

BRUNEL DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

England & Wales · Charity number 1128647

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2009-03-18

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

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Activities

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 ACTIVELY ENGAGES AND SUPPORTS YOUNG PEOPLE IN THEIR PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT, EMPOWERING THEM TO MAKE A POSITIVE CONTRIBUTION TO SOCIETY.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Provides Human Resources, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** UNDEFINED. IN PRACTICE, LOCAL.
- Bristol City
- South Gloucestershire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£135,331	£119,134	-	-
2024-03-31	£117,703	£116,655	-	-
2023-03-31	£79,798	£71,110	-	-
2022-03-31	£41,868	£53,532	-	-
2021-03-31	£41,960	£11,745	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
James Justin Shadbolt	Chair	2023-11-19
Ben Shadbolt		2020-09-01
Charlotte Mossop		2026-02-09
Glen David Mills		2024-09-30
Hazel Sperring		2014-06-01
Hugh Thorpe		2019-09-21
Isabel Robinson		2025-10-27
James Edward Parker		2025-10-27
Paul Baker		2021-11-12

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Trustees' Annual Report

For the period

From (start date)

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Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Brunel District Scout Council									
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Other names the charity is known by

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Registered charity number (if any)

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HQ registration number

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Charity's principal address

81 Cornfield Close											
Bradley Stoke											
Postcode					B	S	3	2	9	D	R

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity
(These will be published in the annual report of the charity and the Charity Register if reporting for a Registered Charity with a charity regulator)

	Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1	Clive Lewis Syme Mason	District Lead Volunteer	
2	Nick Nelson	District Chair	
3	Hugh Thorpe	District Treasurer	
4	Hazel Sperring		
5	Paul Baker		

6	Ben Shadbolt	14-24 Team Leader	
7	Jim Shadbolt		
8	Glen Mills		
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(e.g. trust deed, constitution)

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Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.

Additional governance issues (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

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Structure, governance and management (continued)

Risk and Internal Control (Specimen 1)

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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:

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Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

See section D for further details of activities undertaken.

Additional details of the objectives and activities (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

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Achievements and performance

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A risk register has been introduced and scored with trustee leads in place to identify and manage mitigation actions.

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improve decision making and highlight to potential trustees
our professional approach.

Scouting has been working through a huge transformation
programme which was significantly impacted by the launch of the
new adult membership system last November.

The launch of the new system has been hugely challenging for everyone at all levels in the organisation...and continues to be so. However, the delivery of a great quality Scouting programme has been sustained and both young people and volunteer membership numbers have marginally increased.

The new membership system continues to evolve as bugs & fixes are ironed out. Realistically, this will be at least the end of 2025 but in the meantime, all volunteers continue to persevere... particularly the Group Lead Volunteers.

Our current national 'Skills for Life' strategy ends at the end of 2025. This 5yr plan was originally started in 2018 but due to COVID, was delayed.

Since last year, HQ have been developing our next 5yr strategy in consultation with volunteers, youth forums and the general public. This new strategy will be launched towards the end of 2025/early 2026.

The new strategy will be based on global trends and the evolving needs of young people, skills development, education, and communities towards 2035. It will shape our post-2025 vision and strategic roadmap for Scouting for the next 5yrs...so exciting times ahead! This will have a direct influence on all on the 'front line' as it will shape our programme...the most important part of Scouting and also how we support our volunteers.

Overall 5% increase in District membership (see separate graphic circulated with this document)...with a 5.2% increase in Young People and a 4.4% increase in volunteers.

Demand has never been greater...as always we need more volunteers but equally, meeting places are also increasingly difficult to find and sustain.

Scouting's newest and youngest section for the 4-5yr olds, Squirrels, is progressing well within the District. We now have 4 Squirrel Dreys in the District and by the end of 2025, there will hopefully be another 4.

Overall, a challenging but successful year!

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Reserves Policy

The Districts policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the group should income and fundraising activities fall short. The District Trustee Board considers that the District should hold a sum equivalent to 6 months running costs, circa £15,000.

The District held reserves in excess of £50,000 against this at year end. This is above the level required for operating expenses.

However this can be explained by and is held to support development of Groups across the District through either grants or loans.

Quantify and explain any designations

Details of any funds materially in deficit (circumstances plus steps to eliminate)

Further financial review details (optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);

Investment Policy (Specimen 1)

The principle source of funding are subscription payments made direct to the charity by Explorer Units or through annual capitation payments by all Group's across the District for other members.

- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;

Key expenditure items are the administrative costs of running a charity including premises, insurance, IT costs and training.
The Charity also has substantial receipts and payments on a broadly breakeven basis for specific events that are charged separately to annual subscriptions.

- investment policy and objectives;

Investment Policy

The District does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer term investments. The District has therefore adopted a risk averse strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or building societies.

Section F Other Optional Information

Plans for future periods (details of any significant activities planned to achieve them)

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

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Full name(s)

Nicholas Nelson	Hugh Thorpe
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Position (eg Secretary, Chair)

Chair	Treasurer
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Date

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Brunel District Scout Council Receipts and Payments Account

Year start date

Year end date

For the year from	01-Apr-24	To	31-Mar-25
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Receipts and payments

	2024/25 Unrestricted funds £	2023/24 Unrestricted funds £
Receipts		
Donations, legacies and similar income		
Membership subscriptions	110,658	84,592
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/Area/District)	- 73,300	- 67,680
Net membership subscriptions retained	37,358	16,912
Donations	-	110
Other similar income	15,145	6,673
Sub total	52,503	23,695
Events		
Income for events by District	80,580	90,723
Receipts for World and European Jamboree	-	1,270
Sub total	80,580	91,993
Investment income		
Bank interest	148	515
Loan repayments received from Groups	600	-
Property Rent income	1,500	1,500
Sub total	2,248	2,015
Total Gross Income	135,331	117,703
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-
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Charitable Payments		
Premises costs	2,145	1,740
Insurance	1,582	927
Training	637	580
IT costs	714	1,028
Events run by District	90,426	93,128
Payments for World and European Jamborees	-	1,980
Other costs	23,630	10,590
Sub total	119,134	109,973
Fundraising expenses		
Other fundraising costs	-	1,682
Sub total	-	1,682
Total Gross Expenditure	119,134	111,655
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	-	4,411
Loan advances made to Groups	-	-
Transfers of Groups out of District	454	-
Total payments	118,680	116,066
Net of receipts/(payments)	16,651	1,637
Cash funds last year end	156,023	154,386
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Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

