

Treasurers Report for Year End Accounts 2023

The Group continues to be in a strong position financially building on a good platform from the previous year. Our financial position enabled us to carry out some much needed maintenance on the premises to ensure that we can provide a safe facility for our young people.

Revenue

Subscription payments were held at £10 per young person per month until Sept 24 when we raised it to £12 per month, still offering enormous value for money for all of the activities provided for our young people. These fees are used to pay County and Central Scouting fees and provide activities for our young people. We continue to be in a position to subsidise 3rd party activities to keep costs low for parents and guardians. We see an increase in overall subs as we see the Squirrel section fully join the Group.

Our first fundraising activity of the year was our Spring Coffee Morning, raising a wonderful £599, with a further £659 at the Autumn event, both increases on 2023. Our coffee morning continues to be very well supported by the village and we have maintained this strong support with both events held at the hut.

Our annual plant sale was as always a phenomenal success, again gaining our 2nd highest level of sales, only beaten by the Covid era. Costs have risen slightly but a huge £2130 was raised in profit to the group. We are very grateful for the support from the village and beyond, along with a recognition for the great quality of plants we are able to provide.

The 200 club continues to be supported well and we will be looking for new ways in 2024 to bring this fundraising opportunity to more people in the community.

The burger stall continues to be a our biggest fund raising revenue earner for us at a number of events including the Bransgore Fun Day, Beer Festival in September and the Bransgore fireworks in November bringing us a total of £4972 profit from these outdoor events. We are grateful to the team who make this happen for us and are always looking for more volunteers to support this amazing work. We would like to extend our thanks to Sarah Melbourne for coordinating these events over the last few years and show our appreciation as she hands the reins over.

Our annual Carnival continues to bring the village together for a day of fun on the field. This event is so rewarding as it combines efforts of so many people to bring the carnival to the village, whilst showing what a great team of young people we have at the heart of our Scout group. The support of the village is highly valued by everyone involved. The weather was again absolutely on our side as we saw yet another record revenue of £5564, translating into a fantastic profit of £4051. We continue to look for new stalls/events/ displays to bring to the carnival to ensure that we maintain this run of record breaking years that we have had over the last 6 events. We are looking forward to seeing this event develop and grow as it is central to all that we do within the community.

We are grateful to Sainsburys for supporting our bag packing event at Christmas. This event is wonderful as the young people can get fully involved and show the community what a great group they are. Those that attended were proud to bring in an extra £1489 in profit to the group

Costs

As mentioned above we have carried out some maintenance on the hut. This included a safety flooring across the main area of the hut suited to the level of foot traffic we experience. The roof has

also been covered with a more substantial felt roofing, which we were very grateful to have received a donation from Vitesse to help cover funding. We have upgraded some of our electrics, including outside power and lighting.

Due to heavy recruitment across all sections, enabling us to be able to operate our safeguarding ratios we have also seen an increase in uniform costs from previous years.

Activities

Each section provided a fun packed programme of activities for the young people to enjoy, involving visits off site and relevant expert visitors to the hut. Our dedicated leaders continue to review their programmes to bring our Young People different opportunities relevant to our Scouting Code. Both The Cubs and Scouts section were able to be involved in camps and we continue to look at this in 2025. We are seeing an increase in costs for all camps and activities and will continue to support our young people to access these in the most cost efficient way.

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Receipts & Payments Account Summary Year Ending 31st December 2024

	Dec-24	Dec-23	Dec-22	Dec-21	Dec-20
	£	£	£	£	£
Total Receipts for Year	39,911	34,640	35,375	30,307	20,827
Total Payments for Year	42,846	29,385	42,853	17,898	30,757
Net receipts (payments) for the Year	(2,935)	5,255	(7,478)	12,410	(9,931)
Cash, Bank and similar funds brought forward	31,257	26,002	33,480	21,070	31,001
Cash, Bank and similar funds carried forward	28,322	31,257	26,002	33,480	21,070

The above account and accompanying statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the trustees

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Receipts for the Year Ending ended 31st December 2024

