

PENNINE SCOUT DISTRICT GM

England & Wales · Charity number 1175173

Details

Other names Pennine District Scout Council

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2017-10-16

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

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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: Pennine District Scout Council is responsible for ensuring that opportunities exist for Scouting to be active in as many locations as possible across the borough, providing a service for young people from the age of 4 - 25 across six different sections - Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Explorers and Network. Scouting is an inclusive movement and is available to all young people.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, Environment/conservation/heritage, Economic/community Development/employment, Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Rochdale

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£165,523	£196,833	-	-
2024-03-31	£164,533	£112,002	-	-
2023-03-31	£105,819	£89,357	-	-
2022-03-31	£59,875	£46,296	-	-
2021-03-31	£30,249	£40,453	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ALAN BARON SHARKEY		2019-09-10
Ben Anthony Lee		2022-11-30
Donna Moriarty		2019-09-10
Gary Walczak		2019-09-10
Keith Williams		2019-09-10
MICHAEL JOHN PHILLIPS		2020-02-04
Megan Norma Brandon		2020-07-15
Samuel Lewis Townsend		2024-04-25
Sandra Mary Roberts		2022-07-13
Susan Foex		2023-07-12
William Craig Pullan		2024-04-28

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Accounts

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From: 01/04/2024

To: 31/03/2025

Charity name:

**Pennine Scout District GM
(known as Pennine District Scout Council)**

Charity registration number: 1175173

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>The objectives of the Pennine District Scout Council are as a unit of the Scout Association.</p> <p>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 Scout Association is by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law and guided by adult leadership.</p>
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	<p>Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.</p> <p>As Scouts we are guided by our values:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Integrity - We act with integrity; we are honest, trustworthy and loyal. • Respect - We have self-respect and respect for others. • Care - We support others and take care of the world in which we live. • Belief - We explore our faiths, beliefs and attitudes. • Co-operation - We make a positive difference; we co-operate with others and make friends. <p>Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together based on the values of Scouting and:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<p>The Pennine District Scout Council meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
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>Throughout the year, there are a host of activities for the young people to access as part of their Scouting programme. Most of the activities take place within the individual sections belonging to groups/Explorer units, and these planned activities provide a structure of badges and awards, which are progressive through the sections.</p> <p>Here is the chair's report from our last AGM in July 2025:</p> <p>St George's Day 2024 & 2025: Our St George's Day Celebration remains a highlight in the District calendar, and once again, Matt Rush has demonstrated exceptional diligence in revitalising this event to truly bringing together our three townships. The 2024 celebration, held in the picturesque Queen's Park Heywood, was a resounding success. The park's layout proved ideal, offering safe paths for our parade and providing a dignified focal point for the march past at the outdoor theatre. The feedback regarding the various activities available around the park was overwhelmingly positive, and it was wonderful to see so many young people and adults engaging in the spirit of the day. I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to Matt and his dedicated team for their meticulous planning and execution of such a memorable event. St George's Day 2025 at Springfield Park extended further the range of activities offered to the scout groups in attendance. This new venue has been incredibly well-received, particularly by the Squirrels who enjoyed their ride on the model train. Feedback from the event suggests that both the location and facilities of Springfield Park lend this to becoming a suitable home for this annual event.</p> <p>New Groups: It fills us with great delight to announce the expansion of our District with the establishment of a new group, the 99th Pennine. This exciting addition held its inaugural taster session on the 7th of February 2025, marking a fantastic start to their journey. The group now</p>

regularly meets each Friday, hosted at the 9th Heywood, and we warmly welcome all their new members and volunteers to the Pennine Scouting family.

District Secretary: This past year, we bid a fond farewell to our long-serving District Secretary, Anne Williams, who stepped down from her role in November 2024. On behalf of the entire District, I want to acknowledge and express our profound appreciation for the long and dedicated service that Anne has given to the District over so many years. Her meticulous organisation, wise counsel, and unwavering commitment have been invaluable. While she is not leaving Scouting entirely, having taken up a smaller, yet significant role at County level, her presence will be greatly missed at District Trustee meetings. As a small token of our immense gratitude, she was presented with flowers and gifts by way of a thank you from the District Trustees.

Treasurer: Our District's financial health is in exceptionally capable hands, and I wish to acknowledge the outstanding dedication and skill of our Treasurer, Ben Lee. His profound knowledge and detailed reporting have not only maintained our financial stability but have also significantly strengthened the capacity of the District Trustees to provide healthy financial planning and develop robust spending policies. Ben's efforts ensure that our resources are managed prudently and effectively for the benefit of all our young people.

District Lead Volunteer: This year has seen the successful implementation of the restructuring of posts within the District. I am pleased to report that we are now fully compliant with the revised national structures for the management of Scouting in the Pennine District. This transformational process has been complex, requiring careful consideration and strategic leadership. I would like to specifically acknowledge the exceptional work of Alan Sharkey in directing this vital process, ensuring a smooth and effective transition that positions us strongly for the future.

Learning, Safety and Risk Management: The safety and well-being of our young people and volunteers remain paramount, and I wish to acknowledge the diligent work of Keith Williams in updating the District to meet all safeguarding and first aid requirements. These are now mandatory for most roles in Scouting, and Keith's efforts have ensured our compliance and the continued safety of our activities. Furthermore, a comprehensive risk assessment document for the District has been meticulously developed, which will serve as a crucial blueprint for our group risk assessments, promoting consistency and thoroughness across the board. The Pennine District is proud to be abreast of all changes in policy, particularly those driven by the national review following recent coroner recommendations, demonstrating our commitment to best practice.

Ashworth Valley: Ashworth Valley, truly the jewel in our District's crown, continues to be an exciting and vibrant place for camping and outdoor activities. You can read of the many

		<p>significant purchases and upgrades to the site in their detailed report, which reflects ongoing investment in this invaluable resource. This year has also seen a constructive review of the management and leadership of the site's operations. The initiatives and policies introduced have substantially strengthened the relationship between the District Trustees and the Ashworth Valley Management Committee, fostering a more collaborative and efficient approach to its continued success.</p> <p>District Youth Commissioner: A particularly exciting development this year has been the appointment of Sam Townsend as our District Youth Commissioner in September 2024. Sam has worked tirelessly to shape this vital new role, making a significant impact in a short space of time. His efforts include visiting various sections across the District to run engaging sessions, which have led to over 100 young people achieving the Central You Shape badge to date. Critically, Sam has also successfully introduced a District Youth Forum, a fantastic initiative that provides a dedicated platform for the young people in our District to have their voices heard and their ideas listened to by the District Trustees. To date, both our Scouts and Squirrels sections have actively contributed to these important conversations, and we eagerly anticipate the forum's continued growth and influence.</p> <p>Conclusion: In closing, I want to reiterate my profound thanks to every volunteer, leader, parent, and young person who contributes to the rich tapestry of Pennine District Scouts. Your energy and dedication are what make our District a thriving and positive force in the lives of so many. As we look ahead, I am confident that with your continued support, Pennine District Scouts will continue to grow, innovate, and provide life-changing adventures for our young people. Thank you.</p>
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
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

	SORP reference	
Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<p>We consider ourselves in a healthy position financially.</p> <p>The District owns a building, but the day to day management of this is the subject of a service level agreement between the District and a Scout group.</p> <p>The District is responsible for the management and maintenance of the Ashworth Valley Scout Campsite. This is the largest single asset owned by the district. The 48.83 acre campsite is situated in countryside bordering the Pennines.</p>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<p>Pennine District Scout Council has a reserve fund policy in place, and we aim to always have enough funds to meet our running costs for the next 3 years.</p> <p>Ashworth Valley Scout Campsite has its own reserve fund of 1 year, simply as the ongoing costs to hold a 3-year reserve are too high.</p>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	<p>Pennine District Scout Council has a reserve fund of £34,300.00.</p> <p>Ashworth Valley Scout Campsite has a reserve fund of £25,000.00.</p> <p>Our current funds are above this level, meaning that we have surplus money at present.</p>
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	Nothing to note.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	<p>Pennine District Scout Council accounts comprises of three separate elements; the general account for all matters relating to the day to day running of the district, an 'adventures' account for larger events, and a separate account covering the Ashworth Valley Scout Campsite.</p> <p>Pennine District Scout Council has rolled over funds from last year. We currently receive no income.</p> <p>Ashworth Valley Scout Campsite receives an income through campsite fees and activities.</p>
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	The District adopts a risk averse strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or building societies. Where appropriate, we may use an account that requires a period of notice before

		<p>funds may be withdrawn. However, before doing so, the District Trustee Board will consider any upcoming cashflow requirements.</p> <p>Pennine District Scout Council; We keep a proportion of funds held in an instant access savings account so that these funds are readily available. All remaining funds are then held in fixed rate savings accounts to benefit from a higher rate of interest.</p> <p>Ashworth Valley Scout Campsite; We keep the reserve fund held in fixed rate savings accounts to benefit from a higher rate of interest. All remaining funds are held within instant access savings accounts as these funds are being used to reinvest back into the campsite facilities and activities.</p> <p>The District Trustee Board regularly monitors the levels of any bank balances, and the interest rates received to ensure we obtain good value from our banking arrangements.</p>
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The District Trustee Board has in place a risk register. This covers several areas such as our generic, finance and campsite risks. This is reviewed and updated regularly.
Other		We have received a company grant to spend on the cost of a new camping village. This is shown within our accounts.

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:	SORP reference	
Type of governing document	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?	Para 1.25	The District is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.
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.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	<p>All Trustees are required to complete various online learning modules when joining the Trustee Board.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safety and safeguarding online learning, along with a criminal record check are required within the first 30 days. • A welcome conversation, internal checks, declarations and references are required within 6 weeks. • Data protection, creating inclusion, who are we

		and what we do and being a trustee in Scouts online learning required within 6 months.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	<p>The Pennine District is one of six districts within the Greater Manchester North Scout County, covering the geographical area of the Rochdale Metropolitan Borough and in particular the towns of Rochdale, Middleton, Heywood & Littleborough. Pennine District Scout Council was created in 2014 following a comprehensive review of the former districts undertaken across the County and subsequent mergers.</p> <p>The District is managed by the District Trustee Board, the members of which are the 'charity trustees'. As charity trustees, they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities.</p> <p>The District Trustee Board consists of 2 independent representatives; the Chair and Treasurer, together with other appointed trustees, ex-official trustees and co-opted trustees. We meet approximately every 2 months.</p> <p>Pennine District Scout Council is responsible for ensuring that opportunities exist for Scouting to be active in as many locations as possible across the borough, providing a service for young people from the age of 4 - 25 across six different sections – Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Explorers and Network. Scouting is an inclusive movement and is available to all young people. At the present time there are 22 individual groups spread across the borough, with 10 Explorer Scout units.</p>
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	None.
Other		<p>Within the District, we have around 1,014 young people that experience fun and adventure every week.</p> <p>We have a wealth of Scouting experience with 314 adult volunteers and 205 occasional helpers, and their dedication and value to the groups/District is tremendous.</p>

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Pennine Scout District GM
Other name the charity uses	Pennine District Scout Council
Registered charity number	1175173
Charity's principal address	545 Bury Road Bamford Rochdale Lancs. OL11 4DG

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	Gary Walczak	District Chair		Pennine District Scout Council
2	Ben Lee	District Treasurer		Pennine District Scout Council
3	Alan Sharkey	District Lead Volunteer		County Lead Volunteer
4	Norma Brandon	District Programme Team Lead		Pennine District Scout Council
5	Billy Pullan	District Programme Team Lead		Pennine District Scout Council
6	Mike Phillips	14-24 Team Leader		Pennine District Scout Council
7	Keith Williams	Policy & Direction Team Leader		Pennine District Scout Council
8	John Salisbury	Ashworth Valley Scout Campsite Manager		Pennine District Scout Council
9	Donna Moriarty	Trustee		Pennine District Scout Council
10	Susan Foex	Trustee		Pennine District Scout Council
11	Sandra Roberts	Trustee		Pennine District Scout Council
12	Sam Townsend	District Youth Lead		Pennine District Scout Council

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

N/A

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

N/A

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

N/A

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Independent examiner for accounts	Richard Gahan	7 Kingsbury Close Tottington Bury Lancs BL8 1WA

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

N/A

Exemptions from disclosure

N/A

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A


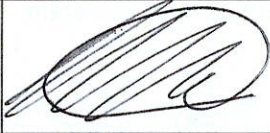
Other optional information

None.

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees.

Signature		
Full name	Gary Walczak	Ben Lee
Position	District Chair	District Treasurer

Date 17/09/2025

Pennine District Scouts

Consolidated Receipts and Payments Account

Year Start Date Year End Date

For the year from 4/1/2024 To 3/31/2025

Receipts

	2024/2025			2023/2024	
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Membership					
Membership Subscriptions	55,317.50			55,317.50	47,322.00
Membership Subscriptions O/S Previous Yr	-			-	1,677.00
Less Membership Subscriptions Paid	-55,317.50			-55,317.50	-47,223.00
Net Membership Subscription Received	0.00	-	-	0.00	1,776.00
Pennine District Scout Council (DSC)					
Beaver Scouts	90.00			90.00	1,515.00
Cub Scouts	975.00			975.00	4,224.00
Scouts	3,253.50			3,253.50	723.00
Explorer Scouts	300.00			300.00	5,207.33
Miscellaneous	-			-	
Combined	3,987.00			3,987.00	675.40
Adventures					
Explorer Belt 2025	438.32			438.32	
Ashworth Valley Scout Camp (AVSC)					
Receipts (see separate accounts)	113,922.50			113,922.50	84,570.69
	122,966.32	-	-	122,966.32	96,915.42
Grants					
Pennine DSC Grants	-			-	
Pennine DS Adventures	-			-	
AVSC Grants	-			-	
	-	-	-	-	0.00
Fundraising Gross					
Pennine DSC Gift Aid Claim	1,352.61			1,352.61	
Pennine DS Adventures	-			-	
AVSC Tuck Shop Sales	9,850.28			9,850.28	9,181.19
AVSC Sale of Land	-			-	50,000.00
	11,202.89	-	-	11,202.89	59,181.19
Investment Income					
Pennine DSC Bank Interest	682.48			682.48	986.13
Pennine DSC Bank Maturity	20,720.00			20,720.00	
Pennine DSC Scout Investment Interest	-			-	177.60
Additional Amount Invested - Cambridge & Counties	3,000.00			3,000.00	
Pennine DS Adventures Bank Interest	-			-	
AVSC Barclays Bank Interest	1,851.16			1,851.16	396.42
AVSC Property Rent Income	5,100.00			5,100.00	5,100.00
AVSC Virgin Bank Compensation Error	-			-	
	31,353.64	-	-	31,353.64	6,660.15
Total gross income	165,522.85	-	-	165,522.85	164,532.76
Total receipts	165,522.85	-	-	165,522.85	164,532.76

Payments

	2024/2025			2023/2024	
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Charitable Payments	1,052.68			1,052.68	1,414.09
Pennine DSC					
Beaver Scouts	376.60			376.60	1,000.00

Cub Scouts	979.68			979.68	3,304.21
Scouts	3,108.59			3,108.59	605.44
Explorer Scouts	377.25			377.25	5,207.33
Group Support	3,697.00			3,697.00	
Combined	26,099.89			26,099.89	5,353.42
Adventures					
Explorer Belt 2025	-			-	
AVSC					
Payments (see separate accounts)	154,046.40			154,046.40	88,181.66
	189,738.09	-	-	189,738.09	105,066.15
Fundraising Expenses					
AVSC Tuck Shop Purchases	7,095.26			7,095.26	6,935.79
	7,095.26	-	-	7,095.26	6,935.79
Total gross expenditure	196,833.35	-	-	196,833.35	112,001.94
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	196,833.35	-	-	196,833.35	112,001.94
Net of receipts/payments	-31,310.50	-	-	-31,310.50	52,530.82
Transfers between funds					
Cash funds last year end	141,887.70			141,887.70	89,356.88
Cash funds this year end	110,577.20	-	-	110,577.20	141,887.70

Statement of Assets and Liabilities (at the end of the year)

	31st March 2025			31st Mar '24	
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Cash Funds					
Pennine DSC Lloyds Fixed Term Deposit	15,000.00			15,000.00	35,000.00
Pennine DSC Lloyds Instant Access Savings	6,079.55			6,079.55	10,410.65
Pennine DSC Cambridge & C Bank Fixed Rate Bond	23,000.00			23,000.00	
Pennine DS Adventures Co-op Instant Deposit	438.32			438.32	
AVSC Barclays Current Account	4,381.68			4,381.68	6,880.60
AVSC Barclays Savings Account	37,971.72			37,971.72	57,080.64
AVSC Scottish Widows	23,292.68			23,292.68	42,003.39
AVSC Cash/Floats	8.93			8.93	108.10
AVSC Virgin Deposit Account	50.00			50.00	50.00
AVSC Tuck Shop Cash in Hand	354.32			354.32	354.32
	110,577.20	-	-	110,577.20	151,887.70
Other Assets					
AVSC Tuck Shop Stock at Cost	4,164.13			4,164.13	3,954.13
	4,164.13	-	-	4,164.13	3,954.13
Investment Assets					
N/A	-			-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Non Monetary Assets for Charity's Own Use					
Neckers/Woggles Stock	Minimal			-	
Land and Buildings	Unknown			-	
AVSC Land at Revaluation	-			-	60,000.00
AVSC Buildings at Revaluation	-			-	350,000.00
AVSC Buildings at Cost	-			-	11,076.00
AVSC Land & Buildings Valuation	1,305,000.00			1,305,000.00	
Equipment (after depreciation)	41,283.04			41,283.04	44,285.44
Motor Vehicles (after depreciation)	-			-	
	1,346,283.04	-	-	1,346,283.04	465,361.44
Liabilities					
Deferred Grant Income	-			-	10,000.00
	-	-	-	-	10,000.00
Total net assets	1,461,024.37	-	-	1,461,024.37	611,203.27

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 4th July 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

Signature

Print Name

Gary Walczak	Gary Walczak (Chair)
Ben Lee	Ben Lee (Treasurer)

Pennine District Scout Council Receipts and Payments Account

For the year from Year Start Date
4/1/2024 To Year End Date
3/31/2025

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Net Membership Subscription Received	-	-	-	-	1,776.00
Sections					
Beaver Scouts					
Forbidden Corner 2023	-			-	1515.00
5-A-Side Competition 2025	90.00			90.00	
	90.00	-	-	90.00	1,515.00
Cub Scouts					
Camp 2023	-			-	3130.00
Bonfire 2023	-			-	1094.00
Bonfire 2024	975.00			975.00	
	975.00	-	-	975.00	4,224.00
Scouts					
PLs Day 2023	-			-	290.00
Cooking Competition 2024	-			-	123.00
5-A-Side Competition 2024	-			-	310.00
Camp 2024	1,590.00			1,590.00	
Badgework Day & PLs Camp 2024	950.00			950.00	
Night Hike 2024	143.50			143.50	
5-A-Side Competition 2025	570.00			570.00	
	3,253.50	-	-	3,253.50	723.00
Explorer Scouts					
Monopoly Run 2023	-			-	5,207.33
County Building Hire Refund	300.00			300.00	
	300.00	-	-	300.00	5,207.33
Miscellaneous					
N/A	-			-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Combined					
EuroFest 2023	-			-	1.20
Money Raised - Children in Need Donation	-			-	148.00
TSA Account Closure - 3rd/4th Heywood	-			-	526.20
Water Safety Donation (from 1st Milnrow)	48.00			48.00	
8th Middleton Payment for County	300.00			300.00	
TSA Grant for 5th Pennine Explorers	3,500.00			3,500.00	
TSA Grant for 5th Pennine Explorers Refund	139.00			139.00	
	3,987.00	-	-	3,987.00	675.40
Grants					
N/A	-			-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Fundraising (gross)					
Gift Aid Claim 2024	1,352.61			1,352.61	
	1,352.61	-	-	1,352.61	-
Investment income					
Lloyds Fixed Term Deposit Interest	525.00			525.00	779.56
Lloyds Fixed Term Deposit Account Maturity	20,720.00			20,720.00	
Lloyds Instant Access Savings Interest	157.48			157.48	206.57
Additional Amount Invested - Cambridge & Counties	3,000.00			3,000.00	
Scout Investment Interest	-			-	177.60
	24,402.48	-	-	24,402.48	1,163.73
Total gross income	34,360.59	-	-	34,360.59	15,284.46

Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	34,360.59	-	-	34,360.59	15,284.46