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Cash funds		
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Prepaid cards balance	1,414	-
Brunel District Reserve Account	13,224	7,754
Gilwell	-	51,719
Fromeside Explorers	8,625	7,629
Solar Explorers	890	3,145
Trident Explorers	12,042	5,129
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Other monetary assets		
Debts due from Groups	-	5,900
Sub total	-	5,900
Non monetary assets for charity's own use		
Equipment	33,000	8,816
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Liabilities		
Annual Scout Association subscription due in April	80,693	67,680
Amounts due to Groups	-	55
Sub total	80,693	67,735

Contingent liabilities and future obligations

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 22 July 2024 (the date of the Board of Trustee meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by

Signature

Print Name

NICK NELSON	Chair
HUGH THORPE	Treasurer

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Brunel District Scout Council

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Brunel District Scout Council for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of Brunel District Scout Council 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 Brunel District Scout Council accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145 (5) (b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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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:

DAISY VOLILES MART

Address:

SPECTRUM ACCOUNTANCY SOLUTIONS
18 BROAD ST, STAPLE HILL, BRISTOL, BS16 5NX.

Date:

05/09/2025.



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The attached annual census extract (stats/graph) details the membership numbers for the reporting year and can be summarised as follows...

- Overall increase in District membership...with a 4.2% increase in Young People and a 6.1% increase in volunteer numbers.

- With the exception of the Beaver age group (down 4.5%), numbers continue to steadily increase (post COVID pandemic) and the overall District membership is now the highest it's ever been with 1469 young people supported by 467 adult volunteers.

- At the time of census, the overall waiting list of 721 young people wanting to join (between 4-14yrs) remains as a barometer of the continued huge demand for Scouting in Brunel District . Despite development efforts, the lack of available sections, volunteers and meeting places unfortunately means they can't when they want to. Nonetheless, the District Lead Volunteer supported by the Board of Trustees will continue to endeavour to identify and support development opportunities.

- Worthy of note is the steady increase in the number of Explorer Scout Unit sections (14-18yrs) reflected in the move from 106 to 130 Explorer Scouts in the District.

- Along with the rest of the organisation, the District has been preparing itself for the forthcoming 'transformation' changes. The District is in a strong position to adopt the new way of Scouting delivery which through the rest of 2024 and into 2025 will...

- Create a warmer welcome for new volunteers
- Simplify volunteering with changes to roles and team structures
- Make learning more valuable and convenient
- Provide a new digital experience for managing adult membership data

Section E	Financial Review
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Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Reserves Policy

The Districts policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the group should income and fundraising activities fall short. The District Trustee Board considers that the District should hold a sum equivalent to 6 months running costs, circa £15,000.

The District held reserves in excess of £50,000 against this at year end. This is above the level required for operating expenses. However this can be explained by and is held to support development of Groups across the District through either grants or loans.

Quantify and explain any designations

Details of any funds materially in deficit (circumstances plus steps to eliminate)

Further financial review details (optional information)

- You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:
- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);

The principle source of funding are subscription payments made direct to the charity by Explorer Units or through annual capitation payments by all Group's across the District for other members.

- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;

Key expenditure items are the administrative costs of running a charity including premises, insurance, IT costs and training.

- investment policy and objectives;

The Charity also has substantial receipts and payments on a broadly breakeven basis for specific events that are charged separately to annual subscriptions.

Investment Policy

The Group does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer term investments. The Group has therefore adopted a risk averse strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or building societies.

Section F Other Optional Information

Plans for future periods (details of any significant activities planned to achieve them)

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Full name(s)

Position (eg Secretary, Chair)

Date

Brunel District Scout Council Receipts and Payments Account

Year start date

Year end date

For the year from	01-Apr-23	To	31-Mar-24
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Receipts and payments

	2023/24 Unrestricted funds £	2022/23 Unrestricted funds £
Receipts		
Donations, legacies and similar income		
Membership subscriptions	84,592	80,278
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/Area/District)	- 67,680	- 59,831
Net membership subscriptions retained	16,912	20,447
Donations	110	4,044
Other similar income	6,673	8,825
Sub total	23,695	33,316
Events		
Income for events by District	90,723	38,521
Receipts for World and European Jamboree	1,270	6,110
Sub total	91,993	44,631
Fundraising (gross)		
Other fundraising activities	-	-
Sub total	-	-
Investment income		
Bank interest	515	351
Loan repayments received from Groups	-	-
Property Rent income	1,500	1,500
Sub total	2,015	1,851
Total Gross Income	117,703	79,798
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-
Total receipts	117,703	79,798

Brunel District Scout Council Receipts and Payments Account

Year start date

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Receipts and payments

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Payments		
Charitable Payments		
Premises costs	1,740	3,703
Insurance	927	215
Training	580	3,205
IT costs	1,028	732
Events run by District	93,128	44,880
Payments for World and European Jamborees	1,980	8,400
Other costs	10,590	9,974
Sub total	109,973	71,110
Fundraising expenses		
Other fundraising costs	1,682	-
Sub total	1,682	-
Total Gross Expenditure	111,655	71,110
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	4,411	-
Loan advances made to Groups	-	77
Transfers of Groups out of District	-	-
Total payments	116,066	71,187
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,637	3,611
Cash funds last year end	154,386	145,775
Cash funds this year end	156,023	154,386

