

BISHOPS STORTFORD SCOUT DISTRICT

England & Wales · Charity number 1154953

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2013-12-09

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

Contact

Address 33 The Shearers
Bishop's Stortford
Hertfordshire
CM23 4AZ

Phone 07771427024

Email secretary@bishopsstortfordscouts.org.uk

Website bishopsstortfordscouts.org.uk

Activities

Objects: 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

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

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- Hertfordshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£98,193	£97,141	-	-
2023-12-31	£131,751	£146,315	-	-
2022-12-31	£90,965	£75,103	-	-
2021-12-31	£68,173	£63,780	-	-
2020-12-31	£65,797	£59,277	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Jane Le Grove		2023-05-01
Nick Jones Elected		2014-05-08
Nigel Reed Nominated		2023-05-01
Oliver Silvester		2025-08-13
SIMON CARTER Elected		2013-12-04
Sophie Brixton Nominated		2021-09-14
Tim Payne		2025-06-03
William Compton Ex Officio		2017-01-01

BISHOPS STORTFORD SCOUT DISTRICT

England & Wales - Charity number 1154953

Accounts

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day01	Month01	Year2024		Day31	Month12	Year2024

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address

33 The Shearers
Bishops Stortford
Herts
Postcode CM23 4AZ

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Jane Le Grove	Treasurer		
2	Nigel Reed			
3	Sophie Brixton			
4	William Compton	District Commissioner		
5	Nick Jones			
6	Simon Carter			
7	Ed Jones			
8				
9				
10				
11				
12				
13				
14				
15				
16				
17				
18				
19				
20				

Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

--	--

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

--

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity’s trusts

Type of governing document <i>(eg. trust deed, constitution)</i>	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.
How the charity is constituted <i>(eg. trust, association, company)</i>	The District is a trust established under rules which are common to all Scouts. The Scout Association and The District are Public Benefit Entities.
Trustee selection methods <i>(eg. appointed by, elected by)</i>	The trustees are appointed in accordance with The Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association. All Trustees are subject to annual appointment at The District AGM and, once appointed, serve until the following AGM.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees; • the charity’s organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works; • relationship with any related parties; • trustees’ consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them. 	The District is managed by the Trustees. 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 Trustees, including officers, receive no remuneration and they and others who support the Scouting activities of the District do so as volunteers, with there being no cost to the District for the time committed. This committee exists to support District activities which are intended to support the development of Scouting within Bishops Stortford and District and to support the individual Scout Groups. This includes a number of activities mandated by The Scout Association, for example, leader appointments, as well as provision of support to Beavers, Cubs and Scouts. Explorers, whilst being attached to groups in the District, are designated as a District section, and as such, the District has broader responsibility for those sections, including in respect of funding. In undertaking activities and their management of the District, the Trustees have regard to the Charity Commission’s guidance on public benefit. The committee meets approximately every three months and receives reports from The District Commissioner, Treasurer and from representatives of each section. All leaders within the District are entitled to attend meetings, and dates are published on the District Calendar.
---	--

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document	The objectives of the District 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.

Ongoing support to the District team and local Scout Groups.
Organisation of several District wide events.
Management and oversight of the District Budget.
The Trustees are appointed in accordance with Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association. All trustees are subject to annual appointment at the District AGM and, once appointed, serve until the following AGM.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

Grants are made from time to time to leaders within the Scout district to carry out training towards gaining national body awards so that they can obtain permits to enable members of their groups to take part in permitted activities.

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Section D Achievements and performance

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

During the year the District has organised and supported a range of activities for the various sections within Bishops Stortford and District, as well as providing financial support towards training and specific activities. On behalf of the District, the Trustees would like to thank all those who helped to organise and run these events.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Our district, like most charities, holds some funds in reserve. Our level of reserves is set to ensure that there is sufficient resources to continue the core activities of the District should income fall short. The District Trustees consider that the District should hold a sum equivalent to 12 months annual subscriptions, circa £45,000 in reserve. Should the level of reserves fall below the target level of the District Trustees will make efforts to restore the level within the next financial year.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

--

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

--

Section F Other optional information

--

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s) J E Le Grove

Full name(s) Jane Le Grove

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc) Treasurer

Date 28/9/25

Bishops Stortford and District Scout Council

Statement of Assets for the year ended 31st December 2024

	###	12/31/2023	£	£
Assets	£	£	£	£
Cash at bank*	1,836	36,374		
Bank Deposit Account	65,866	28,259		
Floats held	100			
Explorer Accounts	11,044	12,113		
Debtors - amounts owed for badges	915	1,056		
Total Assets		79,761		77,802
Less: Liabilities		1,068		161
Net Assets		<u>£78,693</u>		<u>£77,641</u>
Change in assets over the year		<u>£1,052</u>		

