

# 1st Bures Scout Group

England & Wales - Charity number 1118781

## Details

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**Other names** IST BURES SCOUT GROUP

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 2007-04-12

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

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** TO PROMOTE THE DEVELOPMENT OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN ACHIEVING THEIR FULL PHYSICAL, INTELLECTUAL, SOCIAL AND SPIRITUAL POTENTIAL; AS INDIVIDUALS, AS RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS AND AS MEMBERS OF THEIR LOCAL, NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITIES

**Activities:** SCOUTING Full range of activities for children age from 6-18 years

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Education/training, Religious Activities, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport, Environment/conservation/heritage, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People

## Geography

- **Area of benefit:** NOT DEFINED. IN PRACTICE. BYRES ST MARY & BURES HAMLET
- Essex
- Suffolk

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£44,620	£32,261	-	-
2024-03-31	£39,825	£36,474	-	-
2023-03-31	£41,381	£44,986	-	-
2022-03-31	£39,536	£26,922	-	-
2021-03-31	£20,702	£21,761	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Antony Michael Waring		2016-11-07
Claire Ann Noblet		2022-04-04
Gareth Lloyd		2023-07-12
Helen Elizabeth Foster		2021-09-30
Kerrie McGivern		2025-07-01
Philip Byford		2025-07-01

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# Accounts

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<p><b>Trustees' Annual Report for the period April 2024 to March 2025</b></p> <p><b>1<sup>st</sup> Bures Scout Group</b> Registered Charity number 1118781</p> <p>c/o 9 Pikes Marsh, Bures, Suffolk CO8 5AQ</p>	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Trustee</th> <th>Office</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Antony Waring</td> <td>Lead Volunteer</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Helen Foster</td> <td>Chair</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Claire Noblet</td> <td>Secretary</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Gareth Lloyd</td> <td>Treasurer</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Trustee	Office	Antony Waring	Lead Volunteer	Helen Foster	Chair	Claire Noblet	Secretary	Gareth Lloyd	Treasurer
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### Structure, Governance and Management

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.

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

The Group is managed by the Group Trustee Board, the members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' of the Scout Group 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.

The Trustee Board consists of the Chair, Treasurer and 2 Trustees (including 1 Ex Officio Trustee and 1 co-opted Trustee) and meets 3 times per year.

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

This Group 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.

### Risk and Internal Control

The Group Trustee Board has identified the major risks to which they believe the Group 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:

- Damage to the building, property and equipment. The Group would request the use of buildings, property and equipment from neighbouring organisations such as the church, community centre and other Scout Groups. Similar reciprocal arrangements exist with these organisations. The Group has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss.
- Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members. The Group through the capitation fees contributes to the Scout Associations national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities.

- Reduced income from fund raising. The Group is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. The group 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 group on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently.
- Reduction or loss of leaders. The group is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the group. If there was a reduction in the number of leaders to an unacceptable level in a particular section or the group 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 Group.
- Reduction or loss of members. The Group provides activities for all young people aged 4 to 18. If there was a reduction in membership in a particular section or the group 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 Group.

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.

## **Objectives and Activities**

### **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.

### **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

Our Beaver, Cub, Scout and Explorer Sections undertake a wide range of indoor and outdoor activities, offering our members the opportunity to learn new skills, develop self-confidence and contribute to the local community.

All of our members demonstrate personal development through working towards a range of badges. Some of our young people take on additional responsibility by acting as team leaders, while others demonstrate their commitment to Scouting by working towards their Chief Scout awards. Members of our Explorer Section have the opportunity to participate in the Duke of Edinburgh Awards Scheme and the Scouts Young Leader programme.

Together, we contribute regularly to our local community through participating in local events and taking part in work parties to enhance our village. We maintain our own Scout HQ buildings and campsite facilities to a high

standard. Regular fundraising activities are organised by our Trustees and adult volunteers to support our activities.

As a Group, we demonstrate our values by participating in the District St George's Day Parade and village Remembrance Day Parade.

