



Annual Report 2020/21

Aims and Objectives

Royal Greenwich District Scout Council is an unincorporated association (operating as Royal Greenwich Scouts and with a registered charity name of New Greenwich District Scouts number 1141023.) constituted in accordance with the rules of The Scout Association (registered no.13919). It exists to provide leadership, advice and support for Scout Groups (autonomous charities within the provisions of the same rules), in an area covered by The Royal Borough of Greenwich. And is supported under those rules by the Scout County of Greater London South, (Registered Charity no. 303883), covering the London Boroughs of Wandsworth, Lambeth, Southwark, Lewisham and Royal Greenwich.

The Scout Association (Registered Charity No. 306101) incorporated by Royal Charter 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 Charter of the Association provides for the making of bye-laws approved by Her Majesty in Council which, in turn, authorise the making of the rules referred to above (known as "Policy, Organization and Rules"). The District's Trustees are the District Executive Committee, who cannot act outside the Royal Charter, Bye-Laws and Rules of the Scout Association.

Our Purpose

Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.

Our Values

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.

Our 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.

Our Vision

We are committed to the Aim and Method of the Scout Movement. Our long term vision is to continue to develop our Scout Groups so they...

- operate a programme that is relevant enjoyable, attractive and locally achievable,
- are equally available and accessible to all young people within the 6 to 25 age range in our area
- are effectively and appropriately supported by adult volunteers,
- have a positive image and identity,
- are growing,
- communicate effectively within Scouting and to the community.

Looking to the future, we can work together as a team, with a common purpose and with a clear direction. This will need a concerted effort from all our Commissioners, Leaders, Helpers, Administrators, Supporters, Groups and Units.

If we all play our part in delivering the best results for the future of Scouting in our District we can achieve a Scout District that:

- encourages the development of Scouting in our District so that all young people in Greenwich Borough have the opportunity to experience fun, friendship, everyday adventure, challenge and new experiences,
- supports all our adult volunteers so they feel recognised and valued and take pride in their Scouting,
- has an active and focused structure that will develop and maintain leader motivation through shared experiences; supported learning; strategic forward planning, clear governance and specific tailored support,
- provides a high quality, exciting programmes of activity at Group, District and District level delivered by reliable, experienced sectional teams who have abilities and skills appropriate for the role,
- provides training all adults whether leading, supporting or managing our Scout Groups which is appropriate, effective and innovative,
- Has a relevant, inspirational and supportive management structure with effective systems for communication.

Our District support structure delivers practical services that are accessible to all whatever their role. These include:

- support for the youth programme, including camping and adventurous activities,
- growth and development of the Movement in our District,
- coordination of our Scout Groups, Explorer Scout Units and our Local Scout Networks,
- ensuring that all our adult volunteers are vetted before they are authorised to undertake a role in the Movement,
- the formal appointment of adults,
- induction, training, motivation, review and development of adults in the District, including delivery of the Associations adult training programme in partnership with the County Training Team,
- the implementation of the policies and rules of the Association,
- relationships with other organisations and bodies,
- helping young people take part in decision making within our Groups, Districts and the District,
- support for our Scout Active Support Units,
- recommendations for decorations and awards,
- advice on financial and administrative matters, particularly relating to charity trusteeship,
- provide an effective chain of communication between our Scout Groups, Districts, County, Region and National Headquarters.

Registered Office:

Royal Greenwich District Scout Centre, 19 Waverly Crescent, London, SE18 7QT

President:

George Phipson CBE

Trustees

The following served as Trustees of the Charity during the year 14th July 2019 to 6th September 2020.

Ex-Officio

District Commissioner - John Sweeney

Chairman – Alf Philpott

Secretary –

Treasurer – Lucinda Denny

District Explorer Scout Commissioner – Andrew Barber

District Scout Network Commissioner – Samantha Midgeley

District Youth Commissioner – Joseph Shippam

DCs Nominations

Christopher Bishop - Chairman, Premises and Estates Sub-committee

Barry Matthews – Finance Sub-committee representative

Matthew Butterfield – Deputy District Commissioner

Lorraine Durrant

Dave Yates

Elected Members

James Vallely

Jenny Grant

Jo Graham

Stephen Ellis

Conway Tearle

Principal Bankers

LloydsTSB Bank Plc, Blackheath Village Branch

Custodian Trustee

The land and buildings vested in the District are held on its behalf by the Scout Association Trust Corporation Limited.

