

Scouts

Sale And District

Annual Report 2023

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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

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| 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

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| 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

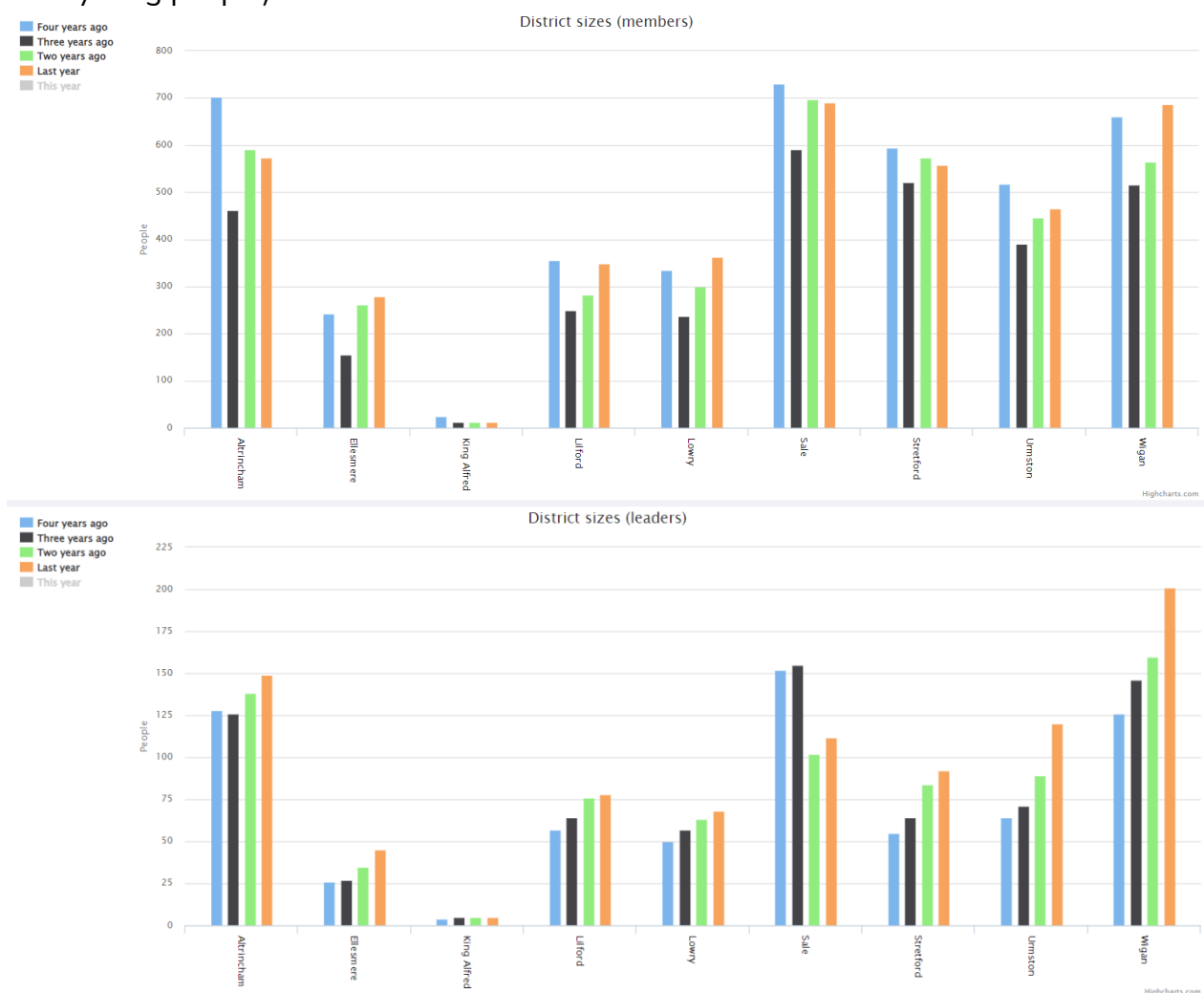
Scout Section

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 | |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| | <p>charities. This includes the registration, keeping proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate.</p> <p>The Trustee Board consists of the Chair, Treasurer and 11 Trustees (including 2 Ex-Officio Trustees) and meets every month.</p> <p>Members of the Trustee Board complete Being a Scouts Trustee learning within the first six months of joining the Board.</p> <p>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.</p> |
| Risks | <p>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:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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

