

1ST DURRINGTON SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 1061896

Details

Other names NORTHBROOK BARN COMMUNITY CENTRE

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1997-04-17

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: UNIT OF THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION

Activities: Scouting & management of a community centre

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Amateur Sport, Environment/conservation/heritage, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** DURRINGTON
- West Sussex

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£47,277	£48,024	-	-
2024-03-31	£50,190	£49,868	-	-
2023-03-31	£53,014	£56,348	-	-
2022-03-31	£35,467	£34,109	-	-
2021-03-31	£34,109	£29,876	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
STEVE COLEMAN	Chair	2008-07-12
Alastair Richard Paul Chartres		2023-09-27
Ash Thwaites		2024-03-18
KEITH MARTIN SANDS CHAPMAN		2002-01-02
Louisa Clare Hoad		2022-07-13
SHARON FIELD		2008-07-12

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Accounts

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Northbrook Barn Community Centre

Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025

Board of Trustees

Steve Coleman

Al Chartres

Keith Chapman

Sharon Field

Ash Thwaites

Lina Yeats

Louisa Hoad

Steph Vinicombe

Chair

Group Lead Volunteer

Treasurer

Lead Volunteer Beavers

Lead Volunteer Scouts

Custodian Trustee

Community Centre Manager

Bankers

Independent Examiner

Scout Trust Corporation

John Doswell

Lloyds Bank

Adrian Cooper

Group Registration with The Scout Association

45711

Charity Registration Number

1061896

Contact name & address

John Doswell, Northbrook Barn Community
Centre, Squadron Drive, Worthing, BN13 3SL

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The Group has in place systems of internal controls 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.

1st Durrington Scout Group

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2025

Major Activities and Achievements in the Year

Scout Group

At 1st Durrington Scout Group, we have provided Scouting for over eighty-eight young people this year, helping them gain skills for life, experiences they will never forget, friendships that will last a lifetime. This is the highest number of young members we have ever recorded, an increase again over last year's highest number! Youngsters appreciate physically being with their friends, camping or being outdoors, learning new skills, hiking, navigating, fire lighting and putting those skills to the test. These interactions beyond school and family are so important and help young people to be grounded in a healthy lifestyle, both in body and mind.

The leaders and supporters have completed a full year of activities that have stimulated and excited the young members in delivering Scouting to young people. As a Scout Group, we rely on our team of leadership volunteers, a few who have been at the sharp end for over 20 years, some others for decades and many for just a few months or years while they are involved with the Group. It is my job to plan for the future and attract new leaders and interest people in the joys of taking thirty youngsters to camp, running an activity, helping with some admin, looking after the kit, or doing some mass catering!

The job of keeping this successful Scout Group alive and healthy is a continuous challenge. It is assumed that this Group will be here in 10 years, but without a succession of the leadership team and trustee board, it may not be such a certainty. My gratitude and thanks go to all the Group's uniformed leaders, section helpers, volunteers and young leaders for their time given freely during the past year.

The Executive led by the Chair, Steve, has planned and overseen the strategy and finances of the Group, and the upkeep of the Community Centre; my thanks go to each of them for their support. To use volunteers time more efficiently and to reduce the burden of charity governance administration, costs, and communication efficiently we continue to use Online Scout Manager (OSM) for managing our Scouting.

Times are financially tough for some in our community; no young person should go without Scouting for the lack of money. This is a principle that we strongly uphold. Please contact me in complete confidence if you have or foresee problems paying the termly fees or for camps. We can contribute or assist in other ways to enable Scouting for your child. To keep the levels of volunteer support healthy and this Group's future bright, I urge any parent or family member to come along and feel free to help for whatever amount of time you have to give.

Al Chartres (Group Leader Volunteer)

Squirrel Drey

Well, the Section has been going for just over 12 months now and continues to be a popular busy little group of 19, with five on the waiting list to start in September when they are old enough, and four to go up to Beavers in September. The Squirrels have continued to enjoy lots of new games, crafts, and activities to gain their Acorn Awards with 12 already been given out in our first year, so we'll done to everyone. We even have one Squirrel who has completed all of the Squirrel badges; well done Riley. The Squirrels have also been part of our Group's church parades for Remembrance and St Georges day parade proudly carrying our Squirrel flag.

Many thanks to our leaders Naomi (Fox), John (Otter), Rosie (Moose) and our newest young leader Olivia (Raccoon) for your continued support. Thanks also to Finn our first Young Leader, and of course the parents who have stepped up and helped us when needed. Our first Robert Trotman Squirrel of the year is ?????????? Many thanks, Sharron Field SSL

Beaver Colony

What a year the Beavers have had; we had quite low numbers for a while with several Beavers going up to Cubs in one go, but we are pleased to say we are now at 27 and full; the spaces we do have are for the Squirrels to come up in September. The Beavers have had many adventures with litter picking, walks to White Beam woods to look at different trees and leaves, and even a walk to the chip shop, with chips as a reward. We have completed numerous badges this year with Experiment, Navigator, Space, Safety, Health and Fitness, plus lots of activities towards our challenge badges. We have given out ten bronze awards this year, with four not too far off achieving theirs. We have also had two very successful sleepovers, with a few nervous Beavers doing their first ever night away from home, waking up in the morning with a big grin of their faces, because they had achieved staying for the whole night.

My thanks go to Alan, Sarah, Georgina for their continued support and help, also Bailey our Young Leader who has been amazing with the Beavers.

Our Robert Trotman Beaver of the year is ??????????

Sharon Field BSL

Cub Pack

Over the past year, the Cubs have engaged in a variety of exciting activities and events, enriching the experiences of all involved. Among the notable achievements, nine Silver Chief Scout Awards were presented, recognising the dedication and hard work of our Cubs. These awards are a significant milestone and reflect the commitment to personal development and the spirit of Scouting. The Cubs participated in several meetings, each focusing on different skills and badges. Activities ranged from creative crafts, such as Halloween Craft, to practical skills challenges that included making a boat and pitching tents. The naturalist badge sessions fostered an appreciation for the environment, while the water and archery meetings provided opportunities for physical activity and skill enhancement. Other memorable meetings included the Southern Water presentation and engaging game nights with Wide Games and Capture the Flag. Each activity was carefully designed to provide fun while helping the Cubs learn various new skills. In addition to weekly meetings, the group enjoyed a couple of notable events. The Autumn Camp spanned three days and offered the Cubs the chance to experience the great outdoors. The hike, held just recently, allowed them to connect with nature and build camaraderie through adventure and teamwork.

I would like to extend a special thank you to our leaders, John and Rosie, for their excellent programme planning and dedicated efforts in making this year so enjoyable for the Cubs. Your contributions have not gone unnoticed, and the time and energy you devoted to enriching the lives of our young Scouts are truly appreciated. As we move forward, a heartfelt thank you goes to the Cubs for their enthusiasm and spirit, which continuously brings joy to our meetings. We also express our gratitude to the parents for their unwavering support and to all volunteers who work behind the scenes, helping to ensure that our Scout group runs smoothly. Here's to another year of exploration, learning, and adventure in Scouting!