Sub-committees

The District has three sub-committees:

- Estates (Chair, Chris Bishop)
- Finance
- District Appointments Advisory Committee

***Our Reports***

... from the armchair

An entire year of ZOOM executive meetings have given us a fascinating insight into each other's home and has meant several unscheduled guests in the form of pets, and other halves bearing various forms of refreshment. Huge thanks to all who have served RG so well this year. All that aside, the year has been an intriguing one with the "generosity" of grants from Royal Greenwich and Bromley boroughs providing opportunity to give long needed care and attention to our centres across the district and beyond. Much has been done inside and out and many thank yous are due to our team of centre managers and volunteer labourers alike. Our estates team has seen some changes with Paul Howard and Paul Gosling taking up the mantle from Sammi Midgeley at The Hub as well as a new face coming soon to ExNet as Alan Gregory has stood down after a long period championing that site. Our grateful appreciation goes to both Sammi and Alan. Martyn, Chris, Andy and James continue their dedicated service. One exec member has had to stand down during the year due to work pressure and we warmly thank Dave Yates for his time with us in which he did much to champion The Hub.

To all of you "out there", from occasional helpers to those who manage to squeeze so much out of their "two hours a week" – a huge thank you as always. You have wrestled with most colours of the rainbow as restriction levels have fluctuated with inside/outside, numbers including adults/not including adults, group sizes of 12/15/30 or who knows how many and still found time to organise a programme! Hats off to you all.

Last and never least, our DC (and his trusty assistant – Harvey). Throughout ZOOM, illness and latterly a scalded hand, occasionally sustained by cake, he has been strong at the helm, keeping us all badgered, when necessary, updated frequently, praised when deserving and encouraged always.
Cheers John!

Onwards and upwards together.
Alf (District Chair)

...the DC is desperate for cake.....

You'll see that this year's report is a little shorter than normal. No Sectional ADC reports, no Estates report, just Alf and I rabbiting on. What more do you need?!

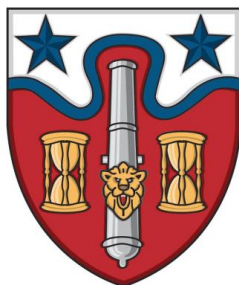
This isn't to say things haven't been happening. In fact our Estates team have been doing a brilliant job over the past few months. I'm sure you'll all see the benefits when you visit any of our buildings over the next few months. There is still work to be done, so don't be shy in volunteering. I would say I'd volunteer to make tea and coffee but I have an aversion to urns and boiling water at present. Our Sectional ADCs have changed tact over the past few months with each of them taking on groups, rather than Sections, to help out and guide. It's all been made easier with Groups helping each other out.

Our 20/21 diary went out the window, but nothing stopped. You lot continued to ZOOM and Facebook it. Yes, our numbers went down, but not by much. The majority of the District were operating at over 75% of previous numbers with one Group and two Units gaining in number. Yes, we lost a Group but we've got a new one opening very soon. It will come as no surprise to you all to learn that within 24 hours of the announcement that Nights Away experiences could start again I had over a dozen Nights Away Notifications (together with the dreaded Risk Assessments. Happy reading!) Our Appointments Team have continued to see people and with the influx of volunteers since the return of face-to-face Scouting, there is still a bit to do. It hasn't gone unnoticed that the ZOOM Training put on by County has been mainly attended by RG Leaders. I'm sure you will all agree that the Leaders in this District are A-MAZ-ING! Thank you all for thinking of our young people at this difficult time. I'm sure you were all having difficulties of your own but that didn't seem to matter. The actions of those involved in Scouting in RG never ceases to give me a lump in the throat.

