer. A 10ft by 5ft Blue Line Trailer was put on order costing almost £6000. The Scout Group has been very fortunate, as the Burgh Wood Trust kindly offered to pay for it, plus a bit towards our recent hedge planting. We are entirely grateful to the Wood Trust as this piece of equipment will be essential for all our future events and camps. Picture of the Trailer with its first Scouting use at the Scouts Expedition Challenge in March 2025.

***Health and Safety Review***

Every step to reduce risk within activities and events is taken and our complete set of Risk Assessments are available in the Scout Hut office. These are modified when needed to reflect any changes. This document works alongside common practices and assessing ongoing risks when completing the activity. New unforeseen dangers and changes to practices may develop during the activity or event and the Leadership team will adapt as per the circumstances at the time. All Leaders and Trustee Board training is reviewed and updated when required.

Our Aims

The purpose of Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society. 1st Grundisburgh Scout Group continues to strive to achieve this by a balanced programme across all Sections working alongside all volunteer Leaders, Assistants, and parents, with support from District, County, and other Scout Groups. We intend to offer all members a night away experience per year, where possible, and give members the opportunity to achieve the top-level awards in their Section. Our future aims are to keep the Scouting adventures available to new members within the local Community, and to seek better facilities, in the form of a new headquarters for our current members, thus enhancing their Scouting life experiences.

Strategies for achieving stated aims and objectives

At 1st Grundisburgh Scout Group we have strived and will continue to:

- ❖ Achieve top awards by blending Section activities and individual efforts undertaken within home lives.
- ❖ Utilise the open space of the playing field as well as the indoor space when creating a programme.
- ❖ Bring aspects of teamwork and leadership into the meetings, activities and games we organise in creative and challenging ways.
- ❖ Implement new activities in the programme which members are unable to experience at school or within the home environment. This is then reviewed and improved for next time.
- ❖ Continue being visible within Grundisburgh village community and the wider area at the parades and the family friendly events such as our Duck Race and Fireworks Display which are open to the public.
- ❖ Work alongside other Scout Groups in the area to expand Scouting experiences and interactions.
- ❖ Maintain a continuous steady number of young members participating whilst seeking to increase our team of volunteer adults to support the Sections.
- ❖ Offer members at least one night away camping and outdoor experience during the year, if practical.
- ❖ Make it enjoyable for children and adults alike.
- ❖ Continue our quest for a new Headquarters with improved facilities for our members and their families

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Group Treasurer Remarks

The Scout Group continues to show a healthy income, with operational costs being covered by the General Funds. Income from the textile bin reduced by £474 due to reduction in the price received per kilo. However, funds raised from the duck race increased by £421 and £206 was raised through Easy Fundraising.

Technical issues with accessing gift aid claims on the HMRC website meant that a claim due to be made in 2024/25 relating to 2023/24 membership fees was not completed before the end of the financial year. This claim for £1,133.69 was made in 2025/26 and will be accounted for within the 2025/26 accounts, as well as the claim relating to 2024/25 membership fees.

The New HQ fund has continued to benefit from higher interest rates and increased balances from fundraising. Interest on investments for the HQ Fund increased by £6,646 to £26,378. The General Fund also benefited with an increase in interest from £435 in 2023/24 to £633 in 2024/25.

Expenditure on the new HQ was limited in 2024/25 as the Group submitted the planning application for the site and awaits the outcome of the application. Total expenditure on the new HQ as of 31st March 2025 including purchase of the site, fees, surveys and fencing was £175,903 (£173,567 as at 31st March 2024). This was paid for from the New HQ Fund which is held as a separate reserve, with independent bank accounts to the income and expenditure of running Section meetings and activities. As of 31st March 2025, the New HQ fund held £653,543 of cash and investments to continue with the work to build the new HQ (£614,929 at 31st March 2024). Fundraising will continue and additional grants will be sought to add to the funds available to build the new HQ building.

Rebecca Hewitt, Group Treasurer

Performance of material fundraising

Duck Race – Sticking to a Sunday afternoon we raised the total to 3000 racing ducks in 2024. These were all sold and the biggest ever profit of £5,199 was made. This surpassed our expectations and proved moving to a Sunday afternoon fills a slot in Families weekend plans.

Fireworks Display – Another big year for the Display as its popularity increases and a profit of £7,124 was made. This too is the most profit ever produced from any Display as the event grows.

Textile Bin – Although the Textile bin continues to be well used, the value of Textiles has dramatically gone down to 8p per kilo. In the reporting year we collected in £791, which is still a good amount that helps support the general funds which pay for insurance, electric and new equipment.

Easy Fundraising – After the loss of Amazon Smile the Group created an account with Easy Fundraiser. This scheme allows online shopping companies to donate a percentage of your shopping total cost to the Scout Group at no charge to the customer. 44 people have signed up to Easy Fundraiser and within half a year £206 has already been received.

New HQ Savings Accounts

The funds are still spread across different savings accounts with different banking institutions to reduce the risk. Consideration is also made to maximise our investments. Minor and low amount funds required for surveys and fencing equipment were readily available from within the Co-op accounts.

During the year the Bank of England interest rates have started to drop, however they remain higher than normal which still proves lucrative for the Group in terms of interest gained. A United Trust 1 Year Bond was renewed for 1 more year at 4.75% and a Cambridge & Counties 1 Year Bond was renewed for 6 Months at 4.35%. Depending on the process and timescale of the New HQ these funds from the two bonds will be available and ready to use at 6 month intervals.

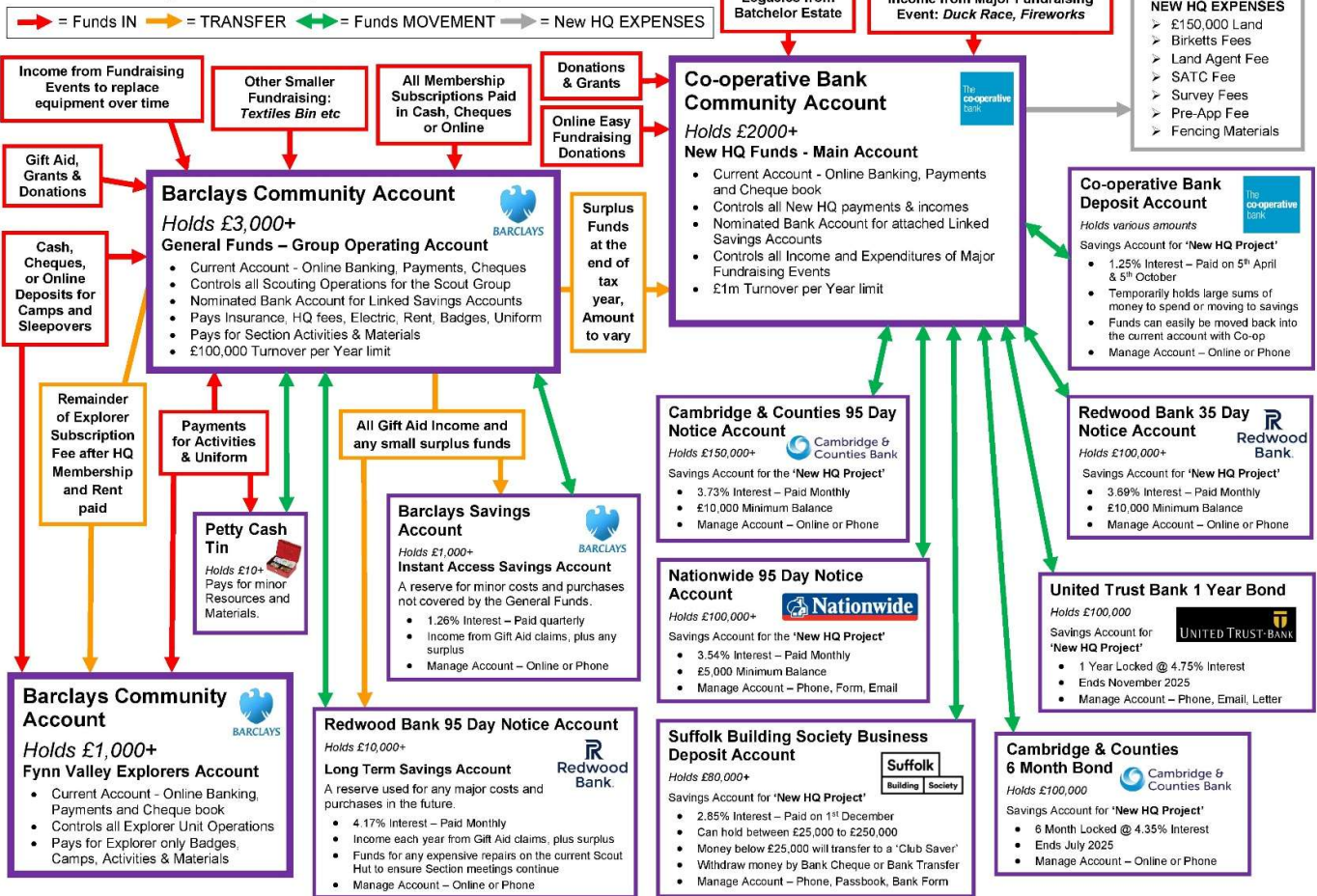
Reserves Policy

As described above, it is the intention of the Trustee Board to keep a general fund and its reserve for the upkeep and repair of the current Scout Hut, and at least one year's expenses for the running of the Group. The Trustee Board has designated reserves for the new HQ fund, thus providing a building which will secure the future of Scouting in Grundisburgh and the surrounding area. These designated reserves will be held in several accounts to gain interest and spread the risk of loss.

Finances Flow Chart

The chart below shows the breakdown of accounts, the transfer of money and how each account is funded.

1st Grundisburgh Scout Group – All Finances explained March 2025



Summary

Once again, the Scout Group is in a good financial position. It is expected there will be no major costs to the current Scout Hut, apart from future electricity and insurance expenses. As the Scout Group continues to grow with the events then it is likely new Gazebos, BBQ and other equipment and materials are needed for future years usage, this will reduce the amount of kit borrowed from 1st Kesgrave Scout Group.

We hope the Planning Application will eventually come through and be in our favour. The 14-acre site gives us a glimmer of hope of an ideal venue for Scouts and Guides across the District, County and UK to use for activities, sending the Group onto a new exciting pathway in the future.

With membership numbers on the rise, we need to concentrate on recruiting more Adults to join the Leadership team. This would not necessary be as Uniformed Leaders, but as regular Section Assistants, who can provide support, and be part of the team to run the weekly meetings for our young members to interact, achieve and experience the Scouting way that we all enjoy.

Approved by

Mrs Alison Banham
Group Chairperson

Mrs Rebecca Hewitt
Group Treasurer

Date:

7/9/2025

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES SUMMARY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

	<i>Note</i>	<i>General Fund £</i>	<i>New HQ Fund £</i>	<i>Total 2025 £</i>	<i>Total 2024 £</i>
INCOMING RESOURCES					
<i>Income from:</i>					
Donations and legacies		9,516	1,615	11,131	3,561
Charitable activities		4,972	-	4,972	2,411
Other trading activities		791	16,349	17,140	17,068
Investment income		633	26,378	27,011	19,732
Other		565	-	565	477
Total	3	<u>16,477</u>	<u>44,342</u>	<u>60,819</u>	<u>43,249</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
<i>Expenditure on:</i>					
Raising funds		20	3,664	3,684	5,627
Charitable activities		7,811	-	7,811	5,945
Other		1,624	-	1,624	441
Total	4	<u>9,455</u>	<u>3,664</u>	<u>13,119</u>	<u>12,013</u>
Net movement in funds		7,022	40,678	47,700	31,236
Reconciliation of funds					
Fund balance brought forward		17,456	788,767	806,223	774,987
Fund balance carried forward		<u>24,478</u>	<u>829,445</u>	<u>853,923</u>	<u>806,223</u>

The annexed notes form an integral part of these accounts

BALANCE SHEET

AT 31 MARCH 2025

	Note	General Fund £	New HQ Fund £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	6	4,729	175,903	180,632	174,009
		<u>4,729</u>	<u>175,903</u>	<u>180,632</u>	<u>174,009</u>
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors and prepayments		-	-	-	1,001
Cash at bank and in hand	7	19,749	653,542	673,291	632,186
Total current assets		19,749	653,542	673,291	633,187
Less: Creditors					
Amount falling due within one year		-	-	-	973
Net current assets		19,749	653,542	673,291	632,214
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
		<u>24,478</u>	<u>829,445</u>	<u>853,923</u>	<u>806,223</u>
FUNDS					
General Fund		24,478	-	24,478	17,456
New HQ Fund		-	829,445	829,445	788,767
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>24,478</u>	<u>829,445</u>	<u>853,923</u>	<u>806,223</u>

Approved by

Chairperson

A Bonham

Treasurer

R Hewitt

Date

07/09/25

The annexed notes form an integral part of these accounts

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1. Basis of preparation

Basis of accounting

The Charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities; Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS102), the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair view' and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 Only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair' view. The departure has involved following the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their annual accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard and applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) issued in October 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention. The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity and rounded to the nearest pound.

Change in Basis

There has been no change to the accounting policies or estimates (valuation rules and methods of accounting) since last year.

2. Accounting policies

Recognition of incoming resources

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- the trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Membership subscriptions

Memberships subscription collected on behalf of other parts of the Scout Movement are reported in the SoFA net of any amount paid out. This is because these subscriptions are in effect held as agents before being paid out.

Offsetting

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.

Grants and donations

Legacies, grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources, and these have been received.

Tax reclaims on donations and gifts

Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the SoFA when they are received

Gifts in kind

Gifts in kind for sale or distribution are included in the accounts as gifts only when sold or distributed by the charity. Gifts in kind for use by the charity are not valued or included in the accounts

Donated services and Facilities

The value placed on these resources is not included in the accounts

Volunteer help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts

Investment income

This is included in the accounts when received.

Liability recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

Governance and Support costs

Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice. These costs have been included in the charitable activity costs.

Current asset investments

The charity has investments of cash and cash equivalents with a maturity date of less than one year held for investment purposes rather than to meet short term cash commitments as they fall due.

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3. Analysis of Incoming Resources

	<i>General Fund £</i>	<i>New HQ Fund £</i>	<i>Total 2025 £</i>	<i>Total 2024 £</i>
Voluntary Income				
Membership Subscriptions	6,120	-	6,120	4,505
Less: Membership Fess Paid	(2,771)	-	(2,771)	(2,928)
	<u>3,349</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,349</u>	<u>1,578</u>
Gift Aid	-	-	-	1,622
Donations and Gifts	6,167	1,615	7,782	361
	<u>9,516</u>	<u>1,615</u>	<u>11,131</u>	<u>3,561</u>
Charitable Activities				
Beaver Sleepover	96		96	104
Cub Camp - Hallowtree	585	-	585	610
Cub Hike / Sleepover	310	-	310	150
Cub County Camp	936	-	936	-
Scout - Expedition Camp	401	-	401	528
Scout Camp - Hallowtree	900	-	900	630
District Camp	1,575	-	1,575	91
Meeting Activities	35	-	35	148
Uniform and badges	134	-	134	150
	<u>4,972</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,972</u>	<u>2,411</u>
Other Trading Activities				
Textile Clothing Bank	791	-	791	1,265
Amazon Smile	-	-	-	40
Easy Fundraising	-	206	206	-
New HQ	-	157	157	-
Duck Race	-	5,971	5,971	5,550
Firework Night	-	10,016	10,016	10,214
	<u>791</u>	<u>16,349</u>	<u>17,140</u>	<u>17,068</u>
Investment Income				
Interest (gross) on Bank Accounts	633	26,378	27,011	19,732
	<u>633</u>	<u>26,378</u>	<u>27,011</u>	<u>19,732</u>
Other Income				
Hall Rent	565	-	565	460
Explorers	-	-	-	17
	<u>565</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>565</u>	<u>477</u>
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	<u>16,477</u>	<u>44,342</u>	<u>60,819</u>	<u>43,249</u>

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4. Analysis of Resources Expended

	<i>General Fund</i> £	<i>New HQ Fund</i> £	<i>Total 2025</i> £	<i>Total 2024</i> £
Fundraising costs				
Fireworks Night	-	2,892	2,892	3,688
Duck Race	-	771	771	1,659
Fundraising equipment costs	-	-	-	260
Lottery Licence	20	-	20	20
	<u>20</u>	<u>3,664</u>	<u>3,684</u>	<u>5,627</u>
Charitable Activities				
<u>Youth Programme</u>				
Beaver Sleepover	123	-	123	25
Cub Camp - Hallowtree	566	-	566	551
Cub Hike / Sleepover	224	-	224	97
Cub County Camp	902	-	902	-
Scout - Expedition Camp	422	-	422	449
Scout Camp - Hallowtree	572	-	572	429
District Camp	1,695	-	1,695	125
Meeting Activities - Beavers	84	-	84	146
Meeting Activities - Cubs	26	-	26	306
Meeting Activities - Scouts	52	-	52	122
Materials and Equipment	240	-	240	1,086
Gas Refill	142	-	142	-
Uniform	551	-	551	464
Badges	444	-	444	255
	<u>6,041</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,041</u>	<u>4,055</u>
<u>Scout Hut Costs</u>				
Insurance	1,065	-	1,065	1,012
Electricity	264	-	264	178
Repairs and Renewals	42	-	42	225
Rent	180	-	180	180
Survey of Old Site	-	-	-	-
	<u>1,551</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,551</u>	<u>1,595</u>
<u>Governance Costs</u>				
Admin Materials and Equipment	10	-	10	15
AGM	69	-	69	117
OSM Fees	20	-	20	-
Go Cardless Fees	-	-	-	84
Website	68	-	68	65
Gifts	33	-	33	15
Training	19	-	19	-
	<u>218</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>218</u>	<u>296</u>
	<u>7,811</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,811</u>	<u>5,945</u>
Other				
Depreciation	1,624	-	1,624	441
	<u>1,624</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,624</u>	<u>441</u>
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED	<u>9,455</u>	<u>3,664</u>	<u>13,119</u>	<u>12,013</u>

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5. Trustees and other related parties

	<i>Total</i> 2025 £	<i>Total</i> 2024 £
<u>Trustee expenses re-imbursed</u>		
Group Scout Leader	1,686	2,473
Other Trustees	404	2,314
	<u>2,090</u>	<u>4,787</u>

All amounts paid were to reimburse expenditure on behalf of the Group.

Trustee remuneration in the year ended 31 March 2025 was nil (2024 nil)

6. Fixed Assets

	<i>New HQ £</i>	<i>Trailer £</i>	<i>Container £</i>	<i>Furniture & Equipment £</i>	<i>Total £</i>
<u>Cost</u>					
At 1 April 2024	173,567	-	1,555	6,752	181,874
Additions	2,336	5,912	-	-	8,248
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2025	<u>175,903</u>	<u>5,912</u>	<u>1,555</u>	<u>6,752</u>	<u>190,121</u>
<u>Depreciation</u>					
At 1 April 2024	-	-	1,468	6,397	7,865
Depreciation for the year	-	1,182	87	355	1,624
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2025	<u>-</u>	<u>1,182</u>	<u>1,555</u>	<u>6,752</u>	<u>9,489</u>
<u>Net Book Value</u>					
At 1 April 2024	<u>173,567</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>87</u>	<u>355</u>	<u>174,009</u>
At 31 March 2025	<u>175,903</u>	<u>4,729</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>180,632</u>

Depreciation is calculated to write down the value of fixed assets over their expected useful lives.

The rates used are:

Furniture and equipment	50% 1st Year, 25% 2nd Year, 25% 3rd Year
Container	50% 1st Year, then balance over 9 years
Trailer	20% 1st Year, then balance over 9 years
New HQ	0% (not yet built)

7. Cash at Bank and in hand

	<i>General Fund £</i>	<i>New HQ Fund £</i>	<i>Total 2025 £</i>	<i>Total 2024 £</i>
Cambridge & Counties (1-year bond 5.0%)	-	100,000	100,000	100,000
Cambridge & Counties (2-year bond 1.5%)	-	-	-	-
Cambridge & Counties (95-day notice)	-	150,000	150,000	150,000
United Trust Bank (1-year bond 5.06%)	-	100,000	100,000	100,000
United Trust Bank (1-year bond 3.80%)	-	-	-	-
Nationwide Building Society (95-day notice)	-	100,000	100,000	70,000
Redwood Bank (35-day notice)	-	100,000	100,000	100,000
Suffolk Building Society	-	80,000	80,000	80,000
Co-op Savings	-	20,000	20,000	12,000
Co-op Current Account	-	3,542	3,542	2,929
Redwood Bank (95 Day notice)	13,118	-	13,118	12,548
Barclays Savings	3,824	-	3,824	2,062
Barclays Current Account	2,774	-	2,774	2,604
Petty Cash Tin	33	-	33	44
	<u>19,749</u>	<u>653,542</u>	<u>673,291</u>	<u>632,186</u>

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8. Debtors & Creditors	<i>General Fund 2025 £</i>	<i>New HQ Fund 2025 £</i>	<i>Total 2025 £</i>	<i>Total 2024 £</i>
Debtors / prepayments	-	-	-	1,001
Creditors / receipts in advance	-	-	-	973

9. Analysis of net assets between funds	<i>General Fund 2025 £</i>	<i>New HQ Fund 2025 £</i>	<i>Total 2025 £</i>
Fixed Assets	4,729	175,903	180,632
Cash at bank and in hand	19,749	653,542	673,291
Other current assets/liabilities	-	-	-
	<u>24,478</u>	<u>829,445</u>	<u>853,923</u>
	<i>General Fund 2024 £</i>	<i>New HQ Fund 2024 £</i>	<i>Total 2024 £</i>
Fixed Assets	442	173,567	174,009
Cash at bank and in hand	17,258	614,929	632,186
Other current assets/liabilities	(243)	272	29
	<u>17,456</u>	<u>788,767</u>	<u>806,223</u>

10. Fund reconciliation	<i>Balance at 31 March 2024 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Transfers £</i>	<i>Balance at 31 March 2025 £</i>
General Fund	17,456	16,477	(9,455)	-	24,478
New HQ Fund	788,767	44,342	(3,664)	-	829,445
	<u>806,223</u>	<u>60,819</u>	<u>(13,119)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>853,923</u>
	<i>Balance at 31 March 2023 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Transfers £</i>	<i>Balance at 31 March 2024 £</i>
General Fund	15,838	8,028	(6,406)	(3)	17,456
New HQ Fund	759,149	35,222	(5,607)	3	788,767
	<u>774,987</u>	<u>43,250</u>	<u>(12,013)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>806,223</u>

Fund descriptions**Unrestricted funds**

General fund for the day to day running expenses of the Scout Group

Designated funds

The New HQ Fund represents money from legacies and fundraising surpluses which has been set aside to fund a new building.

14. Capital Commitments

At 31 March 2025 the Group was awaiting the outcome of a planning application for the new HQ. Construction is expected to commence during 2025/26, subject to planning permission being granted.

At 31 March 2024 the Group had purchased a site for the new HQ.