* Includes £668 held for future camps

Bishop's Stortford & District Scout Council

Income & Expenditure account for the Year ended 31st December 2024

	Year ended	Year ended
	###	###
Income		
Annual membership fees received	54,595	50,606
Beaver Events	10,970	2,000
Cub Events	127	239
Scout Events		
Explorers Programme Income and Ever Jamboree	25,068	11,910
Locheamhead Trip		22,688
Scout Shop & Badges	6,717	35,679
Charity fundraising		7,871
Interest		24
Total Income	<u>98,193</u>	<u>131,751</u>
Expenditure		
Capitation fees paid to The Scout Asso	46,988	44,250
Beaver Events	11,004	2,773
Cub Events	108	103
Scout Events	44	216
Explorer Programme and Events	24,124	13,972
Explorer Rental for 2023 and 2024	1,000	
District Badges Awarded	312	371
Training	831	17
Scout Shop & Badges	5,469	9,154
Swimming	855	480
Charities	1,918	75
AGM/Awards night	635	535
Other District events	345	-
Website	596	539
Insurance	130	125
Locheamhead Exp		39,028
Jamboree		28,836
Administration	897	805
Grants awarded	1,000	4,000
District Commissioner Challenge	250	-
Equipment purchase	216	1,036
Additional Write off - Explorers	459	
Total Expenditure	<u>97,141</u>	<u>146,315</u>
Net income over expenditure	<u>1,052</u>	<u>(14,564)</u>

Please note - in the absence of sufficient information provided by one of the Explorer Groups, we have (during 2024) had to write off an additional £459 of expenditure, which, based on the information currently available covers the period from 2021 to date. It has also come to light, that the group also owes rent of £500 for both 2023 and 2024, this was previously unknown. During 2025, the Explorer Group has been instructed to close it's bank account and all financial transactions are now to be undertaken via the District Bank account. The trustees will monitor the situation to ensure this happens in a timely manner.

The District holds funds in reserve to ensure that there are sufficient resources to continue the core activities of the District if income falls short. The Trustees consider this to be equivalent to twelve months expenditure. If reserves fall below this amount, the trustees will make efforts to restore the level within the next financial year.

Signed by

Jane Le Grove FCCA
District Treasurer

Scrutineer's Report to the Trustees of the Bishops Stortford District Scout Council

I report on the accounts of the District for the year ended 31st December 2024

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Scrutineer

As the District's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, you consider that neither the audit nor independent examination requirements of the Charities 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 direction given in the District's constitution, I have scrutinised the records and the accounts attached.

Scrutineer's Statement

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

Name.....
Address.....
Date.....

Scrutineer's Report to the Trustees of the Bishops Stortford District Scout Council
I report on the accounts of the District for the year ended 31st December 2024

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Scrutineer
As the District's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, you consider that neither the audit nor independent examination requirements of the Charities 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 direction given in the District's constitution, I have scrutinised the records and the accounts attached.

Scrutineer's Statement
In my opinion, the accounts are in accordance with the records produced to me and comply with the constitution.

Name: M W TRIPPICK, AcMA
Address: 67 THE PADDOCK, CM23 4JW
BISHOPS STORTFORD
Date: 20/9/2024

M W Trippick

BISHOPS STORTFORD SCOUT DISTRICT

England & Wales - Charity number 1154953

Accounts

Bishops Stortford and District Scout Council

Statement of Assets for the year ended 31st December 2023

	31/12/2023		31/12/2022	
	£	£	£	£
Assets				
Cash at bank	36,374		34,600	
Bank Deposit Account	28,259		27,980	
Scout Association Short Term Investme	-		17,000	
Explorer Accounts	12,113		12,625	
Debtors - amounts owed for badges	<u>1,056</u>		<u>-</u>	
Total Assets		77,802		92,206
Less: Liabilities		161		-
Net Assets		<u>£77,642</u>		<u>£92,206</u>

*Includes £4,134 in the Camp account being surpluses from previous Lochearnhead Expeditions

Bishop's Stortford & District Scout Council

Income & Expenditure account for the Year ended 31st December 2023

	Year ended 31/12/2023		Year ended 31/12/2022	
Income				
Annual subscriptions	55,918		48,124	
Beavers	2,000		1,506	
Cubs	239		455	
Scouts	-		-	
Explorers	6,598		22,970	
Jamboree	22,688		5,732	
Training	-		-	
Lochearnhead Exp	35,679		4,551	
Scout Shop & Badges	7,871		7,030	
Charity fundraising	24		420	
Interest	734		61	
Other Income	-		117	
Total Income		131,751		90,965
Expenditure				
Capitation	44,250		41,376	
Beavers	2,773		1,626	
Cubs	103		781	
Scouts	216		413	
Explorers	13,972		22,355	
DLT	371		181	
Training	17		1,075	
Scout Shop & Badges	9,154		5,432	
Swimming	480		315	
Charities	75		25	
AGM/Awards night	535		68	
Other District events			116	
Website	539		192	
Insurance	125		485	
Lochearnhead Exp	39,028		-	
Jamboree	28,836		-	
Administration	805		537	
Grant for Jamboree	4,000		-	
Equipment purchase	<u>1,036</u>		<u>125</u>	
Total Expenditure		146,315		75,103
Net income over expenditure		<u>(14,564)</u>		<u>15,862</u>

Scrutineer's Report to the Trustees of the Bishops Stortford District Scout Council

I report on the accounts of the District for the year ended 31st December 2023

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Scrutineer

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

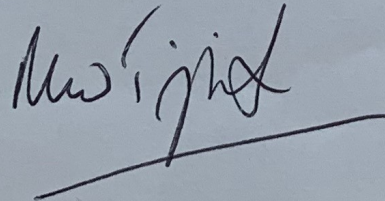
Basis of Scrutineer's Statement

In accordance with the directions given in the District's constitution, I have scrutinised the records and the accounts attached.

