



## **Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended** **30<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

### **46<sup>th</sup> Scarborough (Westborough) Scout Group**

Registered Charity Number 1079133  
Registration number with the Scout Association 28177

#### **Trustees**

Mr J Ritchie - Group Chair  
Mrs S Turney – Group Secretary  
Mr L Jones - Group Treasurer  
Mr M Streets - Group Scout Leader  
Mr A Jennings - Assistant Group Scout Leader  
Mr C Adamson  
Mr D Evans  
Mr J Tindall  
Mr G Young  
Mrs K Tindall  
Rev Graham Morgan  
Mr S Peate  
Mr T Barlow  
Mr I Knowles  
Mr D Streets  
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Mrs L Usher

#### **Bankers**

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The Group'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.

The Group is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.  
Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation & Rules of the Scout Association.  
The accounts have been drawn up on the receipts and payments basis which is consistent with the previous year.

# **Trustees Annual Report for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

## **Organisational Structure**

The Group is managed by the Group Trustee Board, the volunteer charity Trustees of the Group as an educational charity, who make sure the Group is run safely and legally in the best interests of the Group and its members. This includes keeping proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission, alongside a focus on strategy, performance and assurance.

The Board consists of 3 independent representatives, Chair, Treasurer and Secretary together with the Group Scout Leaders, individual Section Leaders who agree to be Trustees, elected (parent representative) Members, and Nominated and Co-opted Members.

The Trustee Board acts in the charity's best interests, acting with reasonable care and skill and taking steps to be confident that the Group:

- is well managed.
- is carrying out its purposes for the public benefit.
- is complying with the charity's governing document and the law.
- is managing the charity's resources responsibly.
- is operating in compliance with the Policy, Organisation & Rules (POR) of the Scout Association, including effective management of the Key Policies listed in chapter 2 of POR.
- meaningfully involves young people in decision making at all levels.
- has sufficient resources (funds, people, property and equipment) available to meet the planned work of the Group.
- has a positive image in the local community.

Effective Trustee support helps other volunteers run the Scout programme that gives young people skills for life. Section leaders are responsible for operational decisions and policies, and implementing Group Trustee Board decisions and policies within their own section. They are also responsible for the production and maintenance of section financial accounts.

The Group currently has 1 Squirrel section, 2 Beaver sections, 2 Cub sections, and a Scout section.

## **Objects**

The objectives of the Group are as a unit of the Scout Association. Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.

The Group is open to young people from the community and provides varied programmes of activities. The Group meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under the advancement of both education and citizenship or community development criteria.

Subsidies are available so that no child misses out on an activity for financial reasons.

## **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

## **Activities and Achievements**

### **Squirrel Scout Drey**

The Squirrel section (ages 4 and 5 years) has gone from strength to strength during the past year and has welcomed 2 new adult leaders. Activities this year included a first birthday party for the Drey, tent pitching, exploring outdoors, a beach night and a zoom sleepover. The Squirrels also attended the District 'Adventure' day at Birch Hall.

The Drey continued with some outdoor activities (involving fires and food!) and badge work indoors. The Squirrels attended a day at the Group camp in November at Birch Hall and amazed all the Leaders with their willingness to try everything, some stayed for the campfire which they loved! Several of the Squirrels attended the District carol service at Westborough.

The Squirrel section have tried archery and have had their first Squirrel sleepover – which went very well. They have attended Church Parade and carried the Squirrel flag with pride.

A significant number of the Squirrels have been awarded their Chief Scouts Acorn Award. The Drey has welcomed new Squirrels being invested and the first ones have been moving up to Beavers. It is so exciting to see this younger section growing.

Lesley M. Usher & Emma Harrison,  
Squirrel Scout Leaders

### **Derwent Beaver Scout Colony**

At present Derwent Beavers has 1 Beaver Scout Leader, 2 Assistant Beaver Scout Leaders and 3 section assistants who support 7 active beaver scouts and 2 more on their link to Cobra cubs. The Assistant Beaver Scout Leaders have both completed their training for their Wood Beads, congratulations Jack and Callum.

Over this last year Derwent Beavers have completed many challenge badges alongside activity badges resulting in 4 Bronze awards being awarded. The Beavers have spent time out in the community meeting members of the emergency services, completing treasure hunts, participated in experiments, growing flowers from a seed, engaging in the community with a litter pick, along with participating in activities of traditional scouting skills and life skills such as telling the time and tying our shoelaces.

All Derwent Beavers have participated with great enthusiasm and have participated in log chews to provide ideas for activities that they would like to take part in over the next year, this has created some great ideas that the leadership team can work with.

Gill Breckon,  
Beaver Scout Leader

## Wharfe Beaver Scout Colony

Wharfe Beavers have had a very exciting year with days away to Hull museums and Whitby and also exciting overnight opportunities such as sleepovers at Birch Hall for our Group camp and to celebrate Beavers being 40 years old!