We are grateful for the dedicated commitment of our volunteers and we acknowledge and recognise the amount of time and effort they give so that our Group continues to thrive.

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

### **Achievement and Performance**

We were proud to recognise the outstanding contributions made by two of our leaders:

- Liz Moulton was presented with a Commissioner's Commendation Award
- Jo Waring was awarded a Long Service Award for 30 years service

Scouts and Explorers spent a week camping at Youlbury Scout Activity Centre near Oxford. All Sections came together for our Group Camp at Bures.

As a Group, we worked in collaboration with Essex and South Suffolk Community Rail Partnership to celebrate 175 years of the Gainsborough Railway line.

### **Financial Review**

#### **Reserves Policy**

The Group's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the group should income and fundraising activities fall short. The Group Trustee Board considers that the group should hold a sum equivalent to 12 months running costs, circa £10,000.

#### **Investment Policy**

The Group'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 Group 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 Group Trustee Board regularly monitors the levels of bank balances and the interest rates received to ensure the group 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 Group Trustee Board considers the cash flow requirements.

### **Declaration**

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' Report above.

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees



Helen Foster, Chair

**1st Bures Scouts Group**

**Statement of Financial Activities  
For the year ended 31 March 2025**

Incoming Resources

Income resources from generated funds:

	31/03/2025	31/03/2024
	£	£
Voluntary Income	5,808	6,638
Charitable Activities	9,786	9,285
Activities for generating funds	17,068	12,847
Other incoming resources	11,397	11,055
Investment interest	561	-
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	44,620	39,825
 Resources Expended		
Cost of generating voluntary income	297	568
Charitable activities	31,964	35,906
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	32,261	36,474
 MOVEMENT IN TOTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR		
Net Income for the year	12,359	3,351
Funds bought forward	200,553	197,202
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TOTAL FUND AT 31/03/2025	212,912	200,553

**1st Bures Scouts Group**

**Statement of Financial Activities  
For the year ended 31 March 2025**

**NOTES**

	2025	2024
Voluntary Income		
Donations	41	2,138
Gift Aid	-	-
Grants	5,767	4,500
	<u>5,808</u>	<u>6,638</u>
Charitable Activities		
Youth programme and activities	9,786	9,285
	<u>9,786</u>	<u>9,285</u>
Fundraising Income		
Recycling	-	20
Fund raising events	3,223	2,865
Camp site hire	13,845	9,962
	<u>17,068</u>	<u>12,847</u>
Other Incoming Resources		
Membership fees	10,991	10,388
Other Income	405	667
	<u>11,396</u>	<u>11,055</u>
Investment Dividends / Interest		
Bank Interest Received	561	-
	<u>561</u>	<u>-</u>

**1st Bures Scouts Group**

**Statement of Financial Activities  
For the year ended 31 March 2025**

**NOTES**

	2025	2024
	£	£
Cost of generating voluntary income		
Fundraising expenditure	297	568
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	297	568
Postage and stationery	180	191
Youth Programme activities	11,441	15,469
Travelling	4,267	1,844
Uniforms	909	631
Repairs and general expenses	4,163	5,036
Sundry Expenses	99	600
Rates, electricity and water	1,867	2,922
Insurance	3,411	3,573
Membership fees	4,617	4,090
Donations	20	620
Accountancy	990	930
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	31,964	35,906

**1st Bures Scouts Group**

**Balance Sheet**  
**For the year ended 31 March 2025**

	2025	2024
Fixed Assets		
Property – Scouts Hut	165,000	165,000
Bank	47,912	35,553
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	212,912	200,553

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of 1<sup>st</sup> Bures Scout Group (charity no: 1118781)**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025.

**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 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; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008.

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.