Scrutineer's Statement

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

Name..... MICHAEL TRIPPICK ACMA
Address..... 67 THE PADDOCK
BISHOP'S STORTFORD CM23 4JW
Date..... 17 MAY 2024





Trustees' annual report (including Directors' report) for the period

From: 1st January 2023 To: 31st December 2023

Charity name: Bishops Stortford and District Scout Council

Charity registration number:1154953

Company number:

Objectives and activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The objectives of the District 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.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Ongoing support to the District team and local Scout Groups. Organisation of several District wide events. Management and oversight of the District Budget.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association. All trustees are subject to annual appointment at the District AGM and, once appointed, serve until the following AGM.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	Grants are made from time to time to leaders within the scout district to carry out training towards gaining national body awards so that they can obtain permits to enable members of their groups to take part in permitted activities.

Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	Social investment is carried out through the delivery of scouting activities via the scout programme.
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	None.
Other		

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>During the year the District has organised and supported a range of activities for the various sections within Bishops Stortford and District, as well as providing financial support towards training and specific activities. On behalf of the District, the Executive would like to thank all those who helped to organise and run these events.</p> <p>The appointments committee has continued its valuable work in administering leader appointments in the district.</p>
---	-----------	--

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	

Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Our district, like most charities, holds some funds in reserve. Our level of reserves is set to ensure that there is sufficient resources to continue the core activities of the District should income fall short. The District Executive Committee considers that the District should hold a sum equivalent to 12 months annual subscriptions, circa £45,000 in reserve. Should the level of reserves fall below the target level the District executive committee will make efforts to restore the level within next financial years.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	77642
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	None.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The principal source of funds is the annual levy charged by the District for all Scout paying members within the District.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	

A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	Ongoing risk of the membership reducing and the need to subsidise individuals and groups due to the current financial situation.
Other		

Structure, governance and management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document: for example, trust deed , memorandum and articles of association etc	Para 1.25	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.
How is the charity constituted? for example limited company , unincorporated association , CIO	Para 1.25	The District is a trust established under rules which are common to all Scouts. The Scout Association and the District are Public Benefit Entities.
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association. All Trustees are subject to annual appointment at the District AGM and, once appointed, serve until the following AGM.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	The District is managed by the Executive Committee, the members of which are the "Charity Trustees" as identified above. 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 Trustees, including officers, receive no remuneration and they and others who support the Scouting activities of the District do so as volunteers, with there being no cost to the District for the time committed. This Executive Committee exists to support District activities which are intended to support the development of Scouting within Bishops Stortford and District and to support the individual Scout groups. This includes a number of activities mandated by the Scout Association, for example leader
--	-----------	---

		<p>appointments, as well as provision of support to Beavers, Cubs and Scouts. Explorers, whilst being attached to groups in the District, are designated a District section and as such the District has broader responsibility for those sections including in respect of funding. In undertaking activities and their management of the District, the Trustees have regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. The Executive Committee meets approximately every 3 months and receives reports from the District Commissioner, Treasurer and from representatives of each section. All leaders within the District are entitled to attend these meetings, and dates are published on the District Calendar.</p>
<p>The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works</p>	<p>Para 1.51</p>	<p>See above.</p>
<p>Relationship with any related parties</p>	<p>Para 1.51</p>	
<p>Other</p>		

Reference and administrative details

Charity name	Bishops Stortford and District Scout Council
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1154953
Charity's principal address	7 The Pastures, Bishops Stortford, Herts CM23 2FU

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Vacant	Chair		
2	William Compton	District Commissioner		
3	Jane Le Grove	Treasurer		
4	Jackie Williamson	Secretary		
5	Simon Carter			
6	Nick Jones			
7	Maureen Hargrave	Deputy District Commissioner		
8	Sophie Brixton			
9	Jay Oram			
10	Rebecca Beaumont			
11	Edd Jones			
12				
13				
14				
15				
16				
17				
18				
19				
20				

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name	

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
-----------------	------	---------

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (optional information)

--

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

--

Other optional information

--

Declarations

The company has taken advantage of the small companies' exemption in preparing the report above.

