

Charity Registration Number: 1151087 (England & Wales)

SUTTON COLDFIELD ADVENTURE UNIT
(A charitable incorporated organisation)

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Trustees	Rob Adams, Chair (resigned 27 June 2022) John Garvey, Chair (appointed 28 June 2022) Gregory Stevens, Treasurer (resigned 29 August 2022) Daniel Griffiths, Treasurer (appointed 30 August 2022) Janine Kirby, Secretary (appointed 30 August 2022, resigned 31 December 2023) Stuart Foxall Joanna Garvey Jarrod Baughan Timothy Taylor (resigned 1 December 2022) Oliver Cash Sian Kennedy Benjamin Garvey Daniel Hull (appointed 11 August 2022) Robert Cash (appointed 8 December 2022) Mark Ivey (appointed 8 December 2022)
Charity Number	1151087
Registered Office	45 Ashfurlong Crescent Sutton Coldfield B75 6EN

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TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The Trustees' present their annual report together with the Financial Statements and Independent Examiner's report of the Charitable Incorporated Organisation for the 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023. The annual report serves the purpose of both a Trustees' report, and a director's report under company law.

Objectives and Activities

Principal Objectives

The principal object of the Charity is to act as a resource for young people from 7 to the age of 25 by providing advice, assistance and organising programmes of physical, educational, and other activities as a means of:

- Advancing life and helping young people by developing their skills, capabilities, and capacities to enable them to participate in society as independent, mature, and responsible individuals.
- Advancing education.

Summary of Activities

Sutton Coldfield Adventure Unit provides weekly activities during school term time for three age groups: 7-10, 10-14 and 14-18 years of age.

The three main age groups meet each Friday evening and take part in a wide range of activities, which seek to develop the children's confidence, leadership skills, physical fitness, and communication skills.

- Activities are invariable team based and take place both inside and outside.
- Maximum use is made of nearby park areas and the children also experience camping at all times of the year.
- SCAU is open to all and whilst there are membership fees, assistance is provided to ensure that financial limitations do not prevent membership.
- SCAU members also help out at a range of community events during the year that raise funds for local causes as well as increase community bonds.

In setting objectives and planning activities, the Trustees have given due consideration to general guidance published by the Charity Commission relating to public benefit, including the guidance, "Public benefit: running a charity (PB2)".

Achievements and Performance

Main Achievements of the Charity

As stated in our previous annual report, as of 1 April 2022, we were fully functioning on a weekly basis following the easing of COVID restrictions. We have numerous examples of how the role of 'young leader' at our sections for those between the ages of 14 and 18 years has improved confidence and enhanced employment and academic opportunities.

As a result, the planned international trip to France in July 2021, was postponed until July 2022. The trip was widely a success, with 97 children being accompanied by 28 leaders, with planning now commencing for our next trip to Spain in August 2024.

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Financial Review

Movement on Reserves

Sutton Coldfield Adventure Unit saw a reduction in closing funds to £19,921 (2022: £49,976) as a result of the previously postponed international trip to France occurring during the financial year.

This was an anticipated decrease in reserves, but still remains well above the required level of reserves as per the Charity's reserves policy.

Principal Sources of Funds

Members pay subs monthly at a rate of £6.75 for the first child and £5.90 for siblings. From January 2023, members now pay a flat rate of £10 per child. This is sufficient to pay for all activities and running costs of the organisation including the weekly hire of halls, replacement of one-off pieces of kit (E.G.: damaged tents, new gas bottles, etc.). This increased cost still compares favourably to other local groups and support is available to any who struggle with payments.

Other activities and camps are charged to members at cost, to ensure that there are no risks of running into a deficit. Financial assistance is also available where required to ensure that all members can take advantage of activities and events irrespective of their financial situation.

A significant source of income for us remains the annual claim for Gift Aid.

Reserves Policy

Sutton Coldfield Adventure Unit has a financial policy within which states that a reserve of £1,000 should be retained in the main bank account.

This should be adequate to meet any unforeseen costs. The Executive Committee, which meets twice each school term, holds strong oversight of costs through the review of management accounts and cash flow forecasts, to ensure that all income and expected expenses are managed appropriately.

Structure, Governance and Management

Constitution

Sutton Coldfield Adventure Unit is registered as a charitable incorporated organisation and was set up by a trust deed.

Methods of Appointment or Election of Trustees

The management of the Charity is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted through resolutions passed at the Trustees' meetings.

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Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

The law applicable to Charities in England & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the Charity for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP 2019 (FRS 102);
- Make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- State whether the UK Accounting Standards have been followed,
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, and the provisions of the Trust Deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees on 03/01/2024 and signed on their behalf by,

John Garvey
Chair
Date: 29/1/24



Daniel Griffiths
Treasurer
Date 31/01/2024



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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Sutton Coldfield Adventure Unit ('the Charity')

I report to the Charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the Trustees of the Charity, 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all of the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- The accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- The accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- The accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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: Amro Mousa
Relevant Professional Accountant
Qualification(s) or body CIMA Adv Dip MA
(if any):
Address: 44 Summerhill road,
Bilston, United Kingdom
WV14 8RE

Date: 19 Jan. 24

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Receipts and Payments Accounts

	Unrestricted Funds (£)	Restricted Funds (£)	Total Funds (£)	Prior Year (£)
Receipts				
Subscriptions	12,486	-	12,486	7,047
Donations & Gift Aid	1,801	-	1,801	3,616
Grants	-	8,976	8,976	-
UK Trips & Events Income	432	13,561	13,993	7,915
France 2022 Trip Income	-	10,564	10,564	8,209
Spain 2024 Trip Income	-	9,200	9,200	-
Van Hire	74	-	74	-
Total Receipts	14,793	42,301	57,094	26,787
Payments				
Activities – Joint	601	-	601	1,998
Activities – Hydra	965	-	965	1,194
Activities – Lynx	1,074	-	1,074	1,195
Activities – Orion	1,316	-	1,316	2,279
Hall Rental	665	-	665	550
Van Expenses & Mileage	1,553	-	1,553	1,668
Bike Costs	738	-	738	-
Training	3,622	-	3,622	2,020
Insurance	1,101	-	1,101	907
GoCardless & OSM Fees	1,111	-	1,111	614
Uniforms	340	-	340	263
DBS Fees	216	-	216	-
2022/23 Events	2,683	-	2,683	-
2022/23 Camps & Trips	-	10,383	10,383	7,551
Kit	-	2,284	2,284	205
Advertising & Marketing	-	435	435	-
Computer Costs	-	378	378	-
France 2022 Trip Costs	-	54,104	54,104	2,598
Spain 2024 Trip Costs	-	3,150	3,150	-
Sundry Expenses	430	-	430	1,071
Total Payments	16,415	70,734	87,149	24,113
Net of Receipts/(Payments)	(1,622)	(28,433)	(30,055)	2,674
Transfers Between Funds	(120)	120	-	-
Cash Brought Forward	9,213	40,763	49,976	47,302
Cash Carried Forward	7,741	12,450	19,921	49,976

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31 March 2023

Cash Funds	Unrestricted Funds (£)	Restricted Funds (£)	Total Funds (£)
Details			
Natwest Current Account	-	2,156	2,156
Lloyds Current Account	7,741	10,294	17,765
Total Cash Funds	<u>7,741</u>	<u>12,450</u>	<u>19,921</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees and authorised for issue on 03/01/2024
and signed on their behalf by

John Garvey

Chair

Date. 29/1/24



Daniel Griffiths

Treasurer

Date 31/01/24