Oliver James White ACA  
For and on behalf of LB Group  
Chartered Accountants  
Statutory Auditors  
The Octagon  
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## **1st Bures Scout Group**

### **Administrative details of the charity**

**As at 31 March 2024**

#### **Trustees**

Claire Ann Noblet  
Helen Elizabeth Foster  
James Pepper  
Gareth Lloyd  
Antony Waring

Secretary  
Chair  
Treasurer  
Treasurer  
Group Scout Leader

Resigned 12 July 2023  
Appointed 12 July 2023

#### **Bankers**

Lloyds Bank Plc (Victoria)  
PO Box 1000  
BX1 1LT

#### **Principal Office**

The Scout Hut  
The Croft Bures  
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## **1st Bures Scout Group**

### **Officers' report For the year ended 31 March 2024**

#### **Structure, governance and management**

##### **a. CONSTITUTION**

The principal activity of the 1st Bures Scout Group in the period under review was that of raising funds to enable the continuing training and activities for young people, enabling them to be taught the many useful skills and great benefits, both moral and physical, which Scouting can provide.

##### **b. METHOD OF APPOINTMENT OR ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

The management of the charity is the responsibility of the Officers who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Scout organisation.

##### **c. ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE AND DECISION MAKING**

All leaders, volunteers and elected officers to committee and all parents of members are part of the group supporters.

#### **Objectives and Activities**

##### **a. POLICIES AND OBJECTIVES**

To raise funds to provide training, equipment for members and upkeep of buildings, to run under rules of the Scout organisation. The charity is a public benefit organisation and the Trustees have read the Charity Commission's guidance on this.

##### **b. ACTIVITIES FOR ACHIEVING OBJECTIVES**

Jumble sales, hiring of camp site, donations, fundraising stalls within the village, local grant applications, and community events.

#### **Achievements and performance**

##### **a. FINANCIAL REVIEW**

The charities carried forward reserves figure for the year is £200,553 (2023: £197,202). These funds enable the charity to continue to operate for a further year. Additionally, these funds allow the charity to continue achieving its goals and objectives to the benefit of the public.

##### **b. REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES**

All leaders, volunteers and elected officers to committee and all parents of members are part of the group supporters. To raise funds to provide training, equipment for members and upkeep of buildings, to run under rules of the Scout organisation.

## 1st Bures Scout Group

For the year ended 31 March 2024

### Chair Report 2024

Over the past 12 months, our Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers have had the opportunity to learn an abundance of new skills and participate in a diverse range of activities. There has been cooking, climbing, lantern-making, hiking, kayaking, pioneering, rifle shooting, life-saving, go karting, expeditions and much more besides.

We have come together as a Group to parade on Remembrance Sunday, teamed up with other local Sections for activity days and joined other members of our District to celebrate St George's Day.

There have been visits to the library, the air ambulance station, Suffolk Adventure Golf, the Secret Nuclear Bunker and to London; and camping trips to places such as the New Forest and Derbyshire.

We are immensely proud that one of our Explorers was selected to take part in the World Scout Jamboree and whilst her trip to South Korea didn't go quite according to plan, nevertheless she had the adventure of a lifetime.

Enabling our young people to develop the necessary skills, attributes and confidence to succeed throughout their lifetime is fundamental to what Scouting is about. Each badge that is awarded takes our young members a step further along this path and we are so proud of the progress that they have all made over the past year, particularly those who have achieved awards during this time.

Of course, none of this would be possible without the support of our fabulous volunteer team who give so much of their time to ensure that our members benefit from these wonderful experiences. We are so fortunate to have such a dedicated and experienced team of volunteers, who work together and share their skills so willingly. Thank you all for everything that you do.

We are also blessed to have such amazing facilities here at Bures and, as always, our thanks go to Paul and all those who help him to maintain these amenities to such a high standard.

Thanks also to Tony for his steadfast leadership and guidance over the past 12 months and to our team of Trustees who not only ensure that our Group continues to run smoothly, but also organise a variety of fundraising activities throughout the year.