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12. New Headquarters Expenses Breakdown

	<i>Total</i> 2025 £	<i>Total</i> Previous Years £	<i>Total</i> Expenditure £
<u>The Site</u>			
Site Purchase		150,000	
Bank CHAPS Fee		25	
			150,025
<u>Legal Fees</u>			
Birketts Solicitor		12,552	
Fenn Wright - Land Agent		3,900	
Scout Association Trust		540	
Land Registry Fee		230	
Diocese Legal Fees		2,400	
			19,622
<u>Surveys</u>			
Land Registry Searches		44	
Contamination Survey		567	
Drainage and Water Enquiry		250	
Topographical Survey		600	
Road & Access Engineer Plans		1,284	
County Highways Map		66	
Ecology Report	860		
Biodiversity Report	462		
			4,133
<u>Landscaping</u>			
Fencing		595	
Stock Fencing		291	
Hedging and Trees	610		
Fence Concete	20		
Type 1 Crush	315		
			1,831
<u>Other</u>			
Pre-App Fee		222	
Water Investigations	70		
			292
		GRAND TOTAL	<u>175,903</u>

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE
1ST GRUNDISBURGH SCOUT GROUP**

I report on the Accounts of the 1st Grundisburgh Scout Group for the year ended 31 March 2025, which are set out on pages 2 to 19.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

As the Charity Trustees of the Trust, 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as 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 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.



Name: Celia Comber

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Date: 2 September 2025

1ST GRUNDISBURGH SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 1033767

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ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 March 2024

MEMBER OF THE UK SCOUT ASSOCIATION



TRUSTEES REPORT

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Registered Charity No.	1033767
Group Registration No.	
Charity contact name:	Mr Stuart Ross
Charity contact address:	3 Post Mill Crescent, Grundisburgh, Woodbridge, IP13 6UX
Charity main address:	The Scout Hut, Grundisburgh Playing Field, off Ipswich Road, Grundisburgh, Woodbridge, Suffolk, IP13 6TJ
Charity website:	www.grundisburghscouts.org.uk

Trustees who manage the Charity

		Date appointed	Date resigned
THE TRUSTEES - Ex Officio			
Group Chair	Mrs Alison Banham	14/01/2021	
Group Scout Leader	Mr Stuart Ross	04/06/2008	
Secretary	Mrs Patricia Ross	01/06/1993	
Treasurer	Mrs Carly Richmond	14/06/2013	08/10/2023
Treasurer	Mrs Rebecca Hewitt	08/10/2023	
Minutes Secretary	Mrs Christina Poguntke	18/09/2021	
Group President	Mr Philip Stebbings	13/05/2008	
Beaver Leader Representative	Ms Zarah Decker	18/09/2021	
Cub Leader Representative	Mr Daniel Turner	18/09/2021	
Cub Leader Representative	Mr Adrian Adams	07/12/2017	
Scout Leader Representative	Mr Stephen Swain	07/12/2017	
Scout Leader Representative	Mr Toby Murrill	17/09/2022	
Explorer Leader Representative	Mr David Brown	18/09/2021	
Elected Representatives			
Parent Rep	Mrs Caroline Warren	18/09/2021	
Parent Rep	Mr Paul Boswell	18/09/2021	
Parent Rep	Mr Daniel Catchpole	08/10/2023	
Parent Rep	Mr David Dring	17/09/2022	
Parent Rep	Mrs Carly Richmond	08/10/2023	
Nominated Representatives			
Advisor for the New HQ	Mr Jason Banham	07/12/2017	
Advisor for the New HQ	Mr Alan Comber	17/09/2022	
Cub Pack Assistant	Mr Kenneth Walls	18/09/2021	
Explorer Unit Assistant	Mr Andrew Vobe	08/10/2023	
Co-opted Representatives			
Guide Unit Representative	Mrs Jo Saagi	17/09/2022	

Custodian Trustees
The Scout Association Trust Corporation, Gilwell Park,
Bury Road, Chingford, London E4 7QW

Professional Advisors

Bankers	Barclays Bank, 4 Church Street, Woodbridge, IP12 1DJ Cambridge and Counties Bank, Charnwood Court, 5B New Walk, Leicester LE1 6TE Co-operative Bank – Business, PO Box 250, Skelmersdale, WN8 6WT Nationwide Building Society, Kings Park Road, Moulton Park, Northampton, NN3 6NW Redwood Bank, The Nexus Building, Broadway, Letchworth Garden City, Hertfordshire, SC6 3TA Hampshire Trust Bank, 55 Bishopsgate, London, EC2N 3AS Suffolk Building Society, PO Box 547, Ipswich, IP3 9WZ United Trust Bank, 1 Ropemaker Street, London, EC2Y 9AW
Consultants	Mark Sargeantson - Land Surveyor, Fenn Wright, 1 Buttermarket, Ipswich, IP1 1BA Louisa Saunders – Solicitor, Birketts LLP, 141-145 Princes St, Ipswich IP1 1QJ

Independent Examiner: Celia Comber, 7 Quantock Close. Rushmere St Andrew, Ipswich, IP5 1AS

STRUCTURE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Document

The 1st Grundisburgh Scout Group is part of the Scout Association and belongs to the Deben Scout District. The Group'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.

Constitution

The Group is a Trust established under its rules, which are common to all Scouts.

Trustee selection

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

Governance

The Group is managed by the Group Executive Committee, 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.

Members of the Executive Committee complete 'Essential Information for Executive Committee' training within the first few months of joining the Committee.

The Committee consists of three independent representatives, Chair, Treasurer and Secretary together with the Group Scout Leader, individual Section Leaders and Parent representation and meets at least three times a year. This Group Executive Committee exists to support the Group Scout Leader in meeting the responsibilities of the appointments and is responsible for:

- ❖ The maintenance of Group property;
- ❖ The raising of funds and the administration of Group finance;
- ❖ The insurance of persons, property and equipment;
- ❖ Group public occasions;
- ❖ Assisting in the recruitment of Leaders and other adult support;
- ❖ Appointing any sub committees that may be required;
- ❖ Appointing Group Administrators and Advisors other than those who are elected.

Risk and Internal Control

The Group Executive Committee has identified the major risks to which they believe the Group 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 Group would request the use of buildings, property, and equipment from neighbouring organisations such as the primary school, village hall, sports pavilion, parish rooms and other Scout Groups. The Group has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss.

Injury to Leaders, helpers, supporters, and members. The Group, through the capitation fees, contributes to the Scout Associations national accident insurance policy.

Reduced income from fund raising. The Group is reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. The Group does hold a reserve, which should ensure the continuity of activities, should there be a major reduction in income. The Committee could raise the value of subscriptions to increase the income to the Group on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently.

Reduction or loss of Leaders. The Group is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the Group. If there were a reduction in the number of Leaders to an unacceptable level in a particular Section or the Group as a whole, then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a Section. In the worst-case scenario, the complete closure of the Group.

Reduction or loss of members. The Group provides activities for all young people aged 6 to 14. If there were a reduction in membership in a particular Section or the Group as a whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a Section. In the worst-case scenario, the complete closure of the Group.

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

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

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.

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 in.

Belief - We explore our faiths, beliefs, and attitudes.

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

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.

Volunteers

All the Section Leaders and helpers are volunteers and volunteers carry out all the fundraising.

Public Benefit

The Group meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The Scout Group comprises of a Beaver Colony, a Cub Pack and a Scout Troop with an Executive Committee. A District managed Explorer Scouts Unit called 'Fynn Valley' work closely with the Scout Group and participate in many activities and camps.



Group Chairperson's Remarks

Firstly, thanks go to Carly Richmond for all her hard work on being Treasurer over the past 10 years. Carly has remained on the Committee as Parent Representative. We welcomed Rebecca Hewitt as our new Treasurer and thanks go to her for taking on this role.

Behind the scenes the Committee has been extremely busy and has secured a plot of land for the New HQ, on the Village boundary along Stoney Road. This is an exciting venture and we will be able to offer lots of opportunities and activities on this land for the Scouting and Guiding members of Grundisburgh and the local Community.

Once again, the Annual Duck Race and Fireworks Events, which are our major fundraisers have been hugely supported by the local Community and we are thankful for their support. We continue to run these successful events for the enjoyment of all and hope to run new events in the future with all monies going towards the new HQ project.

I would like to thank Stu and his Leadership team in running a varied, challenging and fun programme of events and activities for the Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorer Sections and giving up their time to do this. Our Scouting goes from strength to strength and will impact and guide children's lives for their future. Thanks once again to all Committee members in their hard work and support this past year and rising to the challenges Scouting offers.

Alison Banham, Group Chairperson

Group Scout Leader's Report

A packed year of activities and increased membership, plus becoming Landowners! 2023 has been an eventful year. The Sections remained full and thriving, providing exciting activities to the young people. Every Section camped during the year, and we even attended an excellent District Camp in the same grounds of the Latitude Festival at Henham Park.

Scouts and Explorers returned once again to the National Scout Archery Competition and came home with medals and awards. Explorers went on Summer Camp with 1st Kesgrave Scout Group in the Wye Valley and tried Kayaking, Stand-Up paddleboards, Hiking, Caving, Cycling in the Forest of Dean and other visits. Beavers had a sleepover at the Scout Hut with 'Drive-in Movie' theme where they made cardboard cars to sit in and watch a movie. Cubs and Scouts were back at Hallowtree for their Outdoor Challenge Camps. Cubs had another Night Hike sleepover and the 19 out of 21 Scouts attended a very wet and flooded Expedition Challenge.

More Top Chief Scouts Awards have been gained which is great to see and show the effort and commitment the young people have towards their Scouting.

We welcomed two new people to our Leadership team during the year – Josh Beavis a former Scout and Explorer has returned is now helping with Scouts and Explorers, while Dan Catchpole now elected onto the Committee is providing assistance with the Scout Troop. Archie Adams has taken a step back from Cubs but remains on the Committee supporting the Group. Ben Huxley, Assistant Beaver Leader is also taking some time off due to his studies as part of his apprenticeship at work.

Whilst we try to continue excellent Scouting for our Members and manage to cover the necessary ratios for adults required, the Sections do all really need additional support and we therefore are seeking additional help at the weekly meetings for Beavers and Cubs. These additional adults may not necessary be uniformed leaders but having more people involved with the children's structured programmes will be a much needed benefit.

As always, I owe a big thank you to all our volunteer Leaders, Section Assistants, Young Leaders and Committee members who continue to support me, and I look forward to what might be the dawn of a new chapter of 1st Grundisburgh Scout Group.

Stuart Ross, Group Scout Leader

Significant achievements during the year - Criteria and measures used to assess success**Badges**

4 Chief Scouts Gold Awards – Congratulations to Leland Murrill, Neve Jerrold, Eddie Warren, Abbi McTaggart
 5 Chief Scouts Silver Awards – Congratulations to Austin Hewitt, Sophie Stuart, Freyja Brussell, Tom Bottomley, Darcey Hubbard-Theobald
 1 Chief Scouts Bronze Award – Congratulations to Maya Sweet-Escott

Various Challenge badges have been completed in each Section. Other badges gained across the Sections were Athlete, Navigator Stage 2 and 3, Air Activities, Disability Awareness, First Aid, Pioneer, Cooks, Experiment, Builder, Scientist, Nautical Skills, Time on the Water, Hikes and Nights Away.

Camps – All Sections were given an opportunity to a night away during the 2023-2024 year. A total of 32 nights away experiences had been arranged during the reporting year.

UK Scout Association National Archery Competition

Returning once again to the UK Scout Archery Competition held at Phasels Wood in Hertfordshire was the bigger team of Scouts and Explorers from both Kesgrave and Grundisburgh Groups.

Unfortunately, none of Young Members from 1st Grundisburgh won medals but the Leaders had a lot of success. Our Assistant Scout Leader Toby won his title back for a second year in the Adult Barebow Target category. Steve Swain came second in the Field Archery, Stuart Ross won the Target Supplied category, while Ryan Swain won the Clout Archery. Further medals were won by our members from 1st Kesgrave. In total we came away with 12 Medals.



New HQ Update

In November 2022 the Group was dealt a blow when Lord Cranworth decided not to sell the land behind our current Scout Hut. This left the Committee looking for alternatives.

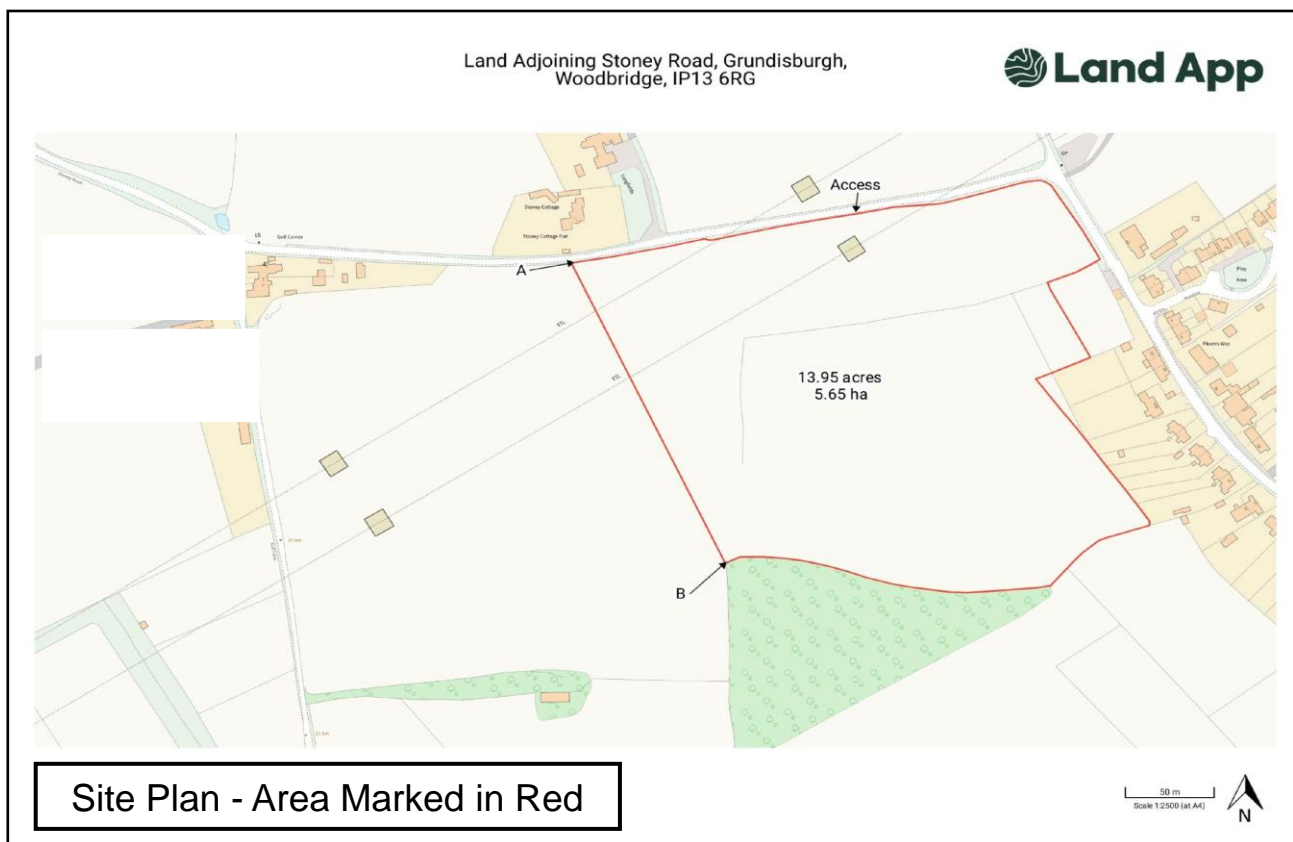
Fortunately, in December 2022 a piece of land the other side of the Village came onto the market. This plot of land was just under 14 acres and was a sheep grazing field which the owners were splitting to generate some income. The Executive Committee acted and started to investigate the potential of relocating. After site visits and background work the Committee decided to bid for it. It was felt that as we had the cash readily available, we should buy it and then seek planning permission. If Planning permission was unsuccessful then the land could be re-sold. Given there was no further real opportunities in the Village it seemed the best solution as the plot was big enough for a building, car park and plenty of outdoor space for activities.

Using the services of Mark Sargeantson of Fenn Wright to negotiate our bids, the Group finally managed to secure the land for an agreed price of £150,000 on 22nd December 2022.

The Group then employed Louisa Saunders of Birketts Solicitors to deal with the exchange of contracts along with various background checks and surveys that were required.

To secure the future safeguarding of this land the Group decided to have the Scout Association as Custodian Trustees should in later years the Scout Group sadly close. The Scout Association Trust Corporation (SATC) is a division of Scouts UK that acts as Trustees for 90% of Scout properties in Great Britain. Paperwork was submitted to SATC and they were happy to be listed as Custodian Trustees and the Scout Group will be the managers and operators of the land.

After months of legal work, the exchange happen on 28th April 2023 and the Group had become landowners.



From the Summer 2023 onwards, Paul Boswell one of our Committee Members and Director at Patrick Allen & Associates Architects drew up plans for a Pre-App to East Suffolk District Council. This was to seek advice from the Planning Department and whether a building would be approved as it was going to be outside the permitted Village development boundary.

After a visit from a Planning Officer in October 2023, the report back detailed that they acknowledged our need to re-build and accept the new location. They were happy with the proposed change of use of the Land from Agricultural to Community & Leisure. Any Building would need to blend into the environment and have a connection to the Village via public footpaths.



As you see from the photographs the site is mostly grassland. There is a tree and ditch line that circle around the centre of the site which creates separate areas to the whole plot. There are overhead power lines in the north and 1 pylon within the grounds, this is managed by UK Power Networks. There is a farmer's gate access near the pylon.

At the AGM on 8th October 2023 the Scout Group launched the New HQ Project with the Pre-App plans available to view to all our Scouting families and any residents of the Village. There was a positive vibe from the event and residents were pleased we finally might have somewhere to build a new HQ for the future.

For the remainder of the reporting year, the Executive Committee worked towards building a case for full planning permission. Building plans were designed, modified and discussed, Topographical surveys were completed, Speed surveys conducted on Stoney Road to establish the best vehicle access point, Ecology and Arboricultural reports were commissioned and discussions with County Highways regarding an extended footpath.

It is likely that the full planning permission will be submitted soon into the next reporting year 2024-2025 and hope remains high that a positive result will be achieved.

Our Events for the Village and Community

The Duck Race returned once again on a warm Summer Sunday afternoon. After the sell out of Ducks in 2022 we increased the amount to 2500. The event again was extremely popular, thus proving a Sunday afternoon is the ideal way to go because it suits families. The weather was very warm with all cold drinks selling out and queues at the Ice Cream van all day.

All Ducks were sold with 18 prizes available. The whole event took £3,848 profit which was the most ever the Duck Race has taken in its 15 years.

The 2023 Fireworks Display was held once again on the Playing Field. With John Richards away at a Wedding the Group decided to launch the Fireworks using a pre-set list from the Fireworks Shop and having a couple of Committee members trained in how to light them. Increased attendance with online sales and on the night gate sales saw a turnout of over 1300 people. The SumUp Shop for advanced tickets continues to make our services easier for customers, along with the use of SumUp card machines at the event which easily contributed to better sales.

The basketball court was used once again for food and drink. Audio issues from 2022 were resolved, and only background music was played during the event up to the launch of the Fireworks. As the team was new to setting off Fireworks the decision was not to have music keyed into the fireworks timings. Over 1100 items of food were cooked and we were praised for the quickness of food delivery, however this is almost at our maximum that we can achieve in the time and area constraints of the hard standing basketball court.

The event raised £6,746 profit for the Group which was another huge amount for the new HQ funds and proves that the Firework Display is now our most popular and lucrative event.

Health and Safety Review

Every step to reduce risk within activities and events is taken and our complete set of Risk Assessments are available in the Scout Hut office. These are modified when needed to reflect any changes. This document works alongside common practices and assessing ongoing risks when completing the activity.

New unforeseen dangers and changes to practices may develop during the activity or event and the Leadership team will adapt as per the circumstances at the time. All Leaders and Committee training is reviewed and updated when required.

Our Aims

The purpose of Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society. 1st Grundisburgh Scout Group continues to strive to achieve this by a balanced programme across all Sections working alongside all volunteer Leaders, Assistants, and parents, with support from District, County, and other Scout Groups. We intend to offer all members a night away experience per year, where possible, and give members the opportunity to achieve the top-level awards in their Section. Our future aims are to keep the Scouting adventures available to new members within the local Community, and to seek better facilities, in the form of a new headquarters for our current members, thus enhancing their Scouting life experiences.

Strategies for achieving stated aims and objectives

At 1st Grundisburgh Scout Group we have strived and will continue to:

- ❖ Achieve top awards by blending Section activities and individual efforts undertaken within home lives.
- ❖ Utilise the open space of the playing field as well as the indoor space when creating a programme.
- ❖ Bring aspects of teamwork and leadership into the meetings, activities and games we organise in creative and challenging ways.
- ❖ Implement new activities in the programme which members are unable to experience at school or within the home environment. This is then reviewed and improved for next time.
- ❖ Continue being visible within Grundisburgh village community and the wider area at the parades and the family friendly events such as our Duck Race and Fireworks Display which are open to the public.
- ❖ Work alongside other Scout Groups in the area to expand Scouting experiences and interactions.
- ❖ Maintain a continuous steady number of young members participating whilst seeking to increase our team of volunteer adults to support the Sections.
- ❖ Offer members at least one night away camping and outdoor experience during the year, if practical.
- ❖ Make it enjoyable for children and adults alike.
- ❖ Continue our quest for a new Headquarters with improved facilities for our members and their families

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Group Treasurer Remarks

The Scout Group continues to show a healthy income, with operational costs being covered by the General Funds. Our other trading activities income has increased as the Duck Race and Fireworks Display took increased profits. The textile bin continued to provide a valuable contribution to the Groups funds with income of £1,265 in the year.

Income from Membership Subscriptions reduced in 2023/24 due to moving from collection of subs twice a year in 2022/23 to three times a year in 2023/24. This meant that in 2023/24 only two thirds of the subscriptions were collected as the summer term fell in the following financial year in 2024/25. This is purely a timing issue and has no impact on the total amount of Subscription fees collected.

The New HQ fund benefited greatly from higher interest rates. As investments matured the Group was able to secure higher rates on its investments, leading to a £9,824 increase in interest compared to 2022/23. The General Fund also benefited with an increase in interest from £208 in 2022/23 to £435 in 2023/24.

The purchase of land for the new HQ was a significant item of expenditure in 2023/24 and this is now on Group's balance sheet. Total expenditure on the new HQ as of 31st March 2024 including purchase of the site, fees, surveys and fencing was £173,567. This was paid for from the New HQ Fund which is held as a separate reserve, with independent bank accounts to the income and expenditure of running Section meetings and activities. As of 31st March 2024, the New HQ fund held £614,929 of cash and investments to continue with the work to build the new HQ. Fundraising will continue and additional grants will be sought to add to the funds available to build the new HQ building.

Rebecca Hewitt, Group Treasurer

Performance of material fundraising

Duck Race – Returning again to a Sunday afternoon all 2500 racing ducks were sold and a profit of £3,848 was made. This remains the highest ever in the history of our Duck Races.

Fireworks Display – Another big year for the Display as its popularity increases and a profit of £6,746 was made. This too is the most profit ever produced from any Display.