Naomi Norton CSL

Scout Troop

The Scout Troop have been very engaged and active this year with a camp and more coming up. As well as competing in a shooting competition, enjoying archery and much more. In group sessions the Scouts have been focusing on achieving their gold award with a lot of attention on the teamwork and creative badge. With this we have focused on running a balanced program which will cover all skills that we need them to learn in life but also in Scouting. The number of badges achieved this year has been phenomenal with a lot of Scouts coming close to earning their gold awards. We have steps in place to run another camp and to get an expedition underway. We had a good turn out to the parades this year like the Saint George Day parade and look to try and get as many Scouts attending as possible. We currently have 23 scouts on the books and plan to expand and encourage any others to join. We will continue to run a balanced program, and I can't thank enough the help and dedication our amazing leaders and other helpers and parents for stepping in and making sure we can continue to run scouts.

Ash Thwaites SL

Financial Report

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Scout Group

The Scout Group receives subscriptions for the youth members, part of which we pay to support the Scout District, the County Scouts and the HQ of the Scout Association. We then benefit from support for such things as the training of leaders and adult supporters plus the cost of Public Liability Insurance for all Scout members and Scout activities. The balance of subs enables leaders to provide the weekly meetings and equipment for all activities.

We continue to use the Gift Aid scheme and claimed back tax of £893 and also benefited from fundraising. We bought some new tents and other equipment. We ended the year with a surplus of £713 and bank balance of £11,112 which gives us the funds to continue to update equipment. The Trustees consider that we hold sufficient funds.

Northbrook Barn Community Centre

Whilst our takings from lettings are up £2,000 on last year, we have again only just managed to maintain a reasonable level of receipts compared with expenses, resulting in a deficit of £1,460. Many hirers struggle to attract sufficient numbers of members for their activities, suggesting folk do not have income to spare. We do have a capital reserve so we can draw on this but we do very much need to improve the level of lettings. Children's birthday parties have increased again, due to the willingness of the Manager to volunteer to open the Centre for them.

We were again grateful to receive a grant of £6,410 from Worthing Council's Community Infrastructure Levy Neighbourhood Fund (CIL) which enabled us to complete the heating upgrade. This was all part of our refurbishment project with the aim of reducing running and maintenance costs. We have this year seen a reduction in the electricity costs.

The Trustees continue to monitor our reserves, which ideally need to be increased.

Thank you to all who have helped to look after the HQ/Centre, particularly our Manager, John Doswell.
Keith Chapman, Hon Treasurer

Receipts & Payments Account Summary for the year ended 31 March 2025

Year	This Year	Last
	£	£
Total Receipts for the year (page 5)	47,277	50,190
Total Payments for the year (page 5)	<u>48,024</u>	<u>49,868</u>
Net Deficit for the year	(747)	332
Cash, bank and other funds brought forward at 1 April 2024	<u>28,550</u>	<u>28,228</u>
Cash, bank and other funds at 31 March 2025	<u>£27,803</u>	<u>£28,550</u>

These accounts, the accompanying statement of assets and liabilities and Report were approved by the Trustees on 19 May 2025 and signed on their behalf by

Steve Coleman
(chair)

Keith Chapman
(hon treasurer)

Statement of Assets & Liabilities at 31 March 2025

Year		This Year	Last
		£	£
<i>MONETARY ASSETS</i>			
Bank: current accounts	Lloyds (Community Centre)	615	1,071
	Lloyds (Scout Group)	839	1,854
deposit account	Lloyds (Community Centre)	16,032	17,037
	Lloyds (Scout Group)	10,139	8,020
Group cash card	Equals Money Ltd	117	114
Cash in hand – Scout Group		18	411
Community Centre		<u>43</u>	<u>43</u>
Total		<u>£27,803</u>	<u>£28,550</u>

NON-MONETARY ASSETS

Lease on land at Northbrook Barn, Squadron Drive, from Worthing Borough Council for a period of 99 years from 23 June 1998.

The Community Centre Building which was built on the land at Squadron Drive.

The Contents of the Centre plus the Scout Group equipment.

Notes to the Accounts: -

- 1) The Scout Group is the owner of the Northbrook Barn Community Centre and these accounts incorporate the figures for the Centre. The accounts have been drawn up on a receipts & payments basis, which is consistent with the previous year.
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- 3) Reserve's Policy – The Trustees are obliged to state their policy on the holding of a capital reserve. The Community Centre needs a substantial capital reserve against future building repairs but any surplus funds are currently needed to support the receipts and payments account.

- 4) Division of Cash Funds: -
Group

	Centre	Scout
	£	£
Funds at 1 April 2024	18,151	10,399
Surplus/deficit for year	(1,460)	713
Funds at 31 March 2025	<u>£16,691</u>	<u>£11,112</u>

Receipts for the year ended 31 March 2025

Details		2024/25	2023/24
1st Durrington Scout Group			
Membership subscriptions	9,218		
less Membership Subs to District, County & HQ	<u>5,436</u>	3,782	3,933
Camp fees & outings		2,867	1,925
Sale of Polo/T-shirts		156	183
Tax repayment on Gift Aid		893	853
Fund raising		188	170
Bank interest		119	20
Grants/donations		500	150
Sundry income		<u>209</u>	<u>17</u>
Sub Total of Scout Group		£8,714	£7,503
Northbrook Barn Community Centre			
Letting income received from dance classes, children's nursery, dog training, fitness classes, training & parties	26,298		24,137
Sundry sources	780		762
Total of Lettings		£27,078	£24,899
Bank interest		185	161
Grants		<u>6,410</u>	<u>12,610</u>
Sub Total of Community Centre		£33,673	£37,670
Council tax relief @ 100% (note 2)		<u>4,890</u>	<u>5,017</u>
TOTAL - Group & Centre		£47,270	£50,190

Payments for the year ended 31 March 2025

Details		2024/25	2023/24
1st Durrington Scout Group			
Section expenses:			
Badges	778		880
Materials & food	952		694
Sundries	77		229
Camps & outings	<u>2,891</u>		<u>1,669</u>
Sub Total of Sections		4,698	3,472
Group Scarves/T-shirts		509	301
Equipment		1,271	372
Insurance for helpers		52	52
GoCardless/OSM charges		35	0
Sundries		<u>436</u>	<u>529</u>
Sub Total of Scout Group		£7,001	£4,726
Northbrook Barn Community Centre			
Rent paid to WBC	1,990		1,582
Running costs & general maintenance of Centre	11,570		10,523
Capital projects	5,910		10,116
Insurances (building, contents, employer's liability)	3,623		4,497
Wages	12,298		12,644
Office costs	742		763
Sub Total of Community Centre		£36,133	£40,125
Council tax – 100% relieved (note 2)		<u>4,890</u>	<u>5,017</u>
TOTAL - Group & Centre		£48,024	£49,868



**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name

1st Durrington Scout Group

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 March 2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

1061896

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2025DD / MM / YYYY.

