

**CHAIRMAN**

Position vacant

**TRUSTEES:** Ex-Officio - Appointment Name

Beaver Leader - Santosh Nairstone  
Cub Leader - Tim Bilham  
Scout Leader - Chris Judson  
Group Scout leader - Shelley Peterson

**TRUSTEES:** Elected Name

Tim Bilham  
Peter Eckersley  
Andrew Fuller  
Louise Woods  
Cate Wilkinson

**TRUSTEES:** Nominated - Appointment Name

Treasurer - Siobhan McKeown

**BANKERS**

Lloyds

**CUSTODIAN TRUSTEES** (if any)

N/A

**OTHER ADVISERS**

N/A

**Group/District Registration Number with The Scout Association**

46673

**Charity Registration Number**

1061305

**Contact Name and Address**

Ms Shelley Peterson  
Seaham House, Promenade  
Whitley Bay, NE26 2AP

## MAJOR ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE YEAR

Over the past year, 1st/7th Whitley Bay Sea Scout Group has enjoyed an action-packed and successful programme, with exciting activities across Beavers, Cubs, and Scouts. A major highlight was **Camp Together** in Northumberland, a huge event bringing the whole District together. Everyone took part in a wide range of activities onsite including the amazingly popular zorb balls. Our term time sessions have included **swimming**, **first aid**, and an inspiring **faith night** at a local **mosque**. Beavers and Cubs particularly enjoyed making **pancakes**, Scouts took part in a vibrant **Mexican night** where we played popular Mexican games and ate delicious food. Cubs and Scout have been developing communication skills for their **Communicator Badge**, including learning **Morse code** and **semaphore**.

Cubs got creative with a **Big Local art project**, while some sections had fun with **circus skills** and a challenging **rock climbing** session at the **Eden Rock** centre. The group also delved into **STEM** projects, such as learning how to make **water safe to drink**, sparking curiosity and teamwork. A favourite social night was **gutterball alley bowling**, where fun and friendly competition took centre stage. To end the year on a high, everyone enjoyed a fabulous **Christmas treat** at **InflataNation**, bouncing and laughing together for hours. It's been an amazing year full of learning, friendship, and adventure — and we're already looking forward to what's next!

Throughout the second half of the year we have been carrying out significant work on the hut. There was damage due to water ingress and due to storms. This work has been covered via our insurer. It has continued into the next financial year. In addition to replacing the flooring across many areas of the hut, we have replaced much of the outside cladding.

We carried out our Gift Aid return, which resulted in additional income of £9,415 in March 2025. The trustee board will decide at the next meeting about whether to spend this on the young people, invest in the hut, put it into our reserves, or a mix of the three.

The Group/District is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Groups/Districts.

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

Approved by the trustees on.....and signed on their behalf by

Group Treasurer

Group Scout leader

	This Year General Funds	This Year Restricted Funds	This Year Endowment Funds	This Year Total	Previous Year Total
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES (page A4)</b>	46,467				21,725
<b>TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED (page A5)</b>	33,240				22,049
<b>TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS</b>					
<b>NET INCOMING (OUTGOING) RESOURCES</b>					
Gains (losses) on investment assets					
Realised					
Unrealised					
Revaluation of tangible fixed assets					
<b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>	13,227				-324
<b>FUND BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD</b>	167,395				167,071
<b>FUND BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<b>£180,622</b>				167,395

	This Year General Funds	This Year Restricted Funds	This Year Endowment Funds	This Year Total	Previous Year Total
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>	£	£	£	£	£
Membership subscriptions (including gift aid)	12,535				11,571.74
Less: Payable	6,222				5,023.70
Total	6,313				6,548.04
Donations, legacies and similar incoming resources					462
<b>INCOME FROM ACTIVITIES</b>					
In furtherance of the Group's objects	6191				4776.50
For generating funds					
<b>INVESTMENT INCOME</b>					
Bank interest					
Building Society interest					
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service					
Dividends and interest					
Property rents	7800				7,300.00
<b>OTHER INCOMING RESOURCES</b>					
Utilities contributions	2,746				2,638.68
Gift Aid	9,415				
Insurance Claim	14,002				
<b>TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES</b>	46,467				21,725.22

	This Year General Funds	This Year Restricted Funds	This Year Endowment Funds	This Year Total	Previous Year Total
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>	£	£	£		£
PREMISES					0
Rent					
Rates					
Light and Heat and Water	2,128				7,712.04
Insurance	2,214				2,109.69
Repairs and Renewals	14,715				414.2
DONATIONS/GRANTS					
ACTIVITIES	12,902				10,196.75
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES					
ADMIN/ESTABLISHMENT EXPENSES	516				168.84
TRUSTEES EXPENSES	254				361.54
OTHER EXPENDITURE (training)					
DEPRECIATION					
Other Expenses					
Badges	511				500
Equipment					585.94
<b>TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>	33,240				<b>22,049.00</b>

## Balance Sheet as at 31/3/25

	This Year General Funds	This Year Restricted Funds	This Year Endowment Funds	This Year Total	Previous Year Total
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	141,268				141,268
Investments					
Payments on account/assets in course of construction					
	<b>141,268</b>				<b>141,268</b>
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks					
Debtors					
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service					
Cash at bank and in hand	39,354				26,127
Less: CURRENT LIABILITIES:					
Amounts due within one year					
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
Less: LONG TERM LIABILITIES:					
Amounts due after more than one year					
NET ASSETS					£167,395
Represented by: -					
FUNDS					
General Funds					
Restricted Funds					
Endowment Funds					
	180,622				<b>£167,395</b>

Approved by the Trustees on .....

..... and signed on their behalf by

Group Treasurer

Group Scout Leader

The notes on pages 3 to 6 form part of these accounts.

### **Scrutineers Report to the Trustees of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Whitley Bay SCOUT GROUP**

I report on the accounts of the Group/District for the year ended 31/3/25.

#### **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 1993 apply. It is my responsibility without carrying out an audit or independent examination to scrutinise the accounts and to report to you.

#### **Basis of Scrutineers 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 8.

#### **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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Date: ...27 May 2025

## Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Whitley Bay SCOUT GROUP

I report on the accounts of the Group/District for the year ended 31/3/25 which are set out on pages 3 to 8.

### Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Group's/District's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 43 (2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

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

### Basis of independent examiner's report

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

### Independent Examiner's statement

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

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 41 of the 1993 Act ;and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 Act

have not been met; or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Qualification: .Member of Association of Accounting Technicians

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