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Reference and administration details

Shire Oak (Leeds) District Scout Council

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(These will be published in the annual report of the charity and the Charity Register if reporting for a Registered Charity with a charity regulator)

	Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1	ANDREW SYKES		
2	ROBERT TURNER		
3	ALEX WILLIAM MUTCH		
4	PATRICK SMITH		
5	SALLY BELL		
6	LAURENCE EDWARD BELL		
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(These will be published in the annual report of the charity)

Type of advisor	Name	Address

Section B	Structure, governance and management
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Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document

(e.g. trust deed, constitution)

The District's governing documents are those of the 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.

How the charity is constituted

(e.g. trust, association, company)

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

Trustee selection methods

(e.g. appointed by, elected by)

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

Additional governance issues (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:

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

Policies and procedures adopted for:

a) the induction and training of trustees; b) trustee' consideration of major risks and the systems and procedures to manage them

The Trustee Board consists of the Chair, Treasurer and 4 Trustees (including 1 Ex Officio Trustees) and meets every 3 months.

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

This District Trustee Board exists to make sure the charity is well-managed, risks are assessed and mitigated, buildings and equipment are in good working order, and everyone follows legal requirements and the organisation's policies and rules. Their support helps other volunteers run high-quality and safe programmes that gives young people skills for life.

Section B	Structure, governance and management (continued)
	<p data-bbox="695 222 964 247">Risk and Internal Control</p> <p data-bbox="695 252 1333 394">The District Trustee Board has identified the major risks to which they believe the District is exposed, these have been reviewed and systems have been established to mitigate against them. The main areas of concern that have been identified are:</p> <p data-bbox="695 430 1333 636">Damage to the building, property and equipment. The District would request the use of buildings, property and equipment from neighbouring organisations such as the church, community centre and other Scout Districts. Similar reciprocal arrangements exist with these organisations. The District has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss.</p> <p data-bbox="695 672 1333 783">Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members. The District through the capitation fees contributes to the Scout Associations national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities.</p> <p data-bbox="695 819 1333 1024">Reduced income from fund raising. The District is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. The District does hold a reserve to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income. The Board could raise the value of subscriptions to increase the income to the District on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently.</p> <p data-bbox="695 1060 1333 1266">Reduction or loss of leaders. The District is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the District. If there was a reduction in the number of leaders to an unacceptable level in a particular section or the District as a whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section. In the worst case scenario the complete closure of the District.</p> <p data-bbox="695 1302 1333 1476">Reduction or loss of members. The District provides activities for all young people aged 4 to 18. If there was a reduction in membership in a particular section or the District as whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section. In the worst case scenario the complete closure of the District.</p> <p data-bbox="695 1512 964 1537">Risk and Internal Control</p> <p data-bbox="695 1541 1333 1684">The District has in place systems of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss, these include 2 signatories for all payments and a comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered.</p>

Section C	Objectives and activities
Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document	<p>The Purpose of Scouting Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>
Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects	<p>Provision of District led Activities for Young People Running of Hunters Greave Scout Campsite Co-ordinating Groups with County and National HQ Supporting delivery of County led events</p>
Additional details of the objectives and activities (optional information but encouraged as best practice)	
<p>You may choose to include further statements, where relevant, about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • policy on grantmaking; • contribution made by volunteers; • policy on investments. 	

Public benefit statement

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

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

During the year the District supported County with Challenge 23 camp with over 200 attendees from Shire Oak District Increased use of Hunters Greave campsite by Scouting and non-Scouting organisations. Non scouting users included endurance events and drone racing
The District made preparations for transition from Executive to Trustee Board

Section E

Financial Review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Reserves Policy

The District's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the District should income and fundraising activities fall short. The District Trustee Board considers that the District should hold a sum equivalent to 6 months running costs, circa £5,000 whilst holding reserves against reparr and maintenance on Hunters Greave and smoothing costs to Groups for District provision at tri-annial County Camps. Much of the annual income into the District is the pass through of the HQ capitation charge.

The District held reserves of approximately £49,000 against this at year end. This is above the level required for operating expenses. However this can be explained by the plans being drawn up for improvements to the Hunters Greave site and the Jubilee Hall building. In particular following the renewal of the Hunters Greave lease investigations are underway about replacing the existing toilet block, storage buildings for District equipment and additional campsite activity provision and security

Quantify and explain any designations

Details of any funds materially in deficit (circumstances plus steps to eliminate)

Further financial review details (optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);

- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;

- investment policy and objectives;

Investment Policy

The District's Income and Expenditure is very small and as a consequence does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer-term investments such as stocks and shares. The District has therefore adopted a low risk strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or building societies.

The District Trustee Board regularly monitors the levels of bank balances and the interest rates received to ensure the District obtains maximum value and income from its banking arrangements. Occasionally this may involve using an account that requires a period of notice before funds may be withdrawn, before doing so the District Trustee Board considers the cash flow requirements.