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|-------------------|--|
| | <p>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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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

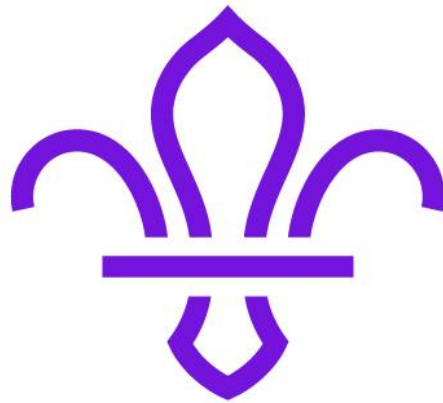
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| Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year | The achievements for the year are contained in the various reports in this document. |
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Financial Review

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|--|---|
| Reserves Policy | <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> |
| 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> |
| Depreciation | £ - | £ - |
| Surplus/(Deficit) for the year | <u><u>-£ 1,479.15</u></u> | <u><u>-£ 19.43</u></u> |

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 | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|--|------------|--|

| | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|--|----------|--|
| Surplus/(Deficit) for the year | -£ 1,479.15 | | -£ 19.43 | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|--|----------|--|

| | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|--|------------|--|
| Accumulated Funds carried forward | £ 8,302.99 | | £ 9,782.14 | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|--|------------|--|

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 |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-----------|

| | | |
|--------------|-----|-----|
| Depreciation | £ - | £ - |
|--------------|-----|-----|

| | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-----------|
| Surplus/(Deficit) for the year | -£ 2,458.28 | -£ 552.20 |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-----------|

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

Band Instruments

| | |
|-------|--------|
| £ | 350.00 |
| <hr/> | |
| £ | 350.00 |

| | |
|-------|--------|
| £ | 350.00 |
| <hr/> | |
| £ | 350.00 |

Current Assets

Cash/Bank Account

| | |
|-------|----------|
| £ | 3,524.48 |
| <hr/> | |
| £ | 3,524.48 |

| | |
|-------|----------|
| £ | 5,982.76 |
| <hr/> | |
| £ | 5,982.76 |

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

| | |
|-------|---|
| £ | - |
| <hr/> | |
| £ | - |

| | |
|-------|---|
| £ | - |
| <hr/> | |
| £ | - |

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

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
|---|---|

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
|---|---|

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

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
|---|---|

| | |
|---|--------|
| £ | 369.53 |
|---|--------|

Liabilities

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
| £ | - |

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
| £ | - |

Total Liabilities

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
|---|---|

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
|---|---|

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
|---|---|

| | |
|---|--------|
| £ | 369.53 |
|---|--------|

Accumulated Funds brought forward

| | |
|---|--------|
| £ | 369.53 |
|---|--------|

| | |
|---|--------|
| £ | 369.53 |
|---|--------|

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
|---|---|

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
|---|---|

Balance transferred to District

| | |
|----|--------|
| -£ | 369.53 |
|----|--------|

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
|---|---|

Accumulated Funds carried forward

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
|---|---|

| | |
|---|--------|
| £ | 369.53 |
|---|--------|

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

£ 3,209.29

£ 7,496.59

£ 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> |
|-----------------------------|------------------|------------------|

| | | |
|--------------|-----|-----|
| Depreciation | £ - | £ - |
|--------------|-----|-----|

| | | |
|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Surplus/(Deficit) for the year | <u>-£ 542.15</u> | <u>-£ 150.59</u> |
|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------|

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)

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
|---|---|

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
|---|---|

Depreciation

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
|---|---|

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
|---|---|

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
|---|---|

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
|---|---|

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

Cash/Bank Account

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
| £ | - |

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
| £ | - |

Total Assets

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
|---|---|

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
|---|---|

Liabilities

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
| £ | - |

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
| £ | - |

Total Liabilities

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
|---|---|

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
|---|---|

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
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| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
|---|---|

Accumulated Funds brought forward

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
|---|---|

| | |
|---|-------|
| £ | 47.88 |
|---|-------|

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
|---|---|

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
|---|---|

Balance write off

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
|---|---|

| | |
|----|-------|
| -£ | 47.88 |
|----|-------|

Accumulated Funds carried forward

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
|---|---|

| | |
|---|---|
| £ | - |
|---|---|

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).