	Dec-24	Dec-23	Dec-22	Dec-21	Dec-20
	£	£	£	£	£
MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS	8,888	7,832	6,965	2,719	5,354
Less Paid	3,829	2,485	2,726	3,216	3,240
	5,060	5,347	4,240	- 498	2,114
INVESTMENT INCOME RECEIVED					
National Savings interest	-	3	-	24	27
	-	3	-	24	27
DONATIONS/GRANTS					
General	1,658	340	430	16,418	11,690
Property rents	-	-	-	-	-
Hut Build	-	-	1,000	-	1,700
	1,658	340	1,430	16,418	13,390
ACTIVITIES					
Various Camps	5,873	4,535	7,074	1,350	1,260
Outings	578	599	133	-	-
	6,451	5,134	7,207	1,350	1,260
FUND RAISING (gross)					
Carnival	5,564	5,251	4,771	-	-
Plant Sales	6,787	6,143	5,796	7,035	3,060
Burger Sales	9,711	8,570	-	-	-
Other events	3,063	3,139	11,914	5,125	50
200 Club / Hut Build	640	685	17	852	926
	25,765	23,788	22,498	13,012	4,036
OTHER INCOME					
Income tax recovered -					
on subscriptions and donations	978	-	-	-	-
Loan	-	-	-	-	-
	978	-	-	-	-
SUNDRY RECEIPTS					
Uniforms	-	28	-	-	-
	-	28	-	-	-
TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR	39,911	34,640	35,375	30,307	20,827

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Payments for the Year Ending 31st December 2024

	Dec-24 £	Dec-23 £	Dec-22 £	Dec-21 £	Dec-20 £
PREMISES					
Rent	-	-	-	-	-
Council Tax	69	65	123	63	-
Light and Heat	3,669	1,975	1,587	805	812
Insurance	2,693	2,554	2,103	2,069	2,102
Hut Maintenance (note 1)	12,454	1,660	3,240	553	96
Hut build costs	-	-	2,636	1,176	16,548
	18,885	6,254	9,689	4,666	19,558
DONATIONS/GRANTS					
Donations	500	280	270	1,000	-
	500	280	270	1,000	-
ACTIVITIES					
Various Camps	4,268	4,589	7,109	2,030	2,985
Training	-	-	100	-	-
Outings/Activities	3,534	2,924	1,284	1,124	324
	7,803	7,514	8,493	3,154	3,309
FUND RAISING EXPENSES					
General	188	25	5,093	1,373	-
Plant Sales	4,657	4,416	3,934	4,598	2,289
Carnival	1,513	2,449	1,874	-	147
Burger Sales	4,739	3,960	-	-	-
Hut Build	-	156	171	188	203
	11,097	11,006	11,071	6,159	2,639
ADMIN/ESTABLISHMENT EXPENSES					
Website Subscription	142	144	124	125	208
Stationery	59	194	27	196	408
Bank charges	-	-	-	48	60
	201	338	151	369	676
OTHER EXPENSES					
Personal Insurance	-	-	-	-	-
Uniforms	1,385	490	91	200	40
Sundries	163	166	20	397	208
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Loan repayment	-	-	10,000	-	-
	1,720	720	10,288	597	248
PURCHASE OF BADGES	1,289	1,630	228	249	100
Sub-Total	41,493	27,751	40,191	16,194	26,529
PURCHASE OF CAPITAL EQUIPMENT	1,353	1,644	2,662	1,704	4,228
TOTAL PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	42,846	29,385	42,853	17,898	30,757

Note

1 Net of £5,000 insurance payment in respect of roof repair

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Statement of Assets & liabilities at 31st December 2024

	Dec-24 £	Dec-23 £	Dec-22 £	Dec-21 £	Dec-20 £
MONETARY ASSETS					
Bank Current Account	24,733	27,393	22,131	29,858	11,713
Hut Build Account	-	-	-	-	15,448
National Savings Account	3,412	3,412	3,408	3,408	3,357
Cash in Hand	178	452	463	214	484
Total	28,322	31,257	26,002	33,480	31,001
OTHER MONETARY ASSETS					
Tax Claim for Years 2021 to 2024 (Estimate)	5,000	6,500	6,500	5,000	3,000
Debts due from Group / District	-	-	-	-	-
Total	5,000	6,500	6,500	3,000	3,000
NON-MONETARY ASSETS					
Assets for Charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-
Badge Secretary's Stock	50	50	50	50	50
Group/District shop stock	-	-	-	-	-
Land and Buildings	175,000	175,000	175,000	175,000	175,000
Motor Vehicles	-	-	-	-	-
Scouting equipment, furniture etc	22,000	22,000	22,000	22,000	22,000
Total	197,050	197,050	197,050	197,050	197,050
LIABILITIES					
Loan - Christchurch District Scout Group	-	-	-	10,000	10,000
Total	-	-	-	10,000	10,000

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

To the Trustees of the 8th Christchurch (Burton) Scout Group

I report on the accounts of the Group for the year ended 31st December, 2024 which are set out on the previous pages.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Group's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required this year (under Section 32(2) of the Charities act 1993 (the 1993 act)) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under Section 43 (3) (a) of the 1993 Act);
- Follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under Section 43 (7) (b) of the 1993 Act; and
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Group and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 41 of the 1993 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 Act have not been met, or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: 

Name: John Malins

Qualification: Chartered Management Accountant (A.C.M.A.)

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Date: 3rd March 2025