Payments

	2024/2025			2023/2024	
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Charitable Payments					
Unity Non-Member/Volunteer Insurance	52.00			52.00	52.00
Small Societies Lottery Licence 2023	-			-	20.00
Small Societies Lottery Licence 2024	20.00			20.00	
Small Societies Lottery Licence 2025	20.00			20.00	
Teamup District Calendar	115.54			115.54	116.05
MPLC Licence	538.00			538.00	490.43
Fasthosts Domain	-			-	28.78
Hardship Funding	-			-	490.00
Pennine District HQ Costs	-			-	216.83
Zoom Licence	155.88			155.88	
Cognitiforms Licence	151.26			151.26	
	1,052.68			1,052.68	1,414.09
Miscellaneous					
N/A	-			-	
	-			-	-
Sections					
Beaver Scouts	-				
Forbidden Corner 2023	-			-	1,000.00
5-A-Side Competition 2025	376.60			376.60	
	376.60	-	-	376.60	1,000.00
Cub Scouts					
Camp 2023	-			-	2,388.73
Bonfire 2023	-			-	915.48
Bonfire 2024	879.68			879.68	
Badgework Day 2026	100.00			100.00	
	979.68	-	-	979.68	3,304.21
Scouts					
PLs Day 2023	-			-	175.01
Cooking Competition 2024	-			-	123.24
5-A-Side Competition 2024	-			-	307.19
Camp 2024	1,578.17			1,578.17	
Badgework Day & PLs Camp 2024	927.58			927.58	
Night Hike 2024 - Donation to WaterAid	160.99			160.99	
5-A-Side Competition 2025	441.85			441.85	
	3,108.59	-	-	3,108.59	605.44
Explorer Scouts					
Monopoly Run 2023	-			-	5207.33
Explorer Quiz 2024	77.25			77.25	
County Building Hire	300.00			300.00	
	377.25	-	-	377.25	5,207.33
Group Support					
TSA Grant for 5th Pennine Explorers	3,500.00			3,500.00	
TSA Grant for 5th Pennine Explorers Refund	139.00			139.00	
99th Pennine Rent Costs	30.00			30.00	
27th Rochdale HQ Potential Sale Costs	28.00			28.00	
	3,697.00	-	-	3,697.00	-
Combined					
St George's Day 2023				-	1,393.72
EuroFest 2023				-	1.20
District Flags				-	1,673.00
District AGM 2023				-	153.00
Gilwell Training Neckers	200.00			200.00	150.00
Gilwell Woggles				-	60.00
70 Year Pin Badge				-	6.50
Leaders Skills Day 2023				-	292.29
Traffic Wands				-	32.80

Money Raised - Children in Need Donation				-	148.00
Laminator/Pouches				-	27.88
St George's Day 2024	139.32			139.32	440.03
District Feather Banners				-	316.80
District Tablecloths				-	132.00
TSA Account Closure - 3rd/4th Heywood				-	526.20
Water Safety Donation (to 37th Rochdale)	48.00			48.00	
District AGM 2024 Catering	285.00			285.00	
St George's Day 2025	245.76			245.76	
District Youth Lead Expenses	294.89			294.89	
Thanks Badge	10.00			10.00	
8th Middleton Payment to County	300.00			300.00	
Poppy Wreath	27.50			27.50	
Leaders Training Day 2024	8.60			8.60	
Thank You Gift	76.00			76.00	
Programme Team Lead Expenses	87.12			87.12	
Gift Aid Claim Payment to AVSC	1,197.15			1,197.15	
Expenses	9.91			9.91	
Cambridge & Counties Fixed Rate Bond	23,000.00			23,000.00	
SumUp Card Readers	170.64			170.64	
	26,099.89	-	-	26,099.89	5,353.42
Total gross expenditure	35,691.69	-	-	35,691.69	16,884.49
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	35,691.69	-	-	35,691.69	16,884.49
Net of receipts/payments	- 1,331.10	-	-	- 1,331.10	- 1,600.03
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds last year end	45,410.65	-	-	45,410.65	47,010.68
Cash funds this year end	44,079.55	-	-	44,079.55	45,410.65

Statement of Assets and Liabilities (at the end of the year)

	31st March 2025			31st Mar '24	
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Cash Funds					
Lloyds Fixed Term Deposit	15,000.00			15,000.00	35,000.00
Lloyds Instant Access Savings	6,079.55			6,079.55	10,410.65
Cambridge & Counties Bank Fixed Rate Bond	23,000.00			23,000.00	
	44,079.55	-	-	44,079.55	45,410.65
Investment Assets					
N/A	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Non Monetary Assets for Charity's Own Use					
Neckers/Woggles Stock	Minimal			-	Minimal
Land and Buildings	Unknown			-	Unknown
	-	-	-	-	-
Liabilities					
N/A	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-

Notes, contingent liabilities and future obligations

Previous grant received from RMBC of £1,004.00 which has now been finalised and used for St George's Day 2024.

Switched Lloyds Fixed Term Deposit Account in February 2025 to a Cambridge & Counties Bank Fixed Rste Bond as a higher interest rate is provided, and increased the investment amount from £20,000.00 to £23,000.00.

Beavers 5-A-Side Competition 2025 taking place in March 2025.

Cubs Badgework Day 2026 deposit made, but no income received yet as the event isn't due to take place until January 2026.

99th Pennine rent costs being paid from District funds whilst they start up, and these will be repaid back to us.

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 4th July 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

Signature

Print Name

Gary Walczak	Gary Walczak (Chair)
Ben Lee	Ben Lee (Treasurer)

Pennine District Scout Adventures Receipts and Payments Account

For the year from Year Start Date
4/1/2024 To Year End Date
3/31/2025

Receipts

	2024/2025			2023/2024	
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds £	Total Funds £
Adventures					
Explorer Belt 2025 Balance Transfer	438.32			438.32	
	438.32	-	-	438.32	-
Grants					
N/A	-			-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Fundraising (gross)					
N/A	-			-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Investment income					
Co-op Instant Deposit Account Interest	-			-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Total gross income	438.32	-	-	438.32	-
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	438.32	-	-	438.32	-

Payments

	2024/2025			2023/2024	
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds £	Total Funds £
Adventures					
N/A	-			-	
	-			-	-
Miscellaneous					
N/A	-			-	
	-			-	-
Total gross expenditure	-	-	-	-	-
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	-	-
Net of receipts/payments	438.32	-	-	438.32	-
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	438.32	-	-	438.32	-

Statement of Assets and Liabilities (at the end of the year)

	31st March 2025			31st Mar '24	
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds £	Total Funds £
Cash Funds					
Co-op Instant Deposit Account	438.32			438.32	
	438.32	-	-	438.32	-

Investment Assets					
N/A	-				
	-	-	-	-	-
Liabilities					
N/A	-				
	-	-	-	-	-

Notes, contingent liabilities and future obligations

Explorer Belt 2025 Expedition taking place in August 2025.

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 4th July 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

Signature	Print Name
Gary Walczak	Gary Walczak (Chair)
Ben Lee	Ben Lee (Treasurer)

Ashworth Valley Scout Campsite Receipts and Payments Account

For the year from Year Start Date
4/1/2024 To Year End Date
3/31/2025

Receipts

	2024/2025			2023/2024	
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Donations, Legacies & Similar Income					
Camp Fees and Deposits	57,816.50			57,816.50	59,977.00
Insurance Claims	8,465.60			8,465.60	
Activities	23,984.00			23,984.00	21,995.00
Donations, Legacies and Similar Income	23,292.15			23,292.15	1,259.26
Christmas Meal	-			-	851.00
Wayleave	5.75			5.75	5.75
Small Refunds	358.50			358.50	25.00
E.ON Refund	-			-	324.28
Adventure Rope (unpresented cheque)	-			-	133.40
	113,922.50	-	-	113,922.50	84,570.69
Grants					
N/A	-			-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Fundraising (gross)					
Tuck Shop Sales	9,850.28			9,850.28	9,181.19
Sale of Land	-			-	50,000.00
	9,850.28	-	-	9,850.28	59,181.19
Investment Income					
Barclays Bank Interest	1,851.16			1,851.16	396.42
Property Rent Income	5,100.00			5,100.00	5,100.00
	6,951.16	-	-	6,951.16	5,496.42
Total gross income	130,723.94	-	-	130,723.94	149,248.30
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	130,723.94	-	-	130,723.94	149,248.30

Payments

	2024/2025			2023/2024	
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Charitable Payments					
Telephone	1,601.92			1,601.92	1,172.35
Activities Inspections	900.00			900.00	2,340.40
Cave Bus Rental	1,504.99			1,504.99	1,470.00
New Development	15,420.00			15,420.00	102.01
Maintainance of Activities	14,267.74			14,267.74	7,422.78
Activity Instructor Costs	3,441.45			3,441.45	1,925.00
General Maintainance and Refurbishments	64,993.52			64,993.52	28,346.22
Cottage Refurbishments	976.54			976.54	362.79
Site Inspections	1,043.46			1,043.46	786.00
Water	5,729.02			5,729.02	3,940.29
Council Tax	232.03			232.03	238.08
Cleaning	3,032.04			3,032.04	2,036.52
Electricity - Top Site	10,683.42			10,683.42	8,217.65
Electricity - Bottom Site	2,208.47			2,208.47	4,020.72
Calor Gas	3,661.71			3,661.71	4,374.55
Stationery & Postage	733.18			733.18	446.18
Internet	567.38			567.38	469.20
Insurance	8,040.98			8,040.98	6,653.35
Toilets	4,437.92			4,437.92	5,405.26
Rubbish Removal	4,481.68			4,481.68	3,624.13

Refund of Deposits - Coronavirus	-			-	45.00
Licences (TV & DVD)	169.50			169.50	457.15
Staff Expenses & Training	1,477.66			1,477.66	2,952.75
Diesel	817.50			817.50	
Health & Safety	204.74			204.74	
Staff Mileage	2,149.70			2,149.70	1,107.40
Miscellaneous	1,269.85			1,269.85	265.88
	154,046.40	-	-	154,046.40	88,181.66
Fundraising Expenses					
Tuck Shop Purchases	7,095.26			7,095.26	6,935.79
	7,095.26	-	-	7,095.26	6,935.79
Total gross expenditure	161,141.66	-	-	161,141.66	95,117.45
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	161,141.66	-	-	161,141.66	95,117.45
Net of receipts/payments	-30,417.72	-	-	-30,417.72	54,130.85
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds last year end	96,477.05	-	-	96,477.05	42,346.20
Cash funds this year end	66,059.33	-	-	66,059.33	96,477.05

Statement of Assets and Liabilities (at the end of the year)

	31st March 2025			31st Mar '24	
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Cash Funds					
Barclays Current Account	4,381.68			4,381.68	6,880.60
Barclays Savings Account	37,971.72			37,971.72	57,080.64
Scottish Widows	23,292.68			23,292.68	42,003.39
Cash/Floats	8.93			8.93	108.10
Virgin Deposit Account	50.00			50.00	50.00
Tuck Shop Cash in Hand	354.32			354.32	354.32
	66,059.33	-	-	66,059.33	106,477.05
Other Assets					
Tuck Shop Stock at Cost	4,164.13			4,164.13	3,954.13
	4,164.13	-	-	4,164.13	3,954.13
Investment Assets					
N/A	-			-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Non Monetary Assets for Charity's Own Use					
Land at Revaluation	-			-	60,000.00
Buildings at Revaluation	-			-	350,000.00
Buildings at Cost	-			-	11,076.00
Land & Buildings Valuation	1,305,000.00			1,305,000.00	
Equipment (after depreciation)	41,283.04			41,283.04	44,285.44
Motor Vehicles (after depreciation)	-			-	
	1,346,283.04	-	-	1,346,283.04	465,361.44
Liabilities					
Deferred Grant Income	-			-	10,000.00
	-	-	-	-	10,000.00

Notes, contingent liabilities and future obligations

An up to date valuation has been completed for the whole site - This is shown under a new line above titled 'Land & Buildings Valuation'.

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Management Committee on 4th July 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

Signature	Print Name
Rosemary Nunwick	Rosemary Nunwick (Chair)
Susan Birtles	Susan Birtles (Treasurer)



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

PENNINE DISTRICT SCHOOL COUNCIL

On accounts for the year ended

31 MARCH 2025

Charity no (if any)

1175173

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended

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

[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 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:

[Signature]

Date:

12/06/25

Name:

RICHARD GAYAN

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body

FCCA

(if any):

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Section B

Disclosure

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.



PENNINE SCOUT DISTRICT GM

England & Wales - Charity number 1175173

Accounts

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From: 01/04/2023

To: 31/03/2024

Charity name:

**Pennine Scout District GM
(known as Pennine District Scout Council)**

Charity registration number: 1175173

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>The objectives of the Pennine District Scout Council are as a unit of the Scout Association.</p> <p>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 Scout Association is by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law and guided by adult leadership.</p>
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	<p>Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.</p> <p>As Scouts we are guided by our values:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Integrity - We act with integrity; we are honest, trustworthy and loyal. • Respect - We have self-respect and respect for others. • Care - We support others and take care of the world in which we live. • Belief - We explore our faiths, beliefs and attitudes. • Co-operation - We make a positive difference; we co-operate with others and make friends. <p>Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together based on the values of Scouting and:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<p>The Pennine District Scout Council meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
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>Throughout the year, there are a host of activities for the young people to access as part of their Scouting programme. Most of the activities take place within the individual sections belonging to groups/Explorer units, and these planned activities provide a structure of badges and awards, which are progressive through the sections.</p> <p>Additional activities are arranged each year and run on a district basis. Here are some key highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Membership. Growth in Squirrel and Beaver numbers suggests future growth across all sections. • New Scout Groups A new Scout group has opened in central Rochdale, and another previous Scout group has reopened. • St George's Day. Our first St George's Day celebration as a new District were held at Rochdale A.F.C. This had a great turn out and was a success in bringing all sections within the District together. Plans for next year's St George's Day are underway. • District Activities. Some of the District events over the last year were; Beavers trip to the Forbidden Corner, Cub camp and bonfire night, Scouts patrol leaders day, cooking competition and 5-A-side football competition and a District leaders training day. • Hardship Fund. We have created a Hardship Fund which is now fully operational, and is available as a means of funding for people/groups who need it. • World Scout Jamboree. We have several young people and leaders from the District who are preparing to attend the World Scout Jamboree in South Korea, which will provide a once in a lifetime experience. • District HQ. This will be fully refurbished soon, and ready to welcome groups/sections who wish to use this.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ashworth Valley Scout Camp. Our District camp site is now operating at near pre-pandemic capacity. The team have reviewed and piloted a new system of delegated responsibilities for site operations, leading to increased efficiency. • Training. We continue to emphasize the importance of ongoing training to all adult volunteers across the District, and this continues to be monitored.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
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

	SORP reference	
Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<p>We consider ourselves in a healthy position financially.</p> <p>The District owns a building, but the day to day management of this is the subject of a service level agreement between the District and a Scout group.</p> <p>The District is responsible for the management and maintenance of the Ashworth Valley Scout Camp. This is the largest single asset owned by the district. The 48-acre camp site is situated in countryside bordering the Pennines</p>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<p>Pennine District Scout Council has a reserve fund policy in place, and we aim to always have enough funds to meet our running costs for the next 3 years.</p> <p>Ashworth Valley Scout Camp has its own reserve fund of 1 year, simply as the ongoing costs to hold a 3-year reserve are too high.</p>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	<p>Pennine District Scout Council has a reserve fund of £38,500.00.</p> <p>Ashworth Valley Scout Camp has a reserve fund of £24,000.00.</p> <p>Our current funds are above this level, meaning that we have surplus money at present.</p>
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A

Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	Nothing to note.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	<p>Pennine District Scout Council accounts comprises of two separate elements; the general account for all matters relating to the day to day running of the district, and a separate account covering the Ashworth Valley Scout Camp.</p> <p>Pennine District Scout Council has rolled over funds from last year. We currently receive no income.</p> <p>Ashworth Valley Scout Camp receives an income through camp site fees and activities.</p>
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	<p>The District adopts a risk averse strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or building societies. Where appropriate, we may use an account that requires a period of notice before funds may be withdrawn. However, before doing so, the District Trustee Board will consider any upcoming cashflow requirements.</p> <p>Pennine District Scout Council; We keep a proportion of funds held in an instant access savings account so that these funds are readily available. All remaining funds are then held in fixed rate savings accounts to benefit from a higher rate of interest.</p> <p>Ashworth Valley Scout Camp; We keep all funds held within instant access savings accounts as these funds are being used to reinvest back into the camp site facilities and activities.</p> <p>The District Trustee Board regularly monitors the levels of any bank balances, and the interest rates received to ensure we obtain good value from our banking arrangements.</p>
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The District Trustee Board has in place a risk register. This covers several areas such as our generic, finance and camp site risks. This is reviewed and updated regularly.
Other		We have received a local authority grant for use of a new disabled toilet at Ashworth Valley Scout Camp. This is shown within our accounts.

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:	SORP reference	
Type of governing document	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?	Para 1.25	The District is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.
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.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	<p>All Trustees are required to complete various online learning modules when joining the Trustee Board.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safety and safeguarding online learning, along with a criminal record check are required within the first 30 days. • A welcome conversation, internal checks, declarations and references are required within 6 weeks. • Data protection, creating inclusion, who are we and what we do and being a trustee in Scouts online learning required within 6 months.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	<p>The Pennine District is one of six districts within the Greater Manchester North Scout County, covering the geographical area of the Rochdale Metropolitan Borough and in particular the towns of Rochdale, Middleton, Heywood & Littleborough. Pennine District Scout Council was created in 2014 following a comprehensive review of the former districts undertaken across the County and subsequent mergers.</p> <p>The District is managed by the District Trustee Board, the members of which are the 'charity trustees'. As charity trustees, they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities.</p> <p>The District Trustee Board consists of 2 independent representatives; the Chair and Treasurer, together with other appointed trustees, ex-official trustees and co-opted trustees. We meet approximately every 2 months.</p> <p>Pennine District Scout Council is responsible for ensuring that opportunities exist for Scouting to be active in as many locations as possible across the borough, providing a service for young people from the age of 4 - 25 across six different sections – Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Explorers and Network. Scouting is an inclusive movement and is available to all young people. At the present time there are 22 individual groups spread across the borough, with 10 Explorer Scout units.</p>
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	None.

Other		Within the District, we have around 1,000 young people that experience fun and adventure every week. We have a wealth of Scouting experience with 336 adult volunteers, and their dedication and value to the groups is tremendous.
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Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Pennine Scout District GM
Other name the charity uses	Pennine District Scout Council
Registered charity number	1175173
Charity's principal address	545 Bury Road Bamford Rochdale Lancs. OL11 4DG

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	Gary Walczak	District Chair		Pennine District Scout Council
2	Ben Lee	District Treasurer		Pennine District Scout Council
3	Alan Sharkey	District Lead Volunteer		County Lead Volunteer
4	Norma Brandon	District Programme Team Lead		Pennine District Scout Council
5	Billy Pullan	District Programme Team Lead		Pennine District Scout Council
6	Mike Phillips	14-24 Team Leader		Pennine District Scout Council
7	Jon Gillibrand	14-24 Team Leader		Pennine District Scout Council
8	Keith Williams	Policy & Direction Team Leader		Pennine District Scout Council
9	John Salisbury	Ashworth Valley Scout Camp Manager		Pennine District Scout Council
10	Donna Moriarty	Trustee		Pennine District Scout Council
11	Susan Foex	Trustee		Pennine District Scout Council
12	Sandra Roberts	Trustee		Pennine District Scout Council
13	Anne Williams	Administrator		Pennine District Scout Council

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

N/A

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

N/A

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

N/A

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Independent examiner for accounts	Richard Gahan	7 Kingsbury Close Tottenham Bury Lancs BL8 1WA

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

N/A

Exemptions from disclosure

N/A

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A

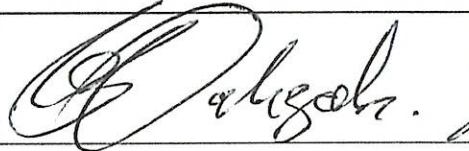
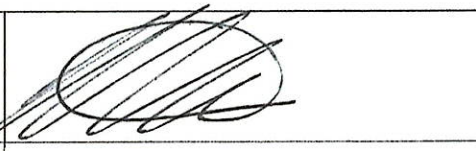
Other optional information

None.

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees.