**Responsibilities and basis
of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

*Independent examiner's
statement*

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (~~other than that disclosed below~~ *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

A Cooper

24 June 2025

Name:

Adrian Cooper

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body (if
any):**

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Findon, W Sussex

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Northbrook Barn Community Centre

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Board of Trustees

Steve Coleman	Chair
Rosemary Munson (resigned 12 July 2023)	Secretary
Keith Chapman	Treasurer

Ex-officio

Al Chartres (appointed 26 September 2023)	Group Scout Leader
Sharon Field	Beaver Leader
Ash Thwaites (appointed 18 March 2024)	Scout Leader

Elected

Lina Yeats	Parent Representative
Louisa Hoad	Parent Representative
Steph Vinicombe (co-opted 18 March 2024)	Parent Representative

CUSTODIAN TRUSTEE

COMMUNITY CENTRE MANAGER

BANKERS

Independent Examiner

Scout Trust Corporation
John Doswell
Lloyds Bank, Blackheath
Adrian Cooper

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Al Chartres (Group Leader Volunteer)

Al.Chartres@Worthing-Scouts.org.uk

Squirrel Drey

Our Squirrel Drey opened on the 12th of January 2024; so far it has been a great success with 21 on the register. The Squirrels have enjoyed a range of different activities with crafts, games and an outing to Tesco's. They have achieved several badges with most achieving three out of four challenge awards, working towards their Acorn awards, the highest award in Squirrels. They attended our St Georges day parade at St Symphorian's Church in April. My thanks go to the leaders who helped get this section off the ground - Rosie, John, and Naomi. We hope success will continue.

Sharron Field, Squirrel Scout leader.

Beaver Colony

Beavers have had a busy year, with lots of badge work being completed, resulting in many Bronze awards this year, with six in one week bringing the total to around 14 for the year. We have also had two successful sleepovers this year, learning about space and planets and also about communication.

The Beavers have been out in the community doing their bit to keep Durrington tidy with a litter pick; I've honestly never seen Beavers so eager to pick rubbish up, so well done to you all. They went around the world in one evening, visiting different countries and trying different foods from each; this for their Air Activity badge. It was great fun with the Beavers taking it in turns to pilot our pretend plane. We had a long walk down to the chip shop at Limbrick corner, for national fish and chip day. So, Beavers all enjoyed some chips as a reward for their walking, although I think some of them said they would have preferred Macdonald's chips 🍟 - now that would have been a very long walk.

This year we have welcomed new leaders; Bailey (Badger) as a young leader, and Georgina (Owl) as a new section assistant; my thanks go to you both & also my thanks and appreciation go to Alan (Hathi) and Sarah (Magpie) for all your help over the year.

Sharron Field, Beaver Scout leader

Cub Pack

We have had another busy year. We did have 30 Cubs by January but steady on 20 at this current time. We've had nine silver awards, which is, and shows how hard they work. Many challenge badges have been earned including adventure and outdoors.

We've had walks along the seafront for navigation, wide games up Highdown, which they really enjoyed. Scientist, chef and personal safety are some of the activity badges we've earned. We had visits from Sussex air ambulance, local police and a trip to the RNLI and Salvington Windmill. A sleepover in February half term was enjoyed by most of the Pack, where we had a space theme. Alex Kents mum came in and spoke to us about using a telescope and we played with glow sticks in the dark. One week we built shelters up Highdown, which was a massive hit with our youngsters. We also had Dave Pilot visit to do archery in the hall, which was also a success. Here's to another busy year.
Naomi Norton, Cub leader

Scout Troop

The Scout Troop have had a very busy year with lots packed in. We've done more camping to provide skills for the Scouts and entertainment with thrilling campfire songs. We have also had more trips and activities such as visiting the Sight Support Centre, St Georges Day parade, rifle shooting, bowling and much more. We have also focused a great deal on badge work and providing a balanced program for the Scouts over the year with evenings about first aid to camp skills and fun nights making sure the Scouts are engaged all the way. With the focus on badge work we have had the privilege to hand out three gold awards this year to the Scouts and seeing them on their journey has been amazing. We currently have 23 Scouts in the Troop. We are making sure to continue our balanced planning and keeping on top of it for the Scouts. I can't thank enough the dedication and help we have had from the other leaders, helpers and parents that have made it possible to continue scouting.
Ash Thwaites, Scout Leader

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We continue to use the Gift Aid scheme and claimed back tax of £853. Funds were also boosted by fundraising and donations of £320. We ended the year with a surplus of £1,927 and bank balance of over £10,399. Some of the funds have been set aside for purchase of equipment. The Trustees consider that we hold sufficient funds.

Northbrook Barn Community Centre

We have managed to maintain a reasonable level of receipts from lettings but still suffer from a fall off of hires towards the end of the year, resulting in a deficit of £1,605. We do have a capital reserve so we can draw on this but do very much need to improve the level of lettings. Children's birthday parties have increased, partly due to the willingness of the Manager to volunteer to open the Centre for them. We were very grateful to receive a grant of £12,610 from Worthing Council's Community Infrastructure Levy Neighbourhood Fund (CIL) which enabled us to replace the heaters and lights in the Barn together with a new kitchen sink unit and entrance hall flooring. This was all part of our refurbishment project with the aim of reducing running and maintenance costs. The CIL grant was a great boost to our finances this year. The Trustees continue to monitor our reserves, which do need to be increased.
Thank you to all who have helped to look after the HQ/Centre, particularly our Manager, John Doswell.
Keith Chapman, Hon Treasurer

Receipts & Payments Account Summary for the year ended 31 March 2024

Year	This Year	Last
	£	£
Total Receipts for the year (page 5)	50,190	53,014
Total Payments for the year (page 5)	<u>49,868</u>	<u>56,348</u>
Net Surplus for the year	332	(3,334)
Cash, bank and other funds brought forward at 1 April 2023	<u>28,228</u>	<u>31,562</u>
Cash, bank and other funds at 31 March 2023	<u>£28,550</u>	<u>£28,228</u>

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Steve Coleman
(chair)

Keith Chapman
(hon treasurer)

Statement of Assets & Liabilities at 31 March 2023

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	£	£
<i>MONETARY ASSETS</i>		
Bank: current accounts		
Lloyds (Community Centre)	1,071	2,107
Lloyds (Scout Group)	1,854	8,223
deposit account		
Lloyds (Community Centre)	17,037	17,626
Lloyds (Scout Group)	8,020	0
Group cash card	114	0
Cash in hand – Scout Group	411	249
Community Centre	<u>43</u>	<u>23</u>
Total	<u>£28,550</u>	<u>£28,228</u>

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- 4) Division of Cash Funds: -

	Centre	Scout
	£	£
Funds at 1 April 2023	19,756	8,472
Surplus/deficit for year	(1,605)	1,927
Funds at 31 March 2024	<u>£18,151</u>	<u>£10,399</u>

Receipts for the year ended 31 March 2024

Details		2023/24	2022/23
1st Durrington Scout Group			
Membership subscriptions	8,118		
less Membership Subs to District, County & HQ	<u>3,933</u>	4,185	2,948
Camp fees & outings		1,925	3,158
Sale of Polo/T-shirts		183	127
Tax repayment on Gift Aid		853	717
Fund Raising		170	676
Grants/donations		150	100
Sundry income, including bank interest		<u>37</u>	<u>0</u>
Sub Total of Scout Group		£7,503	£7,726
Northbrook Barn Community Centre			
Letting income received from dance classes, children's nursery, dog training, fitness classes, training & parties	24,137		23,838
Sundry sources	762		398
Total of Lettings		£24,899	£24,236
Sundry income, including bank interest		161	19
Grants		<u>12,610</u>	<u>16,579</u>
Sub Total of Community Centre		£37,670	£40,834
Council tax relief @ 100% (note 2)		<u>5,017</u>	<u>4,454</u>
TOTAL - Group & Centre		£50,190	£53,014

Payments for the year ended 31 March 2024

Details		2023/24	2022/23
1st Durrington Scout Group			
Section expenses:			
Badges	880		554
Materials & food	694		519
Sundries	229		114
Camps & outings	<u>1,669</u>		<u>4,532</u>
Sub Total of Sections		3,472	5,719
Group Scarves/T-shirts		301	157
Equipment		372	495
Insurance for helpers		52	52
Sundries		<u>529</u>	<u>685</u>
Sub Total of Scout Group		£4,726	£7,108
Northbrook Barn Community Centre			
Rent paid to WBC	1,582		1,582
Running costs & general maintenance of Centre	10,523		8,212
Capital projects	10,116		16,606
Insurances (building, contents, employer's liability)	4,497		5,303
Wages	12,644		12,403
Office costs	763		680
Sub Total of Community Centre		£40,125	£44,786
Council tax – 100% relieved (note 2)		<u>5,017</u>	<u>4,454</u>
TOTAL - Group & Centre		£49,868	£56,348



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name

1st Durrington Scout Group

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 March 2024

**Charity no
(if any)**

1061896

Set out on pages

Four and Five

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2023DD / MM / YYYY.