Textile Bin – Continues to be used well by the Community. 5198Kg of textiles at a value of £1,265 has been collected from 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024.

New HQ Savings Accounts

The funds are still spread across different savings accounts with different banking institutions to reduce the risk. Consideration is also made to maximise our investments. Funds for payment of the Land were taken from some of the Savings accounts, but a healthy amount was left in all accounts to continue receiving a good Interest amount. Any minor and low amount funds required for surveys and fencing equipment were readily available from within the Co-op accounts.

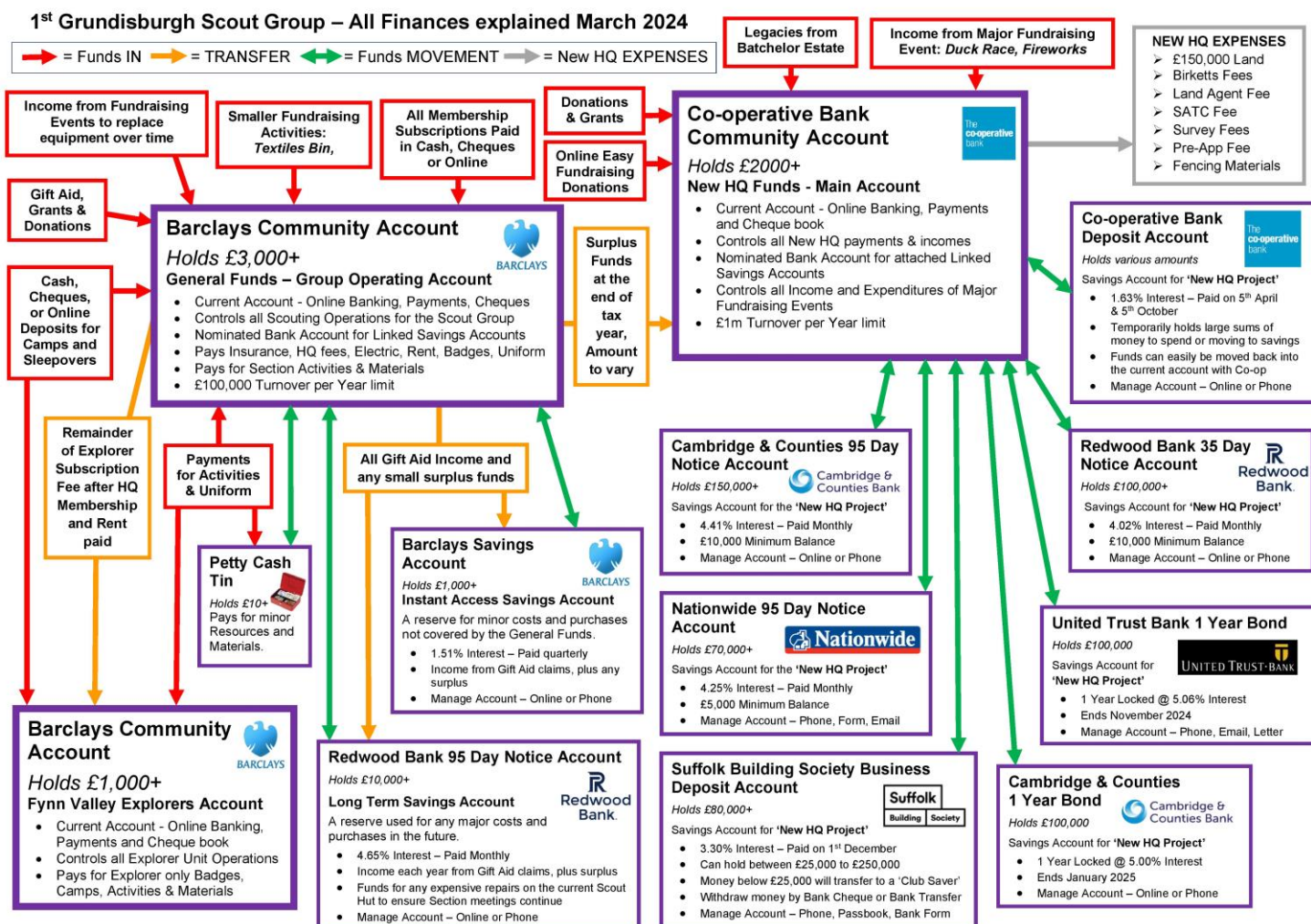
During the year the Bank of England interest rates have risen again which proved to be lucrative for the Group in terms of interest gained. A United Trust 1 Year Bond was renewed for 1 more year at 5.06% and a Cambridge & Counties 1 Year Bond was renewed for 1 more year at 5%. Depending on the process of the New HQ these might be renewed for another final year before these funds are needed to keep the project going, however there is sufficient funds in the remaining accounts that can be used.

Reserves Policy

As described above, it is the intention of the Committee to keep a general fund and its reserve for the upkeep and repair of the current Scout Hut, and at least one year's expenses for the running of the Group. The Committee has designated reserves for the new HQ fund, thus providing a building which will secure the future of Scouting in Grundisburgh and the surrounding area. These designated reserves will be held in several accounts to gain interest and spread the risk of loss.

Finances Flow Chart

The chart below shows the breakdown of accounts, the transfer of money and how each account is funded.



Summary

Once again, the Scout Group is in a good financial position. It is expected there will be no major costs to the current Scout Hut, apart from future electricity and insurance expenses. The Scout Group has adequate equipment and materials for future years usage, so there are presently no unforeseen expenses regarding new equipment.

The purchase of the 14 acre site gives us a glimmer of hope that we will own and create a building fit for modern day Scouting. The size of the site makes it an ideal venue for Scouts and Guides across the District, County and UK to use for activities, providing an income to ourselves and sending the Group onto a new exciting pathway in the future.

With membership numbers on the rise, we need to concentrate on recruiting more Adults to join the Leadership team. This would not necessary be as Uniformed Leaders, but as regular Section Assistants, who can provide support, and be part of the team to run the weekly meetings for our young members to interact, achieve and experience the Scouting way that we all enjoy.

Approved by

Mrs Alison Banham
Group Chairperson

Mrs Rebecca Hewitt
Group Treasurer

Date: 21/10/ 2024

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES SUMMARY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

	Note	General Fund £	New HQ Fund £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
<i>Income from:</i>					
Donations and legacies		3,400	161	3,561	5,221
Charitable activities		2,411	-	2,411	3,436
Other trading activities		1,304	15,764	17,068	14,340
Investment income		435	19,297	19,732	9,681
Other		477	-	477	458
Total	3	8,027	35,222	43,249	33,136
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
<i>Expenditure on:</i>					
Raising funds		20	5,607	5,627	4,262
Charitable activities		5,945	-	5,945	8,651
Other		441	-	441	796
Total	4	6,406	5,607	12,013	13,709
Net movement in funds		1,621	29,615	31,236	19,427
Reconciliation of funds					
Fund balance brought forward		15,838	759,149	774,987	755,560
Transfer between funds		(3)	3	-	-
Fund balance carried forward		17,456	788,767	806,223	774,987

The annexed notes form an integral part of these accounts

BALANCE SHEET

AT 31 MARCH 2024

	Note	General Fund £	New HQ Fund £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	6	442	173,567	174,009	1,707
		<u>442</u>	<u>173,567</u>	<u>174,009</u>	<u>1,707</u>
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors and prepayments		730	272	1,002	-
Cash at bank and in hand	7	17,258	614,929	632,186	773,880
Total current assets		17,988	615,201	633,188	773,880
Less: Creditors					
Amount falling due within one year		973	-	973	600
Net current assets		17,014	615,201	632,215	773,280
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
		17,456	788,767	806,223	774,987
FUNDS					
General Fund		17,456	-	17,456	15,838
New HQ Fund		-	788,767	788,767	759,149
TOTAL FUNDS		17,456	788,767	806,223	774,987

Approved by

Chairperson



Treasurer



Date

21/10/2024

The annexed notes form an integral part of these accounts

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

1. Basis of preparation

Basis of accounting

The Charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities; Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS102), the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair view' and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 Only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair' view. The departure has involved following the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their annual accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard and applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) issued in October 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention. The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity and rounded to the nearest pound.

Change in Basis

There has been no change to the accounting policies or estimates (valuation rules and methods of accounting) since last year.

2. Accounting policies

Recognition of incoming resources

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- the trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Membership subscriptions

Memberships subscription collected on behalf of other parts of the Scout Movement are reported in the SoFA net of any amount paid out. This is because these subscriptions are in effect held as agents before being paid out.

Offsetting

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.

Grants and donations

Legacies, grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources, and these have been received.

Tax reclaims on donations and gifts

Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the SoFA when they are received

Gifts in kind

Gifts in kind for sale or distribution are included in the accounts as gifts only when sold or distributed by the charity. Gifts in kind for use by the charity are not valued or included in the accounts

Donated services and Facilities

The value placed on these resources is not included in the accounts

Volunteer help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts

Investment income

This is included in the accounts when received.

Liability recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

Governance and Support costs

Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice. These costs have been included in the charitable activity costs.

Current asset investments

The charity has investments of cash and cash equivalents with a maturity date of less than one year held for investment purposes rather than to meet short term cash commitments as they fall due.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

3. Analysis of Incoming Resources

	<i>General Fund</i> £	<i>New HQ Fund</i> £	<i>Total 2024</i> £	<i>Total 2023</i> £
Voluntary Income				
Membership Subscriptions	4,505	-	4,505	5,773
Less: Membership Fess Paid	(2,928)	-	(2,928)	(2,989)
	<u>1,578</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,578</u>	<u>2,784</u>
Gift Aid	1,622	-	1,622	1,712
Donations and Gifts	200	161	361	725
	<u>3,400</u>	<u>161</u>	<u>3,561</u>	<u>5,221</u>
Charitable Activities				
Beaver Sleepover	104	-	104	-
Cub Camp - Hallowtree	610	-	610	360
Cub Hike / Sleepover	150	-	150	270
Scout - Expedition Camp	528	-	528	-
Scout Camp - Hallowtree	630	-	630	760
District Camp	91	-	91	950
Summer Camp	-	-	-	910
Meeting Activities	148	-	148	-
Uniform and badges	150	-	150	186
	<u>2,411</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,411</u>	<u>3,436</u>
Other Trading Activities				
Textile Clothing Bank	1,265	-	1,265	1,374
Amazon Smile	40	-	40	57
Duck Race	-	5,550	5,550	4,385
Firework Night	-	10,214	10,214	8,524
	<u>1,304</u>	<u>15,764</u>	<u>17,068</u>	<u>14,340</u>
Investment Income				
Interest (gross) on Bank Accounts	435	19,297	19,732	9,681
	<u>435</u>	<u>19,297</u>	<u>19,732</u>	<u>9,681</u>
Other Income				
Hall Rent	460	-	460	250
Explorers	17	-	17	208
	<u>477</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>477</u>	<u>458</u>
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	<u>8,027</u>	<u>35,222</u>	<u>43,249</u>	<u>33,136</u>

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

4. Analysis of Resources Expended

	General Fund £	New HQ Fund £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Fundraising costs				
Fireworks Night	-	3,688	3,688	3,055
Duck Race	-	1,659	1,659	1,187
Fundraising equipment costs	-	260	260	-
Lottery Licence	20	-	20	20
	<u>20</u>	<u>5,607</u>	<u>5,627</u>	<u>4,262</u>
Charitable Activities				
<u>Youth Programme</u>				
Beaver Sleepover	25	-	25	-
Cub Camp - Hallowtree	551	-	551	487
Cub Hike / Sleepover	97	-	97	213
Scout - Expedition Camp	449	-	449	-
Scout Camp - Hallowtree	429	-	429	662
District and Summer Camp	125	-	125	2,043
Meeting Activities - Beavers	146	-	146	23
Meeting Activities - Cubs	306	-	306	116
Meeting Activities - Scouts	122	-	122	215
Materials and Equipment	1,086	-	1,086	988
Gas Refill	-	-	-	345
Uniform	464	-	464	315
Badges	255	-	255	337
	<u>4,055</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,055</u>	<u>5,744</u>
<u>Scout Hut Costs</u>				
Insurance	1,012	-	1,012	1,190
Electricity	178	-	178	176
Repairs and Renewals	225	-	225	119
Rent	180	-	180	180
Survey of Old Site	-	-	-	750
	<u>1,595</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,595</u>	<u>2,415</u>
<u>Governance Costs</u>				
Admin Materials and Equipment	15	-	15	190
AGM	117	-	117	165
OSM / Go Cardless	-	-	-	57
Go Cardless Fees	84	-	84	-
Website	65	-	65	65
Gifts	15	-	15	15
	<u>296</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>296</u>	<u>492</u>
	<u>5,945</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,945</u>	<u>8,651</u>
Other				
Depreciation	441	-	441	796
	<u>441</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>441</u>	<u>796</u>
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED	<u>6,406</u>	<u>5,607</u>	<u>12,013</u>	<u>13,709</u>

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

5. Trustees and other related parties

	<i>Total 2024 £</i>	<i>Total 2023 £</i>
<u>Trustee expenses re-imbursed</u>		
Group Scout Leader	2,473	2,372
Other Trustees	2,314	923
	<u>4,787</u>	<u>3,295</u>

All amounts paid were to reimburse expenditure on behalf of the Group.

Trustee remuneration in the year ended 31 March 2024 was nil (2023 nil)

6. Fixed Assets

	<i>New HQ £</i>	<i>Container £</i>	<i>Furniture & Equipment £</i>	<i>Total £</i>
<u>Cost</u>				
At 1 April 2023	824	1,555	6,752	9,131
Additions	172,743	-	-	172,743
Disposals	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2024	<u>173,567</u>	<u>1,555</u>	<u>6,752</u>	<u>181,874</u>
<u>Depreciation</u>				
At 1 April 2023	-	1,382	6,042	7,424
Depreciation for the year	-	86	355	441
Disposals	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>1,468</u>	<u>6,397</u>	<u>7,865</u>
<u>Net Book Value</u>				
At 1 April 2023	824	173	710	1,707
At 31 March 2024	<u>173,567</u>	<u>87</u>	<u>355</u>	<u>174,009</u>

Depreciation is calculated to write down the value of fixed assets over their expected useful lives.

The rates used are:

Furniture and equipment	50% 1st Year, 25% 2nd Year, 25% 3rd Year
Container	50% 1st Year, then balance over 9 years
New HQ	0% (not yet built)

7. Cash at Bank and in hand

	<i>General Fund £</i>	<i>New HQ Fund £</i>	<i>Total 2024 £</i>	<i>Total 2023 £</i>
Cambridge & Counties (1-year bond 5.0%)	-	100,000	100,000	-
Cambridge & Counties (2-year bond 1.5%)	-	-	-	75,000
Cambridge & Counties (95-day notice)	-	150,000	150,000	150,000
United Trust Bank (1-year bond 5.06%)	-	100,000	100,000	-
United Trust Bank (1-year bond 3.80%)	-	-	-	100,000
Nationwide Building Society (95-day notice)	-	70,000	70,000	50,000
Redwood Bank (35-day notice)	-	100,000	100,000	100,000
Suffolk Building Society	-	80,000	80,000	100,659
Co-op Savings	-	12,000	12,000	180,000
Co-op Current Account	-	2,929	2,929	2,666
Redwood Bank (95 Day notice)	12,548	-	12,548	10,515
Barclays Savings	2,062	-	2,062	2,038
Barclays Current Account	2,604	-	2,604	2,959
Petty Cash Tin	44	-	44	43
	<u>17,258</u>	<u>614,929</u>	<u>632,186</u>	<u>773,880</u>

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

8. Debtors & Creditors

	General Fund 2024 £	New HQ Fund 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Debtors / prepayments	730	272	1,002	-

At the year end the Group was due interest in transit of £272 and had prepaid £730 for Cub County Camp taking place in 2024/25.

Creditors / receipts in advance	973	-	973	600
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At the year end the Group was holding £910 income for Cub County Camp taking place during 2024/25 and £63.20 income due to be paid over to the Explorers.

9. Analysis of net assets between funds

	General Fund 2024 £	New HQ Fund 2024 £	Total 2024 £
Fixed Assets	442	173,567	174,009
Cash at bank and in hand	17,258	614,929	632,186
Other current assets/liabilities	(243)	272	29
	<u>17,456</u>	<u>788,767</u>	<u>806,223</u>

	General Fund 2023 £	New HQ Fund 2023 £	Total 2023 £
Fixed Assets	883	824	1,707
Cash at bank and in hand	15,555	758,325	773,880
Other current assets/liabilities	(600)	-	(600)
	<u>15,838</u>	<u>759,149</u>	<u>774,987</u>

10. Fund reconciliation

	Balance at 31 March 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 2024 £
General Fund	15,838	8,027	(6,406)	(3)	17,456
New HQ Fund	759,149	35,222	(5,607)	3	788,767
	<u>774,987</u>	<u>43,249</u>	<u>(12,013)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>806,223</u>
	Balance at 31 March 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 2023 £
General Fund	14,720	10,145	(9,027)	-	15,838
New HQ Fund	740,840	22,991	(4,682)	-	759,149
	<u>755,560</u>	<u>33,136</u>	<u>(13,709)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>774,987</u>

Fund descriptions**Unrestricted funds**

General fund for the day to day running expenses of the Scout Group

Designated funds

The New HQ Fund represents money from legacies and fundraising surpluses which has been set aside to fund a new building.

14. Capital Commitments

At 31 March 2024 the Group had purchased a site for the new HQ. A planning application for the construction of the new HQ is expected to be submitted during 2024/25.

At 31 March 2023 the Group had started negotiations to purchase a site for the new HQ.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE 1ST GRUNDISBURGH SCOUT GROUP

I report on the Accounts of the 1st Grundisburgh Scout Group for the year ended 31 March 2024, which are set out on pages 2 to 17.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

As the Charity Trustees of the Trust, 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as 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 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.



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Date: 3 September 2024

1ST GRUNDISBURGH SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 1033767

Accounts

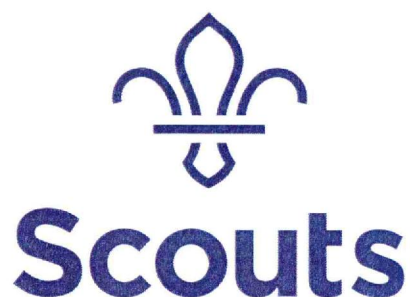


ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 March 2023

MEMBER OF THE UK SCOUT ASSOCIATION



TRUSTEES REPORT**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

Registered Charity No.	1033767
Group Registration No.	
Charity contact name:	Mr Stuart Ross
Charity contact address:	3 Post Mill Crescent, Grundisburgh, Woodbridge, IP13 6UX
Charity main address:	The Scout Hut, Grundisburgh Playing Field, off Ipswich Road, Grundisburgh, Woodbridge, Suffolk, IP13 6TJ
Charity website:	www.grundisburghscouts.org.uk

Trustees who manage the Charity

		Date appointed	Date resigned
THE TRUSTEES - Ex Officio			
Group Chair	Mrs Alison Banham	14/01/2021	
Group Scout Leader	Mr Stuart Ross	04/06/2008	
Secretary	Mrs Patricia Ross	01/06/1993	
Treasurer	Mrs Carly Richmond	14/06/2013	
Minutes Secretary	Mrs Christina Poguntke	18/09/2021	
Group President	Mr Philip Stebbings	13/05/2008	
Beaver Leader Representative	Ms Zarah Decker	18/09/2021	
Cub Leader Representative	Mr Daniel Turner	18/09/2021	
Cub Leader Representative	Mr Adrian Adams	07/12/2017	
Scout Leader Representative	Mr Stephen Swain	07/12/2017	
Scout Leader Representative	Mr Toby Murrill	17/09/2022	
Explorer Leader Representative	Mr David Brown	18/09/2021	
Elected Representatives			
Parent Rep	Mrs Caroline Warren	18/09/2021	
Parent Rep	Mr Paul Boswell	18/09/2021	
Parent Rep	Mrs Chloe Turner	18/09/2021	17/09/2022
Parent Rep	Mr David Dring	17/09/2022	
Nominated Representatives			
Advisor for the New HQ	Mr Jason Banham	07/12/2017	
Advisor for the New HQ	Mr Alan Comber	17/09/2022	
Cub Pack Assistant	Mr Kenneth Walls	18/09/2021	
Co-opted Representatives			
Guide Unit Representative	Mrs Jo Saagi	17/09/2022	
Custodian Trustees	The Scout Association Trust Corporation, Gilwell Park, Bury Road, Chingford, London E4 7QW		
Professional Advisors			
Bankers			
	Barclays Bank, 4 Church Street, Woodbridge, IP12 1DJ		
	Cambridge and Counties Bank, Charnwood Court, 5B New Walk, Leicester LE1 6TE		
	Co-operative Bank – Business, PO Box 250, Skelmersdale, WN8 6WT		
	Nationwide Building Society, Kings Park Road, Moulton Park, Northampton, NN3 6NW		
	Redwood Bank, The Nexus Building, Broadway, Letchworth Garden City, Hertfordshire, SC6 3TA		
	Hampshire Trust Bank, 55 Bishopsgate, London, EC2N 3AS		
	Suffolk Building Society, PO Box 547, Ipswich, IP3 9WZ		
	United Trust Bank, 1 Ropemaker Street, London, EC2Y 9AW		
Consultants	Mark Sargeantson - Land Surveyor, Fenn Wright, 1 Buttermarket, Ipswich, IP1 1BA		
	Louisa Saunders – Solicitor, Birketts LLP, 141-145 Princes St, Ipswich IP1 1QJ		
Independent Examiner:	Celia Comber, 7 Quantock Close. Rushmere St Andrew, Ipswich, IP5 1AS		

STRUCTURE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Document

The 1st Grundisburgh Scout Group is part of the Scout Association and belongs to the Deben Scout District. The Group'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.

Constitution

The Group is a Trust established under its rules, which are common to all Scouts.

Trustee selection

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

Governance

The Group is managed by the Group Executive Committee, 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.

Members of the Executive Committee complete 'Essential Information for Executive Committee' training within the first few months of joining the Committee.

The Committee consists of three independent representatives, Chair, Treasurer and Secretary together with the Group Scout Leader, individual Section Leaders and parent representation and meets at least three times a year. This Group Executive Committee exists to support the Group Scout Leader in meeting the responsibilities of the appointments and is responsible for:

The maintenance of Group property;

The raising of funds and the administration of Group finance;

The insurance of persons, property and equipment;

Group public occasions;

Assisting in the recruitment of Leaders and other adult support;

Appointing any sub committees that may be required;

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

Risk and Internal Control

The Group Executive Committee has identified the major risks to which they believe the Group 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 Group would request the use of buildings, property, and equipment from neighbouring organisations such as the primary school, village hall, sports pavilion, parish rooms and other Scout Groups. The Group has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss.

Injury to Leaders, helpers, supporters, and members. The Group, through the capitation fees, contributes to the Scout Associations national accident insurance policy.

Reduced income from fund raising. The Group is reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. The Group does hold a reserve, which should ensure the continuity of activities, should there be a major reduction in income. The Committee could raise the value of subscriptions to increase the income to the Group on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently.

Reduction or loss of Leaders. The Group is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the Group. If there were a reduction in the number of Leaders to an unacceptable level in a particular Section or the Group as a whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a Section. In the worst-case scenario, the complete closure of the Group.