Brunel District Scout Council Receipts and Payments Account

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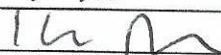
Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

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Gilwell	-	51,719
Fromside Explorers	10,069	7,629
Solar Explorers	969	3,145
Trident Explorers	9,607	5,129
Total cash funds	156,023	154,386
Other monetary assets		
Debts due from Groups	5,700	5,900
Sub total	5,700	5,900
Non monetary assets for charity's own use		
Equipment	25,000	8,816
Sub total	25,000	8,816
Liabilities		
Annual Scout Association subscription due in April	73,300	67,680
Amounts due to Groups	-	55
Sub total	73,300	67,735

Contingent liabilities and future obligations

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on ~~16 Oct 2023~~ 22/7/24 (the date of the Executive Committee meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by

Signature

Print Name

NICK NELSON	Chair
HUGH THORPE	Treasurer

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Independent examiner's statement

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Signed:



Name: Daisy Vowles MAAT

Address: 18 Broad Street, Staple Hill, Bristol, BS16
5NX

Date: 23.08.2024



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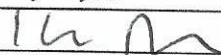
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BRUNEL DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

England & Wales - Charity number 1128647

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report

For the period 1st April 2022 - 31st March 2023



Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name...	Brunel District Scout Council
Other names the charity is known by...	N/A
Registered charity number (if any)...	1 1 2 8 6 4 7
HQ registration number...	1 6 7 1 5
Charity's principal address...	50 Grove Road Fishponds Bristol Postcode B S 1 6 2 B W

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted (if not for whole year)
1	(Position vacant)	District Chair	
2	Clive Lewis Syme Mason	District Commissioner (ex officio)	
3	Vacant	District Treasurer	
4	Martin Stuart Cush	District Secretary	
5	Benjamin Shadbolt	District Explorer Scout Commissioner (ex officio)	
6	Hugh Mansfield Thorpe	(co-opted - finance)	
7	Hazel Sperrings	Executive member	
8	Alice Spikings	Executive member	
9	Paul Baker	Executive member	
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12			
13			
14			

Names and addresses of advisers (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

Type of advisor	Name	Address

Section B

Structure, governance and management

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.

The District 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 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 registration, keeping of proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate.

The Committee consists of 3 independent representatives, Chair (position currently vacant), Treasurer and Secretary and other members either elected by the local Scout council, nominated by the District Commissioner or by virtue of their role in Scouting and meets every two months.

Members of the Executive Committee complete the following training modules within the first 5 months of joining the committee...

- Essential Information (Module 01)
- Safety
- Safeguarding
- General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)
- Trustee Introduction

This District Executive Committee exists to support the District Scout Groups/Units in delivering scouting in the District and is responsible for:

- The raising of funds and the administration of District finance
- The insurance of persons, property and equipment
- District public occasions
- The recruitment of leaders and other adult support

The District has in place systems of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss, these include 2 signatories for all payments and a comprehensive insurance policy to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

Section C Objectives and activities

Identifiable benefit statement - We help young people in their personal development and empower them to make a positive contribution to society. This benefit is directly linked to the purpose of Scouts.

Public benefit statement - 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.

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

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.

Section C Objectives and activities (continued)

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.

Section D Achievements and performance

Key facts for the reporting year

- (To be read in conjunction with attached membership data for YE 31/01/22 and census key facts for YE 31/01/22)
- Overall increase in District membership..with a 10.8% increase in Young People and a 1.4% increase in volunteer numbers.
- This reflects the national trend and is testament to the hard work of all volunteers. Crucially numbers are not only back to pre-pandemic levels, but have gone beyond and the overall District membership is the highest it's ever been with 1410 young people supported by 440 adult volunteers.
- The waiting list data illustrates the continued huge demand for Scouting in Brunel District with a staggering 788 young people wanting to join (between 4-14yrs)...but lack of available sections and volunteers unfortunately means they can't when they want to.
- The District Executive continued to meet online, maintaining routine governance & administration but predominantly supporting all Group Executive committees (including financial guidance and support with applying for local authority grants).
- The Young Leader training programme is worthy of note developing and supporting c50 14-18yr olds to become our future adult leaders.

Section E Financial Review

The District accounts for the period **1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023** have been prepared on a Receipts & Payments basis in line with guidance set out by the Scout Association and the Charities Commission in order to comply with the Charities Act 2011. The Accounts have been subject to independent examination by **Daisy Vowles MAAT** (Spectrum Accountancy Solutions, 18 Broad Street, Staple Hill, Bristol, BS16 5NX) in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and related Charities Commission General Direction.

The District Accounts together with the Examiner's report are attached.

All expenditure in the year has supported the key objectives of the charity helping any Groups/Units in need of financial support, cost of consumables, rent, insurance, annual membership subscription to the Scouts Association, etc. It also covers the cost of any equipment that is needed and adult training to promote the development of young people within the District.

The District Executive Committee does not consider it appropriate for the District to invest in assets other than cash. All the excess cash funds are with the Scouts HQ Charity Deposit (Gilwell) Account to earn a higher rate of interest.

Reserves Policy

The District has significant cash funds to meet future requirements. An upper limit of reserves has not been set as over time available funds will be appropriately utilised across the District to provide financial support, to fund expansion and for capital investment. Total cash balances are reviewed on an ongoing basis by the Executive Committee to ensure they are appropriate to meet the strategic objectives of the District.

Section F Other Optional Information

The District team will continue to support all volunteers as they deliver their programmes and develop our young people. We will continue to look at ways of developing Scouting provision in order to deliver to those young people on our waiting list who aren't able to gain a place.

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees...