**Responsibilities and basis
of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

*Independent examiner's
statement*

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (~~other than that disclosed below~~ *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

A Cooper

5 June 2024

Name:

Adrian Cooper

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body (if
any):**

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Findon, W Sussex

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1ST DURRINGTON SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 1061896

Accounts

1st Durrington Scout Group

incorporating

Northbrook Barn Community Centre

Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023

Board of Trustees

Ex-officio

Chairman

Steve Coleman

Secretary

Rosemary Munson

Treasurer

Keith Chapman

Group Scout Leader

Fred Thwaites

(Resigned 30 Dec 2022)

Beaver Leader

Sharon Field

Scout Leader

Mark Pearce

(Resigned 6 Feb 23)

Elected

Parent Representatives

Nicola Norton-Ward

(Resigned 29 Jan 2023)

Sarah Chaaban (17 May 2022)

Lina Yeats (17 May 2022)

Louisa Hoad (13 July 2022)

CUSTODIAN TRUSTEE

Scout Trust Corporation

COMMUNITY CENTRE MANAGER

John Doswell

BANKERS

Lloyds Bank, Blackheath

Independent Examiner

Richard Tune

Group Registration with The Scout Association

45711

Charity Registration Number

1061896

Contact name & address

John Doswell, Northbrook Barn Community
Centre, Squadron Drive, Worthing, BN13 3SL

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They consist of a Royal Charter, which gives authority to the Bye Laws of the Association, and the Policy, Organisation & Rules of The Scout Association.

Trustees are appointed in accordance with these rules.

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

The Group has in place systems of internal controls 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.

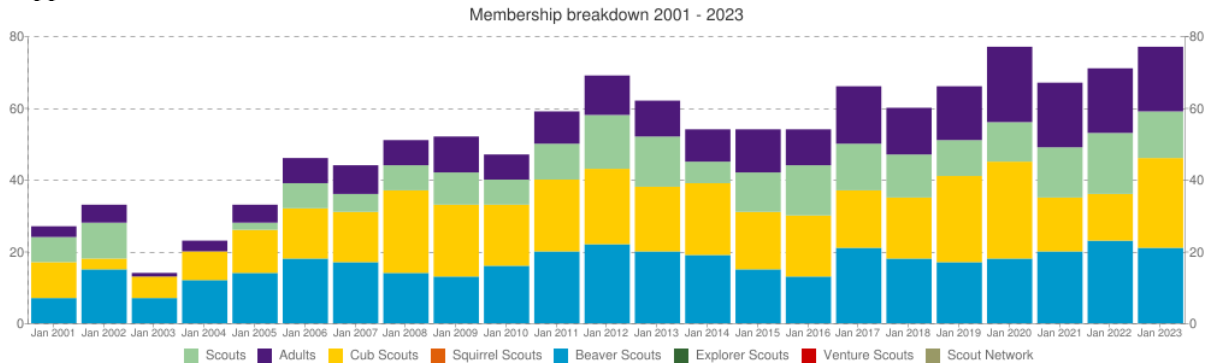
1st Durrington Scout Group

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2023

Major Activities and Achievements in the year

Scout Group

As District Commissioner, I have taken over the role of Acting Group Scout leader as of 1st January 2023, after the resignation of Fred Thwaites. I would like to thank Fred for his work supporting the group over the last few years and wish him well in the future. It was great to see the growth of the group and at the annual census see it being the largest it has ever been. This reflects the hard work by so many volunteers, either in uniformed roles, or perhaps behind the scenes in Trustee or support roles.



Perhaps sometime in the future, the group will have its own Squirrel section, 4–6-year-olds, too! Like any voluntary organisation, Scouting relies entirely on our volunteers, and the teams have grown, but could always do with more help. This is true of uniformed and non-uniformed roles, and often just 1 small role been taken by a new adult will make the delivery of Scouting by a leader so much easier to achieve.

Looking to the future, some of the ways we administer scouts is changing, because following a period

of public consultation and design, The Scout Association has launched a transformation with the goal of improving the volunteer experience. The idea is to modernise how we run things, help more young people gain “skills for life”, and make volunteering feel more welcoming and rewarding. From a young person or parents’ point of view you may not notice many drastic changes except perhaps a few changes of names and roles. However, from a volunteer’s perspective you would possibly notice a positive, more flexible volunteering culture beginning to develop, more team working and hopefully more support and appreciation. I invite you to join us and find out.

Thank you for taking the time to read our AGM report, and if you would like to know how you can help us to continue to deliver Scouting to your children, please come and speak with me, thanks Al Chartres, Acting Group Scout Leader, 1st Durrington.

Beaver Colony

Beavers have had a good year with numbers remaining in the high, a steady 22 at this time. We seem to also be feeding the cub pack nicely. We have presented 11 Bronze awards this year, with 26 Beavers being invited to attend a District awards ceremony on the 18th June. On a sad note, this September we saw the loss of our Patron and Monarch when Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the II passed away. May she rest in peace.

The Beavers have attended two flag parades the first in November for Remembrance Day where they had made a large poppy to lay at the church. The second was St George's Day in April. The Beavers renewed their promises at this service along with their leaders.

There was a sleepover in October when they achieved their space activity badge, learning about planets, stars and constellations, their nights away, hikes away, Outdoor challenge and explore activity badges. The second sleepover was in April this year.

The Beavers during the term have completed an abundance of badges - Global Issues, making poo bag dispensers to hang around the local community, one being on our perimeter fence; they made water filters; they learned about fair trade products; we have done Air Activities badge which saw us flying around the

World in an hour & a quarter visiting America, Italy, Australia, China & France; their communicator badge;

photographer; health & fitness; my skills challenge & my world challenge awards.

On a final note, I thank all my leaders Hathi, Magpie, Badger our young leader Hawk (now at Uni) and all the parents for all there help this year; without you all we could not have put together such a packed programme. Our Robert Trotman Beaver of the year goes to ????

Many thanks, yours in scouting Sharon Field aka Kingfisher

Cub Pack

Wow, what I busy year we've had. We are now up to 28 Cubs and the biggest we've been in a while. Cubs have taken part in many activities such as grass sledging and a trip to out of bounds for clip and climb. We've covered first aid, pioneering and communicator amongst the badges earned. I've even looked up how many badges we've awarded in the last 12 months and it's a whooping 324. Along with five silver awards and many Cubs close to gaining theirs during the next year. We have a full programme planned for the next term. I want to thank the parents for making this all possible; without them volunteering we would not have been able to go out this term.