Signature		
Full name	Gary Walczak	Ben Lee
Position	District Chair	District Treasurer

Date 13/12/2024

Pennine District Scouts Consolidated Receipts and Payments Account

Year Start Date Year End Date

For the year from 01/04/2023 To 31/03/2024

Receipts

	2023/2024			2022/2023	
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Membership					
Membership Subscriptions	47,322.00			47,322.00	38,958.00
Membership Subscriptions O/S Previous Yr	1,677.00			1,677.00	1,890.00
Less Membership Subscriptions Paid	(47,223.00)			(47,223.00)	(40,635.00)
Net Membership Subscription Received	1,776.00	-	-	1,776.00	213.00
Pennine District Scout Council (DSC)					
Beaver Scouts	1,515.00			1,515.00	5,449.00
Cub Scouts	4,224.00			4,224.00	4,605.00
Scouts	723.00			723.00	
Explorer Scouts	5,207.33			5,207.33	
Miscellaneous	0.00			-	
Combined	675.40			675.40	
Ashworth Valley Scout Camp (AVSC)					
Receipts (see separate accounts)	84,570.69			84,570.69	77,462.28
	96,915.42	-	-	96,915.42	87,516.28
Grants					
Pennine DSC Grants	-			-	
AVSC Grants	-			-	3,546.52
	-	-	-	-	3,546.52
Fundraising Gross					
Pennine DSC				-	
AVSC Tuck Shop Sales	9,181.19			9,181.19	9,203.43
AVSC Sale of Land	50,000.00			50,000.00	
	59,181.19	-	-	59,181.19	9,203.43
Miscellaneous					
Pennine DSC Badge Sales	-			-	52.00
	-	-	-	-	52.00
Investment Income					
Pennine DSC Bank Interest	986.13			986.13	37.59
Pennine DSC Scout Investment Interest	177.60			177.60	97.82
AVSC Barclays Bank Interest	396.42			396.42	2.54
AVSC Property Rent Income	5,100.00			5,100.00	5,100.00
AVSC Virgin Bank Compensation Error	-			-	50.00
	6,660.15	-	-	6,660.15	5,287.95
Total gross income	164,532.76	-	-	164,532.76	105,819.18
Total receipts	164,532.76	-	-	164,532.76	105,819.18

Payments

	2023/2024			2022/2023	
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Charitable Payments	1,414.09			1,414.09	3,879.71
Pennine DSC					
Beaver Scouts	1,000.00			1,000.00	6,057.05
Cub Scouts	3,304.21			3,304.21	5,088.07
Scouts	605.44			605.44	
Explorer Scouts	5,207.33			5,207.33	30.00
Combined	5,353.42			5,353.42	400.50
Group Support	0.00			-	500.00

AVSC					
Payments (see separate accounts)	88,181.66			88,181.66	90,804.58
	105,066.15	-	-	105,066.15	106,759.91
Fundraising Expenses					
AVSC Tuck Shop Purchases	6,935.79			6,935.79	8,787.73
	6,935.79	-	-	6,935.79	8,787.73
Total gross expenditure	112,001.94	-	-	112,001.94	115,547.64
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	112,001.94	-	-	112,001.94	115,547.64
Net of receipts/payments	52,530.82	-	-	52,530.82	(9,728.46)
Transfers between funds					
Cash funds last year end	89,356.88			89,356.88	99,085.34
Cash funds this year end	141,887.70	-	-	141,887.70	89,356.88

Statement of Assets and Liabilities (at the end of the year)

	31st March 2024			31st Mar '23	
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Cash Funds					
Pennine DSC Lloyds Fixed Term Deposit	35,000.00			35,000.00	6,998.18
Pennine DSC Lloyds Instant Access Savings	10,410.65			10,410.65	25,012.50
Pennine DSC Scouts Short Term Investment	0.00			0.00	15,000.00
AVSC Barclays Current Account	6,880.60			6,880.60	8,047.81
AVSC Barclays Savings Account	57,080.64			57,080.64	1,805.98
AVSC Scottish Widows	42,003.39			42,003.39	32,003.39
AVSC Cash/Floats	108.10			108.10	84.70
AVSC Virgin Deposit Account	50.00			50.00	50.00
AVSC Tuck Shop Cash in Hand	354.32			354.32	354.32
	151,887.70	-	-	151,887.70	89,356.88
Other Assets					
AVSC Tuck Shop Stock at Cost	3,954.13			3,954.13	3,358.09
	3,954.13	-	-	3,954.13	3,358.09
Investment Assets					
N/A	-			-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Non Monetary Assets for Charity's Own Use					
Neckers/Woggles Stock	Minimal			-	-
Land and Buildings	Unknown			-	-
AVSC Land at Revaluation	60,000.00			60,000.00	60,000.00
AVSC Buildings at Revaluation	350,000.00			350,000.00	350,000.00
AVSC Buildings at Cost	11,076.00			11,076.00	11,076.00
Equipment (after depreciation)	44,285.44			44,285.44	47,287.84
Motor Vehicles (fully depreciated)	-			-	-
	465,361.44	-	-	465,361.44	468,363.84
Liabilities					
Deferred Grant Income	- 10,000.00			- 10,000.00	-
	- 10,000.00	-	-	- 10,000.00	-
Total net assets	611,203.27	-	-	611,203.27	561,078.81

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 8th July 2024 and signed on their behalf by:

Signature	Print Name
<i>Gary Walczak</i>	Gary Walczak (Chair)
<i>Ben Lee</i>	Ben Lee (Treasurer)

Pennine District Scout Council Receipts and Payments Account

For the year from 01/04/2023 To 31/03/2024

Receipts

	2023/2024			2022/2023	
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds £	Total Funds £
Membership					
Membership Subscriptions	47,322.00			47,322.00	38,958.00
Membership Subscriptions O/S Previous Yr	1,677.00			1,677.00	1,890.00
Less Membership Subscriptions Paid	-47,223.00			- 47,223.00	-40,635.00
Net Membership Subscription Received	1,776.00	-	-	1,776.00	213.00
Sections					
Beaver Scouts					
Forbidden Corner 2023	1,515.00			1,515.00	
Fun Day 2022	-			-	870.00
Santa Train 2022	-			-	2,695.00
Bowling 2023	-			-	1,884.00
	1,515.00	-	-	1,515.00	5,449.00
Cub Scouts					
Camp 2023	3,130.00			3,130.00	
Bonfire 2023	1,094.00			1,094.00	
Camp 2022	-			-	3,450.00
Bonfire 2022	-			-	1,155.00
	4,224.00	-	-	4,224.00	4,605.00
Scouts					
PLs Day 2023	290.00			290.00	
Cooking Competition 2024	123.00			123.00	
5-A-Side Competition 2024	310.00			310.00	
	723.00	-	-	723.00	-
Explorer Scouts					
Monopoly Run 2023	5,207.33			5,207.33	
	5,207.33	-	-	5,207.33	-
Miscellaneous					
N/A	-			-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Combined					
EuroFest 2023	1.20			1.20	
Money Raised - Children in Need Donation	148.00			148.00	
TSA Account Closure - 3rd/4th Heywood	526.20			526.20	
District Badges	-			-	52.00
	675.40	-	-	675.40	52.00
Grants					
N/A	-			-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Fundraising (gross)					
N/A	-			-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Investment income					
Lloyds Fixed Term Deposit Interest	779.56			779.56	12.50
Lloyds Instant Access Savings Interest	206.57			206.57	25.09
Scout Investment Interest	177.60			177.60	97.82
	1,163.73	-	-	1,163.73	135.41
Total gross income	15,284.46	-	-	15,284.46	10,454.41
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	15,284.46	-	-	15,284.46	10,454.41

Payments

2023/2024

2022/2023

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds £	Total Funds £
Charitable Payments					
Unity Non-Member/Volunteer Insurance	52.00			52.00	52.00
Lottery Licence	20.00			20.00	
Poppy Wreath	-			-	27.50
Teamup District Calendar	116.05			116.05	110.10
MPLC Licence	490.43			490.43	445.44
First Aid Kit Update	-			-	59.14
Fasthosts Domain	28.78			28.78	101.69
Hardship Funding	490.00			490.00	
Pennine District HQ Costs	216.83			216.83	3,083.84
	1,414.09			1,414.09	3,879.71
Miscellaneous					
N/A	-			-	
	-			-	-
Sections					
Beaver Scouts	-				
Fun Day 2022	-			-	1,042.13
Santa Train 2022	-			-	2,620.08
Bowling 2023	-			-	1,844.84
Forbidden Corner 2023	1,000.00			1,000.00	550.00
	1,000.00	-	-	1,000.00	6,057.05
Cub Scouts					
Camp 2023	2,388.73			2,388.73	
Bonfire 2023	915.48			915.48	
Badge Day 2022	-			-	647.14
Camp 2022	-			-	3,276.55
Bonfire 2022	-			-	1,064.38
Camp 2023	-			-	100.00
	3,304.21	-	-	3,304.21	5,088.07
Scouts					
PLs Day 2023	175.01			175.01	
Cooking Competition 2024	123.24			123.24	
5-A-Side Competition 2024	307.19			307.19	
	605.44	-	-	605.44	-
Explorer Scouts					
Monopoly Run 2023	5,207.33			5,207.33	
Jamboree Race Night Sponsor	-			-	30.00
	5,207.33	-	-	5,207.33	30.00
Group Support					
12th Heywood/Heady Hill Storage	-			-	500.00
	-	-	-	-	500.00
Combined					
St George's Day 2023	1,393.72			1,393.72	270.50
EuroFest 2023	1.20			1.20	
District Flags	1,673.00			1,673.00	
District AGM 2023	153.00			153.00	
Gilwell Training Neckers	150.00			150.00	
Gilwell Woggles	60.00			60.00	
70 Year Pin Badge	6.50			6.50	
Leaders Skills Day 2023	292.29			292.29	
Traffic Wands	32.80			32.80	
Money Raised - Children in Need Donation	148.00			148.00	
Laminator/Pouches	27.88			27.88	
St George's Day 2024	440.03			440.03	
District Feather Banners	316.80			316.80	
District Tablecloths	132.00			132.00	
TSA Account Closure - 3rd/4th Heywood	526.20			526.20	
District AGM 2022	-			-	130.00
	5,353.42	-	-	5,353.42	400.50
Total gross expenditure	16,884.49	-	-	16,884.49	15,955.33
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	16,884.49	-	-	16,884.49	15,955.33

<i>Net of receipts/payments</i>	- 1,600.03	-	-	- 1,600.03	- 5,500.92
<i>Transfers between funds</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Cash funds last year end</i>	47,010.68	-	-	47,010.68	52,511.60
<i>Cash funds this year end</i>	45,410.65	-	-	45,410.65	47,010.68

Statement of Assets and Liabilities (at the end of the year)

	31st March 2024			31st Mar '23	
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds £	Total Funds £
Cash Funds					
Lloyds Fixed Term Deposit	35,000.00			35,000.00	25,012.50
Lloyds Instant Access Savings	10,410.65			10,410.65	6,998.18
Scouts Short Term Investment	-			-	15,000.00
	45,410.65	-	-	45,410.65	47,010.68
Investment Assets					
N/A	-			-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Non Monetary Assets for Charity's Own Use					
Neckers/Woggles Stock	Minimal			-	-
Land and Buildings	Unknown			-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Liabilities					
N/A	-			-	-
	-	-	-	-	-

Notes, contingent liabilities and future obligations

Previous grant received from RMBC of £1,004.00 which is being used for a St George's Day event in Heywood during April 2024.

Census 2024 created a surplus of £99.00 due to overpayment, and this has been donated into the Hardship Fund.

TSA Short Term Investment - Closed on 18/07/2023.

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 8th July 2024 and signed on their behalf by:

Signature	Print Name
<i>Gary Walczak</i>	Gary Walczak (Chair)
<i>Ben Lee</i>	Ben Lee (Treasurer)

Ashworth Valley Scout Camp Receipts and Payments Account

Year Start Date Year End Date

For the year from 01/04/2023 To 31/03/2024

Receipts

	2023/2024				2022/2023
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Donations, Legacies & Similar Income					
Camp Fees and Deposits	59,977.00			59,977.00	55,981.00
Meters	-			-	
Activities	21,995.00			21,995.00	21,391.50
Donations, Legacies and Similar Income	1,259.26			1,259.26	
Christmas Meal	851.00			851.00	
Wayleave	5.75			5.75	5.75
Small Refunds	25.00			25.00	
E.ON Refund	324.28			324.28	
Adventure Rope (unpresented cheque)	133.40			133.40	84.03
	84,570.69	-	-	84,570.69	77,462.28
Grants					
Maintenence Grant	-			-	
Other Grants	-			-	3,546.52
	-	-	-	-	3,546.52
Fundraising (gross)					
Tuck Shop Sales	9,181.19			9,181.19	9,203.43
Tuck Shop Bank Surplus	-			-	
Other Fundraising Activities	-			-	
Sale of Land	50,000.00			50,000.00	
	59,181.19	-	-	59,181.19	9,203.43
Investment Income					
Barclays Bank Interest	396.42			396.42	2.54
Property Rent Income	5,100.00			5,100.00	5,100.00
Virgin Bank Compensation Error	-			-	50.00
	5,496.42	-	-	5,496.42	5,152.54
Total gross income	149,248.30	-	-	149,248.30	95,364.77
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	149,248.30	-	-	149,248.30	95,364.77

Payments

	2023/2024				2022/2023
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Charitable Payments					
Telephone	1,172.35			1,172.35	1,735.65
Activities Inspections	2,340.40			2,340.40	1,050.00
Cave Bus Rental	1,470.00			1,470.00	1,891.25
New Activity Development	102.01			102.01	
Maintainance of Activities	7,422.78			7,422.78	15,188.93
Activity Instructor Costs	1,925.00			1,925.00	2,108.00
General Maintainance and Refurbishments	28,346.22			28,346.22	29,932.27
Cottage Refurbishments	362.79			362.79	3,291.57
Site Inspections	786.00			786.00	337.56
Water	3,940.29			3,940.29	1,438.02
Council Tax	238.08			238.08	465.92
Cleaning	2,036.52			2,036.52	1,385.54
Electricity - Top Site	8,217.65			8,217.65	4,830.00
Electricity - Bottom Site	4,020.72			4,020.72	3,254.77
Calor Gas	4,374.55			4,374.55	3,258.43

Stationery & Postage	446.18			446.18	271.75
Internet	469.20			469.20	869.16
Insurance	6,653.35			6,653.35	6,251.69
Sanitary Ware	5,405.26			5,405.26	3,585.54
Rubbish Removal	3,624.13			3,624.13	3,713.71
Refund of Deposits - Coronavirus	45.00			45.00	50.00
Licences (TV & DVD)	457.15			457.15	680.79
Staff Expenses & Training	2,952.75			2,952.75	2,917.07
Diesel	-			-	655.71
Health & Safety	-			-	1,187.65
Christmas Meal	1,107.40			1,107.40	
Miscellaneous	265.88			265.88	453.60
	88,181.66	-	-	88,181.66	90,804.58
Fundraising Expenses					
Tuck Shop Purchases	6,935.79			6,935.79	8,787.73
	6,935.79	-	-	6,935.79	8,787.73
Total gross expenditure	95,117.45	-	-	95,117.45	99,592.31
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	95,117.45	-	-	95,117.45	99,592.31
Net of receipts/payments	54,130.85	-	-	54,130.85	- 4,227.54
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds last year end	42,346.20	-	-	42,346.20	46,573.74
Cash funds this year end	96,477.05	-	-	96,477.05	42,346.20

Statement of Assets and Liabilities (at the end of the year)

	31st March 2024			31st Mar '23	
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds £	Total Funds £
Cash Funds					
Barclays Current Account	6,880.60			6,880.60	8,047.81
Barclays Savings Account	57,080.64			57,080.64	1,805.98
Scottish Widows	42,003.39			42,003.39	32,003.39
Cash/Floats	108.10			108.10	84.70
Virgin Deposit Account	50.00			50.00	50.00
Tuck Shop Cash in Hand	354.32			354.32	354.32
	106,477.05	-	-	106,477.05	42,346.20
Other Assets					
Tuck Shop Stock at Cost	3,954.13			3,954.13	3,358.09
	3,954.13	-	-	3,954.13	3,358.09
Investment Assets					
N/A	-	-	-	-	-
Non Monetary Assets for Charity's Own Use					
Land at Revaluation	60,000.00			60,000.00	60,000.00
Buildings at Revaluation	350,000.00			350,000.00	350,000.00
Buildings at Cost	11,076.00			11,076.00	11,076.00
Equipment (after depreciation)	44,285.44			44,285.44	47,287.84
Motor Vehicles (fully depreciated)	-			-	-
	465,361.44	-	-	465,361.44	468,363.84
Liabilities					
Deferred Grant Income	- 10,000.00			- 10,000.00	
	- 10,000.00	-	-	- 10,000.00	-

Notes, contingent liabilities and future obligations

N/A

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Management Committee on 8th July 2024 and signed on their behalf by:

Signature

Print Name

<i>Rosemary Nunwick</i>
<i>Susan Birtles</i>

Rosemary Nunwick	(Chair)
Susan Birtles	(Treasurer)



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

PENWME DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL
INCLUDING ASHWORTH VALLEY SCOUT CAMP

On accounts for the year
ended

31/03/24

Charity no
(if any)

1175173

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended

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

[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 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:

16/07/2024

Name:

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Disclosure

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.

PENNINE SCOUT DISTRICT GM

England & Wales - Charity number 1175173

Accounts



Annual Report for Pennine Scout District GM (2022 – 2023)

(Registered Charity No. 1175173)

Aims & Purposes

The Pennine Scout District is one of six districts within the Greater Manchester North Scout County, covering the geographical area of the Rochdale Metropolitan Borough and in particular the towns of Rochdale, Middleton, Heywood & Littleborough. The Pennine Scout district was created in 2014 following a comprehensive review of the former districts undertaken across the County and subsequent mergers. The Pennine Scout district was registered with the Charity Commission on 16 October 2017.

The Pennine District Scout Council (PDSC) is responsible for ensuring that opportunities exist for Scouting to be active in as many locations as possible across the borough, providing a service for young people from the age of 6 - 25 across five different sections – Beaver Scouts, Cub Scouts, Scouts, Explorer Scouts, Network Members. Scouting is an inclusive movement and is available to all young people. At the present time there are 21 individual groups spread across the borough. Within the district there are several properties owned and managed directly by individual groups. Other groups meet in school buildings, community halls or church halls. One building (former Middleton district scout hut) is owned by the district but the day to day management of this is the subject of a service level agreement between the district and a group. The district is responsible for the management and maintenance of the Ashworth Valley Scout Campsite.

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

Values & Method

The PDSC is committed to enabling as many young people as possible to participate in Scouting activities.

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 co-operate with others and make friends.

Vision

By 2025* we will have prepared more young people with skills for life, supported by amazing leaders delivering an inspiring programme. We will be growing, more inclusive, shaped by young people and making a bigger impact in our communities.

**Due to the impact of COVID-19, our Skills for Life strategy has been extended by 2 years until 2025.*

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 policies we follow are stated clearly in the Scout Associations Policy Organisation and Rules document (POR) covering the following topics:-

- The Religious Policy
- The Equal Opportunities Policy
- The Safety Policy
- The Safeguarding Policy
- The Vetting Policy
- The Youth Member Anti-Bullying Policy
- The Development Policy
- The Privacy and Data Protection Policy

Activities & Achievements

Throughout the year, there are a host of activities for the young people to access as part of their Scouting programme. Most of the activity takes place within individual sections belonging to groups and these planned activities provide a structure of badges and awards, which are progressive through the sections, and will actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society'.

Additional activities are arranged each year and run on a district basis for all Pennine groups, and there are a limited number of larger activities provided by the Greater Manchester North County and the Northwest region.

The Scouting programme provides a range of activities, challenges, and experiences that young people experience in Scouting, and it is based around three main themes:

- outdoor and adventure,
- world
- and skills.

This programme of activities is planned by the leadership team in partnership with young people, and incorporates elements from each theme, to offer young people the most interesting and diverse experience.

There is flexibility within Scouting which means that all young people, regardless of their learning and physical abilities, can enjoy and achieve. The Programme is flexible and has room to adapt and accommodate the needs of the individuals in the section, with the focus being on personal development.

Ashworth Valley

PDSC has responsibility for the ownership and management of the Ashworth Valley Scout Campsite.

Background

This is the largest single asset owned by the district. The 48-acre campsite is situated in countryside bordering the Pennines, but still within easy reach of Greater Manchester's motorway network. The site was previously owned by the former Rochdale & Heywood Scout districts and was a working farm until the mid-1990's; camping at that time only took place in the valley and on the 'bottom field'. The voluntary staff ran the campsite from wooden buildings around the camp centre.

More recently

When the tenant farmer retired it was decided to have the whole farm as a campsite. Some of the old wooden buildings were taken down and the new workshop erected.

Many of the old stone farm buildings were redeveloped as washrooms, toilets, shop, offices and stores. In addition to the camping fields the site benefits from two purpose built residential buildings which can accommodate 32 and 24 people dormitory style.

Present

Ashworth Valley is committed to investing into the future and developing the site for all. We have many ongoing projects which aim to move the site forward, both in terms of site amenities and activities

We offer a wide range of activities for all ages.

Climbing Wall, Indoor Air Rifle Range, Outdoor Archery Range, Outdoor Axe Throwing Range, Crossbow, Pedal Karts, Orienteering, Pioneering, Adventure Playground, Beaver Leaf and Bug Hunt, Backwoods Area, Nature Trail, Outdoor Games Pack, Low Ropes Course, Zip line and High Ropes Grass Sledges, Cave Bus, Soft Archery & Dipping pond

Following the successful installation and commissioning of a new sewerage treatment plant (at a cost of £60,000), other more routine maintenance projects have been the focus of development work more recently. Of course, this routine management and maintenance will only continue largely with the help provided by our wonderful team of volunteers who turn out every week to tend the grounds, repair minor breakages etc. Without them the task of keeping the site in tip top condition would not be possible. The uncertain times during lockdown dictated the speed of the future improvement programme, but we are pleased to say that we have now achieved a large

proportion of our goals, with lots of young people and their leaders able to continue enjoying a great time on the campsite.

The camping and building accommodation bookings are recovering well and we are nearly back to our pre-Covid levels this year.

Financial Review

The Pennine District account comprises two separate elements, covering the Ashworth Valley Scout campsite and the general account for all matters relating to the day to day running of the district. Total receipts on unrestricted funds were £105819 of which £5,100 was gained from renting out part of the former farmhouse.

The largest single transaction each year is the collection of membership subscriptions of behalf of the district. For each registered young person, we are required to collect a fee – this was £43.00 for the 2023 year. This subscription is collected and subsequently paid out to cover County and National Headquarters running costs and is subject to an annual review. At present, the district has not added any additional levy to this subscription. The account therefore shows £40,635 both as income and expenditure.

Full details of the account are included under the Financial Statements. The net result for the year was a deficit of receipts over payments of £9728.46. This is primarily as a result of expenditure on new district flags for each section as well as essential maintenance expenditure on the district headquarters building. Adding bank and deposit balances brought forward at the beginning of the financial year, the balances carried forward on 31 March 2023 on unrestricted funds totalled £89,357, excluding non-monetary assets.

Monies from the elements of the consolidated accounts are invested in banks, and the Scout Association Short Term Investment service – details of these are included in the Consolidated Receipts and Payments account.