Signature(s)

Full name(s)

Position (eg Secretary, Chair)

Date

Brunel District Scout Council Receipts and Payments Account

Year start date

Year end date

For the year from	01-Apr-22	To	31-Mar-23
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Receipts and payments

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Receipts		
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Other similar income	8,825	4,806
Sub total	33,316	16,360
Events		
Income for events by District	38,521	22,456
Receipts for World and European Jamboree	6,110	720
Sub total	44,631	23,176
Fundraising (gross)		
Other fundraising activities	-	-
Sub total	-	-
Investment income		
Bank interest	351	155
Loan repayments received from Groups	-	77
Property Rent income	1,500	1,500
Sub total	1,851	1,732
Total Gross Income	79,798	41,868
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-
Total receipts	79,798	41,868

Brunel District Scout Council Receipts and Payments Account

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Payments		
Charitable Payments		
Premises costs	3,703	3,395
Insurance	215	200
Training	3,205	515
IT costs	732	518
Events run by District	44,880	40,057
Payments for World and European Jamborees	8,400	800
Other costs	9,974	7,747
Sub total	71,110	53,232
Fundraising expenses		
Other fundraising costs	-	300
Sub total	-	300
Total Gross Expenditure	71,110	53,532
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	-	-
Loan advances made to Groups	77	-
Transfers of Groups out of District	-	-
Total payments	71,187	53,532
Net of receipts/(payments)	8,611	11,662
Cash funds last year end	145,775	157,439
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Paradox Explorers	-	-
Fromeside Explorers	7,629	2,965
Solar Explorers	3,145	7,495
Trident Explorers	5,129	5,033
Cash/Floats	-	-
Total cash funds	154,385	145,779
Other monetary assets		
Debts due from Groups	5,900	5,900
Sub total	5,900	5,900
Non monetary assets for charity's own use		
District neckerchiefs	250	772
District banners and feather flags	1,050	221
Explorer equipment	6,500	2,500
First aid equipment	5,500	5,323
Sub total	13,300	9,816
Liabilities		
Annual Scout Association subscription due in April	67,680	59,831
Amounts due to Groups	55	132
Other liabilities	-	-
Sub total	67,735	59,963

Contingent liabilities and future obligations

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on **18 OCT 2023** (the date of the Executive Committee meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by

Signature

Print Name *DISTRICT COMMISSIONER*

CEIVE MASON	PP Chair
HUGH THORPE	Treasurer

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Contingent liabilities and future obligations

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on **18 OCT** 2023 (the date of the Executive Committee meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by

Signature

Print Name *DISTRICT COMMISSIONER*

CEIVE MASON	PP Chair
HUGH THORPE	Treasurer

Brunel District Scout Council Receipts and Payments Account

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Brunel District Scout Council

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Brunel District Scout Council for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of Brunel District Scout Council 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 Brunel District Scout Council accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145 (5) (b) of the Act.

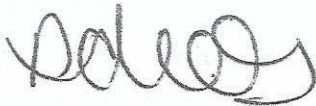
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Signed:



Name: Daisy Vowles MAAT

Address: 18 Broad St, Staple Hill, Bristol, BS16 5NX

Date: 09.10.2023



BRUNEL DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

England & Wales - Charity number 1128647

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report

For the period 1st April 2021 - 31st March 2022



Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name...	Brunel District Scout Council								
Other names the charity is known by...	N/A								
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6	Hugh Mansfield Thorpe	(co-opted - finance)	
7	Hazel Sperrings	Executive member	
8	Alice Spikings	Executive member	
9	Paul Baker	Executive member	
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11			
12			
13			
14			

Names and addresses of advisers (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

Type of advisor	Name	Address

Section B Structure, governance and management

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.

The District 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 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 registration, keeping of proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate.

The Committee consists of 3 independent representatives, Chair (position currently vacant), Treasurer and Secretary and other members either elected by the local Scout council, nominated by the District Commissioner or by virtue of their role in Scouting and meets every two months.

Members of the Executive Committee complete the following training modules within the first 5 months of joining the committee...

- Essential Information (Module 01)
- Safety
- Safeguarding
- General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)
- Trustee Introduction

This District Executive Committee exists to support the District Scout Groups/Units in delivering scouting in the District and is responsible for:

- The raising of funds and the administration of District finance
- The insurance of persons, property and equipment
- District public occasions
- The recruitment of leaders and other adult support

The District has in place systems of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss, these include 2 signatories for all payments and a comprehensive insurance policy to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

Section C

Objectives and activities

Identifiable benefit statement - We help young people in their personal development and empower them to make a positive contribution to society. This benefit is directly linked to the purpose of Scouts.

Public benefit statement - 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.

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

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.

Section C

Objectives and activities (continued)

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.

Section D**Achievements and performance****Key facts for the reporting year**

- (To be read in conjunction with attached membership data for YE 31/01/22 and census key facts for YE 31/01/22)
- Overall increase in District membership..with a 18% increase in Young People and a 23% increase in volunteer numbers.
- This reflects the national trend and is testament to the hard work of volunteers sustaining Scouting through the pandemic...and also the clear demand for Scouting in communities as the organisation 'bounces back'!
- The waiting list data illustrates the continued huge demand for Scouting in Brunel District with a staggering 686 young people wanting to join (between 4-14yrs)...but lack of available sections and volunteers unfortunately means they can't when they want to.
- The District Executive continued to meet online, maintaining routine governance & administration but predominantly supporting all Group Executive committees (including financial guidance and support with applying for local authority grants).
- The Young Leader training programme is worthy of note developing and supporting c50 14-18yr olds to become our future adult leaders.

Section E**Financial Review**

The District accounts for the period **1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022** have been prepared on a Receipts & Payments basis in line with guidance set out by the Scout Association and the Charities Commission in order to comply with the Charities Act 2011. The Accounts have been subject to independent examination by **Daisy Vowles MAAT** (Spectrum Accountancy Solutions, 18 Broad Street, Staple Hill, Bristol, BS16 5NX) in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and related Charities Commission General Direction.