Naomi Norton

Scout Troop

The Scout Troop has had a very busy year. We had the great opportunity to go on a joint summer camp with 2nd Worthing to Dorset where the Scouts did a lot of fun activities plus a special day on Brownsea Island. We have completed great deal of badge work and outdoor activities this year including the raft race, rifle comp, Halloween camp joint with other groups, night hikes, the King's coronation plus many more. We currently have 15 Scouts in the Troop. We have also started to do some back to basic training ready for the older scouts to do their expedition award later on this year. Many thanks to the leaders and helpers. Mark Pearce

Financial Report

The finances of the Scout Group and the Community Centre are kept separate, with different bank accounts, to show that the subscriptions paid by parents and carers are spent for the benefit of the young people. However, the attached Accounts combine both the Scout Group and the Community Centre figures.

Scout Group

The Scout Group receives subscriptions for the youth members, part of which we pay to support the Scout District, the County together with the HQ of the Scout Association. We then benefit from support for such things as the training of leaders and adult supporters plus the cost of Public Liability Insurance for all Scout members and Scout activities. The balance of subs enables leaders to provide the weekly meetings and equipment for all activities, including camping.

We continue to use the Gift Aid scheme and claimed back tax of £717, but we would like to welcome more parents/guardians signing up if they are taxpayers. Funds were also boosted by fundraising of £676 and a donation of £100. We ended the year with a surplus of £681 and a health bank balance of over £8,400. Some of this money has been set aside for purchase of equipment.

The Trustees consider that we hold sufficient funds.

Northbrook Barn Community Centre

The Centre is still suffering the effects of the pandemic and now from the financial constraints felt by many families. We have managed to maintain a reasonable level of receipts from lettings but saw a drop off towards the end of the year resulting in a deficit of £3,952. We do have a capital reserve so we can draw on this but do very much need to improve the level of lettings. Children's birthday parties have increased, partly due to the willingness of the Manager to volunteer to open the Centre for them.

We were pleased to be able to rebuild the garden area with the help of grants from the Early Explorers Nursery and Worthing District Scouts, for which we are very grateful. This has enabled the Nursery to use the garden for much longer periods of the year and it also enhances the facilities which we have to offer to Centre hirers. The garden adds much to the attractiveness of the Barn for hirers. We need to further enhance the Barn with new and improved heating and lighting. But also, the entrance hall needs new vinyl flooring and we have a list of other repairs/improvements. We are actively looking for funding for these projects and would be grateful to hear of any offers or suggestions.

It is important that we have a larger capital reserve against future building costs but for the time being we will need to rely on this to make up deficits of income. The Trustees are aware that this is something to be monitored.

Thank you to all who have helped to look after the HQ/Centre and I particular to our Manager, John Doswell including the unpaid extras hours.

Keith Chapman, Hon Treasurer

Receipts & Payments Account Summary for the year ended 31 March 2023

Year	This Year	Last
	£	£
Total Receipts for the year (page 5)	53,014	35,467
Total Payments for the year (page 5)	<u>56,348</u>	<u>38,518</u>
Net Deficit for the year	(3,334)	(3,051)
Cash, bank and other funds brought forward at 1 April 2022	<u>31,562</u>	<u>34,613</u>
Cash, bank and other funds at 31 March 2023	<u>£28,228</u>	<u>£31,562</u>

These accounts, the accompanying statement of assets and liabilities and Report were approved by the Trustees on 15 May 2023 and signed on their behalf by

Steve Coleman
(chairman)

Keith Chapman
(hon treasurer)

Statement of Assets & Liabilities at 31 March 2023

Year	This Year	Last	
<i>MONETARY ASSETS</i>	£	£	
Bank: current accounts			
Lloyds (Community Centre)	2,107	1,655	
Lloyds (Scout Group)	8,223	7,666	
deposit account	Lloyds (Community Centre)	17,626	22,007
Cash in hand – Scout Group	249	188	
Community Centre	<u>23</u>	<u>46</u>	
Total	<u>£28,228</u>	<u>£31,562</u>	

NON-MONETARY ASSETS

Lease on land at Northbrook Barn, Squadron Drive, from Worthing Borough Council for a period of 99 years from 23 June 1998.

The Community Centre Building which was built on the land at Squadron Drive.

The Contents of the Centre plus the Scout Group equipment.

Notes to the Accounts: -

- 1) The Scout Group is the owner of the Northbrook Barn Community Centre and these accounts incorporate the figures for the Centre. The accounts have been drawn up on a receipts & payments basis, which is consistent with the previous year.
- 2) 100% Charity Relief is received for the Council Tax.
- 3) Reserve's Policy – The Trustees are obliged to state their policy on the holding of a capital reserve. The Community Centre needs a substantial capital reserve against future building repairs but this sum, which was £22,000, is needed to support the income and expenditure account until we can re-build the lettings after Covid-19.

4) Division of Cash Funds: -	Centre	Scout
Group		
	£	£
Funds at 1 April 2022	23,708	7,854
Surplus/deficit for year	(3,952)	618
Funds at 31 March 2023	<u>£19,756</u>	<u>£8,472</u>

Receipts for the year ended 31 March 2023

Details		2022/23	2021/22
1st Durrington Scout Group			
Membership subscriptions	6,120		
less subscriptions to District, County & HQ	<u>3,172</u>	2,948	2,431
Camp fees & outings		3,158	2,275
Sale of Scarves & T-shirts		127	228
Tax repayment on Gift Aid		717	329
Fund Raising		676	374
Grants/donations		100	2,766
Sundries		0	78
Sub Total of Scout Group		£7,726	£8,481
Northbrook Barn Community Centre			
Letting income received from dance classes, children's nursery, fitness classes, training & parties	23,838		20,990
Sundry sources	398		40
Rent for Scout Shop & Badge Secretary	<u>0</u>		<u>1,500</u>
Total of Lettings		£24,236	£22,530
Sundry income, including bank interest		19	2
Grants		<u>16,579</u>	<u>0</u>
Sub Total of Community Centre		£40,834	£22,532
Council tax relief @ 100% (note 2)		<u>4,454</u>	<u>4,454</u>
TOTAL - Group & Centre		£53,014	£35,467

Payments for the year ended 31 March 2023

Details		2022/23	2021/22
1st Durrington Scout Group			
Section expenses:			
Badges	554		833
Materials & food	519		799
Sundries	114		0
Camps & outings	<u>4,532</u>		<u>904</u>
Sub Total of Sections		5,719	2,536
Group Scarves/T-shirts		157	527
Equipment		495	1,737
Insurance for helpers		52	42
Sundries		<u>685</u>	<u>208</u>
Sub Total of Scout Group		£7,108	£5,050
Northbrook Barn Community Centre			
Rent paid to WBC	1,582		1,575
Running costs & general maintenance of Centre	8,212		9,235
Capital project - garden	16,606		0
Insurances (building, contents, employer's liability)	5,303		6,793
Wages	12,403		10,619
Office costs	680		792
Sub Total of Community Centre		£44,786	£29,014
Council tax – 100% relieved (note 2)		<u>4,454</u>	<u>4,454</u>
TOTAL - Group & Centre		£56,348	£38,518



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name

1st Durrington Scout Group

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 March 2023

**Charity no
(if any)**

1061896

Set out on pages

Four and Five

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2023 **DD / MM / YYYY**.