Looking ahead to the coming year, we hope to continue to offer our young people all of the incredible opportunities and amazing experiences that make being a member of 1st Bures Scout Group so special. In order for us to do this, I would encourage as many people as possible to join us and assist us in whatever way they can. Whether that's sharing a skill with one of our groups, helping us with fundraising activities or the maintenance of our grounds, or joining our team of volunteers on a more regular basis, Scouting has so much to offer you too!

Yours in scouting,

Helen Foster



**1st Bures Scouts Group**

**Statement of Financial activities  
For the year ended 31 March 2024**

Incoming Resources

Income resources from generated funds:

	31/03/2024	31/03/2023
	£	£
Voluntary Income	6,638	3,886
Charitable Activities	9,285	12,673
Activities for generating funds	12,847	11,392
Other incoming resources	11,055	13,430
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	39,825	41,381
Resources Expended		
Cost of generating voluntary income	568	1,546
Charitable activities	35,906	43,440
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	36,474	44,986
MOVEMENT IN TOTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR		
Net Income for the year	3,351	(3,605)
Funds bought forward	197,202	200,807
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TOTAL FUND AT 31/03/2024	200,553	197,202

**1st Bures Scouts Group**

**Statement of Financial activities  
For the year ended 31 March 2024**

**NOTES**

	2024	2023
Voluntary Income		
Donations	2,138	1,367
Gift Aid	-	2,519
Grants	4,500	-
	<u>6,638</u>	<u>3,886</u>
Charitable Activities		
Youth programme and activities	9,285	12,673
	<u>9,285</u>	<u>12,673</u>
Fundraising Income		
Recycling	20	847
Fund raising events	2,865	2,219
Camp site hire	9,962	8,326
	<u>12,847</u>	<u>11,392</u>
Other Incoming Resources		
Membership fees	10,388	11,207
Other Income	667	2,223
	<u>11,055</u>	<u>13,430</u>

## 1st Bures Scouts Group

### Statement of Financial activities For the year ended 31 March 2024

#### NOTES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Cost of generating voluntary income		
Fundraising expenditure	568	1,546
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	568	1,546
Postage and stationery	191	115
Youth Programme activities	15,469	20,622
Travelling	1,844	755
Uniforms	631	1,755
Repairs and general expenses	5,036	8,271
Sundry Expenses	600	1,059
Rates, electricity and water	2,922	2,945
Insurance	3,573	2,525
Membership fees	4,090	4,093
Donations	620	400
Accountancy	930	900
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	35,906	43,440

**1st Bures Scouts Group**

**Statement of Financial activities  
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	2024	2023
Fixed Assets		
Property – Scouts Hut	165,000	165,000
Bank	35,553	32,202
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	200,553	197,202

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Antony Waring

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## 1st Bures Scout Group

### Officers' report

For the year ended 31/03/2023

#### **Structure, governance and management**

##### **a. CONSTITUTION**

The principal activity of the 1st Bures Scout Group in the period under review was that of raising funds to enable the continuing training and activities for boys and girls. Also enable them to be taught the many useful skills and the great benefits, both moral and physical, which the Scout training assures.

##### **b. METHOD OF APPOINTMENT OR ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

The management of the charity is the responsibility of the Officers who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Scout organisation.

##### **c. ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE AND DECISION MAKING**

All leaders and elected officers to committee and all parents of members are part of the group supporters.

#### **Objectives and Activities**

##### **a. POLICIES AND OBJECTIVES**

To raise funds to provide training, equipment for members and upkeep of buildings, to run under rules of the Scout organisation. The charity is a public benefit organisation and the Trustees have read the Charity Commission's guidance on this.

##### **b. ACTIVITIES FOR ACHIEVING OBJECTIVES**

Jumble sales, hiring of camp site, donations, fundraising stalls within the village (at the Jubilee & Market), local grant applications, (when same has been replaced) and a Duck Race coming this summer.

#### **Achievements and performance**

##### **a. FINANCIAL REVIEW**

The charities carried forward reserves figure for the year is £197,202 (2022: £200,807). These funds enable the charity to continue to operate for a further year. Additionally, these funds allow the charity to continue achieving its goals and objectives to the benefit of the public.