The District Accounts together with the Examiner's report are attached.

All expenditure in the year has supported the key objectives of the charity helping any Groups/Units in need of financial support, cost of consumables, rent, insurance, annual membership subscription to the Scouts Association, etc. It also covers the cost of any equipment that is needed and adult training to promote the development of young people within the District.

The District Executive Committee does not consider it appropriate for the District to invest in assets other than cash. All the excess cash funds are with the Scouts HQ Charity Deposit (Gilwell) Account to earn a higher rate of interest.

Reserves Policy

The District has significant cash funds to meet future requirements. An upper limit of reserves has not been set as over time available funds will be appropriately utilised across the District to provide financial support, to fund expansion and for capital investment. Total cash balances are reviewed on an ongoing basis by the Executive Committee to ensure they are appropriate to meet the strategic objectives of the District.

Section F**Other Optional Information**

As predicted in the last report, 2021/2022 has been a year of stabilisation and resurgence as Scouting has bounced back from the COVID19 pandemic. The District team will continue to support all volunteers as they deliver their programmes and develop our young people. We need to look at ways of developing Scouting provision in order to deliver to those young people on our waiting list who aren't able to gain a place.

Section G**Declaration**

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees...

Signature(s)

Clive Mason	Martin Cush
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Full name(s)

Clive Mason	Martin Cush
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Position (eg Secretary, Chair)

District Commissioner (acting chair)	District Secretary
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Date

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Census of Membership in Brunel
For the year ending 31 January 2022

	2021					2022					2022 vs 2021					
	Male	Female	Self-identif y	Prefer not to say	Total	Male	Female	Self-identif y	Prefer not to say	Tot al	Male	Female	Self-identif y	Prefer not to say	Total	% chang e
YOUTH MEMBERSHIP																
Squirrel Scouts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	0%
Beaver Scouts	176	61	0	3	240	224	98	0	14	336	+48	+37	-	+11	+96	+40%
Cub Scouts	277	95	0	7	379	353	107	0	8	468	+76	+12	-	+1	+89	+23%
Scouts	265	113	0	3	381	255	126	1	0	382	-10	+13	+1	-3	+1	+0%
Explorer Scouts (including Young Leaders)	47	18	2	0	67	60	27	0	0	87	+13	+9	-2	-	+20	+30%
Network Members	12	1	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	-12	-1	-	-	-13	-100%
TOTAL YOUTH MEMBERSHIP	777	288	2	13	1,080	892	358	1	22	1,273	+115	+70	-1	+9	+193	+18%
PROGRAMME DELIVERY ROLES																
Section Leaders	27	20	0	0	47	32	25	0	0	57	+5	+5	-	-	+10	+21%
Assistant Section Leaders	75	57	0	0	132	77	57	0	1	135	+2	-	-	+1	+3	+2%
Section Assistants	32	16	0	1	49	37	33	0	0	70	+5	+17	-	-1	+21	+43%
TOTAL ADULT PROGRAMME DELIVERY ROLES	134	93	0	1	228	146	115	0	1	262	+12	+22	-	-	+34	+15%
Young Leaders*	13	12	0	0	25	27	22	1	0	50	+14	+10	+1	-	+25	+100%
TOTAL PROGRAMME DELIVERY ROLES	147	105	0	1	253	173	137	1	1	312	+26	+32	+1	-	+59	+23%
LINE MANAGER ROLES																
Group Scout Leaders	10	4	0	0	14	11	4	0	0	15	+1	-	-	-	+1	+7%
District Explorer Scout Commissioners	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	-	-	-	-	-	0%
District Scout Network Commissioners	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	-	-	-	-	-	0%
District Commissioners	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	-	-	-	-	-	0%
TOTAL LINE MANAGER ROLES	13	4	0	0	17	14	4	0	0	18	+1	-	-	-	+1	+6%
GOVERNANCE ROLES																
Group Chair	9	5	0	0	14	9	6	0	0	15	-	+1	-	-	+1	+7%
Group Secretary	3	9	0	0	12	5	9	0	0	14	+2	-	-	-	+2	+17%
Group Treasurer	13	4	0	0	17	13	4	0	0	17	-	-	-	-	-	0%
Group Executive Members	21	12	0	0	33	23	11	0	0	34	+2	-1	-	-	+1	+3%
TOTAL GROUP GOVERNANCE ROLES	46	30	0	0	76	50	30	0	0	80	+4	-	-	-	+4	+5%
District Chair	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	0%
District Secretary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	0%
District Treasurer	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	+1	-1	-	-	-	0%
District Executive Members	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	-	+1	-	-	+1	0%
TOTAL DISTRICT GOVERNANCE ROLES	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	2	+1	-	-	-	+1	+100%
TOTAL GOVERNANCE ROLES	46	31	0	0	77	51	31	0	0	82	+5	-	-	-	+5	+6%
SUPPORT ROLES																
Deputy Group Scout Leaders	7	2	0	0	9	7	1	0	0	8	-	-1	-	-	-1	-11%
Group Administrators ~	2	2	0	0	4	4	9	0	0	13	+2	+7	-	-	+9	+225%
Group Skills Instructors	8	4	0	0	12	8	2	0	0	10	-	-2	-	-	-2	-17%
Other Group Adults	14	15	0	0	29	13	17	0	0	30	-1	+2	-	-	+1	+3%
TOTAL GROUP SUPPORT ROLES	31	23	0	0	54	32	29	0	0	61	+1	+6	-	-	+7	+13%
Deputy District Commissioners	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	0%
District Youth Commissioners	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	+1	-	-	-	+1	0%
Deputy District Youth Commissioners	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	0%
Assistant District Commissioners	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	-	-2	-	-	-2	-100%
District Leaders	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	-1	-1	-	-	-2	-100%
District Administrators ~	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	0%
District Skills Instructors	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	0%
Other District Support roles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	0%
TOTAL DISTRICT SUPPORT ROLES	1	3	0	0	4	1	0	0	0	1	-	-3	-	-	-3	-75%
Scout Active Support	5	6	0	0	11	4	6	0	0	10	-1	-	-	-	-1	-9%
TOTAL SUPPORT ROLES	37	32	0	0	69	37	35	0	0	72	-	+3	-	-	+3	+4%
TOTAL ADULT ROLES	230	160	0	1	391	248	185	0	1	434	+18	+25	-	-	+43	+11%
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP	1,007	448	2	14	1,471	1,140	543	1	23	1,707	+133	+95	-1	+9	+236	+16%
Total Membership due to pay the Headquarters Membership Subscription (Total of Youth Membership excluding Scout Network)										1,273						
OPERATIONAL UNITS																
Squirrel Scout Dreys	0					0					-					
Beaver Scout Colonies	21					18					-3					
Cub Scout Packs	21					22					+1					
Scout Troops	19					20					+1					
Explorer Scout Units, including YL Units	5					5					-					
Scout Networks	1					1					-					
Scout Active Support Units	3					3					-					
Groups	17					17					-					

