



# **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
<b>THE TRUSTEES - Ex Officio</b>			
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	
<b>Elected Representatives</b>			
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	
<b>Nominated Representatives</b>			
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	
<b>Co-opted Representatives</b>			
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, SG6 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

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## 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.

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## 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.

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## 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 15<sup>th</sup> 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 Thorington 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> place out of 11 Teams.





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**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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 believed 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. 1<sup>st</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 26<sup>th</sup> 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 5<sup>th</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 to 31<sup>st</sup> 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 20<sup>th</sup> 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.

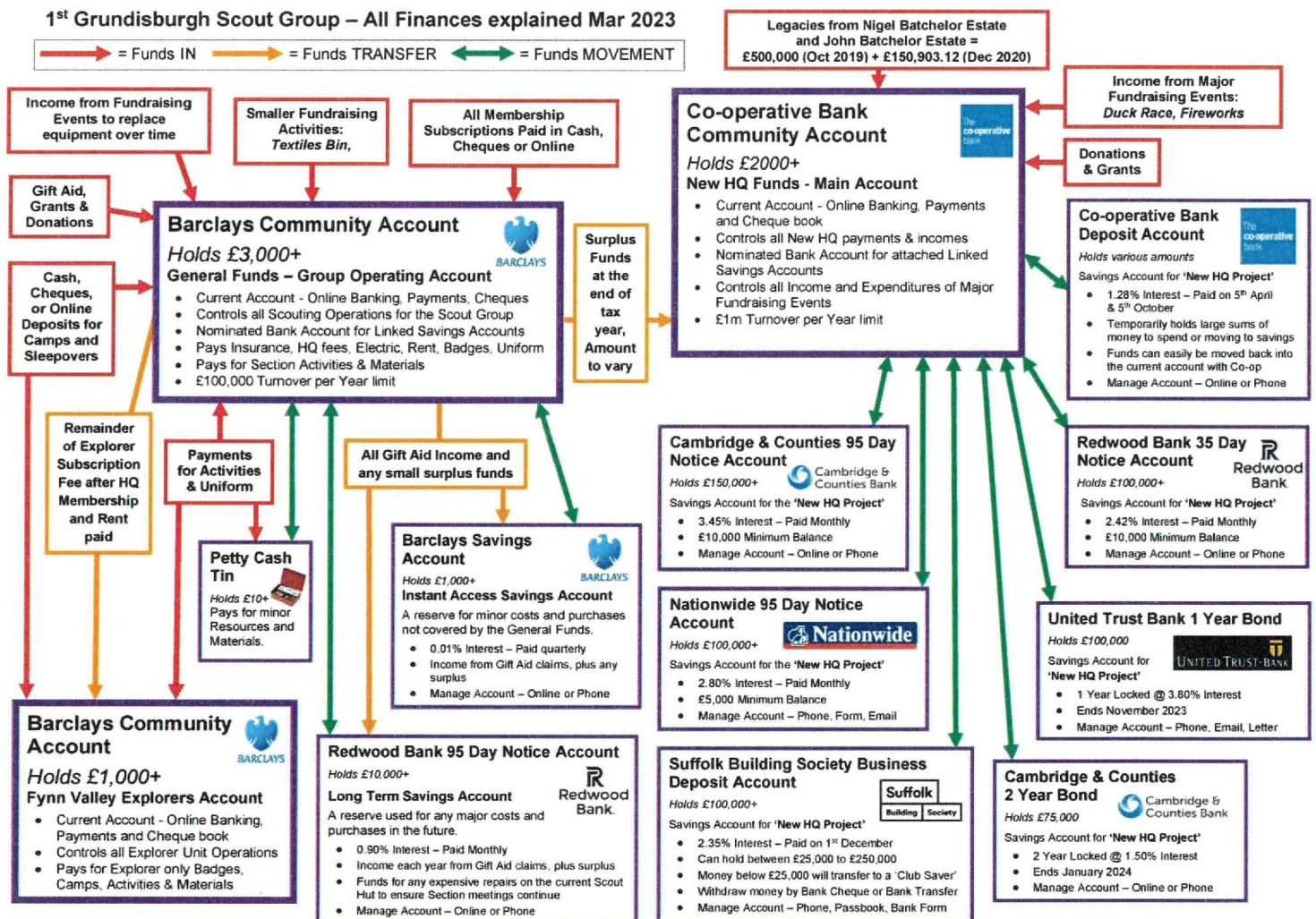
The funds are still spread across different savings accounts with different banking institutions to reduce the risk. Consideration is also made to maximise our investments as no high value financial commitments for the new HQ project were required. Any funds required were readily available from current 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>
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>					
<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
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>£ 10,145</b> =====	<b>£ 22,991</b> =====	<b>£ 33,136</b> =====	<b>£ 33,243</b> =====
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>					
<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
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>£ 9,027</b> =====	<b>£ 4,682</b> =====	<b>£ 13,709</b> =====	<b>£ 7,976</b> =====
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<b>1,118</b>	<b>18,309</b>	<b>19,787</b>	<b>25,267</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>					
Fund balance brought forward		14,720	740,840	755,560	730,293
<b>Fund balance carried forward</b>		<b>£ 15,838</b> =====	<b>£ 759,149</b> =====	<b>£ 774,987</b> =====	<b>£ 755,560</b> =====

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

Approved by

Chairperson

Treasurer

Date

8/10/2023

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**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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**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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**4 Analysis of Resources Expended**

	General Fund £	New HQ Fund £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
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>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
	General Fund	New HQ Fund	Total 2023	Total 2022
Other		£	£	£
Depreciation	796	-	796	148
	<u>£ 796</u>	<u>£-</u>	<u>£ 796</u>	<u>£ 148</u>
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<b>5 Trustees and other related parties</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	£	£
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)

<b>6 Fixed Assets</b>	<i>New HQ</i>	<i>Container</i>	<i>Furniture &amp; Equipment</i>	<i>Total</i>
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 <sup>st</sup> Year, 25% 2 <sup>nd</sup> Year, 25% 3 <sup>rd</sup> Year
Container	50% 1 <sup>st</sup> 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 2023</i>	<i>Total 2022</i>
	£	£	£	£
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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<b>8 Creditors</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	£	£
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**

<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>	<i>Balance at 31 March 2022</i>	<i>Income</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Transfers</i>	<i>Balance at 31 March 2023</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>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>
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====

**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.

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**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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