Volunteers

Over 1000 young people experience fun and adventure every week in the 21 groups that comprise the Pennine Scout District. We have a wealth of Scouting experience in the 400+ adult volunteers and their dedication and value to the groups is tremendous. Without this commitment week on week we would not be able to provide the varied programme of activities and achieve the development potential in our young people. We are also lucky to have a group of volunteers providing the support 'behind the scenes' covering a variety of administration duties and supporting the groups and the sectional leaders.

Structure, Governance and Management

The method of appointment of District Trustee Board Members is set out in Scouting's 'Policy Organisation and Rules' (POR). The district trustees are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the Pennine district including on how the funds of the district are spent.

The Trustee **Board** met every 2 months over the past year and the meetings were generally well attended. As ever we discussed a range of topics relating to all aspects of managing the district including, financial support to groups, GDPR, advising on Gift Aid, Growth & development, Risk Management, annual Census, and arrangements, including fund raising, for those attending the World Scout Jamboree in South Korea in 2023. In the past twelve months we welcomed approx. 30 new adult volunteers across the district. This number is still not up to our previous recruitment levels and demonstrates the need for continued recruitment to ensure all of the sections within our groups can continue to function.

One of the key development areas identified is the support that we can offer to groups across the district and particularly with their trustee responsibilities. This is something the District Trustee Board members will continue to assist with during the coming year. Some of our groups, with their own property, were fortunate enough to qualify for further grants under the Government's Retail, Hospitality and Leisure Grant Fund (RHLGF) to help them manage their outgoings during the period of lockdown.

Administrative Information

The Pennine District is situated within the Borough of Rochdale, Greater Manchester and the correspondence address is: c/o District Secretary (Anne Williams), 14 Alresford Road, Middleton, Manchester, M24 1WU. Email: secretary@pennine.gmnscouts.org.uk

The current Trustee Board members who were elected at the AGM held on 12 July 2023 are as follows (several of these also served on the previous committee). Nominations for any new trustees were requested by 23 June 2023 with information sent out widely across the district. No new nominations were received by the declared closing date.

Ex Officio members

Gary Walczak - District Chair

Alan Sharkey - District Commissioner

Anne Williams – District Secretary

Ben Lee – District Treasurer

Mike Phillips – District Explorer Scout Commissioner

Jon Gillibrand - District Scout Network Commissioner

Nominated Members (by District Commissioner)

Susan Foex

Elected Member (re-elected at the AGM held on 12 July 2023)

John Salisbury

Donna Moriarty

Keith Williams

Norma Brandon

Co-opted Members

Sandra Roberts

Billy Pullan

Annual Reports to AGM, including Financial Statements

(see separate attachments, sent with this report)

Independent Examiner's/ Auditor's Report

(see separate attachment, sent with this report)

Anne Williams

District Secretary, Pennine District Scouts

September 2023



Scouts 
Pennine District



PENNINE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

ANNUAL REPORT & ACCOUNT 2022- 2023



BEAVERS

Squirrels

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SCOUTS

network

EXPLORERS

Chair's Report

It is my pleasure to welcome you tonight to our annual general meeting. We are currently in a time of change, as most of you tonight will be aware. The new version of POR, formally adopted on 18th April 2023, details changes in protocol and structure as we transition towards 'Our volunteering Culture'.

Therefore, the immediate matter for our District council tonight is to formally re-adopt the new version of POR as our governing document (our constitution).

The world of technology is ever evolving and with that so is our national database, Compass. A new software program is on the horizon, expected in 2024. A database is only as good as the information it is provided with. Therefore, I encourage you all to check the accuracy of your own personal details and scouting history currently recorded on Compass before migration to the new software begins.

Before I continue further with matters of the District Scout Council, I feel it incumbent on me to recognize the sudden loss of our beloved treasurer Avril Redfern in September last year. You will all know of the long service she gave to scouting and we are all richer for having known her. I extend our condolences and good wishes to her family, who I am sure, like us are missing her.

Once again, we have had a tremendous response to the invitation to attend the World Scout Jamboree. The Pennine District will send 15 scouts, almost half of the county contingent, to South Korea this summer. Our leaders should feel proud that here in the Pennine District we are turning out such committed scouts.

Many of the Scouts attending the Jamboree will have enjoyed visiting our own campsite at Ashworth Valley. This continues to be a jewel in our crown under the efficient management of the Ashworth Valley committee, who work hard to maintain the excellent facility.

I encourage you all to support Ashworth Valley when you are planning future camps and events. The district committee is pleased to have been able to support the repairs to the Scout hut in Middleton. The hut was severely damaged by flood water which necessitated the closure. With the support of Jon Gillibrand and his team securing help of local business and funding from the district. Middleton Scout hut is equipped with a new kitchen and is nearly fully functioning once more.

In response to the current economic climate, the district Executive committee has established protocols for any individual who is struggling financially to engage in scouting activities. Details of this fund, and how to apply, will be available on the Pennine website in the next few weeks.

Many of you will have attended the inaugural St George's Day event which brought together all three townships of the Pennine Scout District together for the first time. This initiative inspired and led by Mathew Rush encapsulated the true spirit of Scouting. In planning this event, Mathew and his team epitomized the new statement of our volunteering culture, providing a shared understanding and example of what we do and sat as volunteers in Scouts, supporting each other, following our values as role models for young people. Plans for the 2024 event, to be held in Heywood, are well underway. Thank you, Matthew.

Finally, thanks to you all for your time and contribution to the Pennine District over the last 12 months, for your continued energy and enthusiasm as we embrace the change that lies ahead of us.

It is an exciting time to be a part of the scouting moment and I look forward to what the next 12 months have in store for each of us.

Gary Walczak

District Commissioners Report

Hello everyone.

Isn't it nice not to be interrupted by lockdowns, major illnesses and worse. Yes, I think the Covid crisis is over and scouting in Pennine district is doing very well because of it.

All our groups are growing. I am personally involved with 3 of them and I am seeing increasing youth numbers in all sections there. And word is that the other groups are having a similar experience. Of course, leaders are always in short supply. But, with the help of the new Scout volunteer campaign, I am very hopeful that we can redress this situation.

In the last 12 months, we have started and grown 2 new Squirrels sections and they are doing well. So, congratulations to the 1st Heywood and the 7thA Spotland groups. Others may well follow and I look forward to more successes.

In June 2022, the 5th Pennine group restarted and has gone from strength to strength. They have recently opened a scout section and all sections are now full. You can't ask for much more than that.

All the above (and more) shows there is a real demand for scouting in the district and we are all doing very well to accommodate this.

On to other news.

And the big news at the moment is the World Scout Jamboree. GMN County are able to send 36 young people and 4 leaders to South Korea and I am very proud to say that 15 of those young people and 3 of the leaders are from Pennine. We also have two leaders going as part of the UK support team. What a fantastic effort. It has been a lot of hard work and effort from all those concerned (and their friends and family) to raise the necessary funds, but they have all done it and we look forward to hearing about all their efforts after they get back at the end of August.

We have had some very successful district events. Beavers and Cubs have been out and about and Scouts have a long list planned for this year and next. Explorers are doing well and I am delighted to see joint efforts between Explorer Units – indicating that we are working well as unified Pennine Explorers. Network Scouts are beginning to come together under the stewardship of Jon Gillibrand and I look forward to a successful restart here soon. You can read more about all of this from the other reports in this booklet.

We had a very successful unified St Georges Day event recently. We had representation from all three townships and I am confident that this is the way forward for such events. It is just more proof that Pennine, as a district is working well together.

We have had many awards during the past 12 months and I was proud to be able to present some of them at the recent St Georges Day event.

Some scouts and leaders were invited down to London for the Kings Coronation. They all said it was hard work but that they enjoyed it immensely.

Here, you can see Sasha standing in for the Queen 😊



Over the next 12 months, we are embarking on the scouts Transformation Program. This is a massive TSA led initiative to rework the scouting infrastructure to more meet the needs of todays scouting. You will hear a lot more about this over the next few months and we do ask that you embrace and support this program.

Of course, none of this would be possible without our great leaders. From the occasional helpers up to section leaders, GSLs and beyond; I see happy smiling faces and it is obvious that everyone involved enjoys being there and sees Scouting as something essential to our future. So, a very big **THANK YOU** from me to all of you. Without you all, we would not have Scouting in Pennine.

I'll close the report here and stop rambling on. I wish you all Happy Scouting for the future.

Alan Sharkey

District Commissioner.

Pennine District Beaver Section

Report to AGM 2023

Events

Santa Express in November saw 17 Squirrels join the beavers and in all we had 129 members on the train from 7 groups across the district. Santa saw everyone during their journey.

We had pizza and bowling in February. This went well for the children, although some booking issues were overcome with thanks to our Sudden leaders and with a small number of beavers undertaking laser quest. We had 99 children eating pizza, starters and mostly ice lollies.

Recently there has been a Mystery trip to The Forbidden Corner in Leyburn and if you haven't been I can highly recommend a visit (for beavers and cubs). It is fun and a quirky unique labyrinth of tunnels, chambers and follies. The children enjoyed the day and especially with it being a beautiful day. There were 12 adults helping and a young leader – thank you to them for giving up their Sunday.

County Events

There has been no County events for beavers again this year apart from the one that I organised and ran last year to Chester Zoo. We had three coaches go along and the weather was excellent.

On a sadder note

I am now stepping down as ADC. The role is changing and there will be no ADC as such in the new structure that the Scout Association is bringing in, so now seems to be the opportune time to step back. There are many reasons and as much as I would like to continue it is not viable anymore for me to do so.

Finally

On behalf of the children, I would like to thank all our beaver leaders, young leaders, district leader and all adult helpers of all the Districts Beaver sections for their hard work, time and efforts they have given freely over the last year and continue to give each week. Thank you too for the support from leaders to myself in my role as ADC. Big thank you all round.

Mole Wedgwood

ADC Beavers Pennine District

CUB SECTION REPORT

Thanks to all the Cub leaders across the district who have provided high quality programmes for the Cubs throughout the year.

Cub leaders have attended regular Seonee meetings to discuss and plan a programme of district events which support the programmes which they run in their pack meetings. This enables cubs to experience activities which may be challenging to run on a pack night, mix with other packs and appreciate the diversity of their district.

Cub leaders have chosen to focus on three large district events each year.

In April a Badge Day was held at Ashworth. The Cubs had the choice of completing either their Pioneer, DIY or Scientist activity badge. This proved to be a popular day with 170 Cubs from 13 packs taking part and all earning their badge.

In June District camp took place at Ashworth. The camp was well attended with 116 Cubs from 11 packs camping for the weekend. The Cubs had a great weekend taking part in a range of challenging and fun activities. The programme included wide games, a campfire, Skylight Circus, crate stacking, archery, cave bus, low ropes, pond dipping, pedal karts, grass sledges, outdoor games and team building activities.

In October, the ever popular, wide games, campfire and fireworks event was held at Ashworth. 235 Cubs from 16 packs attended. The Cubs enjoyed three wide games, a hot dog supper, a campfire, and a spectacular firework display.

Thanks to Len Tolan DCSL for his continued support and to all the Cub leaders who help plan and run District events. These events would not be possible without the dedication of the Cub Leaders, Young Leaders and the parents who support their packs.

Sandra Roberts (ADC Cubs)



ADC Scouts report

I was lucky enough to take on the role of ADC Scouts in April earlier this year. Since then, I have managed to make visits to almost half of the Scout Troops in Pennine. It is safe to say the Scouts in Pennine are all having fantastic programmes put on for them.

I joined the 41st Rochdale for paper mâché volcano building, the 17th Rochdale for pizza making for their chef's badge, the 1st Middleton for axe and saw safety skills, the 3rd/4th Heywood, 1st Heywood and 1st Milnrow were preparing for their joint expedition challenge, the 40th Rochdale had an evening of pioneering and soft archery, and I enjoyed joining the 5th Pennine for their group hike around Hollingworth Lake. I am thoroughly looking forward to visiting the other Scout Troops in Pennine.

We had a District Scout Leaders meeting, with a very encouraging turnout with 10 groups being represented. We put together a plan for district events for the next year which consists of a patrol leaders' day, night hike, indoor cooking competition, 5 a side football competition, challenge day, expedition challenge and a district camp.

My aim is, that by putting on events such as PLs Days and the Expedition Challenge, which groups with smaller numbers would struggle to put on, there will be an increase in the number of Chief Scout Gold Awards presented in Pennine.

We are also looking to hold a Leaders Skills Day. A day where leaders can share, learn, and improve their Scouting skills – look out for an email about it!

I would love to get a team of District Leaders together to support me in putting on a fantastic programme for the Scout Sections of Pennine. If you are interested or know anyone who is, please do get in touch!

My role, as ADC Scouts, is to support the Scout sections in Pennine, so if there is anything you need support with or if you have ideas for anything you would like to go on in the district then please let me know.

I am really looking forward to getting stuck into this role!

Billy Pullan

ADC Scouts



DESC Report for Pennine District Scout Council AGM, 2023.

Though I've been DESC for a couple of years now, I have had to step back from early 2022 to only recently, due to personal loss & health issues. I returned to the role in early April & I'm looking forward to getting around the District, to meet our leaders & Explorers.

We have eleven units in the District, with Milnrow planning to open a new Unit in September. I am aware that there are a number of Units with less than five Explorer Scouts. In an effort to ease this issue, we are encouraging cooperation between Units. For example, Spotland & WASP ESU's are holding joint meetings, at both Whitworth & Spotland. Additionally, two Explorers from Spotland are attending meetings at 37th Rochdale on a regular basis. Now we need to spread the word around the other Units.

Census this year shows a drop in Explorer membership across Pennine, falling from 104 in 2022, to only 86 this year. This appears to follow historical trends over a few years. The bigger Units suffering the greater losses. We do have, however, six Explorer Scouts not associated with a Unit. These are most likely Young Leaders, who remain with their parent Groups. At present, there is no Young Leader Unit in Pennine.

Pennine District will be well represented at the 25th World Scout Jamboree, being held in South Korea next month. We have Explorer Scouts from Heywood, Wardle, Spotland, 9th Heywood, 37th Rochdale & 1st Middleton ESU's taking part. We have also an Explorer from Oldham, who has transferred to Wardle, attending. A new Leader, from outside the area, being a contingent Leader with Staffordshire Scouts attending.

Weekly activities continue of course, along with a good number of Nights Away notices coming across my desk.

Headquarters are at present conducting a review of the Scouting Provision for the 14-24 age range, which includes Explorers & Network. Explorer Scouting has not reached the potential it was expecting. It will be a couple of years yet before we hear the outcome.

Mike Phillips

DESC

District Scout Network Commissioner

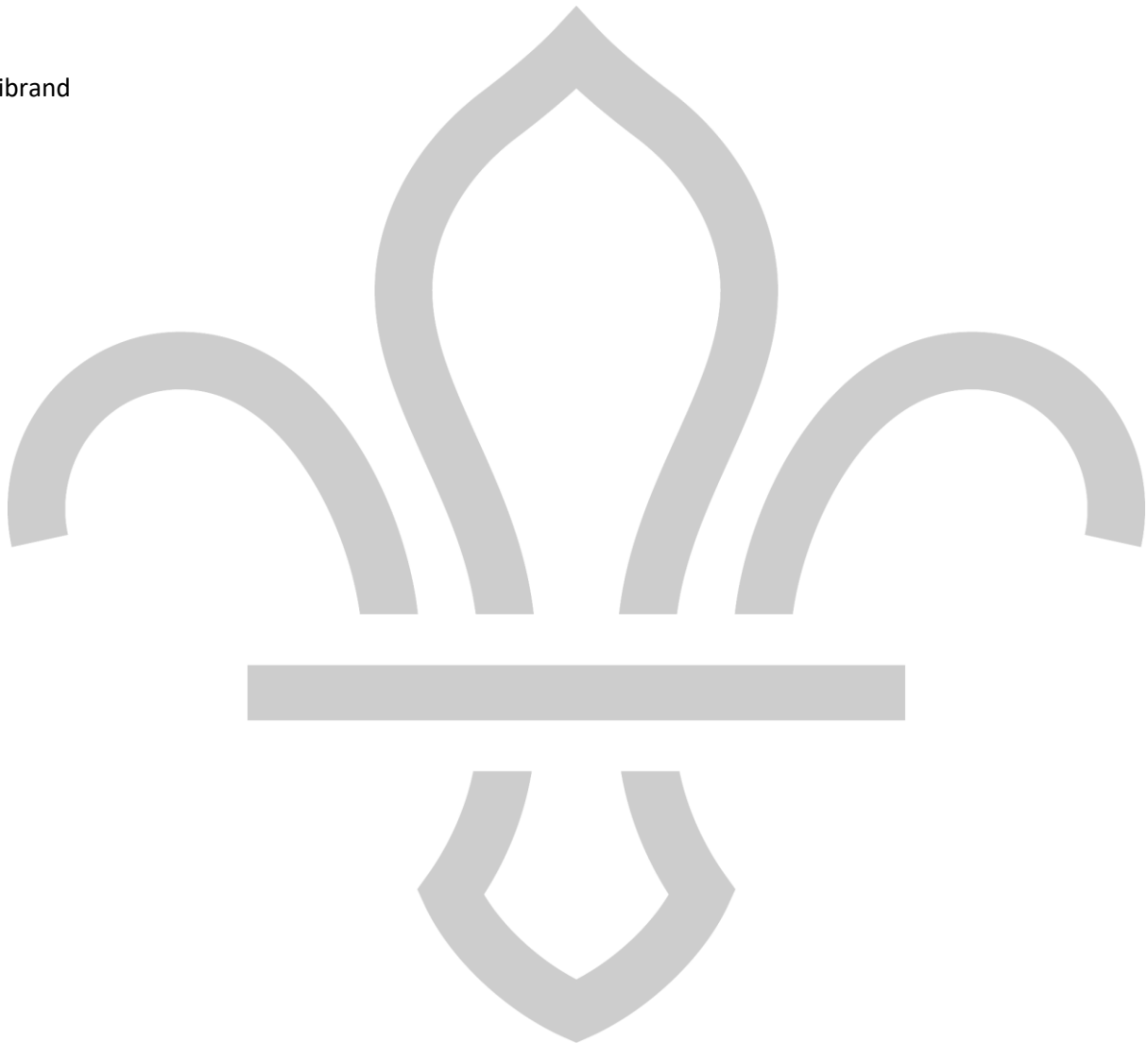
Hi all,

We are still recovering from the Covid and all the fallout from that. But we have a keen program available for any network member who wishes to join us. If you are interested, can you email me at network@penninescouts.org.uk and I will be in touch.

Regards

Jon Gillibrand

DSNC



District Secretary

The past year has seen a welcome change back to normality, after the pandemic problems of 2020 and 2021. From a governance perspective the Pennine District has complied with all its requirements under POR and the Charity Commission. We held our 2022 AGM at Heywood Cricket Club on 13 July 2022.

Thank you to all the Group Scout Leaders and Group Contacts once again for their speedy completion of the census process this year and for making my part of the process fairly stress free !

Pennine district is now the largest in Greater Manchester North County with 18% more youth members than the nearest district.

Within the Trustee Board meetings (formerly executive committee) we have covered many topics and concerns of the district, such as District finances, Support for groups, Hardship fund, Risk Management and associated Risk Assessments, Ashworth Valley updates, the Charity Commission annual report, Gift Aid, and support for the World Scout Jamboree 2023 contingent. Gary has been working hard over the past year to develop a draft Hardship policy. It is hoped that this will be approved for implementation very soon within the current year. A big thank you to Gary and others for the input to this.

If you have any issues that you or your group would like to be addressed by the Trustee Board, relating to Governance of the District, then let me know and I will add these to a future agenda.

Thanks must go to Doug Sutton, who has indicated his intention to step down as a trustee member (formerly executive committee member). In Doug's own words – *55 years as a trustee is long enough for anyone !* Your contributions to our meetings and the work associated with preparing accounts for Ashworth Valley, and the consolidated accounts, have been much appreciated.

Sadly, the past year saw the sad loss of our former District Treasurer, Avril Redfern. She was part of our District Scouting family, and our grateful thanks go to her for the service she gave to local Scouting over many years. Avril was awarded the Silver Acorn in August last year but sadly, she passed away before being aware or receiving her award.

Pennine District members have gained a number of Good Service awards and congratulations to all who have received one during the past 12 months, particularly for those who attended the recent Windsor St George's celebration on 23 April.

Silver Wolf Derek Redfern

Bar Silver Acorn Joan Oddie

Silver Acorn Avril Redfern (RIP), Jack Priestley

BAfM Emma Scantlebury, Mark Pickard, Les Griffiths, Richard Walthall, Stephanie Banks

AfM Joanne Griffin, Pauline Griffiths, Steve McNee, Victoria Rush

CSC Tony Phillips Amanda Catz Arthur Scantlebury Bernard Foex, Carol Scantlebury, Claire Kingslow, Clare Smith, Debra Cox, Gary Walczak, Helen Pearson, James Hogg, Julie Wellens, Kim Headley, Laura Cunnigham, Martin Ranson, Matthew Rush, Rebecca Fletcher, Sarah Jackson, Sean Butler, Simon Buckley

Anne Williams

Pennine District Secretary – secretary@pennine.gmnscouts.org

Adult Training Report (soon to be known as Learning)

The past year has been one of catching up for many of our leaders, particularly those trying to complete Wood badge training disrupted during the pandemic period. I have been trying to validate modules, where possible based on experience, rather than actual courses. If anyone is still finding it hard to work out how to fill in the gaps, please let me know.