**Responsibilities and basis
of report**

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*Independent examiner's
statement*

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (~~other than that disclosed below~~ *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed: R Tune

Date: 6 July 2023

Name: Richard Tune

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body (if
any):**

Address: 10 Offington Avenue

Worthing

Sussex, BN14 9PE

1ST DURRINGTON SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 1061896

Accounts

1st Durrington Scout Group

incorporating
Northbrook Barn Community Centre

Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022

TRUSTEES: Ex-officio

Chairman	Steve Coleman
Group Scout Leader	Fred Thwaites
Beaver Leader	Sharon Field
Cub Leader	Naomi Norton
Scout Leader	Mark Pearce (30 Nov 2021)

TRUSTEES: Elected

Secretary	Rosemary Munson
Treasurer	Keith Chapman
Parent Representatives	Nicola Norton-Ward

CUSTODIAN TRUSTEE

COMMUNITY CENTRE MANAGER

BANKERS

Independent Examiner

Scout Trust Company
John Doswell
Lloyds Bank, Blackheath
Richard Tune

Group Registration with The Scout Association	45711
Charity Registration Number	1061896
Contact name & address	John Doswell, Northbrook Barn Community Centre, Squadron Drive, Worthing, BN13 3SL

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1st Durrington Scout Group

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2022

Major Activities and Achievements in the year

Scout Group

As we move towards the finish of another year, I think that the Sections reports speak for themselves of the success we have had in coming out of restrictions, and while keeping care, delivering a far more typical programme. We have retained our core adult team, and seen several new adults volunteer in regular and occasional roles across all Sections, and the youth membership has remained strong, with some leavers, but many new members.

With the current programmes handled so well by the section leaders, a lot of my time has been spent focusing on more fundamental headwinds. Many of the adult roles in sections and executive are filled either by quite senior or quite young adults. It's inevitable that we will see some turnover and finding either new experienced volunteers, or developing the less experienced to take up the slack.

The other headwind relates to this Centre, which is the HQ for 1st Durrington, but also a community centre that we run. It's a more complex proposition than typical scout accommodation and has considerably higher costs; it's the community centre lettings that offset those costs and make the scouting viable. For many years the income this has raised has meant that we have been financially comfortable. During Covid grants covered the loss of income, but as we come out of Covid and with the current economic environment we see our income becoming less secure at a time our costs are rising. The buildings and grounds are also needing attention both to provide an ongoing environment for scouting, but also because our income depends on having the right facilities. More than ever before balancing the need to cover our costs from lettings and have the space and time to deliver a comprehensive scouting programme has drawn my and the Executive's attention away from more normal endeavours.

My thanks to all the hard work of the volunteer Section leaders and the volunteer Executive members and to parent helpers. Also, thanks to John Doswell the Centre Manager.

Fred Thwaites, Group Scout Leader

Beaver Colony

This year has been very busy as Beavers become popular again after lockdown. Numbers are up with 27.

For leaders we lost Daniel Mcann (owl) transferring to 1st Rustington & welcome Thomas Dibble (Hawk), having been through all of our sections to young leader & now an adult leader. Also, Alice Christian (Bat) who with her guiding & a parent Sarah Chaaban. Welcome all.

We enjoyed Clip and Climb at Out of Bounds in Rustington - a fantastic evening ticking bits of our adventure challenge award and is definitely something we would do again. Two beaver sleepovers this year; one in October was just our group with lots of badges being. The second was in April and was with 1st Rustington Beavers which was a great success with many great comments from both sets of parents. We also gave out three bronze awards & many other badges were gained too with Outdoor challenge, experiment, cooks, explore to name a few. We also enjoyed cleaning up our local area with a litter pick with many members of the public coming up to us and commenting how great it was to see them out and about doing their bit for our community. Our second walk out and about was to do a quiz on our local area.

The Beavers held a parade for Remembrance Sunday in November at St Symphorians church. We had a visit to the church to find out some facts about it & have a proper look around. A great evening and the Beavers were so well behaved.

I would like to thank all the leaders and parents who have helped out this year as we could not have done it without you all. Thank you. Our Robert Trotman Beaver of the year is ?????????

Sharon Field BSL

Cub Pack

In the last year, the Cub Pack has grown to 18 members. We achieved three silver awards this year but are working very hard on more! We currently have four leaders and two young leaders.

We enjoyed a joint camp with the Scout Troop this Easter based on Harry Potter. We had a range of activities this year including hikes, litter picking, wide games, fire lighting and camping. The Cubs also had a great visit to the fire station which they really enjoyed.

Following the end of the year, we had a good attendance for Remembrance Day and St George's Day parades.

Badges that we worked on this year were mainly working towards the silver award but also included the Cub's personal safety and chef. Our cub of the year is?

Mark Pearce

Scout Troop

In the last year, the Scout Troop has grown to 15 members. We have achieved one gold award this year but are working very hard on more! We currently have four leaders and three young leaders in the troop.

Covid recovery has taken time this year but as a Troop we are now starting to take part in District events and two camps, which the Scouts have enjoyed and achieved many badges. We have completed a range of activities including hikes, wide games, cooking, pioneering and fire lighting.

We took part in the District's annual shooting competition where we came fifth with one of our Scouts being invited to join the district's shooting squad! Badges that we worked on were mainly working towards the gold award, but also included chefs, survival and quartermaster. After the year end, we had a great turnout for Remembrance Day and St George's Day parades.

We are pleased to announce that our Scout of the year is?

Mark Pearce

Financial Report

The finances of the Scout Group and the Community Centre are kept separate, with different bank accounts to show that the subscriptions paid by parents and carers are spent for the benefit of the young people. However, the attached Accounts combine both the Scout Group and the Community Centre figures.

Scout Group

The Scout Group receives subscriptions for the youth members part of which we pay to support the Scout District and Scout County together with the HQ of the Scout Association. We then benefit from support for such things as the training of leaders and adult supporters plus the cost of Public Liability Insurance for all Scout members and Scout activities. The balance of subs enables leaders to provide the weekly meetings and other activities.

We received grants for capital spending and spent over £1,700 on equipment leaving further funds to use in the next financial year. We continue to use the Gift Aid scheme and claimed back tax of £329, but we would like to welcome more parents/guardians signing up. We ended the year with a good surplus of £3,431 although some of the receipts are paid in advance for camps in the next year.

Northbrook Barn Community Centre

The Covid-19 effects continued for much of the year but we were grateful that the Nursery, in particular, was able to continue to operate. Our income from lettings was understandably down so we needed to draw on our reserves which had been helped by the government grants in the previous year. We started to open up more fully from January 2020 and did receive some enquiries but unfortunately no regular bookings resulted. Some of our pre Covid users did not return. The Centre needs more regular hirers to make use of the times available in late afternoons and on Saturdays.

The deficit for the year of £6,482 included an additional one off £2,000 expense as we switched from paying the property insurance from quarterly to annual premiums when the Scout Association withdrew its financial support for the former. Whilst in the short term we can just manage a deficit of £4,000, with the anticipation of large increases in costs, notably with electricity, then we do need a large increase in use of the Centre. But our experience shows that potential hirers are also wary of costs in the current financial situation.