Brunel - some key facts (17 Groups in 1 District)

Source: Census January 2022

	Dreys / Squirrels	Colonies / Beavers	Packs / Cubs	Troops / Scouts	Group Sections / Young People	Units #/ Explorers	Network ~
Census Summary							
Number of Sections	0	18	22	20	60	5	1
Number of Young People	0	336	468	382	1,186	87	0
Average sections per Group / District *	0.0 (0.0)	1.1 (1.1)	1.3 (1.3)	1.2 (1.2)	3.5	5.0 (5.0)	-
Section size	Average 0 Range from 0 to 0	Average 19 Range from 8 to 24	Average 21 Range from 5 to 29	Average 19 Range from 6 to 30	Average 20	Average 17 Range from 0 to 31	Average 0 Range from 0 to 0
Young leaders	0	18	18	14	50	-	-
Missing Sections							
Groups / Districts with no Section	17 (100%)	1 (6%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	17 (100%) ***	0 (0%)	0
Waiting Lists							
Total young people on a waiting list in Brunel	212	219	216	39	686	0	-
Number of Waiting lists with more than 11 Young People	7	6	6	1	20	0	-
Small Sections							
Sections with fewer than 12 Young People	0 (0%)	2 (11%)	2 (9%)	3 (15%)	7 (12%)	2 (40%)	1 (100%)
Sections with fewer than 5 Young People	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (20%)	1 (100%)
Gender Mix							
Sections with fewer than 5 female young people	0 (0%)	8 (44%)	12 (55%)	6 (30%)	26 (43%)	2 (40%)	1 (100%)
Sections with fewer than 5 male young people	0 (0%)	1 (6%)	1 (5%)	1 (5%)	3 (5%)	2 (40%)	1 (0%)
Top Youth Awards ###							
Number of Top Awards achieved	0	30	28	15	73	9	0
Top Awards achieved per Section	-	Average 2 Range from 0 to 6	Average 1 Range from 0 to 9	Average 1 Range from 0 to 6	Average 1	Average 2 Range from 0 to 7	Average 0 Range from 0 to 0
% Members Receiving Top Awards ##	-	Average 9% Range from 0% to 25%	Average 6% Range from 0% to 35%	Average 4% Range from 0% to 22%	Average 6%	Average 10% Range from 0% to 88%	-
Adult leadership							
Number of Adults **	0	79	76	82	237	25	-
Adults per section	Average 0	Average 4	Average 3	Average 4	Average 4	Average 5	-
Sections with only 1 Adult †	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	2 (40%)	-
Sections with no Adults †	0 (0%)	1 (6%)	1 (5%)	1 (5%)	3 (5%)	0 (0%)	-

* First figure is number of sections per total groups or districts. In brackets shows sections per group or district where sections exists

** Leaders, Assistant Leaders, Sectional Assistants as declared on the census

*** Groups without one or more sections

~ Scout Network information has been taken from Census

Explorer Units include Young Leader Units, where declared

The Awards gained in the last 12 months compared to the current number of members recorded on census

Top Awards achieved during the 12 months ending 31/01/2022

† <https://www.scouts.org.uk/volunteers/growing-scouts/starting-a-new-section/>

† <https://www.scouts.org.uk/volunteers/growing-scouts/recruiting-and-retaining-volunteers/>

Brunel District Scout Council Receipts and Payments Account

Year start date

Year end date

For the year from	01-Apr-21	To	31-Mar-22
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Receipts and payments

	2021/22 Unrestricted funds £	2020/21 Unrestricted funds £
Receipts		
Donations, legacies and similar income		
Membership subscriptions	70,917	53,124
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/Area/District)	- 50,683	- 53,160
Net membership subscriptions retained	20,234	- 36
Donations	- 8,080	33,513
Other similar income	4,806	4,978
Sub total	16,960	38,455
Events		
Income for events by District	22,456	1,825
Receipts for World and European Jamboree	720	-
Sub total	23,176	1,825
Fundraising (gross)		
Other fundraising activities	-	-
Sub total	-	-
Investment income		
Bank interest	155	181
Loan repayments received from Groups	77	-
Property Rent income	1,500	1,500
Sub total	1,732	1,681
Total Gross Income	41,868	41,960
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-
Total receipts	41,868	41,960

Brunel District Scout Council Receipts and Payments Account

Year start date

Year end date

For the year from	01-Apr-21	To	31-Mar-22
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Receipts and payments