The Scout Association have changed quite a few elements of the training programme. The Getting Started course has been completely overhauled and is now fully available as online learning, like many online training methods used in the workplace and other organisations. Many of our new leaders will be very familiar with this method of updating their knowledge base. The Transformation project is indicating further changes, in the coming year, to the learning experience for our volunteers – we are all watching this space for full details

In the meantime all new appointments are required to complete 4 online modules - Safety, Safeguarding, Essential Information and GDPR. Anyone with a governance role is required to complete the online Trustee Introduction module. This is a good refresher course for existing members, too, to ensure they understand their responsibilities as a charity trustee. Leaders and Assistant Section Leaders must also complete the online Module 3 (Tools for the Role). Leaders, Managers and Supporters are required to hold a First Aid certificate (more about this below), but they can be validated for this training if they have an appropriate First Aid qualification through work or another recognised organisation.

All training courses are advertised on the County calendar and individuals are able to book themselves on to a course, and remember all training is free. gmnscoutstraining.org

First Aid - There are two units to complete 10A – Theory, and 10B – Practical. The First Aid certificate must be valid at the issue of the Wood Badge and for appointment renewals. This should be monitored by the line manager at the point of appointment review, at least every three years.

Blended Model - you complete an e-learning package. Once complete you will then attend a 3-hour face to face course at County HQ.

The e-learning can be found by following the below link

<https://hampshire-scouts.thinkific.com/courses/firstresponse>

If you have completed the E-Learning and require the face to face, confirmation of your completion will be sent to the courseadministrator@gmnscouts.org.uk. Once received you will be contacted with available dates for the face to face 3-hour course.

Finally, thank you to all those that have completed or renewed training in any area over the past year, adding to the time you already offer in your role as a valued volunteer.

Keith Williams – Local Training Manager ltm@pennine.gmnscouts.org.uk

AGM REPORT FROM PENNINE APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

The recruitment of new leaders has continued at a pace during this year and as a result the appointments committee have been kept busy meeting on 10 different occasions in the reporting year. We have continued to use ZOOM to conduct the meetings and have found it a very effective way of meeting the new applicants. It has proved beneficial in reducing the amount of travelling, saving of time, reducing fuel costs, avoiding the need for childcare in some cases. We propose to continue using ZOOM until such times as new organisational changes take place, when the position can be reviewed.

During this year we have invited 51 new applicants to the appointments panel meeting, a significant increase on the previous year. Unfortunately, a few do fail to turn up at the meeting, despite previously confirming their availability and receiving reminders, which is frustrating for the panel members as it is a complete waste of the panels time.

I would just like to ask all Group Scout Leaders to ensure that the new applicants have had a chance to discuss the roles, values and policies as per POR 16.1.2 before they come to the appointments meeting.

We will be continuing to undertake appointments meetings in the current format for the time being but as you will probably have read by now in the Transitional guidance, changes in the appointments system are proposed. We will wait to see what the full proposals are and what changes will need to be implemented.

Colin Tunncliffe

Pennine Appointments Secretary

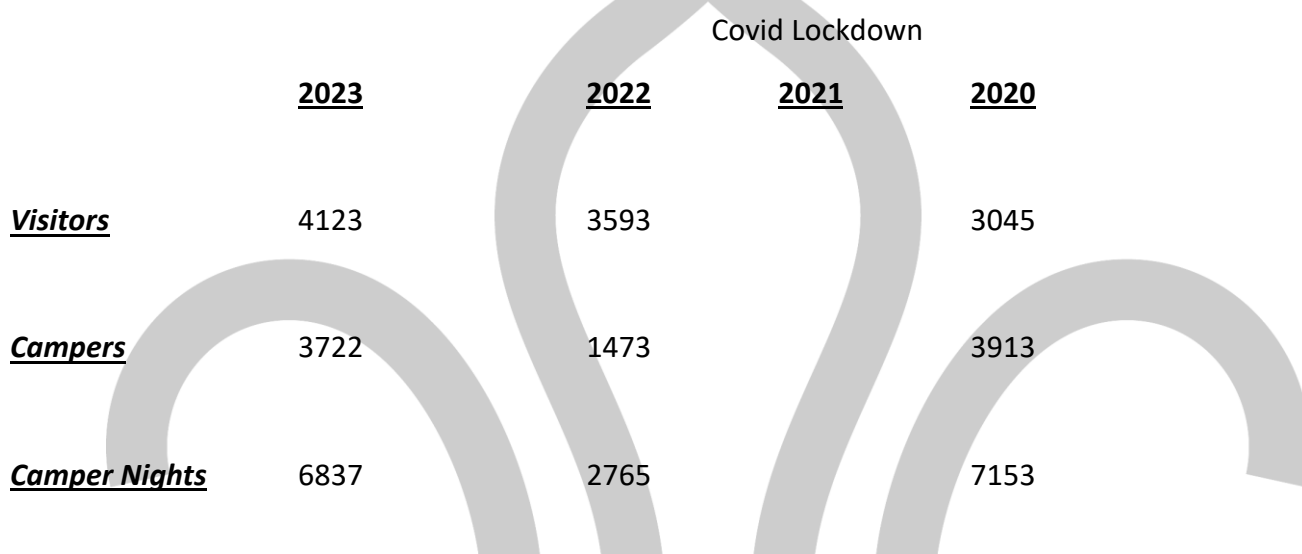


Ashworth Valley Annual Report 2022

I am pleased to report that we are recovering well from the devastating effect, over the past few years, of the Covid Pandemic.

We continue to receive midweek bookings from local schools who have finally realised that their local Scout Campsite can provide safe activities for their students, at an extremely competitive cost, compared to other profit-making organisations. Also, evening bookings from Scout Groups have increased.

It is difficult to give an accurate comparison of the year-to-year figures due to the restrictions of the Pandemic and the cautious recovery of the Scout Groups, schools and other youth organisations that use the Campsite.



The bookings for the Pack Holiday Centre and the Ranch House are returning to their pre-Covid levels but there are still one or two weekends open.

We have a number of projects ongoing as well as some scheduled for the near future. None of these improvement projects would be possible without the L.O.G.S assistant Wardens, Instructors and administrative staff who are all working hard to make sure that all visitors have a good experience and want to return. Their dedication, time and expertise are invaluable.

If you would like to join our team of volunteers at Ashworth, please contact me or any other member of the team. Or pop up for a chat, any weekend.

We Hope that you will continue to use, and enjoy, your Campsite for many more camps, visits, and activities, in the Future.

We look forward to seeing you.

Yours in Scouting

John Salisbury

Campsite Warden

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees/members of Pennine Scout District

I report on the accounts of the district for the year ended 31st March 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 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 set out on pages 1 to 3.

Scrutineer's Statement

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

Name: Richard Gahan FCCA



Date: 20 June 2023



Richard Gahan FCCA
7 Kingsbury Close, Bury BL8 1WA
23 May 2022

Pennine District Scouts

Consolidated Receipts and Payments Account

	Year start date	To	Year end date
For the year from	01/04/2022	To	31/03/2023

Receipts and payments

	2022/23			2021/22	
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	
	£	£	£	£	£
Receipts					
Membership Subscriptions 2022	38,958.00			38,958.00	36,237.00
Membership Subscriptions O/S 2021	1,890.00			1,890.00	
Less Membership Subscriptions Paid	(40,635.00)			(40,635.00)	(38,136.00)
Net Membership Subscription received	213.00	0.00	0.00	213.00	(1,899.00)
DISTRICT SECTIONAL SUPPORT (See separate accounts for details)					
Beaver Scouts	5,449.00			5,449.00	2,203.20
Cub Scouts	4,605.00			4,605.00	1,302.00
Scouts				0.00	100.00
Explorer Scouts				0.00	
Combined				0.00	
ASHWORTH VALLEY SCOUT CAMP					
Receipts (See separate accounts for details)	77,462.28			77,462.28	35,978.42

Sub total	87,729.28	0.00	0.00	87,729.28	37,684.62
Grants & Donations				0.00	
Pennine District				0.00	250.00
Ashworth Valley Scout Camp					
Donations				0.00	2,077.29
Grants	3,546.52			3,546.52	10,667.00
Sub total	3,546.52	0.00	0.00	3,546.52	12,994.29
Fund Raising Gross					
Pennine District Shop Sales Sale of stock to County				0.00	
AVSC Tuck Shop Sales	9,203.43			9,203.43	3,487.90
Donation				0.00	
Sub total	9,203.43	0.00	0.00	9,203.43	3,487.90
Miscellaneous					
Pennine Badge Sales	52.00			52.00	325.00
				0.00	
				0.00	
	52.00			52.00	325.00
Investment Income					
Bank Interest	37.59			37.59	280.41
The Scout Association Short term Investment Service	97.82			97.82	18.34
Ashworth Valley Scout Camp				0.00	
Interest	2.54			2.54	
Property Income AVSC)	5,100.00			5,100.00	5,084.00
Bank Compensation re error	50.00			50.00	

Sub total	5,287.95	0.00	0.00	5,287.95	5,382.75
Total Gross Income	105,819.18	0.00	0.00	105,819.18	59,874.56
Total receipts	105,819.18	0.00	0.00	105,819.18	59,874.56

Pennine District Scouts Consolidated Receipts and Payments Account

	Year start date		Year end date
For the year from	01/04/2022	To	31/03/2023

Receipts and payments

2022/23

2021/22

Unrestricted funds

Restricted funds

Endowment funds

Total funds

Total funds

£

£

£

£

£

Payments

Charitable payments	3,332.58			3,332.58	4,639.86
Pennine District Scouts (see separate accounts for details)					
Sectional; Support				0.00	
Beaver Scouts	6,057.05			6,057.05	1,786.35
Cub Scouts	5,088.07			5,088.07	
Scouts				0.00	
Explorer Scouts	30.00			30.00	

Combined	947.63			947.63	619.64
New Group Support	500.00			500.00	
Ashworth Valley Scout Camp (See separate accounts for details)	90,804.58			90,804.58	37,911.60
Sub total	106,759.91	0.00	0.00	106,759.91	44,957.45
Fundraising expenses					
AVSC Tuck Shp Purchases	8,787.73			8,787.73	1,238.97
AVSC Tuck Shop donation to AVSC from cash surplus				0.00	100.00
Sub total	8,787.73	0.00	0.00	8,787.73	1,338.97
Total Gross Expenditure	115,547.64	0.00	0.00	115,547.64	46,296.42
Asset and investment purchases, etc.					
New Sewage Treatment Plant at Ashworth Valley Scout Camp				0.00	
Total payments	115,547.64	0.00	0.00	115,547.64	46,296.42
Net of receipts/(payments)	(9,728.46)	0.00	0.00	(9,728.46)	13,578.14
Transfers between funds					
Cash funds last year end	99,085.34			99,085.34	85,507.20
Cash funds this year end	89,356.88	0.00	0.00	89,356.88	99,085.34

Pennine District Scouts

Consolidated Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

31/03/2023

31/03/2022

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Cash funds "Pennine District"					
Bank current account	6,998.18			6,998.18	12,511.60
Bank deposit account	25,012.50			25,012.50	
Building society account				0.00	
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	15,000.00			15,000.00	40,000.00
Cash/Floats				0.00	
Cash Funds Pennine District Scout Shop					
Bank Current Account				0.00	
Cash/Floats				0.00	
Cash Funds "Ashworth Valley Scout Camp"					
Bank current account	8,047.81			8,047.81	8,296.52
Bank deposit account	1,805.98			1,805.98	1,805.28
Scottish Widows	32,003.39			32,003.39	34,001.55
Cash/Floats	84.70			84.70	35.48
BACS Fees & Deposits Account	50.00			50.00	2,080.59
AVSC Tuck Shop cash in hand	354.32			354.32	354.32
Total cash funds	89,356.88	0.00	0.00	89,356.88	99,085.34
Other monetary assets					
Scout Shop Stock at cost				0.00	
less Stock Revaluation/Write off				0.00	
AVSC Tuck Shop Stock at cost	3,358.09			3,358.09	1,241.67
District Badges				0.00	166.40
Sub total	3,358.09	0.00	0.00	3,358.09	1,408.07
Investment assets					

Investment property - detail				0.00	
Quoted investments				0.00	
Other investments - detail				0.00	
Sub total	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Non monetary assets for charity's own use					
AVSC Land at Revaluation	60,000.00			60,000.00	60,000.00
AVSC Buildings at Revaluation	350,000.00			350,000.00	350,000.00
AVSC Buildings at Cost	11,076.00			11,076.00	11,076.00
Motor Vehicles Cost (fully depreciated)				0.00	
Equipment at Cost (Sewage Plant after depreciation)	47,287.84			47,287.84	50,290.24
District equipment, furniture after depreciation				0.00	
Other				0.00	
Sub total	468,363.84	0.00	0.00	468,363.84	471,366.24
Total Sum Received into the District Account	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 21st June 2023 and signed on their behalf by

Signature

Gary Walczak

Print Name

Gary Walczak

Chair

Ben Lee

Ben Lee Treasurer



Pennine District Scout Council Receipts and Payments Account

	Year start date		Year end date
For the year from	01/04/2022	To	31/03/2023

Receipts and payments

	2022/23			2021/2022	
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	
	£	£	£	£	£
Receipts					
Membership Subscriptions 2023	38,958.00			38,958.00	36,237.00
Membership Subscriptions O/S 2022	1,890.00			1,890.00	
Less membership Subscriptions Paid	- 40,635.00			- 40,635.00	- 38,136.00
Net membership Subscription Received	213.00			213.00	- 1,899.00
SECTIONAL SUPPORT					
Beaver Scouts					
Cinema/Meal				-	1988.20
Football				-	215.00
Fun Day	870.00			870.00	
Santa Train	2695.00			2,695.00	
Bowling	1884.00			1,884.00	
Cub Scouts					
Annual camp	3450.00			3,450.00	
Badge Day				-	1302.00

Bonfire Event	1155.00			1,155.00	
Scouts					
Caving Refund				-	100.00
Explorer Scouts					
None				-	
Miscellaneous					
None				-	
Combined					
Pennine Badges	52.00			52.00	325.00
Sub total	10,319.00	-	-	10,319.00	2,031.20
Grants					
None				-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Fundraising (gross)					
Donation				-	250.00
Other fundraising activities				-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	250.00
Investment income					
Bank interest	12.50			12.50	277.26
Bank Savings Interest	25.09			25.09	
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	97.82			97.82	18.34
Sub total	135.41	-	-	135.41	295.60
Total Gross Income	10,454.41	-	-	10,454.41	2,576.80
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-	-	-	-

<i>Total receipts</i>	10,454.41	-	-	10,454.41	2,576.80
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Pennine District Scout Council Receipts and Payments Account

	<small>Year start date</small>		<small>Year end date</small>
For the year from	01/04/2022	To	31/03/2023

Receipts and payments

Payments	2022/23			2021/2022	
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Charitable Payments					
District Insurance				-	42.00
Defib Macjine				-	4195.20
Lottery Licence				-	40.00
Popcorn Machine				-	94.99
Gilwell neckerchieves				-	105.00
Poppy Wreaths	27.50			27.50	20.00
Presentation Day at Ashworth				-	56.48
DC District Calendar	110.10			110.10	86.19
First Aid Kit update	59.14			59.14	
Unity Non-Member/lunteer Insurance	52.00			52.00	

District HQ Costs	3083.84			3,083.84	
	3,332.58			3,332.58	4,639.86
Miscellaneous					
None				-	
	-			-	-
Sectional Support					
Beaver Scouts					
Cinema/Meal				-	1586.35
Football				-	200.00
Fun Day	1042.13			1,042.13	
Santa Train	2620.08			2,620.08	
Bowling/Pizza	1844.84			1,844.84	
Forbidden Corner	550.00			550.00	
	6,057.05	-	-	6,057.05	1,786.35
Cub Scouts				-	
Annual camp (2022)	3276.55			3,276.55	
Fireworks	1064.38			1,064.38	
Badge Day	647.14			647.14	
Annual camp (2023)	100.00			100.00	
	5,088.07	-	-	5,088.07	-
Scouts				-	
None				-	
	-	-	-	-	-

Explorer Scouts				-	
Jamboree Troop Race Night Sponsor	30.00			30.00	
	30.00	-	-	30.00	-
Group Support					
12th Heywood/Heady Hill Storage	500.00			500.00	
	500.00	-	-	500.00	-
Combined					
DC Expenses	101.69			101.69	8.64
MPLC	445.44			445.44	384.00
St Georges Day 2023	270.50			270.50	
Pennine Badges				-	25.00
Kimlaw Trust Refund				-	202.00
AGM Expenses	130.00			130.00	
Sub total	947.63	-	-	947.63	619.64
Fundraising expenses					
None				-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total Gross Expenditure	15,955.33	-	-	15,955.33	7,045.85
Asset and investment purchases, etc.					
	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	15,955.33	-	-	15,955.33	7,045.85

Net of receipts/(payments)	-	-	-	-	-
	5,500.92	-	-	5,500.92	4,469.05
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds last year end	52,511.60	-	-	52,511.60	56,980.65
Cash funds this year end	47,010.68	-	-	47,010.68	52,511.60

Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

31st March 2023

31st Mar
2022

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Cash funds					
Bank current account	6,998.18			6,998.18	12,511.60
Bank deposit account	25,012.50			25,012.50	25,000.00
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	15,000.00			15,000.00	15,000.00
Cash/Floats				-	
Total cash funds	47,010.68	-	-	47,010.68	52,511.60
Other monetary assets					
District Badges				-	166.40
Sub total	-	-	-	-	166.40
Investment assets					
Investment property - detail				-	

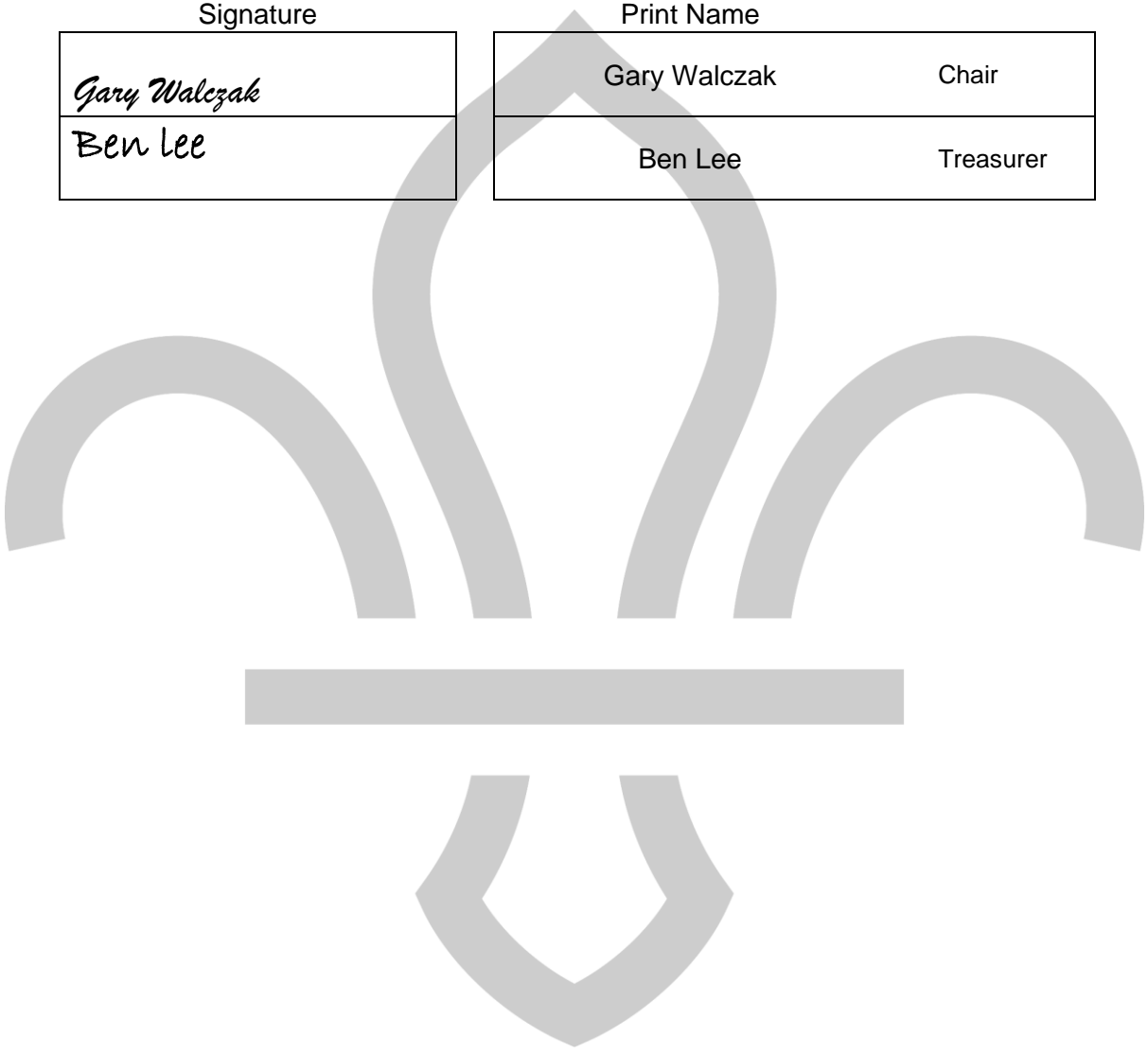
Quoted investments				-	
Other investments - detail				-	
Sub total		-	-	-	-
Non monetary assets for charity's own use					
Badge stock				-	
Shop stock				-	
Other stock				-	
Land and buildings	0.00			0.00	
Motor vehicles				-	
Scouting equipment, furniture etc				-	
Other				-	
Sub total	0.00	-	-	0.00	-
Liabilities					
Accounts not yet paid				-	
Expenses incurred but not invoiced				-	
Subscriptions not yet paid				-	
Loan - detail				-	
Other liabilities				-	
Sub total		-	-	-	-

Contingent liabilities and future obligations

Previous grant received from RMBC of £1,004.00 which must be used for a St George's Day event in Heywood.