What of the future? We aren't out of the woods yet. There are still adaptations to be made to the weekly meeting. There is still thought to be made when thinking about organising Nights Away. We have devised a District Diary for 21/22. We are already thinking about how we can run District events (and we will) with reviews taking place each term as to what we can and can't do. Hopefully, all of our postponed

events will be taking place, Young Leader Training has suffered over the last few months, thanks to an IT glitch, but we'll be back on track soon. There is going to be a huge emphasis on Adult Training by Gilwell over the next few months but we are in a good place, so we shouldn't suffer too much, but get that Training done! We've got a new Group, on the site of an old Group, opening in September. We'll be back to offering Land, Air and Sea Scouting. Other developments put on hold; a new group in Kidbrooke, and finding a new location in Thamesmead will start again. 20-4-20 will recommence in 2022. Obviously, with a new name! This is going to be a difficult year, but I know you all will rise to the challenge.

John (A man who has sadly missed out on a lot of cake as you don't get cake at Zoom AGMs)



Our Wood Badges

Natalie Chisnell	2 nd Royal Eltham
Kevin Garlick	9 th Royal Eltham
Larissa Hemment	9 th Royal Eltham
Nathan Pennington	9 th Royal Eltham
Helen Snape	13 th Woolwich
Michael Ellis	36 th Woolwich
Stuart Cunningham	38 th Woolwich
Liam Pape	49 th Greenwich
Rob Smithson	51 st Royal Greenwich Sea Scouts

Our Length of Service Awards

5 years

Carol Elliott	1st Royal Eltham
Charlie Turner	1st Royal Eltham
Richard Day	1st Royal Eltham
Adam Pryor	3rd Royal Eltham
Emma Jobson	3rd Royal Eltham
Emily Lofts	3rd Royal Eltham
Ruth Fancett	3rd Royal Eltham
Maria Alfaradhi	3rd Royal Greenwich
Adam Spooner	4th Royal Greenwich
Gemma Cox	4th Royal Greenwich
Matt Cox	4th Royal Greenwich
Samantha Campbell	4th Royal Greenwich
Paige Wiggins	8th Royal Eltham
Sean Mansell	9th Royal Eltham
Andy Hemment	9th Royal Eltham
Siobhan Pennington	9th Royal Eltham
Ceri Clarke	27th Woolwich
Malcolm Clarke	27th Woolwich
Stuart Cunningham	38th Woolwich
Elizabeth Proctor	40th Greenwich
Geraint Thomas	40th Greenwich

Lakshan Saldin
Matt Proctor
Andrew Eves
Elizabeth Nash
Tara Shippam
Jenny Graves
Lucy Hickey

40th Greenwich
40th Greenwich
46th Greenwich
46th Greenwich
46th Greenwich
49th Greenwich
Astronomers

10 years

Samantha Midgeley
Sophie Sweeney
Dawn Burton
Sam Whitehead
Lorraine Mansfield
Amber Cox
Win Cox
Ann Bigwood
Claire Emmett
Michael Salter
Sally Salter
Stuart Taylor
Ali Edney
Michaela Carey
Alex Mansi
Richard O'Shea

1st Royal Greenwich
2nd Royal Eltham
3rd Royal Eltham
3rd Royal Eltham
4th Royal Eltham
4th Royal Greenwich
4th Royal Greenwich
13th Woolwich
27th Woolwich
36th Woolwich
36th Woolwich
36th Woolwich
51st Royal Greenwich Sea Scouts
51st Royal Greenwich Sea Scouts
Astronomers
Gang Show

15 years

Russell Grant
Linda Reynolds
Carolyn Player
Terry Wiggins
Jade Scott
Amy Rope
Lindsey Wood
Alexandra Boyle
Hugh Boyle
Kevin Farrell

1st Royal Eltham
3rd Royal Eltham
3rd Royal Eltham
8th Royal Eltham
9th Royal eltham
27th Woolwich
40th Greenwich
49th Greenwich
49th Greenwich
51st Royal Greenwich Sea Scouts