Reduction or loss of members. The Group provides activities for all young people aged 6 to 14. If there were a reduction in membership in a particular Section or the Group as a whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a Section. In the worst-case scenario, the complete closure of the Group.

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

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

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.

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.

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.

Volunteers

All the Section Leaders and helpers are volunteers and volunteers carry out all the fundraising.

Public Benefit

The Group meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE



The Scout Group comprises of a Beaver Colony, a Cub Pack and a Scout Troop with an Executive Committee. A District managed Explorer Scouts Unit called 'Fynn Valley' work closely with the Scout Group and participate in many activities and camps.

Group Chairperson's Remarks

Since taking on the Chairperson's role in September it has been an interesting, busy time and full of new challenges to me. It has been a pleasure to lead the Committee in supporting Stuart, the Group Scout Leader, with taking on more of the Executive responsibilities.

It was fantastic to see so many people, from near and far, enjoy the Fireworks Display. A great team effort made this a successful fundraising event, one of our best ever.

It was disappointing and frustrating not being able to secure a path forward for a new Scout Headquarters. This will be our main focus next year, along with continuing to run our annual fundraising events - the Duck Race and Fireworks Display.

I would like to thank the Committee for their support and continued help. This coming year I would love to see new Leaders and adult volunteers joining the team in providing activities that benefits children's growth, whilst challenging and fun for themselves. It would be fantastic if you could offer some of your spare time to join us and start your journey in Scouting with 1st Grundisburgh.

Alison Banham, Group Chairperson

Group Scout Leader's Report

'A Full and Packed Year' is the best description for 2022-2023. We saw the return of many favourite activities in the Summer which have not been run since 2019. In May we saw Cycle Camp make a comeback, this time cycling back from Essex. The National Scout Archery Competition returned once again to Phasels Wood in Hertfordshire and a brand-new collection of Scouts and Explorers trained to attend.

In June the Ducks floated again for the 15th Duck Race in the Village, it was great to see the Community out again to support this long-standing event. In July Scouts and Explorers camped a whole week in Kent for Summer Camp. A busy week of activities such as Cycling, Hiking and a Silly Sports Day, plus visits to the Beach, Margate, Hornby Museum and Chatham Historical Docks.

In September there was back-to-back Camps at Hallowtree for the Cubs and Scouts Sections working towards the Adventure Challenge. Everyone slept in traditional canvas Tents, with Archery, Tomahawk Throwing, Air Rifles and the amazing new Assault Course all happening during the weekend. The Explorers had a Christmas Party at Thorrington in Essex with a full Christmas Dinner with all the trimmings for all 15 People on Camp! The Beavers have not managed to get away camping yet as majority of the Colony were very young, but they hope to have a night away in the Summer term of 2023.

Fireworks Display was another huge success, and this event is evolving beyond our expectations. The winter months with its dark evenings and the walks across a wet and muddy field to the Scout Hut reminded us once again the need for a new Headquarters.

Within the Group there have been a few changes in the Leadership. Dan Turner is now the Section Leader for the Cub Pack. Ryan Swain has taken a step back from full time Leadership but remains helping when needed and supports the Archery training. Andy Vobe who helps at 1st Kesgrave is now attending to help Dave Brown at Explorer Meetings.

At the AGM Phil Stebbings stepped down as Chairman after 14 years but now has a new role of Group President. This means he will still be supporting the Group at times when we need his expertise. Alison Banham is our new Group Chair and is leading the charge with efforts for a new Headquarters.

Whilst we try to continue excellent Scouting for our Members and manage to cover the necessary ratios for adults required, the Sections do all really need additional support and we seek to add another person for all four sections. These additional adults may not necessary be uniformed leaders but having more people involved with the children's structured programmes will be a much needed benefit.

As always, I owe a big thank you to all our volunteer Leaders, Section Assistants, Young Leaders and Committee members who continue to support me, and I look forward to what might be an interesting new chapter in the future of the Scout Group.

Stuart Ross, Group Scout Leader

Significant activities and highlights during the year

- Increased new members joining the Group – as of March 2023 there is 13 Beavers, 26 Cubs, 26 Scouts and 15 Explorers/Young Leaders
- We presented a Chief Scouts Gold Award to Lily Jerrold – Congratulations
- We presented Chief Scouts Bronze Awards to William Warren-Smith, Albie Turner and Jonah Banthorpe - Congratulations
- Beavers completed the Space, Creative, Book Reader and First Aid stage 1 badges
- Cubs completed the Artist, Chef, Fire Safety and Local Knowledge badges
- Scouts completed the Nautical Skills, Time on the Water and Fundraiser badges
- Explorers went Fishing at Felixstowe Beach
- Cubs and Scouts hiked to Kesgrave Chip Shop for the annual Autumn Hike
- Beavers hiked from Martlesham to Bealings play park – the first Hike for many
- Everyone took part in this years Mission Impossible, based inside the Hut the theme this time was Jumanji with parts to climb, tunnels to crawl through and swing bridges to cross.
- Scouts had a go at forging a metal Peg thanks to Toby and his portable furnace
- Cubs visited Woodbridge Fire Station
- Scouts visited Martlesham Police Station Museum
- Scouts took part in the District Cooking Competition – 2 teams cooked a main meal and dessert, after a few Troop nights of practise - they came 5th and 7th place out of 11 Teams.



UK Scout Association National Archery Competition

Returning in 2022 after a 2 year break, the UK National Scout Archery Competition was held in early May at Phasels Wood. A complete fresh and new bunch of Scouts and Explorers joined from both Kesgrave and Grundisburgh Groups, and after months of training we came away successful winners again.

Eddie Warren came first in Field Archery and became the Scouts Field Archery Champion and Leland Murrill came second in the Target category, just a few points away from first place. Our new Assistant Scout Leader Toby was also successful in becoming the Adult Barebow Target Champion. With further medals won by our members from 1st Kesgrave, it was great to know that we can still produce winners at the Nationals, after a break of so many years. Training for the 2023 competition has already begun and the team has grown in numbers wishing to attend.

New HQ progress

During the year, Chapel Field started development by Hopkins Homes. The New HQ Sub Committee decided to get back in touch with Hopkins Homes about availability of road access and the Cranworth Estate regarding the old allotment site currently behind the Scout Hut.

It was decided to employ Mark Sargeantson, a Land Consultant of Fenn Wright to negotiate on the Groups behalf. Talks with Hopkins Homes were promising as they said access should be possible but not until houses are sold and the road is adopted by the Council. However, dealing with Lord Cranworth did not go so well. For many years it was believe the Estate was supportive of the new HQ project and they were willing to consider the Scout Group obtaining a piece of this allotment land. New discussions with different people at their Land Agents Strutt and Parker were needed as previous people had left. During these discussions the Estate and Strutt and Parker agreed for the Group to survey the land, which was actioned straight away. It was when the Scout Group gave a formal offer to purchase the land that the Estate with Strutt and Parker decided to refuse any negotiations and told the Group the Land was being kept for future development.

This was a blow for the Committee, and very upsetting that a Survey was paid for which was not needed, and that years of work, talks and waiting came to a complete stop. A letter to the Estate was written asking for a face to face meeting to discuss options but since November 2022 the Group is still waiting for a reply. This leaves the Group now seeking other alternatives for a new HQ.

Our Events for the Village and Community

One of the first events the Group ran for the Village was a Campfire with singing to celebrate the Queens Jubilee in June 2022. A fire was placed at one end of the stream and a low level trailer suspended over the other to act as a stage. There was a good turnout from the Village as various traditional and new songs were sung with comedy sketches. The picture here shows Village residents involved in a campfire sketch on the stage.



The Duck Race returned in 2022 and the Group changed the date to a Sunday afternoon to appeal to more families. This move was very successful as all 2200 ducks were sold with more people arriving wanting to buy ducks to be in the race. Stalls saw an increase in sales and a total of over £3400 profit was made. It was agreed that following Duck Races will be on Sundays and that more racing Ducks were needed.

The 2022 Fireworks Display was held once again. This year saw an increase in the amount of fireworks due to the success of the previous year. With the use of a SumUp Shop there was an easier method to get online sales and this took 85% of advanced tickets. The use of SumUp card machines made payments on debit and credit cards easier for the public and likely contributed to better sales.

The basketball court was used once again for food and drink but the new fencing around the playground meant for a new queuing system, which was achieved and turned out to be successful. Unfortunately, due to the weather the newly acquired audio kit experienced a technical fault which led to the sound cutting out during the display. Other issues occurred that evening with some faulty fireworks going off too soon and exploding at a lower level – this will be addressed with the firework shop who sold the items.

Despite these few problems the audience response was very positive praising the quickness of food delivery and the display, which some say perhaps does not need music playing next year. The event raised over £5400 profit for the Group which was another huge amount for the new HQ funds and proves the Firework Display is now our most popular and lucrative event.

Health and Safety review

Every step to reduce risk within activities and events is taken and our complete set of Risk Assessments are available in the Scout Hut office. These are modified when needed to reflect any changes. This document works alongside common practices and assessing ongoing risks when completing the activity. New unforeseen dangers and changes to practices may develop during the activity or event and the Leadership team will adapt as per the circumstances at the time. All Leaders and Committee training is reviewed and updated when required.

Our Aims

The purpose of Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society. 1st Grundisburgh Scout Group continues to strive to achieve this by a balanced programme across all Sections working alongside all volunteer Leaders, Assistants, and parents, with support from District, County, and other Scout Groups. We intend to offer all members a night away experience per year, where possible, and give members the opportunity to achieve the top-level awards in their Section. Our future aims are to keep the Scouting adventures available to new members within the local Community, and to seek better facilities, in the form of a new headquarters for our current members, thus enhancing their Scouting life experiences.

Strategies for achieving stated aims and objectives

At 1st Grundisburgh Scout Group we have strived and will continue to:

- ❖ Achieve top awards by blending Section activities and individual efforts undertaken within home lives.
- ❖ Utilise the open space of the playing field as well as the indoor space when creating a programme.
- ❖ Bring aspects of teamwork and leadership into the meetings, activities and games we organise in creative and challenging ways.
- ❖ Implement new activities in the programme which members are unable to experience at school or within the home environment. This is then reviewed and improved for next time.
- ❖ Continue being visible within Grundisburgh village community and the wider area at the parades and the family friendly events such as our Duck Race and Fireworks Display which are open to the public.
- ❖ Work alongside other Scout Groups in the area to expand Scouting experiences and interactions.
- ❖ Maintain a continuous steady number of young members participating whilst seeking to increase our team of volunteer adults to support the Sections.
- ❖ Offer members at least one night away camping and outdoor experience during the year, if practical.
- ❖ Make it enjoyable for children and adults alike.

Criteria and measures used to assess success in the reporting period

Badges – 4 Top awards were gained in the reporting year – 1 Chief Scouts Gold and 3 Chief Scouts Bronze awards. Various Challenge badges have been completed in each section with 4 Scouts and 5 Cubs nearly achieving the Top Awards. Other badges gained across the sections were Creative, Book Reader, First Aid, Artist, Chef, Fire Safety, Local Knowledge, Nautical Skills, Time on the Water, Fundraiser, Hikes and Nights Away.

Camps – Cubs, Scouts and Explorers were given an opportunity to a night away during the 2022-2023 year. A total of 23 nights away experiences had been arranged, the Beavers were unable to camp this year.

Performance of material fundraising

Duck Race – Returning in 2022, the race moved to a Sunday afternoon on 26th June. All 2200 racing ducks were sold and a profit of £3,482 was made.

Fireworks Display – Another popular event attended by residents of the Village and surrounding area. The display was on 5th November 2022 and a profit of £5,458 was made.

Textile Bin – Continues to be used by the Community and with an increase in the reporting year. 5855Kg of textiles at a value of £1463 has been collected from 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023. The remaining few collections in March 2023 are still to be paid in by JMP Wilcox who operate and collect the textiles.

Amazon Smile – Unfortunately, Amazon has decided to stop this source of income in favour of bigger projects within their charity work. This means smaller charities like the Scout Group have suffered the loss. The Smile scheme has generated £57.29 in the reporting year, a total of £101.01 since the Group got involved. The scheme has stopped on 20th February 2023, however, Amazon have explained they will be giving an extra contribution to all charities on their final quarterly payment which is expected in the next reporting period.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Finances in this current year

The Scout Group continues to show a healthy income, with operational costs being covered by the general funds. Our other trading activities income has increased as the Duck Race returned in 2022.

The Fireworks display took another impressive profit, however expenses for this event grew from the previous year as more fireworks were purchased and the re-stocking of items for sale such as the glowsticks were needed. The Scout Group used SumUp to sell online tickets and payments on the gates, so their fees were more than 2021. SumUp charge 2.5% for online transactions and 1.69% for in-person card transactions. Despite the increase in costs, the Scout Group was still able to purchase some Audio kit and Archery targets without dipping into the savings.

Section Activities has now been split down into the three categories of Beaver, Cubs and Scouts. This move has come about because the Group now manages its accounts through Online Scout Manager and its Accountancy tools and shows a better breakdown for each Section.

Grundisburgh Guides has restarted in the village and now use the Scout Hut for their meetings. The Scout Group is currently holding a £600 donation to the Guides from the Wood Trust until the Guides can fully set up a new bank account. Fees for the use of the Scout hut will be taken from this £600.

Gift Aid has increased in this reporting year due to the full £95 Membership Subscriptions requested. Gift Aid continues to provide a valuable source of income which will be saved and spent on materials and equipment for the Members. The Textile bin continues to generate an excellent supplementary income to the general funds. £1,374 has been paid in, but the total value of 2022/2023 year is £1,463 as some payments from JMP Wilcox will appear in the next reporting year.

During the reporting year the Bank of England has increased the base interest rate, which has proven to dramatically increase our revenue with £3,600 more than 2021/2022. However, whilst this benefits our savings accounts, it has been noticeable that food costs for camps have increased, and it is likely the cost of a new HQ will now be more than pre-pandemic.

New and Changes to Savings Accounts to maximise Interest income

During the year the Bank of England interest rates have risen, and some changes were made. These were:

New HQ Funds

- ❖ Hampshire Trust Bank 1 Year Bond 1.11% - finished October 2022
- ❖ United Trust Bank 1 Year Bond 1.25% - finished January 2023
- ❖ New United Trust Bank 1 Year Bond at 3.80% opened – will end November 2023
- ❖ Increased amount in Cambridge & Counties 95 Days Notice Account 3.45% – now £150,000
- ❖ Increased amount in Co-op Deposit Account due to future new accounts and expenditure in the next financial year.

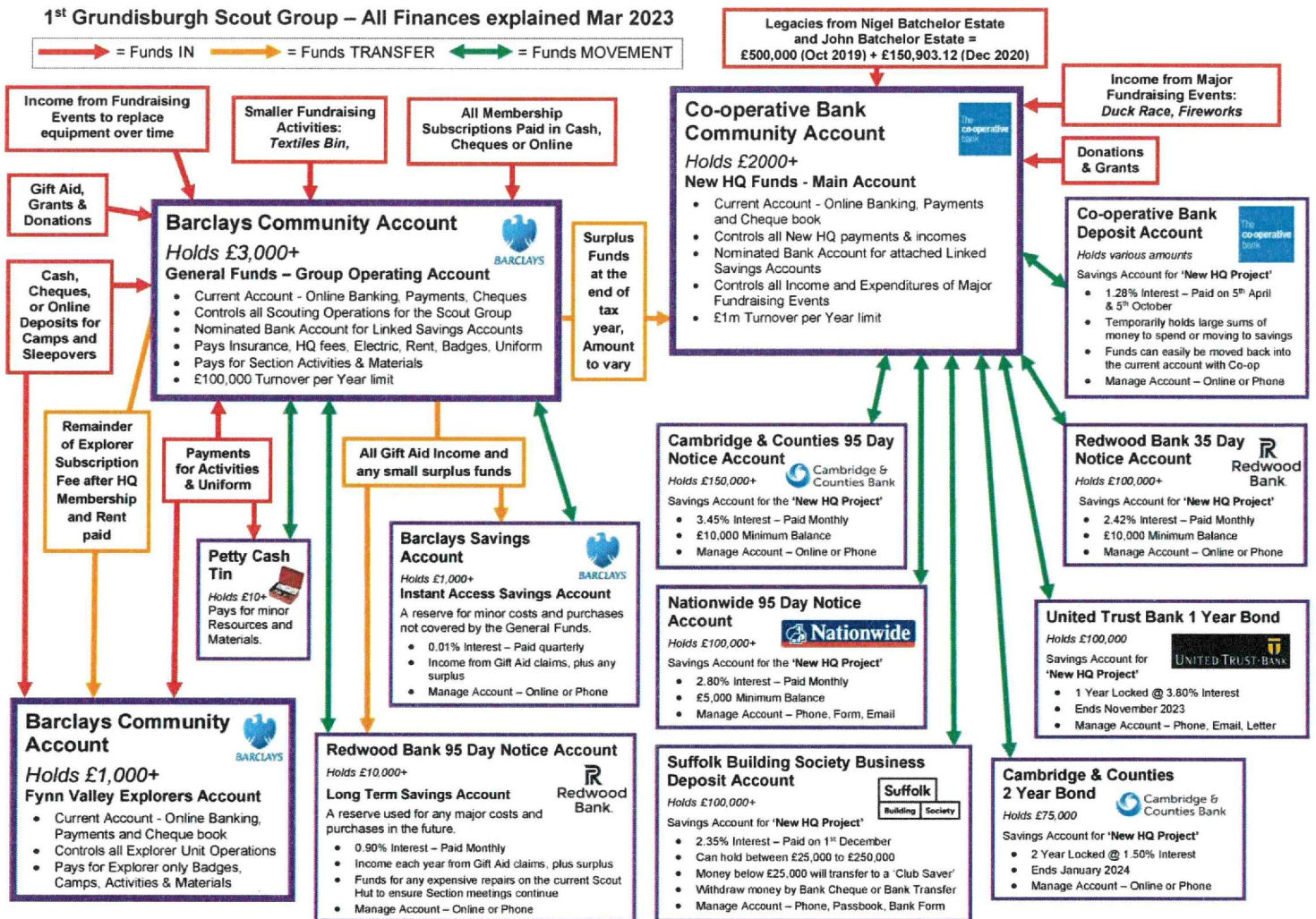
The funds are still spread across different savings accounts with different banking institutions to reduce the risk. Consideration is also made to maximise our investments as no high value financial commitments for the new HQ project were required. Any funds required were readily available from current savings within the Co-op accounts.

Reserves Policy

As described above, it is the intention of the Committee to keep a general fund and its reserve for the upkeep and repair of the current Scout Hut, and at least one year's expenses for the running of the Group. The Committee has designated reserves for the new HQ fund, thus providing a building which will secure the future of Scouting in Grundisburgh and the surrounding area. These designated reserves will be held in several accounts to gain interest and spread the risk of loss.

Finances Flow Chart

The chart below shows the breakdown of accounts, the transfer of money and how each account is funded.



Summary

Once again, the Scout Group is in a good financial position. It is expected there will be no major costs to the Scout Hut, apart from future electricity and insurance expenses. The Scout Group has adequate equipment and materials for future years usage, so there are presently no unforeseen expenses regarding new equipment. We will persist with our new HQ efforts in the next reporting year.

Now we have grown the membership numbers of young people since the pandemic, we need to concentrate on recruiting more Adults to join the Leadership team. This would not necessary be as Uniformed Leaders, but as regular Section Assistants, who can provide support, and be part of the team to run the weekly meetings for our young members to interact, achieve and experience the Scouting way that we all enjoy.

Approved by

Mrs Alison Banham
Group Chairperson

Mrs Carly Richmond
Group Treasurer

Date:

8/10/2023

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES SUMMARY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	<i>Note</i>	<i>General Fund £</i>	<i>New HQ Fund £</i>	<i>Total 2023 £</i>	<i>Total 2022 £</i>
INCOMING RESOURCES					
<i>Income from:</i>					
Donations and Legacies		4,602	619	5,221	14,947
Charitable activities		3,436	-	3,436	2,843
Other trading activities		1,441	12,899	14,340	9,132
Investment income		208	9,473	9,681	6,071
Other		458	-	458	250
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Total	3	£ 10,145	£ 22,991	£ 33,136	£ 33,243
		=====	=====	=====	=====
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
<i>Expenditure on:</i>					
		£	£	£	£
Raising funds		330	3,932	4,262	1,884
Charitable activities		7,901	750	8,651	5,944
Other		796	-	796	148
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Total	4	£ 9,027	£ 4,682	£ 13,709	£ 7,976
		=====	=====	=====	=====
Net movement in funds		1,118	18,309	19,787	25,267
Reconciliation of funds					
Fund balance brought forward		14,720	740,840	755,560	730,293
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Fund balance carried forward		£ 15,838	£ 759,149	£ 774,987	£ 755,560
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The annexed notes form an integral part of these accounts

BALANCE SHEET

AT 31 MARCH 2023

	Note	General Fund £	New HQ Fund £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	6	883	824	1,707	619
		<u>883</u>	<u>824</u>	<u>1,707</u>	<u>619</u>
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors and prepayments		-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand	7	£ 15,555	£ 758,325	£ 773,880	755,326
		<u>15,555</u>	<u>758,325</u>	<u>773,880</u>	<u>755,326</u>
Total current assets		15,555	758,325	773,880	755,326
Less: Creditors					
Amounts due falling within one year	8	600	-	600	385
		<u>600</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>600</u>	<u>385</u>
Net current assets		14,955	758,325	773,280	751,941
		<u>14,955</u>	<u>758,325</u>	<u>773,280</u>	<u>751,941</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		£ 15,838	£ 759,149	£ 774,987	£ 755,560
		<u>£ 15,838</u>	<u>£ 759,149</u>	<u>£ 774,987</u>	<u>£ 755,560</u>
FUNDS					
		£	£	£	£
General Fund		15,838	-	15,838	14,720
New HQ Fund		-	759,149	759,149	740,840
		<u>15,838</u>	<u>759,149</u>	<u>774,987</u>	<u>755,560</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	13	£ 15,838	£ 759,149	£ 774,987	£ 755,560
		<u>£ 15,838</u>	<u>£ 759,149</u>	<u>£ 774,987</u>	<u>£ 755,560</u>

Approved by

Chairperson



Treasurer



Date

8/10/2023

The annexed notes form an integral part of these accounts

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

1. Basis of preparation

Basis of accounting

The Charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities; Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS102), the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair view' and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 Only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair' view. The departure has involved following the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their annual accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard and applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) issued in October 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention. The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity and rounded to the nearest pound.

Change in Basis

There has been no change to the accounting policies or estimates (valuation rules and methods of accounting) since last year.

2. Accounting policies

Recognition of incoming resources

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- the trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Membership subscriptions

Memberships subscription collected on behalf of other parts of the Scout Movement are reported in the SoFA net of any amount paid out. This is because these subscriptions are in effect held as agents before being paid out.

Offsetting

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.

Grants and donations

Legacies, grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources, and these have been received.

