

Sale & District Scouts

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Activities

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

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Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- Trafford

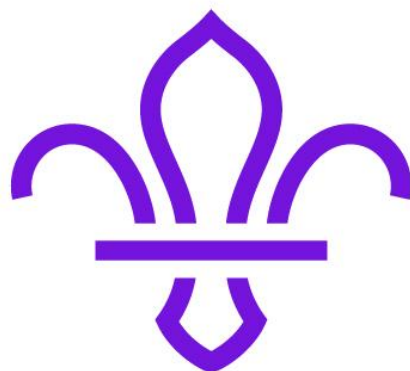
Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£74,949	£72,272	-	-
2023-12-31	£59,249	£55,454	-	-
2022-12-31	£47,689	£40,563	-	-
2021-12-31	£41,123	£36,819	-	-
2020-12-31	£58,309	£54,807	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
IAN MCGEOUGH	Chair	2018-05-03
ALFRED CLIVE WINBY		2015-04-16
ANDREA LOUISE MORGAN		2014-01-01
Andrew Charles Atherall		
Baxter Lynch		2025-11-28
CHRISTINE GLEAVES		2018-05-03
Harold Norman Peet		2017-07-19
Lewis Sinclair		2023-12-11
MICHAEL JOHN HARDING		
PAUL ERNEST MAGGS		2023-06-22
Paul Anthony Harris		2020-09-17

Accounts



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Sale And District

Annual Report 2024

AGM 7th May 2025

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Annual General Meeting Agenda

- Introduction
 - Introduction Ian McGeough
 - Apologies for absence Ian McGeough
- Governance Items
 - Approval of the minutes of the previous AGM Ian McGeough
 - Adopt model constitution for a District in POR chapter 5 as our Constitution. Ian McGeough
 - Note our Financial year is 1st Jan to 31st Dec. Ian McGeough
 - Agree the maximum number of Trustee Board Members Ian McGeough
 - Agree the Quorum for Scout Council Meetings. Ian McGeough
- Review the Previous Year
 - District Lead Volunteer's review of the past 12 months Andy Atherall
 - County Lead Volunteer's remarks
 - Presentation of annual report for 2024 Ian McGeough
 - Presentation of audited accounts Mike Harding
 - District Chairman's remarks Ian McGeough
- Make Appointments
 - Appoint the District Chairman Andy Atherall
 - Appoint the District Treasurer Ian McGeough
 - Appoint members of the District Trustee Board Ian McGeough
 - Appointment of the District President Ian McGeough
 - Appoint rep. to the County Scout Council Ian McGeough
 - Appoint the Accounts Examiner Mike Harding
- County Lead Volunteer – Presentations

The official part of the proceedings will be followed by: -

- A performance by the Sale Scout & Guide Band

Chairman's Report

Another year seems to fly by! This year, as always, has been a remarkable one for Sale and District, full of accomplishments that truly exemplify the spirit of Scouting. It's a privilege to reflect on our shared successes and celebrate the dedication and resilience of everyone involved in our community.

This year there must be a special mention of the Gang Show. It was an extraordinary event that not only showcased the immense talent of our young people but also underscored the power of teamwork and collaboration between the Scouting and Guiding communities. The Gang Show brought laughter, joy, and entertainment to everyone who attended, and I want to extend my gratitude to everyone who contributed—both on and off stage. Sadly, we know, this will be the last Gang Show for some time, but there is always the hope it will return in some form in the future, continuing to inspire and bring us together.

Another cause for celebration this year was the recognition of the work of so many dedicated Scouters within our district. Maybe we are catching up on some long overdue praise, but these awards serve as a reminder of the hard work, commitment, and passion that fuels everything we do. Special congratulations must go to Harry Peet and Bob Cole, who were both awarded the prestigious Silver Wolf. Their unwavering contributions to Scouting are nothing short of remarkable, and they truly embody the values we strive to uphold. While awards are not the reason we volunteer, it is always good to receive a BRAVO now and again.

As I reflect on this year, I am also reminded of the many collaborative efforts that make our district so strong. Events like Remembrance Sunday or St George's Day Parade showcase the spirit and unity of our community.

My personal thanks go to all the members of the District Trustee board that has ensured the smooth administrative running of all our groups and activities. Quietly working in the background, the trustee board has been instrumental in guiding us through challenges, providing resources, and ensuring that all groups comply with necessary regulations. My heartfelt thanks go to each member of the board, a representative of each group, for their commitment and hard work. A special mention thanks go to Andy Atherall, our District Lead Volunteer (DC!), whose dynamic enthusiasm and dedication keep us all connected. Andy's tireless efforts and inspirational leadership are a cornerstone of our success. We are incredibly fortunate to have him at the helm, guiding us with energy and vision.

Finally, I would like to convey the gratitude of the parents and guardians of the young people involved in our district. To every leader, volunteer, and supporter—thank you for the time, energy, and care you give to Scouting. Your contributions have a profound

14th Sale HQ, 7:30pm, 7th May 2025

impact on the lives of the young people you work with, helping them develop skills, friendships, and memories that will last a lifetime. On behalf of all the families whose lives you've touched, thank you for all that you do.

Yours in Scouting,

Ian McGeough
District Chairman

District Lead Volunteer's Report

Seems hard to believe that I've been DC / DLV for seven years now, I can't decide if it's gone quickly or slowly, it depends on what's happening on any given day.

2024 has seen some of the biggest changes ever in Scouting. We've been transformed into a new organisation structure, with new titles, different roles and different ways of doing things. Like it or not it's here to stay, and we need to understand it and work with it so we can focus on our primary reason for being here – delivering front line Scouting and making a difference to the lives of our young people.

Compass has gone and we have a shiny new membership / learning / recruitment system, which, although it has a lot of bugs and issues, does deliver a far better learning experience than its predecessor. I'll take this opportunity to remind everyone that the new safety and safeguarding must be completed by July, regardless of when your actual expiry dates are,

In 2024 we have been able to recognise the hard work and service of our volunteers more than previous and I am delighted to report that there were 72 awards in total. Included were 21 Wood Badges, 19 length of service awards, 6 Chief Scout's Commendation for Good Service, 12 Awards for Merit, 5 Bar to the Awards for Merit, 6 Silver Acorns and 2 Silver Wolf awards. These awards confirm what a dedicated and excellent team of volunteers we have throughout Sale. I would like to congratulate personally Bob Cole and Harry Peet on their Silver Wolf awards, Judith Summersgill on her 50 Years Service award and John Casson on 60 years' service. I'm also delighted to report that Bob Cole, one of our new Silver Wolf holders will be taking on the role of District President, and I am sure he will do well.

Alison Corser and Lewis Sinclair are doing great work with our Explorers, Network and Young Leaders. We are now seeing more Young Leaders not only completing their awards but coming back as leaders. Lewis has improved communication between Explorers and Network, ensuring we are now capturing Explorers as they turn 18 and bringing them into Network so they can complete both Scouting and DofE Awards. I would also like to thank Yasmin Lee for rebuilding Network from nothing into a unit that Lewis and she can take forward.

Our new first response training team, Dave Hannigan, Iraklis Lampadariou and Mark Brown are making a real difference in catching up with the training backlog as well as providing training for Explorers and Young Leaders to achieve Level 5 Emergency Aid / Young Leader Module K.

Our District parades also went well. St George's day was our best ever for attendance and stalls but still needs more helpers. Remembrance Day had a few changes but turned out to be more manageable than previous.

Our band has had a brilliant year, do read their report, and they performed an excellent set of modern music in this year's 60th Gang Show. Gang Show 2025 was full of mixed emotions. A fantastic 60th show, a first class cast and yet sadly our last show. My personal thanks to everyone who has been involved with the show over the years, and maybe in a couple years we can consider bringing the show back. It needs new volunteers on the management committee, a different business and funding model and new ideas and volunteers to build and run the show.

The year has had a few problems though, which have caused a lot of wasted time and effort in trying to rectify them.

The new membership is still not fit for purpose when managing a District, reports don't work, and processes are not fit for purpose needing time wasting workarounds. I've even had to consult data exported from Compass to work out who needed first response training. Far too much of my time has been spent reporting issues or just trying to do things that were easy to do the old system.

I do have some clear priorities for the District, aimed at maximising our provision of places and maximising the opportunities we can offer to our young people.

We need to restart district events programme which has lapsed since Covid and offer a range of section-level activities across the District – I see all sorts of trophies and shields on display in our HQs, which we are no longer running events for. We also need to restart section-level leader meetings across the District and have better liaison with our County team. The benefit of the new organisation is that I am not looking for ADCs who will do the entire range of activities, but people who can do one or two tasks each so please think about it – could you organise a section leader meeting two or three times per year? Could you organise an event or competition once a year? Or arrange for people to attend a County event? The more people who can do something, the less there is for each person to do. Dave Hannigan and I will be organising a meeting to kick this off

Adult recruitment, retention and succession planning are also a top priority. Nobody will do this for us, we must do it ourselves, with help in some cases. We are currently running a leader recruitment exercise at 17th with the aim of opening a second Scout Troop in September, so any positives or feedback will be distributed. Our waiting lists are such that we all need to look at expansion to try and provide the places our young people need.

And finally, I want to thank our District Trustees and Leadership Team. None of what we do would be possible without their support and hard work, and I am grateful to every one of them, as without them my job would be impossible

Yours in Scouting

Andy Atherall
District Lead Volunteer

Section Reports

Beaver Section



I am both embarrassed and disappointed to report that the Beavers section in Sale and District had yet another barren year of District events. I believe this is

primarily due to the lingering fallout of Covid and the subsequent sparsity of adult volunteers prepared to take on key roles.

Colonies appear to have regressed inwardly, doing their own thing, communication between Beaver Leaders of different colonies in different groups has practically ceased to occur, the upshot of this is that with the exception of the all-section St George's Day Parade and Remembrance Parade, we have simply failed to gather and in my opinion, Scouting has suffered because of this.

Volunteer burn-out is rife with established volunteers unable or unwilling to commit to extra-group events, whilst new volunteers generally lack the experience of District run events to become involved.

Every effort needs to be made, going forward to re-establish pre-Covid togetherness in order that we can once again collaborate for the benefit of all the young people in our District.

I do not exclude myself from responsibility and playing my part in the reset, however, like many others, my focus too has been first and foremost on my colonies, secondly on my Group, with the District making do with what I have left to offer, maybe with new volunteers gaining experience at colony level will enable the more experienced volunteers to focus their attention on broader concerns.

Yours in Scouting

Dave Hannigan
Programme Team

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Cub Section



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lingering fallout of Covid and the subsequent sparsity of adult volunteers prepared to take on key roles.

Packs appear to have regressed inwardly, doing their own thing, communication between Cub Leaders of different packs in different groups has practically ceased to occur, the upshot of this is that with the exception of the all-section St George's Day Parade and Remembrance Parade, we have simply failed to gather and in my opinion, Scouting has suffered because of this.

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Yours in Scouting

Dave Hannigan
Programme Team

Scout Section

SCOUTS

I am both embarrassed and disappointed to report that the Scouts section in Sale and District had yet another barren year of District events.

I believe this is primarily due to the lingering fallout of Covid and the subsequent sparsity of adult volunteers prepared to take on key roles.

Troops appear to have regressed inwardly, doing their own thing, communication between Scout Leaders of different troops in different groups has practically ceased to occur, the upshot of this is that with the exception of the all-section St George's Day Parade and Remembrance Parade, we have simply failed to gather and in my opinion, Scouting has suffered because of this. One exception has been the excellent Jamboree on the Air which Paul Maggs ran in October, transforming 14th Sale into an amateur radio station for the weekend. Scouts from 2nd Brooklands, 3rd Ashton, 7th Sale and 14th Sale (plus a few Cubs and Explorers) had a great time contacting other units in the UK and abroad. Paul will be running this again in October 2025 plus a couple of other amateur radio themed events in between.

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Yours in Scouting

Dave Hannigan
Programme Team

Explorer Scouts

EXPLORERS

MacAlpine Explorer Scout Unit

Activities

MacAlpine continues to focus on the DofE Award scheme, with much of our weekly activity programme dedicated to delivering the DofE expedition training framework and preparing for expeditions, as well as supporting individual Explorers working towards their awards. For the volunteering section of their awards, 14 MacAlpine Explorers are also members of the District Young Leader Unit.

We held a number of camps and DofE expeditions during the year. Our Winter Camp in North Wales was attended by 15 Explorers in February, three DofE Practice Expeditions took place in March and April and two Qualifying Expeditions in June and July. Our Gold Qualifying Expedition was held in the Lake District over five days in early September, followed by the John Bradbury Competitive Hike at Gradbach in the Peak District, where we entered three teams and did commendably well without taking any prizes.

Our Explorers participated in the St George's Day and Remembrance Sunday Parades in April and November, joining other Groups in the District to mark these important events.

We staged our annual Explorer of the Year Awards in October, when we welcomed the District Lead Volunteer and 14-24 Team Leader to celebrate our Explorers' achievements.

In December, our traditional Festive Fundraiser in Sale Moor was supported by 18 Explorers.

Membership

Explorer numbers saw a decrease of seven on the previous year's historic high point to a total of 33:

Table 1: Explorer Numbers on 1 January (by DofE level and year):

	BRONZE	SILVER	GOLD-1	GOLD-2*	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE
2015	8	11	0	0	19	17	2
2016	5	9	8	0	22	18	4
2017	14	4	8	0	26	21	5
2018	9	16	3	8	36	30	6
2019	12	11	11	2	36	25	11
2020	5	12	11	2	30	19	11
2021	9	3	10	3	25	12	13
2022	13	12	0	4	29	12	17
2023	13	11	12	0	36	16	20
2024	6	13	11	10	40	17	23
2025	10	5	10	8	33	17	16

*Gold is a two-year program

Awards

This year saw the second highest number of awards in MacAlpine's history, at 22, with a grand total of 148 DofE Awards achieved since the Unit's founding in 2013:

Table 2: DofE Awards (by level and year)

YEAR	BRONZE/PLAT	SILVER	GOLD	TOTAL
2015	10	0	0	10
2016	5	5	0	10
2017	3	7	0	10
2018	12	3	3	18
2019	7 / 1 = 8	5	0	13
2020	9	9	0	18
2021	0 / 1 = 1	2	1	4
2022	17	3	3	23
2023	10	9	1	20
2024	11	9	2	22
TOTALS	85	52	10	148

Leadership Team

2024 saw the biggest change in the leadership team since MacAlpine's founding in 2013, with Explorer Scout Leader (ESL) and founder of MacAlpine, Martin Bull, relocating from Sale and therefore standing down on 11 September. He was replaced as ESL by Assistant ESL Chris Lee. Martin has continued as part of the leadership team, moving

into the role of Secretary to the Unit (covering online admin), as well as continuing to participate in some camps.

The regular leadership team running Explorer Nights each week has therefore been reduced to three since September 2024: Chris Lee, Mark Sheppard and Chris Hoyle, and during this time we have also adapted to Scout Association and DofE Award changes. This has affected our weekly activity programme, although we have had some parent support and occasionally been able to call upon former leaders, who are not able to help regularly due to relocation, and leaders of other Scout Groups. We are also grateful for their continuing support of our camps and expeditions, without which it would not be possible to stage these events.

Overall, MacAlpine has experienced a decline in the number of leaders since 2020, and although we have tried to attract replacements over a number of years, these attempts have so far been unsuccessful. Recruiting additional leaders in 2025 remains a priority so that we can continue to offer exciting and positive experiences for Explorers.

Martin Bull & Chris Lee,
Explorer Section Team Leaders,
MacAlpine ESU

Wyvern Explorer Scout Unit

Here at Wyvern like previous years we have focused our time on scout-based activities. Our goal is to give the best possible scouting experience to our members, allowing them to believe in themselves and to play an active part in the group.

Our numbers remain stable at 25 young people and I'm hoping to increase these numbers soon, which will bring us to 30+.

We have 6 Leaders including myself. A huge thanks to Gordon Moffat, Sean Warman, Rebecca Winby, Louise Cooper, John Bate's for their support over the last year.

As always, we are keen on camping and since our last report, we have been on a number of camps which are always well supported.

- 3rd Ashton family camp. Dunham
- Autumn camp. Linnet Clough
- Winter camp. Linnet Clough

Activities are an integral part of scouting, we aim to get all our members through the elements of the chief scout platinum and are pleased to say that, Ellie Sharpe, Samantha Hemingway, Ruby Walsh, and Eva Starling have received their chief scout platinum awards, well done to all four of you. Hopefully they will go on to work towards the chief scout diamond award.

As mentioned earlier activities play an important part of scouting. Explorers have been working towards the air activity badge, making a working model plane (early stages). We tried a new venue, Graystone action sports in Trafford Park which I can highly recommend. Other activities we covered were

- Zip line
- Archery
- Quad biking
- Shooting
- Climbing
- Scout staples such as mapping, fire lighting, hiking, cooking, knots.

Other activities include our Karts annual service, the Explorers have asked to put a working motor onto them, so we will be looking at this in the near future.

Our Christmas end of term was held in a pizza restaurant (I had reservations about being in this kind of environment), but I need not have worried, the Explorers behaved impeccably.

This year's gang show was well attended, we had quite a few Explorers in the show, thank you to you all and to the ones who attended the matinee performance.

Going forward into the year ahead, we will be attending this year's Goodwood camp which is a three-day event held over the Early May Bank Holiday. Our main camp of the year will be a trip to brown sea island in August. I have also arranged an evening guided tour of hidden Manchester in June (Manchester city centre).

Before I sign off, I would like to thank Paul Maggs who after supporting Wyvern for a couple of years has decided to concentrate his time to 14th Sale.

We wish him well.

Greg Hart
Explorer Section Team Leader
Wyvern ESU.

Hive Explorer Scout Unit

I'm new to the unit, coming in as leader in September and only officially taking over in the last few weeks, so my report may be less detailed than usual.

However, in the last few weeks we have given out 2 diamond awards and 11 platinum. One of our explorers has fully completed the young leaders training gaining his belt (Well done Oliver!) and we have more in the programme.

We've had a number of Explorers completing their DofE bronze and silver awards with a few now working towards gold.

We have a mixed group of 25 Explorers and 4 leaders. Myself, Stephen Makepeace-Warne, Debra Shelton and Zohra Butt.

Recently we've worked on the racquet sports badge, which was run and organised by the explorers themselves, the Chef's badge which required cooking on a campfire, along with pakoras, steak and Eton Mess.

We've also been spending time on the Aviation and Community Impact badges including a successful litter pick of the canal path in Sale, learning about the history and principles of scouting and we look forward to a visit to Trafford Town Hall in April.

Camp wise we hope to attend Good Wood Camp again in May. And hope to complete a local one-night camp in the next month (leaders availability permitting). We've also been invited to the Family Camp with 14th Sale in June.

We try to run a youth led programme but also mix in some activities decided on and organised by the leaders.

Other notable meetings were night canoeing at Grip Adventure and a Christmas trip to Kick Air in Manchester.

Jo Sharpe
Explorer Section Team Leader
Hive ESU

Young Leader Unit

The Young Leader Unit started delivering training modules again in October 2023, and this report covers the period from then, up to December 2024.

From a standing start, the Young Leader Training Team have delivered 16 training sessions and 386 individual Modules have been completed.

In the 15 months from October 2023 to December 2024 we have also presented 6 Young Leader Qualification Certificates and Belts.

Congratulations go to the following:

- 2nd Brooklands – Oliver Bedford-Guy
- 3rd Ashton – Melody Yarwood
- 7th Sale - Arthur Hoskins
- 11th Sale – Iona Macnab
- 14th Sale – Ivo Hepburn and Megan Maggs

Thanks must be given to Ros Bryan who helped at all the sessions in 2023/24, to Andy Atherall who has helped at every session so far, Paul Maggs, Lewis Sinclair and Iraklis Lampadariou, and anyone else who has stepped in to be “another grown-up” on the day.

I am confident that we now have the basis of a strong training team in the District and there are plans to expand the training further into externally accredited qualifications.

The Young Leader training scheme relies on all Adult Leaders within Groups/Sections to mentor the Explorer Scout Young Leaders and to help them achieve their Missions. The Missions are where they put what they have learnt in the Module Training into practice in Section Meetings.

Their first Mission is to run three different types of games – this then needs evaluating with one of the Section Leadership team. For Mission two, they have to deliver an activity within the Section meeting – including completing Risk Assessments, drawing up a plan for the section meeting, working out the logistics of who is doing what and then running the activity and getting feedback from the Section members and someone from the Section Leadership team.

Mission three is to get ideas from the young members, present these ideas to a Section Planning Meeting and then turn these ideas into programme activities.

Mission four is where they bring together all of their training knowledge, skills and experience gained into running a series of activities over at least three weeks – activities that have come out of the ideas gathered at mission three. One of the YL Training team will come to observe at least one of the sessions to also give feedback to the YLs.

Alison Corser
Young Leader Section Team Leader

Network

network

Joule Network is currently being re-envisaged to best organise it, from updating information on OSM to learning the new scout system and adding new members to it, in tandem with making sure our members stay active. We will now look for a network leader to maintain the Joule network troop and allow me and Yasmine to focus on our main roles.

Regarding the shortage of leaders in the district, the Joule Network could play a role in addressing this gap, particularly with explorers reaching 18 years old. A key part of the solution lies in retaining these individuals as network members and, ideally, encouraging them to step into leadership roles. This means actively encouraging both current and future network section members to take on leadership positions, ensuring a steady stream of leaders to help alleviate the current deficit. Additionally, we should reassure new 18-year-old leaders that there will always be opportunities for them to stay involved, both during and after university, so they don't feel compelled to leave scouting entirely. This effort is especially crucial given the district's growing waiting lists for each group and section.

Aside from this, we have had one trip this year, which was the Go Ape adventure, which every member who attended enjoyed, in addition to the network members who attended the Remembrance Sunday and St George's Day parades with their respective groups/sections.

A thank-you goes out to the Explorer Leaders and Alison Corser (Young Leaders) for maintaining our Explorer and Young Leader units within the district and ensuring we have future leaders best prepared for their adult scouting journeys. I'd like to thank Andrew Jenkinson for his contribution and leadership at Hive Explorers and for maintaining the troop.

I'd also like to thank Yasmin Lee for the outstanding contribution she has provided within the context of being the Joule Network leader and her role as District Youth Lead Volunteer over the course of the last five years, and I and the rest of the district wish her the best of luck in her future endeavours within and outside of scouting, and I can't wait to see what she achieves next.

Lewis Sinclair & Yasmin Lee
Network Section Team Leaders

Youth Lead's Report

Despite all the ongoing changes within the district and UK scouting movement, I would like to thank our District Lead Volunteer, Sale and District Executive team, our volunteers and behind the scenes helpers for assisting this transition as smoothly as possible to further enhance young people's scouting journey in Sale and District.

My favourite highlight of this year is the Sale Gang Show's 60th Anniversary with an amazing cast, lots of wonderful music and skits. Most importantly, it was wonderful to see many supporters from around Sale and District, and Greater Manchester attending to celebrate our milestone anniversary, to reminisce our long history of running Sale Gang shows. It is a bittersweet moment to know that this is a temporary end of Sale Gang Show, however all the Gang Show memories will always be there and that we closed the show on a high.

On a personal note, due to personal challenges from being geographically further away from Sale, ongoing health issues and the unpredictable workload of pursuing an animation career. I have made the difficult decision to step down from my role as District Youth Lead Volunteer.

I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who I met on my journey of scouting in Sale and District, it all started during my volunteering as a young leader at 14th Sale for my gold DofE which I still hope to complete within this year. I am so proud to be involved in this supportive and close-knitted community during my time as a District Youth Lead Volunteer. I have learnt so much from working with others, communication, planning, organising, working with young children, and taking part in first aid training and safeguarding. These transferable skills have become skills for life that are essential to my animation career today mentoring young children in animation workshops and projects.

Special mention to Andy Atherall for his outstanding contribution he has provided not only to me, but to all the young people, leaders and volunteers in Sale and District Scouts in his role as District Lead Volunteer. Andy had always gone up and beyond to support Sale and District and have truly changed lives for many Young People and Adult Volunteers.

A huge thank you to all volunteers, parent helpers, young leaders, Network, Appointments Committee and District Executive Committee for all the support and guidance during my role as District Youth Lead Volunteer over the past five years. Thank you to everyone and I am planning to continue my volunteering as a behind the scenes helper in Sale and District.

Yasmin Lee
District Youth Lead

Sale Scout and Guide Gang Show



Farewell to Sale Gang Show

It is no secret that the decision has been made to bring the curtain down on Sale Gang Show. February 2025 marked our final performance, and this decision was not taken lightly. As mentioned last year, we faced financial difficulties, and unfortunately, the situation did not improve. Despite the unwavering commitment of our cast, volunteers, committee members, and long-standing supporters, we simply could not raise the necessary funds to continue. For many years, we relied heavily on donations, and we extend our sincere gratitude to the Scouting community for their continuous support. However, in recent years, fundraising has become increasingly challenging, making it impossible to sustain the show.

That being said, we must not let this overshadow the incredible performances we delivered in our final years. Both the 2024 and 2025 shows were outstanding, with ticket sales slowly increasing and strong support from the Sale Scouting and Guiding communities. A special thanks must go to the volunteers and commissioners from both organisations who tirelessly promoted the show, ensuring we had both enthusiastic cast members and appreciative audiences.

This year was particularly special as we celebrated our 60th show. To mark the occasion, we delved into the archives to showcase the 'best bits' of our history, honouring our founder, Peter McElhinney, and the legendary Gang Show creator, Ralph Reader. To stand out and celebrate in style, we introduced new red sparkly neckers, adding an extra touch of magic while singing Crest of a Wave, enhanced with lights and strobes for a one-time-only spectacle. Past cast members returned for a nostalgic performance of Don't Tell the Abbot, while our youngest performers charmed audiences with a delightful tribute to Roald Dahl.

It is with a heavy heart that we bid farewell to Sale Gang Show. However, the memories, friendships, and impact of our performances will remain forever. Once again, I extend my deepest thanks to everyone who has been a part of this journey. We hold onto the hope that one day, young people from Sale will once again grace the Waterside stage, keeping the spirit of Gang Show alive.

Robyn Stevenson
Gang Show Chairman

Sale District Scout and Guide Band

As in previous years 2024 started with our now annual performance in the Sale Gang Show. It's a great way to showcase the band and we are so grateful to the Gang Show for allowing us to take part.

This year's theme was an unusual one; we decided to play music which had been 'borrowed' by Christmas featuring Troika, Sleigh Ride, Stay Another Day, Winter Wonderland and Jingle Bells. All these pieces originally had nothing to do with Christmas but over the years they have become synonymous with the festival.



Immediately following the Gang Show we went to watch the Birmingham International Tattoo where we were treated to an evening of marching bands, cannon runs & dog displays.

Into March and we held our first Band Workshop of the year at 14th Sale before our drummers attended their own workshop with the Royal Marines at the end of the month.

April, and another new event, TYMBAFest Midlands where members of the band joined with other youngsters to learn new pieces of music.



St George's Day Parade in Worthington Park was a great day with the band leading the parade once again and also playing the Ukraine National Anthem for our friends from The PLAST Scout Organisation who were marching with the District



During May we were invited to play at a special Presentation Evening for the Girlguiding Greater Manchester West County at Sale Rugby Club and also at The Scout District AGM.



In the summer we visited Northampton to join forces with the Northampton Scout Band once again and march in the Northampton Carnival, a much cooler day than the previous year.



At the end of June, we played a bit closer to home at Ashton-on-Mersey's Party In The Park

Following our rendition of the Ukraine National Anthem we were honoured to be invited to The Festival of Hope event in August. After a daylong display of dancing, singing, gymnastics and a whole host of other activities the band played as the final act for the Ukraine Scouts.



Thanks to members of the Northampton Scout Band who came and joined in with us and thanks to our Ukraine friends for the invite.

As the end of the year approached, we were asked to play at quite a number of events with it being our busiest December ever.

The local running group #MileShyClub invited us to provide some festive music before their annual Santa Dash around Sale Water Park. It was wet, it was cold, but it was good fun! Off to St Martin's Church again for our annual performance at 3rd Ashton's Christmas Carol Service followed by a trip to St James to play for Sale District Guides for their Carol Service.



Mid-December and we were back at Ashton Park to launch the Carols in the Park event followed by the Lantern Parade and Nativity Trail in Altrincham Town Centre on the same day. This was our first job for the Altrincham Bid organisation and through this we have already had more jobs passed our way.



I want to wrap up this year's report by highlighting the awards that our Band Members have received in 2024. It's brilliant that everyone compliments their already busy Scouting life by being in the band as well.

Sarah Goodstadt – Silver Acorn

Sally Yarwood – Bar to the Medal of Merit

Dennis Yarwood - Bar to the Medal of Merit

William Yarwood – Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award

Melody Yarwood – Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award

Daniel Rushton - Chief Scout Platinum and Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award

Oliver Fletcher - Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award

William Lightening - Chief Scout Gold

Matilda Yarwood - Chief Scout Gold

My thanks go to all the Band Members, our adult Leaders, Sarah, Sally, Emily, William & Melody.

Thanks to Andrea for looking after the pennies, the rest of the Band Committee for their support and to the parents for helping when asked.

Special thanks to Harry and the team at 3rd Ashton for hosting us every week.

We are a District Band and would love to see new members join us – if you have any musicians in your Group send them along.

Dennis Yarwood
Band Master

Awards

Congratulations to the following people on their awards in 2024.

Award	Name	Unit
Silver Wolf	Harry Peet	3rd Ashton
Silver Wolf	Bob Cole	Sale District
Silver Acorn	Paul Maggs	14th Sale
Silver Acorn	Carol Gilbert	17th Sale
Silver Acorn	Sarah Goodstadt	3rd Ashton
Silver Acorn	Bob Whiteley	7th Sale
Silver Acorn	Tony Sant	7th Sale
Silver Acorn	Andy Atherall	Sale District
Silver Acorn	Mike Harding	Sale District
Bar to the Award for Merit	Clive Winby	2nd Brooklands
Bar to the Award for Merit	Sally Yarwood	3rd Ashton
Bar to the Award for Merit	Rachel Lyttle	Sale Central
Bar to the Award for Merit	Richard Taylor	Sale District
Bar to the Award for Merit	Dennis Yarwood	Sale Scout & Guide Band
Award for Merit	Joanne Gray	17th Sale
Award for Merit	Martin Odenrode	17th Sale
Award for Merit	Carys Pugh	2nd Brooklands
Award for Merit	Alasdair Ferro	3rd Ashton
Award for Merit	Andrea Morgan	3rd Ashton
Award for Merit	Mandy Westhead	3rd Ashton
Award for Merit	Patrick Gallois	7th Sale
Award for Merit	Martin Bull	MacAlpine ESU
Award for Merit	Colin Lea	Sale Central
Award for Merit	Ros Bryan	Sale Central
Award for Merit	Ian McGeough	Sale District
Award for Merit	Sean Warman	Wyvern ESU
Chief Scout's Commendation	Phil Dodgson	2nd Brooklands
Chief Scout's Commendation	Carol Ferro	3rd Ashton
Chief Scout's Commendation	Simon Murray	3rd Ashton
Chief Scout's Commendation	Mike Counsell	MacAlpine ESU
Chief Scout's Commendation	Kerryann Banks	Sale Central
Chief Scout's Commendation	Matt Darke	Sale Central
Wood Badge	John Ludlow	11th Sale
Wood Badge	Lisa Parker	11th Sale
Wood Badge	Andrew Jenkinson	14th Sale
Wood Badge	Sharon Jenkinson	14th Sale
Wood Badge	Jason Garner	17th Sale

Award	Name	Unit
Wood Badge	Stuart Bateman	17th Sale
Wood Badge	Andy Besant-Roberts	2nd Brooklands
Wood Badge	Dawn Munday	2nd Brooklands
Wood Badge	Joe Westhead	3rd Ashton
Wood Badge	Bob Whiteley	7th Sale
Wood Badge	Carol Severn	7th Sale
Wood Badge	Megan Maggs	7th Sale
Wood Badge	Andrew Jenkinson	Hive ESU
Wood Badge	Chris Lee	MacAlpine ESU
Wood Badge	Greg Hart	Wyvern ESU
Wood Badge	Martin Bull	MacAlpine ESU
Wood Badge	Rebecca Winby	Wyvern ESU
Wood Badge	Dave Hannigan	Sale Central
Wood Badge	Emma Spragg	Sale Central
Wood Badge	James Goodwin	Sale Central
60 Years Service	John Casson	14th Sale
50 Years Service	Judith Summersgill	Sale District
40 Years Service	Bob Whiteley	7th Sale
20 Years Service	Ian Moore	17th Sale
20 Years Service	Les Sutcliffe	7th Sale
15 Years Service	Phil Dodgson	2nd Brooklands
15 Years Service	Rob Blairs	3rd Ashton
15 Years Service	Hannah Darke	Sale Central
15 Years Service	Matt Darke	Sale Central
10 Years Service	Jess Digweed	11th Sale
10 Years Service	Georgie McCarthy	17th Sale
5 Years Service	Mark Wallis	17th Sale
5 Years Service	Stuart Bateman	17th Sale
5 Years Service	David Ferro	3rd Ashton
5 Years Service	Sophie Walsh	3rd Ashton
5 Years Service	Ciara Hannigan	Sale Central
5 Years Service	Jennie Dootson	Sale Central
5 Years Service	Keri Hannigan	Sale Central
5 Years Service	Yasmin Lee	Sale District

Charity Commission Information

Reference and Administration Details

Charity Name	Sale & District Scouts
Other names the charity is known by	Sale District Scout Council
HQ Registration Number	10001925
Registered Charity Number	1042185
Charity's Principal Address	c/o 6 Gloucester Drive, Sale, M33 5DH

Trustee Details

Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
Ian McGeough	Chairman	
Michael Harding	Treasurer	
Andrew Atherall	District Lead Volunteer	
Andrea Morgan		
Harry Peet		
Clive Winby		
Yasmin Lee	District Youth Lead Volunteer	
Christine Gleaves	Deputy District Lead Volunteer	
Gavin Stark		01/01/24 – 10/12/24
Paul Harris		
Lewis Sinclair		
Paul Maggs		

Structure Governance and Management

Type of governing document	The District'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. District Constitution is based on a model constitution defined within the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.
How the charity is constituted	The District is a trust established under the rules which are common to all Scout units.
Trustee selection methods	The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.
Additional governance information	The District is managed by the District Trustee Board, the members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' of The Scout District 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.

Structure Governance and Management	
	The Trustee Board consists of the Chair, Treasurer and 10 Trustees (including two Ex-Officio Trustees) and meets every other month. Members of the Trustee Board complete Basic Training including Safety, Safeguarding, GDPR and Trustee Induction within six months of joining. This District Trustee Board exists to make sure the charity is well-managed, risks are assessed and mitigated, buildings and equipment are in good working order, and everyone follows legal requirements and the organisation's policies and rules. Their support helps other volunteers run high-quality and safe programmes that gives young people skills for life.
Risks	Risk and Internal Control The District Trustee Board have identified the major risks to which they believe the District 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 District would request the use of buildings, property, and equipment from neighbouring organisations such as the church, community centre and other Scout Groups. Similar reciprocal arrangements exist with these organisations. The District has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss. • Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members. The District through the membership subscription fees contributes to The Scout Associations national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities. • Reduced income from fund raising. The District is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. The District does hold a reserve to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income. The District Trustee Board could raise the value of subscriptions to increase the income to the District on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently • Reduction or loss of leaders. The District is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the

Structure Governance and Management	
	activities of the District. If there was a reduction in the number of leaders to an unacceptable level in a particular Section or the District 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 District. Reduction or loss of members. The District provides activities for all young people aged 6 to 18. If there was a reduction in membership in a particular Section or the District as whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation, or closure of a Group. In the worst-case scenario, the complete closure of the District.
Internal Controls	The District has in place systems of <i>internal controls</i> 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	
Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document	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

Objectives and Activities	
	- undertake new and challenging activities - make and live by their Promise.
Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects	We deliver a full programme of activities across 32 sections, a full range of activities and challenges allowing each young person the opportunity to achieve the highest award in their section. We also run a successful Gang Show and a band, providing musical and performance opportunities that our young people may not otherwise have access to.
Public benefit statement	The District 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	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year	Our Young Leader training has proved to be a huge success with Young Leader numbers increasing more than expected and more young leaders turning 18 becoming adults. We run a successful St George's Day parade and fun day, and Remembrance Day parade, keeping Scouting visible to the public.

