

THAMESIDE GRAND UNION DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL



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- ◆ the recipient lives or is in full time education in the London Borough of Hounslow; and
- ◆ the family of the recipient are in receipt of income support or in need of financial assistance.



TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT & ACCOUNTS

FOR THE PERIOD

1 APRIL 2020 TO 31 MARCH 2021

THAMESIDE GRAND UNION DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL
ANNUAL REPORT & ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021
Independent Examiners Report to
the Trustees of
Thameside Grand Union District Scout Council

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Thameside Grand Union District Scout Council for the year ended 31st March 2020.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the District 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 Thameside Grand Union District Scout Council 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 Thameside Grand Union District Scout Council 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.

Name; Valerie Weavers Signed;

Qualification Accounts Assistant (retired)

Address:- 7 Western Close, Penton Park, Chertsey, Surrey, KT16 8QB

Date

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES *continued*

Notes to the Statement of assets and liabilities of the Thameside Grand Union District Scout Council

- (a) Building valuation based on Insurance renewal 3/6/20
- (b) Building valuation based on Insurance renewal 27/4/19
- (c) Combined from all policies listed above
- (d) True value to be assessed by Property and Assets Committee
- (e) Building valuation based on insurance policy 27/7/20

The above accounts and accompanying statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on

Date

and signed on their behalf by

Signature(s)	<i>(signature on file)</i>	<i>(signature on file)</i>
Full Name(s)	Ernest Lunn	Jenny Lowe
Position	Chair	Treasurer

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Reference and Administration Details

TRUSTEES:	Name	Other Committees
<i>Ex-Officio - Appointment</i>		
District Chairman	Mr Ernest Lunn	Finance, Buildings and Assets, Appointments
District Treasurer	Mrs Jenny Lowe	Finance
District Secretary	Vacant	
District Commissioner(s)	Mrs Jane Bourne Mrs Rebecca Harding Mr Ian Willis	Finance, Buildings and Assets, Appointments
District Explorer Scout Commissioner	Colin Porter	
District Scout Network Commissioners	Mr Matthew Irani Mr Matthew Saville to 06/01/2021	

TRUSTEES: <i>Elected</i>	Other Committees
Mr Leon P Mielewczyk	Finance, Buildings and Assets
Mrs Betty Porter	Finance, Appointments
Mrs Yvonne Mielewczyk	Buildings and Assets
Mr Daniel Harding	Under 25 Representative from 06/01/2021
TRUSTEES: <i>Nominated</i>	Other Committees
Mr Kenneth C Attewell	Finance, Buildings and Assets, Appointments
Mr Tony O'Brien	Deputy Chairman
Mr Tony Smith	Finance, Buildings and Assets, Appointments
Mrs Teresa Lunn	Appointments from 06/01/2021
TRUSTEES: <i>Co-opted</i>	
Under 25 representative	Joshua Willingham to 06/01/2021

BANKERS	NatWest
CUSTODIAN TRUSTEES	The Scout Association Trust Corporation

District Registration with The Scout Association	013823
Charity Registration Number	1128618
Contact Name and Address	Mr Ernest Lunn 54 Heston Road Hounslow TW5 0QP

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Structure, Governance and Management

The Governing Document.

The District'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.

Constitution

The District is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.

Trustee Selection

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

Additional Governance Issues

The District is managed by the District Executive Committee, the members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' of the Scout District 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 Committee consists of 3 independent representatives, Chair, Treasurer and Secretary together with the District Commissioner, District Explorer Scout Commissioner, District Network Leader and elected and nominated representatives of the District

This District Executive Committee exists to support the District Commissioner in meeting the responsibilities of the appointments and is responsible for:

- The maintenance of District property;
- The raising of funds and the administration of District finance;
- The insurance of persons, property and equipment;
- District public occasions;
- Assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support;
- Appointing any sub committees that may be required;
- Appointing District Administrators and Advisors other than those who are elected.