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report (including directors' report) above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees/directors

Signature(s)	J E Le Grove	
Full name(s)	Jane Le Grove	
Position (for example Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer	
Date	14/09/2023	

BISHOPS STORTFORD SCOUT DISTRICT

England & Wales - Charity number 1154953

Accounts



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' annual report (including Directors' report) for the period

From: 1st January 2022 To: 31st December 2022

Charity name: Bishops Stortford and District Scout Council

Charity registration number: 1154953

Company number:

Objectives and activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The objectives of the District 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.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Ongoing support to the District team and local Scout Groups. Organisation of several District wide events. Management and oversight of the District Budget.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association. All trustees are subject to annual appointment at the District AGM and, once appointed, serve until the following AGM.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	Grants are made from time to time to leaders within the scout district to carry out training towards gaining national body awards so that they can obtain permits to enable members of their groups to take part in permitted activities.

Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	Social investment is carried out through the delivery of scouting activities via the scout programme.
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	None.
Other		

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>During the year the District has organised and supported a range of activities for the various sections within Bishops Stortford and District, as well as providing financial support towards training and specific activities. On behalf of the District, the Executive would like to thank all those who helped to organise and run these events.</p> <p>The appointments committee has continued its valuable work in administering leader appointments in the district.</p>
---	-----------	--

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	

Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Our district, like most charities, holds some funds in reserve. Our level of reserves is set to ensure that there is sufficient resources to continue the core activities of the District should income fall short. The District Executive Committee considers that the District should hold a sum equivalent to 12 months annual subscriptions, circa £45,000 in reserve, and £17,000 of this is held on deposit with The Scout Association. Should the level of reserves fall below the target level the District executive committee will make efforts to restore the level within next financial years.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	92,206
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	None.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The principal source of funds is the annual levy charged by the District for all Scout paying members within the District.
Investment policy and objectives including any	Para 1.46	

social investment policy adopted		
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	Ongoing risk of the membership reducing and the need to subsidise individuals and groups due to the current financial situation.
Other		

Structure, governance and management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document: for example, trust deed, memorandum and articles of association etc	Para 1.25	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.
How is the charity constituted? for example limited company, unincorporated association, CIO	Para 1.25	The District is a trust established under rules which are common to all Scouts. The Scout Association and the District are Public Benefit Entities.
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association. All Trustees are subject to annual appointment at the District AGM and, once appointed, serve until the following AGM.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	The District is managed by the Executive Committee, the members of which are the "Charity Trustees" as identified above. 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 Trustees, including officers, receive no remuneration and they and others who support the Scouting activities of the District do so as volunteers, with there being no cost to the District for the time committed. This Executive Committee exists to support District activities which are intended to support the development of Scouting within Bishops Stortford and District and to support the individual
--	-----------	---

		<p>Scout groups. This includes a number of activities mandated by the Scout Association, for example leader appointments, as well as provision of support to Beavers, Cubs and Scouts. Explorers, whilst being attached to groups in the District, are designated a District section and as such the District has broader responsibility for those sections including in respect of funding. In undertaking activities and their management of the District, the Trustees have regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. The Executive Committee meets approximately every 3 months and receives reports from the District Commissioner, Treasurer and from representatives of each section. All leaders within the District are entitled to attend these meetings, and dates are published on the District Calendar.</p>
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	See above.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and administrative details

Charity name	Bishops Stortford and District Scout Council
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1154953
Charity's principal address	7 The Pastures, Bishops Stortford, Herts CM23 2FU

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	John Henson	Chair		
2	William Compton	District Commissioner		
3	Nigel Reed	Treasurer		
4	Kate Reed	Secretary		
5	Simon Carter			
6	Nick Jones			
7	Maureen Hargrave	Deputy District Commissioner		
8	Tom Wiffen			
9	Jay Oram			
10	Marc Anderson			
11	Edd Jones			
12	Becky Beaumont			
13	Sophie Brixton			
14				
15				
16				
17				
18				
19				
20				

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name	

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
-----------------	------	---------

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (optional information)

--

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

--

Other optional information

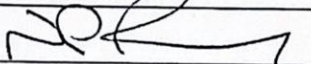
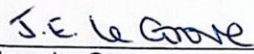
--

Declarations

The company has taken advantage of the small companies' exemption in preparing the report above.

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report (including directors' report) above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees/directors

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Nigel Reed	Jane Le Grove
Position (for example Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer (until 31/12/22)	Treasurer from 22/5/23.
Date	22/10/2023	

Bishop's Stortford & District Scout Council
Statement of Assets for the year ended 31 December 2022

	31/12/2022	£	31/12/2021	£
Cash at bank	21,454.20		19,288.70	
Camp account - held for Lochearnhead trip	7,003.81			
Camp account - held for Jamboree expeditor	6,142.18			
Bank Deposit Account		34,600.19	27,843.81	
With the Scout Association - Short Term Investment		27,980.21	17,000.00	
Explorer Accounts		17,000.00	17,000.00	
Total assets		<u>12,625.14</u>	<u>12,210.98</u>	
		<u>£92,205.54</u>	<u>£76,343.49</u>	
Change in Year		<u>£15,862.05</u>		

Please note:

1. All equipment is written off in the year in which it was purchased.
2. The District holds funds in reserve to ensure there are sufficient resources to continue the core activities of the District if income falls short. The Trustees consider this to be equivalent to the previous 12 months expenditure. If reserves fall short, the Trustees will endeavour to restore funds to that level within the next financial year.
3. Cash at Bank includes £320 held on behalf of Inuit Explorer Group which will be refunded to them during the next year.