Financial Review	
Reserves Policy	The District's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the District should income and fundraising activities fall short. (Excluding Membership Fees) The District Trustee Board considers that the District should hold a sum equivalent to 24 months running costs, circa £13,000. The District held reserves of approximately £31,000 against this at year end. This is above the level required for operating expenses. However, this can be explained by the additional funds being held for the opening and development of new groups and sections, funds being held for providing assistance for young people in the District to attend international events and giving the opportunity to fund or make donations for specific events and activities.
Details of any funds materially in deficit (circumstances plus steps to eliminate)	No funds in deficit

Financial Review	
Investment Policy	This policy governs the investment of any cash surplus, after funds for operating costs and reserves have been allocated. The Sale and District Scouts (the District) reserves policy is to retain a sum equivalent to at least 24 months' operating costs in available monies in UK bank Instant Access accounts. This sum needs to include regular expenditure such as insurance and any other significant spends anticipated during the year. An amount of no less than £8000 must be available in the combined Current and Commercial Instant Access Accounts (Treasurers Accounts) at any one time. Consideration must be made for the payment of Insurance (March) or any other significant expenditure. The policy is underpinned by three principles - 1. Maximising income from the best available interest rates at time of investment, using products offered by UK banks and building societies, available to charities and protected by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme. All products must be from banks or building societies based in the UK and governed by the Prudential Finance Authority. We choose 12-month fixed interest accounts or bonds and fixed interest notice accounts that require that the returns from matured accounts be paid into the District's current account. We will ensure several funds are held at any one time in order to reduce dependency on one provider and to allow for funds to come available throughout the financial year should we need them. 2. Meeting the standard investment criteria stipulated by the Trustee Act 2000, as required by sections 5.7.5.7 and 13.4.1.3 of the POR. ◦Suitability. We select schemes that offer the best interest rates without exposing the District to excessive risk. ◦Diversity. We use a minimum of 2, and a maximum of 4, providers. As well as mitigating our overall risk position, this ensures an overlap of the maturity of the investments releasing money into the District's current account. 3. Furthermore, we will endeavour, wherever possible, to use providers that help us put our investments on an ethical and sustainable footing. We will seek to invest in banks and building societies that have demonstrated that their banking practices are based on ethical and sustainable banking, or are moving towards these aims.
Further Financial Review Details	See the annual financial report at the end of this document.

Other Optional Information

Plans for future periods (details of any significant activities planned to achieve them)

We are planning a push on adult recruitment, especially for the Scout and Explorer sections, as we need to both stabilise existing units and open new units to cope with the increased demand for places.

Declaration

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

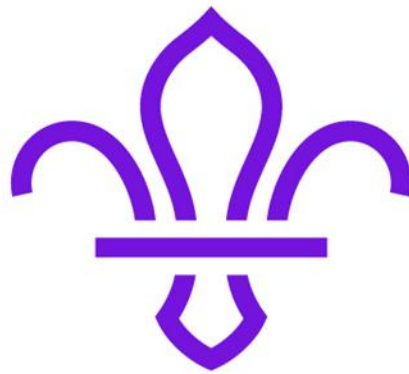
Chairman

District Lead Volunteer

Ian McGeough

Andy Atherall



Scouts

Sale And District

Annual Financial Report for the Year Ended 31st December 2024

The bank balances on the accounts held by the District Treasurer are as follows:

Current Account - Lloyds	£ 2,860.56
Commercial Instant Access - Lloyds	£ 15,064.55
Leeds and Holbeck Account	£ 132.39
Cambridge & Counties	£ 51,740.41

The accounts should be read with the following notes:

- a) The General Fund is operated by the District Treasurer and the receipts, payments and bank statements are reviewed by the District Examiner.
- b) The Beaver, Explorer and Band's figures are from information reviewed by, but not operated by, the District Treasurer.
- c) The Gang Show's figures are from information reviewed by, but not operated by, the District Examiner.
- d) The combined District income and expenditure figures, plus the combined District Balance sheet are compiled from the aforementioned figures.



Michael J Harding
District Treasurer

I have examined and confirmed the records provided, bank accounts, receipts and payments of the General Fund. The combined District figures are compiled from these figures together with other accounts reviewed by, but not operated by, the District Treasurer.



Chris Varley F.C.A.
District Examiner
Date 29 April 2025

District Income and Expenditure Account**Year to 31st December 2024****2024****2023****Income**

General	£ 49,138.12	£ 41,584.96
Gang Show	£ 11,290.27	£ 9,773.27
Band	£ 1,742.93	-£ 1,553.61
Beavers	£ -	£ -
Cubs	£ -	£ -
MacAlpine ESU	£ 3,297.79	£ 3,470.20
Wyvern ESU	£ 5,242.44	£ 1,608.43
Hive ESU	£ 4,237.46	£ 4,987.60
	<u>£ 74,949.01</u>	<u>£ 59,870.85</u>

Expenditure

General	£ 46,800.86	£ 38,472.38
Gang Show	£ 12,305.16	£ 11,252.42
Band	£ 900.95	£ 904.67
Beavers	£ -	£ -
Cubs	£ -	£ -
MacAlpine ESU	£ 4,086.59	-£ 817.10
Wyvern ESU	£ 4,726.11	£ 2,150.58
Hive ESU	£ 3,453.28	£ 4,113.07
	<u>£ 72,272.95</u>	<u>£ 56,076.02</u>

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	<u>£ 2,676.06</u>	<u>£ 3,794.83</u>
Depreciation	-£ 600.00	£ -
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	<u>£ 2,076.06</u>	<u>£ 3,794.83</u>

District Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2024**Year to 31st December 2024****2024****2023****Assets**

General	£ 69,799.91	£ 68,087.65
Gang Show	£ 6,688.10	£ 8,302.99
Band	£ 4,716.46	£ 3,874.48
Beavers	£ 1,708.57	£ 1,708.57
Cubs	£ -	£ -
MacAlpine ESU	£ 6,707.79	£ 7,496.59
Wyvern ESU	£ 8,892.57	£ 8,376.24
Hive ESU	£ 1,946.13	£ 1,161.95
	<u>£100,459.53</u>	<u>£ 99,008.47</u>

Liabilities

General	£ 34,484.19	£ 32,562.49
Gang Show	£ -	£ -
Band	£ -	£ -
Beavers	£ -	£ -
Cubs	£ -	£ -
MacAlpine ESU	£ -	£ -
Wyvern ESU	£ -	£ -
Hive ESU	£ -	£ -
	<u>£ 34,484.19</u>	<u>£ 32,562.49</u>

Accumulated General Funds	<u>£ 65,975.34</u>	<u>£ 66,445.98</u>
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Accumulated Funds brought forward 1st January 2023	£ 66,445.98	£ 64,020.68
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Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	£ 2,076.06	£ 3,794.83
Transfer to Jamboree Fund	-£ 2,000.00	-£ 1,000.00
Cub Balance transferred to District	£ -	-£ 369.53
Transfer to Young Leaders Funds	-£ 546.70	£ -

Accumulated Funds carried forward 31st December 2024	<u>£ 65,975.34</u>	<u>£ 66,445.98</u>
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Development Fund	£ 30,844.80	£ 31,469.80
Scout Funds	£ 2,831.96	£ 2,831.96
Cub Funds	£ 369.53	£ 369.53
Young Leaders Funds	£ 657.69	£ 110.99
Jamboree Fund	-£ 219.79	-£ 2,219.79

Total District Funds carried forward 31st December 2024	<u>£100,459.53</u>	<u>£ 99,008.47</u>
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General Account Income and Expenditure Account

<u>Year to 31st December 2024</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Income		
Membership Subscription	£ 44,691.50	£ 41,038.50
Donations	£ 550.00	£ 523.91
Young Leaders Funds Income	£ 1,091.66	£ -
Roverway Refund	£ 1,000.00	£ -
Interest	£ 1,804.96	£ 22.55
	<u>£ 49,138.12</u>	<u>£ 41,584.96</u>
Expenditure		
Membership Subscription	£ 38,363.50	£ 35,014.50
Net Badge cost	£ 600.74	£ 622.00
Young Leaders Funds Expenditure	£ 544.96	£ -
Insurance	£ 618.00	£ 533.92
Donations	£ 1,652.81	£ 1,000.00
Net Event Expenditure	£ 320.51	£ -
Administration	£ 1,247.74	£ 384.07
Grants	£ 598.32	£ 1,067.89
Training	£ 2,854.28	~~£~~ 150.00
	<u>£ 46,800.86</u>	<u>£ 38,472.38</u>
 Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	 <u>£ 2,337.26</u>	 <u>£ 3,112.58</u>
 Depreciation	 £ -	 £ -
 Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	 <u>£ 2,337.26</u>	 <u>£ 3,112.58</u>

General Account Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2024**Year to 31st December 2024****2024****2023****Fixed Assets**

Trophies	£ 1.00	£ 1.00
Office Equipment	£ 1.00	£ 1.00
	<u>£ 2.00</u>	<u>£ 2.00</u>

Current Assets

Cash in hand	£ -	£ -
Current Account - Lloyds	£ 2,860.56	£ 17,953.26
Commercial Instant Access - Lloyds	£ 15,064.55	£ -
Building Society Account	£ 132.39	£ 132.39
Cambridge & Counties	£ 51,740.41	£ 50,000.00
Loans	£ -	£ -
	<u>£ 69,797.91</u>	<u>£ 68,085.65</u>

Total Assets**£ 69,799.91****£ 68,087.65****Liabilities**

Creditors/Accruals	£ -	£ -
Development Fund	£ 30,844.80	£ 31,469.80
Scout Funds	£ 2,831.96	£ 2,831.96
Cub Funds	£ 369.53	£ 369.53
Young Leaders Funds	£ 657.69	£ 110.99
Jamboree Fund	-£ 219.79	-£ 2,219.79
	<u>£ 34,484.19</u>	<u>£ 32,562.49</u>

Accumulated funds carried forward**£ 35,315.72****£ 35,525.16**

Accumulated Funds brought forward	£ 35,525.16	£ 33,412.58
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Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	£ 2,337.26	£ 3,112.58
Transfer to Jamboree Funds	-£ 2,000.00	-£ 1,000.00
Transfer to Young Leaders Funds	-£ 546.70	£ -

Accumulated Funds carried forward**£ 35,315.72****£ 35,525.16**

Gang Show Income and Expenditure Account**Year to 31st December 2024****2024****2023****Income**

Ticket Sales	£ 8,014.74	£ 6,253.53
Subscriptions	£ 1,110.00	£ 1,256.96
Fund Raising	£ -	£ 23.00
Donations	£ 500.00	£ 1,250.00
Programme Sales	£ 409.04	£ 243.78
Gift Aid	£ 516.88	£ -
Miscellaneous	£ 739.61	£ 746.00
	<u>£ 11,290.27</u>	<u>£ 9,773.27</u>

Expenditure

Room Hire	£ 4,369.80	£ 4,942.80
Brochure/Publicity	£ -	£ -
Production Costs	£ 6,954.80	£ 5,656.15
Front of House Costs	£ 793.40	£ 321.34
Insurance	£ -	£ -
Miscellaneous	£ 187.16	£ 332.13
	<u>£ 12,305.16</u>	<u>£ 11,252.42</u>

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)

-£ 1,014.89-£ 1,479.15

Depreciation

-£ 600.00£ -

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

-£ 1,614.89-£ 1,479.15

Gang Show Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2024**Year to 31st December 2024****2024****2023****Fixed Assets**

Curtains	£ 600.00	£ 1,200.00
	£ 600.00	£ 1,200.00

Current Assets

Bank Account	£ 6,088.10	£ 7,102.99
Debtors/Accrued Income	£ -	£ -
	£ 6,088.10	£ 7,102.99

Total Assets**£ 6,688.10****£ 8,302.99****Liabilities**

Creditors/Accruals	£ -	£ -
	£ -	£ -

Total Liabilities**£ -****£ -****£ 6,688.10****£ 8,302.99**

Accumulated Funds brought forward	£ 8,302.99	£ 9,782.14
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Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	-£ 1,614.89	-£ 1,479.15
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Accumulated Funds carried forward	<u>£ 6,688.10</u>	<u>£ 8,302.99</u>
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Band Income and Expenditure Account**Year to 31st December 2024****2024****2023****Income**

Subs	£ 1,044.00	£ 456.00
Camps	£ 312.81	-£ 2,009.61
Donations	£ 37.25	£ -
Performances	£ 348.87	£ -
	<u>£ 1,742.93</u>	<u>-£ 1,553.61</u>

Expenditure

Neckers/Woggles	£ 108.00	£ 30.00
Music Equipment	£ 578.74	£ 483.84
Donations	£ -	£ 150.00
General Expenses	£ 214.21	£ 240.83
	<u>£ 900.95</u>	<u>£ 904.67</u>

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)

£ 841.98-£ 2,458.28

Depreciation

£ -

£ -

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ 841.98-£ 2,458.28

Band Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2024**Year to 31st December 2024****2024****2023****Fixed Assets**

Band Instruments

£ 350.00

£ 350.00

£ 350.00

£ 350.00

Current Assets

Cash/Bank Account

£ 4,366.46

£ 4,366.46

£ 3,524.48

£ 3,524.48

Total Assets**£ 4,716.46****£ 3,874.48****Liabilities**

£ -

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Total Liabilities**£ -****£ -****£ 4,716.46****£ 3,874.48**

Accumulated Funds brought forward

£ 3,874.48

£ 6,332.76

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ 841.98

~~£~~ 2,458.28

Accumulated Funds carried forward

£ 4,716.46**£ 3,874.48**

Beavers Income and Expenditure Account**Year to 31st December 2024****2024****2023****Income**

Events

£	-
£	-

£	-
£	-

Expenditure

Events

£	-
£	-

£	-
£	-

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)

£	-
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£	-
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Depreciation

£	-
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£	-
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Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£	-
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£	-
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Beavers Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2024**Year to 31st December 2024****2024****2023****Current Assets**

Cash/Bank Account

£ 1,708.57

£ 1,708.57

£ 1,708.57

£ 1,708.57

Total Assets**£ 1,708.57****£ 1,708.57****Liabilities**

£ -

£ -

£ -

£ -

Total Liabilities**£ -****£ -****£ 1,708.57****£ 1,708.57**

Accumulated Funds brought forward

£ 1,708.57

£ 1,708.57

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ -

£ -

Accumulated Funds carried forward

£ 1,708.57**£ 1,708.57**

Cubs Income and Expenditure Account**Year to 31st December 2024****2024****2023****Income**

Bridge & Back Canoe Race
Karen Keane Comp

£ -
£ -

£ -

£ -
£ -

£ -

Expenditure

Cooking Comp
Bridge & Back Canoe Race
Karen Keane Comp

£ -
£ -
£ -

£ -

£ -
£ -
£ -

£ -

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)

£ -

£ -

Depreciation

£ -

£ -

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ -

£ -

Cubs Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2024**Year to 31st December 2024****2024****2023****Current Assets**

Cash/Bank Account

£ -

£ -

£ -

Total Assets

£ -

£ -

Liabilities

£ -

£ -

£ -

£ -

Total Liabilities

£ -

£ -

£ -

£ -

Accumulated Funds brought forward

£ -

£ 369.53

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ -

£ -

Balance transferred to District

£ -

~~£~~ 369.53

Accumulated Funds carried forward

£ -

£ -

Account closed

MacAlpine ESU Income and Expenditure Account**Year to 31st December 2024****2024****2023****Income**

Joining Fees	£ 369.52	£ 240.00
Subscriptions	£ 2,647.00	£ 3,230.20
Fundraising	£ 281.27	£ -
	<u>£ 3,297.79</u>	<u>£ 3,470.20</u>

Expenditure

Administration	£ 572.86	£ 716.82
Hire fees	£ 800.00	£ -
Equipment	£ 1,236.59	£ 550.49
Activities	£ 1,051.58	£ 405.69
Camp	-£ 1,022.98	-£ 3,143.72
DofE	£ 125.00	£ 286.25
Misc.	£ 1,323.54	£ 367.37
Training	£ -	£ -
	<u>£ 4,086.59</u>	<u>-£ 817.10</u>

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)

-£ 788.80£ 4,287.30

Depreciation

£ -

£ -

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

-£ 788.80£ 4,287.30

MacAlpine ESU Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2024**Year to 31st December 2024****2024****2023****Current Assets**

Cash/Bank Account

£ 6,707.79

£ 7,496.59

£ 6,707.79

£ 7,496.59

Total Assets**£ 6,707.79****£ 7,496.59****Liabilities**

£ -

£ -

£ -

£ -

Total Liabilities**£ -****£ -****£ 6,707.79****£ 7,496.59**

Accumulated Funds brought forward

£ 7,496.59

£ 3,209.29

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

~~£~~ 788.80

£ 4,287.30

Accumulated Funds carried forward

£ 6,707.79**£ 7,496.59**

Wyvern ESU Income and Expenditure Account**Year to 31st December 2024****2024****2023****Income**

Subscriptions	£ 3,087.83	£ 2,927.40
Donation/Grant	£ 1,327.15	£ -
Camps	£ 827.46	~~£ 1,318.97~~
	<u>£ 5,242.44</u>	<u>£ 1,608.43</u>

Expenditure

Membership Subscription	£ 1,356.00	£ 1,580.50
Expense card	£ 3,000.00	
Misc.	~~£ 39.89~~	£ 402.63
Gift Aid/Donations	£ 410.00	
Uniform	£ -	£ 167.45
	<u>£ 4,726.11</u>	<u>£ 2,150.58</u>

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)

£ 516.33~~£ 542.15~~

Depreciation

£ -

£ -

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ 516.33~~£ 542.15~~

Wyvern ESU Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2024**Year to 31st December 2024****2024****2023****Current Assets**

Cash/Bank Account

£ 8,892.57

£ 8,376.24

£ 8,892.57

£ 8,376.24

Total Assets**£ 8,892.57****£ 8,376.24****Liabilities**

£ -

£ -

£ -

£ -

Total Liabilities**£ -****£ -****£ 8,892.57****£ 8,376.24**

Accumulated Funds brought forward

£ 8,376.24

£ 8,918.39

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ 516.33

-£ 542.15

Accumulated Funds carried forward

£ 8,892.57**£ 8,376.24**

Hive ESU Income and Expenditure Account**Year to 31st December 2024****2024****2023****Income**

Subscriptions	£ 3,487.42	£ 1,573.42
District Grant	£ -	£ 867.89
Camp Fees	£ 750.04	£ 1,756.95
Misc	£ -	£ 789.34
	<u>£ 4,237.46</u>	<u>£ 4,987.60</u>

Expenditure

Membership Subscriptions	£ 1,356.00	£ 892.00
Administration	£ -	£ 288.92
Equipment	£ 949.18	£ 231.19
Training	£ -	£ -
Camp	£ 955.00	£ 972.97
Misc	£ 193.10	£ 1,727.99
	<u>£ 3,453.28</u>	<u>£ 4,113.07</u>

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	<u>£ 784.18</u>	<u>£ 874.53</u>
Depreciation	£ -	£ -
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	<u>£ 784.18</u>	<u>£ 874.53</u>

Hive ESU Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2024**Year to 31st December 2024****2024****2023****Current Assets**

Cash/Bank Account

£ 1,946.13

£ 1,161.95

£ 1,946.13

£ 1,161.95

Total Assets**£ 1,946.13****£ 1,161.95****Liabilities**

£ -

£ -

£ -

£ -

Total Liabilities**£ -****£ -****£ 1,946.13****£ 1,161.95**

Accumulated Funds brought forward

£ 1,161.95

£ 287.42

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ 784.18

£ 874.53

Accumulated Funds carried forward

£ 1,946.13**£ 1,161.95**

Minutes of the Previous AGM on 15th May 2024

1. Introduction – Ian McGeough (District Chairman)

Ian opened the meeting.

He thanked everyone for attending and welcomed our guests – Roger Kettle (GMW Treasurer) & Alison Corser (GG Deputy Division Commissioner).

Those present:

Alison Corser	Rory Wilson	Yasmin Lee
Charlotte Wright	Daniel Rushton	Georgie McCarthy
Emma Spragg	Zac Nielson	Bob Cole
Paul Maggs	Emily Yarwood	John Casson
Megan Maggs	Oliver Fletcher	Chris Lee
Sharon Jenkinson	Matilda Yarwood	Liz Fairclough
Ian McGeough	Gavin Stark	Martin Bull
Dennis Yarwood	Chris Varley	Sarah Goodstadt
William Yarwood	Andy Atherall	Melody Yarwood
Rachael Lyttle	Dave Hannigan	Harry Peet
Dave Marsden	Andy Slim	Katie Mundell
Lewis Sinclair	Andrew	Karen Salisbury
Jennie Doolan	Jenkinson	Paul Harris
Sally Yarwood	Carys Pugh	Mike Harding
Roger Kettle	John Ludlow	

1b. Apologies for Absence – Dave Marsden (District Secretary)

Andrea Morgan
Andy Farrell
Chris Gleaves
Greg Archer
Clive Winby
Simon Murray
Laura Callaghan
Pam William

1c. Approval of the minutes of the previous AGM – Ian McGeough

Approved unanimously.

2. Governance Items

- a) Adopt POR Section 5.4 as applicable to a District as our Constitution.
 - b) Note our Financial year is 1st January to 31st December.
 - c) Agree that a maximum of 12 Trustee Board Members
 - d) Agree the Quorum for Scout Council / Trustee Board meetings – 11 people
- All above agreed/approved.

3. Review the Previous Year

- a) Presentation of the Annual Report for 2023
- b) Presentation of reviewed/examined accounts
- c) Approval of Annual Report & adopted examined accounts
Alison Corser proposed, and Paul Maggs seconded.
- d) **District Chairman's remarks**
 - i) Sale District continued to thrive during 2023.
 - ii) It is great to see how the District continues to develop. There is so much potential for further growth but, inevitably, the limiting factor remains the need for more adult volunteers (recruitment).
 - iii) Well done and thank you to everyone for the hard work.
 - iv) Thanked District Trustee Board also for keeping things going.
 - v) Thanked Andy for his work as DC for the last few years (*who knows how many more?*).
 - vi) Thanks to all Leaders & supporters without which Scouting in Sale wouldn't/couldn't exist.
Following the formal meeting there is to be a presentation by Sale Scout & Guide Band and refreshments put together by Gavin Stark
- e) **District Lead Volunteer's remarks**
 - i) Well, I'm still here, work life balance has changed, and I have agreed to continue as DC for a time as yet to be confirmed.
 - ii) Young people up by 5.5%, leaders/managers up 8.7%, total membership overall in Sale is up by 6%. However, we currently have serious waiting list and without recruitment some may never be able to join.
 - iii) Thanked Dave Marsden for his continued support in the District Secretary role and other activities, he has chosen to step down to enable his travels.
 - iv) Looking forwards
 - (1) need to seriously concentrate on recruitment, encourage parents to support sections.

- (2) get behind the 60th Gang Show, encourage more cast members and improve our support in attending the shows.
- v) Thanks to everyone to make Sale Scout District a great District. Seriously proud of all our leaders, supporters to deliver Scouting week in week out.
- vi) Thanks to the Trustee Board and ADCs who keep us all in line.

4. Make Appointments

- a) Appoint District Chairman
 - i) Ian McGeough
- b) Appoint District Treasurer
 - i) Mike Harding
- c) Appoint Members of the District Trustee Board
 - i) Chris Gleaves, Paul Harris, Yasmin Lee, Paul Maggs, Andrea Morgan, Harry Peet, Lewis Sinclair, Gavin Stark, Clive Winby.
- d) Appointment of Presidents/Vice Presidents
 - i) None
- e) Appoint Representatives to the County Scout Council
 - i) Paul Maggs & Gavin Stark
- f) Appoint the Accounts Examiner – Chris Varley

5. County Representative's remarks – Roger Kettle

- Commented that he started his scouting in Sale in 1962.
- Thanked Andy for his work as DC for the past few years.
- Thanks to everyone again for keeping things going.

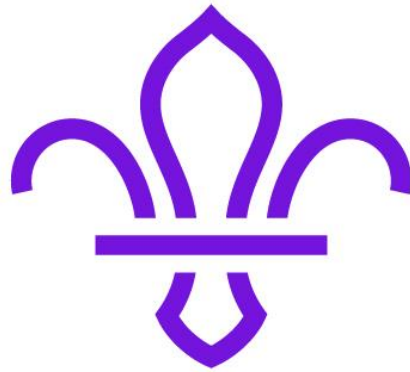
6. Presentations – Roger Kettle & Andy Atherall

- 5 years – Gavin Stark
- Thanks – Dave Marsden

Ian McGeough closed the meeting.

After the meeting Sale Scout & Guide Band performed (a few numbers) and refreshments were served (supplied by Gavin Stark).

Accounts



Scouts

Sale And District

Annual Report 2023

AGM 15th May 2024

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Annual General Meeting Agenda

1. Introduction

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| a. Introduction | Ian McGeough |
| b. Apologies for absence | Dave Marsden |
| c. Approval of the minutes of the previous AGM | Ian McGeough |

2. Governance Items

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|---|--------------|
| a. Adopt model constitution for a group in POR chapter 5 as our Constitution. | Ian McGeough |
| b. Note our Financial year is 1st Jan to 31st Dec. | Ian McGeough |
| c. Agree the maximum number of Trustee Board Members | Ian McGeough |
| d. Agree the Quorum for Scout Council Meetings. | Ian McGeough |

3. Review the Previous Year

- | | |
|--|---------------|
| a. Presentation of annual report for 2023 | Ian McGeough |
| b. Presentation of audited accounts | Mike Harding |
| c. Approval of annual report and adoption of examined accounts | Ian McGeough |
| d. District Chairman's remarks | Ian McGeough |
| e. District Commissioner's remarks | Andy Atherall |

4. Make Appointments

- | | |
|--|---------------|
| a. Appoint the District Chairman | Andy Atherall |
| b. Appoint the District Treasurer | Ian McGeough |
| c. Appoint members of the District Trustee Board | Ian McGeough |
| d. Appointment of Presidents / Vice Presidents | Ian McGeough |
| e. Appoint rep. to the County Scout Council | Ian McGeough |
| f. Appoint the Accounts Examiner | Mike Harding |

5. County Commissioner – Presentations

The official part of the proceedings will be followed by: -

- A performance by the Sale Scout & Guide Band

Chairman's Report

In Scouting, time seems to fly by, it seems no time at all since I was writing my report for the 2023 District AGM. In many ways some things have stayed the same and yet in so many other ways we as a District have continued to grow.

As I reflect on 2023 there are many things which make me proud to be associated with Sale and District. One example that immediately springs to mind is the Gang show. Returning after its COVID hiatus, it is a classic example of how the Scouting and Guiding families can work together to produce an outstanding event for the young people of our area. It was a great few nights of entertainment for us all. Not easily achieved with an immense amount of work by so many people but congratulations to all those involved. I know everyone is now looking forward to the anniversary event in 2025. You can read more in the Gang Show report.

The District band is another great resource for all of our groups especially at the big events and provides another invaluable way for our young people to develop.

Another example of District wide cooperation was the highly successful St George's day parade. Another event that returned in 2023 and provided a great spectacle for all our Scouting families, particularly poignant since we were anticipating the coronation of our new King just a few weeks later.

The District trustee board (formerly the District Exec!) still continued to meet monthly and quietly working in the background has supported and guided all the groups of the District to keep in line with POR, maintain their training and meet any legal requirements for running trips etc. Very often what we do goes under the radar (and quite rightly) but apart from our trustee duties we are here to support anyone in the District with resources, advice and sometimes even financial aid - don't be afraid to ask! I am extremely grateful to all the members of the board, representatives from nearly all groups who make the additional commitment to attend our meeting each month. It is again another example of great cooperation within the District that makes us so strong and purposeful.

Transformation within scouting is coming with names, titles and roles all being altered to reflect a more "transparent" structure within scouting. This is the big challenge over the next year or so with POR changing to reflect these innovations. We will do our best to keep everyone informed of these changes.

Whilst I am reluctant to single any of the trustees out it would be remiss of me not to thank again our wonderful DC Andy Atherall who somehow manages to keep us all in line and really is the powerhouse that links all the groups and sections together. Currency irreplaceable (and they tried!!) I am so pleased he has decided to continue for at least one

more year. This year I know Dave Marsden is stepping down as secretary - not necessarily leaving the board but I would also like to thank him for his service in that capacity.

As I mentioned above, growth continues, the units that started up the previous year, Squirrels, Hive and new beaver sections continue to flourish and the census records growing numbers of young people involved across the whole District. This is of course testament to the incredible hard work and determination of everyone involved in all of our groups and sections and as always on behalf of the parents and guardians of all the young people who benefit from Sale scouting "THANK YOU!" I often think that that is not said often enough and the work you all do should never be taken for granted.

And so onto next year....

Yours in Scouting

Ian McGeough
District Chairman

District Commissioner's Report

Last year as I wrote this report, I was telling you I intended to step down as DC within the year. Since then, I have been able to retire from work earlier than planned and have agreed to stay on as DC for the time being.

We have a lot to be thankful for in 2023, but we still have a lot of challenges to overcome to ensure the future of Scouting in Sale. Our young people numbers are up 5.5% to 791. Our leaders / managers are up 8.7% to 118. The total number of people in Sale District including Network and Trustees etc. is up 6% overall to 982.

The Gang Show was hard work this year, yet Sarah and her team pulled it off with a very young cast, and we had a great show that passed its accreditation as a Scout Show. St George's Day and Remembrance Day both were successes, keeping Scouting visible to members of the public. Sale Central Chetham Beavers celebrated their first birthday in February, and Hive explorers celebrated their first birthday in September.

Our Young Leader Unit had a new leader in September, and I can't thank Alison Corser enough for updating and restarting the training module workshops, making sure we are providing DofE service opportunities correctly.

December saw parents step forward as leaders for Sale Central Howard Beavers, which saved the section from closing, and four additional leaders at 17th Sale in 2023 brought Beavers and Cubs up to two leaders per section.

As you will see from the Section and Explorer reports, all of our sections are doing well, and our Scout and Guide Band are going from strength to strength.

Dave Hannigan's ADC Scouts report underlines the challenges we face in Sale District. We have 791 young people and in this respect are the largest district in GMW County. The next nearest is Wigan district and they have 686 young people. We have 112 Leaders against 201 in Wigan district. This means our leaders are often trying to juggle multiple roles or covering more than one section (or both!) and our District Team is so small that it loses its effectiveness, we are unable to run section level district events, run section level leader meetings or interface properly to the County team without an influx of people. We are also in need of additional Nights Away Assessors and Training Assessors. The more people we have the less each person needs to do.

Almost every section in Sale needs another leader just to get to at least three leaders per section. We urgently need an additional Scout Troop at 17th Sale and Sale Central just to ensure we don't have to turn away our own Cubs in September. 3rd Ashton urgently

needs a second Beaver Colony to ease pressure on the single colony feeding two Cub packs.

Anyone who has experience in recruiting or wants to get involved would be welcome, as I need help, and our HQ development team are proving difficult to engage with. Does your section have a parent's rota, which is often a good source of new leaders or helpers? If not, then why not?

Our District would not be here without the amazing and creative dedication of all of our leaders, managers, trustees and helpers, and I can't thank you all enough for everything you do for our young people.

I would also like to thank our District Trustees and Chairman Ian McGeough, who are one of the best support groups I have ever had, and without whom I would definitely have resigned a long time ago.

Let's look forward to 2024 and make adult recruitment our top priority.

Yours in Scouting

Andy Atherall
District Commissioner

Section Reports

Beaver Section



Gang Show kicked off the year, it was great to see some Beavers taking part in it.

We then had St Georges Day parade. Fantastic turn out from our little blue ninjas, and the group stalls afterwards.

The final event was Remembrance Day. It was lovely seeing the Beavers come and help sell poppies in the weeks before as well as Leaders and parents giving up more time to support this. Then the actual parade even with the worst weather we have had in a long time. The Beavers were fantastic as always especially as it's not the easiest event for them.

As we know the Beavers aim to achieve their Chief Scout Bronze award at the end of their time in the section. This year 61 Beavers gained their Bronze award, which is fantastic and shows what amazing Leaders we have in the district.

Which leads me on to saying the same as last year. We have had more requests for places than places to offer as we don't have enough volunteers. This year we nearly lost another Colony at Raglan Rd. Luckily, we had four parents that were willing to give it ago after talks were had to close at Christmas. Still Leaders in Sale do multiple roles across sections and in groups, so the young people don't miss out.

We would like to say a huge thank you to our Leaders for not just keeping the colonies running in Sale but Scouting. It just shows again what truly special people you are.

Yours in Scouting

Emma Spragg
James Goodwin
ADC Beavers

Cub Section



No Cub section report this year, as we have no ADC Cubs

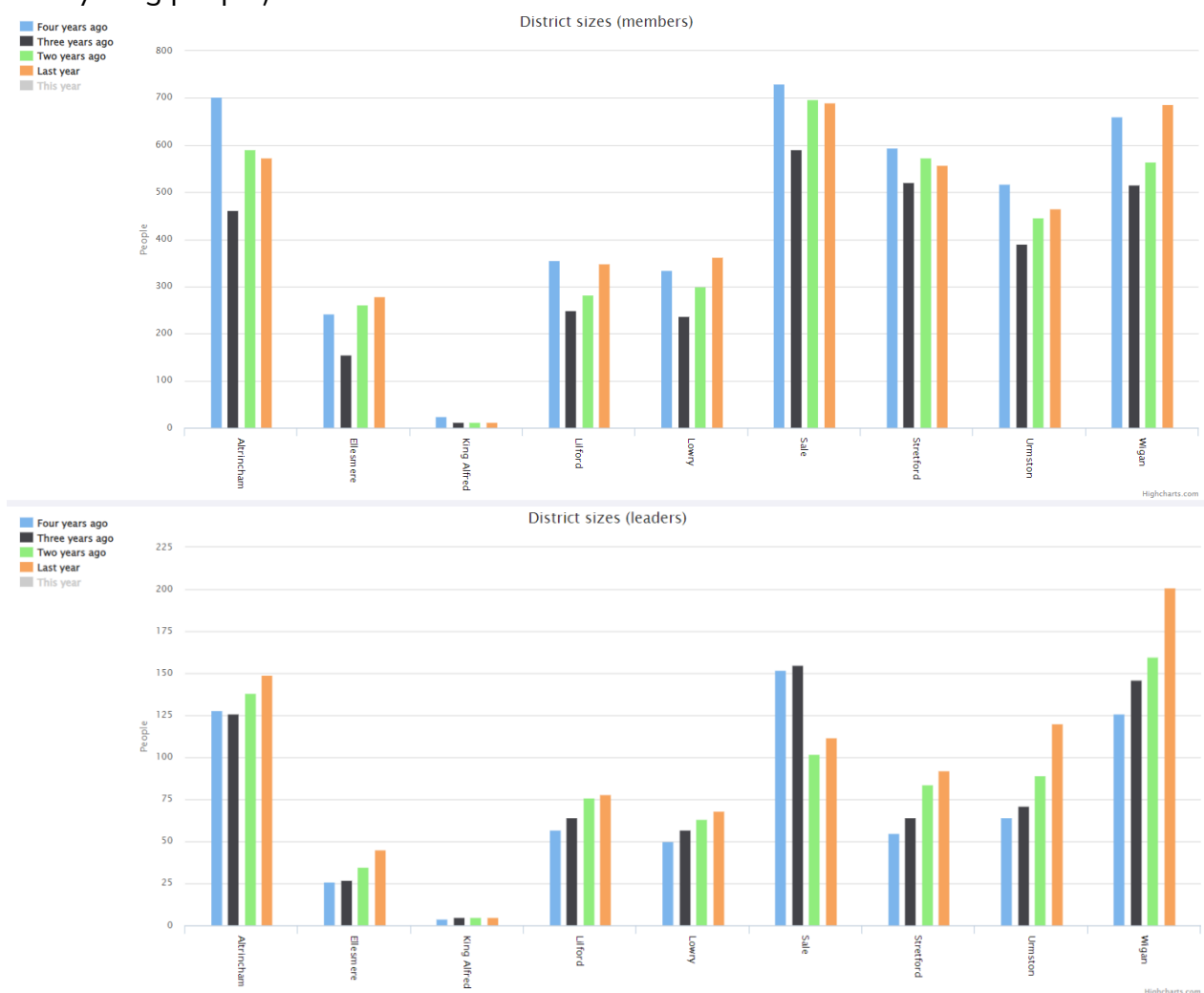
Scout Section

SCOUTS

According to the data maintained in Online Scout Manager, Sale and District has more young people in Scouting than any other District in our

County (791), We manage to provide an amazing programme of Scouting activities with just 118 Adult volunteers (One Volunteer per 6.7 young people).