Risk and Internal Control

The District Executive Committee has identified the major risks to which they believe the District 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 District would request the use of buildings, property and equipment from neighbouring organisations such as churches, community youth groups, and other Scout Districts. We would expect to provide support to these groups in similar circumstances. We believe The District has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss.

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

	This year £	Previous Year £	
Monetary Assets (cash, bank & similar)			
Nat West Account	£91,470.18	£61,779.23	
Banking still to appear	£0.00	£911.25	
HTB - 24 month bond	£100,000.00	£100,000.00	
UTB - 24 month bond	£100,000.00	£100,000.00	
Virgin Money Charity Deposit Account	<u>£76,895.61</u>	<u>£368,365.79</u>	<u>£76,519.34</u>
Less			
Cheques issued but not presented	<u>£33,517.75</u>	<u>£44,367.60</u>	
Funds Carried Forward		£334,848.04	£294,842.22
Accounts reporting to the District			
Badge Shop Account	£2,567.92	£2,217.78	
Explorer Scout Accounts - Centaur	£5,075.38	£4,155.64	
Explorer Scout Accounts - Intrepid	£12,567.75	£13,044.53	
Explorer Scout Accounts - Feltham	£1,690.29	£1,575.23	
Scout Active Support Accounts - ABC	£1,232.63	£1,209.63	
Scout Active Support Accounts - Flightpath	<u>£911.00</u>	<u>£24,044.97</u>	<u>£911.00</u>
Less			
Cheques issued but not presented		<u>£24,044.97</u>	<u>£23,113.81</u>
Grand Total		£358,893.01	£317,956.03
Non-Monetary Assets - Assets held for Charity's own use			
Badge Secretary's stock 1/4/20	£7,846.00	£5,729.19	
Land & buildings CDHQ	(a) £227,821.00	£220,671.00	
Land & buildings 2nd Acton	(a) £216,232.00	£209,446.00	
Land & buildings Hedgerley	(a) £162,348.00	£157,253.00	
Land & buildings Quaker Lane	(b) N/A	£113,578.00	
Land & buildings Nallhead Road	(e) £212,180.00	£20,600.00	
Scouting equipment/furniture, etc	(c) £10,741.00	£13,455.00	
District Trophy's (Value nominal value)	(d) £2,500.00	£2,500.00	

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ACCOUNTS REPORTING TO TGU DISTRICT

Receipts for period 1st April 2020 to 31st March 2021

	This Year £		Previous Year £	
District Badge Shop				
Badge receipts	<u>£1,447.68</u>	£1,447.68	<u>£6,778.22</u>	£6,778.22
Scout Active Support				
ABC	£6,147.00		£6,161.13	
Flightpath	<u>£0.00</u>	£6,147.00	<u>£0.00</u>	£6,161.13
Explorer Scout Units				
Centaur	£6,783.49		£11,419.89	
Intrepid	£2,102.37		£8,309.88	
Feltham	<u>£124.25</u>	£9,010.11	<u>£2,094.75</u>	£21,824.52
TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR		<u>£16,604.79</u>		<u>£34,763.87</u>

Payments for period 1st April 2020 to 31st March 2021

	This Year £		Previous Year £	
District Badge Shop				
Paid to District Account	£0.00		£1,000.00	
Purchase of Badges	<u>£1,097.54</u>	£1,097.54	<u>£5,512.89</u>	£6,512.89
Scout Active Support				
ABC	£6,124.00		£7,072.89	
Flightpath	<u>£0.00</u>	£6,124.00	<u>£46.00</u>	£7,118.89
Explorer Scout Units				
Centaur	£5,863.75		£12,770.77	
Intrepid	£2,579.15		£6,255.01	
Feltham	<u>£9.19</u>	£8,452.09	<u>£1,557.46</u>	£20,583.24
TOTAL PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR		<u>£15,673.63</u>		<u>£34,215.02</u>

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Structure, Governance and Management continued

Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members. The District through the membership fees contributes to the Scout Associations national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities.

Reduced income from fund raising. The District is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. The District does hold a reserve to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income. The Committee could raise the value of subscriptions to increase the income to the District on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently.