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by email, by a majority the Trustees on 30 June 2023 and signed on their behalf by

Signature	Print Name	
<i>Gary Walczak</i>	Gary Walczak	Chair
<i>Ben Lee</i>	Ben Lee	Treasurer



Ashworth Valley Scout Camp Receipts and Payments Account

	Year start date		Year end date
For the year from	01/04/2022	To	31/03/2023
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Receipts and payments

	2022/2023			2021/2022
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£
Receipts				
Donations, legacies and similar income				
Camp Fees and Deposits	55,981.00	-	-	55,981.00
Meters		-	-	-
Activities	21,391.50	-	-	21,391.50
Donations, legacies and similar income		-	-	-
Christmas Meal		-	-	-
Wayleave	5.75	-	-	5.75
Small Refunds	84.03			84.03
Sub total	77,462.28	-	-	77,462.28
Grants				
Maintenence grant	-	-	-	-
Other grants - Covid support	3,546.52	-	-	3,546.52
				25,015.50
				1,244.51
				9,138.00
				2,077.29
				574.66
				38,055.71
				-
				10,667.00

	Sub total	3,546.52	-	-	3,546.52	10,667.00
Fundraising (gross)						
Tuck Shop Sales		9,203.43	-	-	9,203.43	3,487.90
Tuck Shop Bank Surplus			-	-	-	
Tuck Shop - Increase in cash from previous year			-	-	-	
Other fundraising activities		-	-	-	-	-
	Sub total	9,203.43	-	-	9,203.43	3,487.90
Investment income						
Bank compensation re error		50.00	-	-	50.00	-
Building Society interest		2.54	-	-	2.54	3.15
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service			-	-	-	-
Property Rent income		5,100.00	-	-	5,100.00	5,084.00
Other investment income			-	-	-	
	Sub total	5,152.54	-	-	5,152.54	5,087.15
	Total Gross Income	95,364.77	-	-	95,364.77	57,297.76
Asset and investment sales, etc.		-	-	-	-	-
	Total receipts	95,364.77	-	-	95,364.77	57,297.76

Ashworth Valley Scout Camp Receipts and Payments Account

Year start
date

Year end
date

Stationery & Postage	271.75	-	-	271.75	155.56
Internet	869.16	-	-	869.16	691.52
Insurance	6,251.69	-	-	6,251.69	5,695.01
Sanitary Ware	3,585.54	-	-	3,585.54	3,093.70
Rubbish Removal	3,713.71	-	-	3,713.71	1,440.00
Refund of deposits - Coronavirus	50.00	-	-	50.00	
Licences (TV & DVD)	680.79	-	-	680.79	655.85
Staff Expenses & Training	2,917.07	-	-	2,917.07	391.49
ASGC Subscriptions		-	-	-	
Deisel Oil	655.71	-	-	655.71	
Health & Safety	1,187.65	-	-	1,187.65	29.98
Miscellaneous	453.60	-	-	453.60	544.70
Sub total	90,804.58	-	-	90,804.58	37,911.60
Fundraising expenses					
Tuck Shop Purchases	8,787.73	-	-	8,787.73	1,238.97
Tuck Shop - Reduction in cash from previous year		-	-	-	100.00
Sub total	8,787.73	-	-	8,787.73	1,338.97
Total Gross Expenditure	99,592.31	-	-	99,592.31	39,250.57
Asset and investment purchases, etc.					
New Sewage Treatment Plant				-	-

	Total payments	99,592.31	-	-	99,592.31	39,250.57
	Net of receipts/(payments)	- 4,227.54	-	-	- 4,227.54	18,047.19
Transfers between funds						
Cash funds last year end		46,573.74	-	-	46,573.74	28,526.55
	Cash funds this year end	42,346.20	-	-	42,346.20	46,573.74

ASHWORTH VALLEY SCOUT CAMP STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	31st March 2023				31st Mar 2022
	Unrestrict ed funds	Restrict ed funds	Endowme nt funds	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Cash funds					
Bank current account	8,047.81		-	8,047.81	8,296.52
Bank deposit account	1,805.98		-	1,805.98	1,805.28
Scottish Widows	32,003.39		-	32,003.39	34,001.55
Cash/Floats	84.70	-	-	84.70	35.48
BACS Fees & Deposits Account	50.00	-	-	50.00	2,080.59
Tuck Shop Cash in Hand	354.32	-	-	354.32	354.32

Total cash funds	42,346.20	-	-	42,346.20	46,573.74
Other Currant Assets					
Tuck Shop Stock at cost	3,358.09	-	-	3,358.09	1,241.67
Sub total	3,358.09	-	-	3,358.09	1,241.67
Investment assets					
Investment property - detail	-	-	-	-	-
Quoted investments	-	-	-	-	-
Other investments - detail	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Non monetary assets for charity's own use					
Land at Revaluation	60,000.00	-	-	60,000.00	60,000.00
Buildings at Revaluation	350,000.00	-	-	350,000.00	350,000.00
Buildings at Cost	11,076.00	-	-	11,076.00	11,076.00
Motor vehicles (fully depreciated)	-	-	-	-	-
Equipment (after depreciation)	47,287.84	-	-	47,287.84	50,290.24
Other	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	468,363.84	-	-	468,363.84	471,366.24
Liabilities					
Accounts not yet paid	-	-	-	-	-
Expenses incurred but not invoiced	-	-	-	-	-
Subscriptions not yet paid	-	-	-	-	-

Loan - detail	-	-	-	-	-
Other liabilities	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-

Contingent liabilities and future obligations

During the year the Tuck Shop Bank A/c was merged with the Camp Bank A/c. The old A/c is now used solely for the receipt of BACs payments for deposits and fees

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Management Committee on 11th May 2021 and signed on their behalf by

Signature

Print Name

<i>John Carney</i>
<i>S Birtles</i>

John Carney	Chair
Susan Birtles	Treasurer



PENNINE SCOUT DISTRICT GM

England & Wales - Charity number 1175173

Accounts

Annual Report for Pennine Scout District GM (2021 - 2022)

(Registered Charity No. 1175173)

Aims & Purposes

The Pennine Scout District is one of six districts within the Greater Manchester North Scout County, covering the geographical area of the Rochdale Metropolitan Borough and in particular the towns of Rochdale, Middleton, Heywood & Littleborough. The Pennine Scout district was created in 2014 following a comprehensive review of the former districts undertaken across the county and subsequent mergers. The Pennine Scout district was registered with the Charity Commission on 16 October 2014.

The Pennine District Scout Council (PDSC) is responsible for ensuring that opportunities exist for Scouting the active involvement of as many young people as possible across the borough, providing a space for young people from the age of 6 - 25 across five different sections – Beavers, Scout Cub Scouts, Scouts, Explorer Scouts, Network Members. Scouting is an inclusive movement and is available to all young people. At the present time there are 21 individual groups spread across the borough. Some groups meet in premises owned and managed directly by individual groups. Other groups meet in school buildings, community halls or church halls. One building (former Middleton district scout hut) is owned by the district but the day to day management of this is the subject of a service level agreement between the district and a group. The district is responsible for the management and maintenance of the Ashworth Valley Scout Campsite.

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

Values & Method

The PDSC is committed to enabling as many young people as possible to participate in Scouting activities.

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 co-operate with others and make friends.

Vision

By 2025* we will have prepared more young people with skills for life, supported by amazing leaders delivering an inspiring programme. We will be growing, more inclusive, shaped by young people and making a bigger impact in our communities.

**Due to the impact of COVID-19, our Skills for Life strategy has been extended by 2 years until 2025.*

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 policies we follow are stated clearly in the Scout Associations Policy Organisation and Rules document (POR) covering the following topics:-

- The Religious Policy
- The Equal Opportunities Policy
- The Safety Policy
- The Safeguarding Policy
- The Vetting Policy
- The Youth Member Anti-Bullying Policy
- The Development Policy
- The Privacy and Data Protection Policy

Activities & Achievements

Throughout the year, there are a host of activities for the young people to access as part of their Scouting programme. Most of the activity takes place within individual sections belonging to groups and these planned activities provide a structure of badges and awards, which are progressive through the sections, and

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

Additional activities are arranged each year and run on a district basis for all Pennine groups, and there are a limited number of larger activities provided by the Greater Manchester North County and the Northwest region.

Until the middle of 2021, activities continued to be severely affected by Covid-19 lockdowns and these lasted until June of that year when limited outdoor activities resumed. By the Autumn of 2021 there was a near normal resumption of the indoor and outdoor programme. Whilst the number of young people (6 – 18yrs) quickly returned there was a noticeable reduction in adult volunteers – the 18 month break in usual activities coincided with some of our volunteers reviewing the level of their continuing commitment, particularly those with many years of service and wishing to step down a little.

The Scouting programme provides a range of activities, challenges, and experiences that young people experience in Scouting, and it is based around three main themes:

- outdoor and adventure,
- world
- and skills.

This programme of activities is planned by the leadership team in partnership with young people, and incorporates elements from each theme, to offer young people the most interesting and diverse experience.

There is flexibility within Scouting which means that all young people, regardless of their learning and physical abilities, can enjoy and achieve. The Programme is flexible and has room to adapt and accommodate the needs of the individuals in the section, with the focus being on personal development.

Ashworth Valley

PDSC has responsibility for the ownership and management of the Ashworth Valley Scout Campsite.

Background

This is the largest single asset owned by the district. The 48-acre campsite is situated in rural Lancashire in countryside bordering the Pennines, but still within easy reach of Greater Manchester’s motorway network. The site was previously owned by the former Rochdale & Heywood Scout districts and was a working farm until the mid-1990’s; camping at that time only took place in the valley and on the ‘bottom field’. The voluntary staff ran the campsite from wooden buildings around the camp centre.

More recently

When the tenant farmer retired it was decided to have the whole farm as a campsite. Some of the old wooden buildings were taken down and the new workshop erected.

Many of the old stone farm buildings were redeveloped as washrooms, toilets, shop, offices and stores. In addition to the camping fields the site benefits from two purpose built residential buildings which can accommodate 32 and 24 people dormitory style.

Present

Ashworth Valley is committed to investing into the future and developing the site for all. We have many ongoing projects which aim to move the site forward, both in terms of site amenities and activities

We offer a wide range of activities for all ages.

Climbing Wall, Indoor Air Rifle Range, Outdoor Archery Range, Outdoor Axe Throwing Range, Crossbow, Pedal Karts, Orienteering, Pioneering, Adventure Playground, Beaver Leaf and Bug Hunt, Backwoods Area, Nature Trail, Outdoor Games Pack, Low Ropes Course, Zip line and High Ropes Grass Sledges, Cave Bus, Soft Archery & Dipping pond

Following the successful installation and commissioning of a new sewerage treatment plant (at a cost of £60,000), other more routine maintenance projects have been the focus of development work more recently. Of course, this routine management and maintenance will only continue largely with the help provided by our wonderful team of volunteers who turn out every week to tend the grounds, repair minor breakages etc. Without them the task of keeping the site in tip top condition would not be possible. The uncertain times during lockdown dictated the speed of the future improvement programme, but we are pleased to say that we have now achieved a large proportion of our goals, with lots of young people and their leaders able to continue enjoying a great time on the campsite.

Many of the summertime bookings for 2021 were cancelled or re-booked for a later date. The camping and building accommodation bookings are recovering well, and we are expecting to be back to our pre-Covid use by early next year, 2023.

Financial Review

The Pennine District account comprises two separate elements, covering the Ashworth Valley Scout campsite and the general account for all matters relating to the day to day running of the district. Total receipts on unrestricted funds were £59,874.56 of which £5,084 was gained from renting out part of the former farmhouse.

The largest single transaction each year is the collection of membership subscriptions of behalf of the district. For each registered young person, we are required to collect a fee - this was £42.00 for the 2022 year. This subscription is collected and subsequently paid out to cover County and National Headquarters running costs and is subject to an annual review. At present, the district has not added any additional levy to this subscription. The account therefore shows £38,136.00 both as income and expenditure.

Full details of the account are included under the Financial Statements. The net result for the year was a surplus of receipts over payments of £13,578.14, reversing the deficit from the previous year due to Covid-19 issues. Adding bank and deposit balances brought forward at the beginning of the financial year, the

balances carried forward on 31 March 2022 on unrestricted funds totalled £99,085, excluding non-monetary assets.

Monies from the elements of the consolidated accounts are invested in banks, the Scout Association Short Term Investment service and Scottish Widows – details of these are included in the Consolidated Receipts and Payments account.

Volunteers

Over 1000 young people experience fun and adventure every week in the 21 groups that comprise the Pennine Scout District. We have a wealth of Scouting experience in the 400+ adult volunteers and their dedication and value to the groups is tremendous. Without this commitment week on week we would not be able to provide the varied programme of activities and achieve the development potential in our young people. We are also lucky to have a group of volunteers providing the support ‘behind the scenes’ covering a variety of administration duties and supporting the groups and the sectional leaders.

Structure, Governance and Management

The method of appointment of District Executive Committee Members is set out in Scouting’s ‘Policy Organisation and Rules’ (POR). The district executive members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the Pennine district including on how the funds of the district are spent.

The Executive Committee met every 2 months over the past year and the meetings were generally well attended. Some of these took place as virtual meetings via Zoom. As ever we discussed a range of topics relating to all aspects of managing the district including, financial support to groups, GDPR, advising on Gift Aid, Growth & development, Risk Management, annual Census, and arrangements, including fund raising, for those attending the World Scout Jamboree in South Korea in 2023. In the past twelve months we welcomed 24 new adult volunteers across the district. This number is still not up to our previous recruitment levels and demonstrates the need for continued recruitment to ensure all of the sections within our groups can continue to function.

One of the key development areas identified is the support that we can offer to groups across the district and particularly with their Executive committee responsibilities. This is something the District Executive committee members will continue to assist with during the coming year. Some of our groups, with their own property, were fortunate enough to qualify for further grants under the Government’s Retail, Hospitality and Leisure Grant Fund (RHLGF) to help them manage their outgoings during the period of lockdown.

Administrative Information

The Pennine District is situated within the Borough of Rochdale, Greater Manchester and the correspondence address is: c/o District Secretary (Anne Williams), 14 Alresford Road, Middleton, Manchester, M24 1WU. Email: secretary@pennine.gmnscoouts.org.uk

The current Executive Committee members who were elected at the AGM held on 13 July 2022 are as follows (several of these also served on the previous committee). This was the first face to face AGM we held since September 2019, although virtual meetings were held in 2020 & 2021 in accordance with the regulations in place at those times. Nominations for any new executive committee members were requested by 24 June 2022 with forms being sent out widely across the district. No new nominations were received by the declared closing date.

Ex Officio members

Gary Walczak - District Chair

Alan Sharkey - District Commissioner

Darren Lord - Youth Commissioner

Anne Williams - District Secretary

Avril Redfern - District Treasurer

Mike Phillips - District Explorer Scout Commissioner

Jon Gillibrand - District Scout Network Commissioner

Nominated Members (by District Commissioner)

Donna Moriarty

Norma Brandon

Elected Member (re-elected at the AGM held on 13 July 2022)

John Salisbury

Doug Sutton

Keith Williams

Co-opted Members

None at present

Annual Reports to AGM, including Financial Statements

(see separate attachments, sent with this report)

Independent Examiner's/ Auditor's Report

(see separate attachment, sent with this report)

Anne Williams

District Secretary, Pennine District Scouts

August 2022



PENNINE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

ANNUAL REPORT & ACCOUNT 2021- 2022



BEAVERS

Squirrels

cubs

SCOUTS

network

EXPLORERS

Chair's Report

Welcome, to the AGM of the Pennine District, I am delighted that we are able to meet in person this year here, at Heywood Cricket Club.

I want to start by thanking you all once again, for your ingenuity and resilience in dealing with the challenges of the past two years and maintaining consistency across the scouting movement here in Penning District. In particular I would like to acknowledge the contribution of Alan (DC), and his team of helpers, in delivering a robust system of risk assessment to keep us all safe.

In Summer 2023, more than 40,000 Scouts from all over the world will gather in Korea for the 25th World Scout Jamboree. The World Scout Jamboree is a World Organisation of the Scout Movement, it happens every four years, each time hosted by a different country. We're so proud that 36 scouts from Greater Manchester North County (of which 14 are from the Pennine District) and 4 leaders will join the UK Contingent, in South Korea. The selected scouts went through a rigorous programme of selection, and now have the challenging task of raisings funds for the journey, with the support of their friends in Pennine District and their families, I am confident that this will be achieved.

Closer to home, the management committee of Ashworth Valley have successfully negotiated the challenges of managing the site, despite suffering a reduced income as a result of COVID. We are privileged to have such a wonderful facility in our district, and I encourage groups of Explorers, scouts, cubs and beavers to support Ashworth Valley Camp site when planning any activities. The Ashworth Valley website tells you all about the facilities available to you and provides contact details.

I encourage you all to take time to visit the Pennine District new updated website. Thank you to Alan (DC) for the time that he has dedicated to renewing the content of the site. As we move forward post Covid, let's celebrate the new opportunities presented to us to create more exciting Scouting.

Sustainability was a key theme of the Queen's recent Jubilee celebrations, some of you may have planted trees to honour this special occasion. As Scouts, we're always striving to leave the world a little better than we found it. Over the last one hundred years, the issues that scouting has tackled have evolved and changed, but our young people's drive to make a positive impact remains constant. I encourage all groups to explore the Million Hands project on the Scout Association website, highlighting six contemporary themes that you may wish to explore to make a difference in your local community.

As we now enjoy a sense of normality, Pennine District must focus its attention on the recruitment and retention of good group leaders. I highlighted, in my report last year, that we retained scouts during the pandemic but were in danger of failing them for lack of leaders. Once again I urge all members here tonight, District members and group leaders, to work together to recruit new leaders. If you have any good ideas on how we may attract new leaders, please share them.

Finally, I offer sincere thanks to Anne and Avril, secretary and treasurer, for their invaluable support throughout the past twelve months and close with best wishes to all for the coming year.

Gary Walczak

District Commissioners Report 2021-2022

It's been a year of recovery for the Pennine District. As we entered March 2021, we were just out of the lockdown but Zoom meetings were still rampant and some groups hadn't started back. The group I run didn't start back in our hut until after Easter and I am sure others were the same.

But from there, it got better and better. I've looked at the census figures for 2021 and compared them with 2022. We had a 19% increase in young people over that period – which is almost 1 in 5. This is fantastic in two ways – firstly that we were able to keep so many during the pandemic and that we have managed to regain so many since it. We are still not yet back to the 2020 figures, but to be honest, with all the changes at group level, I don't expect us to get there any time soon. All groups apart from one have now restarted and that one is planned to start in July.

The biggest impact has been on the leader numbers. We dropped a long way and are finding it hard to regain our numbers from 2020. I think everyone recognises this and are pushing hard on recruitment. I know TSA have some new initiatives which Pennine will be looking closely at over the next few months.

But enough of the doom and gloom. Scouting is still well established in the Pennine District and we are all enjoying getting back to normality – especially now that summer has arrived (as I write this, a heavy rain cloud is overhead – but I don't care 😊). As DC I have to approve Nights Aways and I am seeing an increasing number of these landing in my inbox. This all bodes well for scouting. As a GSL I am looking at my group's numbers for now and in the future and I have already had to close my forward waiting list as we are full for anyone over the age of 4.

We have started two Squirrel Dreys at the 1st Heywood and the 7thA Rochdale and they are doing fantastically well. I visited one evening and was delighted by the fun and enjoyment that the Squirrels and the leaders were having. We plan to open more Squirrel sections during the coming year and I can only see this getting better.

The 9th Heywood have completed the rebuild of their Scout HQ. I visited it and it is superb. If you get a chance for a visit, please go.

Awards are still coming through. I was proud to present a Silver Wolf to Stephen Walthall and have presented Silver Acorns to Norma Brandon, Chris McLaren, Sandra Roberts, and Mark Hollis. There have been many other awards as well; far too many to mention in this short report. Congratulations to everyone – they are all well deserved.

Of course, none of this would be possible without our great leaders. From the occasional helpers up to section leaders and GSLs; I see happy smiling faces and it is obvious that everyone involved enjoys being there and sees Scouting as something essential to our future. So, a very big **THANK YOU** from me to all of you. Without you all, we would not have Scouting in Pennine.

I'll close the report here and stop rambling on. I wish you all Happy Scouting for the future.

Alan Sharkey

District Commissioner.

Pennine District Beaver Section

Report to AGM 2022 (Apr 21 to Mar 22)

Events

We held off district events until it was clear we were out of the restrictions concerned with Covid 19 and so there is little to report. It was January that we had our pizza and cinema event and that was well attended with over 120 members taking part although upon first enquiring in December we expected 80 max.

The football tournament was won by 8th Heywood in February, well done to them.

Unfortunately, the Sports Day and swim event has been cancelled in an effort to reduce costs for parents given the hardship that some families are having following Covid and the hike in prices.

Looking to the future: We have a county event of a mystery trip – to Chester Zoo... and our district Beaver Activity day at Ashworth Valley in June then with Christmas soon being upon us(!) we are already making plans for the Santa Express.