As remarkable as this may sound, the next largest District in Greater Manchester West (Wigan District) has 686 Young People with 201 Adult Volunteers (One Volunteer per 3.41 young people).



These figures not only represent the fact that Sale and District desperately need to recruit more volunteers but also the amazing job that our current volunteers do, week in, week out.

The number of volunteers per section/unit further illustrate the divide between the two Districts.

District	# of Sections/Units	Adult Volunteers	Volunteers per Section/Unit	Young People per Section/Unit
Sale	33	112	3.39	20.93
Wigan	58	201	3.46	11.83

Although the number of volunteers per section is comparable, Sale and District sections have almost twice the number of young people per section as Wigan District.

Is it therefore, any wonder, that volunteers in our District are feeling burnt out? The impact of this runs deeper than volunteers being in control of a greater number of young people, it also leads to the need for volunteers to take on multiple roles, therefore not focussing on just one role leads to that role being less effective as it might be under different circumstances.

Which brings me on nicely to my role as Assistant District Commissioner (Scouts), being a “multiple role holder”, I have found it difficult to organise any District events for Scouts since before the pandemic, I try and keep in touch with the Scout Leaders across the District, but those same Leaders are often too engaged with their Troops to be able to discuss District events and updates.

The role of ADC (Scouts) is an important one, yet it is one that I am currently unable to prioritise over other ‘front-line’ roles, if I honestly believed that there was anybody waiting in the wings to take on the role, then I would happily step down for the good of the Scouts section in our District. Sadly, it is not a role that a newcomer to Scouting should undertake, it needs to be a seasoned Scouter in my opinion.

The only way that we can free-up such a person is to recruit Section Assistants, Assistant Section Leaders and hopefully some Section Leaders. It would appear that the pandemic put a spanner in the circle of Scouting life that we are all struggling to recover from. The proposed changes to Scouting for 2024 will seemingly do little to alleviate the issues faced by our District, if anything, in my opinion, they will simply exacerbate it due the requirement of more recruitment to fill roles that currently do not exist.

I am genuinely concerned that Scouting in Sale and District will become unsustainable if we do not recruit, recruit, recruit.

Yours in Scouting

Dave Hannigan
Assistant District Commissioner (Scouts)

Explorer Scouts

EXPLORERS

MacAlpine Explorer Scout Unit**Recruitment**

Numbers saw an increase of 4 on the previous year (including 1 Bronze Explorer joining in late Jan/early Feb) to a total of 40, the highest number of Explorers in the Unit's history.

Table 1: Explorer Numbers on 1 January (by DofE level and year):

	BRONZE	SILVER	GOLD-1	GOLD-2*	TOTAL
2015	8	11	0	0	19
2016	5	9	8	0	22
2017	14	4	8	0	26
2018	9	16	3	8	36
2019	12	11	11	2	36
2020	5	12	11	2	30
2021	9	3	10	3	25
2022	13	12	0	4	29
2023	13	11	12	0	36
2024	6	13	11	10	40

*Gold is a two-year programme

Having achieved gender parity in 2021, this year (2023) marks the highest proportion of females in the Unit's history, at 58.9%:

Table 2: Gender Balance on 1 January:

	MALE	FEMALE	% FEMALE
2015	17	2	10.5
2016	18	4	18.2
2017	21	5	19
2018	30	6	16
2019	25	11	30.5
2020	19	11	36.6
2021	12	13	52
2022	12	17	58.6
2023	16	20	55.5
2024	17	23	58.9

Activities

We began 2023 hoping to return to our usual Winter Camp venue (Cornel) in January. However, a freak, extreme weather event with significant snowfall in the days before the Camp resulted in Cornel being inaccessible via road or foot, so we had to cancel it at short notice.

The Easter vacation saw DofE Practice Expeditions for four Expedition Teams (two at Bronze and two at Silver levels), and a Gold Training Exercise for two Gold Expedition Teams. And then the four Bronze & Silver Teams completed their Qualifying Expeditions and the two Gold Teams completed their Gold Practice, all in the summer months (there was no Gold Qualifying Expedition this year, as we had no Gold 2 candidates).

We finished up the Explorer Year in the Autumn (overlapping with the new Explorer year) with our Explorer of the Year Awards for 2023: Isabel Rainford (Bronze), Charlie Smith (Silver) and Melody Yarwood (Gold).

Recruitment in the Autumn saw us with 5 new Bronze Explorers, with one other joining us in late Jan/early Feb.

We entered the John Bradbury Competitive Hike at Gradbach on the third weekend of September, with three teams, which did commendably well (although no prizes).

We also engaged in some fundraising activities.

Awards

MacAlpine was founded primarily to run the DofE programme for 14-18 year olds, and the Scouting equivalents (although very few Explorers choose to do these).

Table 5: DofE Awards (by level and year)

YEAR	BRONZE/PLAT	SILVER	GOLD	TOTAL
2015	10	0	0	10
2016	5	5	0	10
2017	3	7	0	10
2018	12	3	3	18
2019	7 / 1 = 8	5	0	13
2020	9	9	0	18
2021	0 / 1 = 1	2	1	4
2022	17	3	3	23
2023	10	9	1	20
TOTALS	74	43	8	126

This year saw the second highest number of awards, at 20 (three short of last year's high point), so another very strong showing by our Explorers, with a grand total of 126 awards made since the Unit's founding in 2013.

Leadership Team

The regular Leadership Team running Explorer Nights each week consists of Martin Bull, Chris Lee, Mark Sheppard and Chris Hoyle.

Beyond them, we have three Expedition Support members: Assistant Explorer Scout Leaders Mike Counsell and Simon Thompson as well as occasional volunteer, Dennis Downey (appointed in 2022). In the team overall, we have 5 trained DofE Expedition Supervisors and two trained DofE Assessors (one to Bronze & Silver levels and one to Bronze, Silver & Gold levels).

We also continue to draw on the support of an Expeditions secretary responsible for DofE uploads (Mandi Sturmeay).

This year we replaced our MacAlpine seamstress (Gillian Gallois) after many years' service (which we thank Gillian for) with Helen Williams, the mother of one of our current Explorers. At the end of the year, we began the process of appointing a new Treasurer to replace Chris Lee, thus freeing more of his time up for tasks associated with scouting/DofE skills.

We have also developed a more effective system of liaison with Network who take on our former Explorers once they reach 18, their membership of Network allowing them to continue with their Gold Expedition planning, at the same time as allowing them to provide us with help and support at Explorer Nights.

Overall, however, the core trained team is too small. With only 4 regular leaders and 40 Explorers it means that the team is fragile, with absences (through illness or other commitments) amongst any of the leaders creating pressures on the others. A Unit of this size needs a leadership team of at least 6. Expeditions and camps continue to depend on a significant number of one-off parental volunteers who make up Expedition Supervision Teams and/or help with transport.

Martin Bull, Explorer Scout Leader,
MacAlpine Explorer Scout Unit (Sale District)

Wyvern Explorer Scout Unit

We at Wyvern are a Scout focused group whose aim is to get the best out of our young people and to give them the best scouting experience scouts has to offer in a safe controlled environment.

We have 25 members with 7 leaders who without their support the section would struggle to function, therefore a huge thank you to Sean Warman, Gordon Moffat, John Bates, Rebecca Winby, Paul Maggs, Louise Cooper. And to myself Gregory Hart

Since our last report Explorers have done a couple of scout forums and as a result our program is mostly youth led, where they give the ideas then we help implement.

Our camp experiences are March 2023 winter camp this is an annual event and this year's will be held at Linnet Clough again in March 2024.

Last year we were invited to attend 3rd Ashtons family camp where we had a good attendance and ran a couple of bases.

Our next camp incorporated a hike (navigate in patrols with checkpoints along the way) to camp set up site cook on open fires, firelighting using ferrous rods and steel and do Archery and Shooting.

Our big summer project was to construct karts from nothing, the Explorers designed and put together their own karts to great success which were trialled at Dunham. The karts were functional with steering and a braking system.

We did the usual time on water with grip at dusk which made it all the more interesting. Another first for Wyvern was a bistro evening to great success, after a couple of weeks practice, they all delivered on the night, I am really proud of them for this as it took a lot of team work, a big well done to them all.

Explorers experienced climbing at the Chill Factore this was a great turnout and something we will be doing again.

As for badge work our program is designed to meet most of the required elements for the following: -

- Climbing
- Construction
- Navigation (hiking)
- Knife Safety
- Time on water
- Cooking (dietary requirements)
- Budgeting
- Pioneering

- DIY
- Our health
- Physical recreation
- Leadership

Four of our members are involved with the young leader scheme and I wish them well on this part of their scout experience.

As with other Explorer sections we work towards the chief scout awards, we had two who achieved the chief scout platinum well done to Megan Maggs and Melody Yarwood.

There are going to be more however they are just not quite there yet.

Our future nights away will be a summer camp June or July, and another in September.

Going forward our aim is to push forward with a youth led program delivering all aspects of scouting.

Thank you for reading.

Greg Hart
Wyvern ESU.

Hive Explorer Scout Unit

As I write this today with immense pride and excitement as we reflect on the incredible journey we've had in the past year. It has been a year of growth, challenges, and, most importantly, an abundance of achievements. Our second year has been fantastic, and I'm thrilled to share with you the highlights of what we've accomplished.

Current Status:

Currently, our thriving Explorer unit comprises 24 enthusiastic members who meet regularly, guided by our dedicated team of two leaders. While the numbers are impressive, we find ourselves in need of a little extra help to further enhance our program. If anyone out there is looking for an opportunity to make a meaningful impact, we extend a warm welcome to join our incredible team.

Badge Achievements:

In the past year, our explorers have earned a whopping 115 badges! Notably, six of these were Platinum awards. What's even more exciting is that this trend is continuing, with more explorers achieving these milestones each month. We're eagerly awaiting the next batch of achievements, which are due very soon.

Memorable Adventures:

Our adventures have been nothing short of extraordinary. The Goodwood Weekender Explorer Camp has become a cherished annual tradition, based out of our local campsite in Dunham. We walked away with one competition win under our belt with the tug of war. The BST Adventure Hike provided us with a learning curve, and despite a momentary hiccup with believing we have to plot our maps on the day we successfully completed the challenge. Our 24-hour camp was revisited, this time with an added twist - a 6-hour hike to Forest Camp, making it a true test of survival skills.

The Survivalists Campout Challenge was a resounding success, showcasing that, while hiking might not be everyone's favourite, the bonds formed and memories created during these moments are invaluable to our unit.

Youth Development and Awards:

A significant achievement worth celebrating is that over 50% of our explorers have embarked on their Young Leader Award journey. This remarkable progress is attributed to the dedication of our new trainer, Alison Corser, whom we sincerely thank for her hard work.

Moreover, we're witnessing an increase in Bronze and Silver Duke of Edinburgh (DofE) Awards, with explorers pursuing these accomplishments through school or third-party

organizations. It's inspiring to see our explorers taking on such challenges and succeeding.

Gratitude and Acknowledgments:

A heartfelt thank you is in order for everyone who braved the elements during our wettest Remembrance Day. The unwavering commitment of each participant, without a single complaint, truly exemplifies the exceptional team spirit we have in Sale District.

A special acknowledgment goes out to the leaders at Hive and the district for their support throughout the year. We couldn't have achieved all this without their invaluable assistance.

And finally, a sincere thank you to the 14th Sale Scout Group for their unwavering support. Your encouragement fuels our endeavours, and we are grateful for the partnership we share.

In conclusion, let's celebrate our successes, learn from our challenges, and look forward to another year of growth, adventure, and making lasting memories.

Thank you all for being part of this incredible journey.

Yours in Scouting,

Andrew Jenkinson - Team Leader

Network

network

Last year has been a progressive year for Joule Network. Over the past year we welcomed a fair number of new

Network members moving up from their Explorers' group.

Joule Network met up for Sale and District's Remembrance Sunday service. Despite the rainy weather, Joule members proudly wore full Network uniform (without outerwear by choice!) to pay our respects together at the Remembrance Service.

During late 2023 and early 2024, Network members were busy balancing between individual commitment and scouting. We did plan and organized a few events, keeping them as close as possible to Scouting and allowing the opportunity for members to take a little break from our intense university work. Our events were:

- Remembrance Sunday Parade
- Crazy Pool tournament
- Total Ninja Park

Although it has been a quiet year for Network, Network is growing steadily with 6 new member investitures this year. We are working hard behind the scenes to align everyone's availabilities and plan our second network camp.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Andy Atherall & the Sale and District Exec Committee for guiding me during my temporary stand-in role in Network Leader. I would also like to thank all Explorers' leaders, special mention to Alison Corser for her hard work to help Sale and District's Young Leader Unit up and running again.

I hope Joule will continue to grow into a strongly established Scouting unit that allows Explorer and young adults to continue their Scouting journey, learning valuable life skills together into adulthood.

Yasmin Lee
District Youth Commissioner

Youth Commissioner's Report

During the past year, we have had some exciting developments in Sale and District Scouting.

With our first remembrance Sunday with the new structure of organizing parade by Beavers, Cubs, and Scouts. Another amazing year for Sale Gang Show with a larger junior cast, and our Young Leader Unit is successfully up and running again to support our young people. I would like to personally thank all the amazing leader volunteers and young people who made it happen.

My personal focus of this year was to organize a system where we could link Explorers and Network to encourage Explorers to continue their scouting journey with Network. With explorer leaders' help, we can help them to complete their DBS as soon as they turn 18, completing their DofE Gold/Scouting Awards without further delays. With the help of OSM, we can share Network Member's profile back to their scout groups for communication purposes through emails.

Thank you to Dave Hannigan's help setting up Joule Network's OSM. Special Thanks to Bob Cole and Richard Taylor's assistance with DBS checks and Scout Census. I am excited to assist Explorers/Network members starting their DofE and King Scouts Award this upcoming year.

I would like to thank Andy Atherall, Sale and District Exec Committee, and all the support and guidance from the District team to support my role as District Youth Commissioner.

Yasmin Lee
District Youth Commissioner

Sale Scout and Guide Gang Show



2023 saw the return of Sale Gang Show, following a pause in production due to COVID-19, since February 2020. Our 58th show ran for a full week, welcoming the public and longstanding Gang Show supporters into Sale Waterside Theatre.

This year's show had a real sense of community spirit and there was a real 'buzz' in the air after such a long break. It meant we welcomed old (and new) cast members back onto the stage, with a range of traditional Ralph Reader sketches, modern dances and musical numbers, to entertain our loyal audiences.

The Production team worked hard to pull everything together (despite feeling a little rusty!) and the behind the scenes supporters and volunteers, once again, turned up to help in all areas.

Despite this, we did take a real hit financially with this returning show. When considering the 2023 budgets, we found significant losses in most areas. A smaller cast meant that ticket sales were significantly lower than predicted – having a knock-on effect to Front of House programme and raffle sales. Despite everyone's hard work and best efforts, we simply did not have the numbers we expected based on previous years.

During the planning stages, we also had a vacancy for a Business Manager, meaning we missed hitting many of our fundraising and donation targets. This has resulted in a problematic financial situation moving forward which will need to be addressed immediately, when considering the future of Sale Gang Show.

A special thanks must be given to both Sale Scout and Guide commissioners, for advertising amongst groups and ensuring the show received such a high profile amongst the community.

We thank everyone for their kind donations and fundraising efforts and extend our sincere 'thanks' to Sale District for their kind contribution; enabling us to once again, provide discounted tickets to those groups attending.

We are currently recruiting new and enthusiastic people, to support the production of next year's show. Working alongside our talented Producer, we are always on the lookout for new talent - on or off the stage. If you think this is something you would be interested in, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

We are also advertising for volunteers to support and assist with running rehearsals and organising schedules.

Thank you all once again for your continued support and we look forward to entertaining you all again very soon!

Robyn Stevenson
Gang Show Chairman

Sale District Scout and Guide Band



In early 2023 we welcomed new members to the Band and began rehearsing for the return of the Sale Gang Show.



This year's theme tied in with The Oscars so we picked out some award winning pieces and played them to a video back drop. Another first for the band and well received by all.

We were invited to the 3rd Ashton Scouts to launch our new 'band night' whereby we join with the musicians within the section and play along with them. No instruments are excluded which saw a band of more than 25 playing Sweet Caroline including a violin, cello, multiple French horns, keyboards and guitars.

The standout moment for me was when the cellist announced how delighted he was to play the actual melody line!

Into April and St Georges Day Parade in Worthington Park where it was our turn to lead the parade. Another new member lined up to keep the beat and did a great job.



From this performance gained another 3 members which is a fantastic result.



In the summer we visited Northampton to join forces with the Northampton Scout Band and march in the Northampton Carnival. The weather was extremely hot which added an extra layer to the day. We started mid-carnival but due to an

excessively loud sound system we got 'promoted' to the front and led the whole carnival back to the showground.



In October the band, with even more new members, made the trip down to London to take part in the Band of the Grenadier Guards Open Day. This was an opportunity to watch the band in action and play alongside them in the Wellington Barracks next to Buckingham Palace.

“The day would consist of watching the band do Changing of the Guard followed by a short marching display, a talk and Q&A session on life as an army musician, a marching band workshop, and a rehearsal with the Grenadiers Director of Music.”

We combined the weekend with away with a sightseeing trip around the capital (on foot) finishing at a hostel in Hollands Park where we stayed the night. Our members behaved impeccably and promoted Sale Scout & Guiding in the best light possible.





We finished 2023 with our annual performance at 3rd Ashton's Christmas Carol Service where our alternative version of the 12 Days of Christmas (12 Days of Camping) was a firm favourite with everyone.

In 2024 we have joined TYMBA (Traditional Youth Marching Band Association) which has opened up more opportunities to attend workshops and band days with the ultimate aim of competing in Marching Band Contests.

My thanks go to all the Band Members, our adult Leaders; Sarah, Sally, Mandy, Emily & William; and Joe for his Gang Show editing skills.

Thanks to Andrea for looking after the pennies, the rest of the Band Committee for their support and to the parents for helping out when asked.

Special thanks to Harry and the team at 3rd Ashton for hosting us every week.

We are a District Band and would love to see new members join us – if you have any musicians in your Group send them along.

Dennis Yarwood
Band Master



Awards

Congratulations to the following people on their awards in 2023.

Award	Name	Unit
Wood Badge	Emma Spragg	District
Wood Badge	Kerryann Banks	Sale Central
Wood Badge	Martin Odenrode	17th Sale
5 Years Service	Christine Moore	14th Sale
5 Years Service	Carol Severn	7th Sale
5 Years Service	Glenn Rees	Sale Central
5 Years Service	Rebecca Winby	Sale Central
5 Years Service	Annabel Cloughley	2nd Brooklands
5 Years Service	Bruce Furlonger	2nd Brooklands
5 Years Service	Deanna Lynch	7th Sale
5 Years Service	Gavin Stark	Sale Central
5 Years Service	Kerryann Banks	Sale Central
5 Years Service	Mark Sheppard	MacAlpine ESU
5 Years Service	Zohra Butt	Hive ESU
10 Years Service	Simon Murray	3rd Ashton
10 Years Service	Mike Counsell	MacAlpine ESU
15 Years Service	Steve Leicester	11th Sale
15 Years Service	Chris Pratt	Sale Central
15 Years Service	John Ward	11th Sale
20 Years Service	Carys Pugh	2nd Brooklands
20 Years Service	Patrick Gallois	7th Sale
25 Years Service	Bryn Thomas	11th Sale
25 Years Service	Sarah Goodstadt	3rd Ashton
30 Years Service	Paul Dixon	14th Sale
30 Years Service	Tim Bracegirdle	7th Sale

Charity Commission Information

Reference and Administration Details	
Charity Name	Sale District Scout Council
Other names the charity is known by	Sale & District Scouts
HQ Registration Number	10001925
Registered Charity Number	1042185
Charity's Principal Address	c/o 6 Gloucester Drive, Sale, M33 5DH

Trustee Details		
Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
Ian McGeough	Chairman	
Dave Marsden	Secretary	
Michael Harding	Treasurer	
Andrew Atherall	District Commissioner	
Andrea Morgan		
Harry Peet		
Clive Winby		
Yasmin Lee	District Youth Commissioner	
Christine Gleaves	Deputy District Commissioner	
Gavin Stark		
Paul Harris		
Anna Brunt		01/01 – 22/06
Jenny Saxty		
Lewis Sinclair		11/12 – 31/12
Paul Maggs		22/06 – 31/12

Structure Governance and Management	
Type of governing document	The District'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. District Constitution is based on a model constitution defined within the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.
How the charity is constituted	The District is a trust established under the rules which are common to all Scout units.
Trustee selection methods	The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.
Additional governance information	The District is managed by the District Trustee Board, the members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' of the Scout District which is an educational charity. As charity trustees they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to

Structure Governance and Management	
	charities. This includes the registration, keeping proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate. The Trustee Board consists of the Chair, Treasurer and 11 Trustees (including 2 Ex-Officio Trustees) and meets every month. Members of the Trustee Board complete Being a Scouts Trustee learning within the first six months of joining the Board. This District Trustee Board exists to make sure the charity is well-managed, risks are assessed and mitigated, buildings and equipment are in good working order, and everyone follows legal requirements and the organisation's policies and rules. Their support helps other volunteers run high-quality and safe programmes that gives young people skills for life.
Risks	The District Trustee Board have identified the major risks to which they believe the District 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 District would request the use of buildings, property, and equipment from neighbouring organisations such as the church, community centre and other Scout Groups. Similar reciprocal arrangements exist with these organisations. The District has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss. • Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members. The District through the membership subscription fees contributes to the Scout Associations national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities. • Reduced income from fund raising. The District is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. The District does hold a reserve to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income. The District Trustee Board could raise the value of subscriptions to increase the income to the District on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently • Reduction or loss of leaders. The District is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of

Structure Governance and Management

	the District. If there was a reduction in the number of leaders to an unacceptable level in a particular Section or the District 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 District. Reduction or loss of members. The District provides activities for all young people aged 6 to 18. If there was a reduction in membership in a particular Section or the District as whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation, or closure of a Group. In the worst-case scenario, the complete closure of the District.
Internal Controls	The District has in place systems of <i>internal controls</i> 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

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document	The objectives of the District are as a unit of the Scout Association.
Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects	The Aim of The Scout Association is to promote the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potentials, as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of their local national and international communities. The method of achieving the Aim of the Association is by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law and guided by adult leadership.
Public benefit statement	The District 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

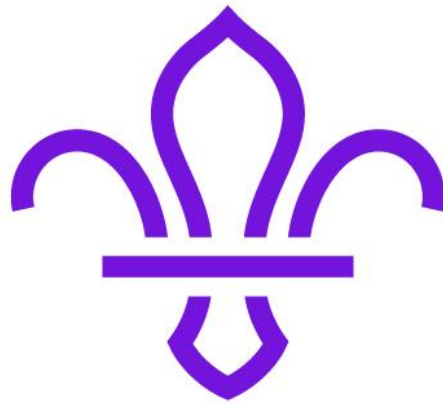
Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year	The achievements for the year are contained in the various reports in this document.
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Financial Review

Reserves Policy	The District's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the District should income and fundraising activities fall short. (Excluding Membership Fees) The District Trustee Board considers that the District should hold a sum equivalent to 24 months running costs, circa £13,000. The District held reserves of approximately £31,000 against this at year end. This is above the level required for operating expenses. However, this can be explained by the additional funds being held for the opening and development of new groups and sections, funds being held for providing assistance for young people in the District to attend international events and giving the opportunity to fund or make donations for specific events and activities.
Details of any funds materially in deficit (circumstances plus steps to eliminate)	No funds in deficit
Further Financial Review Details	See the annual financial report at the end of this document.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above		
Chairman	Secretary	District Commissioner
Ian McGeough	Dave Marsden	Andy Atherall
		



Scouts

Sale And District

Annual Financial Report for the Year Ended 31st December 2023

The bank balances on the accounts held by the District Treasurer are as follows:

Lloyds Account	£ 17,953.26
Leeds and Holbeck Account	£ 132.39
Cambridge & Counties	£ 50,000.00

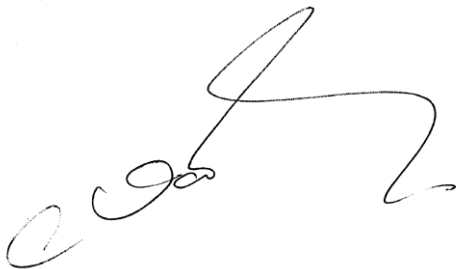
The accounts should be read with the following notes:

- a) The General Fund is operated by the District Treasurer and the receipts, payments and bank statements are reviewed by the District Examiner.
- b) The Beaver, Explorer and Band's figures are from information reviewed by, but not operated by, the District Treasurer.
- c) The Gang Show's figures are from information reviewed by, but not operated by, the District Examiner.
- d) The combined District income and expenditure figures, plus the combined District Balance sheet are compiled from the aforementioned figures.



Michael J Harding
District Treasurer

I have examined and confirmed the records provided, bank accounts, receipts and payments of the General Fund and Gang Show Fund accounts. The combined District figures are compiled from these figures together with other accounts reviewed by, but not operated by, the District Treasurer.



Chris Varley F.C.A.
District Examiner
Date 01 May 2024

District Income and Expenditure Account**Year to 31st December 2023****2023****2022****Income**

General	£ 40,962.96	£ 41,271.92
Gang Show	£ 9,773.27	£ 350.00
Band	-£ 1,553.61	-£ 120.00
Beavers	£ -	£ -
Cubs	£ -	£ -
MacAlpine ESU	£ 3,470.20	£ 2,500.00
Wyvern ESU	£ 1,608.43	£ 1,534.86
Hive ESU	£ 4,987.60	£ 2,152.64
Sale ASU	£ -	£ -
	<u>£ 59,248.85</u>	<u>£ 47,689.42</u>

Expenditure

General	£ 37,850.38	£ 34,186.29
Gang Show	£ 11,252.42	£ 369.43
Band	£ 904.67	£ 432.20
Beavers	£ -	£ -
Cubs	£ -	£ -
MacAlpine ESU	-£ 817.10	£ 2,024.86
Wyvern ESU	£ 2,150.58	£ 1,685.45
Hive ESU	£ 4,113.07	£ 1,865.22
Sale ASU	£ -	£ -
	<u>£ 55,454.02</u>	<u>£ 40,563.45</u>

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	<u>£ 3,794.83</u>	<u>£ 7,125.97</u>
Depreciation	£ -	£ -
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	<u>£ 3,794.83</u>	<u>£ 7,125.97</u>

District Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2023**Year to 31st December 2023****2023****2022****Assets**

General	£ 68,087.65	£ 67,578.26
Gang Show	£ 8,302.99	£ 10,082.14
Band	£ 3,874.48	£ 6,332.76
Beavers	£ 1,708.57	£ 1,708.57
Cubs	£ -	£ 369.53
MacAlpine ESU	£ 7,496.59	£ 3,209.29
Wyvern ESU	£ 8,376.24	£ 8,918.39
Hive ESU	£ 1,161.95	£ 287.42
Sale ASU	£ -	£ -
	<u>£ 99,008.47</u>	<u>£ 98,486.36</u>

Liabilities

General	£ 32,562.49	£ 34,165.68
Gang Show	£ 300.00	£ 300.00
Band	£ -	£ -
Beavers	£ -	£ -
Cubs	£ -	£ -
MacAlpine ESU	£ -	£ -
Wyvern ESU	£ -	£ -
Hive ESU	£ -	£ -
Sale ASU	£ -	£ -
	<u>£ 32,862.49</u>	<u>£ 34,465.68</u>

Accumulated General Funds

£ 66,145.98**£ 64,020.68**

Accumulated Funds brought forward 1st January 2022

£ 64,020.68

£ 57,942.59

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ 3,494.83

£ 7,125.97

Transfer to Jamboree Fund

~~£~~ 1,000.00~~£~~ 1,000.00

Sale ASU balance write off

£ -

~~£~~ 47.88

Cub Balance transferred to District

~~£~~ 369.53

£ -

Accumulated Funds carried forward 31st December 2023

£ 66,145.98**£ 64,020.68**

Jamboree Fund

~~£~~ 2,219.79~~£~~ 1,219.79

Development Fund

£ 31,469.80

£ 31,873.00

ESU Funds

£ -

£ 680.51

Scout Funds

£ 2,831.96

£ 2,831.96

Cub Funds

£ 369.53

£ -

Young Leaders Funds

£ 110.99

£ -

Total District Funds carried forward 31st December 2023**£ 98,708.47****£ 98,186.36**

General Account Income and Expenditure Account**Year to 31st December 2023****2023****2022****Income**

Membership Subscription	£ 41,038.50	£ 39,498.00
Donation	£ 523.91	£ 13.20
Interest	£ 22.55	£ 22.54
Badge Income	-£ 622.00	£ 238.18
Lease Transfer	£ -	£ 1,500.00
	<u>£ 40,962.96</u>	<u>£ 41,271.92</u>

Expenditure

Membership Subscription	£ 35,014.50	£ 31,196.00
Insurance	£ 533.92	£ 471.63
Net Event Expenditure	£ 1,000.00	£ 1,194.94
Administration	£ 384.07	£ 393.72
Grants	£ 1,067.89	£ -
Training	-£ 150.00	£ 930.00
	<u>£ 37,850.38</u>	<u>£ 34,186.29</u>

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)

£ 3,112.58**£ 7,085.63**

Depreciation

£ -

£ -

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ 3,112.58**£ 7,085.63**

General Account Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2023**Year to 31st December 2023****2023****2022****Fixed Assets**

Trophies	£ 1.00	£ 1.00
Office Equipment	£ 1.00	£ 1.00
	£ 2.00	£ 2.00

Current Assets

Cash in hand	£ -	£ -
Current Account - Lloyds	£ 17,953.26	£ 22,466.42
Building Society Account	£ 132.39	£ 45,109.84
Cambridge & Counties	£ 50,000.00	£ -
Loans	£ -	£ -
	£ 68,085.65	£ 67,576.26

Total Assets**£ 68,087.65****£ 67,578.26****Liabilities**

Creditors/Accruals	£ -	£ -
Development Fund	£ 31,469.80	£ 31,873.00
ESU Funds	£ -	£ 680.51
Scout Funds	£ 2,831.96	£ 2,831.96
Cub Funds	£ 369.53	£ -
Young Leaders Funds	£ 110.99	£ -
Jamboree Fund	-£ 2,219.79	-£ 1,219.79
	£ 32,562.49	£ 34,165.68

Accumulated funds carried forward**£ 35,525.16****£ 33,412.58**

Accumulated Funds brought forward £ 33,412.58 £ 27,326.95

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year £ 3,112.58 £ 7,085.63

Transfer to Jamboree Fund -£ 1,000.00 -£ 1,000.00

Accumulated Funds carried forward**£ 35,525.16****£ 33,412.58**

Gang Show Income and Expenditure Account**Year to 31st December 2023****2023****2022****Income**

Ticket Sales	£ 6,253.53	£ -
Subscriptions	£ 1,256.96	£ 330.00
Fund Raising	£ 23.00	£ -
Donations	£ 1,250.00	£ -
Programme Sales	£ 243.78	£ 20.00
Miscellaneous	£ 746.00	£ -
	<u>£ 9,773.27</u>	<u>£ 350.00</u>

Expenditure

Room Hire	£ 4,942.80	£ 195.00
Brochure/Publicity	£ -	£ -
Production Costs	£ 5,656.15	£ 105.16
Front of House Costs	£ 321.34	£ -
Insurance	£ -	£ -
Miscellaneous	£ 332.13	£ 69.27
	<u>£ 11,252.42</u>	<u>£ 369.43</u>

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	<u><u>-£ 1,479.15</u></u>	<u><u>-£ 19.43</u></u>
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Depreciation	£ -	£ -
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Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	<u><u>-£ 1,479.15</u></u>	<u><u>-£ 19.43</u></u>
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Gang Show Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2023**Year to 31st December 2023****2023****2022****Fixed Assets**

Curtains	£ 1,200.00		£ 1,200.00	
		£	1,200.00	£ 1,200.00

Current Assets

Bank Account	£ 7,102.99		£ 8,882.14	
Debtors/Accrued Income	£ -		£ -	
		£	7,102.99	£ 8,882.14

Total Assets**£ 8,302.99****£ 10,082.14****Liabilities**

Creditors/Accruals	£ -		£ 300.00	
		£	-	£ 300.00

Total Liabilities**£ -****£ 300.00****£ 8,302.99****£ 9,782.14**

Accumulated Funds brought forward	£ 9,782.14		£ 9,801.57	
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Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	-£ 1,479.15		-£ 19.43	
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Accumulated Funds carried forward	£ 8,302.99		£ 9,782.14	
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Band Income and Expenditure Account**Year to 31st December 2023****2023****2022****Income**

Subs	£ 456.00	£ 180.00
Camps	-£ 2,009.61	-£ 300.00
	-£ 1,553.61	-£ 120.00

Expenditure

Neckers/Woggles	£ 30.00	£ 92.45
Music Equipment	£ 483.84	£ 70.00
Donations	£ 150.00	£ -
General Expenses	£ 240.83	£ 269.75
	£ 904.67	£ 432.20

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	-£ 2,458.28	-£ 552.20
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Depreciation	£ -	£ -
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Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	-£ 2,458.28	-£ 552.20
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Band Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2023**Year to 31st December 2023****2023****2022****Fixed Assets**

Band Instruments

£	350.00
£	350.00

£	350.00
£	350.00

Current Assets

Cash/Bank Account

£	3,524.48
£	3,524.48

£	5,982.76
£	5,982.76

Total Assets**£ 3,874.48****£ 6,332.76****Liabilities**

£	-
£	-

£	-
£	-

Total Liabilities**£ -****£ -****£ 3,874.48****£ 6,332.76**

Accumulated Funds brought forward

£ 6,332.76

£ 6,884.96

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

-£ 2,458.28**-£ 552.20**

Accumulated Funds carried forward

£ 3,874.48**£ 6,332.76**

Beavers Income and Expenditure Account**Year to 31st December 2023****2023****2022****Income**

Events

£	-
£	-

£	-
£	-

Expenditure

Events

£	-
£	-

£	-
£	-

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)

£	-
£	-

£	-
£	-

Depreciation

£	-
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£	-
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Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£	-
£	-

£	-
£	-

Beavers Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2023**Year to 31st December 2023****2023****2022****Current Assets**

Cash/Bank Account

£ 1,708.57
£ 1,708.57

£ 1,708.57
£ 1,708.57

Total Assets**£ 1,708.57****£ 1,708.57****Liabilities**

£ -
£ -

£ -
£ -

Total Liabilities**£ -****£ -****£ 1,708.57****£ 1,708.57**

Accumulated Funds brought forward

£ 1,708.57

£ 1,708.57

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ -

£ -

Accumulated Funds carried forward

£ 1,708.57**£ 1,708.57**

Cubs Income and Expenditure Account**Year to 31st December 2023****2023****2022****Income**

Bridge & Back Canoe Race
Karen Keane Comp

£ -
£ -
£ -

£ -
£ -
£ -

Expenditure

Cooking Comp
Bridge & Back Canoe Race
Karen Keane Comp

£ -
£ -
£ -
£ -

£ -
£ -
£ -
£ -

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)

£ -

£ -

Depreciation

£ -

£ -

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ -

£ -

Cubs Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2023**Year to 31st December 2023****2023****2022****Current Assets**