Reduction or loss of leaders. The District is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the District. If there was a reduction in the number of leaders to an unacceptable level in a particular Group or the District as a whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a Group. In the worst case scenario the complete closure of the District.

Reduction or loss of members. The District provides activities for all young people aged 6 to 25. If there was a reduction in membership in a particular Group or the District as whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a Group. In the worst case scenario the complete closure of the District.

Objectives and Activities

The objectives of the District are as a unit of the Scout Association.

The Aim of The Scout Association is to promote the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potentials, as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of their local national and international communities. The method of achieving the Aim of the Association is by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law and guided by adult leadership.

Members of The District have participated in a wide range of activities and experiences in order to meet the objectives. Full details of these can be found in the Section Reports at the end of this document.

Our grateful thanks go to all the volunteers who provide support for our young people; without their tireless efforts the objectives could not be met.

Public Benefit

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

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Achievements and Performance

DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

In late November 2019 a new virus raised its ugly head in China. Covid-19 arrived in the UK in early January 2020 and over the next couple of months our lives would change dramatically. Scouting came to an abrupt end in late March 2020 along with every other joy in our lives. Lockdown changed every aspect of how we lived day to day. Scouting red traffic light came into force for our Scout Group Leaders who carried on regardless with Zoom meetings with their children and programmes were delivered with gusto. Amber light appeared and restricted lockdown was lifted for a short while with outdoor meetings only, and we thought we would get back to normality only to be relegated back to lockdown again, wearing masks and social distancing. You amazing Scout Leaders continued to deliver your programmes via Zoom and sometimes meet outside with a minimum number when possible. Thank you, leaders, from me and the district executive for your astonishing leadership and dedication in the last year to your scouting families.

Covid-19 raised all sorts of problems for Scouting. Our Scout Huts needed to conform to government legislation (which we did not have in our locker) before we could use our premises. Risk assessments had to be carried out and the documentation to achieve this needed to be written and produced. I asked Roger Rixon County Advisor Health and Safety if he would come on board and help me produce Generic Risk Assessments i.e., Premises / Covid legislation/ Fire / Fire Safety Management Policy/ Fire Evacuation Plan / Re-opening of Premises Risk Assessment and Daily Risk Assessment Check List, for any group who would need them. Roger and I spent hours with the help of Ken Attewell producing the documentation. I thank Roger for his dedication and time he donated to me and Ken and TGU.

Ken Attewell and I were heavily involved with Chiswick District Scout Headquarters and Nallhead Road Scout Hut to make them compliant re government legislation. I presented The London Borough of Hounslow Council with our risk assessments for CDSHQ which they were impressed with and asked me to manage and take responsibility for our other scouting premises leased to us by LBH and I agreed. This saved us so much time filling in forms and justifying Covid compliant for each hut. Monies were spent on both huts to meet the legislation. Floor sanding and stained, new electrics for egress via exits, new signage, social distancing, one way system signs. Fixed new hand sanitisers and deep cleans were carried out and check lists to maintain the standard required. Still ongoing unfortunately.

The District Executive Committee also eventually embraced Zoom meetings. This was only possible because of our amazing minuting secretary Yvonne Mielewczyk who received the Silver Wolf award last year. Yvonne scrutinises and processes the individual reports which she receives from individual committee members, and sent a working document to each of us for our meetings. She has enough to do with her role as GSL of 20th Chiswick plus checking out OSM for the future. Thank you so much Yvonne for your help and loyalty to TGU.

Our 2019-2020 AGM which should have happened in July 2020 face to face took place as a Zoom meeting in January 2021. Meetings were a success and I expect will continue for the foreseeable future unfortunately.