Scrutineer's Report to the Trustees of the Bishops Stortford and District Scout Council

I report on the accounts of the District for the year ended 31st December 2022

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Scrutineer

As the District'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 to report to you.

Basis of Scrutineer's Statement

In accordance with the directions given in the District's constitution, I have scrutinised the records and the accounts attached.

Scrutineer's Statement

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

Name: M W TRAPICK
 Address: 67 THE PADDOCK
BISHOP'S STORTFORD
CM23 4SW
 Date: 5 OCTOBER 2023

M W Trapick

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Bishops Stortford and District Scout Council

On accounts for the year ended

31st December 2022

Charity no
(if any)

1154953

Set out on pages

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31/12/2022**

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

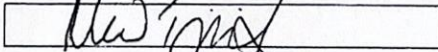
I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (~~other than that disclosed below*~~) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- 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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:



Date:

22/10/23

Name:

M.W. Trippick D.Phil, BSc, ACMA

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

Institute of Chartered Management Accounts

Address:

67 The Paddock



Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin black border, intended for the user to provide details of items the examiner wishes to disclose.

BISHOPS STORTFORD SCOUT DISTRICT

England & Wales - Charity number 1154953

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1st Jan 2021 Period start date To 31 Dec 2021 Period end date

Charity name: Bishops Stortford & District Scout Council

Charity registration number: 1154953

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The objectives of the District 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
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Ongoing support to the District team and local Scout Groups. Organisation of several District wide events Management and oversight of the District Budget
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association. All trustees are subject to annual appointment at the District AGM and, once appointed, serve until the following AGM.

--	--	--

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	Grants are made from time to time to leaders within the scout district to carry out training towards gaining national body awards so that they can obtain permits to enable members of their groups to take part in permitted activities
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	Social investment is carried out through the delivery of scouting activities via the scout programme.
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	None
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	

<p>Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.</p>	<p>Para 1.20</p>	<p>During the year the District has organised and supported a range of activities for the various sections within Bishops Stortford and District, as well as providing financial support towards training and specific activities. On behalf of the District, the Executive would like to thank all those who helped to organise and run these events.</p> <p>The appointments committee has continued its valuable work in administering leader appointments in the district</p>
--	------------------	---

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

<p>Achievements against objectives set</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	
<p>Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	
<p>Investment performance against objectives</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	
<p>Other</p>		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Our District, like most charities, holds some funds in reserve. Our level of reserves is set to ensure that there is sufficient resources to continue the core activities of the District should income fall short. The District executive committee considers that the District should hold a sum equivalent to 12 month annual subscriptions, circa £45,000 in reserve, and £17,000 of this is held on deposit with TSA. Should the level of reserves falls below the target level the District executive committee will make efforts to restore the level within next financial years.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£76,383
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	None

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The principle source of funds is the annual levy charged by the District for all scout paying members of those within the District
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal		Ongoing risk of the membership reducing due to the current financial

risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	forecast. Increased risk of the need to subsidise individuals and groups due to the current financial situation.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	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.
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	The District is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts. The Scout Association and the District are Public Benefit Entities
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association. All trustees are subject to annual appointment at the District AGM and, once appointed, serve until the following AGM.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	The District is managed by the Executive Committee, the members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' as identified above. 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 Trustees, including officers, receive no remuneration and they and others who support the Scouting activities of the District do so as volunteers, with there being no cost to the District for the time committed. This Executive Committee exists to support District activities which are intended to support the development of Scouting within Bishops Stortford and District and to support the individual Scout groups. This includes a number of activities
--	-----------	---

		<p>mandated by the Scout Association, for example leader appointments, as well as provision of support to beavers, cubs and scouts. Explorers, whilst being attached to groups in the District, are designated a District section and as such the District has broader responsibility for those sections including in respect of funding. In undertaking activities and their management of the District, the Trustees have regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. The Executive Committee meets approximately every 3 months and receives reports from the District Commissioner, Treasurer and from representatives of each section. All leaders within the District are entitled to attend these meetings, and dates are published on the District calendar</p>
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	See above
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Bishops Stortford and District Scout Council
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1154953

Charity's principal address	24 Foxley Drive Bishops Stortford Herts CM23 2EB

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

	Type of adviser	Name	Address
	Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)		

Exemptions from disclosure


Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

Other optional information

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)		
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	26/10/22	

Bishop's Stortford & District Scout Council
Balance Sheet
For the year ended 31 December 2021

	note	31/12/2021	31/12/2020	31/12/2019
		£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS				
Tangible fixed assets	1	0	0	0
CURRENT ASSETS				
Cash at bank	2	19,288.70	9,812.30	6,498.51
Bank Deposit Account		27,843.81	27,751.24	25,084.38
Scout Association Short Term Investment		17,000.00	17,000.00	17,000.00
Explorer A/Cs		12,210.98	11,355.46	12,360.39
Scout Shop		0.00	6,070.97	4,526.35
Total current assets		76,343.49	71,989.97	65,469.63
Less CURRENT LIABILITIES		0	0	0
NET TOTAL ASSETS		<u>76,343.49</u>	<u>71,989.97</u>	<u>65,469.63</u>