Cash/Bank Account

£	-
£	-

£	369.53
£	369.53

Total Assets

£	-
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£	369.53
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Liabilities

£	-
£	-

£	-
£	-

Total Liabilities

£	-
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£	-
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£	-
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£	369.53
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Accumulated Funds brought forward

£	369.53
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£	369.53
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Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£	-
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£	-
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Balance transferred to District

-£	369.53
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£	-
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Accumulated Funds carried forward

£	-
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£	369.53
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Account closed

MacAlpine ESU Income and Expenditure Account**Year to 31st December 2023****2023****2022****Income**

Joining Fees	£ 240.00	£ 750.00
Subscriptions	£ 3,230.20	£ 1,750.00
Interest	£ -	£ -
	<u>£ 3,470.20</u>	<u>£ 2,500.00</u>

Expenditure

Administration	£ 716.82	£ 695.70
Hire fees	£ -	£ 272.71
Equipment	£ 550.49	£ 146.62
Activities	£ 405.69	£ 605.74
Camp	-£ 3,143.72	-£ 1,089.66
DofE	£ 286.25	£ 492.27
Misc.	£ 367.37	£ 551.48
Training	£ -	£ 350.00
	<u>-£ 817.10</u>	<u>£ 2,024.86</u>

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)

£ 4,287.30£ 475.14

Depreciation

£ -

£ -

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ 4,287.30£ 475.14

MacAlpine ESU Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2023**Year to 31st December 2023****2023****2022****Current Assets**

Cash/Bank Account

£ 7,496.59

£ 7,496.59

£ 3,209.29

£ 3,209.29

Total Assets**£ 7,496.59****£ 3,209.29****Liabilities**

£ -

£ -

£ -

£ -

Total Liabilities**£ -****£ -****£ 7,496.59****£ 3,209.29**

Accumulated Funds brought forward

£ 3,209.29

£ 2,734.15

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ 4,287.30

£ 475.14

Accumulated Funds carried forward

£ 7,496.59**£ 3,209.29**

Wyvern ESU Income and Expenditure Account**Year to 31st December 2023****2023****2022****Income**

Subscriptions	£ 2,927.40	£ 2,237.46
Donation/Grant	£ -	£ -
Camps	-£ 1,318.97	-£ 702.60
	<u>£ 1,608.43</u>	<u>£ 1,534.86</u>

Expenditure

Membership Subscription	£ 1,580.50	£ 1,000.00
Misc.	£ 402.63	£ 685.45
Uniform	£ 167.45	£ -
	<u>£ 2,150.58</u>	<u>£ 1,685.45</u>

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	<u>-£ 542.15</u>	<u>-£ 150.59</u>
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Depreciation	£ -	£ -
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Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	<u>-£ 542.15</u>	<u>-£ 150.59</u>
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Wyvern ESU Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2023**Year to 31st December 2023****2023****2022****Current Assets**

Cash/Bank Account

£ 8,376.24	
	£ 8,376.24

£ 8,918.39	
	£ 8,918.39

Total Assets**£ 8,376.24****£ 8,918.39****Liabilities**

£ -	
	£ -

£ -	
	£ -

Total Liabilities**£ -****£ -****£ 8,376.24****£ 8,918.39**

Accumulated Funds brought forward

£ 8,918.39

£ 9,068.98

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

-£ 542.15**-£ 150.59**

Accumulated Funds carried forward

£ 8,376.24**£ 8,918.39**

Hive ESU Income and Expenditure Account**Year to 31st December 2023****2023****2022****Income**

Subscriptions	£ 1,573.42	£ 518.00
District Grant	£ 867.89	£ 1,264.64
Camp Fees	£ 1,756.95	£ 330.00
Misc	£ 789.34	£ 40.00
	<u>£ 4,987.60</u>	<u>£ 2,152.64</u>

Expenditure

Membership Subscriptions	£ 892.00	£ -
Administration	£ 288.92	£ 503.61
Equipment	£ 231.19	£ 22.50
Training	£ -	£ 50.00
Camp	£ 972.97	£ 411.30
Misc	£ 1,727.99	£ 877.81
	<u>£ 4,113.07</u>	<u>£ 1,865.22</u>

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)

£ 874.53£ 287.42

Depreciation

£ -

£ -

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ 874.53£ 287.42

Hive ESU Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2023**Year to 31st December 2023****2023****2022****Current Assets**

Cash/Bank Account

£ 1,161.95

£ 1,161.95

£ 287.42

£ 287.42

Total Assets**£ 1,161.95****£ 287.42****Liabilities**

£ -

£ -

£ -

£ -

Total Liabilities**£ -****£ -****£ 1,161.95****£ 287.42**

Accumulated Funds brought forward

£ 287.42

£ -

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ 874.53

£ 287.42

Accumulated Funds carried forward

£ 1,161.95**£ 287.42**

Sale ASU Income and Expenditure Account**Year to 31st December 2023****2023****2022****Income**

Capitation/Subs

£	-
£	-

£	-
£	-

Expenditure

Capitation

£	-
£	-

£	-
£	-

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)

£	-
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£	-
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Depreciation

£	-
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£	-
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Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£	-
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£	-
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Sale ASU Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2023**Year to 31st December 2023****2023****2022****Current Assets**

Cash/Bank Account

£	-
£	-

£	-
£	-

Total Assets

£	-
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£	-
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Liabilities

£	-
£	-

£	-
£	-

Total Liabilities

£	-
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£	-
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£	-
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£	-
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Accumulated Funds brought forward

£	-
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£	47.88
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Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£	-
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£	-
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Balance write off

£	-
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-£	47.88
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Accumulated Funds carried forward

£	-
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£	-
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Account closed

Minutes of the Previous AGM on 15th June 2023

1. Introduction – Ian McGeough

Ian opened the meeting.

He thanked everyone for attending and welcomed our guests – Andy Farrell (GMW CC), Roger Kettle (GMW Treasurer) & Alison Corser (GG Deputy Division Commissioner).

Those Present:

Bob Whitley	Tony Sant	William Yarwood	Melody Yarwood
Daniel Rushton	Karen Salisbury	Sean Warman	Simon Murray
Chris Gleaves	John Ludlow	Dave Hannigan	Sharon Jenkinson
Ian McGeough	Andy Atherall	John Casson	Joe Westhead
Alison Corser	Alasdair Ferro	Andrew Jenkinson	Greg Hart
Gavin Stark	Chris Varley	Rachel Lyttle	Sally Yarwood
Bob Wilson	Paul Maggs	Liz Fairclough	Yasmin Lee
Harry Peet	Roger Kettle	Andy Farrell	Ian Moore
Greg Archer	Emma Spragg	Jacob Taylor	Carys Pugh
Dave Marsden	Sarah Goodstadt		

Apologies for Absence – Dave Marsden

Andrea Morgan	Mike Harding	Jacob Bond	Bob Cole
Clive Winby	Dennis Yarwood	Anna Brunt	Pam Williams
Megan Maggs			

Approval of the minutes of the previous AGM – Ian McGeough

Approved unanimously.

2. Governance Items

Adopt POR Section 5.4 as applicable to a District as our Constitution (minor change Sale DSC currently complies with the existing rules).

Agree that a maximum of 6 elected members of the Trustee Board

Agree the Quorum for Scout Council / Trustee Board meetings – Five people and sub-committees – Three people.

All above agreed/approved.

Note our Financial year is 1st January to 31st December.

3. Review of the Previous Year

Presentation of the Annual Report for 2022

As it is such a lovely evening and probably too warm for us all, we didn't have a verbal update, but all details are included in the AGM Report Booklet.

John Ludlow proposed and John Casson seconded – the Annual Report was approved.

Presentation of reviewed/examined accounts – Mike Harding (via email read out by Chairman)

Evening all, sorry I can't be with you tonight.

The Annual Financial Report for year ending 31st December 2022 is contained in the District Annual Report you all should have a copy of.

I'd like to thank the various treasurers for providing their figures, allowing me to compile the full District accounts.

There is not much to highlight this year as we seem to have reached a post-Covid normality.

However, I will point out a few things.

- 14th Sale have made their final Lease Transfer payment, many thanks to them for making all the payments on time over the last ten years.
- The ESU fund has reduced due to grants being made to our newest Explorer Scout Unit, Hive ESU.
- Finally, an agreement has been made with the remaining members of Sale ASU, to write off their remaining funds.

Any questions on anything else, please drop me a line if none of the team can assist.

Approval of annual reports and adoption of reviewed/examined accounts – Ian McGeough

Chris Varley proposed and John Casson seconded – the accounts were approved.

District Chairman's remarks – Ian McGeough

Sale District continued to progress over 2022.

During 2022 Squirrels created their first drey at 14th Sale, an extra Beaver Colony opened at Sale Central and Hive ESU based at 14th Sale was launched.

Many thanks too to Clive Winby and his team for organising the Kandersteg International Scout Camp (KISC) trip.

It is great to see how the District continues to develop. There is so much potential for further growth but, inevitably, the limiting factor remains the need for more adult volunteers (recruitment).

Well done and thank you to everyone for the hard work.

Thanked District Exec also for keeping things going.

Thanks to Anna Brunt stepping down and Paul Maggs returning to the Executive Team.

Thanked Andy for his work as DC for the last 5 years.

Thanks to all Leaders & supporters without Scouting in Sale wouldn't exist.

Following the formal meeting there is to be a presentation by KISC representatives and refreshments put together by Gavin Stark

District Commissioner's remarks – Andy Atherall

2022, following the pandemic things are returning to a more normal, it was found online works, the district retained many of the young people, but did result in a loss of Leaders.

We currently have serious waiting list and without recruitment some may never be able to join.

Still waiting for the Sala Swimming Gala to return.

Hive ESU opened in September 2022 run by Andrew Jenkinson.

Thanked Dave Marsden for help with risk assessments for COVID.

Looking forwards

- Need to concentrate on recruitment, encourage parents to support sections.
- Get behind the Gang Show, encourage more cast members and improve our support in attending the shows.
- St Georges Day – lets improve the planning by providing more support to ensure a safe and exciting event.

Thanks to everyone to make Sale Scout District a great District. Seriously proud of all our leaders, supporters to deliver Scouting week in week out.

Thanks to the Executive and ADCs who keep us all in line.

A vote of thanks was given to Andy for his service & efforts as DC.

4. Make Appointments

Approval of the District Commissioner's nomination to District Chairman – Andy Atherall

Andy Atherall nominated Ian McGeough to continue as District Chairman.

Election of District Secretary – Ian McGeough

Dave Marsden offered to remain District Secretary, seconded by Dave Hannigan. Approved unanimously.

Election of District Treasurer – Ian McGeough

Mike Harding to continue as District Treasurer, seconded by John Casson. Approved unanimously.

Election of the members of the District Executive Committee – Ian McGeough

Clive Winby – 2nd Brooklands

Paul Maggs – 14th Sale

Harry Peet – 3rd Ashton

Paul Harris – 17th Sale

Proposed by Emma Spraggs, seconded by Sarah Goodstadt - approved unanimously.

Approval of the District Commissioner's nominations for membership of the District Executive Committee – Ian McGeough

Chris Gleaves – Deputy DC & 9th Sale

Andrea Morgan – Gang Show and Band

Gavin Stark – Sale Central

Jenny Saxty – 9th Sale

Proposed by Sean Warman, seconded by Paul Maggs - approved unanimously.

Election of one Group Scouter to the County Scout Council – Ian McGeough

Ian proposed Mike Harding, this was seconded by Paul Maggs. Approved unanimously.

Appointment of Accounts Examiner – Mike Harding (via email read out by Chairman)

Chris Varley is nominated to be re-appointed as accounts examiner. I would like to thank him for all his help and ongoing work in the district.

Chris was approved unanimously.

5. County Commissioner - Presentations

County Representative's remarks – Andy Farrell

Thanked Andy for his work as DC for the past few years.

14th Sale was first Squirrel Drey in GMW.

Thanks to everyone again for keeping things going through the pandemic.

2023 will be a challenge but with support from HQ & Region, it is hoped that 2 Growth Officers would be found and paid for via Development Grant Applications, 107 volunteers are currently required and a two-year project is just taking off.

Every group in Sale is requiring new leaders!

In spite of lack of Leaders, Sale numbers grew 😊 in fact you are thriving.

Presentations – Andy Atherall & Andy Farrell

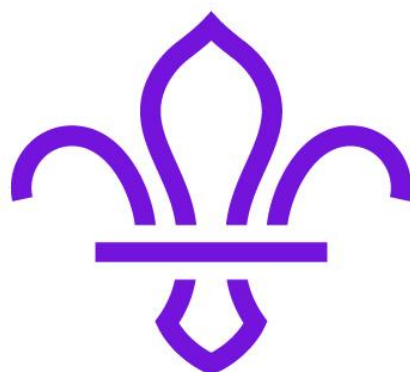
10 years – Sean Warman

15 years – Greg Hart

Ian McGeough closed the meeting.

After the meeting a presentation was delivered by KISC and followed by refreshments (supplied by Gavin Stark).

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Annual Report 2022

AGM 15th June 2023

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Annual General Meeting Agenda

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 - a. Introduction Ian McGeough
 - b. Apologies for absence Dave Marsden
 - c. Approval of the minutes of the previous AGM Ian McGeough
2. Governance Items
 - a. Adopt POR Section 5.4 as applicable to a District as our Constitution. Ian McGeough
 - b. Note our Financial year is 1st Jan to 31st Dec Ian McGeough
 - c. Agree that a maximum of 6 elected members of the Trustee Board Ian McGeough
 - d. Agree the Quorum for Scout Council / Trustee Board meetings – 5 people and sub-committees – 3 people. Ian McGeough
3. Review the Previous Year
 - a. Presentation of annual report for 2022 Ian McGeough
 - b. Presentation of audited accounts Mike Harding
 - c. Approval of annual report and adoption of examined accounts Ian McGeough
 - d. District Chairman's remarks Ian McGeough
 - e. District Commissioner's remarks Andy Atherall
4. Make Appointments
 - a. Approval of DC's nomination of District Chairman Andy Atherall
 - b. Election of District Secretary Ian McGeough
 - c. Election of District Treasurer Ian McGeough
 - d. Election of members of the District Trustee Board Ian McGeough
 - e. Approval of the District Commissioner's nominations for membership of the District Trustee Board Ian McGeough
 - f. Approve appointment of Presidents / Vice Presidents Ian McGeough
 - g. Nomination of rep. to the County Scout Council Ian McGeough
 - h. Appointment of Accounts Examiner Mike Harding

5. County Commissioner - Presentations

The official part of the proceedings will be followed by: -

A short presentation by the Kandersteg 2022 Team

Chairman's Report

Welcome to this year's AGM of the Sale Scout Council, our annual opportunity to meet together, to reflect on and celebrate our District achievements in 2022 (as well as to complete some of the legal requirements of our charity status!) At long last COVID, although it hadn't gone away, became much less of a threat and the focus for all of our groups was to get back to normal Scouting. ... and we did ... thanks as always to the tireless work of all the volunteers working in every group and section in the District.

Although there was no Gang show in 2022 preparations were made to ensure that it was brought back to the Waterside in February this year and what a fantastic show it was! Such an enthusiastic and talented cast supported as always with a great team of backstage staff. I cannot wait for their next production. The Remembrance Day parade continues to be a reminder of just how many young people are part of the Scouting family.

The District continued to evolve over 2022. The later reports give testament to the enormous range of activities that we provided. In 2022 Squirrels made their first drey in Sale at 14th Sale, another Beaver Colony opened at Sale Central and Hive Explorer Scouts based at 14th Sale was launched. Many thanks too to Clive Winby and his team for organising the Kandersteg International Scout Camp trip. It is great to see how the District continues to grow. There is so much potential for further growth but, inevitably, the limiting factor remains the need for more adult volunteers. The more helpers we have the easier it is for everyone and the greater the number of young people that can become involved in Scouting ... but if you are reading this you probably already know that! However, if you are not yet involved in Scouting.....you are very welcome to join us!

Recruitment is the main driving force behind the Scout Association's new initiatives that will bring changes to the structure and management of Scouting over the next few years. The transformation has already begun in a small way with Executive Committees being rebranded as Trustee Boards and you may notice slight alterations to our usual agenda items. Behind it all, though, the activities and purpose of the District Executive / Trustee Board remains the same: to look after Scouting in Sale. Change is inevitable but it is always reassuring that people are willing to take on new responsibilities to allow us to keep going.

My thanks therefore to all those members who turn up once a month for our regular meetings. Especially to Dave Marsden for taking over the role of secretary from Amy Atherall last year, to Anna Brunt for representing 14th Sale for the last two years as she steps down to be replaced by their new GSL Paul Maggs and to Yasmin Lee who has

somehow managed to balance her role as our Network leader with studying full-time at university finally completing her degree this year.

As always, special thanks are due to Andy Atherall our District Commissioner who manages to bind Sale and District Scouts together and without whom so many activities throughout the District would just not take place. I am sure I speak for us all when I say that your work is very much appreciated!

Finally, I would like to offer my annual "Thank You" to all the leaders, helpers and volunteer members of Sale and District Scouts. The work you put in every week for the benefit for all our young people remains truly inspiring.

Yours in Scouting

Ian McGeough
District Chairman

District Commissioner's Report

As I reflect on 2022 in what may be my last or possibly penultimate report as DC, I see we have had a very hard and unusual year.

The pandemic might have been over, but the after effects were definitely not. Although young people returned eagerly to face to face scouting, many of our leaders were feeling burnt out due to the pandemic and the challenges of delivering Scouting online. Some did not return and as a District we are still not yet back to full strength, although our numbers of young people are good and the waiting lists more than full. We are seeing new leaders come through, but as always need more.

We couldn't run the Swimming Gala due to the after effects of the pandemic, nor could we run the Gang Show – restrictions were not lifted early enough to start rehearsals for a full show, and it was not possible to gather enough people and enthusiasm in the timescales needed to run a mini show. The St George's Day parade was cancelled, due to the Council not being able to respond to any of enquiries on time for running and approving the event – again due to after effects of the pandemic.

Camping did return – albeit with additional risk assessments, and our young people could return to the traditional Scouting activities.

The Remembrance Day parade was exceptionally well attended, with a turnout that everyone could be proud of, and a lot of very positive comments from the public and organisers,

I can't thank all our Leaders, Executive Committees and helpers enough for the time and effort you all continue to put in to ensure Scouting continues to deliver the fun, activities and excellent programme our young people enjoy. I know how difficult it has been to get motivated and back up to speed again, and you are all special people.

Looking forward, our District faces several challenges that we need to meet if we are to move forward and not lose some essential activities. We have no Young Leader Unit Leader at present, a serious gap as we are unable to deliver the Young Leader training needed for the Young Leader Belt and DofE service. We have no ADC Cubs, despite adverts and approaches to some leaders. Our ADC Scouts is also a GSL and a leader in two other Scout Sections, an impossible workload. 17th Sale and 7th Sale urgently need to recruit new leaders so that Dave is not needed each week, and Sale Central urgently need a new GSL. We need to free up our ADCs / recruit new ADCs so that idea and program sharing across the groups as well as more district level activities can resume.

We need to get behind and support the Gang Show – both Scouting and Guiding, with cast members and attending the show. If we do not support the show we will lose it, and once lost it will be difficult to restart.

We need to support the St George's day parade better – it needs an organising team of 3-4 people, as it's too much for one person, and people need to reply to comms promptly, as we are dealing with council bureaucracy.

Our biggest challenge is adult recruitment – as well as recruiting to fill our existing leader teams, groups need to have a plan to recruit to open more sections. Only by opening more sections will we address the perennial waiting list issue.

After 5 years as DC, it's time for a new challenge in Scouting for me, and I've given our County Commissioner 12 months' notice as I don't want to leave the District without a leader, especially with all the HQ organisational changes coming this year. It's been a privilege to lead Sale District for 5 years, and it's time for me to hand over the baton to someone else.

Yours in Scouting

Andy Atherall
District Commissioner

Section Reports

Beaver Section



This year has been a quiet one for Beavers. Mainly due to everyone getting used to the return of face-to-face scouting. Personally, this wasn't as easy as expected.

We have had more requests for places than places to offer as we don't have enough volunteers and the loss of 9th sale has had an impact on our sections.

As so many children wanted places for Beavers especially, and with all the colonies full or nearly full in the district, we had very little choice but to open a new colony. We decided to open a brand-new colony at Sale Central (Woodbourne) our new colony is called Cheetham's, and we are so pleased to have enrolled 16 into the beaver scout family.

Colonies had plans with their groups for camps after spending time apart and rightly so. Being away for so long 2022 was the year for groups to come back together.

Our 1st event was the joint County Cub and Beaver camp, the two colonies that attended had a great time. It was also amazing to see so many Beaver blue jumpers in one place. How it should be after so long apart.

Our only district event was the Remembrance Parade. Once again, the turnout from Beavers was fantastic as always.

We would like to say a huge thank you to our Leaders for keeping the colonies running and returning after a very strange couple of years that not only impacted scouting but our personal lives as well. It just shows what truly special people you are.

I hope that now we are settled back into the swing of Scouting we can start to come back together as a District.

Yours in Scouting

Emma Spragg
James Goodwin
ADC Beavers

Cub Section



No Cub section report this year, as we have no ADC Cubs

Scout Section

SCOUTS

I generally make it a rule to keep my District Scout Section Report as upbeat as possible, and there were some very positive outcomes in 2022,

We more or less saw the back of Covid, the two years previous had seen the near destruction of Scouting, I do feel that had we had one more year of lockdown and/or restrictions and Scouting would have struggled to recover.

However, with the dawn of a new year, hope sprang eternal that the buds of normality would continue to blossom and grow, and so they did, young people came back to Scouting in their droves as 2022 lurched forward, sadly the same cannot be said for new Adult volunteers, many had lost interest in Scouting through the Pandemic and unlike the young people, didn't return, we did manage some welcome recruitment however, though the Scout sections of the District appeared to have benefitted the least.

In general, though, many Leaders who had kept on Scouting throughout the pandemic were now feeling burnt out, after nearly two years of reinventing Scouting, online in the first instance and socially distanced thereafter, they were now having to re-learn "normal".

Once again, our annual swimming gala sank, it was again curtains for Gang show as rehearsals had been unable to take place in a safe environment, one crumb of comfort was that the districts twice postponed expedition to KISC was given an amber light to go ahead in August. Training camps were resumed for Scouts and Explorers.

Our St Georges Day Parade was sadly crossed off but at least some Troops were pitching the concept of running camps again. The pre-pandemic lull in District Scout events was very much still evident, I believe that most Leaders, throughout the district were still being cautious and reluctant to camp whilst minor restrictions were still in place.

Those camps that did go ahead were welcomed by the young people involved and by many Adults too. The district expedition to KISC now had the green light though logistical costs had increased due to the UK's departure from the EU, the Expedition Unit was the grateful benefactor of a large van to courier all our Kit to Switzerland and back courtesy of the Edam Group (Thank You). Eight Scouts, 16 Explorers and Six Leaders made the 10-day Expedition to the permanent mini jamboree in the heart of the magnificent Swiss Alps.

Scouting resumed in September but was swiftly stunned by the death of our Patron, H.R.H. Queen Elizabeth II, just a few short month after we had celebrated her Platinum Jubilee, Scouting lost far more than a monarch on that day.

The final District event of the year was an unusually warm Remembrance Day Parade and was supported well by the Scout Section (as indeed it was by all Sections).

2022 was a very strange year for Sale & District Scouts, to those leaders who fought fatigue and kept Scouting together, the only thing that grows faster than your increasing paperwork and responsibility is your generosity, your spirit, and the gratitude of our members. Thank You.

Dave Hannigan
Assistant District Commissioner (Scouts)

Explorer Scouts

EXPLORERS

MacAlpine Explorer Scout Unit**Recruitment**

Numbers saw an increase of 7 on the previous year (including 3 Bronze Explorers joining in late Jan/early Feb) to a total of 36, thus equalling our high point of 2018/2019.

This is the final year of a “missing cohort”, dating from Lockdown in 2020 which saw all our Bronze cohort drop out. This year’s zero cohort is Gold-2, meaning next year we will return to four cohorts (Bronze, Silver, Gold-1, Gold-2).

Table 1: Explorer Numbers on 1 January (by DofE level and year):

	BRONZE	SILVER	GOLD-1	GOLD-2*	TOTAL
2015	8	11	0	0	19
2016	5	9	8	0	22
2017	14	4	8	0	26
2018	9	16	3	8	36
2019	12	11	11	2	36
2020	5	12	11	2	30
2021	9	3	10	3	25
2022	13	12	0	4	29
2023	13	11	12	0	36

*Gold is a two-year programme

Having achieved gender parity in 2021, we continue to maintain it, with 55.5% of the Unit currently being made up of females:

Table 2: Gender Balance on 1 January:

	MALE	FEMALE	% FEMALE
2015	17	2	10.5
2016	18	4	18.2
2017	21	5	19
2018	30	6	16
2019	25	11	30.5
2020	19	11	36.6
2021	12	13	52
2022	12	17	58.6
2023	16	20	55.5

We have stopped recording statistics on the proportion of our Explorers who come from our sponsoring group (7th Sale) and the proportion of Explorers coming to us without any Scouting experience, as these figures are now consistently very low and in proportion to what we would expect.

Activities

We began 2022 hoping to return to our usual Winter Camp venue (Cornel) in January. However, the rapid spread of the Covid Omicron variant caused us to have to call off the camp at two weeks' notice. We therefore replaced it with a one-day Winter Hike for all Explorers, which turned out to be a great success.

We were, however, able to return to normal conditions for our Expeditions. The Easter vacation saw DofE Practice Expeditions for 5 Expedition Teams: two at Bronze, two at Silver and one at Gold levels. And then the 5 teams then completed their DofE Qualifying Expeditions in the Summer.

The Gold Qualifier was, as usual, the highlight of the year. The 2022 Gold Explorers were joined by 3 members of Network, who were former MacAlpine Explorers denied their Qualifier opportunity previously because of Covid, to make up Team Echo which successfully completed the five-day expedition.

In September we said a proper goodbye to our former Explorers, Sam Gresty, Dan Manders-Ratcliffe and Ellie Colquhoun-Lynn as well as to our Gold-2 Explorers Sam Hughes and Amy Besant-Roberts. We also gave out our Explorer of the Year Awards for 2022: Sophie Gott (Bronze), Cerys McGrath (Silver) and Sam Hughes (Gold). Three of our Explorers (Ben Kinnear, Sophie Gott and Melody Yarwood) attended the International Jamboree.

Recruitment in the Autumn saw us with 13 new Bronze Explorers. We entered the John Bradbury Competitive Hike at Gradbach the third weekend of September, the first time this had been held since 2019. We entered one team which came a commendable 5th in the competition. There was also a return to some limited fundraising activities in 2022.

Awards

MacAlpine was founded primarily to run the DofE programme for 14–18-year-olds, and the Scouting equivalents (although very few Explorers choose to do these).

Table 5: DofE Awards (by level and year)

YEAR	BRONZE/PLAT	SILVER	GOLD	TOTAL
2015	10	0	0	10
2016	5	5	0	10
2017	3	7	0	10

2018	12	3	3	18
2019	7 / 1 = 8	5	0	13
2020	9	9	0	18
2021	0 / 1 = 1	2	1	4
2022	17	3	3	23
TOTALS	64	34	7	106

The year before (2021) had seen a sharp dip in the total number of awards achieved (4), due to Covid's impact on completion rates. But most of our Explorers did not give up, they simply took longer to complete. This is evidenced in the figures for 2022 (especially at Bronze level), with the Unit achieving its highest total number of awards in a single year (23). The total number of awards since MacAlpine's founding in 2013 has now passed the 100 mark, a testimony to the hard work of our Explorers over the years.

Leadership Team

The regular Leadership Team running Explorer Nights each week consists of Martin Bull, Chris Lee, Mark Sheppard and Chris Hoyle.

Beyond them, we have three Expedition Support members: Assistant Explorer Scout Leaders Mike Counsell and Simon Thompson as well as occasional volunteer, Dennis Downey (appointed in 2022). In the team overall, we have 5 trained DofE Expedition Supervisors and two trained DofE Assessors (one to Bronze & Silver levels and one to Bronze, Silver & Gold levels).

We also continue to draw on the support of an Expeditions secretary responsible for DofE uploads (Mandi Sturmeay) and a MacAlpine seamstress (Gillian Gallois).

And we have continued to benefit from the occasional support of three former Explorers (Sam Gresty, Charlie Ludlow and Kate Hoyle) who are in Network.

Despite the size of the above team, we continue to feel stretched and could do with 1-2 more regular leaders. Expeditions and camps continue to depend on a significant number of one-off parental volunteers who make up Expedition Supervision Teams and/or help with transport.

Martin Bull, Explorer Scout Leader,
MacAlpine Explorer Scout Unit (Sale District)

Wyvern Explorer Scout Unit

Members. Wyvern has 27 Registered members.

Leaders. We have 5 Leaders.

Wyvern meets at 3rd Ashton on a Monday evening during term time 7.45-9.30pm. Our subscriptions are £144 per year payable monthly, and we will keep it at this amount for another 12 Months.

We operate a scouting based program aimed at giving our young people the best chance and opportunity to achieve many rewards during the time they will spend with us. All our members are working towards the chief scout platinum award, some are nearly there, others still have work to do.

We encourage from the age of 16 to consider the king scout award.

We actively encourage the young leader scheme of which we have a few members who volunteer at other sections across the district.

Last year some of our members took part in the long awaited Kandersteg jamboree and from the feedback I received it was a roaring success and well worth the wait.

Staying with 2022 Wyvern attended the Goodwood weekender at Dunham.

Our program is a varied mix of scouting activities.

- Shelter building (in the local woods)
- Fire lighting (all the different types of fires)
- Pioneering
- Water purification
- Knife safety
- Water activities
- Backwoods cooking
- Navigation
- Bush craft
- Swedish torches
- Health and Fitness.
- Bike maintenance
- Winter camp

These are just some of the activities from 2022/23 and going forward members have asked us to look at engineering, so we are in the process making pedal karts.

Upcoming events, we are attending 3rd Ashtons family camp.

We will also be doing a parent evening towards the end of term and another camp will be planned for September., venue to yet be decided.

This year for the first time we will be offering our members the option of doing a planned expedition during the summer break.

This is in the early planning stage however hopefully there will be enough interest.

Yours in Scouting

Greg Hart
Wyvern ESU.

Hive Explorer Scout Unit

It's my pleasure to present to you the annual report of our Explorer Scout Unit for the year 2022-23. As the Section Leader, I am pleased to report that our Hive Explorers unit has had a fantastic year of growth and achievement.

In September 2022, we opened the Hive Explorers Unit, which became the third unit of our district. Since then, we have recruited 4 leaders and 17 explorers who have all shown great enthusiasm and dedication towards the Scout movement. I am proud to say that all 17 explorers are on their way to achieving the Platinum Award.

One of the first tasks we set for our new unit was to design a neckerchief and group logo. After some creative brainstorming, the explorers came up with a design that was truly unique. We then ordered the neckerchiefs and group logo to be added to our new group hoodies, caps, and beanies. The result was fantastic, and we are proud to wear them at all our events.

During the year, our Hive Explorers attended three camps, which were all a huge success. Firstly, we went to Scare fest at Bibby's Farm, where our group won the Best Photo Award. Next, we participated in the Goodwood Weekender, where our team won the Tug of War final, which was an amazing accomplishment against older units. Lastly, we attended a 24-hour camp where the explorers had to map read, navigate and camp overnight without any adult help. This camp was a true test of their teamwork, leadership, and problem-solving skills, and I am pleased to say that they passed with flying colours.

Hive also attended the Remembrance Day and St. Georges Day parades. I would like to add that our unit was honoured to be a part of these parades and were thrilled to represent our district. The explorers showed great enthusiasm and pride as they marched alongside their fellow scouts and displayed their commitment to the scouting movement. It was an excellent opportunity for us to come together and showcase our values to the wider community.

Out of the 17 explorers, 15 are currently working through their Bronze or Silver Duke of Edinburgh award. We are excited to see them progress and achieve their goals in the near future.

I am thrilled with the progress and achievements of our Explorers this year. I want to take this opportunity to thank all the leaders and explorers for their hard work, dedication, and enthusiasm towards the Scout movement. Together we have accomplished so much, and I look forward to seeing what the future holds for our group.

Leaders Comments:

Debbie Shelton.

We have a fantastic group of Explorers who enjoy each other's company and work together really well. I have been impressed with their camp skills, especially how well they coped with the 24hr hike and camp in freezing conditions. Really enjoyed their karate session too, they all followed instructions and got stuck in. Also, learning about food banks made them, as well as the leaders, more aware of the difficulties and struggles faced by some families in today's society.

Mark Cunningham.

I am so proud of the progress that Hive has made in our first year. We have such a welcoming, inclusive community and the explorers have learned so much, as have the leaders! I'm looking forward to another year of progress and growth and I can't wait to see how much more we can all achieve.

Zohra Butt.

This Explorer unit came together as either strangers or acquaintances to each other, but each have welcomed one another with kindness, and they have managed to foster strong bonds of friendship over the year. They really enjoy seeing one another every week and I am forever impressed by their resilience when camping, and their endless creativity - for example when we tasked the group to teach one another a new skill. I was humbled by the empathy they showed towards those less fortunate than them by giving so freely to the local food bank. I am so proud to be a leader in the HIVE Explorer Unit.

Thank you.

Yours in Scouting,

Andrew Jenkinson - Section Leader

Network

network

Last year has been a slow but progressing time for Joule Network. Over the past year we welcomed

some more new Network members moving up from Explorers' group.

Joule Network met up for Sale and District's Remembrance Sunday service. It was a very special moment for Joule as members wore full Network uniform and Scouts Necker to pay our respect together at the Remembrance Service.

During late 2022 and early 2023, Network members were busy balancing between individual commitment and scouting. Majority of Network members including myself either started their first year or in-completion of their final year of university. We did plan and organized a few events, keeping them as close as possible to Scouting and allowing the opportunity for members to take a little break from our intense university work. Activities covered:

- Gingerbread House building team exercise
- Walks around local waterparks
- Chinese New Year parade watching
- St. George's Day Parade

Although it has been a challenging and quiet year for Network, Network is growing steadily. We are hoping to do a big reunion over the summer holiday with the return of many Network members coming home from being away after their graduation ceremonies and exams.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Andy Atherall & the Sale and District Exec Committee for guiding me during my temporary stand-in role in Network Leader. I would also like to thank Martin Bull and MacAlpine ESU for lending us a space for Joule Network to be able to meet up indoor at a Scouting venue.

Finally, I want to give a special mention to all Joule Network members for their help and attendance to make all activities happen. I hope Joule will continue to grow into a strongly established Scouting unit that allows Explorer and young adults to continue their Scouting journey, learning valuable life skills together into adulthood.

Yasmin Lee
District Youth Commissioner

Youth Commissioner's Report

Sale and District Scouts had another great turnout at Remembrance Sunday service in front of Sale Town Hall. I was very proud of Sale and District Scouts' attendance; it was lovely to see many familiar faces at the event along with the public's support during the parade.

During the past year, we also had some exciting development to Sale and District Scouting sections. With the opening of a new Explorer Scouts Unit: Hive ESU. This is a great addition to Sale and District Scouts with a total of three Explorers Units for Young people to choose from.

I am delighted that Sale and District Scouts had the opportunity to organise the Gang Show and St. George's day which both events ran smoothly. In particular, I would like to mention the return of Sale and District's St. George's Day parade after Covid times. I was delighted to join this special event as the District Youth Commissioner to renew my promise along with all the Scouts helpers, leaders, young people and parents.

During this past busy academic year with my final year studies at university, I was on hiatus for scouting. Approaching my transition from graduating from university to job hunting, I am excited to return to Scouting to meet familiar and new young people, young leaders, Scouts leaders & helpers in Sale & District Scouts.

I would like to thank Andy Atherall, Sale and District Exec Committee, and all the support and guidance from the District to support my role as District Youth Commissioner

Yasmin Lee
District Youth Commissioner

Sale Scout and Guide Gang Show



Unfortunately, the Gang Show Report for 2022 is extremely brief...