District Beaver Colonies

Dearnley, Lowerplace, 12th Heywood, 3rd/4th Ravenscroft are some of the colonies struggling to recruit leaders and this is ongoing. Sadly Milnrow had to close their second beaver colony this year after 5 years due to leader shortage. 5th Pennine is currently in moth balls but we hope that they will remerge in September.

Finally

Sadly Allyson Phillips passed away far too young; leaving us with good memories but adding to our leader shortage. In addition we also sadly lost Dave Whitehead in March, he was ADC prior to myself taking on the role in 2016 – he always gave me his support whenever I needed it in any ADC related matters. Our thoughts are with their families.

As always, my admiration and thanks goes to all our Beaver leaders, Young Leaders, District leaders and all adult helpers of the Districts Beaver sections for their hard work, dedication and efforts and support they have given over the last year to help make a scouting adventure for our younger scout members. They are making a huge difference to young people's lives – gifting children with skills for life, who are learning about themselves along the way and having great fun in doing it. I value your dedication greatly and do not underestimate the work you do in addition to family life, work and their other commitments. Big thank you.

Mole Wedgwood

ADC Beavers Pennine District

CUB SECTION REPORT (1st April 2021 – 31st March 2022)

Thanks to all the Cub leaders across the district who have provided high quality programmes for the Cubs throughout the year. Pack meetings have gradually returned to normal as face-to-face meetings resumed.

Once it became possible to have face-to-face meetings the cub leaders were able to hold seonee meetings to discuss and plan a programme of district events which would support the programmes run in pack meetings and to enable cubs to mix with other packs.

Three district events were decided upon to be held throughout 2022. Firstly, a Badge Day to be held in April, when the cubs would have the choice of completing either their Pioneer, DIY or Scientist activity badge. Secondly, a camp to be held in June and thirdly, a wide games, bonfire and fireworks event to be held in October. All these events were planned to take place from April 2022 onwards and booked at Ashworth Valley.

We look forward to the resumption of district events in 2022 to support all cub packs.

Thanks to Len Tolan DCSL for his continued support and to all the Cub leaders who help plan and run district events.

Sandra Roberts (ADC Cubs)



Youth Commissioners Report

It has been another challenging year for all leaders, helpers, and supporters of scouting and I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for your continued support towards scouting both young people and leaders.

As of September 2021, I became District Youth Commissioner of Pennine and have spent the year settling into my new role. I have a range of plans and projects that I would like to accomplish within my time in the role. However, this can only be done with the support of everyone around us. Therefore, one of my first projects is to find a new Deputy District Youth Commissioner to work alongside myself and in the Youth Commissioner team. If you or you know anyone above the age of 18 that would be suitable for or interested in the role, please let the Youth Commissioner team know.

The new Youshape Award was launched early October 2021, I presented this to GSL and District Leaders at a meeting earlier in the year so they can understand how the new programme works and promote it to the young people within their sections and groups. I do hope in the near future that I am able to visit sections/groups again to put this new award into practice. Although if any groups need any help with this soon then please let me know.

With England now in GREEN I am hoping that more young people will begin to engage with the new Youshape award, top awards, and events that we as a district and as Youth Commissioners run.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours in Scouting

Darren Lord

District Youth Commissioner

Youth@pennine.gmnscoouts.org.uk

District Secretary

It's so nice to be back to near normal Scouting again. From a governance perspective the Pennine District managed to continue over the past year with all its requirements under POR and the Charity Commission. We held our 2021 AGM as a Zoom meeting on 7th July to comply with the restrictions in place at that time, but we managed to hold 6 regular Executive meetings, approximately every 2 months, all as face-to-face meetings. It was good to be together again in this way.

Thank you to all the Group Scout Leaders and Group Contacts for their speedy completion of the census process this year and for making my part of the process fairly stress free !

Within the Executive meetings we have covered many topics and concerns of the district (such as District finances, Support for groups, hardship funds, Hospitality grants, Return to Scouting and associated risk assessments, Ashworth Valley updates, the Charity Commission annual report, Gift Aid, and the World Scout Jamboree 2023. I would particularly like to single out one of the biggest achievements over the year - the preparation and approval of a District finance policy document. A big thank you to Gary and his team for the work they put into this.

If you have any issues that you or your group would like to be addressed by the Executive, then let me know and I will add these to a future agenda.

Pennine district has continued to gain a good number of Good Service awards and congratulations to all who have received one during the past 12 months. Thankfully, the Awards team are back up and functioning as normal again at Gilwell. As a district we held a very pleasant awards presentation session at Ashworth Valley on 3 October to recognise various awards gained over the past two years, and particularly for those who had missed out on the usual Windsor gatherings in 2020 & 2021.

Sadly, the past year has seen some losses within the Pennine Scouting family. We remember Phil Elsworth, Martin Fleming, Andy Wells, Dave Whitehead and Allyson Phillips. Our grateful thanks go to all of these for the service they gave to local Scouting, and of course our condolences to their families.

Anne Williams

Pennine District Secretary – secretary@pennine.gmnscouts.org

Adult Training Report

The past year has been a transitional one for everyone, as we have returned to near normal Scouting and face-to-face training has restarted. Some of our volunteers had their training disrupted by Covid cancellations and we are now in a period where we need to catch up. If anyone is finding it hard to work out how to fill in the gaps, please let me know.

The Scout Association have changed quite a few elements of the training programme. The Getting Started course has been completely overhauled and is now fully available as online learning, like many online training methods used in the workplace and other organisations. Many of our new leaders will be very familiar with this method of updating their knowledge base.

All new appointments, from September 2021, are required to complete 4 online modules - Safety, Safeguarding, Essential Information and GDPR. Anyone with a governance role is required to complete the online Trustee Introduction module. This is a good refresher course for existing members, too, to ensure they understand their responsibilities as a charity trustee. Leaders and Assistant Section Leaders must also complete the online Module 3 (Tools for the Role). Leaders, Managers and Supporters are required to hold at First Aid certificate (more about this below), but they can be validated for this training if they have a First Aid qualification through work or another recognised organisation.

All training courses are advertised on the County calendar and individuals are able to book themselves on to a course, and remember all training is free. gmnscoutstraining.org

First Aid - Over the past year a new First Aid training has changed. There are now two units to complete 10A – Theory and 10B – Practical. 6- hour courses covering both of these modules are run by the County Training team. The First Aid certificate must be valid at the issue of the Wood Badge and for appointment renewal. This should be monitored by the line manager at the point of appointment review, at least every three years.

Blended Model - This is an option made available by HQ during the pandemic, but it has now been extended until 31st August 2022. For this option, you complete an e-learning package. Once complete you will then attend a 3-hour face to face course at County HQ.

The e-learning can be found by following the below link

<https://hampshire-scouts.thinkific.com/courses/firstresponse>

If you have completed the E-Learning and require the face to face, please email your certificate of completion to courseadministrator@gmnscoouts.org.uk. Once received you will be contacted with available dates for the face to face 3-hour course.

Finally, thank you to all those that have completed or renewed training in any area over the past year, adding to the time you already offer in your role as a valued volunteer.

Keith Williams – Local Training Manager ltm@pennine.gmnscoouts.org.uk

AGM REPORT FROM PENNINE APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

After coming out of 'lockdown' it was good to see several groups started to recruit new leaders and as a result the appointments committee have been kept busy meeting on 7 different occasions in the report year. We have continued to use ZOOM to conduct the meetings and have found it a very effective way of meeting the new applicants. It has proved beneficial in reducing the amount of travelling, saving of time, reducing fuel costs, avoiding the need for childcare in some cases. We propose to continue using ZOOM as long as we have access to it through the District.

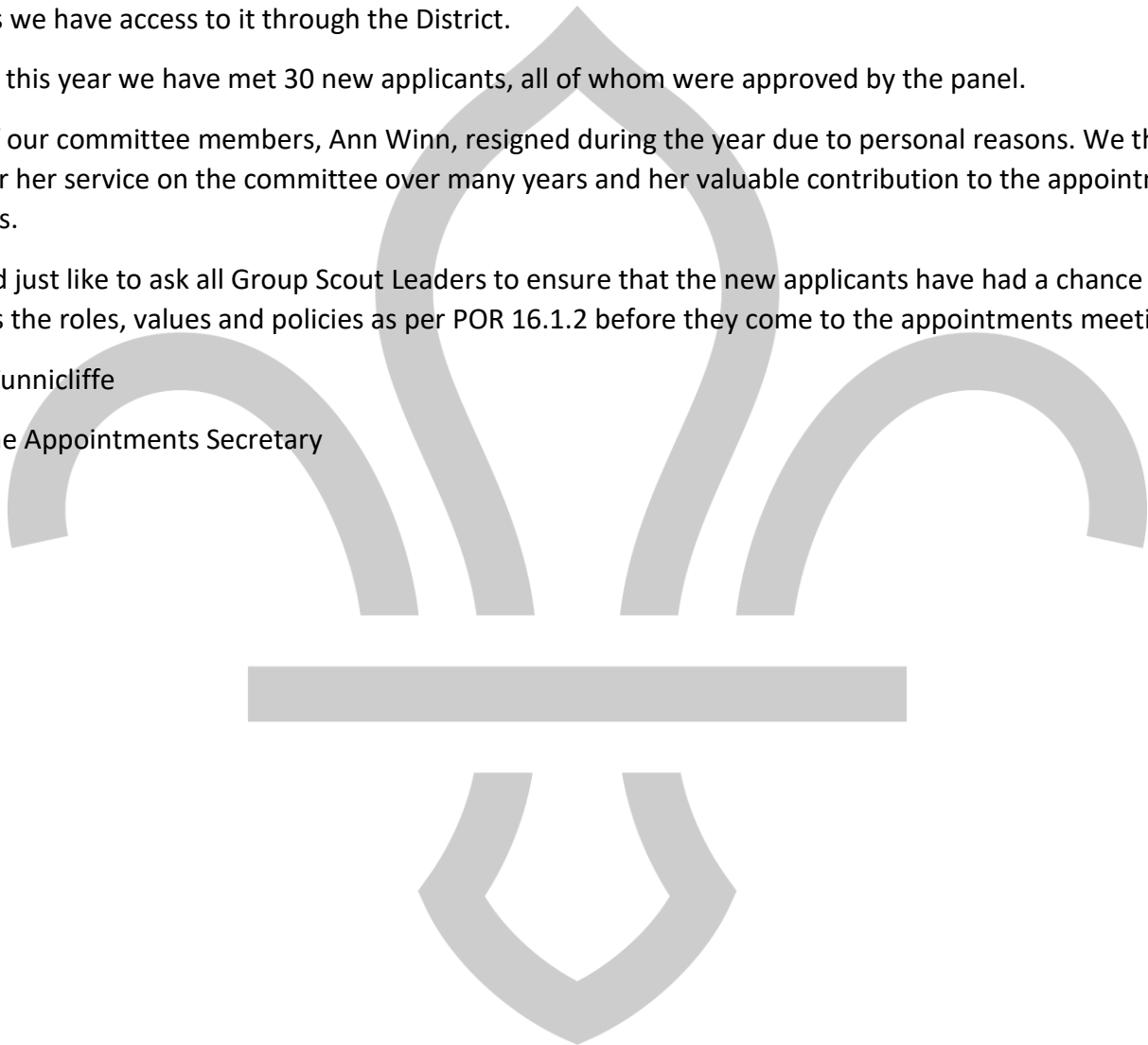
During this year we have met 30 new applicants, all of whom were approved by the panel.

One of our committee members, Ann Winn, resigned during the year due to personal reasons. We thank Ann for her service on the committee over many years and her valuable contribution to the appointments process.

I would just like to ask all Group Scout Leaders to ensure that the new applicants have had a chance to discuss the roles, values and policies as per POR 16.1.2 before they come to the appointments meeting.

Colin Tunncliffe

Pennine Appointments Secretary



Ashworth Valley Annual Report 2022

Following the lifting of restrictions, regarding 'Face to Face' Scouting, The Assistant Wardens, Activity Instructors, and the maintenance staff (L.O.G.S.), at Ashworth, have been working hard to accommodate the Scout Groups, Guide Groups, Schools, Church, and Youth Groups all wanting to book their delayed camps or activity days. At the same time, we have endeavoured to maintain and improve the Campsite for our young people and their leaders.

Even though we have had quite an increase in the number of school and D. of E. visits during the weekdays, which has taken up a lot of time, I am pleased to say that we have achieved a large proportion of our goals. With lots of young people and their leaders having a great time.

The camping and building accommodation bookings are recovering well, and we are expecting to be back to our pre Covid use by early next year. One major change we have made, is, the charge for the gas and electricity used in the Pack Holiday Centre and the Ranch House, will now be incorporated in the hire cost. We are hoping that people will not use the power wastefully.

As I am writing this, we are Completing the upgrade to the Air Rifle Range, and the renovation of the Ranch House. Also, the new Marquee has now been erected and the hire cost has been listed on our, newly revamped, web site. We have also introduced an updated booking form for camps/buildings and activities.

One verbal complaint (!!!) I received though, was from a leader looking, (unsuccessfully), for a discount on his groups camping fees because his Cubs got their shoes wet from the grass after the rain!! Mmmmm! Thankfully he was from another District.

We hope that you will continue to use and enjoy your District Campsite for many camps and activity days in the future.

Campsite Warden

John Salisbury

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees/members of Pennine Scout District

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022 which are set out on pages 7 to 9.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 43 of the Act),
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 43(7)(b) of the Act), and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis on Independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts presented a "true and fair" view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, 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 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.



Richard Gahan FCCA
7 Kingsbury Close, Bury BL8 1WA
23 May 2022

Pennine District Scouts

Consolidated Receipts and Payments Account

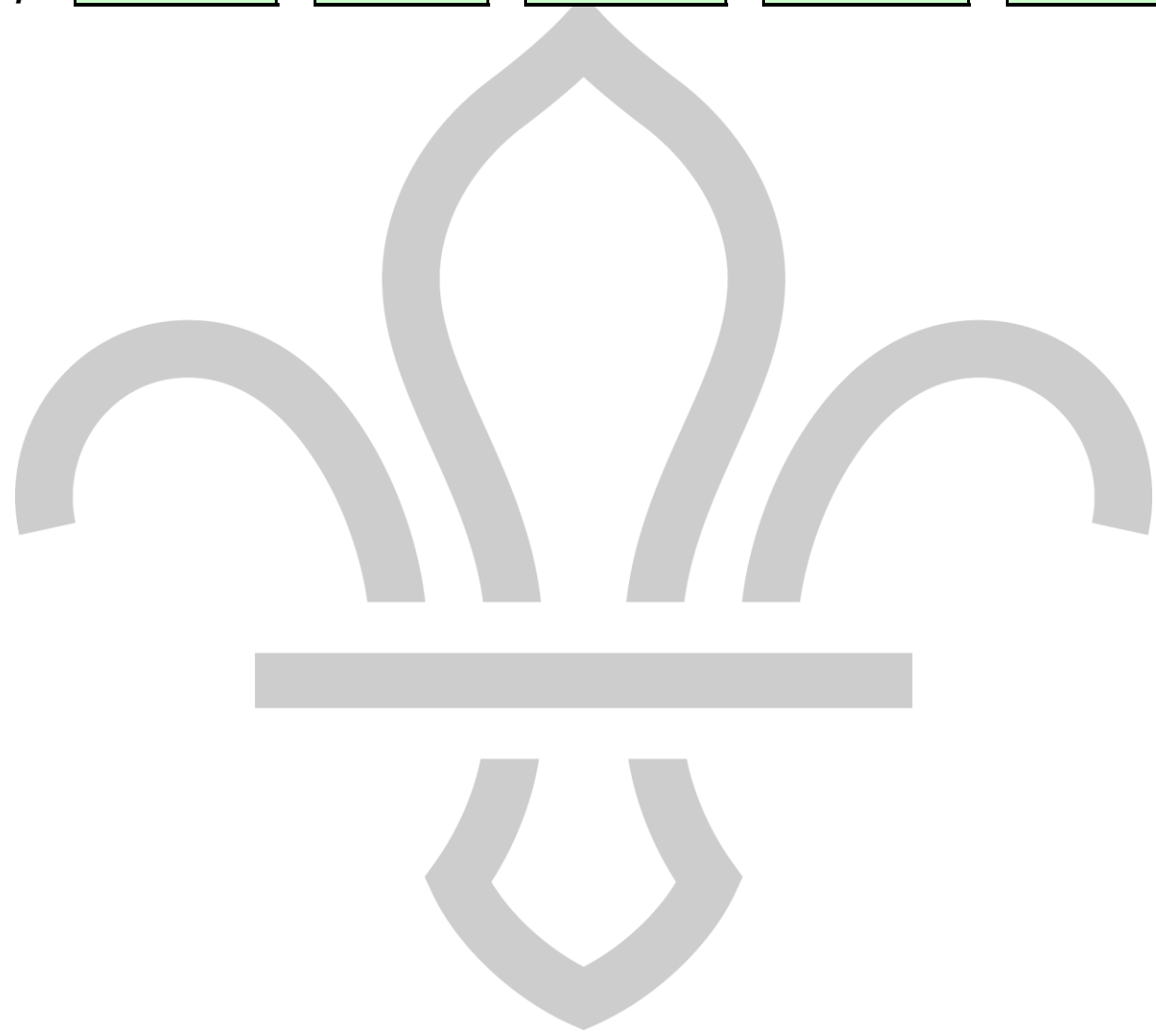
	Year start date		Year end date
For the year from	01/04/2021	To	31/03/2022

Receipts

	2021/22			2020/21	
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Receipts					
Membership Subscriptions 2021	36,237.00			36,237.00	31,798.50
Membership Subscriptions O/S 2020				0.00	152.00
Less Membership Subscriptions Paid	(38,136.00)			(38,136.00)	(31,929.00)
Net Membership Subscription received	(1,899.00)	0.00	0.00	(1,899.00)	21.50
DISTRICT SECTIONAL SUPPORT (See separate accounts for details)					
Beaver Scouts	2,203.20			2,203.20	
Cub Scouts	1,302.00			1,302.00	
Scouts	100.00			100.00	
Explorer Scouts				0.00	
Combined				0.00	
ASHWORTH VALLEY SCOUT CAMP					
Receipts (See separate accounts for details)	35,978.42			35,978.42	3,734.81
Sub total	37,684.62	0.00	0.00	37,684.62	3,756.31

Grants & Donations				0.00	
Pennine District	250.00			250.00	
Ashworth Valley Scout Camp					
Donations	2,077.29			2,077.29	
Covid Grant	10,667.00			10,667.00	21,000.00
Sub total	12,994.29	0.00	0.00	12,994.29	21,000.00
Fund Raising Gross					
Pennine District Shop Sales Sale of stock to County				0.00	
AVSC Tuck Shop Sales	3,487.90			3,487.90	86.25
Donation				0.00	26.17
Sub total	3,487.90	0.00	0.00	3,487.90	112.42
Miscellaneous					
Pennine Badge Sales	325.00			325.00	
				0.00	
				0.00	
	325.00			325.00	0.00
Investment Income					
Bank Interest	280.41			280.41	275.75
The Scout Association Short term Investment Service	18.34			18.34	52.89
Shop Insurance Refund				0.00	
				0.00	
Property Income AVSC)	5,084.00			5,084.00	5,052.00
Other investment income (AVSC)				0.00	
Sub total	5,382.75	0.00	0.00	5,382.75	5,380.64

Total Gross Income	59,874.56	0.00	0.00	59,874.56	30,249.37
Total receipts	59,874.56	0.00	0.00	59,874.56	30,249.37



Pennine District Scouts

Consolidated Receipts and Payments Account

	Year start date		Year end date
For the year from	01/04/2021	To	31/03/2022

Payments

	2021/22			2020/21	
Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Total funds	
£	£	£	£	£	
Payments					
Charitable payments	4,639.86			4,639.86	196.56
			0.00		
Pennine District Scouts (see separate accounts for details)					
Sectional; Support			0.00		
Beaver Scouts	1,786.35		1,786.35		
Cub Scouts			0.00		
Scouts			0.00		100.00
Explorer Scouts			0.00		
Combined	619.64		619.64		
New Group Support			0.00		
Ashworth Valley Scout Camp (See separate accounts for details)	37,911.60		37,911.60		40,156.49
Sub total	44,957.45	0.00	0.00	44,957.45	40,453.05

Fundraising expenses					
				0.00	
AVSC Tuck Shop Purchases	1,238.97			1,238.97	
AVSC Tuck Shop donation to AVSC from cash surplus	100.00			100.00	
Sub total	1,338.97	0.00	0.00	1,338.97	0.00
Total Gross Expenditure	46,296.42	0.00	0.00	46,296.42	40,453.05
Asset and investment purchases, etc.					
New Sewage Treatment Plant at Ashworth Valley Scout Camp				0.00	
Total payments	46,296.42	0.00	0.00	46,296.42	40,453.05
Net of receipts/(payments)	13,578.14	0.00	0.00	13,578.14	(10,203.68)
Transfers between funds			0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash funds last year end	85,507.20		0.00	85,507.20	95,710.88
Cash funds this year end	99,085.34	0.00	0.00	99,085.34	85,507.20



