

Trustees Annual Report

From 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024

Section A

Reference and Administration details

Charity Name	1 st Englefield Green Scout Group
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Principal Address	King's Lane Englefield Green Surrey TW20 0UB

Names of Charity Trustees who manage the Charity		
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Martin Riordan	Treasurer	
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Section D

Achievements and Performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year	No update.
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Section E

Financial Review

Brief Statement on the charity's policy on reserves	The Group's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the Group should income and fund raising fall short.
Further financial review details	The Group's income and expenditure overall is small and as a consequence the Group does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer term investments. The Group therefore adopts a low risk strategy with all funds held in cash using only mainstream banks or the Charities Official Investment Funds.

Section F

Other Optional Information

Plans for future periods and activities planned to achieve them	None
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Section G

Declaration

Signatures		
Full Names	Christine Peach	Martin Riordan
Position	Secretary	Treasurer
Date	22 May 2024	

1st Englefield Green Scout Group

Receipts and Payments Account

For the Year from 1st April to 31st March

Receipts and Payments		
Receipts	31 st March 2023	31 st March 2024
	Unrestricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds
	£	£
Donations, Legacies, and Similar Income		
Membership Subscriptions	5,302.00	7,185.50
Less Membership Subscriptions paid to District	(2,896.00)	(3,072.00)
Net Membership Subscriptions retained	2,406.00	4,113.50
Donations	250.00	-
Grants	-	-
Gift Aid Tax Refund	1,569.09	1,517.01
Other similar Income	-	-
Sub Total	4,225.09	5,630.51
Youth Programme and Activities		
Group Activities	11,059.29	6,473.50
Uniform and Handbooks	-	-
Sub Total	11,059.29	6,473.50
Fundraising (gross)		
Village Fair & BBQs	3,874.97	8,801.30
Sundry Income (Insurance Claim)	-	-
Sub Total	3,874.97	8,801.30
Investment Income		
Bank Interest	-	-
Charity Fund Interest	1,066.10	2,975.10
Rental Income	450.00	1,616.68
Sub Total	1,516.10	4,591.78
Total Gross Income	20,675.45	25,497.09
Asset and Investment Sales	-	-
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Charitable Payments		
Youth Programme and Activities	15,983.69	9,770.60
Adult Support and Training	-	-
Rent	-	-
Water and Sewerage	182.72	256.33
Electricity and Gas	1,277.25	1,692.55
Insurance	2,014.92	1,763.40
Repairs and Renewals	-	1,633.37
Maintenance and Equipment	4,181.02	2,445.92
Printing and Photocopying	-	-
Donations	-	-
Uniforms / Badges / Training	1,185.34	720.40
AGM and Trustee Expenses	-	-
Telephone	401.14	466.55
Sundry Payments	-	-
New Headquarters Building	-	-
Sub Total	25,226.08	18,749.12
British Legion / Donation	110.00	82.50
Lottery Licence	20.00	20.00
Fund Raising	2,213.21	2,952.72
Sub Total	2,343.21	3,055.22
Total Gross Expenditure	27,569.29	21,804.34
Asset and Investment Purchases	-	-
Total Payments	27,569.29	21,804.34
Net of Receipts / (Payments)	(6,893.84)	3,692.75
Cash Funds prior year end	71,891.97	64,998.13
Cash Funds this year end	64,998.13	68,690.88

Statement of Assets and Liabilities
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	31 st March 2023	31 st March 2024
	Unrestricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds
	£	£
Cash Funds		
Bank Current Account	3,800.11	4,517.76
Charity Investment Account	61,198.02	64,173.12
Cash / Floats	-	-
Total Cash Funds	64,998.13	68,690.88
Other Monetary Assets		
Tax Claim	-	-
Debts due to the Group	-	-
Insurance Claim	-	-
Sub Total	-	-
Non-Monetary Assets		
Badge Stock	-	-
Other Stock	-	-
Land and Buildings	25,340.00	19,005.00
Motor Vehicles	-	-
Equipment and Furniture	8,000.00	8,000.00
Sub Total	33,340.00	27,005.00
Liabilities		
Accounts not yet paid	-	-
Expenses Incurred but not yet Invoiced	-	-
Subscriptions not yet paid	-	-
Loan – Detail	-	-
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Sub Total	-	-

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**Independent Examiner's Report
To the Trustees of 1st Englefield Green Scout Group**

I report on the accounts of the Group for the year ended 31st March 2024, which are set out in the attached Trustees Annual Report.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

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

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

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

Signed:.....Peter Conroy.....

Dated:....30th June 2024.....

Peter Conroy ACMA

17 Willow Walk, Englefield Green, Surrey, TW20 0DQ