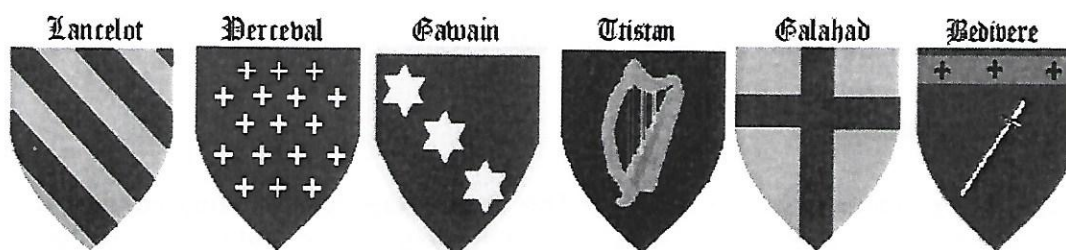


Trustees Annual Report

From 1 April 2022 – 31 March 2023 year reported



To all of the Great Linford Scout group leaders and families,

I would like to thank all the leaders for their commitment over the last few years which has been a challenging time for all. I would like to thank them for providing such a varied and full programme to all our sections during 2022/2023.

They have succeeded in offering multiple outdoor activities (following the restrictions from COVID 19) and are we are pleased to see all our young people complete the full year with face to face scouting again.

Changes are currently being made to roles and training within the Scouting movement which will be implemented through 2023. We will be offering extra support to any person who needs it.

Scouting relies heavily on volunteers, and we are always looking for new people to help in any capacity (big or small) and we have a variety of roles which would enhance our team and provide even more opportunities to both adults and young people alike. Please speak to one of the leaders or trustee members to find out more.

Jenny Evans (Chair person)

1 Reference and Administration Details

Charity Name:	Great Linford (St Andrews) Scout Group as listed with Charity Commission
Charity Number:	1151367
Scout registration:	HQ registration number
Bank Account Details:	GREAT LINFORD (St. Andrews) SCOUT GROUP Sort Code: - 30 96 26 Account No: - 78405760
Principal Address:	49A Loriner Place, Downs Barn, Milton Keynes, MK14 7PU

Trustees	Jennifer Evans Group Chair
	Abigail Mullett Group Secretary
	Melanie Dickinson Group Treasurer
	Lewis Pobjoy Group Scout Leader
	Karen Helfret Assistant Group Scout Leader*
	Danni Smith Scout Leader
	Paul Monro Trustee
	Rex Exon Trustee

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2 Structure, Governance and Management

2.1 Governing Document

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 Association and the Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR) of the Scout Association.

2.2 Group Scout Council

The Group Scout Council is the electoral body to which the Group Trustee Committee is accountable. Membership of the Group Scout Council is open to:

- Scouters
- Group Active Support Managers and members
- Colony Pack and Troop Assistants
- Skills Instructors
- Administrators
- Advisers
- Patrol Leaders
- All Parents of Beavers, Cubs and Scouts
- Any other supporters, including former Scouts and their parents, admitted by the Group Scout Leader, the Group Trustee Committee or the Group Scout Council
- The District Commissioner and District Chair are ex-officio members of the Group Scout Council.

2.3 Constitution

The Group is a trust established under the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

2.4 Trustee Selection

The trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

2.5 Group Trustee Committee

The Group is led by a Group Scout Leader and managed by a Group Trustee Committee. They are accountable to the Group Scout Council for the satisfactory running of the Group.

The Trustee Committee exists to support the Group Scout Leader in meeting the responsibilities of their appointment.

Members of the Trustee Committee must act collectively as charity Trustees of the Scout Group, and in the best interests of its members to:

- Comply with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association
- Protect and maintain any property and equipment owned by and/or used by the Group
- Manage the Group finances.
- Provide insurance for people, property and equipment

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- Provide sufficient resources for Scouting to operate. This includes, but is not limited to, supporting recruitment, other adult support, and fund-raising activities.
- Promote and support the development of Scouting in the local area.
- Manage and implement the Safety Policy locally
- Ensure that a positive image of Scouting exists in the local community.
- Appoint and manage the operation of any sub-Committees, including appointing a Chair to lead the sub-Committees
- Ensure that Young People are meaningfully involved in decision making at all levels within the Group
- The opening, closure and amalgamation of sections as necessary.
- And all other duties as set out in Policy, Organisation and Rules.

2.6 Risk and Internal Control

The Group Trustee Committee has identified the major risks to which they believe the Group is exposed which are:

2.6.1 Injury to Leaders, Helpers, Supporters or Members

The Group supports compliance with the Safety Policy and ensures appropriate risk assessment; elimination, reduction and control measures are taken to reduce the likelihood of any injuries.

In addition, through membership fees, the Group contributes to the Scout Association's national accident insurance policy.

2.6.2 Damage to Buildings, Property or Equipment

The Group has its own building and also would request the use of buildings, property and equipment from neighbouring organisations. The Group has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss.

2.6.3 Reduced Income from Subscriptions and Fund Raising

The Group is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fund-raising. The Group holds adequate reserves to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income. The committee could also raise the value of subscriptions to increase the Group income either temporarily or permanently.

2.6.4 Reduction or Loss of Leaders

The Group is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the Group. If there were a reduction in the number of volunteers to an unacceptable level, then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of activities or sections.

2.6.5 Reduction or Loss of Members

... there were a reduction in membership of a particular section or the Group as a whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section.

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3 Objectives and Activities

The primary objective of the Group is that of the Scout Association generally, namely:

'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 cooperate with others and make friends.

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.