Notes

1. Equipment purchased is expensed through the income & expenditure in the same year as purchased
2. Includes £2,453.06 in the Camp account being working capital and surpluses from previous Scouting camps, other activities and Lochearnhead Expeditions

Our District, like most charities, hold some funds in reserve. Our level of reserves is set to ensure that there is sufficient resources to continue the core activities of the District should income fall short. The District executive committee considers that the District should hold a sum equivalent to 12 months annual subscriptions and expenditure, circa £58,000 in reserve, and £17,000 of this is held on deposit with TSA. Should the level of reserves falls below the target level, the District Executive Committee will make efforts to restore the level within next financial year.

Bishop's Stortford & District Scout Council
Income & Expenditure account
For the year ended 31 December 2021

Code	Income	Year ended 31/12/2021	Year ended 31/12/2020	Year ended 31/12/2019
	Annual subscriptions	41,958.00	45,961.50	47,481.00
	Scout shop	0.00	0.00	2,385.50
	Beavers	0.00	10.00	0.00
	Cubs	451.85	0.00	393.02
	Scouts	0.00	0.00	130.00
	Explorers	12,893.59	8,885.02	28,971.26
	Network	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Training	0.00	140.00	560.00
A	Lochearnhead Exp	0.00	0.00	0.00
A	Explorer events	0.00	0.00	0.00
A	Scout Shop & Badges	12,705.59	7,918.83	14,222.54
	Charity fundraising	0.00	2,467.07	0.00
	Interest	109.97	262.75	193.26
	Other Income	54.82	152.32	0.00
	Total Income	£68,173.82	£65,797.49	£94,336.58
	Annual subscriptions	38,461.50	38,598.00	39,729.00
	Beavers	412.33	63.39	364.54
	Cubs	99.89	630.92	297.99
	Scouts	64.74	0.00	435.36
	Explorers	12,094.06	9,822.07	28,831.42
	Network	0.00	24.90	0.00
	DLT	652.45	313.88	86.00
	Training	1,114.66	895.82	1,941.66
	Scout Shop & Badges	9,238.04	6,374.21	17,133.34
	Swimming	0.00	483.00	0.00
	Charities	25.00	18.50	50.00
	AGM/Awards night	0.00	0.00	1,180.41
	Other District events	0.00	0.00	507.04
	Website	185.83	344.93	22.66
	Insurance	418.12	503.94	384.43
A	Lochearnhead Exp	0.00	0.00	0.00
A	Explorer events	0.00	0.00	1,376.32
	Jamboree	0.00	0.00	84.60
	Administration	596.31	742.84	791.05
	Equipment purchase	457.37	460.75	123.97
	Total Expenditure	£63,820.30	£59,277.15	£93,339.79
	Net income over expenditure	£4,353.52	£6,520.34	£996.79

A - Not in main bank account



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	Bishops Stortford Scout District		
On accounts for the year ended	31 st December 2021	Charity no (if any)	1154953
	Set out on pages		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2021.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with 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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

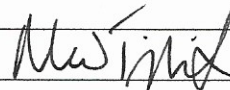
**Independent
examiner's statement**

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 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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:  **Date:** 15 April 2022

Name: M.W. Trippick D.Phil, BSc, ACMA

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

Institute of Chartered Management Accountants

Address:

67 The Paddock
Bishop's Stortford
CM23 4JW

BISHOPS STORTFORD SCOUT DISTRICT

England & Wales - Charity number 1154953

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 1	Month January	Year 2020		Day 31	Month December	Year 2020

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address

24 Foxley Drive	
Bishops Stortford	
Hertfordshire	
Postcode	CM23 2EB

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	William Compton	District Commissioner		Hertfordshire Scouts County Commissioner
2	John Henson	Chair		William Compton
3	Nigel Reed	Treasurer		John Henson
4	Kate Reed	Secretary		John Henson
5	Simon Carter			John Henson
6	Nick Jones			John Henson
7	Maureen Hargrave	Deputy District Commissioner		John Henson
8	Thomas Wiffen		To 19 October 2020	William Compton
9	Jay Oram		From 19 October 2020	William Compton
10	Priya Hills		From 19 October 2020	William Compton
11	Marc Anderson		From 19 October 2020	William Compton
12				
13				
14				
15				
16				
17				
18				
19				
20				

Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

--	--

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

--

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document <i>(eg. trust deed, constitution)</i>	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.
How the charity is constituted <i>(eg. trust, association, company)</i>	The District is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts. The Scout Association and the District are Public Benefit Entities.
Trustee selection methods <i>(eg. appointed by, elected by)</i>	The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association. All trustees are subject to annual appointment at the District AGM and, once appointed, serve until the following AGM.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