Last year, I shared with you the plans for our Summer Show 2022. The production team and committee had planned to organise a much smaller scale show. COVID meant February was too soon, so we looked at a short rehearsal period and a 'one night only' performance in the summertime.

The committee worked hard to drive interest amongst the cast and promoted this across our social media pages continuously. However, despite our best efforts and hard work behind the scenes, we were simply not able to move forward with our plans. We decided to focus our efforts on a bigger and better return to Sale Waterside in 2023.

We are once again expanding our Production team and hoping to welcome new members for future shows. We are still on the lookout for a pianist and choreographer, if there are any young musicians/dance students who are looking for some experience. This would be a perfect opportunity to share your knowledge and skills.

To keep updated, please follow out Facebook page: @salegangshow.

Thank you all once again for your continued support and more than ever, we look forward to seeing you all again next year!

Robyn Fletcher
Gang Show Chairman

Sale District Scout and Guide Band



The band reconvened in January 2022 and the good news was we hadn't lost anyone during our enforced break. Onwards and upwards, we were invited to play at the District AGM in May 2022, so a playlist was created, and practise begun.

After another successful performance at last year's District AGM, we held our final band workshop at 3rd Ashton Cubs.

But don't panic as we have re-vamped our community interactions – more later.

In the July we were invited to play at St Michael's Flixton Summer Fair and teamed up with members of the Flixton Community Band to entertain one and all.



After the summer break we were invited to play at Dunham Scout Camp for the Greater Manchester West County AGM.

We played twice before Christmas in 2022, first for the Guides and their Annual Christmas Carol Service and then for our hosts 3rd Ashton for their Group Service.

Into 2023 and we welcomed new members into our Band and began rehearsing for the return of the Gang Show! This year's theme tied in with The Oscars, so we picked out some award-winning pieces and played them to a video back drop. Another first for the band.



We were invited to the 3rd Ashton Scouts to launch our new 'band night' whereby we join with the musicians within the section and play along with them. No instruments are excluded which saw a band of more than 25 playing Sweet Caroline including a violin, cello, multiple French horns, keyboards, and guitars.

The standout moment for me was when the cellist announced how delighted he was to play the actual melody line!

And finally, to our last gig before the AGM and what a great day we had.

St Georges Day Parade in Worthington Park where it was our turn to lead the parade. Another new member lined up to keep the beat and did a great job.

From this performance we have gained another 3 members who are busy learning everything they need to know about our marching band.



This summer we are off to Northampton Carnival to join forces with the Northampton Scout Band. See next year's report for a full review!

My thanks go to all the Band Members, our adult Leaders; Sarah, Sally, Mandy, Emily & William; and Joe for his Gang Show editing skills. Thanks to Andrea for looking after the pennies, the rest of the Band Committee for their support and to the parents for helping out when asked.

Special thanks to Harry and the team at 3rd Ashton for hosting us every week.

We are a District Band and would love to see new members join us – if you have any musicians in your Group send them along.

Dennis Yarwood
Band Master

Awards

Congratulations to the following people on their awards in 2022.

Award	Name	Unit
Wood Badge	Danny Wright	14th Sale
Wood Badge	Tom Hartley	14th Sale
Wood Badge	Phil Dodgson	2nd Brooklands
Wood Badge	Chris Lee	MacAlpine
30 Years Service	Rachel Lyttle	Sale Central
25 Years Service	Karen Mathieson	2nd Brooklands
15 Years Service	Martin Odenrode	17th Sale
15 Years Service	Martin Bull	MacAlpine
10 Years Service	Joanne Gray	17th Sale
10 Years Service	Morgan Eccleston	17th Sale
10 Years Service	Dawn Munday	2nd Brooklands
10 Years Service	Carol Ferro	3rd Ashton
10 Years Service	Simon Allen	7th Sale
10 Years Service	Sean Warman	Wyvern Explorers
5 Years Service	Jonathan Fishlock	11th Sale
5 Years Service	Niall Macnab	11th Sale
5 Years Service	Dave Rawnsley	17th Sale
5 Years Service	Dave Roberts	17th Sale
5 Years Service	Jason Garner	17th Sale
5 Years Service	Adam Roberts	3rd Ashton
5 Years Service	Louise Cooper	3rd Ashton
5 Years Service	Megan Rowley	3rd Ashton
5 Years Service	Nic Edmundson	3rd Ashton
5 Years Service	Stephen Walker	3rd Ashton
5 Years Service	Amy Atherall	District
5 Years Service	Peter Tranter	Sale Central

Statutory Information

Reference and Administration Details

Charity Name	Sale District Scout Council
Other names the charity is known by	Sale & District Scout Council
Registered Charity Number	1042185
Charity's Principal Address	c/o 6 Gloucester Drive, Sale, M33 5DH

Trustee Details

Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
Ian McGeough	Chairman	
Dave Marsden	Secretary	
Michael Harding	Treasurer	
Andrew Atherall	District Commissioner	
Andrea Morgan		
Harry Peet		
Clive Winby		
Yasmin Lee	District Youth Commissioner	
Christine Gleaves	Deputy District Commissioner	
Gavin Stark		
Paul Harris		
Anna Brunt		
Jenny Saxty		

Structure Governance and Management

Type of governing document	The District'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. District Constitution is based on a model constitution defined within the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association
How the charity is constituted	The District is a trust established under the rules which are common to all Scout units
Trustee selection methods	The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.
Additional governance information	The District is managed by the District Executive Committee, the members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' of the District 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. The Committee consists of Chair, Treasurer and Secretary together with the District Commissioner, other members either

Structure Governance and Management	
	elected at the Group AGM, or co-opted onto the executive and meets every month. This District Executive Committee exists to support the District Commissioner in meeting the responsibilities of the appointments and is responsible for: - The maintenance of District property The raising of funds and the administration of District finance The insurance of persons, property and equipment District public occasions Assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support Appointing any sub committees that may be required. Appointing District Administrators and Advisors other than those who are elected
Risks	The District Executive Committee has identified the major risks to which they believe the District 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 District would request the use of buildings, property, and equipment from neighbouring organisations such as the church, community centre and other Scout Groups. Similar reciprocal arrangements exist with these organisations. The District has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss. • Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members. The District through the membership subscription fees contributes to the Scout Associations national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities. There is a health and safety management system for the District HQ building in place to ensure the building is maintained to the required standard. • Reduced income from fund raising. The District is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. The District does hold a reserve to 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

Structure Governance and Management

	Group on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently - Reduction or loss of leaders. The District is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the District. If there was a reduction in the number of leaders to an unacceptable level in a particular Section or the District 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 District. - Reduction or loss of members. The District provides activities for all young people aged 6 to 18. If there was a reduction in membership in a particular Section or the District as whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation, or closure of a Group. In the worst-case scenario, the complete closure of the District.
Internal Controls	The District has in place systems of <i>internal controls</i> that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss; these include 2 signatories for all payments and comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

Objectives and Activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document	The objectives of the District are as a unit of the Scout Association
Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects	The Aim of The Scout Association is to promote the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potentials, as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of their local national and international communities. The method of achieving the Aim of the Association is by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law and guided by adult leadership
Public benefit statement	The District 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

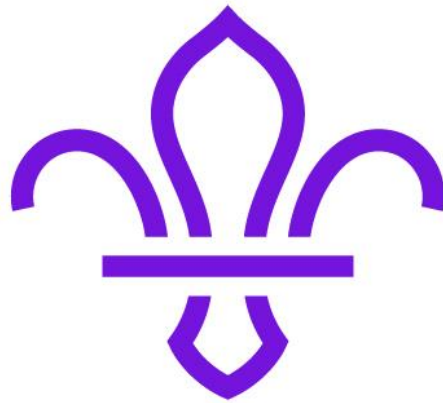
Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year	The achievements for the year are contained in the various reports in this document
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Financial Review

Reserves Policy	The District's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the District should income and fundraising activities fall short. (Excluding Membership Fees) The District Executive Committee considers that the District should hold a sum equivalent to 24 months running costs, circa £12000. The District held reserves of approximately £12000 against this at year end.
Details of any funds materially in deficit (circumstances plus steps to eliminate)	No funds in deficit
Further Financial Review Details	See the annual financial report at the end of this document

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above		
Chairman	Secretary	District Commissioner
Ian McGeough	Dave Marsden	Andy Atherall
		



Scouts

Sale And District

Annual Financial Report for the Year Ended 31st December 2022

The bank balances on the accounts held by the District Treasurer are as follows:

Lloyds Account	£22,466.42
Leeds and Holbeck Account	£45,109.84

The accounts should be read with the following notes:

- a) The General Fund is operated by the District Treasurer and the receipts, payments and bank statements are reviewed by the District Examiner.
- b) The Beaver, Cub, Explorer, ASU and Band's figures are from information reviewed by, but not operated by, the District Treasurer.
- c) The Gang Show's figures are from information reviewed by, but not operated by, the District Examiner.
- d) The combined District income and expenditure figures, plus the combined District Balance sheet are compiled from the aforementioned figures.



Michael J Harding
District Treasurer

I have examined and confirmed the records provided, bank accounts, receipts and payments of the General Fund and Gang Show Fund accounts. The combined District figures are compiled from these figures together with other accounts reviewed by, but not operated by, the District Treasurer.



Chris Varley F.C.A.
District Examiner
Date 01 June 2023

District Income and Expenditure Account**Year to 31st December 2022****2022****2021****Income**

General	£ 41,271.92	£ 37,651.30
Gang Show	£ 350.00	£ 1,000.00
Band	-£ 120.00	£ 159.70
Beavers	£ -	£ -
Cubs	£ -	£ -
MacAlpine ESU	£ 2,500.00	£ 879.45
Wyvern ESU	£ 1,534.86	£ 1,809.83
Hive ESU	£ 2,152.64	£ -
Sale ASU	£ -	£ -
	<u>£ 47,689.42</u>	<u>£ 41,500.28</u>

Expenditure

General	£ 34,186.29	£ 34,354.32
Gang Show	£ 369.43	£ 215.59
Band	£ 432.20	£ 125.25
Beavers	£ -	£ -
Cubs	£ -	£ -
MacAlpine ESU	£ 2,024.86	£ 1,469.72
Wyvern ESU	£ 1,685.45	£ 1,031.05
Hive ESU	£ 1,865.22	£ -
Sale ASU	£ -	£ -
	<u>£ 40,563.45</u>	<u>£ 37,195.93</u>

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	<u>£ 7,125.97</u>	<u>£ 4,304.35</u>
Depreciation	£ -	-£ 1,200.00
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	<u>£ 7,125.97</u>	<u>£ 3,104.35</u>

District Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2022**Year to 31st December 2022****2022****2021****Assets**

General	£ 67,578.26	£ 65,075.76
Gang Show	£ 10,082.14	£ 10,101.47
Band	£ 6,332.76	£ 6,884.96
Beavers	£ 1,708.57	£ 1,708.57
Cubs	£ 369.53	£ 369.53
MacAlpine ESU	£ 3,209.19	£ 2,734.05
Wyvern ESU	£ 8,918.39	£ 9,068.98
Hive ESU	£ 287.42	£ -
Sale ASU	£ -	£ 47.88
	<u>£ 98,486.26</u>	<u>£ 95,991.20</u>

Liabilities

General	£ 34,165.68	£ 37,748.81
Gang Show	£ 300.00	£ 300.00
Band	£ -	£ -
Beavers	£ -	£ -
Cubs	£ -	£ -
MacAlpine ESU	£ -	£ -
Wyvern ESU	£ -	£ -
Hive ESU	£ -	£ -
Sale ASU	£ -	£ -
	<u>£ 34,465.68</u>	<u>£ 38,048.81</u>

Accumulated General Funds

£ 64,020.58**£ 57,942.39**

Accumulated Funds brought forward 1st January 2021 £ 57,942.49

£ 55,838.14

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year £ 7,125.97

£ 3,104.35

Transfer to Jamboree Fund -£ 1,000.00

-£ 1,000.00

Sale ASU balance write off -£ 47.88

£ -

Accumulated Funds carried forward 31st December 2022 **£ 64,020.58****£ 57,942.49**

Jamboree Fund -£ 1,219.79

£ 1,779.21

Development Fund £ 31,873.00

£ 31,873.00

ESU Funds £ 680.51

£ 1,264.64

Scout Funds £ 2,831.96

£ 2,831.96

Total District Funds carried forward 31st December 2022 £ 98,186.26**£ 95,691.30**

General Account Income and Expenditure Account

<u>Year to 31st December 2022</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Income		
Membership Subscription	£ 39,498.00	£ 34,774.50
Donation	£ 13.20	£ 1,006.27
Interest	£ 22.54	£ 22.53
Badge Income	£ 238.18	£ 348.00
Lease Transfer	£ 1,500.00	£ 1,500.00
	<u>£ 41,271.92</u>	<u>£ 37,651.30</u>
Expenditure		
Membership Subscription	£ 31,196.00	£ 32,623.50
Insurance	£ 471.63	£ 986.71
Net Event Expenditure	£ 1,194.94	£ 377.00
Administration	£ 393.72	£ 207.11
Training	£ 930.00	£ 160.00
	<u>£ 34,186.29</u>	<u>£ 34,354.32</u>
 Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	 <u>£ 7,085.63</u>	 <u>£ 3,296.98</u>
 Depreciation	 £ -	 £ -
 Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	 <u>£ 7,085.63</u>	 <u>£ 3,296.98</u>

General Account Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2022

<u>Year to 31st December 2022</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
<u>Fixed Assets</u>		
Trophies	£ 1.00	£ 1.00
Office Equipment	£ 1.00	£ 1.00
	£ 2.00	£ 2.00
<u>Current Assets</u>		
Cash in hand	£ -	£ -
Current Account - Lloyds	£ 22,466.42	£ 19,986.46
Building Society Account	£ 45,109.84	£ 45,087.30
Loans	£ -	£ -
	£ 67,576.26	£ 65,073.76
<u>Total Assets</u>	<u>£ 67,578.26</u>	<u>£ 65,075.76</u>
<u>Liabilities</u>		
Creditors/Accruals	£ -	£ -
Development Fund	£ 31,873.00	£ 31,873.00
ESU Funds	£ 680.51	£ 1,264.64
Scout Funds	£ 2,831.96	£ 2,831.96
Jamboree Fund	-£ 1,219.79	£ 1,779.21
	£ 34,165.68	£ 37,748.81
<u>Accumulated funds carried forward</u>	<u>£ 33,412.58</u>	<u>£ 27,326.95</u>
Accumulated Funds brought forward	£ 27,326.95	£ 25,029.97
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	£ 7,085.63	£ 3,296.98
Transfer to Jamboree Fund	-£ 1,000.00	-£ 1,000.00
<u>Accumulated Funds carried forward</u>	<u>£ 33,412.58</u>	<u>£ 27,326.95</u>

Gang Show Income and Expenditure Account**Year to 31st December 2022****2022****2021****Income**

Ticket Sales	£ -	£ -
Subscriptions	£ 330.00	£ -
Fund Raising	£ -	£ -
Donations	£ -	£ 1,000.00
Programme Sales	£ 20.00	£ -
Miscellaneous	£ -	£ -
	<u>£ 350.00</u>	<u>£ 1,000.00</u>

Expenditure

Room Hire/Garrick	£ 195.00	£ -
Brochure/Publicity	£ -	£ -
Production Costs	£ 105.16	£ 200.00
Front of House Costs	£ -	£ -
Insurance	£ -	£ -
Miscellaneous	£ 69.27	£ 15.59
	<u>£ 369.43</u>	<u>£ 215.59</u>

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	<u><u>-£ 19.43</u></u>	<u><u>£ 784.41</u></u>
Depreciation	£ -	-£ 1,200.00
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	<u><u>-£ 19.43</u></u>	<u><u>-£ 415.59</u></u>

Gang Show Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2022**Year to 31st December 2022****2022****2021****Fixed Assets**

Curtains	£ 1,200.00	£ 1,200.00
	£ 1,200.00	£ 1,200.00

Current Assets

Bank Account	£ 8,882.14	£ 8,901.47
Debtors/Accrued Income	£ -	£ -
	£ 8,882.14	£ 8,901.47

Total Assets**£ 10,082.14****£ 10,101.47****Liabilities**

Creditors/Accruals	£ 300.00	£ 300.00
	£ 300.00	£ 300.00

Total Liabilities**£ 300.00****£ 300.00****£ 9,782.14****£ 9,801.47**

Accumulated Funds brought forward	£ 9,801.57	£ 10,217.16
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Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	-£ 19.43	-£ 415.59
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Accumulated Funds carried forward	<u>£ 9,782.14</u>	<u>£ 9,801.57</u>
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Band Income and Expenditure Account**Year to 31st December 2022****2022****2021****Income**

Subs	£ 180.00	£ 20.00
Camps	-£ 300.00	£ -
Donations	£ -	£ 139.70
Performances	£ -	£ -
	<u>-£ 120.00</u>	<u>£ 159.70</u>

Expenditure

Neckers/Woggles	£ 92.45	£ -
Music Equipment	£ 70.00	£ -
General Expenses	£ 269.75	£ 125.25
	<u>£ 432.20</u>	<u>£ 125.25</u>

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)

-£ 552.20£ 34.45

Depreciation

£ -

£ -

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

-£ 552.20£ 34.45

Band Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2022**Year to 31st December 2022****2022****2021****Fixed Assets**

Band Instruments

£	350.00
£	350.00

£	350.00
£	350.00

Current Assets

Cash/Bank Account

£	5,982.76
£	5,982.76

£	6,534.96
£	6,534.96

Total Assets**£ 6,332.76****£ 6,884.96****Liabilities**

£	-
£	-

£	-
£	-

Total Liabilities**£ -****£ -****£ 6,332.76****£ 6,884.96**

Accumulated Funds brought forward

£ 6,884.96

£ 6,850.51

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

~~£~~ 552.20

£ 34.45

Accumulated Funds carried forward

£ 6,332.76**£ 6,884.96**

Beavers Income and Expenditure Account**Year to 31st December 2022****2022****2021****Income**

Events

£	-
£	-

£	-
£	-

Expenditure

Events

£	-
£	-

£	-
£	-

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)

£	-
£	-

£	-
£	-

Depreciation

£	-
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£	-
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Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£	-
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£	-
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Beavers Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2022**Year to 31st December 2022****2022****2021****Current Assets**

Cash/Bank Account

£ 1,708.57
£ 1,708.57

£ 1,708.57
£ 1,708.57

Total Assets**£ 1,708.57****£ 1,708.57****Liabilities**

£ -
£ -

£ -
£ -

Total Liabilities**£ -****£ -****£ 1,708.57****£ 1,708.57**

Accumulated Funds brought forward

£ 1,708.57

£ 1,708.57

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ -

£ -

Accumulated Funds carried forward

£ 1,708.57**£ 1,708.57**

Cubs Income and Expenditure Account**Year to 31st December 2022****2022****2021****Income**

Bridge & Back Canoe Race

£ -

£ -

Karen Keane Comp

£ -

£ -

£ -

£ -**Expenditure**

Cooking Comp

£ -

£ -

Bridge & Back Canoe Race

£ -

£ -

Karen Keane Comp

£ -

£ -

£ -

£ -

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)

£ -

£ -

Depreciation

£ -

£ -

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ -

£ -

Cubs Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2022**Year to 31st December 2022****2022****2021****Current Assets**

Cash/Bank Account

£	369.53
	£ 369.53

£	369.53
	£ 369.53

Total Assets**£ 369.53****£ 369.53****Liabilities**

£	-
	£ -

£	-
	£ -

Total Liabilities**£ -****£ -****£ 369.53****£ 369.53**

Accumulated Funds brought forward

£ 369.53

£ 369.53

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ -

£ -

Accumulated Funds carried forward

£ 369.53**£ 369.53**

MacAlpine ESU Income and Expenditure Account**Year to 31st December 2022****2022****2021****Income**

Joining Fees	£ 750.00	£ 48.42
Subscriptions	£ 1,750.00	£ 831.03
Interest	£ -	£ -
	<u>£ 2,500.00</u>	<u>£ 879.45</u>

Expenditure

Administration	£ 695.70	£ 385.93
Hire fees	£ 272.71	£ -
Equipment	£ 146.62	£ 94.00
Activities	£ 605.74	£ 541.94
Camp	-£ 1,089.66	-£ 1,145.52
DofE	£ 492.27	£ 370.00
Misc.	£ 551.48	£ 1,223.37
Training	£ 350.00	£ -
	<u>£ 2,024.86</u>	<u>£ 1,469.72</u>

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)

£ 475.14-£ 590.27

Depreciation

£ -

£ -

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ 475.14-£ 590.27

MacAlpine ESU Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2022**Year to 31st December 2022****2022****2021****Current Assets**

Cash/Bank Account

£ 3,209.19

£ 3,209.19

£ 2,734.05

£ 2,734.05

Total Assets**£ 3,209.19****£ 2,734.05****Liabilities**

£ -

£ -

£ -

£ -

Total Liabilities**£ -****£ -****£ 3,209.19****£ 2,734.05**

Accumulated Funds brought forward

£ 2,734.05

£ 3,324.32

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ 475.14

~~£~~ 590.27

Accumulated Funds carried forward

£ 3,209.19**£ 2,734.05**

Wyvern ESU Income and Expenditure Account**Year to 31st December 2022****2022****2021****Income**

Subscriptions	£ 2,237.46	£ 1,383.00
Donation/Grant	£ -	£ 406.83
Camps	~~£ 702.60~~	£ 20.00
	<u>£ 1,534.86</u>	<u>£ 1,809.83</u>

Expenditure

Membership Subscription	£ 1,000.00	£ 679.00
Misc.	£ 685.45	£ 352.05
	<u>£ 1,685.45</u>	<u>£ 1,031.05</u>

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	<u>~~£ 150.59~~</u>	<u>£ 778.78</u>
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Depreciation	£ -	£ -
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Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	<u>~~£ 150.59~~</u>	<u>£ 778.78</u>
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Wyvern ESU Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2022**Year to 31st December 2022****2022****2021****Current Assets**

Cash/Bank Account

£ 8,918.39

£ 8,918.39

£ 9,068.98

£ 9,068.98

Total Assets**£ 8,918.39****£ 9,068.98****Liabilities**

£ -

£ -

£ -

£ -

Total Liabilities**£ -****£ -****£ 8,918.39****£ 9,068.98**

Accumulated Funds brought forward

£ 9,068.98

£ 8,290.20

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

-£ 150.59

£ 778.78

Accumulated Funds carried forward

£ 8,918.39**£ 9,068.98**

Hive ESU Income and Expenditure Account**Year to 31st December 2022****2022****2021****Income**

Subscriptions	£ 518.00	£ -
District Grant	£ 1,264.64	£ -
Camp Fees	£ 330.00	£ -
Misc	£ 40.00	£ -
	<u>£ 2,152.64</u>	<u>£ -</u>

Expenditure

Administration	£ 503.61	£ -
Equipment	£ 22.50	£ -
Training	£ 50.00	£ -
Camp	£ 411.30	£ -
Misc	£ 877.81	£ -
	<u>£ 1,865.22</u>	<u>£ -</u>

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)

£ 287.42£ -

Depreciation

£ -

£ -

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ 287.42£ -

Hive ESU Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2022**Year to 31st December 2022****2022****2021****Current Assets**

Cash/Bank Account

£	287.42
£	287.42

£	-
£	-

Total Assets

£	287.42
£	287.42

£	-
£	-

Liabilities

£	-
£	-

£	-
£	-

Total Liabilities

£	-
£	-

£	-
£	-

£	287.42
£	287.42

£	-
£	-

Accumulated Funds brought forward

£	-
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£	-
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Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£	287.42
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£	-
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Accumulated Funds carried forward

£	287.42
£	287.42

£	-
£	-

Sale ASU Income and Expenditure Account**Year to 31st December 2022****2022****2021****Income**

Capitation/Subs

£	-
£	-

£	-
£	-

Expenditure

Capitation

£	-
£	-

£	-
£	-

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)

£	-
£	-

£	-
£	-

Depreciation

£	-
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£	-
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Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£	-
£	-

£	-
£	-

Sale ASU Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2022**Year to 31st December 2022****2022****2021****Current Assets**

Cash/Bank Account

£	-
£	-

£	47.88
£	47.88

Total Assets

£	-
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£	47.88
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Liabilities

£	-
£	-

£	-
£	-

Total Liabilities

£	-
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£	-
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£	-
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£	47.88
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Accumulated Funds brought forward

£	47.88
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£	47.88
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Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£	-
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£	-
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Balance write off

-£	47.88
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£	-
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Accumulated Funds carried forward

£	-
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£	47.88
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Minutes of the Previous AGM on 16th May 2022

1. Introduction – Ian McGeough

- Ian opened the meeting. He thanked everyone for attending and welcomed our guests - Jacob Bond from County, and Pam Williams and Alison Corser from Guides.

- Those present:
 - Sharon Jenkinson
 - Tom Hartley
 - Andy Atherall
 - Harry Peet
 - Emma Spragg
 - Alasdair Ferro
 - Pam Williams
 - Richard Taylor
 - Ros Bryan
 - Ronnie Bryan
 - Chris Bedford-Gay
 - Anna Brunt
 - Simon Murray
 - Andrea Morgan
 - Kath Dyson
 - James Dyson
 - Gary Dyson
 - Jacob Bond
 - Rob Blair
 - Paul Maggs
 - Yasmin Lee
 - Dave Hannigan
 - Sue Calvert
 - Alexander Calvert
 - Rufus Brunt
 - Dave Marsden
 - Alison Corser
 - John Ludlow
 - Ian McGeough
 - Chris Varley
 - Sarah Goodstadt
 - Michael Harding
 - Paul Harris
 - Amy Atherall
 - Andrew Jenkinson
 - Gavin Stark
 - Mark Cunningham
 - Karen Salisbury
 - Assil Brayat
 - Ritta Kattob
 - Glenn Rees
 - Liz Fairclough

2. Apologies for Absence –

- Roger Kettle
- Clive Winby
- Carol Gilbert
- Judith Summersgill
- James Goodwin
- Mark Wallis
- Jo Ward
- Bob Wilson
- Georgie McCarthy
- Greg Archer
- Steve Ralph
- John Casson
- Rachel Lyttle
- Jenny Saxty
- Carys Pugh
- Megan Maggs

3. Approval of the minutes of the previous AGM – Ian McGeough

- Approved unanimously.

4. Presentation of the Annual Report for 2021

- Dave Hannigan for Scouts – Dave thanked the adult volunteers for keeping things going during lockdown and transferring the programme so successfully to virtual meetings, and then to socially distanced activities.
- Emma Spragg for Beavers – echoed Dave's thanks to the adult volunteers.
- Andrew Jenkinson for Cubs – echoed Dave again, and also thanked County team. We are now also pushing to get County events started again.
- Yasmin Lee for Network – Network is going very well, back to face-to-face meetings. They have a lot of new members. Yasmin thanked the District for their support.

5. Presentation of audited accounts – Mike Harding

- The accounts have been provided in the handout of the annual report.
- There is very little expenditure still, it has been a very quiet year.
- No gift aid claimed last year due to lockdown.

6. Approval of annual reports and adoption of audited accounts – Ian McGeough

- Andrea Morgan proposed, and Dave Hannigan seconded – the accounts were approved.

7. District Chairman's remarks – Ian McGeough

- Nice to see everyone back face to face after challenges of last few years.
- Numbers taken a bit of a hit but starting to increase again. Waiting lists still oversubscribed but still lack of adult volunteers.
- District has been resilient and is bouncing back.
- Well done and thank you to everyone for the hard work.
- Thanked District Exec also for keeping things going.
- Amy will be stepping down as District Secretary – thank you for the last 5 years work.

- Thanked Andy for his work as DC.

8. District Commissioner's remarks – Andy Atherall

- Very pleased that we are back meeting face to face with no restrictions. Thank you again to all volunteers for keeping things going. Thanked Dave Marsden for help with risk assessments for COVID.
- Numbers went down during pandemic by 140 young people. A good portion of that was down to closure of 9th Sale.
- 9th Sale has closed despite fundraising efforts. Unfortunately, lockdown meant fundraising could not continue. They are hoping to reopen in the future but not sure where or when yet.
- There are more leaders coming through.
- The first Squirrel Drey in GMW County opened at 14th Sale and has proved to be a big success. It is well attended, and a lot of new parents are coming in as leaders and helpers. The waiting list is now closed as it is so popular. We have limited the numbers to make sure we don't have problems as children age through.
- A third Explorer unit (Hive) will be opening in September 2022 run by Andrew Jenkinson.
- We need a District Explorer Scout Commissioner (DESC) as we will shortly have three units.
- Andrew Jenkinson will be stepping down as ADC Cubs, so we need new one.
- Sarah Goodstadt will be taking over the Young Leaders unit.
- There are about 420k young people in units at the moment nationally, with 90k-100k also on waiting lists. We must focus on adult recruitment to keep things going and also increase sections.
- Thanked Yasmin for all her work with Network – they have now run their first camp at Dunham.
- Kandersteg team still going with fundraising. Going ahead in summer 2022.
- Thanks to Bob Cole for all his work, especially keeping training up to date.
- Thanks to Amy Atherall for her work as Secretary.

9. Approval of the District Commissioner's nomination to District Chairman – Andy Atherall

- Andy Atherall nominated Ian McGeough to continue as District Chairman.

10. Election of District Secretary – Ian McGeough

- Amy Atherall is stepping down as District Secretary. Ian McGeough proposed Dave Marsden to become District Secretary, seconded by Bob Cole. Approved unanimously.

11. Election of District Treasurer – Ian McGeough

- Ian McGeough proposed Mike Harding to continue as District Treasurer, seconded by Paul Maggs. Approved unanimously.

12. Election of the members of the District Executive Committee – Ian McGeough

- Clive Winby – 2nd Brooklands
- Anna Brunt – 14th Sale
- Harry Peet – 3rd Ashton
- Paul Harris – 17th Sale
- Proposed by Sharon Jenkinson, seconded by Simon Murray - approved unanimously.

13. Approval of the District Commissioner's nominations for membership of the District Executive Committee – Ian McGeough

- Chris Gleaves – Deputy DC & 9th Sale
- Andrea Morgan – Gang Show and Band
- Gavin Stark – Sale Central
- Jenny Saxty – 9th Sale
- Proposed by Anna Brunt, seconded by Dave Hannigan - approved unanimously.

14. Election of one Group Scouter to the County Scout Council – Ian McGeough

- Ian proposed Mike Harding, this was seconded by Andrea Morgan. Approved unanimously.

15. Approval of the nomination to the County Exec – Ian McGeough

- Ian proposed Clive Winby, this was seconded by Paul Maggs. Approved unanimously.

16. Appointment of Accounts Examiner – Mike Harding

- Chris Varley was nominated by Mike Harding to be re-appointed as accounts examiner; Mike thanked him for his ongoing work. Chris was approved unanimously.

17. County Representative's remarks – Jacob Bond

- It is good to be back meeting in person.
- 14th Sale have first and only Squirrel Drey in GMW, we are hoping to open some more in the coming months.
- Well done to Yasmin for starting and keeping Network going.
- Thanks to everyone again for keeping things going through the pandemic.
- Thanked Andy for his work as DC for the past few years.

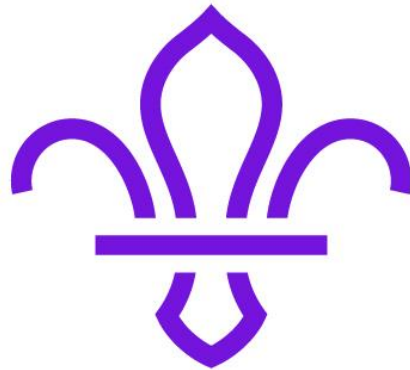
18. Presentations – Andy Atherall & Jacob Bond

- We have not able to give any awards out for the past few years!
 - Award for Merit – Chris Varley
 - 50 yrs – Bob Cole
 - 40 yrs – Michael Harding
 - 40 yrs – Dave Marsden
 - 30 yrs – Chris Varley
 - 30 yrs – Ian McGeough
 - Thanks badge - Amy Atherall
- Chief Scout Gold Awards:
 - The Scouts went on an exploration to York. They organised it all themselves and then did a presentation:
 - Tristan Brunt
 - James Dyson

- Lucy Fairclough
- Oliver Bedford-Gay
- Alexander Calvert
- Tom Mulholland
- Stella McDonald

Ian McGeough closed the meeting. After the meeting entertainment was provided by the Sale Scout & Guide Band and followed by refreshments.

Accounts



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Sale And District

Annual Report 2021

AGM 16th May 2022

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Annual General Meeting Agenda

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| 1. Introduction | Ian McGeough |
| 2. Apologies for absence | Amy Atherall |
| 3. Approval of the minutes of the previous AGM | Ian McGeough |
| 4. Presentation of annual report for 2021 | Ian McGeough |
| 5. Presentation of audited accounts | Mike Harding |
| 6. Approval of annual report and adoption of audited accounts | Ian McGeough |
| 7. District Chairman's remarks | Ian McGeough |
| 8. District Commissioner's remarks | Andy Atherall |
| 9. Approval of DC's nomination of District Chairman | Andy Atherall |
| 10. Election of District Secretary | Ian McGeough |
| 11. Election of District Treasurer | Ian McGeough |
| 12. Election of members of the District Executive Committee | Ian McGeough |
| 13. Approval of the District Commissioner's nominations for membership of the District Executive Committee | Ian McGeough |
| 14. Election of one Group Scouter to the County Scout Council | Ian McGeough |
| 15. Approval of nomination to the County Exec | Ian McGeough |
| 16. Appointment of Auditor | Mike Harding |
| 17. County Commissioner - Presentations | |

The official part of the proceedings will be followed by: -

A short performance by the Sale Scout & Guide Band

Chairman's Report

As always, the AGM tries looks back at the preceding year and it is sometimes difficult to remember just what a year 2021 was, with COVID rates falling then rising again as the differing strains took hold of the population. What became abundantly clear through all of this was the resilience of our Scouting community in Sale to rise to whatever challenges faced us. Plans made earlier in the year for the reintroduction of scouting after the summer began to come to fruition and that is a testament to the dedication, hard work and team spirit of all the groups in the District.

The end of the year saw us returning to a semblance of normality. Split meetings, Scout training days, weekend camps at Dunham were all signs of groups emerging from the virus with renewed energy culminating once again at a District level with the annual Remembrance Day parade. The District represented, in such great numbers, was a great sight.

Over the pandemic, numbers of young people involved in local Scouting naturally dropped off but since last September they have steadily risen nearing or in some cases exceeding pre-pandemic levels. This is of course a sign of the strength of the District but with this the need for adult volunteers is greater than ever. So, if, by chance, there is anyone reading this report who is not yet involved in Scouting.....you are very welcome to join us!

Throughout all of last year the District Executive continued to hold its monthly meetings virtually. We try to support all of our groups, by overseeing District activities, providing administrative help, advice or financial aid and ensuring the District meets the ever-changing Scouting rules and regulations. It is indeed a team effort, and I am always so pleased to see that the District Executive has representatives from almost every group on it. To that end, I must offer my thanks to all those on our executive for attending those meetings and making my life as chairman so easy. Congratulations go especially to Anna Brunt for surviving her first year on the committee. This year, in particular though, I would like to thank Amy Atherall who, as our executive secretary has been recording and circulating the minutes and dealing with correspondence for more years than I have been a member. It is not an easy task trying to distil the key information from the lengthy ramblings of the executive committee which she has turned into a fine art but now feels it is time to step down and pass the baton on.

Of course, behind us all is Andy Atherall our District Commissioner. He continues to be the stalwart who keeps us all in line. The pandemic created extra pressures and Andy has not only been the go-to person to explain and interpret the new and changing regulations, but he has also found ways to put them into action in a realistic and practical manner which I know we all appreciate so much.

So, the future of Scouting in Sale looks bright. New sections in groups have opened this year including our first ever Squirrel Drey - one of the first in the country, but really this exciting future is all down to those of you reading this report, the leaders, helpers and group executive members of Sale and District Scouts. To finish my report therefore, on behalf of all the young people and their families who benefit so much from the tireless work you put in voluntarily on a weekly, sometimes daily basis a massive "Thank You!"

