

Annual Report of 3rd Whitton Scout Group 1 August 2024 to 31 July 2025

Presented to the
3rd Whitton Scout Group Council
at its
Annual General Meeting
on
17th October 2025

1. Introduction

3rd Whitton Scout Group (registered with the Charity Commission number 1122512) is a Scout Group registered with the Scout Association (registration number 19169).

The Scout Association is incorporated by Royal Charter dated 4th January 1912 and aims to promote the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social, spiritual and emotional potentials as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of their local, national and international communities.

The Charter of the Association provides for the making of by-laws approved by His/Her Majesty in Council which, in turn, authorise the making of the rules which govern Scouting in the UK.

2. About 3rd Whitton Scout Group

The Group runs a Beaver Colony, Cub Pack and Scout Troop. The group also hosts Edmund Hilary Explorer Unit and 3rd Heathfield Scout Group.

3rd Whitton Scout Group was founded in 1938 to offer the boys of St. Edmund's Catholic Church in Whitton a rich and varied programme of Scouting Skills and adventures. Whilst we were founded by the parish of St Edmunds and retain links with the parish and associated school, we welcome everyone to our Scout group regardless of faith. We are a diverse and inclusive Group.

The Group leases its premises from the London Borough of Richmond upon Thames and is located at: 78 Springfield Road, Twickenham, TW2 6LQ

3. Constitution of 3rd Whitton Scout Group

As a Scout Group registered with the Scout Association, it is required to comply with the Scout Association Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR).

POR recommends that each Scout Group adopts the model constitution as set out in POR – and readopts the model constitution as amended by the Scout Association from time to time at each Annual General Meeting.

As its Annual General Meeting on the 18 October 2024 the 3rd Whitton Scout Group Council adopted the model Constitution for Scout Groups promoted by the Scout Association.

4. Annual General Meeting and appointments

In accordance with POR, the Annual General meeting of the 3rd Whitton Scout Council (the AGM) follows the requirements of the adopted constitution:

- undertake governance oversight
- review the previous financial year
- make appointments

Membership of the 3rd Whitton Scout Council (the Council) is prescribed by POR.

Additionally, the AGM also serves a formal renewal of the Partnership Renewal with Edmund Hillary Explorer Scout Unit (ESU). Edmund Hillary ESU is administered by Richmond Scout District.

At its meeting of 18 October 2024, the Council elected the following to the Group Trustee Board for a term of 3 years:

Damian D'Cruz (Chair)

Tony Toombs (resigned June 2025)

Elizabeth McIntosh (Treasurer)

Jennifer Walker

Rob Topping

Chris Sanders (resigned April 2025)

The Group Lead Volunteer, Caron Fretten-Shelley is a co-opted member of the Group Trustee Board.

Following the AGM the following additional member was co-opted by the Trustees to the Group Trustee Board for a 1-year term:

Peter Tomlin

Ewa Kateshi was appointed as independent scrutineer

5. Scout Group Leadership team

The AGM of the Council recognised the efforts of the uniformed leadership team in providing the Scouting programme across the sections – Beavers, Cubs and Scouts. In addition, the leadership team of Edmund Hilary Explorers were thanks for their efforts.

All Leaders & Trustees this Year completed Mandatory Training which included: Safety, Safeguarding, Creating Inclusion, First Aid, Data Protection/GDPR, Delivering a Great Programme.

6. Scout Programme

Activities undertaken during the period of this report included:

- o Firework & barbeque evening
- o Ice Skating for Scouts & Explorers
- o Rifle Shooting
- o Pancake Night
- o Explorers mini-Hike Hampton Court to Kingston Bridge.
- o February Freezer Camp
- o Guide Dog Visit for Cubs
- o Beaver Badge Fun Day
- o Working Weekend
- o Quiz Night at Heathfield Primary School.
- o Twickenham Green May Fair
- o Beavers Stable visit
- o Cubs visit to RNLI
- o Jump into July Camp
- o Summer District Happy Birthday Camp 2025

7. Awards and recognition

At the AGM the young people of the group who have made particular progress and achieved awards were recognised – including Jack Petchey awards. Young members are also recognised though Beaver, Cub and Scout of the Year awards.

It is also recognised that many non-uniform adults have assisted the group over the year, not least through fund raising efforts as well as working weekends to repair and maintain the group's HQ premises.

8. Financial report

The audited financial report will be approved by the Trustees and provided at the AGM for review and approval.



Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01/09/2024

To

30/08/2025

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Net Subscriptions	7,712	-	-	7,712	3,880
Fundraising	3,378			3,378	2,365
Donations Received	2,086			2,086	122
Hut Rental	3,540			3,540	2,016
Badges & Uniform Income	1,221			1,221	2,065
RUT Loan (see liabilities)				-	-
Camps and Other Scouting Events	6,646			6,646	2,917
Jack Petchey Awards	3,800			3,800	-
Other income from members	-			-	300
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	28,382	-	-	28,382	13,665
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	28,382	-	-	28,382	13,665
A3 Payments					
Admin and Printing	193	-	-	193	592
Badges and Uniforms	2,508			2,508	1,339
Bank and other financial charges	475			475	299
Capitation	3,239			3,239	2,310
Costs relating to fund raising events	2,525			2,525	1,026
Donations to 3rd Party Charities	239			239	38
Insurance	851			851	849
Loan Repayment	4,480			4,480	-
Rent & Utilities	3,092			3,092	2,447
Repair and Maintenance	5,775			5,775	3,551
Scouting Activities	6,486			6,486	1,660
Scouting Equipment and other	2,507			2,507	1,301
Training	-			-	240
Sub total	32,370	-	-	32,370	15,651
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	32,370	-	-	32,370	15,651
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 3,988	-	-	- 3,988	- 1,986
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	31,007	-	-	31,007	-
Cash funds this year end	27,019	-	-	27,019	- 1,986

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Barclays	24,660	-	-
	HSBC	1,900		
	Cash	295		
	Expense account	165	-	-
	Total cash funds	27,019	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
		-	-	-
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Laptop		699	-
			-	-
	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of 3rd Whitton Scouts Group

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the 3rd Whitton Scouts Group for the year ended 28th August 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the 3rd Whitton Scouts Group, 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 3rd Whitton Scouts Group 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 3rd Whitton Scouts Group 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: Ewa Golinska-Kateshi

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Date: 13/10/2025