<p>You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees; • the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works; • relationship with any related parties; • trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them. 	<p>The District is managed by the Executive Committee, the members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' as identified above. 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 Trustees, including officers, receive no remuneration and they and others who support the Scouting activities of the District do so as volunteers, with there being no cost to the District for the time committed. This Executive Committee exists to support District activities which are intended to support the development of Scouting within Bishops Stortford and District and to support the individual Scout groups. This includes a number of activities mandated by the Scout Association, for example leader appointments, as well as provision of support to beavers, cubs and scouts. Explorers, whilst being attached to groups in the District, are designated a District section and as such the District has broader responsibility for those sections including in respect of funding. In undertaking activities and their management of the District, the Trustees have regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. The Executive Committee meets approximately every 3 months and receives reports from the District Commissioner, Treasurer and from representatives of each section. All leaders within the District are entitled to attend these meetings, and dates are published on the District calendar.</p>
--	--

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The objectives of the District 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

Ongoing support to the District team and local Scout Groups.

Organisation of several District wide events

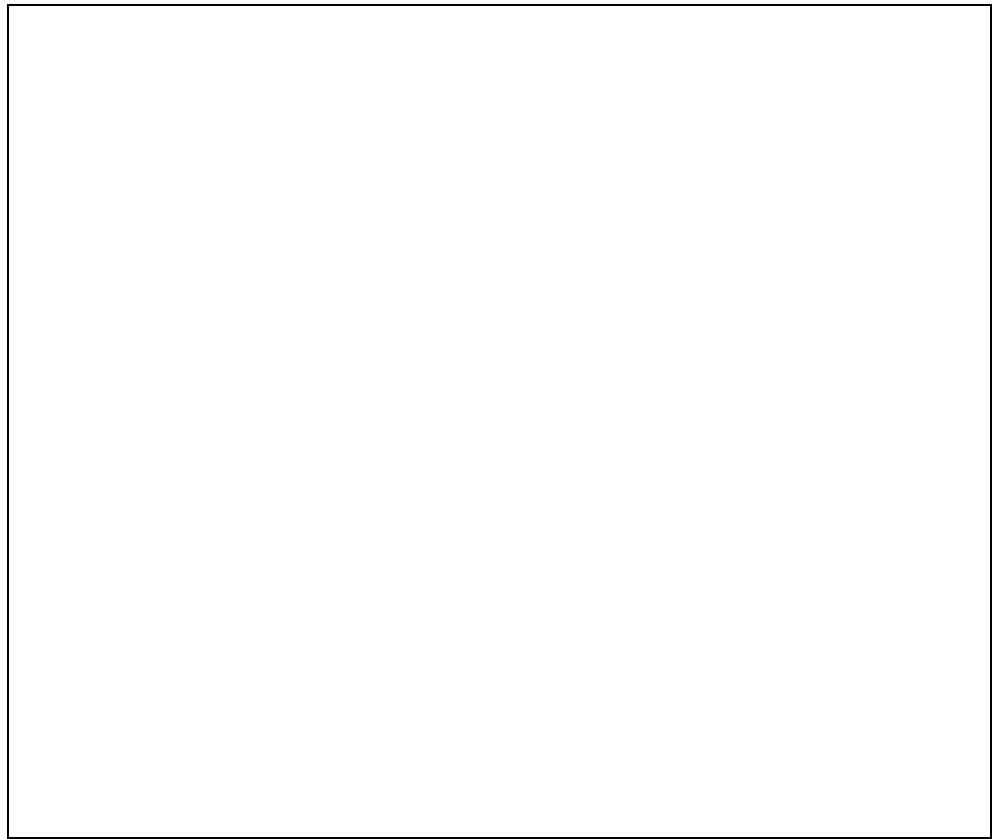
Management and oversight of the District Budget

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.



Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

During the year the District has organised and supported a range of activities for the various sections within Bishops Stortford and District, as well as providing financial support towards training and specific activities. On behalf of the District, the Executive would like to thank all those who helped to organise and run these events.

The appointments committee has continued its valuable work in administering leader appointments in the district

The local Scout Shop continues to support the district both in terms of uniform supply and providing a revenue stream for the district to supplement annual subscriptions.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Our District, like most charities, holds some funds in reserve. Our level of reserves is set to ensure that there is sufficient resources to continue the core activities of the District should income fall short. The District executive committee considers that the District should hold a sum equivalent to 12 month annual subscriptions, circa £40,000 in reserve, and £17,000 of this is held on deposit with TSA. Should the level of reserves falls below the target level the District executive committee will make efforts to restore the level within next financial years.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F