	2021/22 Unrestricted funds £	2020/21 Unrestricted funds £
Payments		
Charitable Payments		
Premises costs	3,395	636
Insurance	200	200
Training	515	-
IT costs	518	582
Events run by District	40,057	7,208
Payments for World and European Jamborees	800	-
Other costs	7,747	1,545
Sub total	53,232	10,170
Fundraising expenses		
Other fundraising costs	300	-
Sub total	300	-
Total Gross Expenditure	53,532	10,170
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	-	-
Loan advances made to Groups	-	1,680
Transfers of Groups out of District	-	105
Total payments	53,532	11,745
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 11,664	30,215
Cash funds last year end	157,439	127,224
Cash funds this year end	145,775	157,439

Brunel District Scout Council Receipts and Payments Account

Year start date

Year end date

For the year from	01-Apr-21	To	31-Mar-22
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Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	2021/22 Unrestricted funds £	2020/21 Unrestricted funds £
Cash funds		
Brunel District Current Account	63,890	62,449
Brunel District Reserve Account	15,013	29,441
Gilwell	51,384	51,231
Brunel District Cubs	-	2,058
Paradox Explorers	-	673
Fromeside Explorers	2,965	3,269
Solar Explorers	7,495	3,673
Trident Explorers	5,033	4,610
Cash/Floats	-	34
Total cash funds	145,779	157,439
Other monetary assets		
Debts due from Groups	5,900	5,900
Sub total	5,900	5,900
Non monetary assets for charity's own use		
District neckerchiefs	772	772
Feather flags	221	221
Explorer equipment	2,500	2,500
First aid equipment	5,323	5,323
Sub total	8,816	8,816
Liabilities		
Annual Scout Association subscription due in April	59,831	50,683
Amounts due to Groups	132	55
Other liabilities	-	9,431
Sub total	59,963	54,895

Contingent liabilities and future obligations

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 23 Jan 2023 (the date of the Executive Committee meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by

Signature

Print Name

Clive Mason
Hugh Thorpe

CLIVE MASON	Chair
HUGH THORPE	Treasurer

Brunel District Scout Council Receipts and Payments Account

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Brunel District Scout Council

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Name: Daisy Vowles MAAT

Address: Spectrum Accountancy Solutions, 18 Broad
St , Staple Hill, Bristol, BS16 5NX

Date: 30.12.2022

BRUNEL DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

England & Wales - Charity number 1128647

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report

For the period 1st April 2020 - 31st March 2021



Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name... **Brunel District Scout Council**

Other names the charity is known by... **N/A**

Registered charity number (if any)... **1 1 2 8 6 4 7**

HQ registration number... **1 6 7 1 5**

Charity's principal address... **50 Grove Road**
Fishponds
Bristol
Postcode **B S 1 6 B W**

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted (if not for whole year)
1	(Position vacant)	District Chair	
2	Clive Lewis Syme Mason	District Commissioner (ex officio)	
3	Gabriela Nagyova	District Treasurer	
4	Martin Stuart Cush	District Secretary	
5	Christopher Andrew Padgett	District Youth Commissioner (ex officio)	
6	Benjamin Shadbolt	District Explorer Scout Commissioner (ex officio)	01/09/20
7	Samuel John David Kingstone	District Scout Network Leader (ex officio)	13/07/20
8	Hugh Mansfield Thorpe	(co-opted - finance)	
9	Hazel Sperrings	Executive member	
10	Alice Spikings	Executive member	
11	Peter William Lunt	Executive member	
12	Paul Baker	Executive member	
13	Christopher Mark Grattidge	Executive member	
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Names and addresses of advisers (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

Type of advisor	Name	Address

Section B

Structure, governance and management

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.

The District 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 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 registration, keeping of proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate.

The Committee consists of 3 independent representatives, Chair (position currently vacant), Treasurer and Secretary and other members either elected by the local Scout council, nominated by the District Commissioner or by virtue of their role in Scouting and meets every two months.

Members of the Executive Committee complete the following training modules within the first 5 months of joining the committee...

- Essential Information (Module 01)
- Safety
- Safeguarding
- General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)
- Trustee Introduction

This District Executive Committee exists to support the District Scout Groups/Units in delivering scouting in the District and is responsible for:

- The raising of funds and the administration of District finance
- The insurance of persons, property and equipment
- District public occasions
- The recruitment of leaders and other adult support

The District has in place systems of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss, these include 2 signatories for all payments and a comprehensive insurance policy to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

Section C

Objectives and activities

Identifiable benefit statement - We help young people in their personal development and empower them to make a positive contribution to society. This benefit is directly linked to the purpose of Scouts.

Public benefit statement - 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.

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

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.

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- **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.

Section C

Objectives and activities (continued)

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.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Highlights of the reporting year

- Overall decrease in District membership..with a 19% decrease in Young People (compared to an 8% increase in the previous reporting year 2019/2020). In addition, there has been a 12% decrease in volunteer numbers. Some sections have closed altogether and some Groups effectively 'mothballed' until restrictions eased.
- This is a clear result of the COVID pandemic but the District Executive is confident that as restrictions ultimately ease, numbers will return to at least pre-pandemic levels.
- All Groups/Units achieved a level of delivering virtual Scouting...some immediately and all others by the end of the reporting period. This was an outstanding effort by all volunteers and Young People, epitomising the resilience and adaptability of Scouting in crisis.
- The enthusiastic adoption of programmes and badgework online ensured that our Young People continued to achieve top awards and remained mentally & physically occupied during a particularly challenging time.
- At the end of the reporting period (31st March 2021), Scouting had moved to 'Amber' readiness level allowing face to face (F2F) Scouting outdoors, this was soon followed in April by also allowing meetings indoors (subject to restrictions).
- The District Executive continued to meet online, maintaining routine governance & administration but predominantly supporting all Group Executive committees (including financial guidance and support with applying for local authority grants).
- After a short break, the Young Leader training programme continued online with several Young Leaders close to achieving their 'YL Belts'
- With a new District Explorer Scout Commissioner in place, the management and support to Explorer Scouting has improved significantly. All Units are showing a steady increase in numbers and it is hoped to reopen the 'mothballed' Paradox ESU by the end of the year.
- Due to the pandemic, the relaunch of District Network was stalled but it is hoped to achieve this by the end of the year.