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## 1st Bures Scout Group

For the year ended 31/03/2023

### Chair Report 2023

Over the past year, our young people have benefitted from an amazing range of Scouting activities, visits to different places and camping trips. Activities have ranged from the more traditional fire-lighting, hiking and arts and crafts through kayaking, archery and cooking to laser tag, bucket drumming and morris dancing! There have been visits to the local fire station and air ambulance centre, as well as to Colchester Climbing Project, Hallowtrees Activity Centre and the Secret Nuclear Bunker. There has been plenty of camping this year too, with the return of our popular Group Camp here in Bures and our older members taking part in various expeditions and summer camps.

Of course, none of this would be possible without our wonderful Leaders, who give so much of their time to ensure that our young people benefit from such a diverse range of experiences. This year, we sadly lost one of our dear friends, however we also welcomed 3 new leaders to the Group and several new regular parent helpers too. Thank you all for everything you do each week - we are truly grateful for your dedication, your hard work and the positive impact you have on our young people's lives.

We are extremely fortunate to have such fantastic facilities available to us and I would like to thank Paul and his team who give up a huge amount of their time to maintain our site to such a high standard. As a result of their efforts, we continue to attract external bookings from other Groups traveling from far afield to hire our campsite, generating a steady income for our Group.

As a charity, another important income stream for us is our Gift Aid claim and I would like to thank Eddie who does a fantastic job of collating this for us each year.

Our trustees also continually seek opportunities to raise funds for the Group and, as well as organising our Jumble Sale and other regular events, we apply for grant funding when appropriate. Last autumn, we were very fortunate to benefit from a generous donation from the Bures Music Festival, which has enabled us to purchase a new kayak along with some new tents for our young people to use.

Thank you to Tony, our Group Scout Leader, who continues to oversee all of our activity and to James, who has been our Group Treasurer for over 11 years but who, sadly, will be stepping down from this role soon in order to enjoy his retirement.

Thank you, parents, for all the support you give to us and finally, thank you to all of our young people. You are the reason we do what we do! You have all learnt new skills, completed new challenges and achieved great things over the past year. It is wonderful to see the photos of you having fun, to hear stories of your adventures and to see your uniforms adorned with so many badges. Tonight, we are here to celebrate your success. Well done to each and every one of you.

Yours in scouting,

Helen Foster



**Ist Bures Scouts Group**  
Statement of Financial activities  
For the year ended 31 March 2023

	31/03/2023	31/03/2022
<b>Incoming Resources</b>		
Income resources from generated funds:		
Voluntary Income	£ 3,886	£ 12,495
Charitable Activities	12,673	8,321
Activities for generating funds	11,392	7,252
Other incoming resources	13,430	11,468
	-----	-----
Resources Expended	41,381	39,536
Cost of generating voluntary income	1,546	459
Charitable activities	43,440	26,463
	-----	-----
	44,986	26,922
<b>MOVEMENT IN TOTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR</b>		
Net Income for the year	(3,605)	12,614
Funds bought forward	200,807	188,193
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<b>TOTAL FUND AT 31/03/2023</b>	<b>197,202</b>	<b>200,807</b>

Ist Bures Scouts Group

Statement of Financial activities

For the year ended 31 March 2023

NOTES

	2023	2022
Voluntary Income		
Donations	1,367	229
Gift Aid	2,519	12,266
	-----	-----
	3,886	12,495
Charitable Activities		
Youth programme and activities	12,673	8,321
	-----	-----
	12,673	8,321
Fundraising Income		
Recycling	847	1,512
Fund raising events	2,219	1,744
Camp site hire	8,326	3,996
	-----	-----
	11,392	7,252
Other Incoming Resources		
Membership fees	11,207	10,696
Other Income	2,223	772
	-----	-----
	13,430	11,468