Receipts & Payments Account Summary for the year ended 31 March 2022

Year	This Year	Last
	£	£
Total Receipts for the year (page 5)	35,467	34,109
Total Payments for the year (page 5)	<u>38,518</u>	<u>29,876</u>
Net Deficit for the year	(3,051)	4,233
Cash, bank and other funds brought forward at 1 April 2021	<u>34,613</u>	<u>30,380</u>
Cash, bank and other funds at 31 March 2022	<u>£31,562</u>	<u>£34,613</u>

These accounts, the accompanying statement of assets and liabilities and Report were approved by the Trustees on 17 May 2022 and signed on their behalf by

Steve Coleman
(chairman)

Keith Chapman
(hon treasurer)

Statement of Assets & Liabilities at 31 March 2022

Year	This Year	Last
	£	£
<i>MONETARY ASSETS</i>		
Bank: current accounts		
Lloyds (Community Centre)	1,655	5,635
Lloyds (Scout Group)	7,666	4,190
deposit account	22,007	24,504
Cash in hand – Scout Group	188	233
Community Centre	<u>46</u>	<u>51</u>
Total	<u>£31,562</u>	<u>£34,613</u>

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Lease on land at Northbrook Barn, Squadron Drive, from Worthing Borough Council for a period of 99 years from 23 June 1998.

The Community Centre Building which was built on the land at Squadron Drive.

The Contents of the Centre plus the Scout Group equipment.

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4) Division of Cash Funds: -	Centre	Scout
Group	£	£
Funds at 1 April 2021	30,190	4,423
Surplus/deficit for year	(6,482)	3,431
Funds at 31 March 2022	<u>£23,708</u>	<u>£7,854</u>

Receipts for the year ended 31 March 2022

Details		2021/22	2020/21
1st Durrington Scout Group			
Membership subscriptions	5,188		
less subscriptions to District, County & HQ	<u>2,757</u>	2,431	260
Camp fees & outings		2,275	0
Sale of Scarves & T-shirts		228	60
Tax repayment on Gift Aid		329	345
Fund Raising		374	0
Grants/donations		2,766	190
Sundries		<u>78</u>	<u>20</u>
Sub Total of Scout Group		£8,481	£875
Northbrook Barn Community Centre			
Letting income received from dance classes, children's nursery, fitness classes, training & parties	20,990		10,462
Sundry sources	40		195
Rent for Scout Shop & Badge Secretary	<u>1,500</u>		<u>0</u>
Total of Lettings		£22,530	£10,657
Sundry income, including bank interest		2	374
Grants – Government re Covid-19		0	17,749
Sub Total of Community Centre		£22,532	£28,780
Council tax relief @ 100% (note 2)		4,454	4,454
TOTAL - Group & Centre		£35,467	£34,109

Payments for the year ended 31 March 2022

Details		2021/22	2020/21
1st Durrington Scout Group			
Section expenses	1,632		592
Camp & outing expenses	904		0
Sundries, Group Scarves/T-shirts, equipment etc	<u>2,514</u>		<u>1,031</u>
Sub Total of Scout Group		£5,050	£1,623
Northbrook Barn Community Centre			
Rent paid to WBC	1,575		1,465
Running costs & general maintenance of Centre	8,986		6,395
Insurances (building, contents, employer's liability)	6,793		4,466
Wages	10,619		10,965
Office costs	792		508
Equipment purchased	<u>249</u>		<u>0</u>
Sub Total of Community Centre		£29,014	£23,799
Council tax – 100% relieved (note 2)		4,454	4,454
TOTAL - Group & Centre		£38,518	£29,876



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name

1st Durrington Scout Group

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 March 2022

**Charity no
(if any)**

1061896

Set out on pages

Four and Five

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2021DD / MM / YYYY.

**Responsibilities and basis
of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

*Independent examiner's
statement*

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed: R Tune

Date: 30/6/2022

Name: Richard Tune

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body (if
any):**

Address: 10 Offington Avenue

Worthing

BN14 9PE

1ST DURRINGTON SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 1061896

Accounts

1st Durrington Scout Group

incorporating
Northbrook Barn Community Centre

Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021

TRUSTEES: Ex-officio

Chairman	Steve Coleman
Group Scout Leader	Fred Thwaites
Beaver Leader	Sharon Field
Cub Leader	Naomi Norton
Scout Leader	Fred Thwaites

TRUSTEES: Elected

Secretary	Rosemary Munson
Treasurer	Keith Chapman
Parent Representatives	Nicola Norton-Ward
	Georgina Grisewood
	(Resigned 1 July 2021)

CUSTODIAN TRUSTEE

COMMUNITY CENTRE MANAGER

BANKERS

Independent Examiner

Scout Trust Company
John Doswell
Lloyds Bank, Blackheath
Richard Tune

Group Registration with The Scout Association	45711
Charity Registration Number	1061896
Contact name & address	John Doswell, Northbrook Barn Community Centre, Squadron Drive, Worthing, BN13 3SL

The Group is a Trust established under the rules which are common to all Scouts. The governing documents are those of The Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, which gives authority to the Bye Laws of the Association, and the Policy, Organisation & Rules of The Scout Association. Trustees are appointed in accordance with these rules.

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

The Group has in place systems of internal controls 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.

1st Durrington Scout Group

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2021

Major Activities and Achievements in the year

Scout Group

We started this year in the midst of a lockdown, and we have had heavily restricted options to meet face to face for most of the year, and its only as we came into the spring term that we were able to offer some limited face to face meetings.

For most of the year the membership of the sections has remained static and many members joined in through the zoom meetings which we endeavoured to make as interesting and relevant as possible (including a live singalong with a Nigerian scout leader to support a worldwide challenge badge). While some members found it hard to engage in that online period, as face to face meetings are gradually returning, some of those have started to come back.

We were able to keep the programmes running and delivering challenge badges towards the Chief Scouts awards with Beavers getting eight bronze awards, Cubs getting seven silver awards, and for the first time in the Group's history we are looking forward to awarding some gold awards when the expedition/camp happens over the summer.

At the start of 2021 we applied for and were given a substantial grant from the District to be spent in the pursuit of scouting. This will include new camping and cooking equipment and a projector to allow us to use the array of audio-visual materials provided for and by the scouts. Despite this we will still have a backlog of equipment that needs replacing and we have identified several priorities including a full complement of tents that don't leak. We already fundraise through the seafront fair (arranged and stewarded by Sharron and Rosemary), but I would like to set a target of £1000 raised each year across all sections to support the replacement of equipment and develop other activities for the group. If you feel you are able to help with this in any way, please let me know.

Our ability to run the sections is largely down to the adult leadership of each section; have having enough adults is a frequent worry. I want to give my thanks to all the leaders for their continued dedication and enthusiasm, and to the committee and officers of the Group for steering us in the right direction.

Thanks

Fred Thwaites

Northbrook Barn Community Centre

We are fortunate to have a substantial building with flexibility of how to use the rooms and facilities together with sufficient storage space. It makes for a great Scout Group HQ for 1st Durrington.

To finance the running costs of the Centre we need to let rooms, including the hall – a Sussex Barn – and it is also a requirement of the lease with the Borough Council that the Centre is made available for hire.

The regular weekly hirers are important by providing the ongoing income to pay the bills. These have included the nursery during term time, exercise classes, dance classes, Many children use the facilities.