Tax reclaims on donations and gifts

Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the SoFA when they are received

Gifts in kind

Gifts in kind for sale or distribution are included in the accounts as gifts only when sold or distributed by the charity. Gifts in kind for use by the charity are not valued or included in the accounts

Donated services and Facilities

The value placed on these resources is not included in the accounts

Volunteer help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts

Investment income

This is included in the accounts when received.

Liability recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

Governance and Support costs

Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice. These costs have been included in the charitable activity costs.

Current asset investments

The charity has investments of cash and cash equivalents with a maturity date of less than one year held for investment purposes rather than to meet short term cash commitments as they fall due.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

3. Analysis of Incoming Resources

	<i>General Fund £</i>	<i>New HQ Fund £</i>	<i>Total 2023 £</i>	<i>Total 2022 £</i>
Voluntary Income				
Membership Subscriptions	5,773	-	5,773	6,169
Less: Membership Fees Paid	(2,989)	-	(2,989)	(2,759)
	<u>2,784</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,784</u>	<u>3,410</u>
Gift Aid	1,712	-	1,712	240
Donations and Gifts	106	619	725	
Government Grants - LRSG	-	-	-	10,667
	<u>£ 4,602</u>	<u>£ 619</u>	<u>£ 5,221</u>	<u>£ 14,947</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
	<i>General Fund £</i>	<i>New HQ Fund £</i>	<i>Total 2023 £</i>	<i>Total 2022 £</i>
Charitable Activities				
Beaver Camp - Thorrington	0	-	0	450
Cub Camp - Hallowtree	360	-	360	750
Cub Hike/Sleepover	270	-	270	130
Scout - Expedition Camp	0	-	0	320
Scout Camp - Hallowtree	760	-	760	595
District Camp	950	-	950	0
Summer Camp	910	-	910	0
Meeting Activities	0	-	0	260
Uniform and badges	186	-	186	338
	<u>£ 3,436</u>	<u>£-</u>	<u>£ 3,436</u>	<u>£ 2,843</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
	<i>General Fund £</i>	<i>New HQ Fund £</i>	<i>Total 2023 £</i>	<i>Total 2022 £</i>
Other Trading Activities				
Textile Clothing Bank	1,374	-	1,374	1,225
Amazon Smile	57	-	57	44
Duck Race	10	4,375	4,385	-
Firework Night	-	8,524	8,524	7,863
	<u>£ 1,441</u>	<u>£ 12,899</u>	<u>£ 14,340</u>	<u>£ 9,132</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
	<i>General Fund £</i>	<i>New HQ Fund £</i>	<i>Total 2023 £</i>	<i>Total 2022 £</i>
Investment Income				
Interest (gross) on Bank Accounts	208	9,473	9,681	6,071
	<u>£ 208</u>	<u>£ 9,473</u>	<u>£ 9,681</u>	<u>£ 6,071</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
	<i>General Fund £</i>	<i>New HQ Fund £</i>	<i>Total 2023 £</i>	<i>Total 2022 £</i>
Other Income				
Hall Rent	250	-	250	250
Jubilee, Explorers, Electric Refund	208	-	208	0
	<u>£ 458</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 458</u>	<u>£ 250</u>
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

4 Analysis of Resources Expended

	<i>General Fund</i> £	<i>New HQ Fund</i> £	<i>Total 2023</i> £	<i>Total 2022</i> £
Fundraising costs				
Firework Night	-	3,055	3,055	1,864
Duck Race	310	877	1,187	-
Lottery Licence	20	-	20	20
	<u>£ 330</u>	<u>£ 3,932</u>	<u>£ 4,261</u>	<u>£ 1,884</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
Charitable Activities				
<u>Youth Programme</u>				
Beaver Camp - Thorrington	0	-	0	415
Cub Camp - Hallowtree	487	-	487	765
Cub Hike/Sleepover	213	-	213	71
Scout - Expedition Camp	0	-	0	269
Scout Camp - Hallowtree	662	-	662	424
District & Summer Camp	2,043	-	2,043	0
Materials and Equipment	988	-	988	221
Section Activities	0	-	0	881
Beaver Meeting Activities	23	-	23	0
Cub Meeting Activities	116	-	116	0
Scout Meeting Activities	215	-	215	0
Badges	337	-	337	256
Uniform	315	-	315	528
Gas Refill	345	-	345	0
<u>Scout Hut costs</u>				
Insurance	1,190	-	1,190	1,234
Electricity	176	-	176	102
Repairs and Renewals	119	-	119	63
Rent	180	-	180	180
Survey of old site	-	750	750	-
<u>Governance costs</u>				
Admin Materials and Equipment	190	-	190	0
AGM	165	-	165	219
OSM	57	-	57	57
Training	0	-	0	180
Website	65	-	65	65
Gifts	15	-	15	14
	<u>£ 7,901</u>	<u>£ 750</u>	<u>£ 8,651</u>	<u>£ 5,944</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
	<i>General Fund</i>	<i>New HQ Fund</i>	<i>Total 2023</i>	<i>Total 2022</i>
Other		£	£	£
Depreciation	796	-	796	148
	<u>£ 796</u>	<u>£-</u>	<u>£ 796</u>	<u>£ 148</u>
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5 Trustees and other related parties	2023	2022
	£	£
Trustee expenses reimbursed		
Group Scout Leader	2,372	1,504
Other trustees	923	-
	<u>£ 3,295</u>	<u>£ 1,504</u>
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All amounts paid were to reimburse expenditure on behalf of the Group.
Trustee remuneration in the year ended 31 March 2023 was nil (2022 nil)

6 Fixed Assets	<i>New</i>	<i>Container</i>	<i>Furniture & Equipment</i>	<i>Total</i>
	HQ			
Cost	£	£	£	£
At 1 April 2022	360	1,555	5,332	7,247
Additions	824	-	1,420	2,244
Disposals	(360)	-	-	-
At 31 March 2023	<u>£ 824</u>	<u>£ 1,555</u>	<u>£ 6,752</u>	<u>£ 9,131</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
Depreciation	£	£	£	£
At 1 April 2022	-	1,296	5,332	6,566
Depreciation for year	-	86	710	370
On disposals	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2023	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 1,382</u>	<u>£ 6,042</u>	<u>£ 6,936</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
At 31 March 2023	<u>£ 824</u>	<u>£ 173</u>	<u>£ 710</u>	<u>£ 1,707</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
At 31 March 2022	<u>£ 360</u>	<u>£ 259</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 619</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====

Depreciation is calculated to write down the value of fixed assets over their expected useful lives.

The rates used are:

Furniture and equipment	50% 1 st Year, 25% 2 nd Year, 25% 3 rd Year
Container	50% 1 st Year, then balance over 9 years
New HQ	0% (not yet built)

7 Cash at bank and in hand

	<i>General</i>	<i>New HQ</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Total</i>
	<i>Fund</i>	<i>Fund</i>	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Hampshire Trust (1-year bond 1.11%)	-	-	-	100,000
Cambridge & Counties (2-year bond 1.5%)	-	75,000	75,000	75,000
Cambridge & Counties (95-day notice)	-	150,000	150,000	12,000
United Trust Bank (1-year bond 1.25%)	-	-	-	150,000
United Trust Bank (1-year bond 3.80%)	-	100,000	100,000	-
Nationwide Building Society (95-day notice)	-	50,000	50,000	150,000
Redwood Bank (35-day notice)	-	100,000	100,000	150,000
Suffolk Building Society	-	100,659	100,659	100,000
Co-op Savings	-	180,000	180,000	1,000
Co-op Current Account	-	2,666	2,666	2,480
Redwood Bank (95 Day notice)	10,515	-	10,515	10,311
Barclays Savings	2,038	-	2,038	1,071
Barclays Current Account	2,959	-	2,959	3,420
Petty Cash Tin	43	-	43	44
	<u>£ 15,555</u>	<u>£ 758,325</u>	<u>£ 773,880</u>	<u>£ 755,326</u>
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8 Creditors	2023	2022
	£	£
Accruals	600	385
	<u>£ 600</u>	<u>£ 385</u>
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At the year end the Group was holding £600 on behalf of the Guide Unit.

9 Analysis of net assets between funds

	<i>General Fund</i>	<i>New HQ Fund</i>	<i>Total</i>
	<i>2023</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>2023</i>
	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	883	824	1,707
Cash at bank and in hand	15,555	758,325	773,880
Other current assets/liabilities	(600)	-	(600)
	<u>£ 15,838</u>	<u>£ 759,149</u>	<u>£ 774,987</u>
	=====	=====	=====
	<i>General Fund</i>	<i>New HQ Fund</i>	<i>Total</i>
	<i>2022</i>	<i>2022</i>	<i>2022</i>
	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	259	360	619
Cash at bank and in hand	14,846	740,480	755,326
Other current assets/liabilities	(385)	-	(385)
	<u>£ 14,720</u>	<u>£ 740,840</u>	<u>£ 755,560</u>
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10 Fund reconciliation

Unrestricted Funds	<i>Balance at 31 March 2022</i>			<i>Transfers</i>	<i>Balance at 31 March 2023</i>	
	<i>Income</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>			<i>Income</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>
	£	£	£	£	£	£
General Fund	14,720	10,145	(9,027)	0	15,838	
New HQ Fund	740,840	22,991	(4,682)	0	759,149	
	<u>£ 755,560</u>	<u>£ 33,136</u>	<u>£ 13,349</u>	<u>£ 0</u>	<u>£ 775,347</u>	
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	
	<i>Balance at 31 March 2021</i>			<i>Transfers</i>	<i>Balance at 31 March 2022</i>	
	<i>Income</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>			<i>Income</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>
	£	£	£	£	£	£
General Fund	14,719	8,113	6,112	(2,000)	14,720	
New HQ Fund	715,574	25,130	1,864	2,000	740,840	
	<u>£ 730,293</u>	<u>£ 33,243</u>	<u>£ 7,886</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 755,560</u>	
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Fund descriptions**Unrestricted funds**

General fund for the day to day running expenses of the Scout Group

Designated funds

The New HQ Fund represents money from the legacies and fundraising surpluses over the last few years which has been set aside to fund a new building.

14 Capital Commitments

At 31 March 2023 the Group had started negotiations to purchase a site for the new HQ. 31 March 2022 there were no capital commitments.

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE
1ST GRUNDISBURGH SCOUT GROUP**

I report on the Accounts of the 1st Grundisburgh Scout Group for the year ended 31 March 2023, which are set out on pages 2 to 16.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

As the Charity Trustees of the Trust, 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as 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 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.



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Date: 12 September 2023

1ST GRUNDISBURGH SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 1033767

Accounts



ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 March 2022

MEMBER OF THE UK SCOUT ASSOCIATION



TRUSTEES REPORT**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

Registered Charity No.	1033767
Group Registration No.	
Charity contact name:	Mr Stuart Ross
Charity contact address:	3 Post Mill Crescent, Grundisburgh, Woodbridge, IP13 6UX
Charity main address:	The Scout Hut, Grundisburgh Playing Field, off Ipswich Road, Grundisburgh, Woodbridge, Suffolk, IP13 6TJ
Charity website:	www.grundisburghscouts.org.uk

Trustees who manage the Charity

		Date appointed	Date resigned
THE TRUSTEES - Ex Officio			
Group Scout Leader	Mr Stuart Ross	04/06/2008	
Group Chair	Mr Philip Stebbings	13/05/2008	
Deputy Chair	Mrs Alison Banham	14/01/2021	
Secretary	Mrs Patricia Ross	01/06/1993	
Treasurer	Mrs Carly Richmond	14/06/2013	
Beaver Leader Representative	Ms Geraldine Millar	31/12/2017	18/09/2021
Cub Leader Representative	Mr Adrian Adams	07/12/2017	
Scout Leader Representative	Mr Stephen Swain	07/12/2017	

Elected Representatives

Parent Rep	Mr Paul Boswell	18/09/2021	
Parent Rep	Mrs Caroline Warren	18/09/2021	
Parent Rep	Mrs Chloe Turner	18/09/2021	
Parent Rep	Mr Daniel Turner	18/09/2021	
Parent Rep	Mrs Rowena Rogers	18/09/2021	15/04/2022
Parent Rep	Mr Roger Brash	18/09/2021	29/03/2022

Nominated Representatives

Advisor for the New HQ	Mr Jason Banham	07/12/2017
Explorer Leader	Mr David Brown	18/09/2021
Minutes Secretary	Mrs Christina Poguntke	18/09/2021
Cub Pack Assistant	Mr Kenneth Walls	18/09/2021

Custodian Trustees The Scout Association Trust Corporation, Gilwell Park,
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Professional Advisors

Bankers

Barclays Bank, 4 Church Street, Woodbridge, IP12 1DJ
 Cambridge and Counties Bank, Charnwood Court, 5B New Walk, Leicester LE1 6TE
 Co-operative Bank – Business, PO Box 250, Skelmersdale, WN8 6WT
 Nationwide Building Society, Kings Park Road, Moulton Park, Northampton, NN3 6NW
 Redwood Bank, The Nexus Building, Broadway, Letchworth Garden City,
 Hertfordshire, SC6 3TA
 Hampshire Trust Bank, 55 Bishopsgate, London, EC2N 3AS
 Suffolk Building Society, PO Box 547, Ipswich, IP3 9WZ
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Consultants Mark Sargeantson - Land Surveyor, Fenn Wright, 1 Buttermarket, Ipswich, IP1 1BA

Independent Examiner: Celia Comber, 7 Quantock Close. Rushmere St Andrew, Ipswich , IP5 1AS

STRUCTURE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Document

The 1st Grundisburgh Scout Group is part of the Scout Association and belongs to the Deben Scout District. The Group'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.

Constitution

The Group is a Trust established under its rules, which are common to all Scouts.

Trustee selection

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

Governance

The Group is managed by the Group Executive Committee, 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.

Members of the Executive Committee complete 'Essential Information for Executive Committee' training within the first few months of joining the Committee.

The Committee consists of three independent representatives, Chair, Treasurer and Secretary together with the Group Scout Leader, individual Section Leaders and parent representation and meets three times a year.

This Group Executive Committee exists to support the Group Scout Leader in meeting the responsibilities of the appointments and is responsible for:

The maintenance of Group property;

The raising of funds and the administration of Group finance;

The insurance of persons, property and equipment;

Group public occasions;

Assisting in the recruitment of Leaders and other adult support;

Appointing any sub committees that may be required;

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

Risk and Internal Control

The Group Executive Committee has identified the major risks to which they believe the Group 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 Group would request the use of buildings, property, and equipment from neighbouring organisations such as the primary school, village hall, sports pavilion, parish rooms and other Scout Groups. The Group has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss.

Injury to Leaders, helpers, supporters, and members. The Group, through the capitation fees, contributes to the Scout Associations national accident insurance policy.

Reduced income from fund raising. The Group is reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. The Group does hold a reserve, which should ensure the continuity of activities, should there be a major reduction in income. The Committee could raise the value of subscriptions to increase the income to the Group on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently.

Reduction or loss of Leaders. The Group is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the Group. If there were a reduction in the number of Leaders to an unacceptable level in a particular Section or the Group as a whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a Section. In the worst-case scenario, the complete closure of the Group.

Reduction or loss of members. The Group provides activities for all young people aged 6 to 14. If there were a reduction in membership in a particular Section or the Group as a whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a Section. In the worst-case scenario, the complete closure of the Group.

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

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

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.

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.

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.

Volunteers

All the Section Leaders and helpers are volunteers and volunteers carry out all the fundraising.

Public Benefit

The Group meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The Group comprises of a Beaver Colony, a Cub Pack and a Scout Troop with an Executive Committee.



Group Scout Leader's Report

The year 2021 to 2022 will be forever known as the year the Country restarted and got back on its feet from the Covid-19 Pandemic and Scouting across the UK as well as 1st Grundisburgh Scout Group have been doing just that.

From April 2021 the Scout Group restarted face to face meetings after the new year lockdown. Restrictions continued to ease during the Summer but with an air of uncertainty. We were able to do much of the normal Summer activities but decided not to hold the Duck Race or any Camps.

As the Summer Holidays passed it was clear the restrictions and normality were starting to return. Our first event was the AGM on the 18th September 2021 where new Parents were elected onto the Executive Committee. It was nice to meet people again and explain about the Legacies and future of the Scout Group.

Camps for all Sections were held in the Autumn term. First the Cubs went camping at Hallowtree in September to complete the Outdoor Challenge. The Explorers had a District Camp two weeks later meeting up with fellow Explorer Units in the area. Scouts went camping at Boxford Spinney in October to also complete their Outdoor Challenge. Beavers had an Indoor sleepover at Thorrington also in October, then in late November the Explorers had their own Unit camp at Hallowtree, which was a wet and windy weekend. It was good to have a camp for each section before the Christmas holidays, and for many members there it was a new camp in a new Section, or they have never been camping with us before.

Our first event for the public was the return of the Fireworks Display. This was a huge success, beyond our greatest expectations. During the winter months dark evenings and long walks across to the Scout Hut reminded us of past years and gave it a sense of familiarity. A well attended Remembrance Parade was held on the Village Green and training for the National Scout Archery competition resumed for May 2022. Cubs had another nights away event with a hike and sleepover at 1st Kesgrave Scout Hall. Scouts and Explorers finished the term with the Expedition Challenge in late March – our bi-annual Hike from Framlingham Castle back to Grundisburgh for Mothers Day Parade the following day.

Across the Group we have many changes to the Leadership team with either new people arriving, Leaders returning after the Pandemic and Leaders moving to different Sections. Here is a summary.

- We welcomed back Zarah, Geraldine and Archie to the Sections after restrictions eased, it was great to have these experienced Leaders return.
- Ben Huxley decided to become an Assistant Leader for the Beaver Colony after supporting as an Occasional Helper which will really boost the Beaver Team.
- Lorna Banham has started University at UEA in Norwich and therefore stopped weekly meetings but hopes to remain connected to the Group for future events and Camps.
- Ryan Swain has moved Sections from Cubs to Explorers due to work schedules.
- Dan Turner has decided to become a Uniformed Leader in the Cub Section which increases the amount of Warranted Leaders at Cubs who can run a meeting.
- Dave Brown will be taking over from Sam Brown at Explorers due to Sam expecting his first child soon.
- We welcomed Laura White who is a Parent now regularly helping the Cub Pack
- We also welcomed new Leader Toby Murrill to the Group who joined us because his son was joining Scouts. Toby has been assisting Steve in the Troop and already bringing new activities.

As always, I owe a big thank you to all our volunteer Leaders, Section Assistants, Young Leaders and Committee members who continue to support me and the Group. We look forward to a future full of activities and events so we can rebuild Scouting in the Village.

Stuart Ross, GSL



Significant activities and highlights from each Section during the year:

- New Beavers joined the Colony with numbers now at the maximum
- 15 Beavers attended the Indoor Sleepover
- Hike to Woodbridge for first Hikes Away for all
- First Aid Stage 1 badge completed
- Health and Fitness badge completed
- Many Challenge badges completed with members close to getting the Bronze Award



- New Cubs joined the Pack, with many moving up to Scouts in September 2021
- 19 Cubs and 3 new Scouts attended the Hallowtree Camp in September 2021
- 12 Cubs hiked from Grundisburgh to Kesgrave for a one night Sleepover in February 2022
- Cubs took part in the Explorers 'Escape the Hut' Challenge
- Cubs and Parents joined us for an 'Adventure Hike' to Woodbridge through overgrown footpaths
- First Aid Stage 2 badge completed
- Athlete and Athlete Plus badges completed
- Challenge badges completed with some members expected to gain the Silver Award in late 2022



- New Scouts joined from Cubs
- 17 Scouts attend Outdoor Challenge camp at Boxford and make shelters in the woodland to sleep in for the final night
- 11 Scouts hiked from Framlingham to Grundisburgh for the Expedition Challenge
- Former Young Leader Ollie Smith, now a trained Fireman, visited to help the Scouts complete the Fire Safety activity badge
- Scouts learn Knife safety skills and try whittling



Our associated Explorer Unit called Fynn Valley continues to provide Scouting experiences for members when they leave 1st Grundisburgh at 14 years old. They remain a user of our facilities and equipment for the foreseeable future under the partnership agreement. Highlights:

- 10 Explorers Camped during the wet and windy November Camp
- Explorers hiked from Woodbridge to Henley for an event called a 'Stag Hike' to celebrate Leader Sam's forthcoming wedding
- Cooking Challenges have continued every term with new winners adding their name to the Cup
- Rendlesham Swarm Explorers came to visit and played a team game called 'Gutterball' on the field

UK Scout Association National Archery Competition

The 2021 Competition had been cancelled due to the ongoing Covid-19 Pandemic and uncertainty in the future, however it was confirmed in January 2022 that the Competition will return in May 2022. Training for a brand new team started in January 2022 and the Group looks forward to attending the Competition after 3 years away.

The Scout Hut and New HQ progress

Since the major renovations of the Scout Hut during the major Pandemic time of 2020 there has only been minor maintenance issues to ensure the building is in a usable state for all Sections. The current lease for ground rent with the Grundisburgh Playing Field is due to end shortly, however, the Playing Field Management Committee are aware of this and are waiting for developments on the new HQ before a Lease can be formally agreed.

The Chapel Field site for development by Hopkins Homes does appear to have been approved by East Suffolk Council with several conditions that need to be met before building can proceed. Negotiations to acquire the land directly behind the Scout Hut have been difficult during the pandemic and we hope to resume this when Hopkins Homes has formally acquired the Chapel Field site.

Our Events for the Village and Community

Having just come out of restrictions the Group decided not to plan a Duck Race as the proximity of people near each other on the Village Green could cause a spike in infections. The Village Show 2021 was also cancelled.

As the Covid-19 Pandemic continued to ease and the vaccine roll out becoming successful, it was felt the Group could bring back the Fireworks Display. This would be one of the biggest events in the Village since the start of the Pandemic. The 2021 Display was a massive success with almost £6000 in profit alone. The introduction of E-tickets that can be bought online was trialled for the first time. Along with paper tickets 837 advanced tickets were sold before the night.

There was a huge amount of people attending on the night and paying gate prices. This was likely because other local Firework displays in the area were not accepting cash on the gate, and some people waited until the day to check and test themselves for Covid-19 as the advice at the time was that if you tested positive you should stay at home. 1000 items were cooked and served with sales on hot drinks and glowsticks a sell out. To move away from the Pavilion the Group decided to set up the BBQ area on the basketball court which proved to be better. The event took a giant leap forward in terms of people attending and the whole operation needed more volunteer helpers. We hope to build on this success and run the event again on 5th November 2022 with more Fireworks to launch.

Health and Safety review

Every step to reduce risk within activities and events is taken and our complete set of Risk Assessments are available in the Scout Hut office. These are modified when needed to reflect any changes.

This document works alongside common practices and assessing ongoing risks when completing the activity. New unforeseen dangers and changes to practices may develop during the activity or event and the Leadership team will adapt as per the circumstances at the time.

The document incorporates all assessments for higher level risk activities such as the Firework Display. This document is to be reviewed at the start of each calendar year.

Leaders and Committee training is reviewed and updated when required. In October 2021 most of the Leaders completed a First Aid Course as previous training had expired during the Pandemic.