Section E

Financial Review

The District accounts for the period **1st April 2020 to 31st March 2021** have been prepared on a Receipts & Payments basis in line with guidance set out by the Scout Association and the Charities Commission in order to comply with the Charities Act 2011. The Accounts have been subject to independent examination by **Daisy Vowles MAAT** (Spectrum Accountancy Solutions, 18 Broad Street, Staple Hill, Bristol, BS16 5NX) in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and related Charities Commission General Direction.

The District Accounts together with the Examiner's report are attached.

All expenditure in the year has supported the key objectives of the charity helping any Groups/Units in need of financial support, cost of consumables, rent, insurance, annual membership subscription to the Scouts Association, etc. It also covers the cost of any equipment that is needed and adult training to promote the development of young people within the District.

The District Executive Committee does not consider it appropriate for the District to invest in assets other than cash. All the excess cash funds are with the Scouts HQ Charity Deposit (Gilwell) Account to earn a higher rate of interest.

Reserves Policy

The District has significant cash funds to meet future requirements. An upper limit of reserves has not been set as over time available funds will be appropriately utilised across the District to provide financial support, to fund expansion and for capital investment. Total cash balances are reviewed on an ongoing basis by the Executive Committee to ensure they are appropriate to meet the strategic objectives of the District.

Section F

Other Optional Information

The impact of COVID19 restrictions continue to impact the delivery of Scouting (and in particular face to face). The District Executive will continually monitor and support those Groups/Units who require it. This may mean financial support or be more practical in terms of volunteer recruitment & management.

We are a resilient organisation which has gone through challenging times before. Whilst there will undoubtedly be a reduction in membership and volunteer support, we are confident and optimistic that given the demand for Scouting, these numbers will return in an appropriate and realistic timescale (subject to COVID restriction removal).

Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees...

Signature(s)

Full name(s)

Position (eg Secretary, Chair)

Date

Brunel District Scout Council Receipts and Payments Account

Year start date

Year end date

For the year from	01-Apr-20	To	31-Mar-21
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Receipts and payments

	2020/21 Unrestricted funds £	2019/20 Unrestricted funds £
Receipts		
Donations, legacies and similar income		
Membership subscriptions	53,124	58,649
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/Area/District)	- 53,160	- 59,007
Net membership subscriptions retained	- 36	- 358
Donations	33,513	1,835
Other similar income	4,978	1,062
Sub total	38,455	2,540
Events		
Income for events by District	1,825	30,351
Receipts for World and European Jamboree	-	7,119
Sub total	1,825	37,470
Fundraising (gross)		
Other fundraising activities	-	1,594
Sub total	-	1,594
Investment income		
Bank interest	181	345
Loan repayments received from Groups	-	20,958
Property Rent income	1,500	1,500
Sub total	1,681	22,803
Total Gross Income	41,960	64,406
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	500
Total receipts	41,960	64,906

Brunel District Scout Council Receipts and Payments Account

Year start date

Year end date

For the year from	01-Apr-20	To	31-Mar-21
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Receipts and payments

	2020/21 Unrestricted funds £	2019/20 Unrestricted funds £
Payments		
Charitable Payments		
Premises costs	636	8,606
Insurance	200	180
Training	-	1,285
IT costs	582	1,132
Events run by District	7,208	34,711
Payments for World and European Jamborees	-	7,885
Other costs	1,545	2,360
Sub total	10,170	56,160
Fundraising expenses		
Other fundraising costs	-	355
Sub total	-	355
Total Gross Expenditure	10,170	56,515
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	-	-
Loan advances made to Groups	1,680	10,399
Transfers of Groups out of District	105	2,064
Total payments	11,745	68,978
Net of receipts/(payments)	30,215	4,072
Cash funds last year end	127,224	131,295
Cash funds this year end	157,438	127,224

Brunel District Scout Council Receipts and Payments Account

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Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	31/03/2021 Unrestricted funds £	31/03/2020 Unrestricted funds £
Cash funds		
Brunel District Current Account	62,449	64,374
Brunel District Reserve Account	29,441	2,157
Gilwell	51,231	51,051
Brunel District Cubs	2,058	2,058
Paradox Explorers	673	505
Fromeside Explorers	3,269	1,123
Solar Explorers	3,673	1,179
Trident Explorers	4,610	4,743
Phoenix Explorers	-	-
Brabazon Explorers	-	-
Cash/Floats	34	34
Total cash funds	157,439	127,224
Other monetary assets		
Debts due from Groups	5,900	5,900
Sub total	5,900	5,900
Non monetary assets for charity's own use		
District neckerchiefs	72	72
Feather flags	221	221
Explorer equipment	2,500	2,500
First aid equipment	5,323	5,323
Sub total	8,116	8,116
Liabilities		
Annual Scout Association subscription due in April	50,683	53,160
Amounts due to Groups	55	1,735
Other liabilities	9,431	-
Sub total	60,169	54,895

Contingent liabilities and future obligations

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 07/09/2021 (the date of the Executive Committee meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by

Signature




Print Name

CLIVE MASON (D.C.) JP. Chair
 TREASURER Gabriela Nagyova

Brunel District Scout Council Receipts and Payments Account

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Brunel District Scout Council

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Brunel District Scout Council for the year ended 31

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of Brunel District Scout Council 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 Brunel District Scout Council accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 Brunel 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.

Signed:



Name: Daisy Vowles MAAT

Address: Spectrum Accountancy Solutions, 18
Broad St, Staple Hill, Bristol, BS16 5NX

Date: 24.08.2021

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