The Beavers have learnt many new skills through badge work such as tying knots, building dens, making healthy meals, sporting activities and map reading. As a colony we have had 5 children earn their Chief Scout Bronze award which is the highest award a Beaver can earn!

Our numbers have continued to grow with a steady flow of children moving up from Squirrels. Our leadership numbers are good, with a range of skills throughout the team who are all supportive to our Young Leaders who are working hard to become confident in leading activities and supporting the children in our Group.

Kirstie Tindall,  
Beaver Scout Leader.

## Cobra Cub Scout Pack

The Cobra Cub pack has had a change in leadership over the past year as 3 new leaders, Charlotte Guy, Laura Edmunds and Kirsty Farrow have joined the team to support Andy and Emma Jennings.

As well as focusing on the Challenge awards Cobra Cubs have also been working towards many of the staged and activity Badges including Artists, Home Help, Backwards Cooking, Cyclist, Fire Safety, Scientist and Navigator.

Over the past year the pack has taken part in District competition's including sand sculpting, sports, cooking and Five a Side football. The pack has also attended the District Sixer and Secunder Christmas event, District carol service and the District Sixer and Secunder day out at the National Coal Mining Museum.

Cobra Cubs pack has had a very successful year, highlights for the year include the Group camp and sleepover with Panthers. We have had a visit from the Fire Brigade, a P.C.S.O visit and a visit from Richardson's cycle shop. We have visited The RNLI lifeboat house and Mrs. Potts Potts, The Sky Trail at the North Bay Railway and foot golf with Derwent Beavers. We have often made use of the outdoor spaces around us including Raincliffe woods, Turkey Carpet, Oliver's Mount and the North Bay beach.

Charlotte Guy,  
Cub Scout Leader.

## Panther Cub Scout Pack

During the past year the Pack has engaged in many activities including: the Peasholm Park Tree Trail, Wide Games at Turkey Carpet, Backwoods cooking and fire lighting, Geocaching at Oliver's Mount, a dads and lads evening at Raincliffe Gate taking the form of bivouacking, Snakes & Ladders at Falsgrave Park, a hike in the Scalby area, Crazy Golf on the northside, living a healthy lifestyle. collage making for the Harvest Festival, orienteering at Falsgrave Park, Group Social, a quiz, Personal Safety, Group Camp, Navigation, Christmas Good Turn, making Christmas decorations, a Christmas Party, football, various Mapping Skills evenings, Problem Solving through the Trade Game, Pancake evening, Founder's Day evening, Mums and Lads evening, a Sleepover jointly with the Cobra Pack, Our Skills evening and an Easter theme evening.



## Panther Cub Scout Pack (Cont'd)

During the year the badges gained have included: 8 Chief Scout Silver Awards (the highest award in the section), Challenge awards including: Our Adventure, Our Outdoor, Our Skills, Team Leader, Teamwork and Our World, the Personal Safety, Hobbies, Sports Enthusiast and Home Help Activity Badges and various stages of the Hikes Away and Nights Away Staged Badges and many more.

During the year, the Pack has participated in the following District competitions – sand sculpting, sports (1st.), cooking (3rd.), quiz (joint 1st.), swimming gala and Five-a-Side football (2nd.).

For the 2022/23 competitions, the Pack was joint winners of the Hilda Smith Trophy. The Pack has also participated in the following District events - St. George's Day parade and service, Sixer & Secondar Christmas event, carol service, Christmas Good Turn, Sixer & Secondar day to the National Coal Mining Museum near Wakefield, Beaver Scout link day and Cub Scout link event.

Colin T. Adamson,  
Cub Scout Leader.

## Scout Troop

Over the past year the Scouts have taken part in the following competitions and events: - football (2nd), District night hike, camp craft (2nd), Kontiki (1st in the race), cooking competition (4th), Cub Scout Link day (Two Scouts attended to assist the leaders), Archery (2nd), Shooting (2nd), District carol service, St. George's Day service, Lake District walking weekend, Group camp Birch Hall, summer camp in Helmsley.

We have done the following activities: - hobbies night, pizza making, film night, map skills, team Olympics, Pancake cooking, fitness challenge, world food, Escape Rooms, bike ride, orienteering, North Yorkshire Water Park, sports night, 10 pin bowling, egg drop challenge, archery, model making (Warhammer), Wide Games, pioneering, navigation.

We have worked towards the following badges: - Adventure, Creative, Outdoors, Skills, World, Teamwork, Expedition, Hobbies, Paddle Sports, Model Maker, Master at Arms.

Nine Scouts have achieved their Chief Scout Gold Award in the last 12 months.

David M. Streets,  
Scout Leader.

## Extreme Explorer Scout Unit

Explorer Scouts continues to do very well, we have competed in and won the District overnight unit trek (DONUT), competed in the Five-a-Side football competition and the London Explorer (game of real-life Monopoly around London) and won that as well.