Congratulations to all scout groups in the district for keeping us afloat. We have lost a third of our cohort which is better than was expected. Our new scout group 1st Isleworth meeting at Oaklands School has unfortunately not come to fruition. Thank you, Jane

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PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR *continued*

	This Year		Previous Year	
Brought Forward		£8,803.15		£17,511.67
Donations/Grants				
Inspire Hounslow Grants	£0.00		£2,364.17	
Wreaths	<u>£0.00</u>	£0.00	<u>£0.00</u>	£2,364.17
Activities				
Scouting activities	£0.00		£9,830.12	
		£0.00		£9,830.12
Admin/Establishment Expenses				
AGM & Rewards Evenings	£0.00		£775.30	
Personal Accident Insurance	£42.00		£42.00	
DC & Trustee Expenses	£125.21		£0.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>£0.00</u>	£167.21	<u>£68.45</u>	£885.75
TOTAL PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR		£8,970.36		£30,591.71

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PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR

	This Year £		Previous Year £	
Premises Hedgerley				
Insurance	£301.91		£293.39	
Electricity	£111.72		£284.05	
Water	£95.48		£182.14	
Maintenance	<u>£1,766.00</u>	£2,275.11	<u>£435.53</u>	£1,195.11
Premises Chiswick DHQ				
Insurance	£312.02		£356.40	
Rent	£100.00		£100.00	
Electricity	£150.75		£914.42	
Water	£109.85		£285.87	
Fire Extinguishers	£414.72		£80.40	
Maintenance	<u>£858.29</u>	£1,945.63	<u>£8,907.37</u>	£10,644.46
Premises Acton HQ				
Insurance	<u>£345.38</u>	£345.38	<u>£335.50</u>	£335.50
Premises Quaker Lane				
Insurance	£229.96		£442.60	
Electricity	£72.72		£162.11	
Rent	<u>£0.00</u>	£302.68	<u>£80.00</u>	£684.71
Premises Nallhead Road				
Insurance	£442.42		£430.56	
Ground Rent	£53.00		£106.00	
Electricity	£642.37		£970.04	
Water	£0.00		£0.00	
Maintenance	<u>£2,796.56</u>	£3,934.35	<u>£3,145.29</u>	£4,651.89
Carried Forward		£8,803.15		£17,511.67

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Achievements and Performance continued

Bourne and team, for all your efforts and hours spent. Also 18th Chiswick Scout Group has had to close because of lack of leaders. Tony Smith tried everything to continue. Very sad.

Jane Bourne, Rebecca Harding and Ian Willis are now old hands as District Commissioners. Covid has trebled their work load. I work closely with the DC's. Thank you, guys, for everything you do and are doing to make TGU successful.

Colin Porter District Explorer Scout Commissioner (DESC) is working hard with his explorer units to help where necessary. Unfortunately, his new role as Chairman of the new District Awards Panel has been impeded by Covid. I look forward to Colin and his panel, Tony Smith, Chiara Johnston and Matthew Irani's presentation of these awards. Colin is still working on Compass to tidy up and remove the inaccuracies. Thank you, Colin.

Our finance team, Jennifer Lowe Treasurer, Betty Porter and Leon Mielewczyk Chair of the Finance Sub Committee are our rock and stability for TGU. The accounts are extremely important for us to manage TGU. Leon is also Assistant County Treasurer. Thank you, guys, for your expertise and keeping us safe. Betty (BEM) continues to help Cubs at 3rd Osterley Sea Scouts.

The District Committee voted and agreed to help our groups this year with a larger subsidy. Again, we continue not to charge a district levy to our youth members. Therefore, we voted for this year only a one-off saving of £11.00 per child. A big thankyou to all groups throughout the pandemic.

Hedgerley Scout Camp Site managed by Leon Mielewczyk, looked after and loved with the help of his wife Yvonne. Fantastic facility maintained to a high standard, wonderful campsite for all groups. I love it. Please use it when it re-opens.

Dee Smith with Tony Smith continues to manage and operate a 1st class Badge Shop. Excellent well done. Groups', please purchase/continue to purchase your badges and uniforms from Dee and Tony. The profit within TGU makes sense.

Unfortunately, Matthew Saville Assistant Scout Leader for 20th Chiswick and District Scout Network Commissioner (as is Matthew Irani) has had to step down as his job has taken him away. Thank you, Matt, you will be missed. Matthew Irani continues to provide input at the District Executive Committee meetings and is a pleasure to work with. Matt is now a proud Dad. A boy. Thank you, Matt, look forward to your son becoming a district committee member.