Ist Bures Scouts Group  
Statement of Financial activities

For the year ended 31 March 2023

NOTES

	2023	2022
	£	£
Cost of generating voluntary income		
Fundraising expenditure	1,546	459
	-----	-----
	1,546	459
Postage and stationery	115	433
Youth Programme activities	20,622	12,344
Travelling	755	614
Uniforms	1,755	2,388
Repairs and general expenses	8,271	3,601
Sundry Expenses	1,059	387
Rates, electricity and water	2,945	423
Insurance	2,525	1,711
Membership fees	4,093	3,652
Donations	400	40
Accountancy	900	870
	-----	-----
	43,440	26,463

Ist Bures Scouts Group  
Statement of Financial activities  
For the year ended 31 March 2023

Fixed Assets	
Property – Scouts Hut	165,000
Bank	32,202
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	197,202

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of 1<sup>st</sup> Bures Scout Group (charity no: 1118781)**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023.

**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').

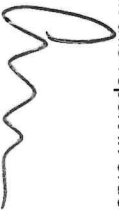
I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**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; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008.

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.



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**1st Bures Scout Group**

England & Wales - Charity number 1118781

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# Accounts

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Charity number :  
1118781

**1st Bures Scout**  
**Group Financial**  
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**1st Bures Scout  
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## **1st Bures Scout**

### **Administrative details of the charity As at 31 March 2022**

#### **Trustees**

Claire Ann Noblet	Secretary
Helen Elizabeth Foster	Chair
James Pepper	Treasurer
Antony Waring	Group Scout Leader

#### **Bankers**

Natwest  
32 Market  
Hill Sudbury  
CO10 7EW

#### **Principal Office**

The Scout  
Hut The  
Croft Bures  
Suffolk  
CO8 5JB

**1st Bures Scout  
Group**

**Officers'  
report**

**For the year ended 31/03/2022**

**Structure, governance and  
management a. CONSTITUTION**

The principal activity of the 1st Bures Scout Group in the period under review was that of raising funds to enable the continuing training and activities for boys and girls. Also enable them to be taught the many useful skills and the great benefits, both moral and physical, which the Scout training assures.

**b. METHOD OF APPOINTMENT OR ELECTION OF  
OFFICERS**

The management of the charity is the responsibility of the Officers who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Scout organisation.

**c. ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE AND DECISION MAKING**

All leaders and elected officers to committee and all parents of members are part of the group supporters.

**Objectives and Activities**

**a. POLICIES AND OBJECTIVES**

To raise funds to provide training, equipment for members and upkeep of buildings, to run under rules of the Scout organisation. The charity is a public benefit organisation and the Trustees have read the Charity Commission's guidance on this.

**b. ACTIVITIES FOR ACHIEVING OBJECTIVES**

Jumble sales, Sudbury to Sea BBQ, hiring of camp site, donations, recycling paper, clothes and glass, local grant applications, (when same has been replaced).

**Achievements and**

**performance a. REVIEW OF  
ACTIVITIES**

All leaders and elected officers to committee and all parents of members are part of the group supporters. To raise funds to provide training, equipment for members and upkeep of buildings, to run under rules of the Scout organisation

**1st Bures Scout  
Group**

**For the year ended 31/03/2022**

**Chair Report 2022**

After the unprecedented events of the preceding year, the 12 months from April 2021 to March 2022 saw our Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers leave online meetings behind and make a welcome return to face to face Scouting. Starting cautiously, with thorough risk assessments and appropriate hygiene precautions in place, our leaders carefully planned a wide range of exciting outdoor activities for our young people. As the year progressed, we saw camping trips and indoor activities resume and by the autumn, we were able to re-introduce our regular fundraising events. Whilst preventing the spread of Covid was never far from our thoughts during this time, thankfully by the end of March, Scouting life was feeling a lot more normal again.

In September 2021, at our last AGM, we said goodbye to Cathy Platt, Caroline Head and Bill Snelling, who had each supported our Group Executive Committee for many years. Since taking on our new roles, Claire and I have been made to feel so welcome and it has been a pleasure to be part of the 1<sup>st</sup> Bures team.