We join with the troop most weeks for flag break which helps the Scouts get to know the Explorers better and this helps with the transition from Scouts to Explorers. We have a full programme of activities throughout the year which includes weeklong camps, weekends away and overnight activities.

David Evans,  
Extreme Explorer Scout Leader.

## **Review of major risks**

The trustees have reviewed the risks faced by the Group. It has been agreed that the major risks are associated with the health and safety of young people under their supervision, and that guidelines provided by the Scout Association must always be adhered to.

To that end, the following policies are adopted: -

- All appointed leaders must hold the relevant first aid certificate.
- Leaders holding the appropriate certification must conduct all activities undertaken.
- The quartermasters must check all equipment at regular intervals.
- All Leaders, Group Executive Members and Group Occasional Helpers must have received a satisfactory Disclosure & Barring Service Enhanced Clearance.

## **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 cheque and online payments and comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

## **Reserves**

The Group has no particular ongoing activities that require a constant supply of funds. However, in order that emergency repairs to the Minibus and Garage may be carried out promptly and to cover costs in unforeseen circumstances, we have reviewed the reserves and consider that reserves of £4,000 should be maintained. Funds are also available to subsidise those young people who would otherwise be unable to participate in an activity for financial reasons.

## **Thanks**

Thank you to everyone who has supported the Group throughout the year, to all our Group Executive Members, Parents and Supporters.

Finally, I would like to thank Westborough Methodist Church, our sponsoring authority, for providing us with both support and accommodation to be able to run a vibrant and successful Scout Group.

Approved by the trustees on 14 October 2024  
and signed on their behalf by

Position



John Ritchie

Chair

46<sup>th</sup> Scarborough (Westborough) Scout Group

## Receipts & Payments Account Summary for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024

	30.04.24	30.04.23
Total receipts for the year (see page 8)	£31,761	£19,662
Total payments for the year (see page 9)	£26,330	£21,061
Net receipts (payments) for the year	£5,431	(£1,399)
Cash & bank funds brought forward	£14,718	£15,806
Stock of uniform and hoodies brought forward	£765	£1,076
Cash & bank & funds carried forward	£20,262	£14,718
Stock of uniform and hoodies carried forward	£652	£765

The above account and accompanying statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the trustees on 8 July 2024



And signed on their behalf by

John Ritchie

Position

Chair

46<sup>th</sup> Scarborough (Westborough) Scout Group



**Receipts for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

	<b>30.04.24</b>	<b>30.04.23</b>
Membership subscriptions	£18,797	£13,920
Less membership subscriptions paid on	<u>£8,419</u>	<u>£7,169</u>
Net membership subscriptions retained	£10,378	£6,751
 Bank interest	 £57	 £40
 Donations	 £30	 £523
 Activities	 £7,748	 £7,345
 Other Income		
Grants	£3,034	£250
Gift Aid	£3,007	£2,333
Group social	£403	£408
Sale of Topper sailboat	£0	£350
Minibus	£2,434	£189
Group camp	£4,230	£0
Group hoodies/ T shirts	£265	£1,173
Uniform	£175	£300
 Total Receipts	 £31,761	 £19,662



**Payments for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

		<b>30.04.24</b>	<b>30.04.23</b>
Insurance	Premises / equipment	£699	£701
	Minibus	£1,079	£1,025
Activities	General	£15,245	£13,368
Administration expenses		£125	£13
Equipment/store		£84	£1,051
Other expenditure	Minibus	£2,253	£936
	Garage repairs	£0	£1,007
	Group camp	£5,280	£0
	Uniform	£175	£300
	Group hoodies/ T shirts	£265	£1,694
	Bank charges	£169	£138
	Group social	£956	£798
	Training	£0	£30
Trustee expenses		None	None
Total		<u>£26,330</u>	<u>£21,061</u>

## Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024

	30.04.24	30.04.23
Monetary Assets		
Group bank account / cash in hand	£13,581	£7,047
Section bank accounts / cash in hand	<u>£6,681</u>	<u>£7,671</u>
	<u>£20,262</u>	<u>£14,718</u>
Non-monetary Assets		
Stock of uniform and hoodies	<u>£652</u>	<u>£765</u>
Land and buildings	<u>£12,150</u>	<u>£12,150</u>
Motor vehicles	<u>£748</u>	<u>£997</u>
Scouting equipment	<u>£13,141</u>	<u>£14,520</u>
Liabilities		
Due now	None	None
Payable in the future	None	None





Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

**46<sup>th</sup> Scarborough (Westborough) Scout Group**

On accounts for the year  
ended

**30<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

Charity no  
(if any)

**1079133**

Set out on pages

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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 **30 / 04/ 2024**.

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 all 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 in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Signed:

Date:

**01/07/2024**

Name:

**Graeme Jeffrey**

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

Address


**Section B**

**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

**Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.**

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