The activities of the Group are:

- The provision of the Scouting programme for 6–14 year old members

4 Achievements and Performance

Top Awards earned:

Commissioners Commendation Award – Susan Evans (Assistant Beaver Leader)

Chief Scout's Bronze - Daniel Patel, Thomas Carty, Frank Korotki

Chief Scout's Silver - Riva Davis, Skylar Ferraby, Klaudia Jalocha, Luke Attwood, Matthew Carty, Charlie Walker

Chief Scout's Gold - Orianna Ocran, Edward Norkett, Noah Attwood, Narayan Vyas Sparks

We have increased our membership by 20% on last year.

We raised money for a 7-day camp (Red Rose) to bring down the cost for all participants.

We have worked with our local parish council on a variety of projects.

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4.1 Public benefit statement

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

5 Financial Review

5.1 Reserves Policy

The Group's 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 Trustee Committee considers that the group should hold a sum equivalent to 12 months running costs, circa £30,000.

The Group held reserves of approximately £15,000 against this at year end. This is above the level required for operating expenses. However the purpose of this sum is to expand the facilities of our building at Loriner Place.

5.2 Investment Policy

The Group's Income and Expenditure is very small and as a consequence, does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer-term investments such as stocks and shares. The Group has therefore adopted a low risk strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or building societies or The Scout Association's Short Term Investment Service.

6 Optional section for any future significant activities or major projects

The Group will be looking at opening a new beaver section in 2024. This is dependent on volunteers helping to run this section.

7 Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Full Name: Lewis Pobjoy

Position: Group Scout Leader

Signature:

Date: 10 July 2024

Full Name: Jennifer Evans

Position: Chair person

Signature:

Date: 10 July 2024


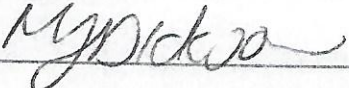
GREAT LINFORD (ST.ANDREWS) SCOUT GROUP
RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS
YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH 2023

	2023		2022	
	£	£	£	£
RECEIPTS				
Donations	655		0	
Members Subscriptions	8,765		4,760	
Investment fees	360		525	
Equipment/badges/Uniform	4		30	
		9,784		5,315
Activities and Events:				
Camps		2,445		2,133
Events		2,679		1,682
Camp/Event funds		-988		1,670
Fundraising Activities:				
GLPC Leaflet Delivery	-26		0	
Marquee Hire	200		200	
Grants	5,149		10,667	
GLPC Community Fun Day	0		0	
Gift Aid	0		1,037	
Loriner Place racking	0		0	
General fundraising	0		0	
Red Rose fundraising	1,720		801	
Red Rose donations	243		443	
		7,285		13,147
Sundry:				
Bank Interest	0		0	
Overpayment Refunds	0		0	
Uniform Donations	0		0	
Explorers Hire & Insurance	0		0	
Giffard Park transfers	0		1,200	
Online Fundraising (Various)	1,362		57	
Other income	11		0	
Loriner Place hire	60		0	
		1,433		1,257
TOTAL RECEIPTS		22,638		25,204
PAYMENTS				
Capitation Fees	5,675		5,133	
Premises Rent	0		0	
Marsh Drive Community Hall hire	2,688		2,512	
Insurance	1,137		1,071	
Donations & Grants	23		40	
MK District Scout Council	0		8,000	
		9,523		16,756
Activities and Events:				
Camps		6,345		4,909
Events		3,566		1,643
Fundraising Costs	6		23	
Books and Equipment	3,351		29	
Stationary and Postage	15		37	
Scarves, Badges	731		569	
Admin/Group expenses	172		378	
Subscriptions	448		235	
Uniforms	523		24	
Group Float	0		0	
Loriner Place	152		974	
Loriner Place light, power, heating, wate	876		356	
Last FY unrepresented credits	0		0	
Subs/camp/event write offs	280		0	
		6,555		2,625
TOTAL PAYMENTS		25,989		25,933
Correct imbalance from previous FY		0		0
NET RECEIPTS		-3,351		-728

GREAT LINFORD (ST.ANDREWS) SCOUT GROUP
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH 2023

	2023		2022	
	£	£	£	£
ASSETS				
CASH FUNDS				
Bank A/C (non online)		17,676		43,819
Bank A/C (online)		23,167		0
Bank Savings Acc		0		0
Accounts Payable		148		-218
Accounts Receivable		0		0
Suspense		-21		0
Petty Cash		382		603
Subs/Camp/Event write offs		-278		0
TOTAL ASSETS LESS LIABILITIES		41,075		44,204
REPRESENTED BY:				
Reserves brought forward		44,204		45,117
Net Receipts/Payments		-3,351		-728
Xero A/C Payable opening balance correction		222		-184
TOTAL ASSETS LESS LIABILITIES		41,075		44,204

The above accounts were approved by the trustees on: 6/6/23
and signed on their behalf by:

Chairman: 
Treasurer: 

Scrutineer's Report to the Trustees of the GREAT LINFORD (St Andrews) SCOUT GROUP

I report on the accounts of the Group for the year ended 31st March 2023

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Scrutineer

As the Group's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that neither the audit nor independent examination requirements of the Charities Act 2011 apply. It is my responsibility without carrying out an audit or independent examination to scrutinise the accounts and report to you.

Basis of Scrutineer's Statement

In accordance with the directions given by the Group's/District constitution, I have scrutinised the records and the accounts set out on pages 1 to 2.

Scrutineer's Statement

In my opinion the accounts are in accordance with the records produced to me and comply with the constitution.

Signed: 

Name: RACHAEL BEASLEY

Address: 81 Woodruff Ave

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Milton Keynes

MK14 7DT

Date: 07/06/2023