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Section F

Other Optional Information

Plans for future periods (details of any significant activities planned to achieve them)

Recruitment of additional Trustees to the Trustee Board
Improvements to Hunters Greave campsite and Jubilee Hall building
Running a District St Georges Day event

Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Andrew Sykes

Full name(s)

Andrew Sykes

Position (eg Secretary, Chair)

Chair

Date

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Shire Oak (Leeds) District Scout Council

Receipts and payments account

Year start date

Year end date

For the year from	01/04/2023	To	31/03/2024
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Receipts and payments

	2023/24	2022/23
	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	£	£
Receipts		
Donations, legacies and similar income		
Membership subscriptions	41,364	50,945
Donations	-	150
Contribution from Closed Group	1,300	-
Gift Aid	-	-
Other similar income	-	-
Sub total	42,664	51,095
Grants		
Maintenence grant	-	-
Other grants	-	-
Sub total	-	-
Fundraising events (gross)		
Hunters Greave Activity Centre	9,064	10,984
Explorers Activities	464	150
Aldwark	-	1,575
Challenge 23	9,470	-
Sub total	18,998	12,709
Scout hut income		
Hire of building	-	-
Hire of equipment	-	-
Other Scout hut income	-	-
Sub total	-	-
Investment income		
Bank interest	331	77
Building Society interest	40	12
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	-	-
Other investment income	-	-
Sub total	371	89
Total Gross Income	62,033	63,893
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-
Total receipts	62,033	63,893

Shire Oak (Leeds) District Scout Council

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Receipts and payments

	2023/24	2022/23
	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	£	£
Payments		
Charitable Payments		
Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/Area/District)	40,993	41,831
Explorers	1,899	844
Grant to new group	-	500
Rent & Rates	36	81
Water and Sewerage	-	474
Electricity and Gas	1,321	751
Insurance	2,164	1,731
Repairs and Renewals	3,783	1,435
Challenge 23	13,575	-
Printing and photocopying	-	147
Bank Charges	147	149
Room Hire	260	200
Hunters Greave Roof	-	19,345
Hunters Greave Lease Costs	-	8,000
Aldwark Activity Centre	1,300	1,587
Sundry Expenses	1,080	613
Sub total	66,558	77,688
Fundraising expenses		
Detail 1	-	-
Detail 2	-	-
Detail 3	-	-
Other fundraising costs	-	-
Sub total	-	-
Total Gross Expenditure	66,558	77,688
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	-	-
Total payments	66,558	77,688
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 4,525	- 13,795
Cash funds last year end	58,887	72,682
Cash funds this year end	54,362	58,887

Shire Oak (Leeds) District Scout Council

Receipts and payments account

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Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	31/03/2024 Unrestricted funds £	31/03/2023 Unrestricted funds £
Cash funds		
Bank current account	19,050	23,624
Bank deposit account	19,222	18,890
Building society account	15,958	15,918
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	-	-
Cash/Floats	132	455
Total cash funds	54,362	58,887
Other monetary assets		
Tax claim	-	-
Debts due from the County/Area/District/Group	3,062	436
Insurance claim	-	-
Sub total	3,062	436
Investment assets		
Investment property - detail	-	-
Quoted investments	-	-
Other investments - detail	-	-
Sub total	-	-
Non monetary assets for charity's own use		
Badge stock	-	-
Shop stock	-	-
Other stock	-	-
Land and buildings	-	-
Motor vehicles	-	-
Scouting equipment, furniture etc	-	-
Other	-	-
Sub total	-	-
Liabilities		
Accounts not yet paid	-	1,300
Expenses incurred but not invoiced	352	52
Subscriptions not yet paid	-	-
Loan - detail	-	-
Hunters Greave Lease	8,000	8,000
Sub total	8,352	9,352
Total net assets	49,072	49,971

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 25th June 2024 (the date of the Trustee Board meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by

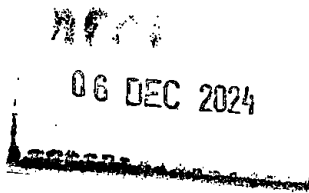
Signature

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Andrew Sykes	Chair
Barrie Oldam	Acting Treasurer

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3rd December 2024

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fao Martin Garrity / Sam Keane

To whom it may concern,

Re: Shire Oak District Scouts – 2023/2024 Accounts

Following on from your letter of the 9th October, and with many apologies for the delay in responding, please find attached a signed copy of the 2023/2024 accounts for Shire Oak District Scouts.

Please do let me know if you need more information,

(Robert Turner)

SHIRE OAK (LEEDS) DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

Charity Commission registered number 1084927

**Accounts
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the Shire Oak (Leeds)
District Scout Council for the year ended 31 March 2024**

I report to the charity's trustees of the Shire Oak (Leeds) District Scout Council on my examination of the receipts and payments accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024 which are attached.

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').

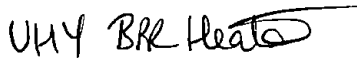
I report in respect of my examination that the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- (2) the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.



Martin Garrity FCCA FCA

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Chartered Accountants
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25 June 2024

Shire Oak (Leeds) District Scout Council

Receipts and payments account

Year start date		Year end date	
For the year from	01-Apr-23	To	31-Mar-24

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Liabilities		
At 31-Mar-23 (July 2021)	-	21,300

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Loan - detail	-	-
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Signature





Print Name

Andrew Sykes - Chair

Robert Turner ~~B. A. Oldham - Acting Treasurer~~