

Charity number : 1118781

1st Bures Scout Group
Financial Statements
Year Ended 31/03/2023

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Administrative details of the charity As at 31 March 2023

Trustees

Claire Ann Noblet
Helen Elizabeth Foster
James Pepper
Antony Waring

Secretary
Chair
Treasurer
Group Scout Leader

Bankers

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Sudbury
CO10 7EW

Principal Office

The Scout Hut
The Croft
Bures
Suffolk
CO8 5JB

1st Bures Scout Group

Officers' report

For the year ended 31/03/2023

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.

b. REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES

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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



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Statement of Financial activities
For the year ended 31 March 2023

Incoming Resources			
Income resources from generated funds:		31/03/2023	31/03/2022
	£	£	
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	
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	41,381	39,536	
Resources Expended			
Cost of generating voluntary income	1,546	459	
Charitable activities	43,440	26,463	
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	44,986	26,922	
MOVEMENT IN TOTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR			
Net Income for the year	(3,605)	12,614	
Funds bought forward	200,807	188,193	
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TOTAL FUND AT 31/03/2023	197,202	200,807	

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

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	2023	2022
	£	£
Cost of generating voluntary income		
Fundraising expenditure	1,546	459
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	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
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	43,440	26,463

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

	197,202

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of 1st 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').

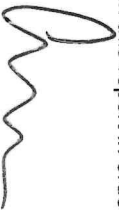
I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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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