20 years

Mike Shand
Nikki Green
Neil Scott
Emily Munden
Mark Blackett
Rachel Tobias
Michael Jordan
Karen Crook

4th Royal Greenwich
9th Royal Eltham
9th Royal Eltham
27th Woolwich
36th Woolwich
49th Greenwich
Gang Show
Gang Show

25 years

Carol Malloch
Louise Ring
Louis Pinto
Christine Graham

1st Royal Eltham
3rd Royal Eltham
Severndroog
SAS

Graham Openshaw

Stephen Ellis

George Phipson

ADC Cubs

District Scout Leader

District President

30 years

Stephen Maxted

Pauline Clarke

Stephen Silcock

Pat Rauch

Roger Hazelden

2nd Royal Eltham

36th Woolwich

49th Greenwich

SAS

SAS

40 years

Diane Scott

Martin McDonough

Martyn Bain

9th Royal Eltham

27th Woolwich

Avery Hill Manager

50 years

Barry Munden

Bee Twidale

Christine Baker

Conway Tearle

Gwen Zammit

Joe Davis

Peter Eastwood

27th Woolwich

40th Greenwich

40th Greenwich

40th Greenwich

51st Royal Greenwich Sea Scouts

SAS

SAS

Our Merit Awards

Chief Scouts Commendation for Good Service

Richard Day

Aaron Thompson

Emma Jobson

Ruth Fancett

Tim Lofts

Mo Dabiri

Adam Spooner

Gemma Cox

Matt Cox

Samantha Campbell

Peter Tye

Kevin Garlick

Larissa Hement

Sean Mansell

Helen Snape

Stuart Taylor

Stuart Cunningham

Geraint Thomas

Richard O'Shea

1st Royal Eltham

3rd Royal Eltham

3rd Royal Eltham

3rd Royal Eltham

3rd Royal Eltham

3rd Royal Greenwich

4th Royal Greenwich

4th Royal Greenwich

4th Royal Greenwich

4th Royal Greenwich

8th Royal Eltham

9th Royal Eltham

9th Royal Eltham

9th Royal Eltham

13th Woolwich

36th Woolwich

38th Woolwich

40th Greenwich

Gang Show

Award for Merit

Win Cox

Ann Cunningham

Jane Wainwright

4th Royal Greenwich

13th Woolwich

13th Woolwich

Royal Greenwich District Scouts
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT SUMMARY
April 2020 - March 2021

Total Funds 2019 £		General Funds 2020 £	Restricted Funds 2020 £	Total Funds 2020 £
95,109	Total receipts for the year (see page 2)	171,611	0	171,611
59,001	Total payments for the year (see page 3)	93,176	0	93,176
36,108	Net receipts/payments for the year	78,434	0	78,434
124,613	Cash, bank and similar funds carried forward	175,439	24,659	200,098
REPRESENTED BY				
Monetary assets (see page 4)				
		175,439	24,659	200,098

These accounts are prepared on the receipts and payments basis in accordance with the provisions of s130 of The Charities Act 2011 and comply with the SORP: Accounting by Charities

The above accounts and accompanying statement of assets and liabilities were approved by:
the District Executive Committee (the Trustees) on 4th September 2021 and signed on their behalf by:

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Royal Greenwich District Scouts
INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st March 2021

Total Funds 2020 £		General Funds 2021 £	Restricted Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2021 £
61,851	Membership Subscriptions	85,271	-	85,271
61,851		85,271	-	85,271
	District Premises Hires			
2,081	11 Acres Camp Site Hires	800	-	800
5,215	Avery Hill Premises Hires	138	-	138
1,020	Briset Road Premises Hires	-	-	-
2,232	Farjeon Road Premises Hires	-	-	-
623	Waverley Crescent Premises Hires	60	-	60
11,171		998	-	998
	Donations and Grants			
1,141	Donations	-	-	-
-	Grants	84,656	-	84,656
1,141		84,656	-	84,656
	Scout Shop Income			
2,648	Avery Hill Badges & Shop	253	-	253
6,338	The Crescent Shop & Badges	433	-	433

