



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								
Registered charity number (if any)...	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>1</td><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>8</td><td>6</td><td>4</td><td>7</td> </tr> </table>	1	1	2	8	6	4	7	
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Charity's principal address...	50 Grove Road Fishponds Bristol <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Postcode</td> <td>B</td><td>S</td><td>1</td><td>6</td><td>2</td><td>B</td><td>W</td> </tr> </table>	Postcode	B	S	1	6	2	B	W
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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	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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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
	<p><u>Identifiable benefit statement</u> - 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.</p> <p><u>Public benefit statement</u> - 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.</p> <p><u>Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document</u></p> <p>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.</p> <p>The Values of Scouting - As Scouts we are guided by these values:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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)
	<p>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.</p>

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

Clive Mason
Hugh Thorpe

Print Name

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

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Brunel District Scout Council for the year ended 31 March 2022.

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: 30.12.2022