

Annual Report 2022-2023

The Old Boathouse, Old Portsmouth, Hampshire, PO1 2JL



1ST PORTSMOUTH
SEA SCOUTS

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Registered Charity Number(s) 1093625 (England and Wales)

Group Details

Trustees

Mrs Alison Bailey (Chair)

Ms Louise Henderson (Group Secretary)

Ms Karen Thompson (Group Treasurer)

Mr Phillip Jones (GSL)

Miss Aimee Mollart (AGSL)

Mr Steve Giffin

Mr Malcolm Bray (Appointed 13th Oct 2023)

Mr Robert Slattery (Appointed 13th Oct 2023)

Mr Mathew Alred (Assistant Scout Leader) (Appointed 13th Oct 2023)

Mr Robin Searle (Cub Scout Leader)

Mr Mark Briggs (General Member)

Mr Christopher White

Bankers

Lloyds Bank Plc

Scout Association Registered Number

3470

Charity Registration Number

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Contact Details

Group Secretary
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Treasurer's Report

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Strategic Direction

The aim of the Board of Trustees remains to secure a long-term lease for the retention of both the beach and the Boat House and making repairs and improvements to these assets. In support of this we have increased our total bank balances to £69k and the Designated Fund for this project currently held as a savings account with Redwood Bank from £55.4k to £62.4k. Further funding will be necessary to achieve this objective, but it is important that the principles are in place with the landlord, Portsmouth City Council, prior to proceeding with fundraising activities. The Board is optimistic that this is imminent.

Other areas of note in the accounts are:

Income

1. The subscription income for this year totals £11,200 up from £8,810 last year. This is mainly driven by increased numbers of young people participating in the Group. This has also been evidenced in camping income which has increased from £1,551 to £9,050
2. The value of grants fell from £31k last year (£20,000 from Wyllie Trust and £10,700 from Portsmouth CC) to £5,000 this year. We are grateful for the contributions from Hedley Foundation, Persimmon Homes and Robert Hall Foundation which enabled us to purchase new safety equipment and, in February, a road trailer ahead of a significant price rise.
3. Interest from balances at the banks has increased year on year from £370 to £1,003 due to the higher average balances and the improved interest from our Redwood bank account.

Expenditure

The increase in expenditure has been in line with the operational income and inflation.

An increase in our monthly subscription rates from £10 to £12.50 for Beavers and Cubs and from £20 to £24 for Scouts will become effective in the year beginning 6/4/2023 to reflect inflationary cost increases but, I believe, continue to represent excellent value given our resources.

I can again confirm that the finances of the Group are in a good state, with subscription income covering everyday expenditure and in shape to secure the long-term access for 1st Portsmouth Sea Scout members to affordable on-water activities.

Karen Thompson
Group Treasurer

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Appendix 1- Group Accounts

1st Portsmouth Sea Scouts
Income & Expenditure Account 06/04/2022 - 05/04/2023

<u>Income</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Scout Subscriptions	£6,540.00	
Cub Subscriptions	£2,600.00	
Beaver Subscriptions	£2,060.00	
Boating	£200.64	
Sale Of Equipment	£2,600.00	
Fundraising	£847.50	
Grants	£5,205.00	
Explorers Levy	£660.00	
Gift Aid	£2,986.70	
Donations	£309.81	
Other	£93.59	
Scout Activities	£0.00	
Cub Activities	£0.00	
Badges + Uniform	£443.15	
Water Activities	£0.00	
Interest	£1,003.00	
Explorers	£980.00	
Camps	£9,050.50	
Total	£35,579.89	

<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Admin	£553.16	
Badges + Uniform	£3,122.17	Note 1
Boating	£8,289.90	Note 2
Camping Equipment	£246.47	
Cub Activities	£154.92	
Hut	£3,613.94	Note 3
Membership Fees	£3,498.00	
Other	£56.42	
Beaver Activities	£44.27	
Scout Activities	£267.61	
Scout Fuel	£243.75	
Training	£534.00	
General Equipment	£2,656.93	
Fundraising	£258.72	Note 4
Explorers	£280.00	
Camps	£7,230.04	Note 5
Total	£31,050.30	

<u>Allocated Funds</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Group Development Fund	£62,422.12
Total	£62,422.12

Surplus/Deficit	£4,529.59
Start Balance	£64,532.72
Add Income	£100,112.61
Closing Balance	£69,062.31
Add Expenditure	£100,112.61
Error	£0.00

Appendix 2 – Notes to Accounts

1st Portsmouth Sea Scouts Notes To Accounts

Notes 1 - Badges + Uniform

Category	Amount
Badges	£846.26
Uniform	£1,643.60
Group Clothing	£632.31
Uniform Shop	£0.00
Total	£3,122.17



Notes 2 - Boating

Category	Amount
Boat Equipment	£3,995.58
Boat Insurance	£1,052.30
Boat Maintenance	£1,690.52
Boat Servicing	£0.00
Boat Storage	£1,551.50
Total	£8,289.90

Notes 3 - Hut

Category	Amount
Hut Insurance	£0.00
Hut Maintenance	£126.42
Rates	£0.00
Rent	£2,629.68
Utilities	£857.84
Total	£3,613.94

Notes 4 - Fundraising

Category	Amount
Fundraising Events	£258.72
General Fundraising	£0.00
Total	£258.72

Notes 5 - Camps

Category	Amount
District Camp 2022	£84.00
Group Camp 2022	£2,247.97
Summer Camp 2022	£4,228.07
Group Camp 2023	£670.00
Total	£7,230.04

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Appendix 3 – Scrutineer's Report

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of 1st Portsmouth Sea Scouts Council

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the 1st Portsmouth Sea Scouts for the year ended 5th April 2023

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the 1st Portsmouth Sea Scouts 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 1st Portsmouth Sea Scouts 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the 1st Portsmouth Sea Scouts 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.

Signed:



Name:

Maxine Reeves

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37, Warblington Street, Portsmouth, PO1 2ET

Date:

3 November 2023

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