Other optional information

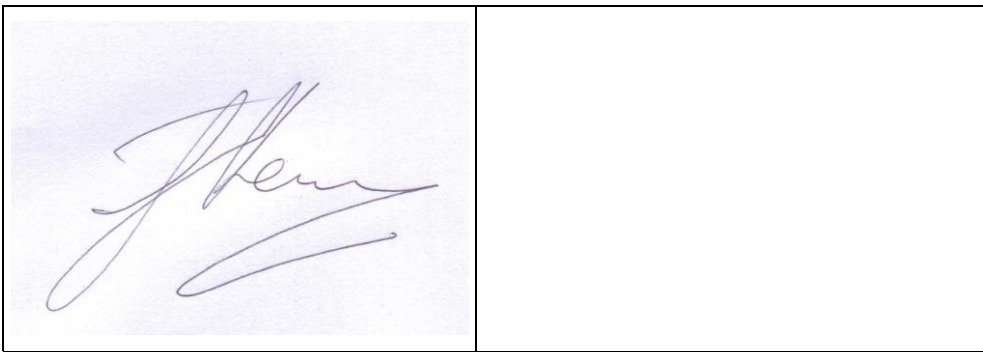
Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

John Henson

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair

Date

Bishop's Stortford & District Scout Council
Income & Expenditure account
For the year ended 31 December 2020

Code	Income	Yaer ended 31/12/2020	Year ended 31/12/2019	Year ended 31/12/2018
	Annual subscriptions	45,961.50	47,481.00	46,800.00
	Scout shop	7,918.83	2,385.50	2,500.00
	Beavers	10.00	0.00	6,920.00
	Cubs	0.00	393.02	1,965.82
	Scouts	0.00	130.00	0.00
A	Explorers	8,885.02	28,971.26	37,296.14
	Network	0.00	0.00	223.00
	Training	140.00	560.00	500.18
A	Lochearnhead Exp	0.00	0.00	40,751.41
A	Explorer events	0.00	0.00	0.00
A	Scout Shop	7,918.83	14,222.54	16,074.84
	Charity fundraising	2,467.07	0.00	0.00
	Interest	262.75	193.26	84.41
	Other Income	152.32	0.00	5,314.11
	Total Income	<u>73,716.32</u>	<u>94,336.58</u>	<u>158,429.91</u>
	Expenditure			
	Annual subscriptions	38,598.00	39,729.00	39,000.00
	Beavers	63.39	364.54	6,860.24
	Cubs	630.92	297.99	3,069.32
	Scouts	0.00	435.36	514.88
A	Explorers	9,822.07	28,831.42	36,128.91
	Network	24.90	0.00	471.34
	DLT	313.88	86.00	553.33
	Training	895.82	1,941.66	1,183.01
A	Scout Shop	9,273.09	17,133.34	24,793.84
	Swimming	483.00	0.00	18.00
	Charities	18.50	50.00	45.00
	AGM/Awards night	0.00	1,180.41	3,709.66
	Other District events	0.00	507.04	1,583.71
	Website	344.93	22.66	220.76
	Insurance	503.94	384.43	411.97
A	Lochearnhead Exp	0.00	0.00	40,201.56
A	Explorer events	0.00	1,376.32	3,043.00
	Jamboree	0.00	84.60	172.65
	Administration	742.84	791.05	588.30
	Equipment purchase	460.75	123.97	142.97
	Total Expenditure	<u>62,176.03</u>	<u>93,339.79</u>	<u>162,712.45</u>
	Net income over expenditure	<u>11,540.29</u>	<u>996.79</u>	<u>- 4,282.54</u>

A - Not in main bank account

Bishop's Stortford & District Scout Council
Balance Sheet
For the year ended 31 December 2020

	note	31/12/2020	31/12/2019	31/12/2018
		£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS				
Tangible fixed assets	1	0.00	0.00	0.00
CURRENT ASSETS				
Cash at bank	2	9,812.30	6,498.51	28,191.23
Bank Deposit Account		27,751.24	25,084.38	3,398.12
Scout Association Short Term Investment		17,000.00	17,000.00	17,000.00
Explorer A/Cs		11,355.46	12,360.39	11,844.46
Scout Shop		11,090.92	4,526.35	4,039.03
Total current assets		77,009.92	65,469.63	64,472.84
Less CURRENT LIABILITIES		0.00	0.00	0.00
NET TOTAL ASSETS		<u>77,009.92</u>	<u>65,469.63</u>	<u>64,472.84</u>

Notes

1. Equipment purchased is expensed through the income & expenditure in the same year as purchased
2. Includes £2,453.06 in the Camp account being working capital and surpluses from previous Scouting camps, other activities and Lochearnhead Expeditions

Our District, like most charities, hold some funds in reserve. Our level of reserves is set to ensure that there is sufficient resources to continue the core activities of the District should income fall short. The District executive committee considers that the District should hold a sum equivalent to 12 months annual subscriptions, circa £45,000 in reserve, and £17,000 of this is held on deposit with TSA. Should the level of reserves falls below the target level, the District Executive Committee will make efforts to restore the level within next financial year.



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name
Bishops Stortford Scout District

On accounts for the year ended

31st December 2020 Charity no (if any) 1154953

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

As the charity trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with 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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) 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 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.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed: [Signature box]

Date: [Date box]

Name:

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

Address:

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin black border, occupying the right two-thirds of the page. It is intended for the user to provide details of items as requested in the text to the left.