Joshua Willingham (ACSL) 1st Osterley our under 25 rep has come to the end of his reign. Thank you, Joshua, for coming on board and representing our younger contingent. I am pleased to announce Daniel Harding (ASL) of 3rd Hanworth Scout Group, deputy to Andrew Griffiths has stepped into Joshua's shoes. Daniel is 19 years old and has a life sentence as a under 25 rep. Thanks Daniel.

The generic lease has been completed and sent to the appropriate Scout Groups. 6th Brentford Air Scout Group. The Black Wolves have accepted the terms of the lease. Once we are all happy with the terms, I will take the individual leases to the Scout Association for their approval. We will, ask The Scout Association Trust Corporation to be our Custodian Trustees. The charge is a one off £600 per group. 10th Feltham re location and 20th Chiswick Car Parking still outstanding. Covid-19 has prevented us meeting with LBH which I hope Ken and I can resume ASAP.

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Ken Attewell ASU, entrepreneur manages our Chiswick District headquarters. Covid-19 has restricted the occupancy we had. Fortunately, our Playgroup Pre School Nursery has kept afloat. We hope that Chiswick Village Community Group, and the Dance School will resume once we have a green light.

One of our neighbours requested access via the car park of the hut to access their garden to create a play area for their children. In return they are going to level and resurface the car park. So, we can say good bye to the swimming pool in front of the entrance. Thank you, neighbour.

Slimming World continues to use Nallhead Road. Covid-19 has affected them badly and has reduced her clientele. We/she hope things will get back to normal. New lease will be based on quarterly use.

Our gardener removed and cleared the side area of the building to allow for egress via the hut exit.

New lighting was added to illuminate the pathway. Ken and I have a few jobs to do in the hut to update our Premises Risk Assessment.

Lindon Bennett School continues to use the car park at the front of the building during school terms.

Teresa Lunn is working hard as the District Appointments Secretary. Covid has hindered the team from seeing potential leaders and helpers. Colin Porter helps Teresa greatly. Ken Attewell is Chair of the Appointments Committee. The committee consists of Betty Porter, Colin Porter, Dee Smith, Janet Coles, Ken Attewell Teresa Lunn, Tony Smith, and Val May. Teresa is now arranging for our candidates to be seen face to face as the committee do not favour Zoom meetings for this process. All in TGU please take every opportunity to enlist parents especially at Beaver Group Level who we hope would commit for a few years to scouting.

Covid-19, is still with us but let's hope that people obey the rules and we can resume and return to the scouting we have enjoyed for many years ASAP. We will survive because we have fantastic people on board. Let's not forget our Group Executive Committees. Thank you, guys, for your time and effort you bring to your groups. Finally, as always can I thank my executive committee. I look forward to another year seeing your beautiful faces. It is a pleasure working with you. Thank you.

Ernest Lunn District Chairman Thames Grand Union

On behalf of the District Executive Committee

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

Welcome to our twelfth annual report of Thameside Grand Union (TGU) District.

We have continued to hold district team meetings throughout the pandemic, all by Zoom of course, as well as meetings with GSLs and, in some cases, specific groups, to offer support where we are able.

Most groups in our district are holding their own but unfortunately the decision has been made to close the 18th Chiswick. As a result of numbers declared in the Annual Census at the end of January, we are also now in discussion with a couple of other groups about the feasibility of their continuing to provide scouting, but to date, no decision on these has

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RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR

	This Year £	£	Previous Year £	£
Membership Subscriptions				
Income from Groups 2019/20			£36,280.25	
Income from Groups 2020/21	£24,671.25			
Less paid to County / HQ	<u>-£33,517.75</u>	<u>-£8,846.50</u>	<u>-£43,751.75</u>	<u>-£7,471.50</u>
Investment Income Received				
HTB 24 month bond Interest	£1,754.96		£1,750.00	
UTB 24 month bond interest	£2,011.07		£2,000.00	
Bank Interest VMCD	<u>£376.27</u>	<u>£4,142.30</u>	<u>£571.75</u>	<u>£4,321.75</u>
Property				
Hedgerley camp fees	£2.00		£2,010.50	
Rents Chiswick DHQ	£5,421.75		£2,116.75	
Insurance 2nd Acton	£345.38		£335.50	
Rents Nallhead Road	£4,706.25		£13,985.00	
Rents Quaker Lane	<u>£0.00</u>	<u>£10,475.38</u>	<u>£0.00</u>	<u>£18,447.75</u>
Donations/Grants				
Inspire Hounslow Grant	£1,000.00		£720.00	
Grants/Donations	<u>£40,045.00</u>	<u>£41,045.00</u>	<u>£0.00</u>	<u>£720.00</u>
Activities				
Scouting activities	<u>£2,160.00</u>	<u>£2,160.00</u>	<u>£7,129.00</u>	<u>£7,129.00</u>
Sundry Receipts				
Badge Shop Transfer	<u>£0.00</u>	<u>£0.00</u>	<u>£1,000.00</u>	<u>£1,000.00</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR		£48,976.18		£24,147.00

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RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT SUMMARY

	This Year	Previous Year
DISTRICT Cash, Bank and similar funds brought forward	<u>£294,842.22</u>	£301,286.93
	£294,842.22	£301,286.93
Accounts Reporting to the District B/F		
Badge Shop Account	£2,217.78	£1,952.45
Explorer Scout Accounts - Centaur	£4,155.64	£5,506.52
Explorer Scout Accounts - Intrepid	£13,044.53	£10,989.66
Explorer Scout Accounts - Feltham	£1,575.23	£1,037.94
Scout Active Support Accounts - ABC	£1,209.63	£2,121.39
Scout Active Support Accounts - Flightpath	<u>£911.00</u>	£957.00
	£23,113.81	£22,564.96
 DISTRICT RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR	 £48,976.18	 £24,147.00
DISTRICT PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	£8,970.36	£30,591.71
DISTRICT NET RECEIPTS (PAYMENTS) FOR THE YEAR	£40,005.82	-£6,444.71
 ACCOUNTS REPORTING RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR	 £16,604.79	 £34,763.87
ACCOUNTS REPORTING PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	£15,673.63	£34,215.02
ACCOUNTS REPORTING NET RECEIPTS (PAYMENTS)	£931.16	£548.85
 CASH, BANK & SIMILAR FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD	 £317,956.03	 £323,851.89
CASH, BANK & SIMILAR FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	£358,893.01	£317,956.03

UNRESTRICTED FUNDS STATEMENT

Combined opening Balances	£358,893.01
Less	
Reserves	£65,000.00
Designated Funds	£292,186.16
Restricted Funds	<u>£1,481.67</u>
Total of Unrestricted Funds	£225.18

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Achievements and Performance continued

been made. Our youth membership fell by some 30% in the year to 31st January 2021, down to 780 members. A loss of 341. This came as no surprise to any of us at district or indeed national level. Since then, however, numbers in groups are beginning to increase slowly with new members being invited to join from joining lists. There will be another census in October and we hope that by then, we will be creeping back towards our 2020 figures.

The District Team are still on the look out for an ADC Scouts, a Youth Commissioner and a Network Commissioner. If anyone would like to nominate someone for one of these roles, do please let us know.

We are pleased to say that the majority of the backlog of appointments committee interviews have now been dealt with – thank you to our Appointment Committee. We are looking for new blood to join this committee so if you think you might be interested, do please get in touch.

As usual Trevor and his team of Training Advisers have kept us on our toes throughout the year. We are nearly 100% adult training compliant – just a few to go. Nearly all leaders have done their Safety and Safeguarding training on line, obligatory even for section Zoom meetings. Renewal of first response training is still a work in progress but we are promised some online training soon for Part 10A and a proposed plan for the completion of Part 10B.

We have posted out service certificates and presented some awards and wood beads via Zoom! Our Commissioner's Commendations are still waiting to be presented but with the agreement of the groups involved, these will wait until we can visit face to face.