Those using the Centre are delighted with the facilities and, as we are not fully booked, we are always interested in enquires from new hirers. It is essential that the Centre does not become a liability on the members of the Scout Group but rather remains as an HQ giving Scouters a fine experience.

The Trustees are grateful for all the work put in by our manager, John Doswell.

Financial Report

The finances of the Scout Group and the Community Centre are kept separate, with different bank accounts to show that the subscriptions paid by parents and carers are spent for the benefit of the young people. However, the attached Accounts combine both the Scout Group and the Community Centre figures.

The NatWest Bank accounts were closed and the balances transferred to the new Lloyds Bank accounts.

Scout Group

The Group benefits from the receipt of subscriptions for the youth members, part of which we pay to support the West Sussex County Scouts and then particularly the Scout Association. The amount paid to The Scout Association includes the cost of public liability insurance. The balance of subs is used by leaders to provide for the weekly meetings.

With Covid-19 disrupting face-to-face meetings we took the decision just to ask parents for donations for the summer term in lieu of subscriptions. We are grateful to those able to support us in that way. Having got our act together with Zoom meetings we did then collect subs for the remaining two terms which gave us just enough to pay the Membership Fees in March to County Scouts and the Scout Association.

We were able to claim back tax of £345 under the Gift Aid scheme but any further fundraising was not possible. We used part of the remaining Amplicon grant, received last year, to buy four tables useful for camping.

There was a deficit for the year of £748 but we still have a reasonable bank balance.

Northbrook Barn Community Centre

With the Covid-19 shutdown starting before the beginning of our financial year, the Trustees knew immediately that they needed to review the financial situation and how the Centre might manage for the year ahead. We started with £25,000 in the bank and this would meet a large percentage of the annual costs. Fortunately, the Government came in quickly with grants, which we were able to claim. We placed the manager and cleaner on furlough and received 80% of their wages and also claimed the £10,000 business grant. So, by the end of April, we could see that we should have financial stability for the financial year.

Other than the Children's Nursery trying out a period in June and July the Centre remained closed until September. We then re-opened on a limited basis until the next lockdown in November. The Nursery was permitted to continue to open so we did receive some income during the remainder of the year. The employees were put onto part time work in August and fulltime from September. The cleaner resigned for family reasons in October and the manager then volunteered to take on this work until the future become clearer.

A further £4,000 Additional Restrictions Grant was received in March to make up for some of the loss of letting income. We are very grateful for all the Government financial support which amounted to £17,749 and meant that the Centre could remain viable. With the Grants and the reduced letting income we did manage a surplus of £4,986 for the year which led to a bank balance of £30,000 to take forward into another uncertain financial year, but with perhaps some hope for the future.

We have opened up with our regular users of the nursery, fitness classes and dance classes but otherwise take matters slowly until there is more certainty of what the future brings with the virus. In the meantime, the Trustees are as certain as they can be that the Group and the Centre have sufficient funds.

The Trustees are very grateful for all the work by John Doswell, the manager, in managing the Centre, cleaning and keeping the buildings safe.

Keith Chapman, Hon Treasurer

Receipts & Payments Account Summary for the year ended 31 March 2021

	This Year	Last Year
	£	£
Total Receipts for the year (page 5)	34,109	43,581
Total Payments for the year (page 5)	<u>29,876</u>	<u>35,925</u>
Net Surplus for the year	4,233	7,656
Cash, bank and other funds brought forward at 1 April 2020	<u>30,380</u>	<u>22,724</u>
Cash, bank and other funds at 31 March 2021	<u>£34,613</u>	<u>£30,380</u>

These accounts, the accompanying statement of assets and liabilities and Report were approved by the Trustees on 25 May 2021 and signed on their behalf by

Steve Coleman
(chairman)

Keith Chapman
(hon treasurer)

Statement of Assets & Liabilities at 31 March 2021

Year		This Year	Last
		£	£
<i>MONETARY ASSETS</i>			
Bank: current accounts	NatWest (Community Centre)	0	1,148
	Lloyds (Community Centre)	5,635	9,109
	NatWest (Scout Group)	0	1,058
	Lloyds (Scout Group)	4,190	3,805
deposit accounts	Lloyds (Comm. Centre)	24,504	4,000
	Cambridge & Counties Bank	0	10,690
Cash in hand – Scout Group		233	308
	Community Centre	<u>51</u>	<u>262</u>
Total		<u>£34,613</u>	<u>£30,380</u>

NON-MONETARY ASSETS

Lease on land at Northbrook Barn, Squadron Drive, from Worthing Borough Council for a period of 99 years from 23 June 1998.

The Community Centre Building which was built on the land at Squadron Drive.

The Contents of the Centre plus the Scout Group equipment.

Notes to the Accounts: -

- 1) The Scout Group is the owner of the Northbrook Barn Community Centre and these accounts incorporate the figures for the Centre. The accounts have been drawn up on a receipts & payments basis, which is consistent with the previous year.
- 2) 100% Charity Relief is received for the Council Tax.
- 3) Reserve's Policy – The Trustees are obliged to state their policy on the holding of a capital reserve. In view of the Covid-19 emergency any funds are needed to ensure the immediate financial needs of the Centre so a longer-term policy is on hold.
- 4) The NatWest Bank and the Cambridges & Counties Bank accounts were all closed during the year.

- 5) Division of Cash Funds: -
Group

	Centre	Scout
	£	£
Funds at 1 April 2020	25,209	5,171
Surplus/deficit for year	<u>4,986</u>	<u>(748)</u>
Funds at 31 March 2021	<u>£30,190</u>	<u>£4,423</u>

Receipts for the year ended 31 March 2021

Details		2020/21	2019/20
1st Durrington Scout Group			
Membership subscriptions	2,740		
less subscriptions to District, County & HQ	<u>2,480</u>	260	992
Camp fees & outings		0	1,267
Sale of Scarves & T-shirts		60	175
Tax repayment on Gift Aid		345	414
Fund Raising		0	251
Grants/donations		190	2,090
Sundries		<u>20</u>	<u>127</u>
Sub Total of Scout Group		£875	£5,316
Northbrook Barn Community Centre			
Letting income received from dance classes, children's nursery & pole fitness classes	10,462		32,130
Sundry sources	195		40
Rent for Scout Shop & Badge Secretary	<u>0</u>		<u>1,500</u>
Total of Lettings		£10,657	£33,670
Sundry income, including bank interest		374	210
Grants – Government re Covid-19		17,749	0
Sub Total of Community Centre		£28,780	£33,880
Council tax relief @ 100% (note 2)		4,454	<u>4,385</u>
TOTAL - Group & Centre		£34,109	£43,581

Payments for the year ended 31 March 2021

Details		2020/21	2019/20
1st Durrington Scout Group			
Section expenses	592		979
Camp & outing expenses	0		1,313
Sundries, Group Scarves/T-shirts, equipment etc	<u>1,031</u>		<u>2,011</u>
Sub Total of Scout Group		£1,623	£4,303
Northbrook Barn Community Centre			
Rent paid to WBC	1,465		1,455
Running costs & general maintenance of Centre	6,395		8,514
Insurances (building, contents, employer's liability)	4,466		4,531
Wages	10,965		12,047
Office costs	508		690
Equipment purchased	<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>
Sub Total of Community Centre		£23,799	£27,237
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Date: 9/9/2021

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