Summary

➤ Our Aims

The purpose of Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society. 1st Grundisburgh Scout Group continues to strive to achieve this by a balanced programme across all Sections working alongside all volunteer Leaders, Assistants, and parents, with support from District, County, and other Scout Groups. We intend to offer all members a night away experience per year, where possible, and give members the opportunity to achieve the top-level awards in their Section. Our future aims are to keep the Scouting adventures available to new members within the local Community, and to seek better facilities, in the form of a new headquarters for our current members, thus enhancing their Scouting life experiences.

➤ Strategies for achieving its stated aims and objective

At 1st Grundisburgh Scout Group we have strived and will continue to:

- ❖ Achieve top awards by blending Section meeting activities and individual own efforts undertaken in their private lives.
- ❖ Utilise the open space of the playing field as well as the indoor space when creating a programme.
- ❖ Bring aspects of teamwork and leadership into the meetings, activities and games we organise in creative and challenging ways.
- ❖ Implement new activities in the programme which members are unable to experience at school or within the home environment. This is then reviewed and improved for next time.
- ❖ Continue being visible within the Grundisburgh village community and wider area at the yearly church parades and the family friendly events such as our Summer Duck Race and November Fireworks Display which are open to the public.
- ❖ Work alongside other Scout Groups in the area to expand Scouting experiences and interactions.
- ❖ Maintain a continuous steady number of young members participating whilst seeking to increase our team of volunteer adults to support the Sections.
- ❖ Offer all members at least one night away camping and outdoor experience during the year.
- ❖ Make it enjoyable for children and adults alike.

➤ Criteria or measures used to assess success in the reporting period

Badges – Although no top level awards have been gained, many members of the Group are close to achieving the award. All types of Challenge badges in each Section have been gained. Beavers and Cubs have obtained First Aid stage 1 and 2 badges, Scouts completed the Fire Safety badge and Explorers acquired more Hikes Away.

Camps – Each Young Member has been given an opportunity to a night away during the 2021-2022 year. A total of 11 nights away experiences have been arranged within the Scout Group.

➤ Performance of material fundraising

Fireworks Display – The Display was the only public event that went ahead as planned. An increase to almost 1200 people were estimated to have attended. £5999.54 profit was made and all of this went to the new HQ fund. The Group plans to run the Duck Race again on Sunday 26th June 2022 and Fireworks display on Saturday 5th November 2022.

Textile Bin – The Textile recycling bin has become very popular in the 2021-2022 year. Increased loads now mean collection of textiles is almost every week and on average 120kg per collection. £1225 has been paid by JMP Wilcox to the Scout Group during the past year. This is almost double the amount from 2020-2021.

Amazon Smile – This new fundraising campaign allows the Group to gain a percentage of funds from people's online shopping at Amazon. People need to register to support the Scout Group, but the product prices are the same as Amazon.co.uk. Payments from Amazon are quarterly based on the previous quarter. Our first funds were received in May 2021 and a total of £43.72 has been paid in during the 2021-2022 financial year. Although not a big fundraising scheme for the Group it will certainly pay for some Section meeting materials, however, being easy to manage plus the likelihood of quarterly payments increasing in the future then the Scout Group intends to continue using the service.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Finances in this current year

This Annual Report and Accounts shows a back to normality in regards to income and expenditure, and it is much harder to compare this year's accounts to previous years.

Subscriptions fees were back to the normal amount of £95 per member as Scouting returns to a full year without interruption.

The Gift Aid claim this year is low due to the 2020-2021 subscriptions being only £30 per member, however, it is expected Gift Aid will boost back up in 2022. The Group has been fortunate to receive donations from the Burgh Wood Trust and local residents, we are grateful to them. Further grants were obtained from East Suffolk District Council for the Covid-19 Omicron variant at the time. All these grants were paid into the new HQ accounts. The Textile bin and Amazon Smile donations continue to support the general funds and operating of the Scout Group, providing an additional source of income to cover materials and building maintenance.

The costs of Camps during 2021-2022 were all covered by the payments from members attending. The exception was the Cub Camp which was the first Camp in the series of camping in Autumn 2021 and new stock of supplies such as tea, coffee, squash, condiments etc were required. Normally items like these would go from camp to camp, but the previous stock was out of date, as the last camp before Covid was in February 2020.

The Group now manages the collection of Explorer subscription fees. Once the HQ membership fee has been paid per Explorer and the Rental fee accounted for, the remaining amount from all subscriptions fees is given to the Explorer Units own bank account. This amount was £359.

The general funds (Barclays Community Account) remained healthy during the year and covered many expenses without having to dip into savings. The annual building insurance increased due to price rises and the Group increased the value of the contents to reflect the growth of new equipment over the past few years. In the remaining few days of this reporting year, it was agreed that an end of year surplus of £2000 in the general funds would pass over to the New HQ funds.

New and Changes to Savings Accounts to maximise Interest income

Last year the Bank of England reduced the base rate due to the Pandemic. Since then, the interest rates have started to rise again, and some changes were made. These were:

General Funds

- ❖ New Redwood 95 Day notice account to hold long term savings of the General Funds, for any future major costs to keep the Scout Group operational - £10,000 deposited

New HQ Funds

- ❖ Renew Hampshire Trust Bank 1 Year Bond to 1.11% - finishes October 2022
- ❖ Redwood Bank and Hampshire Trust Bank 1 year Bonds finished
- ❖ New 95 Day Notice Account with Cambridge & Counties Bank at 0.85% - £12,000 deposited
- ❖ New 2 Year Bond with Cambridge & Counties Bank at 1.50% - £75,000 deposited
- ❖ Renewal of United Trust Bank 1 Year Bond to 1.25% with increased amount - £150,000 deposited
- ❖ Increased amount back in the Redwood Bank 35 Day Notice account – now £150,000
- ❖ Ipswich Building Society is now called Suffolk Building Society with a reduced amount to £100,000
- ❖ Reduced the amount in the Co-op instant access savings due to very low interest rate.

The funds are still spread across different savings accounts with different banking institutions to reduce the risk, however, consideration was also made to maximise our investments, as no financial commitments for the new HQ project were required in the short term.

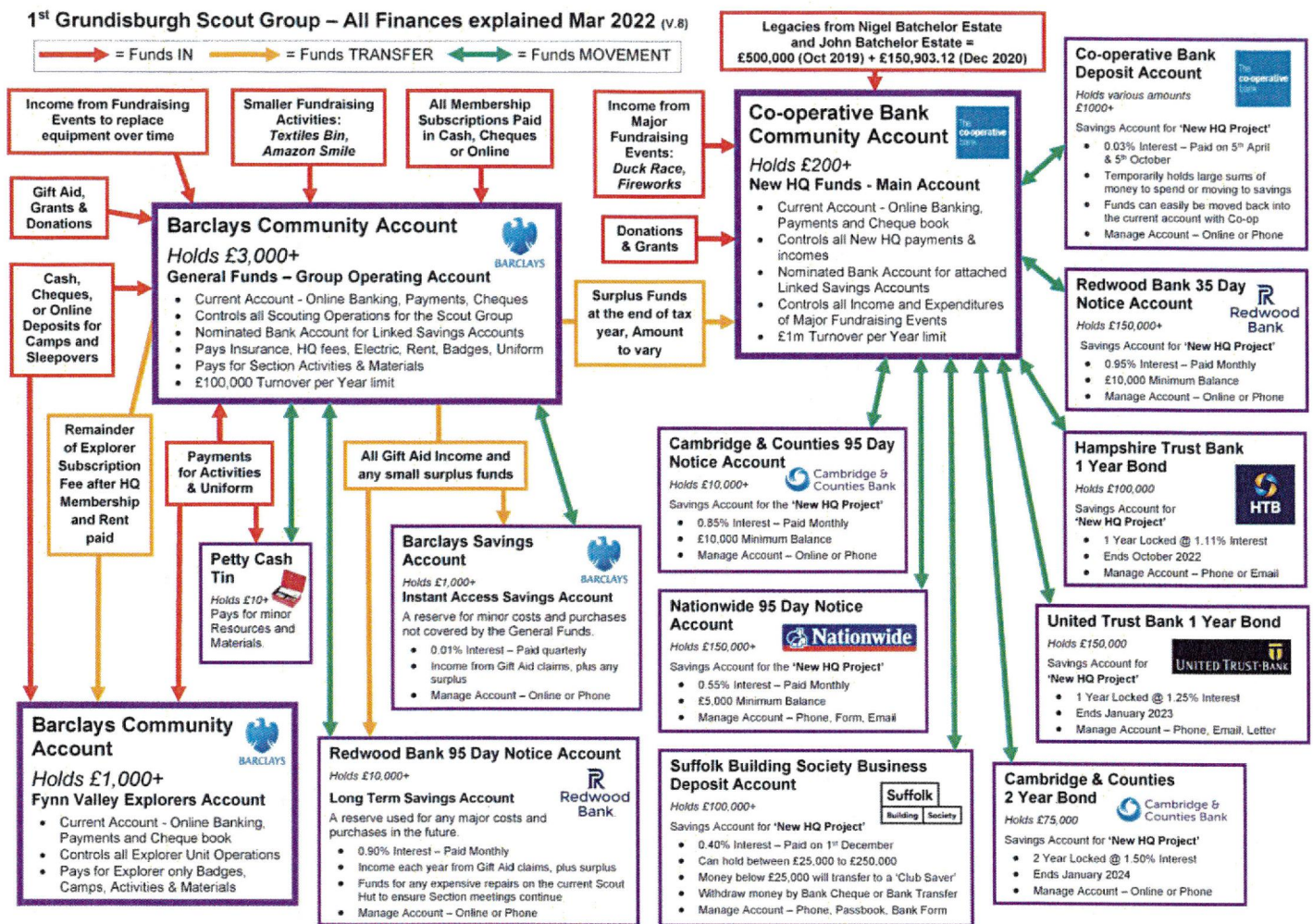
Reserves Policy

As described above, it is the intention of the Trustees to keep a general fund and its reserve for the upkeep and repair of the current Scout Hut, and at least one year's expenses for the running of the Group.

The Trustees have also set up a designated reserve for the new HQ fund to provide a building which will secure the future of Scouting in Grundisburgh and the surrounding area. These designated reserves will be held in several accounts to gain interest and spread the risk of loss.

Finances Flow Chart

The chart below shows the breakdown of accounts, the transfer of money and how each account is funded.



Summary

Once again, the Scout Group is in a good financial position. It is expected there will be no major costs to the Scout Hut, apart from future electricity and insurance expenses. The Scout Group has adequate equipment and materials for future years usage, so there are presently no unforeseen major expenses. We will persist with our new HQ efforts and remain hopeful for a positive outcome.

Our mission, now the Pandemic is almost over, is to rebuild the strength of the Group by increased numbers and engaging with Parents. We also aim to revive all major fundraising events for the Community to enjoy, and for our members to interact, achieve and socialise again in the Scouting way that we all enjoy.

Approved by

Mr Philip Stebbings
Group Chair

Mrs Carly Richmond
Treasurer

Date:

17/9/2022

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES SUMMARY
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	Note	General Fund £	New HQ Fund £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
<i>Income from:</i>					
Donations and Legacies		3,680	11,267	14,947	161,848
Charitable activities		2,843	-	2,843	-
Other trading activities		1,269	7,863	9,132	679
Investment income		71	6,000	6,071	4,046
Other		250	-	250	-
Total	3	<u>£ 8,113</u> =====	<u>£ 25,130</u> =====	<u>£ 33,243</u> =====	<u>£ 166,573</u> =====
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
<i>Expenditure on:</i>					
Raising funds		£ 20	£ 1,864	£ 1,884	£ 20
Charitable activities		5,944	-	5,944	3,193
Other		148	-	148	243
Total	4	<u>£ 6,112</u> =====	<u>£ 1,864</u> =====	<u>£ 7,976</u> =====	<u>£ 3,456</u> =====
Net movement in funds		2,001	23,266	25,267	163,117
Reconciliation of funds					
Fund balance brought forward		14,719	715,574	730,293	567,176
Transfer between funds	7	(2,000)	2,000	-	-
Fund balance carried forward		<u>£ 14,720</u> =====	<u>£ 740,840</u> =====	<u>£ 755,560</u> =====	<u>£ 730,293</u> =====

The annexed notes form an integral part of these accounts

BALANCE SHEET

AT 31 MARCH 2022

	Note	General Fund £	New HQ Fund £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8	259	360	619	767
		<u>259</u>	<u>360</u>	<u>619</u>	<u>767</u>
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors and prepayments	9	-	-	-	50
Cash at bank and in hand	10	14,846	740,480	755,326	729,686
		<u>14,846</u>	<u>740,480</u>	<u>755,326</u>	<u>729,736</u>
Total current assets		14,846	740,480	755,326	729,736
Less: Creditors					
Amounts due falling within one year	11	385	-	385	210
		<u>385</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>385</u>	<u>210</u>
Net current assets		14,461	740,480	754,941	729,526
		<u>14,461</u>	<u>740,480</u>	<u>754,941</u>	<u>729,526</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		£ 14,720	£ 740,840	£ 755,560	£ 730,293
		<u>£ 14,720</u>	<u>£ 740,840</u>	<u>£ 755,560</u>	<u>£ 730,293</u>
		£	£	£	£
FUNDS					
General Fund		14,720	-	14,720	14,719
New HQ Fund		-	740,840	740,840	715,574
		<u>14,720</u>	<u>740,840</u>	<u>740,840</u>	<u>715,574</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	13	£ 14,720	£ 740,840	£ 755,560	£ 730,293
		<u>£ 14,720</u>	<u>£ 740,840</u>	<u>£ 755,560</u>	<u>£ 730,293</u>

Approved by

Chair

P Stebbings

Treasurer



Date

17/9/2022

The annexed notes form an integral part of these accounts

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

1. Basis of preparation

Basis of accounting

The Charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities; Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS102), the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair view' and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 Only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair' view. The departure has involved following the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their annual accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard and applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) issued in October 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention. The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity and rounded to the nearest pound.

Change in Basis

There has been no change to the accounting policies or estimates (valuation rules and methods of accounting) since last year.

2. Accounting policies

Recognition of incoming resources

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- the trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Membership subscriptions

Memberships subscription collected on behalf of other parts of the Scout Movement are reported in the SoFA net of any amount paid out. This is because these subscriptions are in effect held as agents before being paid out.

Offsetting

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.

Grants and donations

Legacies, grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources, and these have been received.

Tax reclaims on donations and gifts

Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the SoFA when they are received

Gifts in kind

Gifts in kind for sale or distribution are included in the accounts as gifts only when sold or distributed by the charity. Gifts in kind for use by the charity are not valued or included in the accounts

Donated services and Facilities

The value placed on these resources is not included in the accounts

Volunteer help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts

Investment income

This is included in the accounts when received.

Liability recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

Governance and Support costs

Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice. These costs have been included in the charitable activity costs.

Current asset investments

The charity has investments of cash and cash equivalents with a maturity date of less than one year held for investment purposes rather than to meet short term cash commitments as they fall due.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

3. Analysis of Incoming Resources

	<i>General Fund</i> £	<i>New HQ Fund</i> £	<i>Total 2022</i> £	<i>Total 2021</i> £
Voluntary Income				
Membership Subscriptions	6,169	-	6,169	1,140
Less: Membership Fees Paid	(2,759)	-	(2,759)	(2,420)
	<u>3,410</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,410</u>	<u>(1,280)</u>
Legacy	-	-	-	150,903
Gift Aid	240	-	240	1,057
Donations and Gifts	30	600	630	460
Government Grants - LRSG	-	10,667	10,667	10,708
	<u>£ 3,680</u>	<u>£ 11,267</u>	<u>£ 14,947</u>	<u>£ 161,848</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
	<i>General Fund</i> £	<i>New HQ Fund</i> £	<i>Total 2022</i> £	<i>Total 2021</i> £
Charitable Activities				
Beaver Camp - Thorrington	450	-	450	-
Cub Camp - Hallowtree	750	-	750	-
Cub Hike/Sleepover	130	-	130	-
Scout - Expedition Camp	320	-	320	-
Scout – Challenge Camp	595	-	595	-
Meeting Activities	260	-	260	-
Uniform and badges	338	-	338	-
	<u>£ 2,843</u>	<u>£-</u>	<u>£ 2,843</u>	<u>£ -</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
	<i>General Fund</i> £	<i>New HQ Fund</i> £	<i>Total 2022</i> £	<i>Total 2021</i> £
Other Trading Activities				
Textile Clothing Bank	1,225	-	1,225	678
Amazon Smile	44	-	44	-
Duck Race	-	-	-	-
Firework Night	-	7,863	7,863	-
Christmas Post	-	-	-	1
	<u>£ 1,269</u>	<u>£ 7,863</u>	<u>£ 9,132</u>	<u>£ 679</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
	<i>General Fund</i> £	<i>New HQ Fund</i> £	<i>Total 2022</i> £	<i>Total 2021</i> £
Investment Income				
Interest (gross) on Bank Accounts	71	6,000	6,071	4,046
	<u>£ 71</u>	<u>£ 6,000</u>	<u>£ 6,071</u>	<u>£ 4,046</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
	<i>General Fund</i> £	<i>New HQ Fund</i> £	<i>Total 2022</i> £	<i>Total 2021</i> £
Other Income				
Hall Rent	250	-	250	-
	<u>£ 250</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 250</u>	<u>£ -</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

4 Analysis of Resources Expended

	General Fund £	New HQ Fund £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Fundraising costs				
Firework Night	-	1,864	1,864	-
Duck Race	-	-	-	-
Lottery Licence	20	-	20	20
	£ 20	£ 1,864	£ 1,884	£ 20
	=====	=====	=====	=====
	General Fund £	New HQ Fund £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Charitable Activities				
<u>Youth Programme</u>				
Beaver Camp - Thorrington	415	-	415	-
Cub Camp - Hallowtree	765	-	765	-
Cub Hike/Sleepover	71	-	71	-
Scout - Expedition Camp	269	-	269	-
Scout – Challenge Camp	424	-	424	-
Section Activities	881	-	881	31
Materials and Equipment	221	-	221	850
Badges	256	-	256	68
Uniform	528	-	528	137
<u>Scout Hut costs</u>				
Insurance	1,234	-	1,234	1,185
Electricity	102	-	102	169
Repairs and Renewals	63	-	63	412
Rent	180	-	180	-
<u>Governance costs</u>				
AGM	219	-	219	-
OSM	57	-	57	33
Training	180	-	180	-
Website	65	-	65	65
Gifts	14	-	14	33
Independent Examination	-	-	-	210
	£ 5,944	£ -	£ 5,944	£ 3,193
	=====	=====	=====	=====
	General Fund £	New HQ Fund £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Other resources expended				
Depreciation	148	-	148	243
	£ 148	£-	£ 148	£ 243
	=====	=====	=====	=====

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

5 Trustees and other related parties	2022	2021
	£	£
Trustee expenses reimbursed		
Group Scout Leader	1,504	819
Other trustees	-	41
	<u>£ 1,504</u>	<u>£ 860</u>
	=====	=====

All amounts paid were to reimburse expenditure on behalf of the Group.
Trustee remuneration in the year ended 31 March 2022 was nil (2021 nil)

6 Fees for examining the accounts	2022	2021
	£	£
Independent examiners fees	-	210
	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 210</u>
	=====	=====

7 Transfer between funds

In previous years, all donations and fundraising proceeds had been allocated to the new HQ fund. In March 2019 various new bank accounts were set up to hold the funds from the legacy and £45,000 was transferred to open these accounts leaving the balance to cover the general day to day running expenses of the Group.

8 Fixed Assets	<i>New</i>	<i>Container</i>	<i>Furniture & Equipment</i>	<i>Total</i>
Cost	£	£	£	£
At 1 April 2021	360	1,555	5,332	7,247
Additions	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2022	<u>£ 360</u>	<u>£ 1,555</u>	<u>£ 5,332</u>	<u>£ 7,247</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
Depreciation	£	£	£	£
At 1 April 2021	-	1,210	5,270	6,480
Depreciation for year	-	86	62	148
On disposals	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2022	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 1,296</u>	<u>£ 5,332</u>	<u>£ 6,629</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
At 31 March 2022	<u>£ 360</u>	<u>£ 259</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 619</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
At 31 March 2021	<u>£ 360</u>	<u>£ 345</u>	<u>£ 62</u>	<u>£ 767</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====

Depreciation is calculated to write down the value of fixed assets over their expected useful lives.
The rates used are:

Furniture and equipment	50% 1 st Year, 25% 2 nd Year, 25% 3 rd Year
Container	50% 1 st Year, then balance over 9 years
New HQ	0% (not yet built)

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

9 Debtors	2022	2021
	£	£
Prepayments for Family Camp at Hallowtree	-	50
	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 50</u>
	=====	=====

10 Cash at bank and in hand

	<i>General Fund</i>	<i>New HQ Fund</i>	<i>Total 2022</i>	<i>Total 2021</i>
	£	£	£	£
Hampshire Trust (1-year bond 1.11%)	-	100,000	100,000	100,000
Hampshire Trust (1-year bond 0.75%)	-	-	-	50,000
Cambridge & Counties (2-year bond 1.5%)	-	75,000	75,000	-
Cambridge & Counties (95-day notice)	-	12,000	12,000	-
Redwood Bank (1-year bond)	-	-	-	100,000
United Trust Bank (1-year bond 1.25%)	-	150,000	150,000	100,000
Nationwide Building Society (95-day notice)	-	150,000	150,000	150,842
Redwood Bank (35-day notice)	-	150,000	150,000	51,343
Suffolk Building Society	-	100,000	100,000	150,663
Co-op Savings	-	1,000	1,000	12,000
Co-op Current Account	-	2,480	2,480	576
Redwood Bank (95 Day notice)	10,311	-	10,311	-
Barclays Savings	1,071	-	1,071	1,070
Barclays Current Account	3,420	-	3,420	13,178
Petty Cash Tin	44	-	44	14
	<u>£ 14,846</u>	<u>£ 740,480</u>	<u>£ 755,326</u>	<u>£ 729,686</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====

11 Creditors	2022	2021
	£	£
Accruals	385	210
	<u>£ 385</u>	<u>£ 210</u>
	=====	=====

This is money collected for the summer Camp in Kent in July 2022

12 Analysis of net assets between funds

	<i>General Fund 2022</i>	<i>New HQ Fund 2022</i>	<i>Total 2022</i>
	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	259	360	619
Cash at bank and in hand	14,846	740,480	755,326
Other current assets/liabilities	(385)	-	(385)
	<u>£ 14,720</u>	<u>£ 740,840</u>	<u>£ 755,560</u>
	=====	=====	=====
	<i>General Fund 2021</i>	<i>New HQ Fund 2021</i>	<i>Total 2021</i>
	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	407	360	767
Cash at bank and in hand	14,262	715,424	729,686
Other current assets/liabilities	50	(210)	(160)
	<u>£ 14,719</u>	<u>£ 715,574</u>	<u>£ 730,293</u>
	=====	=====	=====

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

13 Fund reconciliation

Unrestricted Funds

	<i>Balance at 31 March 2021 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Transfers £</i>	<i>Balance at 31 March 2022 £</i>
General Fund	14,719	8,113	6,112	(2,000)	14,720
New HQ Fund	715,574	25,130	1,864	2,000	740,840
	<u>£ 730,293</u> =====	<u>£ 33,243</u> =====	<u>£ 7,886</u> =====	<u>£ -</u> =====	<u>£ 755,560</u> =====
	<i>Balance at 31 March 2020 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Transfers £</i>	<i>Balance at 31 March 2021 £</i>
General Fund	15,884	11,177	3,246	(9,096)	14,719
New HQ Fund	551,292	155,396	210	9,096	715,574
	<u>£ 567,176</u> =====	<u>£ 166,573</u> =====	<u>£ 3,456</u> =====	<u>£ -</u> =====	<u>£ 730,293</u> =====

Fund descriptions

Unrestricted funds

General fund for the day to day running expenses of the Scout Group

Designated funds

The New HQ Fund represents money from the legacies and fundraising surpluses over the last few years which has been set aside to fund a new building.