Yours in Scouting

Ian McGeough
District Chairman

District Commissioner's Report

This 2022 AGM marks the end of my fourth year as DC – how has it passed so quickly? We are now thankfully out of lockdown after two long years and our leaders, executive committee members and helpers who did such an excellent job throughout the pandemic can now get back to the business of Scouting once more.

The pandemic has left us with some membership challenges. We are down by 141 young people from 2 years ago and although half of this is due to the loss of 9th Sale, we have still lost 70 young people, including two sections at 14th Sale which had to close due to loss of leaders for personal reasons.

9th Sale sadly closed, as St. Anne's Church gave them notice to quit just before the pandemic hit, as they wish to sell the land the HQ sits on to fund works at St Anne's Church. The pandemic meant that fundraising and other efforts to find the group a new home were not successful, and as the Church was unwilling to extend the lease, the only option was to close. I would like to thank Chris Gleaves, Jemmy Saxty and all of the leaders and committee at 9th Sale for all of their hard work throughout the pandemic to try to find an alternative solution to closure.

However, all is not doom and gloom and we look forward to a much better year in 2022. Waiting lists are overflowing and we are proud to host the first Squirrel Drey in GMW County, which opened in February at 14th Sale. Although there has been a lot of scepticism surrounding Squirrels, the reality is that it has proved exceptionally successful at 14th, bringing in a lot of new leaders and parent helpers who will potentially move to other roles within the group. The waiting list is so oversubscribed we have had to close it for the foreseeable future. I would urge other groups to look again at Squirrels and visit 14th to see for themselves. I would also urge all groups to set themselves a goal to open additional sections and recruit more leaders, so that we can offer more places and ease our waiting list backlog.

We are planning an additional Explorer Section at 14th Sale for September, bringing the District back to three Explorer Units and providing much needed places for the Explorer age group.

Our Network Section goes from strength to strength has had their first camp at Dunham over the Easter weekend, which also turned out to be Dunham's first Network camp. Congratulations to Yasmin and the Network team.

Our international trip to Kandersteg will finally take place this summer, and my thanks to the leadership team for sticking with it throughout the pandemic. It will be a great experience for the whole unit.

Our 'normal' events are starting to take place again. The turnout for Remembrance Sunday last year was a record, and a proud moment to see so many of our young people on parade. We hope to restart both the Gang Show and the St George's day parade in 2023 and will also look at the future of the swimming gala.

Special thanks to Bob Cole for his tireless and meticulous work, often in the background. February and March were difficult months as HQ were determined to suspend people with outstanding mandatory training. Bob's diligence in chasing people to complete their training or moving them to a role where first aid was not a requirement, or closing down unwanted roles has avoided anyone from our District being suspended.

Finally, my thanks – Thanks to my daughter Amy who is stepping down as District Secretary after 5 years and thanks to Ian and the District Exec for all of the work you do. A massive 'Thankyou' as well to all of our leaders, exec members and helpers, without whom there would be no Scouting in Sale District. It's a privilege to be District Commissioner for such a fantastic team.

Yours in Scouting

Andy Atherall
District Commissioner

Section Reports

Beaver Section



This year has proved, once again, how lucky we are to have such amazing volunteers in the District. With all the changes happening not only in Scouting but in the world,

leaders still continued to deliver the beaver scout programme on zoom and social media.

New beavers enrolled, only knowing Scouting on zoom but again those amazing Beaver leader teams made the sessions fun and engaging.

This just proves how dedicated our members within the District are.

Returning to face-to-face meetings wasn't as straightforward as we would have hoped. We had to adhere to government guidelines, this meant a different approach to Scouting. Not the easiest to do especially with our younger section, but once again our leaders rose to the challenge.

The highlight for me this year (and the only District event we were able to do) was The Remembrance parade. It was fantastic to see so many of the beavers attend, and that's down to the support from the leaders. Thank you.

It saddens me to say that we lost 9th Sale after many years of providing opportunities to young people in an area that is in much need of scouting opportunities. But I hope that there is a way of 9th Sale returning to provide those much-needed opportunities for the young people of Sale.

Despite all the changes and challenges, we had our Sections achieved 30 bronze awards which is a credit to the leaders.

We look forward to meeting as a district team to plan and share our ideas and to organise some district events. (It's been too long!)

Thank you to all the leaders and families for their continued support through what has been another different and difficult year.

This year once again has been another year where you, the Leaders and Volunteers have truly kept Scouting alive.

Yours in Scouting

Emma Spragg
James Goodwin
ADC Beavers

Cub Section



Normally at this time we get to celebrate all the events and camps we have managed to do as a district. All the awards we have won in our sections in the county and regional events.

Sadly, this is not the case today. Coming out of lockdown a lot of groups were affected, we lost leaders and we lost cubs but now the cub sections are slowly getting back to full strength.

Cubs are now back attending their section meeting again regular and we have seen an increase in Silver Awards again.

Returning back to GREEN status has helped a lot of packs push through the red tape and get back to what the cubs love the most, being out with their friends and camping.

Personally, I love teaching the cubs new skills which they can take with them to the next section but these skills are not what the cubs think about when you ask them about what they like best about cubs. They remember the time Billy made a swing and it snapped or when a fox woke them up in the night because James left food out and when Frank was on the slip and slide and didn't stop at the end and he kept sliding into the bushes. These are the memories they make on their own. Although as leaders we didn't have a hand in making the memories without your help they wouldn't exist.

So once again, we need to give thanks to the efforts of leaders and executive committees for all they have done for Sale district and the communities around them from fundraising to food banks and litter picks.

Scouting in Sale does make a difference and the town is better for it

Andrew Jenkinson
ADC Cubs

Scout Section

SCOUTS

Since becoming ADC Scouts, I have apparently gained a reputation for writing multiple pages for my Scout Section annual report, and so, for the

Scouting year of 2021, I am ironically, going to do things differently.

I am sure it will have been widely documented elsewhere, that much like the latter 9 months of 2020, 2021 was similarly bereft of traditional Scouting activity, and in keeping with that, as a District we had no planned events.

This is not to say that Scouting ceased to exist, it just existed differently, Scout section leaders like those of other sections excelled, they continued their sterling efforts of 2020 to keep Scouting alive for another year and I cannot thank enough, all those leaders who quite literally, reinvented the Scouting programme on the fly.

Active participation across Scouts was massively down, young people were simply tired of communicating via a screen, and if doing so for School was mandatory, then many had little intention of doing similar of their own volition at Scouts. Those who did engage often enjoyed whatever activity was offered, but it was a far cry from what they wanted.

Time after time, the carrot was dangled before them, yet each time the carrot was reached, it wasn't fresh ... outdoors only, socially distanced, compulsory masks, outdoors and indoors, the school summer holidays were approaching fast and still "normal Scouting" wasn't an option.

When Scouting met back up after the summer break, confidence was still low, Covid was still a huge threat and scouting understandably remained cautious, and rightly so as new variants came into parlance and further restrictions saw out the year.

Overall, scouting survived 2021, Adult volunteers were amazing, sadly for some it was all just too much, young people on the other hand have come back to Scouting in their droves, time now to find the next generation of leaders to accommodate what should be a period of massive growth for Scouts and Scouting.

Dave Hannigan
Assistant District Commissioner (Scouts)

Explorer Scouts

EXPLORERS

MacAlpine Explorer Scout Unit

2021 proved to be another challenging year for MacAlpine with the pandemic continuing to affect its activities.

Recruitment

Numbers saw an increase of 4 on the previous year to 29 Explorers in total. In view of having to meet online for part of the year and with the cancellation of some off-site activities, this was a reassuring sign that interest in joining Explorers has been sustained. We have, however, ended up, as a result of the way some Explorers dropped out in 2020, with a small Gold unit this year and therefore a 'young' and more inexperienced unit than in previous years, and therefore unable to draw on the experience of a sizeable Gold cohort. That will change as we go forward and our Explorers move up through the levels.

Table 1: Explorer Numbers on 1 January (by DofE level and year):

	BRONZE	SILVER	GOLD-1	GOLD-2*	TOTAL
2015	8	11	0	0	19
2016	5	9	8	0	22
2017	14	4	8	0	26
2018	9	16	3	8	36
2019	12	11	11	2	36
2020	5	12	11	2	30
2021	9	3	10	3	25
2022	13	12	0	4	29

*Gold is a two-year programme

Having achieved gender parity last year, 2021 saw a further increase in the representation of females in the Unit, rising from 52% in 2020 to 58.62% at the end of 2021:

Table 2: Gender Balance on 1 January:

	MALE	FEMALE	% FEMALE
2015	17	2	10.5
2016	18	4	18.2
2017	21	5	19
2018	30	6	16
2019	25	11	30.5
2020	19	11	36.6

2021	12	13	52
2022	12	17	58.62%

The proportion of our Explorers who come from our sponsoring group reached their lowest proportion since the Unit's founding (6.89%), confirming MacAlpine is a unit for the whole District:

Table 3: Entrants coming from 7th Sale (sponsoring group) on 1 January (%):

2015	76.9
2016	54.5
2017	50.0
2018	38.9
2019	27.8 (10/36)
2020	20.0 (6/30)
2021	12 (3/25)
2022	6.89 (2/29)

The percentage of Explorers who have joined without prior scouting experience continues to decline to 6.89% at the end of 2021:

Table 4: Explorers recruited without Scouting experience at 1 January (%):

2017	42.3
2018	27.8
2019	19.0 (7/36)
2020	23.3 (7/30)
2021	16 (4/25)
2022	6.89% (2/29)

Activities

We began 2021 aware that our usual Winter Camp (held in January) could not take place, but we held out hope for our DofE Expeditions. The Practice Expeditions were permitted by the DofE / Scout Association under changed conditions (day hikes), and four Expeditions (two Bronze, two Silver) took place, under quite challenging logistical conditions. The Qualifying Expeditions took place under close to normal conditions: two Bronze, two Silver and one Gold.

The Gold Qualifying Expedition was the highlight of the Summer as Team Victor completed an arduous 5 day expedition in the Lake District. It also represented an extraordinary achievement for one of our Explorers who is blind, and was led over the

rough ground throughout by her sister. It was a brilliant performance. We said goodbye to the members of Team Victor in September after nearly 5 years of commitment to Explorers: Katie Hoyle, Charlie Ludlow, William Yarwood, Orla Raftery, Chiara Raftery and Peter Palma.

In the Autumn, our usual event (kicking off the MacAlpine year) is the John Bradbury Competitive Hike from Gradbach but this was cancelled due to Covid, so we entered three mixed-level teams in to the BST day event, one of which (Team Radiators) secured second place.

For Explorer Nights, we spent the period from January until Easter online. We then had some sessions at the Hut, respecting the Scout Association pandemic restrictions, for different Expedition Teams each in their turn in the run up to the expeditions.

In the Autumn, in view of our numbers making it difficult to work within the restrictions in full Explorer Nights, we divided the Unit into three levels (Bronze, Silver, Gold) and organized a programme with two levels in the Hut rotating each week. We continued with this approach until the end of the calendar year.

Awards

MacAlpine was founded primarily to run the DofE programme for 14-18 year olds. The unit focuses primarily on the Expeditions because these can only be achieved in teams, but there are three other challenges (four at Gold level) which Explorers have to complete in order to receive their awards, and MacAlpine provides monitoring, support, advice and approval for Explorers to help them through each level.

As predicted in last year's Report, 2021 saw a sharp dip in the number of DofE awards achieved, mainly because all Expeditions in 2020 had been cancelled so there was nothing to draw on from that year. So, 2021 saw the lowest number of DofE awards since we started securing them in 2015, but we hope to turn that back around in 2022:

Table 5: DofE Awards (by level and year)

YEAR	BRONZE/PLAT	SILVER	GOLD	TOTAL
2015	10	0	0	10
2016	5	5	0	10
2017	3	7	0	10
2018	12	3	3	18
2019	7 + 1 = 8	5	0	13
2020	9	9	0	18
2021	0	2	1	3

In 2021 three of our Explorers (Ben Kinnear, Sophie Gott and Melody Yarwood) were selected to go to the next International Jamboree.

Subs

We offered substantially discounted subs throughout 2021 in recognition of the reduced programme and experience we could offer to the Explorers. This was both fair to the Explorers and, we believe, helped sustain our numbers, even though it proved to be financially challenging to the MacAlpine coffers.

Leadership Team

In the course of 2020-21 three of our leadership team (Simon Thompson, Mike Counsell and Tony Kennerk) moved out of Sale and therefore ceased to be members of the core leadership team running Explorer Nights. Fortunately, they have all continued to play a role in MacAlpine as an Expedition Support Team – especially as two of them are both qualified Expedition Supervisors and Assessors, and the third has wide-ranging hill-walking experience.

Fortunately, we have managed to appoint a new Assistant Explorer Scout Leader (Chris Hoyle) who has been a regular parent helper for some time, and who has taken over responsibility for the DofE individual sections, an area in which she excels is already improving Explorer completion rates for those sections. She joins a team of Martin Bull, Chris Lee and Mark Sheppard in running Explorer Nights.

We also have benefited from the support of three former Explorers (Kate Hoyle, Charlie Ludlow and Sam Gresty) who have moved up to Network. They have proved to be indispensable in helping out at Explorer Nights, providing excellent advice to Explorers about expeditions, and also helping with administrative work such as quarter mastering and running games.

We also have the continued support of an Expeditions Secretary (to deal with the uploading of paperwork to the DofE site) and a seamstress (for the neckers). Expeditions and camps continue to depend on a significant number of one-off parental volunteers who make up Expedition Supervision Teams and/or help with transport.

Martin Bull, Explorer Scout Leader

Wyvern Explorer Scout Unit

In April 2021, I was asked to lead Wyvern Explorer Scout Unit whilst my friend and fellow Scouter Greg Hart took a break from Scouting due to pressure in his workplace brought on by Covid. Poor Greg had never managed to develop Wyvern as he would have liked due to the fact that apart from his very first week over 12 months prior, every single meeting had been virtual.

I joined Wyvern just as restrictions were being eased slightly, I am eternally grateful to have had Sean Warman by my side, without Sean, Wyvern would simply not have been able to reopen its doors. Covid was still a major concern and so for my first term, all our activities were outdoors, socially distanced, and cautious. Many of our Explorers were meeting each other for the first time, some were seeing each other for the first time in 12 months, friendships were being re-established and expectations were being rediscovered.

One of my first duties was unfortunately to remove the names of some young people who had chosen to leave Scouting, either due to their age or simply moving on with new hobbies and interests.

Most of those who remained though were keen to re-establish their Scouting journey, others took considerably longer to reacquaint themselves of expected behaviour and courtesy. This wasn't helped by the restrictions in place which prevented working together, side by side, tactile activities. In their place we had discussions, demonstrations and isolated activities lead by somebody new to Explorers.

The summer break came and went and Greg stated that his situation, though improved, needed more time and effort, I therefore found myself welcoming some new Explorers to a unit that still did not have its own identity, some restrictions had been relaxed and therefore we could participate in a more varied programme, the majority of the unit were well behaved and really wanted to resume "normal" scouting activity, it was my own lack of experience with the Explorer programme that was proving to be holding things back and so as the year drew to a close, and we learned that Greg unfortunately would not be returning, Explorers and Leaders discussed how we want the unit to run.

Some very strong personalities made their voices heard and we now have a very clear vision on how we will be proceeding into 2022, as throughout Scouting though, the shortage of adult volunteers is risking burn out of those who have turned up throughout ... 2022 will be such an important year for Wyvern.

Dave Hannigan
Wyvern ESU Leader

Network

network

With lockdown restriction lifting gradually, last year has been a slow but progressing time for Joule

Network. Over the past year not only we have grown in numbers, we also recently welcomed a handful of new Network Members moving up from Explorers' group as well.

After a long break from Scouting, Joule Network reunited for the first time again for Sale and District Remembrance Sunday service. It was a very special moment for Joule as it was also our first time attending the Remembrance Service to pay our respect together. In December, after a lot of postponements we finally organized our Network investiture at 7th Sale (MacAlpine ESU). We invited Andy Atherall (District Commissioner) to invest our Network members. We were also honoured to have a special guest from GMW - County Network Commissioner - Oliver. It was an eventful evening as we arranged our first set of investitures in front of MacAlpine Explorers to show that there is life after Explorers – Network.

During late 2021 and early 2022, Network members were able to re-introduce us to each other again along with new members. We planned and organized a few events, keeping them as close as possible to Scouting and allowing the opportunity for team bonding at the same time. Activities covered:

- Map reading for a chip hunt
- Indoor bouldering
- Boardgame night
- Escape room for problem solving and teamwork
- Camp planning

Although the list isn't extensively long, we tried to fit in as much as possible during a difficult time getting used to returning university, apprenticeships, jobs and other commitments.

Joules Network members are slowly finding their place in the Unit and helping each other out with their strengths and Scouting experience, strengthening Joule's unit structure in organizing events more efficiently in the future. We are currently working together and planning our first Network Camp for the Easter Holiday weekend for a better chance to bond with each other on camp.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Andy Atherall & the Sale and District Exec Committee for guiding me during my temporary stand-in role in Network Leader. I would also like to thank Martin Bull and MacAlpine ESU for lending us a space for Joule Network to be able to meet up indoor at a Scouting venue.

Finally, I want to give a special mention to all Joule Network members for their help and attendance to make all activities happen. I hope Joule will continue to grow into a strongly established Scouting unit that allows Explorer and young adults to continue their Scouting journey, learning valuable life skills together into adulthood.

Yasmin Lee
District Youth Commissioner

Youth Commissioner's Report

Another year had passed, this year continued to be another difficult year for us all in Scouting. However, Sale and District Scouts are all slowly and steadily starting face to face Scouting again.

Sale and District Scouts had a great start to returning to face to face Scouting by attending the Remembrance Sunday service in front of Sale Town Hall. This was our first Remembrance Sunday service back together since lockdown, I was very proud of Sale and District Scout's attendance, it was lovely to see many familiar faces at the event along with the public's support during the parade.

During the past year, we also had some exciting development to Sale & District Scouting sections. I was honoured to be invited to Joule Network's first set of investments at 7th Sale (MacAlpine). I was also invited to the new opening of our youngest Scouting section – Squirrels. I am delighted to hear that young people can now join our Scouting movement from as young as 4-6 before joining Beavers Scouts, and Explorers are now able to continue their Scouting journey as Network Scouts once they have passed 18 - up until they are 25.

With lockdown restriction relaxing, Sale and District Exec Committee are also moving away from Zoom meetings, and we are back to face-to-face monthly Scouts meetings to assist with our District's increasing Scouting activities after Lockdown.

It is unfortunately that a few of the District Scouts events had to be cancelled including Sale and District Swimming Gala and St George's Day. I hope that next year we will be able to do our regular District events again.

I am looking forward to visit Sale and District Scouting unit and sections again to meet familiar and new young people, young leaders, Scouts leaders & helpers.

I would like to thank Andy Atherall, Sale and District Exec Committee, and all the support and guidance from the District to support my role as District Youth Commissioner.

Yasmin Lee
District Youth Commissioner

Sale Scout and Guide Gang Show



I would be lying if I said we had all been busy working hard, behind the scenes of Sale Gang Show. If I am really honest, we have all taken a much needed (and well earned) break over the last 12 months.

Obviously the reasons for this were out of our control.

But it has meant, everybody that works so tirelessly to put on such a wonderful show, has had the opportunity to recharge their batteries and look to the future when we can be together once again.

The cast and crew have managed to keep in touch – via numerous Facebook pages and messenger groups. This keeps the excitement brewing and momentum going, at a time when so many of us have missed out on our usual hobbies and social opportunities.

Unfortunately, the plans for our Summer 2022 show were unable to materialise, but finally - there is a light at the end of the tunnel. The committee have had their first planning meeting and we now have a plan of action for our usual February show next year!

We are expanding our Production team and hoping to welcome new members from September. We are still on the lookout for a choreographer though, if there are any young people/dance students who are looking for some experience. This would be a perfect opportunity to share your knowledge and skills.

We expect rehearsals to start in September of this year and these will run to our usual schedule – incorporating singing, drama and dance throughout. The team are already working hard, putting together the scripts and content – so watch this space!

It can be difficult to gauge interest after such a long time away, so we will endeavour to visit as many groups as possible and spread the Sale Gang Show message. Rehearsals are fun and inclusive and we welcome everyone and anyone to come and give it a try! You might surprise yourself...!

If the stage isn't for you... we just ask that come to support. Either with your family, with a group, or just come for a catch up with Sale Scouts and Guides – it's been so long since we've seen each other!

To keep updated, please follow our Facebook page: @salegangshow.
Let's make February 2023 our best Sale Gang Show yet!!

Thank you all once again for your continued support and more than ever, we look forward to seeing you all again next year.

Robyn Fletcher
Gang Show Chairman

Sale District Scout and Guide Band



On my memory drive I have a 'year' folder dedicated to the bands activities and it speaks volumes that there is not one for 2020 or 2021.

The various levels of engagement from The Scout Association had to be blended with guidance from the world of Brass Bands etc but the most telling factor was our inability to rehearse and meet due to the location of our practice venue. In short, the neighbours would object to our playing so we couldn't meet outside!

When we were finally cleared to meet and play, all members returned and enjoyed the three weeks before the level changed again, and we were forced to cease.

2021 Performances

None

2022 Update

We are now back and practising for a number of events including the District AGM and the County AGM. As always, we have an open-door policy for all members of the Scouts & Guides within the Sale District, whether you can play an instrument or not. Come along and join in the fun; we're going places!

Dennis Yarwood
Band Master

Awards

Congratulations to the following people on their awards in 2020

Award	Name	Unit
40 Years Service	Morris Loveland	17th Sale
30 Years Service	Ian McGeough	District
30 Years Service	Lisa Parker	11th Sale
15 Years Service	Jo Ward	11th Sale
15 Years Service	James Goodwin	Sale Central
10 Years Service	Stuart Kilburn	14th Sale
10 Years Service	Tristan Pocock	14th Sale
10 Years Service	Ronnie Bryan	Sale Central
10 Years Service	Ros Bryan	Sale Central
5 Years Service	Mihir Vakil	11th Sale
5 Years Service	Anna Brunt	14th Sale
5 Years Service	Lorna Houghton	14th Sale
5 Years Service	Roy Kinnear	14th Sale
5 Years Service	Paul Harris	17th Sale
5 Years Service	Emily Yarwood	3rd Ashton
5 Years Service	Simon Raw	7th Sale

Statutory Information

Reference and Administration Details

Charity Name	Sale District Scout Council
Other names the charity is known by	Sale & District Scout Council
Registered Charity Number	1042185
Charity's Principal Address	c/o 6 Gloucester Drive, Sale, M33 5DH

Trustee Details

Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
Ian McGeough	Chairman	
Amy Atherall	Secretary	
Michael Harding	Treasurer	
Andrew Atherall	District Commissioner	
Andrea Morgan		
Roy Kinnear		
Harry Peet		
Clive Winby		
Yasmin Lee	District Youth Commissioner	
Christine Gleaves	Deputy District Commissioner	
Gavin Stark		
Paul Harris		
Dave Marsden		
Anna Brunt		

Structure Governance and Management

Type of governing document	The District'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. District Constitution is based on a model constitution defined within the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association
How the charity is constituted	The District is a trust established under the rules which are common to all Scout units
Trustee selection methods	The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.
Additional governance information	The District is managed by the District Executive Committee, the members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' of the District 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. The Committee consists of Chair, Treasurer and Secretary together with the District Commissioner, other members either

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	elected at the Group AGM, or co-opted onto the executive and meets every month. This District Executive Committee exists to support the District Commissioner in meeting the responsibilities of the appointments and is responsible for: - The maintenance of District property The raising of funds and the administration of District finance The insurance of persons, property and equipment District public occasions Assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support Appointing any sub committees that may be required Appointing District Administrators and Advisors other than those who are elected
Risks	The District Executive Committee has identified the major risks to which they believe the District 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 District would request the use of buildings, property, and equipment from neighbouring organisations such as the church, community centre and other Scout Groups. Similar reciprocal arrangements exist with these organisations. The District has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss. • Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members. The District through the membership subscription fees contributes to the Scout Associations national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities. There is a health and safety management system for the District HQ building in place to ensure the building is maintained to the required standard • Reduced income from fund raising. The District is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. The District does hold a reserve to 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

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	Group on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently • Reduction or loss of leaders. The District is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the District. If there was a reduction in the number of leaders to an unacceptable level in a particular Section or the District 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 District. • Reduction or loss of members. The District provides activities for all young people aged 6 to 18. If there was a reduction in membership in a particular Section or the District as whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a Group. In the worst-case scenario, the complete closure of the District.
Internal Controls	The District has in place systems of <i>internal controls</i> that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss; these include 2 signatories for all payments and comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

Objectives and Activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document	The objectives of the District are as a unit of the Scout Association
Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects	The Aim of The Scout Association is to promote the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potentials, as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of their local national and international communities. The method of achieving the Aim of the Association is by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law and guided by adult leadership
Public benefit statement	The District 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

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year	The achievements for the year are contained in the various reports in this document
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Financial Review

Reserves Policy	The District's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the District should income and fundraising activities fall short. The District Executive Committee considers that the District should hold a sum equivalent to 24 months running costs, circa £12000 The District held reserves of approximately £12000 against this at year end.
Details of any funds materially in deficit (circumstances plus steps to eliminate)	No funds in deficit
Further Financial Review Details	See the annual financial report at the end of this document

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above		
Chairman	Secretary	District Commissioner
Ian McGeough	Amy Atherall	Andy Atherall
		

Annual Financial Report for the Year Ended 31st December 2021

The bank balances on the accounts held by the District Treasurer are as follows:

Lloyds Account	£ 19,986.46
Leeds and Holbeck Account	£ 45,087.30

The accounts should be read with the following notes:

- a) The General Fund is operated by the District Treasurer and the receipts, payments and bank statements are reviewed by the District Examiner.
- b) The Cub, Explorer, ASU and Band's figures are from information reviewed by, but not operated by, the District Treasurer.
- c) The Gang Show's figures are from information reviewed by, but not operated by, the District Examiner.
- d) The combined District income and expenditure figures, plus the combined District Balance sheet are compiled from the aforementioned figures.



Michael J Harding
District Treasurer

I have examined and confirmed the records provided, bank accounts, receipts and payments of the General Fund and Gang Show Fund accounts. The combined District figures are compiled from these figures together with other accounts reviewed by, but not operated by, the District Treasurer.



Chris Varley F.C.A.
District Examiner

Date 09 May 2022

District Income and Expenditure Account

Year to 31st December 2021

2021

2020

Income

General	£ 37,274.30	£ 36,438.43
Gang Show	£ 1,000.00	£ 17,038.69
Band	£ 159.70	£ 1,189.03
Beavers	£ -	£ -
Cubs	£ -	£ -
Magellan ESU	£ -	£ 0.21
MacAlpine ESU	£ 879.45	£ 1,053.08
Wyvern ESU	£ 1,809.83	£ 2,589.38
Sale ASU	£ -	£ -
	<u>£ 41,123.28</u>	<u>£ 58,308.82</u>

Expenditure

General	£ 33,977.32	£ 34,986.23
Gang Show	£ 215.59	£ 14,899.96
Band	£ 125.25	£ 636.36
Beavers	£ -	£ -
Cubs	£ -	£ -
Magellan ESU	£ -	£ 374.50
MacAlpine ESU	£ 1,469.72	£ 2,400.42
Wyvern ESU	£ 1,031.05	£ 1,509.65
Sale ASU	£ -	£ -
	<u>£ 36,818.93</u>	<u>£ 54,807.12</u>

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	<u>£ 4,304.35</u>	<u>£ 3,501.70</u>
Depreciation	-£ 1,200.00	-£ 1,200.00
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	<u>£ 3,104.35</u>	<u>£ 2,301.70</u>

District Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2021

Year to 31st December 2021

2021

2020

Assets

General	£ 65,075.76	£ 61,778.78
Gang Show	£ 10,101.47	£ 10,517.16
Band	£ 6,884.96	£ 6,850.51
Beavers	£ 1,708.57	£ 1,708.57
Cubs	£ 369.53	£ 369.53
Magellan ESU	£ -	£ -
MacAlpine ESU	£ 2,734.05	£ 3,324.32
Wyvern ESU	£ 9,068.98	£ 8,290.20
Sale ASU	£ 47.88	£ 47.88
	<u>£ 95,991.20</u>	<u>£ 92,886.95</u>

Liabilities

General	£ 37,748.81	£ 36,748.81
Gang Show	£ 300.00	£ 300.00
Band	£ -	£ -
Beavers	£ -	£ -
Cubs	£ -	£ -
Magellan ESU	£ -	£ -
MacAlpine ESU	£ -	£ -
Wyvern ESU	£ -	£ -
Sale ASU	£ -	£ -
	<u>£ 38,048.81</u>	<u>£ 37,048.81</u>

Accumulated General Funds	<u>£ 57,942.39</u>	<u>£ 55,838.14</u>
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Accumulated Funds brought forward 1st January 2020	£ 55,838.14	£ 61,033.04
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Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	£ 3,104.35	£ 2,301.70
Transfer to Jamboree Fund	-£ 1,000.00	-£ 1,000.00
Prior year adjustment - Gang Show curtains	£ -	-£ 2,400.00
ESC Funds	£ -	-£ 1,264.64
Scout Funds	£ -	-£ 2,831.96

Accumulated Funds carried forward 31st December 2021	<u>£ 57,942.49</u>	<u>£ 55,838.14</u>
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Jamboree Fund	£ 1,779.21	£ 779.21
Development Fund	£ 31,873.00	£ 31,873.00
ESU Funds	£ 1,264.64	£ 1,264.64
Scout Funds	£ 2,831.96	£ 2,831.96

Total District Funds carried forward 31st December 2021	<u>£ 95,691.30</u>	<u>£ 92,586.95</u>
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General Account Income and Expenditure Account

<u>Year to 31st December 2021</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Income		
Membership Subscription	£ 34,774.50	£ 35,006.00
Donation	£ 1,006.27	£ 150.00
Interest	£ 22.53	£ 22.52
Net Event Income	-£ 377.00	-£ 394.95
Badge Income	£ 348.00	£ 154.86
Lease Transfer	£ 1,500.00	£ 1,500.00
	<u>£ 37,274.30</u>	<u>£ 36,438.43</u>
Expenditure		
Membership Subscription	£ 32,623.50	£ 32,262.00
Insurance	£ 986.71	£ 798.25
Administration	£ 207.11	£ 427.98
Training	£ 160.00	£ -
Swimming Gala	£ -	£ 498.00
Donation	£ -	£ 1,000.00
	<u>£ 33,977.32</u>	<u>£ 34,986.23</u>
 Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	 <u>£ 3,296.98</u>	 <u>£ 1,452.20</u>
 Depreciation	 £ -	 £ -
 Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	 <u>£ 3,296.98</u>	 <u>£ 1,452.20</u>

General Account Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2021

<u>Year to 31st December 2021</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
<u>Fixed Assets</u>		
Trophies	£ 1.00	£ 1.00
Office Equipment	£ 1.00	£ 1.00
	£ 2.00	£ 2.00
<u>Current Assets</u>		
Cash in hand	£ -	£ -
Current Account - Lloyds	£ 19,986.46	£ 12,937.51
Building Society Account	£ 45,087.30	£ 45,064.77
Current Account - Badges	£ -	£ 3,774.50
Loans	£ -	£ -
	£ 65,073.76	£ 61,776.78
<u>Total Assets</u>	<u>£ 65,075.76</u>	<u>£ 61,778.78</u>
<u>Liabilities</u>		
Creditors/Accruals	£ -	£ -
Development Fund	£ 31,873.00	£ 31,873.00
ESU Funds	£ 1,264.64	£ 1,264.64
Scout Funds	£ 2,831.96	£ 2,831.96
Jamboree Fund	£ 1,779.21	£ 779.21
	£ 37,748.81	£ 36,748.81
<u>Accumulated funds carried forward</u>	<u>£ 27,326.95</u>	<u>£ 25,029.97</u>
Accumulated Funds brought forward	£ 25,029.97	£ 24,577.77
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	£ 3,296.98	£ 1,452.20
Transfer to Jamboree Fund	-£ 1,000.00	-£ 1,000.00
<u>Accumulated Funds carried forward</u>	<u>£ 27,326.95</u>	<u>£ 25,029.97</u>

Gang Show Income and Expenditure Account

Year to 31st December 2021

2021

2020

Income

Ticket Sales	£ -	£ 10,101.40
Subscriptions	£ -	£ 330.00
Fund Raising	£ -	£ 1,056.71
Donations	£ 1,000.00	£ 4,018.00
Programme Sales	£ -	£ 1,202.00
Miscellaneous	£ -	£ 330.58
	<u>£ 1,000.00</u>	<u>£ 17,038.69</u>

Expenditure

Room Hire/Garrick	£ -	£ 6,703.20
Brochure/Publicity	£ -	£ 472.85
Production Costs	£ 200.00	£ 6,675.71
Front of House Costs	£ -	£ 276.48
Insurance	£ -	£ -
Miscellaneous	£ 15.59	£ 771.72
	<u>£ 215.59</u>	<u>£ 14,899.96</u>

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)

£ 784.41

£ 2,138.73

Depreciation

-£ 1,200.00

-£ 1,200.00

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

-£ 415.59

£ 938.73

Gang Show Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2021

<u>Year to 31st December 2021</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
<u>Fixed Assets</u>		
Curtains	£ 1,200.00	£ 2,400.00
	£ 1,200.00	£ 2,400.00
<u>Current Assets</u>		
Bank Account	£ 8,901.47	£ 8,117.16
Debtors/Accrued Income	£ -	£ -
	£ 8,901.47	£ 8,117.16
<u>Total Assets</u>	<u>£ 10,101.47</u>	<u>£ 10,517.16</u>
<u>Liabilities</u>		
Creditors/Accruals	£ 300.00	£ 300.00
	£ 300.00	£ 300.00
<u>Total Liabilities</u>	<u>£ 300.00</u>	<u>£ 300.00</u>
	<u>£ 9,801.47</u>	<u>£ 10,217.16</u>
Accumulated Funds brought forward	£ 10,217.16	£ 11,678.43
Prior Year Correction		
Curtains not recognised/depreciated (2018)	£ -	-£ 2,400.00
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	-£ 415.59	£ 938.73
Accumulated Funds carried forward	<u>£ 9,801.57</u>	<u>£ 10,217.16</u>

Band Income and Expenditure Account

<u>Year to 31st December 2021</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Income		
Subs	£ 20.00	£ 558.00
Camps	£ -	£ -
Donations	£ 139.70	£ 251.08
Performances	£ -	£ 379.95
	<u>£ 159.70</u>	<u>£ 1,189.03</u>
Expenditure		
Neckers/Woggles	£ -	£ -
Music Equipment	£ -	£ -
General Expenses	£ 125.25	£ 636.36
	<u>£ 125.25</u>	<u>£ 636.36</u>
 Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	 <u>£ 34.45</u>	 <u>£ 552.67</u>
 Depreciation	 £ -	 £ -
 Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	 <u>£ 34.45</u>	 <u>£ 552.67</u>

Band Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2021

Year to 31st December 2021

2021

2020

Fixed Assets

Band Instruments

£ 350.00
£ 350.00

£ 350.00
£ 350.00

Current Assets

Cash/Bank Account

£ 6,534.96
£ 6,534.96

£ 6,500.51
£ 6,500.51

Total Assets

£ 6,884.96

£ 6,850.51

Liabilities

£ -
£ -

£ -
£ -

Total Liabilities

£ -

£ -

£ 6,884.96

£ 6,850.51

Accumulated Funds brought forward

£ 6,850.51

£ 6,297.84

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ 34.45

£ 552.67

Accumulated Funds carried forward

£ 6,884.96

£ 6,850.51

Beavers Income and Expenditure Account

<u>Year to 31st December 2021</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Income		
Events	£ -	£ -
	£ -	£ -
Expenditure		
Events	£ -	£ -
	£ -	£ -
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	£ -	£ -
Depreciation	£ -	£ -
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	£ -	£ -

