

21st WHITLEY BAY ST PETERS SCOUT GROUP
1st APRIL 2024 TO 31st MARCH 2025
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

The Trustees are pleased to present their report together with the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Reference and administration details

Charity name	21 st Whitley Bay St Peters Scout Group
Charity Registration Number	1042806
Scout HQ Registration Number	10015655
Charity's principal address	21 st HQ Rink Way Hillheads Road Whitley Bay Tyne & Wear NE25 8HR

Trustees:

Rev Hannah Cleugh	Chair
Andrew Reece-Pinchin	Treasurer
Angela Reece-Pinchin	Secretary
Michelle Parrack	Group Lead Volunteer
Vikki Liddle	
Jill Blight	
Stephen Blight	

Structure, governance and management

The Group's 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.

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

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

The Group is managed by the Group Trustee Board, the members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' of the Scout Group which is an educational charity. As charity trustees they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities. This includes the registration, keeping proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate.

The current Trustee Board consists of the Chair, Treasurer and 4 Trustees (including 1 Ex Officio Trustee) and meets every 2 months.

Members of the Trustee Board complete 'Being a Scouts Trustee' learning within the first 6 months of joining the Board.

This Group 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.

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Risk and Internal Control

The group has in place systems of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss, these include 2 signatories for all payments and a comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

Objectives and activities

The Purpose of Scouting

Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.

The Values of Scouting

As Scouts we are guided by these values:

Integrity - We act with integrity; we are honest, trustworthy and loyal.

Respect - We have self-respect and respect for others. **Care** - We support others and take care of the world in which we live.

Belief - We explore our faiths, beliefs and attitudes. **Co-operation** - We make a positive difference; we co-operate with others and make friends.

The Scout Method

Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together based on the values of Scouting and:

- enjoy what they are doing and have fun
- take part in activities indoors and outdoors
- learn by doing
- share in spiritual reflection
- take responsibility and make choices
- undertake new and challenging activities
- make and live by their Promise.

Scouting at our Group is open to all young people between the ages of 4 and 13 years irrespective of class, ethnic origin, nationality (or statelessness) or race, gender, marital or sexual status, mental or physical ability, political or religious belief.

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

Achievements and performance

Full details of our achievements and performance can be seen in the Group Lead Volunteers report. The Group has grown in numbers both in the numbers of young people and our team leaders and supporters and many badges have been awarded including the section's Top Awards. Much work has been carried out on our premises making it a more pleasant space for the young people attending the weekly meetings.

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Financial Review

Reserves Policy

The Group's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the group should income and fundraising activities fall short.

Investment Policy

The Group does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer term investments. The Group has therefore adopted a risk averse strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or building societies.

The Trustees' Report has been approved by the Trustee Board and signed on its behalf by:

Rev Hannah Cleugh (Chair)

September 2025

Andrew Reed- Pinchin (Treasurer)

Summary

21st Whitley Bay Scout Group

Current Account Receipts and Payments Summary to 31st March 2025

	This Year	Last Year
Total Receipts for the Year	27454.67	11662.50
Total Payments for the Year	27622.50	14333.13
Net Receipts for the Year	-167.83	-2670.63
Opening Balance	6734.47	9405.10
Closing Balance	6566.64	6734.47

Income

21st Whitley Bay Scout Group
Receipts for the year ended 31st March 2025

	This Year	Last Year
SUBSCRIPTIONS	11413.05	5830.64
CAPITATION	0.00	0.00
CAMP	2880.00	1170.00
DONATIONS	3500.98	500.00
FUND RAISING		
HALL HIRE	2125.00	3415.00
OTHER	7535.64	340.00
Insurance fees refund	0.00	0.00
	27454.67	11255.64

* Other
loan from district capital transfer in

Donations
£1500 poundland federation
£500 Proctor and Gamble
£1500 district scouts

Expenditure

21st Whitley Bay Scout Group
 Payments for the year to 31st March 2025

	This Year	Last Year
PREMISES		
Rent	250.00	250.00
Rates		
Light / Heat / Water	2975.20	5164.06
Insurance	1320.34	3857.34
Repairs / Renewals / Cleaning *	10774.94	35.22
Fire Safety Cert. / Boiler Service	50.00	0.00
TOTAL	15370.48	9306.62
DONATIONS	27.00	0.00
ACTIVITIES	1022.85	324.81
CAPITATION	4498.00	2365.00
EQUIPMENT	2053.64	700.00
PRINT / STAT / POST	9.98	20.25
TRAINING		
CAMP	1948.47	893.43
OTHER – Grass Cutting	240.00	240.00
Hall hire whilst refurbishing	150.00	0.00
AGM Costs	16.36	28.88
Misc	0.00	0.00
Uniforms	635.97	0.00
Overpayment error	0.00	2.12
Shield and engraving	0.00	0.00
Leaders expenses	30.29	0.00
Badges	1450.00	300.00
OSM	169.46	152.02
	27622.50	14333.13

* Equipment
 Marquee
 Tents

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Scrutineer's Report to the Trustees of 21st WHITLEY BAY (ST PETER'S) SCOUT GROUP

I report on the accounts of the Group/District for the year ended 31ST MARCH 2025

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Scrutineer

As the Group's/District's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that neither the audit nor independent examination requirements of the Charities Act 2011 apply. It is my responsibility without carrying out an audit or independent examination to scrutinise the accounts and to report to you.

Basis of Scrutineer's Statement

In accordance with the directions given in the Group's/District's constitution, I have scrutinised the records and the accounts set out on pages ...3... to ...SEPT 2024...

Scrutineer's Statement

In my opinion the accounts are in accordance with the records produced to me and comply with the constitution.

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