

20th Walsall (St Margaret's, Great Barr) Scout Group
Trustees' Annual Report – 1st April 2024 – 31st March 2025

Registered Charity Number: 1130225

Registered Address: Great Barr Community Hub

Vicarage Rise

Great Barr

Birmingham

B43 7AQ

Charity trustees for the period who manage the charity

Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
Helen Johnson	Acting Chair	From October 2024
Alan McGarrol	Treasurer	From May 2024
Graham Smith	Group Lead Volunteer	
Claire Doggett	Leadership Team member	
Stephen Payne	Trustee	From March 2025

SECTION B – STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Documents and Processes

The Group is a trust established under the rules and regulations of the Scout Association.

The Group'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 Scouts Association Organisational Policy and Rules.

How the Charity is constituted

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

Trustees Selection Methods

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

The Group is managed by the Group Trustee Board, the members of which are the Charity Trustees' of the 20th Walsall Scout Group 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 Trustee Board currently consists of the Chair, Treasurer and elected Trustees and meets every 3 months.

Members of the Trustee Board complete Being a Scouts Trustee Learning within 6 months of joining the Board.

The Group Trustee Board exists to make sure the charity is well managed, risks are assessed and mitigated, buildings and equipment are in good working order, and everyone follows legal requirements and the organisation's policies and rules. Their support helps other volunteers run high quality and safe programmes that gives young people skills for life.

RISK AND INTERNAL CONTROL

The Group has in place systems of internal control that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss. This includes 2 signatories for all payments and comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

Damage to the building, property and equipment.

Following the opening of the headquarters building, known as Great Barr Community Hub, in September 2010, all the Scout Groups regular meetings were transferred there.

The Hub Management team, responsible for the management and sub-letting of the Hub, have overseen the administration of the building, including the sub-letting to other organisations. (The buildings running costs are financed from this sub-letting.) . The Group has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss.

Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members

The Group through the capitation fees contributes to the Scout Associations national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are a mandatory requirement in the preparation of all activities.

Reduced income from fund raising

The Group is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and rent and endeavours to hold a reserve to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income. The Committee have looked to raise the value of subscriptions and rent to third parties to increase the income to the group on an ongoing basis.

Reduction or loss of members

The Group provides activities for all young people aged 4 to 18. The group holds a waiting list for membership of sections. If there was a reduction in membership in a particular section or the group as whole it could not destabilise the group. However it may be necessary to contract, consolidate or close a section. In the worst case scenario the complete closure of the Group.

This is extremely unlikely as there is a waiting list for most sections.

SECTION C – OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Summary of the Objects of the charity set out in its Governing Document

The objectives of the group 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.

PUBLIC BENEFIT STATEMENT

The 20th Walsall Scout Group meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.

SECTION D – ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Summary of the Main Achievements in the Year

The Hub continues to gain strength with an increase in rent having been in effect since January 2025.

Increase in parent and adult Participation has been a priority and remains a high priority particularly with engagement via the Family Camp.

Fundraising efforts have continued to increase this year. Whilst this is some way below the income generated from the bonfire in previous years it has helped to bridge the gap between income and expenditure of the last few years. This is mainly due to the successful craft fayre and the Santa's Sleigh which were successful again this financial year.

SECTION E - POLICIES

The Groups policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the group should income and fundraising activities fall short.

The Group does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer term investments and has therefore adopted a risk averse strategy to the investment of its funds.

All funds are held in cash using only mainstream/high street banks i.e. HSBC and Barclays Banks.

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature G S Smith
Original signed

Full Name - Graham Smith

Position – Group Lead Volunteer

Date Signed – 30/04/2025

Signature Claire Doggett
Original signed

Full Name Claire Doggett

Position - Group Leadership Team Member/ Trustee

Date Signed – 30/04/2025



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Annual Accounts				
For the period from	1st April 2024	To	31st March 2025	

Section A: Receipts and Payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
Receipts					
Bank Interest	-	-	-	-	-
Bonfire	-	-	-	-	-
Donation		-	-	-	41
Events	8,446	-	-	8,446	4,026
Insurance Claim	2,170	-	-	2,170	
EDF Refund	1,478	-	-	1,478	
Xmas Tree	13	-	-	13	
		-	-	-	
Cash	5,938	-	-	5,938	
Gift Aid	-	-	-	104	3,128
Membership Fees	15,433	-	-	15,433	14,920
Minibus	282	-	-	282	1,066
Refund	-	-	-	-	
Rent	14,482	-	-	14,482	13,587
Sub total	48,242	-	-	48,346	36,768
Payments					
Activity Equipment	549	-	-	549	70
Admin	411	-	-	411	589
Badges	801	-	-	801	516
Bank Fees	79	-	-	79	708
Camping Equipment	935	-	-	935	104
Donation/Gifts	130	-	-	130	28
Events	12,259	-	-	12,259	4,083
Insurance	4,444	-	-	4,444	4,380
Meetings	-	-	-	-	758
Petty Cash	575	-	-	575	
Sandwell Council	1,422	-	-	1,422	
Security	2,340	-	-	2,340	
Membership Costs	5,130	-	-	5,130	6,704
Minibus	3,302	-	-	3,302	3,887
Hub Cleaning	6,402	-	-	6,402	
Utilities	9,690	-	-	9,690	15,827
Venue Maintenance	573	-	-	573	7,739
Sub total	49,042	-	-	49,042	45,393
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	49,042	-	-	49,042	45,393
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 801	-	-	- 697	- 8,625
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	16,262	-	-	16,262	43,489
Cash funds this year end	15,462	-	-	15,462	34,864

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Group Account HSBC	7,952	-	-
	Group Account Barclays	7,510	-	-
			-	-
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B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Land & Buildings	Group	-	750,000
	Motor Vehicles (15% Reducing Balance)	Group	-	9,104
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
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			-	
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Print Name

Date of approval



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I declare I have examined the Group Financial Accounts for the period 1st April 2024 up to 31st March 2025. This examination was in line with the requirements of the Scout Organisation UK as required by the Procedures manual.

Signed 

David Baum

Position Business Development Manager

Date 3rd November 2025