8,986		685	685
	Other Income		
-	General Income	-	-
216	Special Activities	-	-
9,472	International	-	-
2,272	Twang and Bang	-	-
11,960		-	-
	Investment Income		
	Bank interest received	-	-
		0	0
144,649	Total Income	171,611	171,611

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EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st March 2021

Total Funds 2020 £		General Funds 2021 £	Restricted Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2021 £
	Membership fees paid to GLS County			
0	Membership Fee Paid to GLS County	50,949	-	50,949
0		50,949		50,949
	District Premises Expenditure			
6,025	Running Costs - General	3,287	-	3,287
4,033	11 Acres	2,941	-	2,941
6,934	Avery Hill	11,250	-	11,250
4,982	The Hub	12,449	-	12,449
2,882	ExNet	5,102	-	5,102
6,051	The Crescent	6,280	-	6,280
-	Capital projects expenditure	-	-	-
30,908		41,308		41,308
	Donations and Grants Payable			
-	Jack Petchey		-	-
-				-
	Scout Shop Expenditure			
1,638	Avery Hill Shop Expenditure		-	-
8,754	Waverley Crescent Shop Expenditure		-	-
10,392		-		-
	Other Expenditure			
1,115	General Expenditures	919	-	919
2,156	Activities		-	-
11,674	International trip		-	-
2,757	Twang & Bang			
17,702		919		919
59,001	TOTAL PAYMENTS	93,176	-	93,176

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Balance Sheet
As of March 31, 2021

Total Funds 2020 £		General Funds 2021 £	Restricted Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2021 £
	Monetary Assets			
87,888	Funds at bank	176,297	23,801	200,098
618	Fund holders in hand balances			-
0	Accrued payments not cleared through bank	0	0	0
<u>88,506</u>		<u>176,297</u>	<u>23,801</u>	<u>200,098</u>
	Non Monetary Assets (held for use by the Charity)			
	Land and Buildings			
65,469	11 Acres Camp Site	65,469	0	65,469
267,233	Avery Hill Premises	267,233	0	267,233
29,468	Farjeon Road Premises	29,468	0	29,468
192,672	Waverley Crescent Premises	192,672	0	192,672
41,255	Equipment furniture and fittings (insurance value)	41,255	0	41,255
<u>596,097</u>		<u>596,097</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>596,097</u>
	Creditors			
0	Liabilities (due within one year)	-	0	-
0	Liabilities (due after one year)	0	0	0
0	Contingent liabilities and future obligations	0	0	0
<u>0</u>		<u>-</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>124,613</u>	Net current assets (liabilities)			<u>200,098</u>
<u>720,710</u>	Total assets less current liabilities			<u>796,195</u>
<u>720,710</u>	Total net assets (liabilities)			<u>796,195</u>
	Charity funds			
681,497	Opening Balance Equity			717,761
36,593	Surplus/(Deficit)			78,434
<u>718,090</u>	Total Charity funds			<u>796,195</u>

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Royal Greenwich District Scouts
Restricted Funds
As of March 31, 2021

Restricted Funds	
Graham Pugh	13,761
Development	5,040
Ripley Memorial Fund	5,000
Total Restricted Funds	23,801

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ROYAL GREENWICH DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS TO 31ST MARCH 2021

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF ROYAL GREENWICH DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

I report on the accounts of Royal Greenwich District Scout Council for the period ended 31st March 2021, which is set out on the following pages.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Examiner

As the Charity's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of Section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under Section 43 (7) (b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners an examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with these records. It includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. Which gives reasonable cause to believe that in any material requirements
 - To keep accounting records in accordance with Section 41 of the Act and
 - To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and
 - To comply with the accounting requirements of the Act have not been met, or
2. To which in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached, or
3. Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the accounting rules of the Royal Greenwich District Scout Council have not been met.

Signed Jordan Curnow Date 01 July 2021
Name J Curnow Qualification ACCA

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