With scout readiness levels changing in line with the National Youth Agency, all Covid related group risk assessments in existence have been reviewed. New assessments have come in from groups without them and have been approved with little input from us an Approver Team. Well done everyone!

Our thanks again to you all for your help and support during this past year. We have tried to keep in touch with you, sometimes with more success than others, but feel that we have kept the line of communication open and that you feel the same. At our AGM in January our County Commissioner Richard Williams commented that TGU "spread a wave of happiness" throughout the district – long may this continue!

Jane Bourne, Ian Willis and Rebecca Harding - District Commissioners
Thameside Grand Union

Financial Review

This is the twelfth full set of accounts for Thameside Grand Union Scout District.

The district budgets to break even each year, but this financial year shows a surplus of £40K – this is due to the Hospitality Covid Grants received by the District and the hard work by the executive in managing its buildings. This allowed the CDHQ and Nailhead Road to be opened safely as Government and Scouting rules allowed. The campsite at Hedgerley has remained closed due to the pandemic and running costs and maintenance are being covered by the Hospitality Grant. We also handed back the site at Quakers Lane to the LBH.

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The saga of the renewal of the leases with LBH continues, the generic lease has now been made site specific and a number of issues need to be resolved before they can all be progressed.

The CDHQ in Oxford Road is being used by the playgroup and is repaying the cost of renovations incurred last year.

The Nallhead Road building has provided some income for the district from the school for use of parking area and Slimming World when they are allowed to meet.

Restricted fund is the Grant from Inspire Hounslow for uniforms and Activities. The Activity part of the fund was very low so a request was made to Inspire Hounslow and a top up of £1000 made. No applications were received this year so no grants were paid out.

TGU has been able to offer a discount of the membership fees that are paid to GLMW and HQ. This year, to assist groups through the pandemic, we went over the budgeted amount in order to reduce the fee paid by the youth members to be the same as last year at £33.75. We reduce the fee by £11.00/head, a total of £8238. We also had to pay for one group that could not pay their membership fees at a cost of £607.50, so our total support for membership fees was £8845.50. Again there has been no need for a District levy to be charged.

The pandemic is not yet over and during this year we continue to expect a reduction in the income from the buildings, the badge shop and Hedgerley Camp Site. We also have a reduction in the income from our investment accounts as the interest rates have dropped. However we are in a better financial position than other Districts and plan to keep supporting our groups as best we can.

I would like to thank Jenny Lowe (District Treasurer) and Betty Porter (FSC member) for their work with looking after the District accounts.

I would also like to thank all the account reporting treasurers for providing the information required to produce these accounts.

Leon Mielewczyk – TGU Finance Sub-committee Chair

Reserves Policy

The District's policy on reserves is to hold

1. Sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the District should income and fundraising activities fall short. The District Executive Committee considers that the District should hold £15,000 a sum equivalent to 12 months running costs

2. Sufficient resources to comply with demolition and clearance costs specified in the exit terms of our Leases. The District Executive Committee estimates that the district should hold £50,000 for this.

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Designated Funds Policy

The District Executive Committee designated funds to be held for specific purposes as follows:

Hedgerley Scout Camp Site	£20,000.00
Chiswick DHQ	£9,000.00
Chiswick DHQ Planned Maintenance	£2,000.00
Nallhead Road Building	£9,000.00
Nallhead Road Planned Maintenance	£1,500.00
Activity Fund Camps etc	£4,044.14
Scout Hut Lease Renewal	£9,194.15
Badge shop funds	£2,567.92
Scout Active Support funds	£2,143.63
Explorer Scout Funds	£19,333.42
Network Funds	£1,102.90
Sponsorship of Scouting Events	£6,500.00
Young Leader Training	£1,200.00
Development of Scouting in TGU	£204,600.00
Total of Designated Funds	£292,186.16

Restricted Funds

Inspire Hounslow Activity and Uniform Grant	£1,481.67
Total of Restricted Funds	£1,481.67

Total of Restricted and Designated Funds **£293,667.83**