14 Capital Commitments

There were no capital commitments at 31 March 2022 or 31 March 2021.

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE
1ST GRUNDISBURGH SCOUT GROUP**

I report on the Accounts of the 1st Grundisburgh Scout Group for the year ended 31 March 2022, which are set out on pages 2 to 17.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

As the Charity Trustees of the Trust, 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as 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 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.



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Date: 14 September 2022

1ST GRUNDISBURGH SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 1033767

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ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 March 2021

MEMBER OF THE UK SCOUT ASSOCIATION



TRUSTEES REPORT**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

Registered Charity No. 1033767
 Group Registration No.
 Charity contact name: Mr Stuart Ross
 Charity contact address: 3 Post Mill Crescent, Grundisburgh, Woodbridge, IP13 6UX
 Charity main address: The Scout Hut, Grundisburgh Playing Field, off Ipswich Road, Grundisburgh, Woodbridge, Suffolk, IP13 6TJ
 Charity website: www.grundisburghscouts.org.uk

Trustees who manage the Charity

		Date appointed	Date resigned
THE TRUSTEES - Ex Officio			
Group Scout Leader	Mr Stuart Ross	04/06/2008	
Group Chair	Mr Philip Stebbings	13/05/2008	
Deputy Chair	Mrs Alison Banham	14/01/2021	
Secretary	Mrs Patricia Ross	01/06/1993	
Treasurer	Mrs Carly Richmond	14/06/2013	
Beaver Leader Representative	Ms Geraldine Millar	31/12/2017	
Cub Leader Representative	Mr Adrian Adams	07/12/2017	
Scout Leader Representative	Mr Stephen Swain	07/12/2017	
THE TRUSTEES - Elected			
Parent Rep	Mr Jason Banham	07/12/2017	

Custodian Trustees The Scout Association Trust Corporation, Gilwell Park, Bury Road, Chingford, London E4 7QW

Professional Advisors

Bankers
 Barclays Bank, 4 Church Street, Woodbridge, IP12 1DJ
 Co-operative Bank – Business, PO Box 250, Skelmersdale, WN8 6WT
 Nationwide Building Society, Kings Park Road, Moulton Park, Northampton, NN3 6NW
 Redwood Bank, The Nexus Building, Broadway, Letchworth Garden City, Hertfordshire, SC6 3TA
 Hampshire Trust Bank, 55 Bishopsgate, London, EC2N 3AS
 Ipswich Building Society, PO Box 547, Ipswich, IP3 9WZ
 United Trust Bank, 1 Ropemaker Street, London, EC2Y 9AW

Suffolk ProHelp Consultants
 Mark Sargeantson - Land Surveyor, Fenn Wright, 1 Buttermarket, Ipswich, IP1 1BA
 Roger Gilles - Architect, Barefoot & Gilles Ltd, 2 Cromwell Court, 16 St. Peters Street, Ipswich, IP1 1XG
 James Robbins - Solicitor, Marshall Hatchick, 37 High Street, Aldeburgh, IP15 5AU

Independent Examiner: Christine Wade, Hastings Wade, 58-60 Stowupland Road, Stowmarket, IP14 5AL

STRUCTURE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Document

The 1st Grundisburgh Scout Group is part of the Scout Association and belongs to the Deben Scout District. The Group'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.

Constitution

The Group is a Trust established under its rules, which are common to all Scouts.

Trustee selection

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

Governance

The Group is managed by the Group Executive Committee, 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.

Members of the Executive Committee complete 'Essential Information for Executive Committee' training within the first few months of joining the Committee.

The Committee consists of three independent representatives, Chair, Treasurer and Secretary together with the Group Scout Leader, individual Section Leaders and parent representation and meets three times a year.

This Group Executive Committee exists to support the Group Scout Leader in meeting the responsibilities of the appointments and is responsible for:

The maintenance of Group property;

The raising of funds and the administration of Group finance;

The insurance of persons, property and equipment;

Group public occasions;

Assisting in the recruitment of Leaders and other adult support;

Appointing any sub committees that may be required;

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

Risk and Internal Control

The Group Executive Committee has identified the major risks to which they believe the Group 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 Group would request the use of buildings, property, and equipment from neighbouring organisations such as the primary school, village hall, sports pavilion, parish rooms and other Scout Groups. The Group has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss.

Injury to Leaders, helpers, supporters, and members. The Group, through the capitation fees, contributes to the Scout Associations national accident insurance policy.

Reduced income from fund raising. The Group is reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. The Group does hold a reserve, which should ensure the continuity of activities, should there be a major reduction in income. The Committee could raise the value of subscriptions to increase the income to the Group on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently.

Reduction or loss of Leaders. The Group is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the Group. If there were a reduction in the number of Leaders to an unacceptable level in a particular Section or the Group as a whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a Section. In the worst-case scenario, the complete closure of the Group.

Reduction or loss of members. The Group provides activities for all young people aged 6 to 14. If there were a reduction in membership in a particular Section or the Group as a whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a Section. In the worst-case scenario, the complete closure of the Group.

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

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

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.

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.

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.

Volunteers

All the Section Leaders and helpers are volunteers and volunteers carry out all the fundraising.

Public Benefit

The Group meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The Group comprises of a Beaver Colony, a Cub Pack and a Scout Troop with an Executive Committee.



Group Scout Leader's Report

Well, what a year it has been! In my last Annual Report, I explained that Scout HQ stopped all face-to-face meetings on 16th March 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and at the time my thoughts were that we would return by May half term. Unfortunately, as we are now all too aware, the pandemic has continued and to this day still restricts social activities.

During this strange year of 2020 to 2021 there has been lots of information from the UK Scout HQ who have been liaising with the National Youth Agency to ascertain when meetings can return. In late June 2020, the COVID-19 level was lowered from Red to Amber allowing limited face-to-face meetings. After a socially distanced open air Executive Committee meeting in early July, it was decided to hold off restarting until children returned to School, which was planned for September.

COVID-19 Risk Assessments were completed in early September and sent to District, County and Scout HQ levels to authorise restarting. Unfortunately, due to District politics and administration, we did not get approval to restart until Mid-October. Grundisburgh Scout Group and Fynn Valley Explorers were very fortunate to get an approval, as many Groups in the District were denied restarting and had to keep changing their Risk Assessments.

With approval acquired we restarted on Monday 12th October with the Scout Troop. Due to work, personal or family reasons, a couple of warranted Leaders were unable to return, but with a sufficient number of adults in all Sections this allowed the Group to reopen. Scout HQ limited the number of children that could return in each Section to 15. Due to members ageing, and a very few wishing not to return, we were able to reduce Section numbers to this figure of 15, where they have remained for the rest of the year.

Three meetings for Scouts and Explorers, two meetings for Cubs and one meeting for Beavers were all held before the second lockdown came in November. Although the Schools remained open, social activities like Scouting were stopped by the UK Government. Scouting was able to return in December, and a further three meetings for Cubs and two for other Sections were held before the Christmas Holidays.

With COVID-19 cases increasing and new variants on the rise a third UK Lockdown was enforced in early January. Once again Scouting was stopped. At the time, we were told this halt would last until February, so the Scout Group chose to wait. However, when February came and the news of lockdown being extended, the Leadership felt we should start offering online 'Zoom' meetings in order to stay in touch with our members.

Zoom meetings in Scouting had been operating during the Summer and Autumn across the UK in various Groups but to a mixture of opinions. Grundisburgh Scout Group did not offer Zoom meetings in the Summer or early Autumn because at the early stages of the pandemic many of the Leaders were key workers, so as Group Scout Leader I felt it was not fair to ask them to commit to these Zoom meetings at the time. It was agreed with the Leaders and Assistants that Zoom meetings will be every two weeks for sections from Mid-February until face-to-face could return. As Group Scout Leader I wanted to ensure the sessions were fun and structured, so the first few sessions of each Section were led by myself with a mixture of games and quizzes. The Zoom calls were well attended with over 85% of the total membership on the calls.



Towards the end of March 2021, we started to look at badges and awards that could be completed over Zoom. It was around this time Scout HQ declared face-to-face meetings could return from 29th March. It was agreed with the Leaders and Assistants that Sections would return as soon as practical, and as a result the Scout Troop returned on Monday 29th March, Beavers on 30th March, Explorers on 31st March and Cubs returning a week later on 9th April due to Good Friday the week before.

Finally, I would like to welcome Alison Banham to the Executive Committee who has taken on the role of Deputy Chair. Alison brings a lot of experience as a previous Brownie Leader and Scouting wife and parent. As always, a big thank you to all our volunteer Leaders, Section Assistants and Committee members who continued to support me and the Group during a difficult time for everyone. We all hope that with the vaccine roll out across the UK in the coming months, this will end the need for lockdowns so Scouting can rebuild after Covid and become active in the Communities across the UK and our Village once again.

Stuart Ross, GSL

BEAVERS

Significant activities and highlights from each Section during the year:

- 15 new Beavers joined the Colony as previous members moved to Cubs
- The Colony welcomes back Ben Huxley a previous Young Leader who will be helping as an adult
- Lorna Banham has gained her Assistant Beaver Leader Warrant
- Four face-to-face meetings held with Introductions, Games and a Christmas Campfire
- Builders Badge completed at Home and Air Activities completed over two Zoom calls

CUBS

- 5 new Cubs joined the Pack. Many older Cubs moved to the Scout Troop
- Ryan Swain has gained his Assistant Cub Leader Warrant
- Dan Turner and Mike Walls have completed their Training
- Cubs Camp at home in their gardens as part of joint event
- Members take part in Hike to the Moon as part of the Great Indoors Challenge
- Five face-to-face meetings held involving Team Games and a Christmas Campfire
- Cubs complete the Navigator Stage 1 badge over two Zoom calls.

SCOUTS

- 10 new Scouts join from Cubs
- Six face-to-face meetings held involving Team Games, Log Cutting and a Christmas Campfire
- Scouts complete the Local Knowledge badge during Zoom calls

FYNN VALLEY EXPLORER UNIT

Our associated Explorer Unit called Fynn Valley continues to provide Scouting experiences for members when they leave 1st Grundisburgh at 14 years old. They will remain a user of our facilities and equipment for the foreseeable future under the partnership agreement. Highlights:

- 8 new Explorers join from the Scout Troop
- Six face-to-face meetings held involving Games, Log Cutting, Pioneering Challenge, Campfire
- Explorers complete the Digital Citizen Stage 1 badge on a Zoom call with the assistance of former Grundisburgh Scout Joe Brown (Brother of Leader Sam) who discussed Internet Safety and Password Security whilst online.

European Jamboree - Cancelled

Unfortunately Scout Group Members Rosie Rogers and Annabel Turnbull were unable to attend the European Jamboree in 2020 due to COVID-19. The organisers moved the event to new dates in 2021 but with the ongoing pandemic the event was cancelled completely.

This is such a shame for the girls who have worked hard to fundraise for the event. It is believed that Suffolk Scouts will now work towards providing something else for the Contingent.

UK Scout Association National Archery Competition - Cancelled

Both the 2020 and 2021 Competitions have been cancelled due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic that sweeps the Nation and the World. It is hoped that the Competition will resume in 2022.

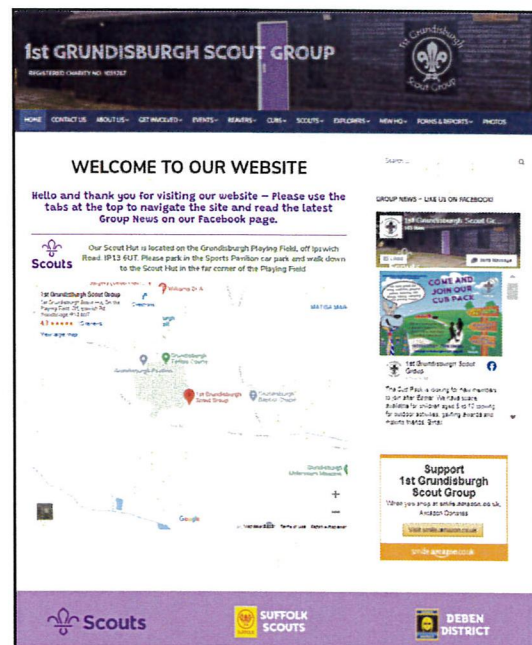
Website updates

During the main Lockdown in 2020 a complete overhaul of the Scout Group website has been undertaken. A fresh new look makes finding information easier to access and less complicated to update over time.

Website pages include information about:

- ❖ Scout Group History
- ❖ Leaders, Young Leaders and the Executive Committee
- ❖ Fundraising
- ❖ Group Policies, Forms and Reports
- ❖ Getting Involved as a Youth Member or Adult Member
- ❖ Public Events
- ❖ All Sections Information, Uniform and Badges
- ❖ New HQ project
- ❖ Photo Gallery

The Home Page displays a feed from our Facebook page as current news, plus a Google map location and link to supporting the Scout Group via Amazon Smile online shopping site.

**The Scout Hut**

Since March 2020, the Scout Hut has hardly been used much by the Sections, however, regular weekly checks for vandalism or theft have taken place. During the main lockdown period of April to June, this enabled some much needed maintenance which had not been completed before due to lack of time available. Major efforts were made inside to repaint walls, tidy areas, add new shelves, noticeboards, and fixtures. While outside the Scout Hut walls have been treated, the door and frame stripped back and repainted, new guttering and down pipes installed, roof cleared and the shed painted.

Also outside, the overgrown hedges, ivy and trees have been removed so they do not engulf the buildings, giving better air circulation and ability to see more of the Scout Hut, in case of vandalism or local youths hanging around using the area to smoke and drink. The old bike rack on the side of the Scout Hut has been moved to a new position by the Chapel Field hedge to make storage of bicycles easier, as there is an increasing trend for members to arrive on bicycles.

Insurance rates have been reduced as the building value was likely to be over estimated and a new 3 year electricity contract with EDF has reduced the costs of supply. The current lease for ground rent with the Grundisburgh Playing Field is due to end on 1st January 2023. Renewal of the lease will be dealt with closer to the date, however this depends on what stage the New HQ project has reached. Potentially a shorter time lease, rather than a 21 year lease, may be required to span the transition period from current building to the new building.

New HQ progress

During 2020 the Scout Group and our professional advisors via Suffolk ProHelp have been in communication with Strutt and Parker, the Land Agent for Cranworth Estate, and Hopkins Homes who are currently seeking permission to develop 70 Homes on the Chapel Field site. Negotiations to acquire the land directly behind the Scout Hut have been difficult during the pandemic and are now waiting for the outcome of Chapel Field.

With strong objections to the development from within the Village it was felt the Scout Group Executive Committee could not fully provide an opinion on the matter, as benefits such as a new access road and potential increase in members competes against the disadvantages of upsetting and contradicting the many loyal and generous people in the Community, who have supported the Scout Group over the years.

Our Events for the Village and Community during the pandemic

As the COVID-19 pandemic continued during the year it was clear our public events that engage with the Community were forced to be cancelled. Due to extensive work on the interior and exterior of the Scout Hut no events were planned in the Summer.

In the autumn term of 2020 with social restrictions still in place, the Scout Group arranged a free event for the Village to take part in. As the likelihood of children unable to have Halloween parties or 'Trick or Treat' we created 'The Grundisburgh Ghost Hunt' with the help of local residents who were able to place a poster of a Ghost in their window or garden. The task was aimed at families to navigate around the village using a map downloaded on our website to find these Ghosts and identify their colour and a letter of the alphabet shown. Once all 13 Ghosts were found, families should use the letters to make words and send their answers to the Scout Group. The winner would receive a free family ticket to our next Fireworks Display. Many people took part with most just walking around finding them for a bit of fun.



After the success of the Ghost Hunt another free event was published on our website. This treasure trail type activity involved walking around the village to solve clues to who stole our racing ducks Christmas presents. With clues relating to suspects names or birthdays the activity was designed for all ages and was downloaded many times and had good reviews.

A deadline of New Year's Eve was set so people could enter a prize draw to win family tickets to our next Fireworks Display.

This activity has remained on the website for further people in the village and wider Community to enjoy, albeit the prize draw has been removed. This will serve as a good example of Scouting skills such as teamwork, following directions and problem solving that can be given to potential new members who are just joining the Scout Group or to people who want to know more about Scouting.

Health and Safety reviews – COVID-19 and new Scouting Risk Assessments

In 2020 the Scout Association has reviewed many of its activities and ways of working to promote safer conditions and required adult training. The Safeguarding and Safety ongoing learning modules were renewed and all Leaders, Assistants and adults working in the Association need to be fully compliant with the latest rules. At 1st Grundisburgh Scout Group we are pleased to say our Leaders are up to date with all training.

When returning back to face-to-face meeting in October, a COVID-19 Risk Assessment was needed to identify the areas within the Scout Group and its operating to eliminate the risk of spread of COVID-19. A detailed Risk Assessment was completed and approved by the District. This document would continuously evolve during the pandemic, with parts added or changed from rules dictated from the Scout Association and the National Youth Agency - a Government body that the Scouting and any UK Youth activities fall under.

During 2020 the Scout Association also revealed that all Groups must have a complete set of Risk Assessments for all activities and operations that the Scout Group undertakes in the future. Up to 2020 most of the activities at Grundisburgh Scout Group were undertaken with a dynamic risk assessment and dangers were eliminated before the activity or explained verbally to members before partaking. A document has now been created to formally write down these risks and how the Scout Group deals with them. The document now incorporates existing risk assessments for higher level risk activities such as Firework Night and Archery. This document is to be reviewed at the start of each calendar year and copies are made available at the Scout Hut and emailed to all Leaders and Assistants within our Group.

Summary

➤ Our Aims

The purpose of Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society. 1st Grundisburgh Scout Group continues to strive to achieve this by a balanced programme across all Sections working alongside all volunteer Leaders, Assistants, and parents, with support from District, County, and other Scout Groups. We intend to offer all members a night away experience per year, where possible, and give members the opportunity to achieve the top-level awards in their Section. Our future aims are to keep the Scouting adventures available to new members within the local Community, and to seek better facilities, in the form of a new headquarters for our current members, thus enhancing their Scouting life experiences.

➤ Strategies for achieving its stated aims and objectives

At 1st Grundisburgh Scout Group we have strived and will continue to:

- ❖ Achieve top awards by blending Section meeting activities and individual own efforts undertaken in their private lives.
- ❖ Utilise the open space of the playing field as well as the indoor space when creating a programme.
- ❖ Bring aspects of teamwork and leadership into the meetings, activities and games we organise in creative and challenging ways.
- ❖ Implement new activities in the programme which members are unable to experience at school or within the home environment. This is then reviewed and improved for next time.
- ❖ Continue being visible within the Grundisburgh village community and wider area at the yearly church parades and the family friendly events such as our summer Duck Race and November Fireworks Display which are open to the public.
- ❖ Work alongside other Scout Groups in the area to expand Scouting experiences and interactions.
- ❖ Maintain a continuous steady number of young members participating whilst seeking to increase our collection of volunteer adults to support the Sections.
- ❖ Offer all members at least one night way camping and outdoor experience during the year.
- ❖ Make it enjoyable for children and adults alike.

➤ Criteria or measures used to assess success in the reporting period

Badges – With face-to-face meetings limited, it has been difficult to complete top level awards. Other activity and stage badges have been gained by attendance of Zoom online sessions along with some homework. Beavers obtained the Air Activities Stage 1 and Builder Activity badges. Cubs achieved the Navigator Stage 1 badge. Scouts gained the Local Knowledge badge while Explorers completed the Digital Citizen 1 badge.

Camps – Due to COVID-19 pandemic traditional camping was not permitted by Scout HQ in the reporting period of 2020 to 2021. The Cub Section organised a one night camping at home experience during the Summer of 2020. It is hoped that camping and residential will return in late Summer 2021.

➤ Performance of material fundraising

Duck Race & Fireworks Display – Due to the Government rules for dealing with COVID-19 this has impacted on Social distancing and gatherings for public. The Duck Race was cancelled in 2020 and will still be unable to run in 2021. The Fireworks Display was cancelled in 2020, the hope is that this can return in November 2021.

Textile Bin – For several months since the start of the pandemic, textiles were uncollected due to the processing plant partly closing as part of the Government enforced lockdown. Unfortunately, during this time, the textile deposits built up and many bags were left outside by the textile bin. In late July, the company operating the textile bin - JMP Wilcox, made arrangements to reduce the bin size so it can be collected by a sub-contractor company called Blakes from Norwich. On 28th July Blakes collected any dry materials from outside the textile bin. The remaining wet items were dried on the playing field and re-bagged. The large full bin was taken away on 12th August, with any remaining textiles, and the new bin was left in place. Since this switch to the smaller bin there has been fortnightly collections which has really boosted the fundraising with almost £700 received.

Amazon Smile – This new fundraising campaign allows the Group to gain a percentage of funds from people's online shopping at Amazon. People need to register to support the Scout Group, but the product prices are the same as Amazon.co.uk. Payments from Amazon are quarterly based on the previous quarter. Our first expected funds are due in May 2021.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Finances in this current year

In our last financial review, we reported the separation of accounts to show transparency between the new Headquarters funds and the General Scouting funds. We also explained the arrangement of formal bank accounts for the new HQ project funds and the arrival of the Nigel Batchelor Legacy of £500,000.

It is much harder to compare this year's accounts to previous years as the entire objective during 2020 was to ride out the pandemic, ensuring we had funds to cover the essential costs for the Group to restart and return to normality, when safe and practical to do so.

The general funds (Barclays Community Account) remained healthy during the year and covered many expenses without having to dip into savings. There was no request to the Explorer Unit for rent and the Playing Field Management Committee gave a rent relief and did not ask for their normal annual fee.

Many expenses in the year were to cover some essential works and redecoration of the Scout Hut to brighten areas up for the return of members. The exterior of the building was looking worn out and had a much needed clean up and recoating of preservative. It is hoped this decoration would be sufficient to endure the final years of the current Hut until a new HQ is built.

The Group also purchased much needed new wooden pegs which have now been painted purple and mark to show they belong to us. The Group also purchased various play equipment from 'Kit Crew' who ran holiday camps for children. Items of equipment include dodge balls, cones, coloured buckets, hula hoops, quick cricket sets, paper rocket firing devices and stationery such as scissors, rulers, sellotape and colouring pencils/pens.

We have reduced electricity costs by switching to EDF Energy on a new 3 year direct debit contract, and have further reduced the annual building insurance and contents by removing some redundant policies and decreasing the value of the building, as it was overvalued. However, the value of the contents was increased to reflect the growth of new equipment over the past few years.