Over the past year, I have been astounded to see at first hand just how much time and effort our Leaders put in, each and every week, to make sure that our young people get the most out of their time at Beavers, Cubs, Scouts or Explorers. So I would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to all of our Leaders and regular volunteers for your devotion to your roles. The dozens of photos that I have seen this year, of happy smiling children, having fun completing such a wide range of activities is proof of the impact you make on the lives of our young people. Thank you for everything that you do.

I would also like to thank our Group Scout Leader, Tony, who works tirelessly behind the scenes to ensure that everything relating to the management of our Group runs smoothly. I know that this year has brought plenty of challenges for you, but you have navigated us through each of these expertly. Working alongside Tony, the executive committee have ensured that our Group finances are managed efficiently, that all relevant procedures are followed in line with the Scouting framework and that our buildings and facilities are safe and well maintained.

It has been great to see our campsite thriving once more, as we welcome other Scout, Guide and Duke of Edinburgh groups to use of our facilities. The money generated from the hire of our campsite contributes significantly to our Group finances, helping us to meet the cost of our overheads whilst keeping subscription costs low. We are incredibly fortunate to have such fantastic outdoor facilities and I would like to thank Paul Snelling for all the work he does to maintain these to such a high standard.

Looking to the year ahead, I know that our leaders will continue to offer our young people an amazing range of experiences and opportunities to develop their skills for life. As our Beaver, Cub, Scout and Explorer sections each flourish and increase in popularity, one of our main objectives for the coming year will be to recruit additional volunteers to support our leaders. Another key priority will be to raise additional funds to enable us to replace our ageing minibus. We would love to reach out to a wider circle of people to help us achieve these objectives, which will, in turn, enable even more young people to benefit from being part of 1<sup>st</sup> Bures Scout Group.

Yours in scouting,

Helen Foster

**Ist Bures Scouts Group**  
Statement of Financial activities  
For the year ended 31 March 2022

## Incoming Resources

Income resources from generated funds:

	31/03/2022	31/03/2021
	£	£
Voluntary Income	12,495	12,359
Charitable Activities	8,321	280
Activities for generating funds	7,252	1,384
Other incoming resources	11,468	6,679
	-----	-----
	39,536	20,702
<b>Resources Expended</b>		
Capital expenditure	0	0
Cost of generating voluntary income	459	6
Charitable activities	26,463	21,755
	-----	-----
	26,922	21,761
<b>MOVEMENT IN TOTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR</b>		
Net Income for the year	12,614	(1,059)
Funds bought forward	188,193	189,252
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<b>TOTAL FUND AT 31/03/2022</b>	200,807	188,193

Ist Bures Scouts Group  
Statement of Financial activities  
For the year ended 31 March 2022

## NOTES

	2022	2021
Voluntary Income		
Donations	229	119
Grants	0	10,000
Gift Aid	----- 12,495	12,266 ----- 2,240
	12,359	
Charitable Activities		
Youth programme and activities	8,321	280
	----- 8,321	----- 280
Fundraising Income		
Recycling	1,512	1,384
Fund raising events	1,744	0
Camp site hire	3,996	0
	----- 7,252	----- 1,384
Other Incoming Resources		
Membership fees	10,696	6,428
Other Income	772	251
	----- 11,468	----- 6,679

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		2022		2021
	£		£	
Capital expenditure				
Equipment purchased	---	0	0	---
	0		0	
Cost of generating voluntary income				
Fundraising expenditure	---	459	6	---
	459		6	
Postage and stationery		433		147
Youth Programme activities	12,344		5,137	
Travelling	614		471	
Uniforms	2,388		352	
Repairs and general expenses			3,601	8,712
Sundry Expenses		387		121
Rates, electricity and water	423		666	
Insurance	1,711		1,536	
Membership fees		3,652		3,430
Donations	40		243	
Accountancy	870		840	
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	26,463		21,755	

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Ist Bures Scouts Group  
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	200,807

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