

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

7TH EPSOM (METHODIST) SCOUT GROUP

I report on the accounts of the Group for the year ended 31 March 2025, which are set out on pages 3 to 4.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Group's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993, and that an independent examination is required.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under section 43 (3)(a) of the 1993 act;
- To follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 43 (7)(b) of the 1993 act; and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

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

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my explanation, no matter has come to my attention;

1. Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - To keep accounting records in accordance with Section 41 of the 1993 act and
 - To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 Act have not been met; or
2. To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Name: Andrew McDonald

Signed: _____

Address: 31 Pound Lane, Epsom. KT19 8SB

Date: _____

Major Activities and Achievements in the year

The annual review presented to all parents and interested parties prior to the AGM highlights the activities and achievements during the year. This is a comprehensive document that details numbers of young people in each section, a report from each section, abbreviated accounts and a review of the year.

At the end of the year the income reserves amounted to £593,747 (2024: £586,059). The Group's policy on reserves is to hold an amount that will enable it to replace the motor vehicles. The New HQ has been recorded as an asset within the accounts.

The trustees have identified the major risks to which they believe the Group is exposed. They have reviewed these and established systems to mitigate them.

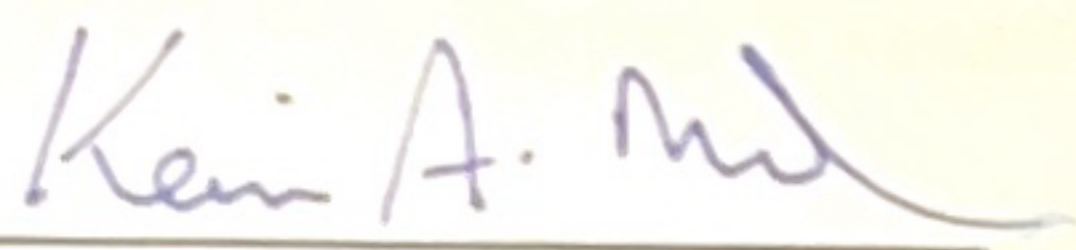
The objectives of the Group are to promote the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potentials, as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of their local, national and international communities.

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

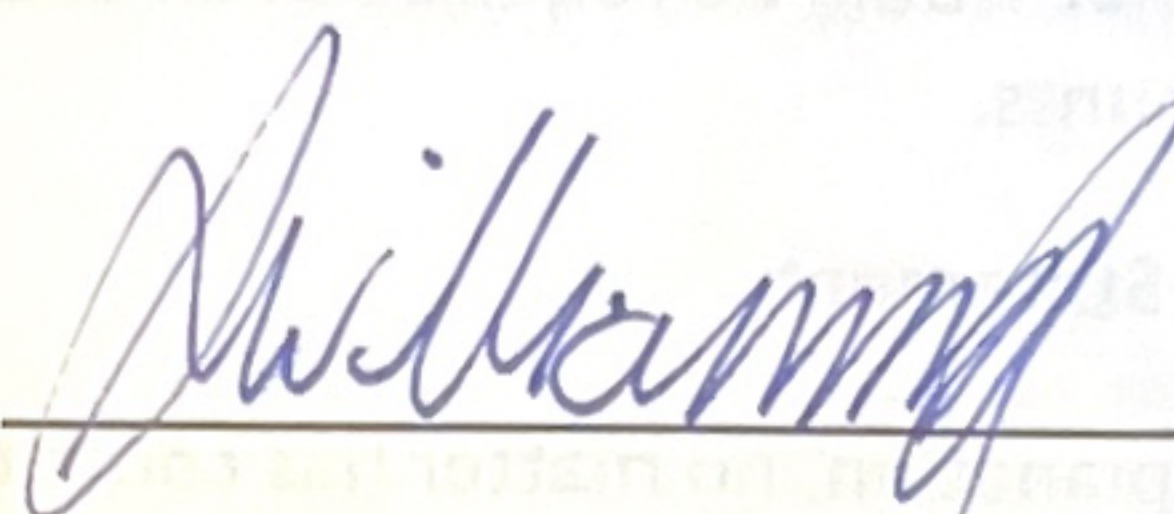
Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association. They are well acquainted over a number of years in local scouting.

The accounts have been drawn up on the Receipts and Payments basis, which is consistent with the previous year.

Approved by the trustees on the 10th October 2025 and signed on their behalf by:



Dr Kevin Mead – Chairman



Anthony S Williams - Treasurer

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Income and Expenditure Statement for the period ended 31 March 2025

	Unrestricted Funds £	2024/25 Restricted Funds £	Total £	2023/24 £
Incoming Resources				
Annual Subscriptions	27,035	0	27,035	30,193
Income from Fundraising	8,644	0	8,644	6,643
Income from Camps & Activities	21,332	4,567	25,899	21,791
Section Income	0	0	0	55
Minibus Hire	515	0	515	755
Group Clothing	22	0	22	143
Donations	415	0	415	710
Gift Aid	4,748	0	4,748	4,659
Interest Received	1,299	0	1,299	972
Other Income	0	0	0	5
Total Income	64,009	4,567	68,576	65,927
Outgoing Resources				
Capitation Fees and Subscription Refunds	9,955	0	9,955	10,600
Costs of Fundraising	2,631	0	2,631	593
Expenditure from Camps & Activities	21,443	2,142	23,586	26,223
Section Costs	4,544	0	4,544	4,299
Minibus Costs	8,121	0	8,121	6,247
HQ Rental, Insurance and Equipment Costs	4,436	0	4,436	5,613
Group Clothing	151	0	151	0
Scout Shop	2,000	0	2,000	2,025
Bank Charges	120	0	120	120
Other Expenditure	3,005	0	3,005	183
Total Expenditure	56,406	2,142	58,548	55,903
Net Incoming/Outgoing resources before transfers	7,603	2,425	10,028	10,024

Opening Funds	114,982	104,958
Net Incoming/Outgoing resources before transfers	10,028	10,024
Less: Capital Expenditure	0	0
	10,028	10,024
Total Funds Carried Forward	125,010	114,982

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Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2025

2024 £		2025 £	£
	FIXED ASSETS		
442,255	Headquarters	442,255	
29,424	Minibus	26,481	
<u>471,679</u>		<u>468,736</u>	
	CURRENT ASSETS		
114,982	Cash at Bank	125,010	
-	Debtors	-	
	Creditors falling due within one year		
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<u>114,982</u>	Net Current Assets	<u>125,010</u>	
<u>586,661</u>	Total Assets less Current Liabilities	<u>593,747</u>	
471,679	Designated Reserves	468,736	
	General Reserves:		
104,958	Opening Balance	114,982	
10,024	Movement in Year	10,028	
<u>114,982</u>	Net Incoming/Outgoing resources	<u>125,010</u>	
<u>586,661</u>		<u>593,747</u>	