The Group collected the previous years Gift Aid from HMRC, this was £1057.13. That was a much higher amount for a year, due to more parents signing the declaration now incorporated into the new Health Forms. This was then moved into the linked savings account to the general funds and kept for use in the 'Scouting Side' of the Group's operations.

Fundraising mainly came from the Textile bin which continues to support the general funds account. There was no Christmas Post or our major Summer and Autumn public fundraisers. In the remaining few days of this reporting year, it was agreed that an end of year surplus of £2000 in the general funds would pass over to the New HQ funds.

COVID-19 Business Support Grants from East Suffolk District Council

During the past year the UK Government has been offering grants payable to businesses who were forced to close due to the pandemic. These funds came via our local District Council as part of the rates and valuation of your building. The first offer of £10,000 by the Government was in the Summer 2020. At the time, it was felt that as all our bills and expenses were already paid, and we did not see any further outgoing in the short term, it was decided not to apply for this Grant as it was also expected the Government would need to see our accounts and would identify the recent Legacy from the Batchelor family.

In October 2020, the Scout Group restarted for a few face-to-face meetings up until the Government enforced the second lockdown in November. This resulted in stopping all meetings again. The Government then introduced another Grant for November which was available to all facilities that had to close. It was felt that as we had restarted again, we should apply for this Grant to assist the upcoming building Insurance payment.

The Scout Group was successful and received £1334. Only a couple of further face-to-face meetings were held in December, before the third enforced lockdown that would stretch until late March 2021. Due to the lack of meetings, we could not charge a full year's subscriptions to members, however, the Scout Association still required a membership fee per individual, regardless if that Group had face-to-face meetings or not, as the Association still needed to fund essential services such as Safeguarding, Insurance and Operations.

With further Grants received during this period of December to March, the Leadership team and Executive Committee felt this would pay the majority of membership subscriptions, and a small contribution from parents was to be asked for, in order to secure their child's place within the Group. A request of £15 per child was then called for.

Further Grants in late January and early March, enabled the Scout Group to completely cover any previous essential expenses such as electricity supply, website, online scout manager, leaders' uniform, and the purchase of COVID-19 equipment such as hand gel and pumps, cleaning materials, disposable masks and aprons. The Grants also enabled the Scout Group to replace the potential income that would have been gained from the Duck Races and Fireworks Display. This was transferred to the New HQ Co-op account to cover this loss of three fundraising events – Duck Race 2020 & 2021, Fireworks Display 2020.

Changes to Savings Accounts to maximise Interest income during the pandemic

The UK economy was hit hard by the pandemic, and the Bank of England reacted by reducing their base rate to 0.1% and has remained at that level ever since. With the likelihood of losing interest income on our savings accounts, actions were taken to secure better rates of return.

These were:

New HQ Funds

- ❖ Change Nationwide Instant Access Account to a 95 Day Notice Account, now at 0.40%
- ❖ Remove £100,000 from Co-op Deposit account into a new Redwood Bank 1 Year Bond at 1.62%
- ❖ Move £50,000 into a new Hampshire Trust Bank 95 Day Notice Account – this was later changed to a 1 Year Bond at 0.75% due to the bank reducing the variable interest on the 95 Day account.
- ❖ Renewal of existing Hampshire Trust 1 Year Bond now at 1%

The funds are still spread across different savings accounts with different banking institutions to reduce the risk, however, consideration was also made to maximise our investments, as no financial commitments for the new HQ project were required in the short term.

Arrival of the Second Legacy

In the last annual report, we explained the Scout Group was due another Legacy from the Batchelor Family. In his Last Will and Testament John Batchelor of Highfield, Meeting Lane in Grundisburgh, left 30% of the residual value, after specific gifts of his own Estate, to the Scout Group to use once again for '*its general charitable purposes*'.

After taking the Solicitors over a year to resolve, final accounts for John Batchelor's Estate were sent to all Beneficiaries. The total assigned to 1st Grundisburgh Scout Group was £150,903.12. This arrived in December and deposited into the Co-op Community Account for distribution to other Banks.

These were:

- ❖ £50,000 to our Nationwide Building Society 95 Day Notice Account
- ❖ £100,000 to a new 1 Year Bond with United Trust Bank – a brand new saving account

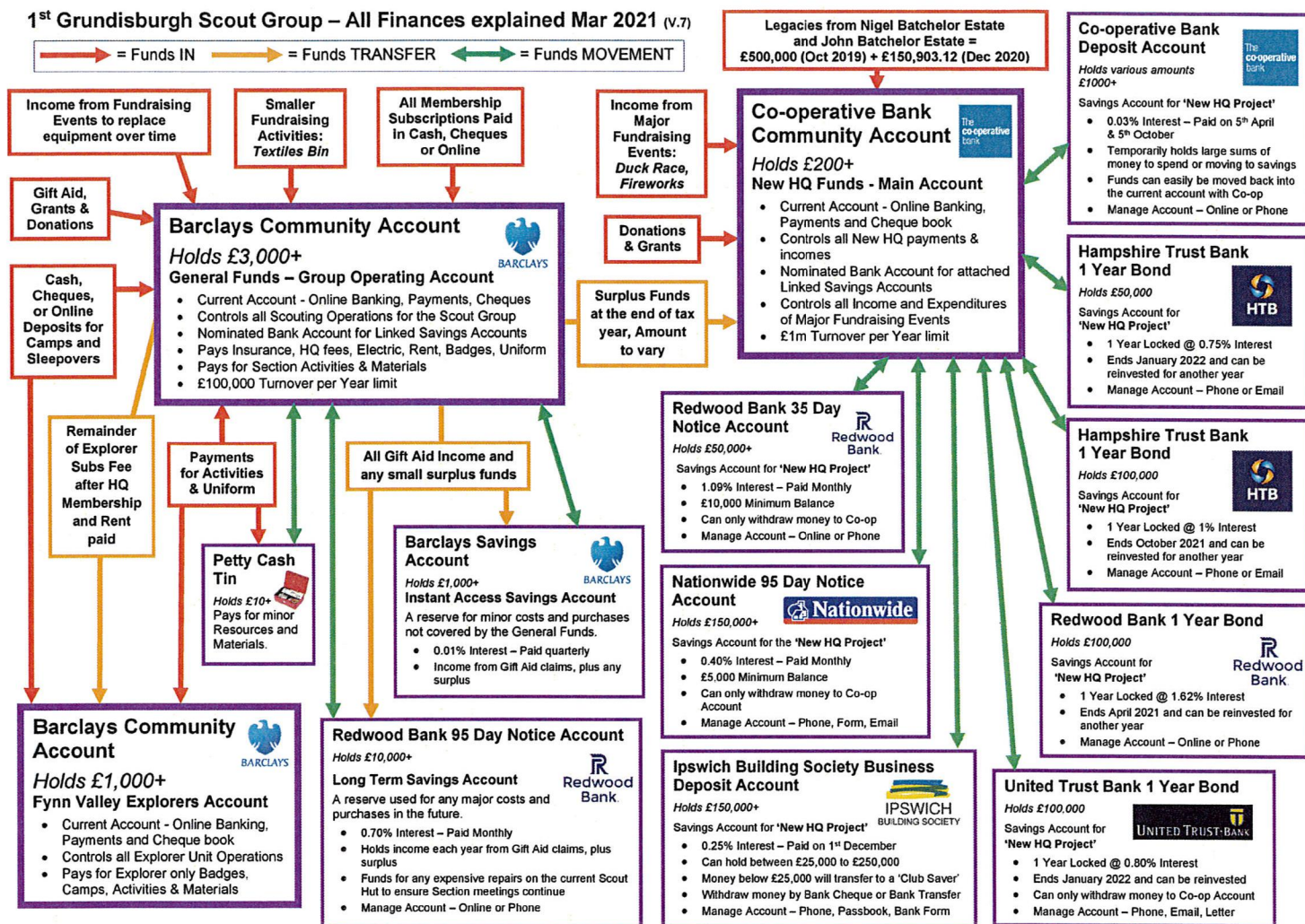
We are deeply thankful to John and the support he showed to the Scout Group, having given us just over £650,000 of his family's wealth. As John himself died on Christmas Day 2017, it has been agreed within the Group that as a fitting tribute every year, on behalf of our members, we will lay a Christmas Wreath on his and his family's Cremation Stone in the Graveyard at St. Marys Church, Grundisburgh.

Reserves Policy

As described above it is the intention of the Trustees to keep a general fund and its reserve for upkeep and repair of the current Scout Hut, and at least one year's expenses for the running of the Group. The Trustees have also set up a designated reserve for the new HQ fund to provide a building which will secure the future of Scouting in Grundisburgh and the surrounding area. These designated reserves will be held in several accounts to gain interest and spread the risk of loss.

Finances Flow Chart

The chart below shows the breakdown of accounts, the transfer of money and how each account is funded.



Summary

Once again, the Group is in a good financial position despite the reduction in membership fees. Further enquiries will continue to reduce major expenses such as the building and contents insurance. The Scout Group has adequate equipment and materials for future year's usage, so there are presently no unforeseen expenses. We will persist with our new HQ efforts and remain hopeful for a positive outcome.

Our mission, once the effects of the pandemic has passed, is to rebuild the Group with increased numbers, re-engage with the Community and encourage our members to interact, achieve and socialise again in the Scouting way that we all enjoy.

Approved by

Mr Philip Stebbings
Group Chair

Mrs Carly Richmond
Treasurer

Date:

5/10/2021

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES SUMMARY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	<i>Note</i>	<i>General Fund £</i>	<i>New HQ Fund £</i>	<i>Total 2021 £</i>	<i>Total 2020 £</i>
INCOMING RESOURCES					
<i>Income from:</i>					
Donations and Legacies		10,495	151,353	161,848	505,028
Charitable activities		-	-	-	1,345
Other trading activities		679	-	679	8,983
Investment income		3	4,043	4,046	1,320
Other		-	-	-	250
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Total	3	£ 11,177	£ 155,396	£ 166,573	£ 516,926
		=====	=====	=====	=====
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
<i>Expenditure on:</i>					
		£	£	£	£
Raising funds		20	-	20	2,818
Charitable activities		2,983	210	3,193	4,885
Other		243	-	243	305
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Total	4	£ 3,246	£ 210	£ 3,456	£ 8,008
		=====	=====	=====	=====
Net movement in funds		7,931	155,186	163,117	508,918
Reconciliation of funds					
Fund balance brought forward		15,884	551,292	567,176	58,258
Transfer between funds	7	(9,096)	9,096	-	-
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Fund balance carried forward		£ 14,719	£ 715,574	£ 730,293	£ 567,176
		=====	=====	=====	=====

The annexed notes form an integral part of these accounts

BALANCE SHEET

AT 31 MARCH 2021

	Note	General Fund £	New HQ Fund £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8	407	360	767	1,010
		<u>407</u>	<u>360</u>	<u>767</u>	<u>1,010</u>
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors and prepayments	9	50	-	50	50
Cash at bank and in hand	10	14,262	715,424	729,686	566,326
		<u>14,312</u>	<u>715,424</u>	<u>729,736</u>	<u>566,376</u>
Total current assets		14,312	715,424	729,736	566,376
Less: Creditors					
Amounts due falling within one year	11	-	210	210	210
		<u>-</u>	<u>210</u>	<u>210</u>	<u>210</u>
Net current assets		14,312	715,214	729,526	566,166
		<u>14,312</u>	<u>715,214</u>	<u>729,526</u>	<u>566,166</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		£ 14,719	£ 715,574	£ 730,293	£ 567,176
		<u>£ 14,719</u>	<u>£ 715,574</u>	<u>£ 730,293</u>	<u>£ 567,176</u>
		£	£	£	£
FUNDS					
General Fund		14,719	-	14,719	15,884
New HQ Fund		-	715,574	715,574	551,292
		<u>14,719</u>	<u>715,574</u>	<u>730,293</u>	<u>567,176</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	13	£ 14,719	£ 715,574	£ 730,293	£ 567,176
		<u>£ 14,719</u>	<u>£ 715,574</u>	<u>£ 730,293</u>	<u>£ 567,176</u>

Approved by

Chair

P Stebbings

Treasurer

C.A.

Date

5/10/21

The annexed notes form an integral part of these accounts

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

1. Basis of preparation

Basis of accounting

The Charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities; Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS102), the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair view' and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 Only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair' view. The departure has involved following the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their annual accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard and applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) issued in October 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention. The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity and rounded to the nearest pound.

Change in Basis

There has been no change to the accounting policies or estimates (valuation rules and methods of accounting) since last year.

2. Accounting policies

Recognition of incoming resources

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- the trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Membership subscriptions

Memberships subscription collected on behalf of other parts of the Scout Movement are reported in the SoFA net of any amount paid out. This is because these subscriptions are in effect held as agents before being paid out.

Offsetting

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.

Grants and donations

Legacies, grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources, and these have been received.

Tax reclaims on donations and gifts

Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the SoFA when they are received

Gifts in kind

Gifts in kind for sale or distribution are included in the accounts as gifts only when sold or distributed by the charity. Gifts in kind for use by the charity are not valued or included in the accounts

Donated services and Facilities

The value placed on these resources is not included in the accounts

Volunteer help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts

Investment income

This is included in the accounts when received.

Liability recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

Governance and Support costs

Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice. These costs have been included in the charitable activity costs.

Current asset investments

The charity has investments of cash and cash equivalents with a maturity date of less than one year held for investment purposes rather than to meet short term cash commitments as they fall due.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

3. Analysis of Incoming Resources

	<i>General Fund</i> £	<i>New HQ Fund</i> £	<i>Total 2021</i> £	<i>Total 2020</i> £
Voluntary Income				
Membership Subscriptions	1,140	-	1,140	4,470
Less: Membership Fees Paid	(2,420)	-	(2,420)	(1,980)
	<u>(1,280)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,280)</u>	<u>2,490</u>
Legacy	-	150,903	150,903	500,000
Gift Aid	1,057	-	1,057	2,326
Donations and Gifts	10	450	460	212
Government Grants - LRSG	10,708	-	10,708	-
	<u>£ 10,495</u>	<u>£ 151,353</u>	<u>£ 161,848</u>	<u>£ 505,028</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
	<i>General Fund</i> £	<i>New HQ Fund</i> £	<i>Total 2021</i> £	<i>Total 2020</i> £
Charitable Activities				
Beaver/Cub Camp - Thorrington	-	-	-	540
Cub Camp - Halloween	-	-	-	557
Cub Sleepover	-	-	-	200
Uniform and badges	-	-	-	48
Family Camp	-	-	-	-
Scout – Expedition Camp	-	-	-	-
Scout Camp – Wet Weekend	-	-	-	-
Meeting Activities	-	-	-	-
	<u>£-</u>	<u>£-</u>	<u>£-</u>	<u>£ 1,345</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
	<i>General Fund</i> £	<i>New HQ Fund</i> £	<i>Total 2021</i> £	<i>Total 2020</i> £
Other Trading Activities				
Textile Clothing Bank	678	-	678	735
Christmas Post	1	-	1	-
Duck Race	-	-	-	3,528
Firework Night	-	-	-	4,720
	<u>£ 679</u>	<u>£ 0</u>	<u>£ 679</u>	<u>£ 8,983</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
	<i>General Fund</i> £	<i>New HQ Fund</i> £	<i>Total 2021</i> £	<i>Total 2020</i> £
Investment Income				
Interest (gross) on Bank Accounts	3	4,043	4,046	1,320
	<u>£ 3</u>	<u>£ 4,043</u>	<u>£ 4,046</u>	<u>£ 1,320</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
	<i>General Fund</i> £	<i>New HQ Fund</i> £	<i>Total 2021</i> £	<i>Total 2020</i> £
Other Income				
Hall Rent	-	-	-	250
	<u>£ 0</u>	<u>£ 0</u>	<u>£ 0</u>	<u>£ 250</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

4 Analysis of Resources Expended

	<i>General Fund</i> £	<i>New HQ Fund</i> £	<i>Total 2021</i> £	<i>Total 2020</i> £
Fundraising costs				
Firework Night	-	-	-	2,109
Duck Race	-	-	-	689
New Year's Eve	-	-	-	-
Lottery Licence	20	-	20	20
	<u>£ 20</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 20</u>	<u>£ 2,818</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
	<i>General Fund</i> £	<i>New HQ Fund</i> £	<i>Total 2021</i> £	<i>Total 2020</i> £
Charitable Activities				
<u>Youth Programme</u>				
Section Activities	31	-	31	384
Materials and Equipment	850	-	850	133
Badges	68	-	68	254
Uniform	137	-	137	399
Cub/Beaver Camp - Thorrington	-	-	-	525
Cub Camp - Halloween	-	-	-	435
Cub Sleepover	-	-	-	101
<u>Scout Hut costs</u>				
Insurance	1,185	-	1,185	1,576
Electricity	169	-	169	233
Repairs and Renewals	412	-	412	139
Rent	-	-	-	280
<u>Governance costs</u>				
OSM	33	-	33	33
Website	65	-	65	63
Gifts	33	-	33	-
Independent Examination	-	210	210	210
Training	-	-	-	40
Post and Stationery	-	-	-	80
	<u>£ 2,983</u>	<u>£ 210</u>	<u>£ 3,193</u>	<u>£ 4,885</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
	<i>General Fund</i> £	<i>New HQ Fund</i> £	<i>Total 2021</i> £	<i>Total 2020</i> £
Other resources expended				
Depreciation	243	-	243	305
	<u>£ 243</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 243</u>	<u>£ 305</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====

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5 Trustees and other related parties	2021	2020
	£	£
Trustee expenses reimbursed		
Group Scout Leader	819	1,112
Other trustees	41	256
	<u>£ 860</u>	<u>£ 1,368</u>
	=====	=====

All amounts paid were to reimburse expenditure on behalf of the Group.
Trustee remuneration in the year ended 31 March 2021 was nil (2020 nil)

6 Fees for examining the accounts	2021	2020
	£	£
Independent examiners fees	210	210
	<u>£ 210</u>	<u>£ 210</u>
	=====	=====

7 Transfer between funds

In previous years, all donations and fundraising proceeds had been allocated to the new HQ fund. In March 2019 various new bank accounts were set up to hold the funds from the legacy and £45,000 was transferred to open these accounts leaving the balance to cover the general day to day running expenses of the Group. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic the usual fundraising activities were cancelled so the Trustees have taken the decision to transfer £5,000 from the general fund and £4,096 as part of the grant received from the local District Council, to the building fund this year.

8 Fixed Assets	<i>New</i>		<i>Furniture &</i>	
	<i>HQ</i>	<i>Container</i>	<i>Equipment</i>	<i>Total</i>
Cost	£	£	£	£
At 1 April 2020	360	1,555	5,332	7,247
Additions	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2021	<u>£ 360</u>	<u>£ 1,555</u>	<u>£ 5,332</u>	<u>£ 7,247</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
Depreciation	£	£	£	£
At 1 April 2020	-	1,123	5,114	6,237
Depreciation for year	-	87	156	243
On disposals	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2021	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 1,210</u>	<u>£ 5,270</u>	<u>£ 6,480</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
At 31 March 2021	<u>£ 360</u>	<u>£ 345</u>	<u>£ 62</u>	<u>£ 767</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
At 31 March 2020	<u>£ 360</u>	<u>£ 432</u>	<u>£ 218</u>	<u>£ 1,010</u>
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Depreciation is calculated to write down the value of fixed assets over their expected useful lives.
The rates used are:

Furniture and equipment	50% 1 st Year, 25% 2 nd Year, 25% 3 rd Year
Container	50% 1 st Year, then balance over 9 years
New HQ	0% (not yet built)

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

9 Debtors		2021	2020
		£	£
Prepayments for Family Camp at Hallowtree		50	50
		<u>£ 50</u>	<u>£ 50</u>
		=====	=====

10 Cash at bank and in hand

	<i>General Fund</i>	<i>New HQ Fund</i>	<i>Total 2021</i>	<i>Total 2020</i>
	£	£	£	£
Hampshire Trust (1-year bond 1%)	-	100,000	100,000	100,000
Hampshire Trust (1-year bond 0.75%)	-	50,000	50,000	-
Redwood Bank (1-year bond)	-	100,000	100,000	-
United Trust Bank (1-year bond)	-	100,000	100,000	-
Nationwide Building Society (95-day notice)	-	150,842	150,842	100,367
Redwood Bank (35-day notice)	-	51,343	51,343	100,662
Ipswich Building Society	-	150,663	150,663	149,759
Co-op Savings	-	12,000	12,000	100,000
Co-op Current Account	-	576	576	354
Barclays Savings	1,070	-	1,070	5,010
Barclays Current Account	13,178	-	13,178	10,131
Petty Cash Tin	14	-	14	43
	<u>£ 14,262</u>	<u>£ 715,424</u>	<u>£ 729,686</u>	<u>£ 566,326</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====

11 Creditors

		2021	2020
		£	£
Accruals		210	210
		<u>£ 210</u>	<u>£ 210</u>
		=====	=====

12 Analysis of net assets between funds

	<i>General Fund 2021</i>	<i>New HQ Fund 2021</i>	<i>Total 2021</i>
	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	407	360	767
Cash at bank and in hand	14,262	715,424	729,686
Other current assets/liabilities	50	(210)	(160)
	<u>£ 14,719</u>	<u>£ 715,574</u>	<u>£ 730,293</u>
	=====	=====	=====
	<i>General Fund 2020</i>	<i>New HQ Fund 2020</i>	<i>Total 2020</i>
	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	650	360	1,010
Cash at bank and in hand	15,184	551,142	566,326
Other current assets/liabilities	50	(210)	(160)
	<u>£ 15,884</u>	<u>£ 551,292</u>	<u>£ 567,176</u>
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

13 Fund reconciliation**Unrestricted Funds**

	<i>Balance at 31 March 2020 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Transfers</i>	<i>Balance at 31 March 2021 £</i>
General Fund	15,884	11,177	3,246	(9,096)	14,719
New HQ Fund	551,292	155,396	210	9,096	715,574
	<u>£ 567,176</u> =====	<u>£ 166,573</u> =====	<u>£ 3,456</u> =====	<u>£ -</u> =====	<u>£ 730,293</u> =====
	<i>Balance at 31 March 2019 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Transfers £</i>	<i>Balance at 31 March 2020 £</i>
General Fund	4,433	7,644	5,008	8,815	15,884
New HQ Fund	53,825	509,282	3,000	(8,815)	551,292
	<u>£ 58,258</u> =====	<u>£ 516,926</u> =====	<u>£ 8,008</u> =====	<u>£ -</u> =====	<u>£ 567,176</u> =====

Fund descriptions**Unrestricted funds**

General fund for the day to day running expenses of the Scout Group

Designated funds

The New HQ Fund represents money from the legacies and fundraising surpluses over the last few years which has been set aside to fund a new building.

14 Capital Commitments

There were no capital commitments at 31 March 2021 or 31 March 2020.

15 Events after the year end

Scout meetings will resume during the Summer term, but these are still subject to Covid-19 restrictions. The pandemic may still impact on fundraising and other events such as camps, which will reduce the overall income to the Group.

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE
1ST GRUNDISBURGH SCOUT GROUP**

I report on the Accounts of the 1st Grundisburgh Scout Group for the year ended 31 March 2021, which are set out on pages 2 to 19.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

As the Charity Trustees of the Trust, 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as 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 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.

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