Beavers Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2021

Year to 31st December 2021

2021

2020

Current Assets

Cash/Bank Account

£ 1,708.57
£ 1,708.57

£ 1,708.57
£ 1,708.57

Total Assets

£ 1,708.57

£ 1,708.57

Liabilities

£ -
£ -

£ -
£ -

Total Liabilities

£ -

£ -

£ 1,708.57

£ 1,708.57

Accumulated Funds brought forward

£ 1,708.57

£ 1,708.57

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ -

£ -

Accumulated Funds carried forward

£ 1,708.57

£ 1,708.57

Cubs Income and Expenditure Account

Year to 31st December 2021

2021

2020

Income

Bridge & Back Canoe Race

£ -

£ -

Karen Keane Comp

£ -

£ -

£ -

£ -

Expenditure

Cooking Comp

£ -

£ -

Bridge & Back Canoe Race

£ -

£ -

Karen Keane Comp

£ -

£ -

£ -

£ -

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)

£ -

£ -

Depreciation

£ -

£ -

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ -

£ -

Cubs Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2021

Year to 31st December 2021

2021

2020

Current Assets

Cash/Bank Account

£ 369.53
£ 369.53

£ 369.53
£ 369.53

Total Assets

£ 369.53

£ 369.53

Liabilities

£ -
£ -

£ -
£ -

Total Liabilities

£ -

£ -

£ 369.53

£ 369.53

Accumulated Funds brought forward

£ 369.53

£ 369.53

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ -

£ -

Accumulated Funds carried forward

£ 369.53

£ 369.53

Magellan ESU Income and Expenditure Account

Year to 31st December 2021

2021

2020

Income

Joining Fees	£ -	£ -
Subscriptions	£ -	£ -
Interest	£ -	£ 0.21
	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 0.21</u>

Expenditure

Administration	£ -	£ 6.50
Equipment	£ -	£ -
Activities	£ -	£ -
Camp	£ -	£ -
DofE	£ -	£ -
Badges	£ -	£ -
Membership Subscription	£ -	£ 368.00
	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 374.50</u>

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)

<u>£ -</u>	<u>~~£ 374.29~~</u>
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Depreciation

£ -	£ -
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Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

<u>£ -</u>	<u>~~£ 374.29~~</u>
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Magellan ESU Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2021

Year to 31st December 2021

2021

2020

Current Assets

Cash/Bank Account

£ -
£ -

£ -
£ -

Total Assets

£ -

£ -

Liabilities

£ -
£ -

£ -
£ -

Total Liabilities

£ -

£ -

£ -

£ -

Accumulated Funds brought forward

£ -

£ 1,638.93

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ -

-£ 374.29

Transfer to District

£ -

-£ 1,264.64

Accumulated Funds carried forward

£ -

£ -

Account closed and funds transferred to District on 23rd May 2020

MacAlpine ESU Income and Expenditure Account

Year to 31st December 2021

2021

2020

Income

Joining Fees	£ 48.42	£ 218.34
Subscriptions	£ 831.03	£ 834.74
Interest	£ -	£ -
	<u>£ 879.45</u>	<u>£ 1,053.08</u>

Expenditure

Administration	£ 385.93	£ 263.13
Equipment	£ 94.00	£ 60.00
Activities	£ 541.94	£ 295.23
Camp	-£ 1,145.52	£ 706.06
DofE	£ 370.00	£ 124.00
Misc.	£ 1,223.37	£ 952.00
Training	£ -	£ -
	<u>£ 1,469.72</u>	<u>£ 2,400.42</u>

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)

-£ 590.27

-£ 1,347.34

Depreciation

£ -

£ -

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

-£ 590.27

-£ 1,347.34

MacAlpine ESU Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2021

Year to 31st December 2021

2021

2020

Current Assets

Cash/Bank Account

£ 2,734.05

£ 3,324.32

£ 2,734.05

£ 3,324.32

Total Assets

£ 2,734.05

£ 3,324.32

Liabilities

£ -

£ -

£ -

£ -

Total Liabilities

£ -

£ -

£ 2,734.05

£ 3,324.32

Accumulated Funds brought forward

£ 3,324.32

£ 4,671.66

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

-£ 590.27

-£ 1,347.34

Accumulated Funds carried forward

£ 2,734.05

£ 3,324.32

Wyvern ESU Income and Expenditure Account

<u>Year to 31st December 2021</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Income		
Subscriptions	£ 1,383.00	£ 1,625.00
Donation/Grant	£ 406.83	£ 964.38
Camps	£ 20.00	£ -
Interest	£ -	£ -
	<u>£ 1,809.83</u>	<u>£ 2,589.38</u>
Expenditure		
Membership Subscription	£ 679.00	£ 874.00
Training	£ -	£ -
Misc.	£ 352.05	£ 504.15
Uniform	£ -	£ 131.50
	<u>£ 1,031.05</u>	<u>£ 1,509.65</u>
 Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	 <u>£ 778.78</u>	 <u>£ 1,079.73</u>
 Depreciation	 £ -	 £ -
 Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	 <u>£ 778.78</u>	 <u>£ 1,079.73</u>

Wyvern ESU Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2021

Year to 31st December 2021

2021

2020

Current Assets

Cash/Bank Account

£ 9,068.98
£ 9,068.98

£ 8,290.20
£ 8,290.20

Total Assets

£ 9,068.98

£ 8,290.20

Liabilities

£ -
£ -

£ -
£ -

Total Liabilities

£ -

£ -

£ 9,068.98

£ 8,290.20

Accumulated Funds brought forward

£ 8,290.20

£ 7,210.47

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ 778.78

£ 1,079.73

Accumulated Funds carried forward

£ 9,068.98

£ 8,290.20

Sale ASU Income and Expenditure Account

<u>Year to 31st December 2021</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Income		
Capitation/Subs	£ -	£ -
	£ -	£ -
Expenditure		
Capitation	£ -	£ -
	£ -	£ -
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	£ -	£ -
Depreciation	£ -	£ -
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	£ -	£ -

Sale ASU Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2021

Year to 31st December 2021

2021

2020

Current Assets

Cash/Bank Account

£ 47.88
£ 47.88

£ 47.88
£ 47.88

Total Assets

£ 47.88

£ 47.88

Liabilities

£ -
£ -

£ -
£ -

Total Liabilities

£ -

£ -

£ 47.88

£ 47.88

Accumulated Funds brought forward

£ 47.88

£ 47.88

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ -

£ -

Accumulated Funds carried forward

£ 47.88

£ 47.88

Minutes of the Previous AGM on 16th June 2021

1. Introduction – Ian McGeough

Ian opened the meeting. Voting tonight will be done using the polling feature on Zoom - when a poll is activated by a meeting host it will pop up on everyone's screen.

Those present:

Alasdair Ferro	3rd Ashton
Carol Ferro	3rd Ashton
Amy Atherall	District Secretary
Andy Atherall	District Commissioner
Anna Brunt	14th Sale
Carol Gilbert	17th Sale
Carys Pugh	2nd Brooklands
Chris Gleaves	Deputy DC / 9th Sale
Chris Varley	District Examiner
Clive Winby	District Exec / 2nd Brooklands
Dave Hannigan	ADC Scouts / Sale Central
Dave Marsden	District Exec
Dennis Yarwood	Bandmaster
Emma Spragg	ADC Beavers / Sale Central
Georgie McCarthy	17th Sale
Harry Peet	District Exec / 3rd Ashton GSL
Ian McGeough	District Chairman
Jacob Bond	DCC Programme, GMW Scouts
James Goodwin	ADC Beavers
Karen Salisbury	Lilford District
Martin Bull	MacAlpine Explorers
Michael Harding	District Treasurer
Paul Harris	District Exec / 17th Sale
Richard Taylor	ADC Cubs / 17th Sale GSL
Robert Cole	District Appointments Secretary
Roger Kettle	GMW Scouts County Treasurer
Roy Kinnear	District Exec / 14th Sale GSL
Yasmin Lee	District Youth Commissioner

2. **Apologies for Absence** – *Amy Atherall*

- Judith Summersgill
- Andrew Scialpi-Sullivan
- Paul Maggs
- Andrew Jenkinson
- John Ludlow
- Alison Corser
- Sarah Goodstadt
- Bob Wilson
- David Hughes
- Greg Archer
- Andrea Morgan
- John Casson
- Andy Farrell
- Rachel Lyttle

3. Approval of the minutes of the previous AGM – Ian McGeough

Need to add Dennis Yarwood to the list of attendees from last year, otherwise approved unanimously.

4. Presentation of the Annual Report for 2020 – Andy Atherall

Presented by Andy Atherall. Supplemented by short presentations from the ADCs.

Hopefully this will be our last AGM via Zoom, it has been a very difficult year for everyone.

There has been a lot of creativity and innovation shown throughout the District in order to carry on with activities at home.

Dave Hannigan (*ADC Scouts*) – The ingenuity of all the leaders has been exceptional. We have only lost 11% of your people throughout COVID across all sections, it could have been a lot worse.

Thanks to all the leaders for keeping things going.

Richard Talyor (*ADC Cubs*) – reiterated Dave's thanks to all leaders for their efforts to keep things going.

Emma Spragg (*ADC Beavers*) – reiterated the thanks to all leaders for keeping things going. There have been 38 Bronze Awards in Beavers this year.

Martin Bull (*MacAlpine Explorers*) – Explorer numbers have help up well/ When the DofE policies changed MacAlpine were able to adapt well to COVID and have achieved 18 awards in the past year, so overall it was successful. Unfortunately they had to run at a deficit, they took the decision to adjust subs to reflect the fact that there were no face to face meetings. They have lost some members but also gained some, and are recruiting for next year.

Andy Atherall (*Gang Show Exec*) – There was no show this year due to COVID restrictions, the theatre is booked for 2021 but slightly later to allow for the possibility of a delayed start to rehearsals. Hopefully everyone will be able to support the show.

Dennis Yarwood (*Band*) – Band have not been able to meet at all and rehearsing over video call does not work very well. Hopefully they will be able to resume rehearsals soon.

Yasmin Lee (*DYC*) – Network has not been meeting over Zoom, Yas is looking forward to resuming face to face meetings. There have been some joining enquiries. Yas reiterated the thanks to all volunteers & leaders for keeping Scouting going.

5. Presentation of audited accounts – Mike Harding

Mike Harding presented the District accounts, which include the Sectional accounts.

It has been a strange year, and the accounts reflect this. Two sections had no income or expenditure at all.

The last Magellan accounts have been closed, and the money ringfenced within the District accounts for any future Explorer units.

There has been a prior adjustment to the Gang Show accounts to reflect the purchase of new curtains a few years ago.

6. Approval of annual reports and adoption of audited accounts – Ian McGeough

Approved unanimously.

7. District Chairman's remarks – Ian McGeough

It has been a rollercoaster of a year with the pandemic and all the new risk assessments.

Thanks to Dave Marsden and Andy Atherall for managing the COVID risk assessment process.

Our numbers of young people still look good despite the slight drop. We are starting to get more joining enquiries again.

Well done and thank you to everyone for keeping interest up and keeping activities going throughout lockdown.

We are still facing our usual problem of not having enough leaders to keep up with demand – please keep on trying to recruit so we can start to empty waiting lists.

Thanks to the District Exec for all they have done during the pandemic.

Thanks to Roy Kinnear who will be stepping down from the District Exec as he steps down from his position of GSL at 14th Sale, and welcome to Anna Brunt who will take his place both on the District Exec and as GSL at 14th Sale.

If you need help from the District with anything please get in touch.

8. District Commissioner's remarks – Andy Atherall

Thanks to Dave Marsden for all his help with the COVID risk assessment process. Sale has the highest percentage in the County of Groups with approved risk assessments.

Thanks to the District Exec, ADCs and all volunteers for keeping things going throughout the pandemic.

As always we need to up adult recruitment, parent rotas always help with this. Parents have been more involved with Scouting do to the Zoom meetings, so we may be able to take advantage of any interest that has produced. We will see what help we can get with recruitment from County and HQ.

Andy will start visiting section and Exec meetings when he is able to again.

9. Approval of the District Commissioner's nomination to District Chairman – Andy Atherall

Andy Atherall nominated Ian McGeough to continue as District Chairman. This was approved unanimously.

10. Election of District Secretary – Ian McGeough

Ian McGeough proposed Amy Atherall to continue as District Secretary, seconded by Carys Pugh and approved unanimously.

11. Election of District Treasurer – Ian McGeough

Ian McGeough proposed Mike Harding continue as District Treasurer, seconded by Alasdair Ferro and approved unanimously.

12. Election of the members of the District Executive Committee – Ian McGeough

Clive Winby – 2nd Brooklands

Anna Brunt – 14th Sale

Harry Peet – 3rd Ashton

Paul Harris – 17th Sale

Approved unanimously.

13. Approval of the District Commissioner's nominations for membership of the District Executive Committee – Ian McGeough

Chris Gleaves – Deputy DC & 9th Sale

Andrea Morgan – Gang Show and Band

Gavin Stark – Sale Central

Dave Marsden

Approved unanimously.

14. Election of one Group Scouter to the County Scout Council – Ian McGeough

Ian proposed Mike Harding, this was seconded by Dave Hannigan and approved unanimously.

15. Approval of the nomination to the County Exec – Ian McGeough

Ian proposed Clive Winby, this was seconded by Carys Pugh and approved unanimously.

16. Appointment of Accounts Examiner – Mike Harding

Chris Varley was nominated by Mike Harding to be re-appointed as accounts examiner, Mike thanked him for his ongoing work. Chris was approved unanimously.

17. County Representative's remarks – Jacob Bond

Thanks to all volunteers who have continued to provide Scouting during lockdown.

Thanks to the District Exec for their work on approving all the risk assessments.

Thanks to Chris Gleaves for keeping the training up to date.

There is a challenging year coming up but thanks again for all your hard work.

18. Presentations – Andy Atherall

The only awards this time are some long service awards:

Chris Gleaves – 50 yrs

Bob Cole – 50 yrs

Mike Harding – 40 yrs

Dave Marsden – 40 yrs

Chris Varley – 30 yrs

Dennis Yarwood – 30 yrs

Andrew Jenkinson – 5 yrs

Dave Hannigan – 5yrs

Congratulations to everyone and thank you.

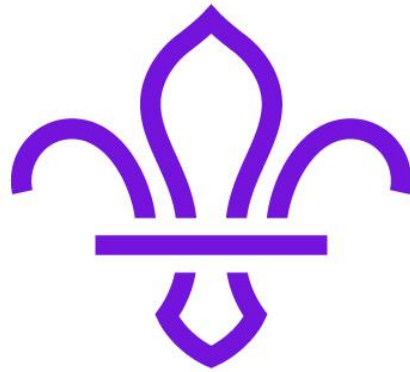
19. Final Remarks – Ian McGeough

As of 21st June 2021 we will be allowed to take groups of 30 young people on nights away. Social distancing and COVID protocols still need to be in place. This is 30 young people plus leaders, leaders are not included in the total. Andy Farrel is at a meeting now about this, and will ask how to distance 6 people in a tent... Andy Atherall will publish the guidelines as soon as they available.

Thanks again to all for their incredible work this year in keeping Scouting going.

Ian McGeough closed the meeting.

Accounts



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Annual General Meeting Agenda

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| 1. Introduction | Ian McGeough |
| 2. Apologies for absence | Amy Atherall |
| 3. Approval of the minutes of the previous AGM | Ian McGeough |
| 4. Presentation of annual report for 2020 | Ian McGeough |
| 5. Presentation of audited accounts | Mike Harding |
| 6. Approval of annual report and adoption of audited accounts | Ian McGeough |
| 7. District Chairman's remarks | Ian McGeough |
| 8. District Commissioner's remarks | Andy Atherall |
| 9. Approval of DC's nomination of District Chairman | Andy Atherall |
| 10. Election of District Secretary | Ian McGeough |
| 11. Election of District Treasurer | Ian McGeough |
| 12. Election of members of the District Executive Committee | Ian McGeough |
| 13. Approval of the District Commissioner's nominations for membership of the District Executive Committee | Ian McGeough |
| 14. Election of one Group Scouter to the County Scout Council | Ian McGeough |
| 15. Approval of nomination to the County Exec | Ian McGeough |
| 16. Appointment of Auditor | Mike Harding |
| 17. County Commissioner - Presentations | |

The official part of the proceedings will be followed by: -

Chairman's Report

I remember writing at the last AGM that the previous year had been one of two halves - pre and post COVID. Since our last AGM though, to mix sporting metaphors, it seems like one continuous marathon with a finish line which seemed to be constantly extended.

Our readiness levels changed from Red to Amber, back to Red, back to Amber and more recently now onto Yellow. All of this required the creation and monitoring of risk assessments across the District. Special thanks are due to Dave Marsden who helped create the spreadsheets that many groups used as the basis of their risk assessments as well as working with Andy Atherall to monitor, improve and approve them.

I believe that throughout this time we have all grown and developed together. We have improvised and zoomed in ways we never thought possible, successfully keeping the interest of our young people alive. It looks like district numbers, once unrestricted recruitment of young people is allowed will be close to pre pandemic proportions which is great.

Our next challenge is of course to enable this with an increase in adult volunteers. Many of the vacancies which have arisen over the last months have been filled with existing leaders shuffling roles but without extra support we will be struggling. Scouting and Guiding are joining together to use a donation from the Pears Foundation to make recruiting easier. I am sure this will help but I think we all know that the best recruitment is done at the local level. Now is the time to look around again and try to siphon the enthusiasm from families of getting out and meeting up again to suggest that scouting might be a great outlet!

I know I am indebted to all the work that all the members of our District Executive do month in, month out not only for the benefit of their own groups but that of the whole district and even the County. For some groups it has not been an easy year, but the District Executive is here to help lighten the load a little. We've tried for example to reduce the impact, at least for this year of increasing subs. At the heart of it all of course is our District Commissioner Andy Atherall whose dedication to the role, keeping us all in check cannot be underestimated.

At least now an end is in sight. Groups are beginning to get back to some semblance of normality: face to face meeting have restarted for some; others have arranged outdoor hikes; campsites are beginning to open up and annual events such as the Gang show are booked in again for next year.

However, the most important “Thank You” from me and the parents and guardians must go to those of you reading this! To all the volunteer leaders, helpers and executive members who have supported the hundreds of young people in Sale District in the past, kept Scouting going over the last year and are preparing to take us forward into an exciting future.

Yours in Scouting

Ian McGeough
District Chairman

District Commissioner's Report

The end of my third year as District Commissioner and we are still not yet out of lockdown, with the possibility of return to normal on June 21st receding daily. Against this background of Covid-19 and lockdown, our leaders, executive committee members and helpers have done an outstanding job of keeping Scouting going via Zoom sessions and social media for a year.

Sale District has made a huge effort to return to face-to-face Scouting, with 7 out of 8 groups and both Explorer units with approved Covid-19 Risk assessments. This is the best total of any district in our County, and it's been a lot of hard work both writing and reviewing the assessments. My thanks to Dave Marsden for his outstanding professional help in producing the risk assessment template, which was circulated throughout the County, and for reviewing all of the submitted risk assessments. Now that we are at Yellow status, it is good to see sections opening and being able to visit them again.

2020 had a good start to the year. Our swimming Gala was on the 1st of February, and the Gang Show later in February marked the return of Sale Gang Show to Sale, at the Waterside Theatre, after 16 years at the Altrincham Garrick theatre, my thanks to the cast, crew, production team and committee for all the hard work involved in moving the show, and the excellent show that we put on.

March 2020 saw the start of lockdown, all face-to-face scouting stopped, and we moved to online Scouting. Our long-awaited international trip to Kandersteg was delayed until 2021 and is now delayed again until 2022. As I said in my last report, the creativity of our leaders soon had Scouting moved online, as people quickly got to grips with Zoom, Facebook, OSM and other media. The Covid-19 lockdown changed from a problem to an opportunity, to try new activities, run established activities in a different way, while still being true to Scouting. Virtual camps, campfires as well as quizzes and sending in badge work via OSM or Facebook became the norm. Parents became more involved than ever, and judging by some of my neighbours, were having as much fun as the young people.

Our young people numbers showed a decrease of over 11% in the census, due to Covid, but most worryingly we also lost leaders, exec members and helpers. While our waiting lists are almost all full again, which is great news, we face an increasing challenge and uphill struggle to recruit additional adult volunteers, not just to ensure the future of our current sections, but to open new sections. We could easily fill one or two more groups in Sale, or expand existing groups to two sections each in a lot of cases, and we are very short of Explorer places, as Magellan has closed, and we now only have two Explorer units.

Looking ahead, we still face a lot of challenges, which I am sure we will overcome. We still do not know exactly when Covid restrictions will be lifted, removing the need for social distancing and allowing us to take sections camping again. There have been a lot of changes to POR, Training and Risk assessments over the past year, all of which people need to be aware of, and we have our recruitment challenge as well.

It is a real privilege to be District Commissioner of such a talented and passionate group of leaders and volunteers, and I thank every one of you for doing so much more than has ever been asked of you before. Without all of you there would be no Scouting in Sale.

Finally, I would like to thank all our District team - ADCs, Youth Commissioner, Deputy DC, Gang Show, Band Appointments Secretary, and the Exec Committee, in particular I would like to thank my Deputy, Chris Gleaves, for all the tireless work she does to keep our training up to date, our Chairman, Ian McGeough, our Secretary, Amy Atherall, and our Treasurer, Mike Harding. Without the team my job would be impossible, and the District simply would not run.

Andy Atherall
District Commissioner

Section Reports

Beaver Section



It's been a strange year for the Beaver Scouts in our District!

The last district event to have taken place was The Sale Gang Show 2020.

Not long after the gang show, we were instructed to 'Stay at Home' which meant that the world was put into strange times indeed.

Considering all the unsettlement for not only the leaders and parents but the Beaver Scouts too, we have over 200 beaver scouts on the roll in Sale District.

Thank you to all of those Leaders and Scouters within the District and County who have enabled us to keep in touch with the young people. Whether this was on weekly zoom sessions or through the amazing power of the internet. I am sure we are not alone as Beaver Scout Leaders to have stepped out of our comfort zone and challenged our capabilities in a variety of ways to continue the children's scouting journey. Even though we have had to change how we deliver the programme 38 Beavers achieved their Chief Scout Bronze Award. This is absolutely amazing and shows the effort from both leaders and parents.

We look forward to meeting again in person and bringing together the district. We started having termly events and this is something we are passionate about continuing, giving the young people of the district as many diverse and exciting opportunities as we can.

Thank you to every leader, parent, and helper within the district for sharing your skills and creativity to support the little blue people of Sale in their scouting journey. Your positivity and the special gifts you share in such demanding and stressful times are truly admirable and we thank you all.

Yours in Scouting

James Goodwin
Emma Spragg
ADC Beavers

Cub Section



I must admit I've got into a bit of a bad habit with AGM reports - just opening last year's, updating it to say who won each competition and then trying to think of something original to say at the

end. But this year is a bit different.

2020 started normally enough with Sale Central Parker and 14th Sale jointly winning the Cub trophy at the Swimming Gala in February and 17th Sale Polaris winning the cooking competition in March on the theme of "Around the World". Then the pandemic struck and Zoom meetings started appearing on everyone's calendars.

Being unable to meet face to face for most of the year, leaders have risen admirably to the challenge of running activities online and setting Cubs tasks to help occupy their time during the long periods of lockdown.

Thanks to the efforts of leaders and executive committees, nearly every group now has an approved Covid-19 risk assessment to get back meeting face to face and several activity risk assessments will have been written to meet the new requirements.

The result of all these efforts has been that remarkably the number of Cubs in Sale reported in the 2021 census was virtually the same as in 2020, a wonderful achievement given the difficulties and extra tasks everyone has had to deal with. So, a big thank you to all the leaders for your hard work and flexibility over the last year or so.

Andrew Jenkinson
Richard Taylor
ADC Cubs

Scout Section

SCOUTS

I am sure it will be endlessly documented elsewhere what a frustrating year 2020 was, many will regard it as being a year of missed

opportunities, the activities that were cancelled, the events that were postponed and the camps that did not happen and yet it was still a year in which Scouting happened ... differently.

It will likely come as no surprise that after several years of steady growth, 2020 saw negative growth of -11%, though this figure would be of major concern without the mitigation, to lose just 11% of our membership during a year which saw the cessation of our raison d'etre is incredible and is a huge testament to the creativity, ingenuity and passion for Scouting of our amazing volunteers

The first event of the year was our District Swimming Gala on 1st February and the competition between Scout Troops was as fierce as ever, the 2020 honours eventually going to 14th Sale's Walkden Troop in what would be their final District event before 14th Sale consolidated their two Troops back into one.

February dug its heels in, in its quadrennial fashion, as though clinging on to our last full month of normality before March was upon us, though we were all aware of the encroaching virus, I doubt any of us expected it to impact our lives in the way it did. It was announced on March 16th, 2020, that Face to Face Scouting was suspended until at least April 20th.

Words and phrases grew from obscurity to common usage over such a short period of time, "Social Distancing", "Self-Isolating", "Infection Rate", "Zoom" and "Mute All" to name but a few.

The speed at which volunteers responded to the new normal was astounding, some started holding online meetings almost straight away, whilst others came up with ingenious activities delivered over social media, some also chose to cease meeting and wait for the storm to blow over.

Those early days of the pandemic now feel like a lifetime ago, some might see it as a break from badgework, time for a little R & R, after all, it was not going to last long, was it?

The Scouts themselves responded extremely well, though some opted not to attend online meetings or take part in remote activities, many did take part, recognising that Scouting was something worth sticking with, sadly some fell by the wayside, never to return to Scouting in any form.

Two things stand out in my mind from the really dark days of the pandemic ...

1. The resilience of the Leaders from all sections, many who were previously complete technophobes, mastered the technical nuances of the digital programme ... not just Zoom but a whole host of online tools and games to engage their Scouting audience.
2. Although attendance in many Troops that offered a digital programme was significantly reduced, in at least one, it remained practically as high as Face-to-Face attendance rates.

Winter merged into Spring which soon became Summer, coming up with new and engaging content was getting harder and harder for everybody, it cannot be understated how exhausting reworking the programme into an online experience can be, hoping that the next announcement would be the one we were all waiting for ... until the summer break eventually offered some much-needed respite,

A small glimmer of light throughout the summer months lead to some Troops frantically perfecting their Covid Risk Assessments but it was to be early October before the first Troop managed to hold a Face-to-Face meeting, socially distanced, limited numbers, outdoors ... and after just a handful of such meetings, we were heartbreakingly confronted with Lockdown II which was to last until 2021.

Although this story will not be concluded (hopefully) until next year's annual report, I believe that as a movement, we can draw many positives from 2020...

- We learned some new skills.
- We discovered our own fortitude.
- Our Scouts showed incredible loyalty to Scouting.
- Running a campfire on Zoom simply does not work.
- In reality "Mute All" can only be achieved through an engaging programme.
- We learned a new appreciation for things that we took for granted.
- We are still here to tell the story.

And in conclusion ... virtual Scouting is exhausting; socially distanced Scouting is exhausting ... but either one is preferable to no Scouting whatsoever.

Throughout 2020, three Scout Laws in particular have sprung to significant prominence ...

- A Scout is loyal.
- A Scout has courage in all difficulties.
- A Scout makes good use of time and is careful of possessions and property.

Although my role as ADC (Scouts) has been almost dormant throughout 2020, I still feel an enormous debt of gratitude towards our amazing Leaders and our fantastically loyal Members ... this has been our “War Effort” and as with our predecessors, we have pulled together in the name of Scouting and made this World a little better.

Thank You all.

Dave Hannigan

Assistant District Commissioner (Scouts)

Explorer Scouts

EXPLORERS

MacAlpine Explorer Scout Unit

2020 was an unprecedented year because of the significant restrictions on all activities as a result of the Pandemic.

Recruitment

Numbers saw a decline of 6 from the previous year to 25 Explorers in total. This was a better outcome than we would have expected by the end of the pandemic year in view of the fact that all meetings had been online since March and all off-site activities had been cancelled:

Table 1: Explorer Numbers on 1 January (by DofE level and year):

	BRONZE	SILVER	GOLD-1	GOLD-2*	TOTAL
2015	8	11	0	0	19
2016	5	9	8	0	22
2017	14	4	8	0	26
2018	9	16	3	8	36
2019	12	11	11	2	36
2020	5	12	11	2	30
2021	9	3	10	3	25

*Gold is a two-year programme

In last year's report we indicated that our long-term goal was gender parity. That long-term goal was achieved faster than we expected, with 52% of the Unit being made up of females by the end of 2020:

Table 2: Gender Balance on 1 January:

	MALE	FEMALE	% FEMALE
2015	17	2	10.5
2016	18	4	18.2
2017	21	5	19
2018	30	6	16
2019	25	11	30.5
2020	19	11	36.6
2021	12	13	52

The proportion of our Explorers who come from our sponsoring group reached their lowest proportion since the Unit's founding (12%), confirming MacAlpine is a unit for the whole District:

Table 3: Entrants coming from 7th Sale (sponsoring group) on 1 January (%):

2015	76.9
2016	54.5
2017	50.0
2018	38.9
2019	27.8 (10/36)
2020	20.0 (6/30)
2021	12 (3/25)

The percentage of Explorers who have joined without prior scouting experience is 16%, showing that we continue to offer an important opportunity for young people to join scouting for the first time after age 14:

Table 4: Explorers recruited without Scouting experience at 1 January (%):

2017	42.3
2018	27.8
2019	19.0 (7/36)
2020	23.3 (7/30)
2021	16 (4/25)

Activities

For 2020 we only had one single activity, our "Dark Summit" Winter Camp at Cornel in Snowdonia, 17-19 January 2020. A total of 21 Explorers and 7 Leaders attended the Camp, which was focused on night and day hikes combined with navigational training. This, of course, was intended as training for the DofE Practice and Qualifying Expeditions in the Spring and Summer, but all face-to-face activities finished with National Lockdown in March.

With Lockdown, we moved immediately online, dividing the Unit into three different groups (Bronze, Silver and Gold), who continued to meet weekly under different leaders, to complete their expedition preparation in case expeditions proved to be possible. We also continued to facilitate and support the Explorers' progress with their DofE individual activities – which had been made possible through the DofE making appropriate adjustments to the normal requirements under Covid (known as 'DofE with a Difference'). We ended the Explorer Year with an online plenary meeting for all in July.

Due to the uncertainty of the situation in the Autumn we decided to take a pause for the first half-term session, starting up online again at the beginning of November. Again, we divided the Unit into different levels, adjusting them for the new intake of Bronze Explorers, which numbered a healthy nine. Bronze underwent the start of their training programme - which has been strange since Explorers and Leaders had never met, but it worked well.

By the end of 2020 we were running the normal programme across the levels, but were increasingly concerned as to whether Expeditions would be possible in Spring and Summer. We could just about 'catch up' on the basis of one year's missing Expeditions (especially with the adjustments made by the DofE) but another year without expeditions would see many young people's aspirations dashed.

Awards

MacAlpine was founded primarily to run the DofE programme for 14–18-year-olds. Although the unit focuses primarily on the Expeditions because these can only be achieved in teams, there are three other challenges (four at gold level) which Explorers must complete in order to receive their awards, and MacAlpine provides monitoring and support for Explorers to help them through each level.

Despite the pandemic, Explorers continued with their DofE and we had a year of exceptional achievement, with 18 awards in total, matching our previous maximum in 2018. This was possible despite the absence of expeditions in 2020 because Explorers were completing awards which had seen the expedition element completed in 2019. This means that 2021 is likely to see a downturn in the number of awards. But at this stage we are very pleased with the achievements of our Explorers in this pandemic year:

Table 5: DofE Awards (by level and year)

YEAR	BRONZE/PLAT	SILVER	GOLD	TOTAL
2015	10	0	0	10
2016	5	5	0	10
2017	3	7	0	10
2018	12	3	3	18
2019	7 + 1 = 8	5	0	13
2020	9	9	0	18

Subs

Between March and September we cut subs by 50%. From September to November we reduced subs to zero. From November to December we charged a notional £10 for the half-term session. This did of course drastically reduce our income, but we think it was

fair to the Explorers (since we were not delivering the full face-to-face programme) and we also think it helped us retain our numbers.

Leadership

MacAlpine has a leadership and admin support team of 9: An Explorer Scout Leader, 2 Assistant Explorer Scout Leaders, 2 Assistant Sectional Leaders, 1 Scout Leader acting as regular helper, 1 DofE Secretary, 1 Expeditions Secretary and 1 Seamstress (for neckers). The leadership Team has 5 trained DofE Expedition Supervisors and 2 DofE trained Expedition Assessors. Expeditions and camps also depend on a significant number of one-off parental volunteers who make up Expedition Supervision Teams and/or help with transport. In 2020 almost everything was done online, with 4 Leaders providing most of the leadership. We look forward to returning to something closer to normality in 2021.

Martin Bull, Explorer Scout Leader

Wyvern Explorer Scout Unit

The last year has been a testing time for us all at scouting and Wyvern has been no different than any other unit within the District in that it has had to adapt to the ongoing situation regarding covid 19 and has adapted well in engaging as many of our young people as possible, moving to weekly online meetings.

The current numbers registered on OSM are 23, before lockdown we had nearly 30 however with age and some not interested in zoom calls numbers did reduce down to 15 with an average of 11 attending regular.

We have recently taken on some new ones mostly from 3rd Ashton.

During 2020 and not being able to meet face to face Wyvern was proactive in engaging with Explorers keeping as close as possible to a scout program and fun at the same time, subjects covered: -

- Recycling
- What3words
- OS Symbols
- Religion
- Cameras
- Utilities in the home
- Observations
- Cooking
- Stop motion animation
- Painting
- Planting
- 3D Art
- Model Making
- Cardboard Chair
- Virtual Camp
- Highway code
- DIY

And how could I not mention Kahoot quizzes.

Explorers also earned the badges at home.

As you can see from the above list Wyvern Explorers were as busy as was possible during what was a difficult year and hopefully with lockdown easing will be able to continue their scouting journey earning lots of badges and awards.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Sean for his ongoing support throughout 2020 as without that I would not have been able to have delivered any kind of program to our young people. THANK YOU SEAN

This brings me to the current situation at Wyvern as some of you may be aware I am having to take a step back from front line Scouting due to work commitments, I am hoping this is a temporary measure and intend to return before the end of the year. As a result of my back seat Dave Hannigan has kindly stepped forward to run things until such time I can return, along with Sean, again my thanks to you Dave and Sean. Wyvern are currently back to socially distance face to face meetings and the uptake to this has been positive with good numbers attending.

The future I hope as lockdown eases is that Wyvern will grow and grow into a strong dedicated Scouting unit that we can all be proud of and after listening to some of the feedback the Explorers are showing signs of wanting to fulfil the goal of achieving the highest awards that Scouting has to offer.

Greg Hart
Wyvern ESU Leader

Network

network

Unfortunately, there has been no activity since the last AGM in September 2020, due to individuals'

personal commitments, and Joule Network's activity has been temporarily on hold during the pandemic.

Despite online scouting being available, many members had to make many changes in their lives due to lockdown conditions: online teaching for the first time, apprenticeships adjustments and taking on more responsibilities. Sadly, our group did not establish a strong enough bond before the pandemic happened, as the group was still relatively new. However, I hope for us to gather once again soon to see what each other have been getting up to and possibly do a few outdoor scouting activities once end of year exams are over.

If any leaders are aware of any current Explorer Scouts or Young Leaders who will be soon turning 18, it would be grateful if you can promote Sale & District's Network unit as a further scouting opportunity if they would like to consider continuing their scouting journey. You can always reach out to me via Facebook messenger or email for more details.

Although Joule Network been on a very long hiatus, we are excited to welcome more young adults to join us. We hope to organise some outdoor activities this summer under the Scout Association's recommended guidance of COVID-19 meet ups

Yasmin Lee
District Youth Commissioner

Youth Commissioner's Report

Another year had passed and this year continued to be very challenging time for scouting too. Unfortunately, my DYC activity has been limited due to personal circumstances and the nature of online scouting (our troublesome Wi-Fi and outdated equipment did not help).

I have managed to continue to attend monthly district exec meetings, keeping myself in the loop of District activities. When possible, I would read through scouting Facebook threads to keep myself up to date what some district groups have been doing; it has now been lovely to see more face-to-face activity (under the safe requirements) taking place again with the easing of lockdown.

I would like to thank the District Commissioner, Andy Atherall, for his commitment during the pandemic, especially with reviewing risk assignments with Dave Marsden to assist all Scout Groups returning to face to face Scouting as soon as possible. I would also like to thank our District Exec Committee & District team for including a young person's voice like mine into their meetings and their support during the pandemic for the District to keep as many young people as possible in scouting.

Finally, I would like to thank every Leader, Young Leader, Helper and behind the scenes secret volunteers in every group and section in the District. Although every group is unique and different, the one thing we have in common is the endless commitment from our passionate volunteers.

The pandemic is still constraining face-to-face scouting, but there are no doubts that Sale & District are trying their best to deliver scouting during lockdown. Without all of you and the time you give, our young people wouldn't experience what scouting has to offer.

As we approach the easing of lockdown - unsure when we will be in 'Green' for scouting. I believe that The District, the Leaders, the Young Leaders and the volunteers will continue to do their best with scouting spirit post-COVID time ahead. We hope to return to more normal face-to-face scout meetings very soon, welcoming back all our young people into scouting under a safe environment.

Yasmin Lee
District Youth Commissioner

Sale Scout and Guide Gang Show



February 2020 saw our first Gang Show being performed in Sale for nearly 17 years. To say we were “lucky” seems inappropriate. The world changed just a few short weeks later, so I am at least “thankful” we got to see our friends and have some fun - just before we took a short break.

The show was a huge success! We saw an (almost) full theatre most nights. Something that was becoming difficult to do at the Garrick. Ticket sales have continued to increase, with sales rising by £1090 in comparison to 2019. Once again, my thanks go to those working tirelessly within all aspects of Scouting and Guiding to advertise the performance amongst groups, family, and friends.

We marked the final performance of our ‘lifelong member’ James Goodwin. For anyone that was lucky enough to see our final show, I’m sure you will agree – his reaction was priceless! Surprised on stage by fellow singer Joe Fairbrother, it isn’t often James is lost for words! We wish him the best in his future adventures but know that he won’t be far from our stage door each year.

But with all great things, there comes an expense. Sale Waterside Theatre, albeit small and built for the community, is more expensive to hire for the week that our previous venue. We had to cut some corners to reduce this where possible – meaning that our stage crew came to the rescue, working tirelessly to get unpacked and set up in one short day. A massive ‘thanks’ to everyone that supported with this.

Expenditures included additional support in sound and lighting by the Waterside Theatre staff. Our aim is to recruit within Scouting and Guiding for all roles. So, if you know anyone that has a passion for staging (or any role to support to show) please do let us know!

We do ask our performers to pay a small subscription fee when they join the cast of Sale Gang Show. This has had a massive impact when raising funds for this year and I must thank Andrea Morgan for her persistence with this. From subs alone, we managed to raise just short of £700 contributing towards production costs.

I could fill much more than an A4 side of paper, talking about the effects of the last year on the theatre industry in particular. However, we remain positive and have booked our 2022 show for a slightly later date at Sale Waterside Theatre. We remain confident that we should be able to start rehearsals - if not slightly later than usual. I’m sure you will agree, a very welcomed return to normality with friends.

To keep spirits and enthusiasm high, the production team organised for our members to send in a short video clip of themselves dancing to one of our show favourites. A big thank you to James Goodwin for collecting these and editing our promotion video. You can see it on our Facebook page!

We are currently recruiting new and enthusiastic people, to support the production of next year's show. Working alongside our talented Producer, we are looking for a range of different support roles. No experience necessary, although a positive attitude and willing to try new things is essential!

We are also advertising for volunteers to support and assist with running rehearsals and organising schedules.

If you think this is something you may be interested in, please do contact me for further information, at salegangshowchair@gmail.com.

Thank you all once again for your continued support and more than ever, we look forward to seeing you all again next year.

Robyn Fletcher
Gang Show Chairman

Sale District Scout and Guide Band



The start of 2020 was focussed on Sale Gang Show and how we were going to entertain the crowds, keeping the high standard that they have come to expect.

For the first time the band's segment was a standalone performance without any other members of the cast interacting.

To this end we decided to base our performance on 'Heroes' carefully selecting a medley of popular pieces from well-known superhero films; Superman, Spiderman, Captain America & Iron Man.

But here was the twist – as the band played, we projected images of Scouting & Guiding heroes (plus the odd superhero) and more specifically local Guiding & Scouting heroes from Sale District. The opening lines explaining all;



*Not all Heroes wear a cape.....
or a mask.
Some wear a woggle....
and a necker.*

Needless to say, the gasps of recognition and spontaneous applause from the audience as they recognised their own Leaders, both past & present, were well received.

In last year's report I thanked the Gang Show for allowing us the chance to "to try out new and different types of music in innovative settings" and this ticked all of those boxes.

And that folks was it....

We are in a difficult situation whereby we have to follow the guidance from both Scouting & Guiding and also the guidance from the Brass Banding world. At one point there was a report regarding the spray from playing trumpets & tubas and how they would be contaminated with coronavirus. After an extensive and comprehensive test this was disproved.

We are hopeful that we will return to practising in the next few months as the situation improves. Watch this space.....

2020 Performances

Tuesday 4th February – Sale Gang Show

Wednesday 5th February – Sale Gang Show

Thursday 6th February – Sale Gang Show

Friday 7th February – Sale Gang Show

Saturday 8th February – Sale Gang Show

Dennis Yarwood

Band Master

Awards

Congratulations to the following people on their awards in 2020

Award	Name	Unit
50 Years Service	Chris Gleaves	District
50 Years Service	Bob Cole	District
40 Years Service	Dave Marsden	District
40 Years Service	Mike Harding	District
30 Years Service	Colin Parker	11th Sale
30 Years Service	Sally Yarwood	3rd Ashton
30 Years Service	Dennis Yarwood	Band
30 Years Service	Chris Varley	District
25 Years Service	Richard Taylor	17th Sale
25 Years Service	Harry Peet	3rd Ashton
25 Years Service	Tim Bracegirdle	7th Sale
25 Years Service	Steve Butt	9th Sale
20 Years Service	Clive Winby	2nd Brooklands
20 Years Service	Sarah Goodstadt	3rd Ashton
20 Years Service	Belinda Butt	9th Sale
20 Years Service	Bev Hobson	9th Sale
20 Years Service	Lee Slater	9th Sale
20 Years Service	Steve Buckley	9th Sale
20 Years Service	Martin Solomon	9th Sale
15 Years Service	Tom Hartley	14th Sale
15 Years Service	Ian Moore	17th Sale
15 Years Service	Andrea Morgan	3rd Ashton
15 Years Service	Howard Newhall	7th Sale
15 Years Service	Alan Cook	District
15 Years Service	Colin Lea	Sale Central
10 Years Service	John Ludlow	11th Sale
10 Years Service	Amanda Westhead	3rd Ashton
10 Years Service	Paul Domville	3rd Ashton
10 Years Service	Alasdair Ferro	3rd Ashton
10 Years Service	Rob Blairs	3rd Ashton
10 Years Service	Charlotte Williams	9th Sale
10 Years Service	Laura Maggs	9th Sale
5 Years Service	Sharon Jenkinson	14th Sale
5 Years Service	Liz Fairclough	14th Sale
5 Years Service	David Igoe	2nd Brooklands
5 Years Service	Paul Davies	2nd Brooklands
5 Years Service	Julie Wyper	3rd Ashton

Award	Name	Unit
5 Years Service	Simon Telford	3rd Ashton
5 Years Service	Stuart Thompson	3rd Ashton
5 Years Service	Simon Hilton	3rd Ashton
5 Years Service	Ben Morgan	3rd Ashton
5 Years Service	Katy Fairbrother	3rd Ashton
5 Years Service	Tony Kennerk	7th Sale
5 Years Service	Jenny Saxty	9th Sale
5 Years Service	Martin Lynch	9th Sale
5 Years Service	Lisa Davis	9th Sale
5 Years Service	Andrew Jenkinson	District
5 Years Service	Dave Hannigan	District
5 Years Service	Simon Thompson	MacAlpine
5 Years Service	Emma Spragg	Sale Central

Statutory Information

Reference and Administration Details

Charity Name	Sale District Scout Council
Other names the charity is known by	Sale & District Scout Council
Registered Charity Number	1042185
Charity's Principal Address	c/o 6 Gloucester Drive, Sale, M33 5DH

Trustee Details

Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
Ian McGeough	Chairman	
Amy Atherall	Secretary	
Michael Harding	Treasurer	
Andrew Atherall		
Andrea Morgan		
Roy Kinnear		
Harry Peet		
Clive Winby		
Yasmin Lee		
Christine Gleaves		
Gavin Stark		
Paul Harris		
Dave Marsden		

Structure Governance and Management

Type of governing document	The District'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. District Constitution is based on a model constitution defined within the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association
How the charity is constituted	The District is a trust established under the rules which are common to all Scout units
Trustee selection methods	The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.
Additional governance information	The District is managed by the District Executive Committee, the members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' of the District 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. The Committee consists of Chair, Treasurer and Secretary together with the District Commissioner, other members either

Structure Governance and Management	
	elected at the Group AGM, or co-opted onto the executive and meets every month. This District Executive Committee exists to support the District Commissioner in meeting the responsibilities of the appointments and is responsible for: - The maintenance of District property The raising of funds and the administration of District finance The insurance of persons, property and equipment District public occasions Assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support Appointing any sub committees that may be required Appointing District Administrators and Advisors other than those who are elected
Risks	The District Executive Committee has identified the major risks to which they believe the District 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 District would request the use of buildings, property, and equipment from neighbouring organisations such as the church, community centre and other Scout Groups. Similar reciprocal arrangements exist with these organisations. The District has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss. • Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members. The District through the membership subscription fees contributes to the Scout Associations national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities. There is a health and safety management system for the District HQ building in place to ensure the building is maintained to the required standard • Reduced income from fund raising. The District is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. The District does hold a reserve to 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

Structure Governance and Management

	Group on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently • Reduction or loss of leaders. The District is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the District. If there was a reduction in the number of leaders to an unacceptable level in a particular Section or the District 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 District. • Reduction or loss of members. The District provides activities for all young people aged 6 to 18. If there was a reduction in membership in a particular Section or the District as whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a Group. In the worst-case scenario, the complete closure of the District.
Internal Controls	The District has in place systems of <i>internal controls</i> that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss; these include 2 signatories for all payments and comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

Objectives and Activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document	The objectives of the District are as a unit of the Scout Association
Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects	The Aim of The Scout Association is to promote the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potentials, as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of their local national and international communities. The method of achieving the Aim of the Association is by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law and guided by adult leadership
Public benefit statement	The District 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

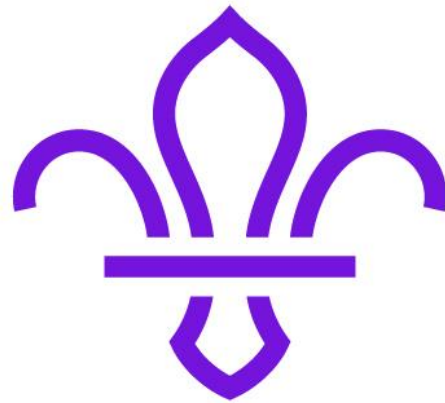
Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year	The achievements for the year are contained in the various reports in this document
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Financial Review

Reserves Policy	The District's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the District should income and fundraising activities fall short. The District Executive Committee considers that the District should hold a sum equivalent to 24 months running costs, circa £12000 The District held reserves of approximately £12000 against this at year end.
Details of any funds materially in deficit (circumstances plus steps to eliminate)	No funds in deficit
Further Financial Review Details	See the annual financial report at the end of this document

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above		
Chairman	Secretary	District Commissioner
Ian McGeough	Amy Atherall	Andy Atherall
		



Scouts

Sale And District

Annual Financial Report for the Year Ended 31st December 2020

The bank balances on the accounts held by the District Treasurer are as follows:

Lloyds Account	£ 12,937.51
Leeds and Holbeck Account	£ 45,064.77

The accounts should be read with the following notes:

- a) The General Fund is operated by the District Treasurer and the receipts, payments and bank statements are reviewed by the District Examiner.
- b) The Cub, Scout, Explorer, ASU and Band's figures are from information reviewed by, but not operated by, the District Treasurer.
- c) The Gang Show's figures are from information reviewed by, but not operated by, the District Examiner.
- d) The combined District income and expenditure figures, plus the combined District Balance sheet are compiled from the aforementioned figures.



Michael J Harding
District Treasurer

I have examined and confirmed the records provided, bank accounts, receipts and payments of the General Fund and Gang Show Fund accounts. The combined District figures are compiled from these figures together with other accounts reviewed by, but not operated by, the District Treasurer.



Chris Varley F.C.A.
District Examiner
Date 11 June 2021

District Income and Expenditure Account**Year to 31st December 2020****2020****2019****Income**

General	£ 36,438.43	£ 36,659.21
Gang Show	£ 17,038.69	£ 14,957.96
Band	£ 1,189.03	£ 2,470.60
Beavers	£ -	£ 1,194.46
Cubs	£ -	£ 355.00
Scouts	£ -	£ 13.88
Magellan ESU	£ 0.21	£ 691.05
MacAlpine ESU	£ 1,053.08	£ 3,226.32
Wyvern ESU	£ 2,589.38	£ 4,794.10
Sale ASU	£ -	£ -
	<u>£ 58,308.82</u>	<u>£ 64,362.58</u>

Expenditure

General	£ 34,986.23	£ 33,195.46
Gang Show	£ 14,899.96	£ 13,726.23
Band	£ 636.36	£ 578.22
Beavers	£ -	£ -
Cubs	£ -	£ 396.00
Scouts	£ -	£ -
Magellan ESU	£ 374.50	£ 1,348.78
MacAlpine ESU	£ 2,400.42	£ 928.32
Wyvern ESU	£ 1,509.65	£ 2,745.05
Sale ASU	£ -	£ -
	<u>£ 54,807.12</u>	<u>£ 52,918.06</u>

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	<u>£ 3,501.70</u>	<u>£ 11,444.52</u>
Depreciation	-£ 1,200.00	£ -
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	<u>£ 2,301.70</u>	<u>£ 11,444.52</u>

District Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2020**Year to 31st December 2020****2020****2019****Assets**

General	£ 61,778.78	£ 56,229.98
Gang Show	£ 10,517.16	£ 15,896.43
Band	£ 6,850.51	£ 6,297.84
Beavers	£ 1,708.57	£ 1,708.57
Cubs	£ 369.53	£ 369.53
Scouts	£ -	£ 2,831.96
Magellan ESU	£ -	£ 1,638.93
MacAlpine ESU	£ 3,324.32	£ 4,671.66
Wyvern ESU	£ 8,290.20	£ 7,210.47
Sale ASU	£ 47.88	£ 47.88
	£ 92,886.95	£ 96,903.25

Liabilities

General	£ 36,748.81	£ 31,652.21
Gang Show	£ 300.00	£ 4,218.00
Band	£ -	£ -
Beavers	£ -	£ -
Cubs	£ -	£ -
Scouts	£ -	£ -
Magellan ESU	£ -	£ -
MacAlpine ESU	£ -	£ -
Wyvern ESU	£ -	£ -
Sale ASU	£ -	£ -
	£ 37,048.81	£ 35,870.21

Accumulated General Funds

£ 55,838.14**£ 61,033.04**

Accumulated Funds brought forward 1st January 2019

£ 61,033.04

£ 54,988.73

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ 2,301.70

£ 11,444.52

Transfer to Jamboree Fund

~~£~~ 1,000.00~~£~~ 3,000.00

Write off loan to Sale Central

£ -

~~£~~ 240.00

Prior year adjustment - Band Reserves reallocated

£ -

~~£~~ 2,160.21

Prior year adjustment - Gang Show curtains

~~£~~ 2,400.00

£ -

ESC Funds

~~£~~ 1,264.64

£ -

Scout Funds

~~£~~ 2,831.96

£ -

Accumulated Funds carried forward 31st December 2020

£ 55,838.14**£ 61,033.04**

Jamboree Fund

£ 779.21

~~£~~ 220.79

Development Fund

£ 31,873.00

£ 31,873.00

ESU Funds

£ 1,264.64

£ -

Scout Funds

£ 2,831.96

£ -

Total District Funds carried forward 31st December 2020**£ 92,586.95****£ 92,685.25**

General Account Income and Expenditure Account

<u>Year to 31st December 2020</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Income		
Membership Subscription	£ 35,006.00	£ 36,344.00
Donation	£ 150.00	£ -
Interest	£ 22.52	£ 22.51
Net Event Income	-£ 394.95	-£ 1,621.90
Badge Income	£ 154.86	£ 414.60
Lease Transfer	£ 1,500.00	£ 1,500.00
	<u>£ 36,438.43</u>	<u>£ 36,659.21</u>
Expenditure		
Membership Subscription	£ 32,262.00	£ 30,355.50
Insurance	£ 798.25	£ 630.73
Administration	£ 427.98	£ 639.23
Training	£ -	£ 84.00
Swimming Gala	£ 498.00	£ 486.00
Donation	£ 1,000.00	£ 1,000.00
	<u>£ 34,986.23</u>	<u>£ 33,195.46</u>
 Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	 <u>£ 1,452.20</u>	 <u>£ 3,463.75</u>
 Depreciation	 £ -	 £ -
 Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	 <u>£ 1,452.20</u>	 <u>£ 3,463.75</u>

General Account Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2020**Year to 31st December 2020****2020****2019****Fixed Assets**

Trophies	£ 1.00	£ 1.00
Office Equipment	£ 1.00	£ 1.00
	<u>£ 2.00</u>	<u>£ 2.00</u>

Current Assets

Cash in hand	£ -	£ -
Current Account - Lloyds	£ 12,937.51	£ 7,411.23
Building Society Account	£ 45,064.77	£ 45,042.25
Current Account - Badges	£ 3,774.50	£ 3,774.50
Loans	£ -	£ -
	<u>£ 61,776.78</u>	<u>£ 56,227.98</u>

Total Assets**£ 61,778.78****£ 56,229.98****Liabilities**

Creditors/Accruals	£ -	£ -
Development Fund	£ 31,873.00	£ 31,873.00
ESU Funds	£ 1,264.64	£ -
Scout Funds	£ 2,831.96	£ -
Jamboree Fund	£ 779.21	-£ 220.79
	<u>£ 36,748.81</u>	<u>£ 31,652.21</u>

Accumulated funds carried forward**£ 25,029.97****£ 24,577.77**

Accumulated Funds brought forward	£ 24,577.77	£ 20,579.52
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	£ 1,452.20	£ 3,463.75
Transfer to Jamboree Fund	-£ 1,000.00	-£ 3,000.00
Transfer from Badge Secretary	£ -	£ 3,774.50
Write off historic Central Loan	£ -	-£ 240.00

Accumulated Funds carried forward**£ 25,029.97****£ 24,577.77**

Gang Show Income and Expenditure Account

<u>Year to 31st December 2020</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Income		
Ticket Sales	£ 10,101.40	£ 8,991.00
Subscriptions	£ 330.00	£ 1,110.00
Fund Raising	£ 1,056.71	£ 324.76
Donations	£ 4,018.00	£ 2,900.00
Programme Sales	£ 1,202.00	£ 1,204.10
Miscellaneous	£ 330.58	£ 428.10
	<u>£ 17,038.69</u>	<u>£ 14,957.96</u>
Expenditure		
Room Hire/Garrick	£ 6,703.20	£ 5,566.68
Brochure/Publicity	£ 472.85	£ 836.18
Production Costs	£ 6,675.71	£ 5,892.44
Front of House Costs	£ 276.48	£ 216.00
Insurance	£ -	£ -
Miscellaneous	£ 771.72	£ 1,214.93
	<u>£ 14,899.96</u>	<u>£ 13,726.23</u>
 Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	 <u>£ 2,138.73</u>	 <u>£ 1,231.73</u>
 Depreciation	 -£ 1,200.00	 £ -
 Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	 <u>£ 938.73</u>	 <u>£ 1,231.73</u>

Gang Show Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2020**Year to 31st December 2020****2020****2019****Fixed Assets**

Curtains	£ 2,400.00	£ -
	£ 2,400.00	£ -

Current Assets

Bank Account	£ 8,117.16	£ 15,019.93
Debtors/Accrued Income	£ -	£ 876.50
	£ 8,117.16	£ 15,896.43

Total Assets**£ 10,517.16****£ 15,896.43****Liabilities**

Creditors/Accruals	£ 300.00	£ 4,218.00
	£ 300.00	£ 4,218.00

Total Liabilities**£ 300.00****£ 4,218.00****£ 10,217.16****£ 11,678.43**

Accumulated Funds brought forward	£ 11,678.43	£ 10,446.70
Prior Year Correction		
Curtains not recognised/depreciated (2018)	-£ 2,400.00	£ -
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	£ 938.73	£ 1,231.73
Accumulated Funds carried forward	<u>£ 10,217.16</u>	<u>£ 11,678.43</u>

Band Income and Expenditure Account

Year to 31st December 2020

2020

2019

Income

Subs	£ 558.00	£ 990.00
Camps	£ -	£ -
Donations	£ 251.08	£ 342.88
Performances	£ 379.95	£ 1,137.72
	<u>£ 1,189.03</u>	<u>£ 2,470.60</u>

Expenditure

Neckers/Woggles	£ -	£ -
Music Equipment	£ -	£ -
General Expenses	£ 636.36	£ 578.22
	<u>£ 636.36</u>	<u>£ 578.22</u>

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)

£ 552.67

£ 1,892.38

Depreciation

£ -

£ -

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ 552.67

£ 1,892.38

Band Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2020**Year to 31st December 2020****2020****2019****Fixed Assets**

Band Instruments

£	350.00
£	350.00

£	350.00
£	350.00

Current Assets

Cash/Bank Account

£	6,500.51
£	6,500.51

£	5,947.84
£	5,947.84

Total Assets**£ 6,850.51****£ 6,297.84****Liabilities**

£	-
£	-

£	-
£	-

Total Liabilities**£ -****£ -****£ 6,850.51****£ 6,297.84**

Accumulated Funds brought forward

£ 6,297.84

£ 4,405.46

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ 552.67

£ 1,892.38

Accumulated Funds carried forward

£ 6,850.51**£ 6,297.84**

Beavers Income and Expenditure Account

<u>Year to 31st December 2020</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Income		
Events	£ -	£ 1,194.46
	£ -	£ 1,194.46
Expenditure		
Events	£ -	£ -
	£ -	£ -
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	£ -	£ 1,194.46
Depreciation	£ -	£ -
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	£ -	£ 1,194.46

Beavers Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2020**Year to 31st December 2020****2020****2019****Current Assets**

Cash/Bank Account

£ 1,708.57

£ 1,708.57

£ 1,708.57

£ 1,708.57

Total Assets**£ 1,708.57****£ 1,708.57****Liabilities**

£ -

£ -

£ -

£ -

Total Liabilities**£ -****£ -****£ 1,708.57****£ 1,708.57**

Accumulated Funds brought forward

£ 1,708.57

£ 514.11

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ -

£ 1,194.46

Accumulated Funds carried forward

£ 1,708.57**£ 1,708.57**

Cubs Income and Expenditure Account

Year to 31st December 2020

2020

2019

Income

Bridge & Back Canoe Race
Karen Keane Comp

£ -
£ -
£ -

£ 275.00
£ 80.00
£ 355.00

Expenditure

Cooking Comp
Bridge & Back Canoe Race
Karen Keane Comp

£ -
£ -
£ -
£ -

£ 59.00
£ 275.00
£ 62.00
£ 396.00

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)

£ -

-£ 41.00

Depreciation

£ -

£ -

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ -

-£ 41.00

Cubs Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2020**Year to 31st December 2020****2020****2019****Current Assets**

Cash/Bank Account

£ 369.53

£ 369.53

£ 369.53

£ 369.53

Total Assets**£ 369.53****£ 369.53****Liabilities**

£ -

£ -

£ -

£ -

Total Liabilities**£ -****£ -****£ 369.53****£ 369.53**

Accumulated Funds brought forward

£ 369.53

£ 410.53

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ -

-£ 41.00

Accumulated Funds carried forward

£ 369.53**£ 369.53**

Scouts Income and Expenditure Account

Year to 31st December 2020

2020

2019

Income

Interest Income

£ -

£ -

Events

£ -

£ 13.88

£ -

£ 13.88

Expenditure

Events

£ -

£ -

£ -

£ -

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)

£ -

£ 13.88

Depreciation

£ -

£ -

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ -

£ 13.88

Scouts Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2020**Year to 31st December 2020****2020****2019****Current Assets**

Cash/Bank Account

£	-
£	-

£	2,831.96
£	2,831.96

Total Assets

£	-
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£	2,831.96
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Liabilities

£	-
£	-

£	-
£	-

Total Liabilities

£	-
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£	-
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£	-
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£	2,831.96
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Accumulated Funds brought forward

£ 2,831.96

£ 2,818.08

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ -

£ 13.88

Transfer to District

-£ 2,831.96

£ -

Accumulated Funds carried forward

£	-
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£	2,831.96
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Account closed and funds transferred to District on 23rd March 2020

Magellan ESU Income and Expenditure Account**Year to 31st December 2020****2020****2019****Income**

Joining Fees	£ -	£ 25.00
Subscriptions	£ -	£ 665.00
Interest	£ 0.21	£ 1.05
	<u>£ 0.21</u>	<u>£ 691.05</u>

Expenditure

Administration	£ 6.50	£ -
Equipment	£ -	£ 16.49
Activities	£ -	£ -
Camp	£ -	£ 763.29
DofE	£ -	£ 85.00
Badges	£ -	£ -
Membership Subscription	£ 368.00	£ 484.00
	<u>£ 374.50</u>	<u>£ 1,348.78</u>

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	<u><u>-£ 374.29</u></u>	<u><u>-£ 657.73</u></u>
Depreciation	£ -	£ -
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	<u><u>-£ 374.29</u></u>	<u><u>-£ 657.73</u></u>

Magellan ESU Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2020**Year to 31st December 2020****2020****2019****Current Assets**

Cash/Bank Account

£ -

£ -

£ 1,638.93

£ 1,638.93

Total Assets

£ -

£ 1,638.93

Liabilities

£ -

£ -

£ -

£ -

Total Liabilities

£ -

£ -

£ -

£ 1,638.93

Accumulated Funds brought forward

£ 1,638.93

£ 2,296.66

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

-£ 374.29

-£ 657.73

Transfer to District

-£ 1,264.64

£ -

Accumulated Funds carried forward

£ -

£ 1,638.93

Account closed and funds transferred to District on 23rd May 2020

MacAlpine ESU Income and Expenditure Account**Year to 31st December 2020****2020****2019****Income**

Joining Fees	£ 218.34	£ 175.00
Subscriptions	£ 834.74	£ 3,051.32
Donation/Grant	£ -	£ -
Fundraising	£ -	£ -
Interest	£ -	£ -
	<u>£ 1,053.08</u>	<u>£ 3,226.32</u>

Expenditure

Administration	£ 263.13	£ 414.83
Room Hire Fees	£ -	£ -
Equipment	£ 60.00	£ 476.94
Activities	£ 295.23	£ 388.96
Camp	£ 706.06	-£ 1,253.65
DofE	£ 124.00	£ 106.00
Misc.	£ 952.00	£ 683.80
Training	£ -	£ 111.44
	<u>£ 2,400.42</u>	<u>£ 928.32</u>

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)

-£ 1,347.34£ 2,298.00

Depreciation

£ -

£ -

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

-£ 1,347.34£ 2,298.00

MacAlpine ESU Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2020**Year to 31st December 2020****2020****2019****Current Assets**

Cash/Bank Account

£ 3,324.32

£ 4,671.66

£ 3,324.32

£ 4,671.66

Total Assets**£ 3,324.32****£ 4,671.66****Liabilities**

£ -

£ -

£ -

£ -

Total Liabilities**£ -****£ -****£ 3,324.32****£ 4,671.66**

Accumulated Funds brought forward

£ 4,671.66

£ 2,373.66

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

~~£~~ 1,347.34

£ 2,298.00

Accumulated Funds carried forward

£ 3,324.32**£ 4,671.66**

Wyvern ESU Income and Expenditure Account**Year to 31st December 2020****2020****2019****Income**

Subscriptions	£ 1,625.00	£ 3,848.00
Donation/Grant	£ 964.38	£ 1,074.10
Camps	£ -	-£ 128.00
Interest	£ -	£ -
	<u>£ 2,589.38</u>	<u>£ 4,794.10</u>

Expenditure

Membership Subscription	£ 874.00	£ 1,012.00
Training	£ -	£ -
Misc.	£ 504.15	£ 1,667.19
Uniform	£ 131.50	£ 65.86
	<u>£ 1,509.65</u>	<u>£ 2,745.05</u>

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)

£ 1,079.73£ 2,049.05

Depreciation

£ -

£ -

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ 1,079.73£ 2,049.05

Wyvern ESU Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2020**Year to 31st December 2020****2020****2019****Current Assets**

Cash/Bank Account

£ 8,290.20

£ 7,210.47

£ 8,290.20

£ 7,210.47

Total Assets**£ 8,290.20****£ 7,210.47****Liabilities**

£ -

£ -

£ -

£ -

Total Liabilities**£ -****£ -****£ 8,290.20****£ 7,210.47**

Accumulated Funds brought forward

£ 7,210.47

£ 5,161.42

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ 1,079.73

£ 2,049.05

Accumulated Funds carried forward

£ 8,290.20**£ 7,210.47**

Sale ASU Income and Expenditure Account

Year to 31st December 2020

2020

2019

Income

Capitation/Subs

£ -
£ -

£ -
£ -

Expenditure

Capitation

£ -
£ -

£ -
£ -

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)

£ -

£ -

Depreciation

£ -

£ -

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ -

£ -

Sale ASU Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2020**Year to 31st December 2020****2020****2019****Current Assets**

Cash/Bank Account

£	47.88
£	47.88

£	47.88
£	47.88

Total Assets**£ 47.88****£ 47.88****Liabilities**

£	-
£	-

£	-
£	-

Total Liabilities**£ -****£ -****£ 47.88****£ 47.88**

Accumulated Funds brought forward

£ 47.88

£ 47.88

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

£ -

£ -

Accumulated Funds carried forward

£ 47.88**£ 47.88**

Minutes of the Previous AGM on 16th September 2020

1. Introduction – Ian McGeough

- Ian opened the meeting. Voting tonight will be done using the polling feature on Zoom - when a poll is activated by a meeting host it will pop up on everyone's screen.
- Those present:
 - Alasdair Ferro
 - Andrea Morgan
 - Andrew Jenkinson
(ADC Cubs)
 - Andy Atherall
(District Commissioner)
 - Bob Whiteley
 - Bob Wilson (ACC Scouts)
 - Carys Pugh
 - Chris Gleaves
(Deputy DC)
 - Chris Varley
 - Clive Winby
 - Dave Hannigan
(ADC Scouts)
 - Dave Marsden
 - Emma Spragg
(ADC Beavers)
 - Gavin Stark
 - Georgie McCarthy
 - Harry Peet
 - Greg Archer
 - Howard Newhall
 - Ian McGeough
(District Chairman)
 - Jacob Bond (DCC Programme)
 - James Goodwin
(ADC Beavers)
 - John Casson
 - John Ludlow
 - Martin Bull
 - Mike Harding
(District Treasurer)
 - Paul Harris
 - Phil Dodgson
 - Richard Taylor
(ADC Cubs)
 - Robert Cole
 - Roger Kettle
(County Treasurer)
 - Roy Kinnear
 - Sarah Goodstadt
 - Simon Murray
 - Stuart Kilburn
 - Tim Bracegirdle
 - Tom Hartley
 - Yasmin Lee
(District Youth Commissioner)

2. Apologies for Absence – Andy Atherall

- Amy Atherall (District Secretary)
- Graham Cliffe
- Rachel Lyttle
- Ian Moore
- Alison Corser (Guiding Representative)
- Andy Farrell (County Commissioner)

3. Approval of the minutes of the previous AGM – Ian McGeough

- Proposed by John Casson, seconded by Dave Hannigan. Approved unanimously.

4. Presentation of the Annual Report for 2019 – Andy Atherall

- Presented by Andy Atherall. Supplemented by short presentations from the ADCs.
- Dave Hannigan (*ADC Scouts*) - Scout have continued to grow, the cancellations they had in 2019 were disappointing.
- Andrew Jenkinson/Richard Taylor (*ADCs Cubs*) – thanked all the Cub leaders.
- James Goodwin (*ADC Beavers*) – District Beaver leader meetings were well attended.
- Martin Bull (*MacAlpine Explorers*) – 13 DofE awards this year across the three Explorer expedition groups.
- Sarah Goodstadt (*Gang Show Producer*) – Gang Show 2019 was the last at The Garrick in Altrincham, it went well.
- Dennis Yarwood (*Band*) – Band have done several workshops; all have been well received. Thanks to committee and 3rd Ashton for hosting.
- Yasmin Lee (*DYC*) – Network is back up and running. Anyone over 18 is welcome, currently only seven members so actively recruiting.
- Chris Gleaves (*Deputy DC & LTM*) – District training is in a good place.

5. Presentation of audited accounts – Mike Harding

- Mike Harding presented the District accounts, which include the Sectional accounts.
- Page 31 – accounting adjustments, historical loan written off, band reserves refers to 2001/2 – District intended the funds to be kept available for a new band to form, in 2010 District agreed that these funds should be transferred to Jamboree, amalgamated Badge Funds into General Account.

6. Approval of annual reports and adoption of audited accounts – Ian McGeough

- Proposed by Sarah Goodstadt and seconded by Chris Gleaves. Approved unanimously.

7. District Chairman's remarks – Ian McGeough

- Our active District continues to give our young people a good time.
- This year has been difficult but some novel methods have been employed to make sure Scouting continues.
- Thanks to everyone, especially thanks to Andy – maintaining a 2-year role as DC he works very hard and keeps us all on track.

8. District Commissioner's remarks – Andy Atherall

- 2019 was a good year, our numbers continued to grow.
- They continue to grow but with the pandemic who knows what will happen?
- Impressed with the innovation & creativity shown by the leaders in the District in adapting to online Scouting.
- Exec consists of a seriously dedicated team – see Annual Report.

9. Approval of the District Commissioner's nomination to District Chairman – Andy Atherall

- Andy Atherall nominated Ian McGeough to continue District Chairman, seconded by Chris Gleaves. This was approved.

10. Election of District Secretary – Ian McGeough

- Ian McGeough proposed Amy Atherall to continue as District Secretary, seconded by Sarah Goodstadt and approved.

11. Election of District Treasurer – Ian McGeough

- Ian McGeough proposed Mike Harding continue as District Treasurer, seconded by Clive Winby and approved.

12. Election of the members of the District Executive Committee – Ian McGeough

- Clive Winby – 2nd Brooklands
- Roy Kinnear – 14th Sale
- Harry Peet – 3rd Ashton
- Paul Harris – 17th Sale
- Approved unanimously.

13. Approval of the District Commissioner's nominations for membership of the District Executive Committee – Ian McGeough

- Chris Gleaves – Deputy DC & 9th Sale
- Andrea Morgan – Gang Show and Band
- Gavin Stark – Sale Central
- Dave Marsden
- Approved unanimously.

14. Election of one Group Scouter to the County Scout Council – Ian McGeough

- Mike Harding nominated and approved.

15. Appointment of Accounts Examiner – Mike Harding

- Chris Varley was nominated to be re-appointed as accounts examiner. Approved.

16. County Representative's remarks – Jacob Bond & Greg Archer

- Another great year for Sale, amazing Sale Gang Show, 2 Queen Scout Awards.
- Well managed District.
- Thanks, well done, 2020 will be a strange AGM!

17. Presentations – *Andy Atherall*

- We currently have two awards pending approval but the staff at HQ are still on furlough.
- Nathan Rowley of Wyvern ESU was awarded the Gilt Cross (an award for bravery) for administering first aid to a member of the public on a bus until the emergency services arrived.
- Chris Varley received the Award for Merit for services to Scouting.