Pennine District Scouts

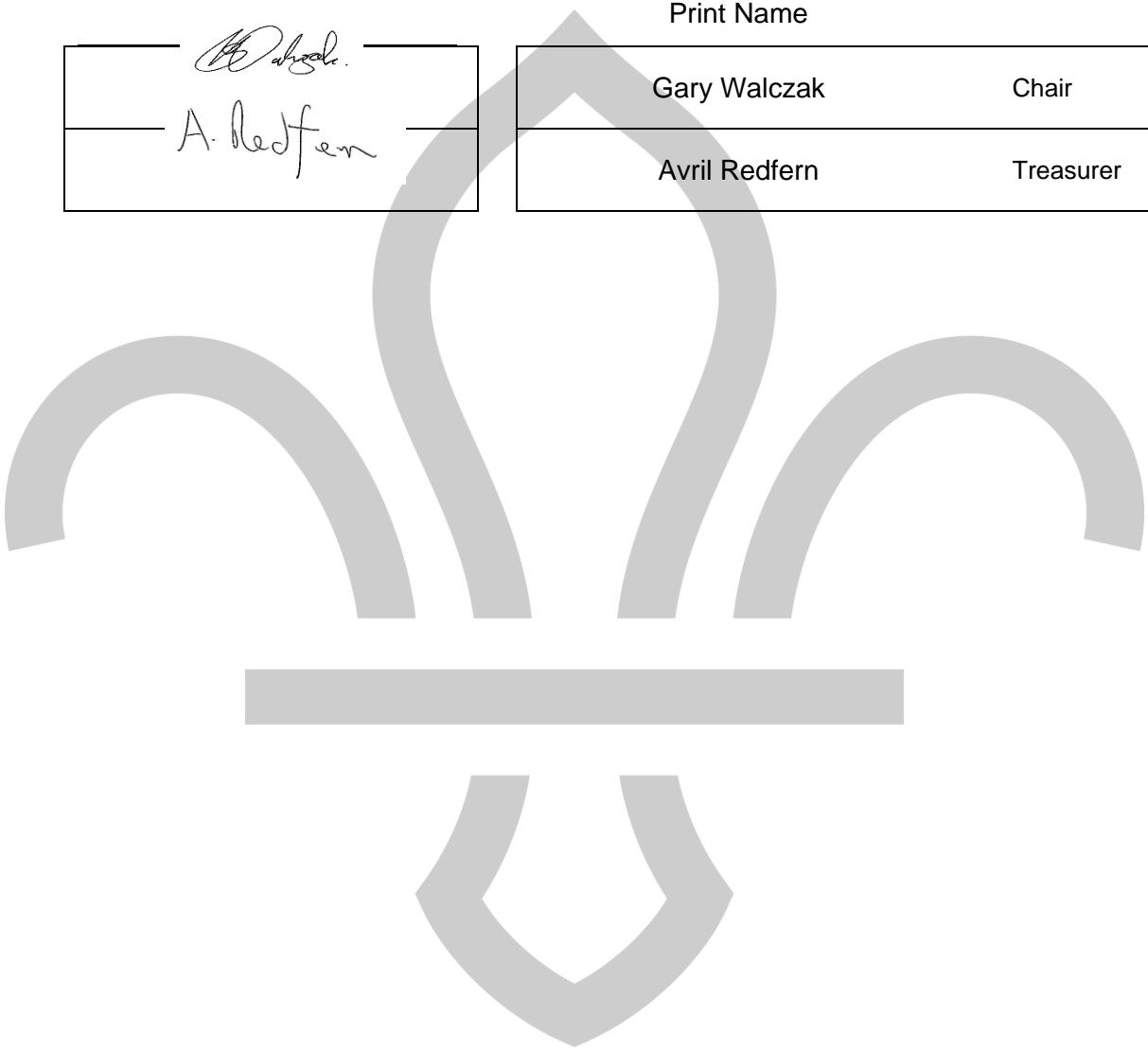
Consolidated Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	31/03/2022			31/03/2021	
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Cash funds "Pennine District"					
Bank current account	12,511.60			12,511.60	16,980.65
Bank deposit account				0.00	
Building society account				0.00	
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	40,000.00			40,000.00	40,000.00
Cash/Floats				0.00	
Cash Funds Pennine District Scout Shop					
Bank Current Account				0.00	
Cash/Floats				0.00	
Cash Funds "Ashworth Valley Scout Camp"					
Bank current account	8,296.52			8,296.52	5,143.64
Bank deposit account	1,805.28			1,805.28	1,804.25
Scottish Widows	34,001.55			34,001.55	18,999.43
Cash/Floats	35.48			35.48	44.32
AVSC Tuck Shop Bank	2,080.59			2,080.59	2,080.59
AVSC Tuck Shop cash in hand	354.32			354.32	454.32
Total cash funds	99,085.34	0.00	0.00	99,085.34	85,507.20
Other monetary assets					
Scout Shop Stock at cost				0.00	
less Stock Revaluation/Write off				0.00	
AVSC Tuck Shop Stock at cost	1,241.67			1,241.67	2,619.73
District Badges	166.40			166.40	491.40
Sub total	1,408.07	0.00	0.00	1,408.07	3,111.13
Investment assets					

Investment property - detail				0.00	0.00
Quoted investments				0.00	0.00
Other investments - detail				0.00	0.00
Sub total	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Non monetary assets for charity's own use					
AVSC Land at Revaluation	60,000.00			60,000.00	60,000.00
AVSC Buildings at Revaluation	350,000.00			350,000.00	350,000.00
AVSC Buildings at Cost	11,076.00			11,076.00	11,076.00
Motor Vehicles Cost (fully depreciated)				0.00	
Equipment at Cost (Sewage Plant after depreciation)	50,290.24			50,290.24	53,292.64
District equipment, furniture after depreciation				0.00	0.00
Other				0.00	0.00
Sub total	471,366.24	0.00	0.00	471,366.24	474,368.64
Notes re Sale of Pennine District Scout Shop to Greater Manchester North County					
<i>Sale of Stock to County</i>		0.00	0.00	0.00	
<i>Reimbursement of Expenses over sale period</i>		0.00	0.00	0.00	
<i>Bank and Petty Cash Balance paid to District</i>		0.00	0.00	0.00	
Total Sum Received into the District Account	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 24th June 2022 (approval responses received by email from Executive Committee members) and signed on their behalf by

	Print Name	
	Gary Walczak	Chair
	Avril Redfern	Treasurer



Pennine District Scout Council Receipts and Payments Account

	Year start date		Year end date
For the year from	01/04/2021	To	31/03/2022

Receipts

	2021/22			2020/2021	
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	
	£	£	£	£	£
Receipts					
Membership Subscriptions 2021	36,237.00	-	-	36,237.00	31,798.50
Membership Subscriptions O/S 2020				-	152.00
Less membership Subscriptions Paid	- 38,136.00	-	-	- 38,136.00	- 31,929.00
Net membership Subscription Received	- 1,899.00	-	-	- 1,899.00	21.50
SECTIONAL SUPPORT				-	-
Beaver Scouts		-	-	-	-
Cinema/Meal	1988.20	-	-	1,988.20	
Football	215.00	-	-	215.00	
		-	-	-	
				-	
				-	
Cub Scouts				-	
Annual camp				-	
Badge Day	1302.00			1,302.00	

Bonfire Event				-	
				-	
				-	
Scouts				-	
Activities				-	
Caving Refund	100.00			100.00	
				-	
Explorer Scouts				-	
Explorer belt				-	
Camp				-	
				-	
Miscellaneous				-	
7th Middleton (Refund of rent 2018/19)				-	
7th Middleton (Closure)				-	
1st Pennine (Closure)				-	
				-	
Combined				-	
Rochdale St Georges Day				-	
Heywood St Georges Day				-	
Big Camp Deposits				-	
Pennine Badges	325.00			325.00	
				-	
Sub total	2,031.20	-	-	2,031.20	21.50
Grants					
Kinlaw Trust - Youth Comm. Seminar		-	-	-	
New Groups		-	-	-	
Rochdale MBC (Heywood St Georges Day)				-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Fundraising (gross)					

Donation	250.00	-	-	250.00	26.17
Other fundraising activities	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	250.00	-	-	250.00	26.17
Investment income					
Bank interest	277.26	-	-	277.26	275.75
Building Society Interest		-	-	-	
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service }	18.34	-	-	18.34	52.89
Pennine Shop (Sold to GMN Scouts)		-	-	-	
Shop Insurance Refund		-	-	-	
Sub total	295.60	-	-	295.60	328.64
Total Gross Income	2,576.80	-	-	2,576.80	376.31
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	2,576.80	-	-	2,576.80	376.31

Pennine District Scout Council Receipts and Payments Account

	Year start date	To	Year end date
For the year from	01/04/2021	To	31/03/2022

Payments

Payments	2021/22			2020/2021	
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Charitable Payments					
District Insurance	42.00	-	-	42.00	
Defibrillator Machine	4195.20			4,195.20	
Lottery Licence	40.00			40.00	
Popcorn Machine	94.99			94.99	
Gilwell neckerchiefs	105.00	-	-	105.00	84.00
Poppy Wreaths	20.00	-	-	20.00	20.00
Presentation Day at Ashworth	56.48	-	-	56.48	
DC District Calendar	86.19	-	-	86.19	
Postage			-	-	20.15
Web Site		-	-	-	72.41
	4,639.86			4,639.86	196.56
Miscellaneous		-	-	-	

	-			-	-
Sectional Support		-	-	-	
Beaver Scouts		-	-	-	
Cinema/Meal	1586.35			1,586.35	
Football	200.00			200.00	
				-	
	1,786.35			1,786.35	-
Cub Scouts				-	
Annual camp				-	
Fireworks				-	
				-	
	-			-	-
Scouts				-	
Ski Rossendale				-	
Deposit				-	100.00
Activities at AVSC				-	
Activity Food				-	
	-			-	100.00
Explorer Scouts				-	
				-	
New Group Support				-	

	-			-	-
Combined					
DC Expenses	8.64			8.64	
MPLC	384.00			384.00	
Heywood St Georges Day		-	-	-	
Rochdale St Georges Day				-	
Pennine Badges	25.00	-	-	25.00	
Kinlaw Trust Refund	202.00			202.00	
Youth Commissioner Expenses				-	
Sub total	619.64	-	-	611.00	-
Fundraising expenses					
Detail 1	-	-	-	-	-
Other fundraising costs	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total		-	-		-
Total Gross Expenditure	7,045.85	-	-	7,037.21	296.56
Asset and investment purchases, etc.					
	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	7,045.85	-	-	7,037.21	296.56
Net of receipts/(payments)	-			-	
	4,469.05	-	-	4,460.41	79.75

Transfers between funds

Cash funds last year end

Cash funds this year end

-	-	-	-	-
56,980.65		-	56,980.65	56,900.90
52,511.60	-	-	52,520.24	56,980.65



Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

31st March 2022

31st Mar
2021

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Cash funds					
Bank current account	12,511.60		-	12,511.60	16,980.65
Bank deposit account			-	-	
Building society account			-	-	-
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	40,000.00		-	40,000.00	40,000.00
Cash/Floats		-	-	-	
Total cash funds	52,511.60	-	-	52,511.60	56,980.65
Other monetary assets					
District Badges	166.40	-	-	166.40	491.40
Scout Shop bank account	-	-	-	-	-
Scout Shop cash in hand	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	166.40	-	-	166.40	491.40
Investment assets					
Investment property - detail	-	-	-	-	-
Quoted investments	-	-	-	-	-
Other investments - detail	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-

Non monetary assets for charity's own use					
Badge stock	-	-	-	-	-
Shop stock	-	-	-	-	-
Other stock	-	-	-	-	-
Land and buildings	-	-	-	-	-
Motor vehicles	-	-	-	-	-
Scouting equipment, furniture etc	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Liabilities					
Accounts not yet paid	-	-	-	-	-
Expenses incurred but not invoiced	-	-	-	-	-
Subscriptions not yet paid	-	-	-	-	-
Loan - detail	-	-	-	-	-
Other liabilities	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-

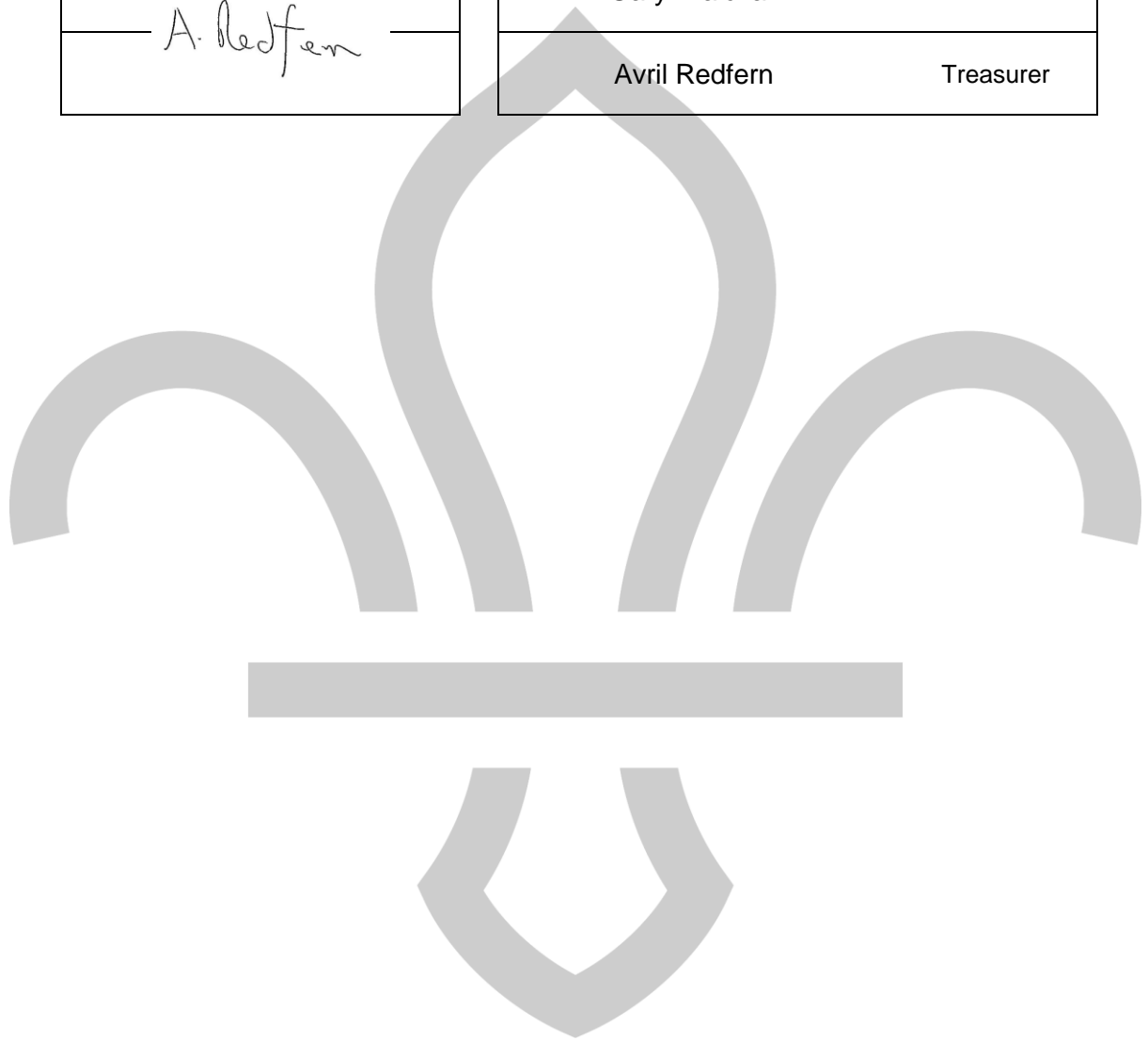
Contingent liabilities and future obligations
Grant of £1004 rec'd 2020 not yet spent. Membership Subscriptions of £1899 outstanding from Group

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 24th June 2022 (approval responses received by email from Executive Committee members) and signed on their behalf by

Gary Walczak
A. Redfern

Print Name

Gary Walczak	Chair
Avril Redfern	Treasurer



Ashworth Valley Scout Camp Receipts and Payments Account

	Year start date		Year end date
For the year from	01/04/202 1	To	31/03/202 2

Receipts

	2021/2022			2020/2021
	Unrestrict ed funds	Restricted funds	Endowmen t funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£
Receipts				
Donations, legacies and similar income				
Camp Fees and Deposits	25,015.50	-	-	25,015.50
Meters	1,244.51	-	-	1,244.51
Activities	9,138.00	-	-	9,138.00
		-	-	-
Donations, legacies and similar income	2,077.29	-	-	2,077.29
Christmas Meal		-	-	-
Wayleave	5.75	-	-	5.75
Electricity Refund	574.66			574.66
Sub total	38,055.71	-	-	38,055.71
Grants				
Maintenence grant	-	-	-	-

Other grants - Covid support	10,667.00	-	-	10,667.00	21,000.00
Sub total	10,667.00	-	-	10,667.00	21,000.00
Fundraising (gross)					
Tuck Shop Sales	3,487.90	-	-	3,487.90	86.25
Tuck Shop Bank Surplus		-	-	-	
Tuck Shop - Increase in cash from previous year		-	-	-	
Other fundraising activities	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	3,487.90	-	-	3,487.90	86.25
Investment income					
Bank interest		-	-	-	-
Building Society interest	3.15	-	-	3.15	-
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	-	-	-	-	-
Property Rent income	5,084.00	-	-	5,084.00	5,052.00
Other investment income		-	-	-	
Sub total	5,087.15	-	-	5,087.15	5,052.00
	Total Gross Income			57,297.76	29,873.06
Asset and investment sales, etc.		-	-	-	-
	Total receipts			57,297.76	29,873.06

Ashworth Valley Scout Camp Receipts and Payments Account

	Year start date		Year end date
For the year from	01/04/2021	To	31/03/2022

Payments

	2021/2022			2020/2021
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£
Payments				
Charitable Payments				
Telephone	546.98	-	-	546.98
Activities (Inspections)	1,097.60	-	-	1,097.60
Cave Bus Rental	420.00	-	-	420.00
New Activity Development				-
Maintenance of Activities	3,330.27			3,330.27
Activity Instructor Costs	450.00			450.00
New Central Heating				-
General Maintenance and Refurbishments	7,542.37			7,542.37
Cottage Refurbishments	359.99	-	-	359.99
Site Inspections	164.04			164.04
Water	1,690.14			1,690.14
				1,090.67

Council Tax	237.84			237.84	
Cleaning	1,565.91			1,565.91	1,485.76
Electricity (Top Site)	3,272.75	-	-	3,272.75	2,653.98
Electricity (Bottom Site)	2,188.67	-	-	2,188.67	1,493.39
Calor Gas	2,347.23	-	-	2,347.23	1,491.34
Stationery & Postage	155.56	-	-	155.56	98.36
Internet	691.52	-	-	691.52	1,376.53
Insurance	5,695.01	-	-	5,695.01	5,306.14
Sanitary Ware	3,093.70	-	-	3,093.70	1,922.12
Rubbish Removal	1,440.00	-	-	1,440.00	1,620.00
Refund of deposits - Coronairus		-	-	-	550.00
Licences (TV & DVD)	655.85	-	-	655.85	826.93
Staff Expenses	391.49	-	-	391.49	51.02
ASGC Subscriptions		-	-	-	
Diesel Oil		-	-	-	
Health & Safety	29.98	-	-	29.98	389.94
Miscellaneous	544.70	-	-	544.70	128.92
Sub total	37,911.60	-	-	37,911.60	40,156.49
Fundraising expenses					
Tuck Shop Purchases	1,238.97	-	-	1,238.97	
Tuck Shop - Reduction in cash from previous year	100.00	-	-	100.00	
Sub total	1,338.97	-	-	1,338.97	-

Total Gross Expenditure 39,250.57 - - 39,250.57 40,156.49

Asset and investment purchases, etc.

New Sewage Treatment Plant

Total payments 39,250.57 - - 39,250.57 40,156.49

Net of receipts/(payments) 18,047.19 - - 18,047.19 - 10,283.43

Transfers between funds

Cash funds last year end

Cash funds this year end 28,526.55 - - 28,526.55 38,809.98
46,573.74 - - 46,573.74 28,526.55

ASHWORTH VALLEY SCOUT CAMP

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	31st March 2022			31st Mar 2021	
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Cash funds					
Bank current account	8,296.52		-	8,296.52	5,143.64
Bank deposit account	1,805.28		-	1,805.28	1,804.25
Scottish Widows	34,001.55		-	34,001.55	18,999.43
Cash/Floats	35.48	-	-	35.48	44.32
Tuck Shop Bank	2,080.59	-	-	2,080.59	2,080.59
Tuck Shop Cash in Hand	354.32	-	-	354.32	454.32
Total cash funds	46,573.74	-	-	46,573.74	28,526.55
Other Current Assets					
Tuck Shop Stock at cost	1,241.67	-	-	1,241.67	2,619.73
Sub total	1,241.67	-	-	1,241.67	2,619.73
Investment assets					
Investment property - detail	-	-	-	-	-
Quoted investments	-	-	-	-	-

Other investments - detail	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Non monetary assets for charity's own use					
Land at Revaluation	60,000.00	-	-	60,000.00	60,000.00
Buildings at Revaluation	350,000.00	-	-	350,000.00	350,000.00
Buildings at Cost	11,076.00	-	-	11,076.00	11,076.00
Motor vehicles (fully depreciated)		-	-	-	-
Equipment (after depreciation)	50,290.24	-	-	50,290.24	53,292.64
Other	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	471,366.24	-	-	471,366.24	474,368.64
Liabilities					
Accounts not yet paid		-	-	-	-
Expenses incurred but not invoiced	-	-	-	-	-
Subscriptions not yet paid	-	-	-	-	-
Loan - detail	-	-	-	-	-
Other liabilities	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-

Contingent liabilities and future obligations

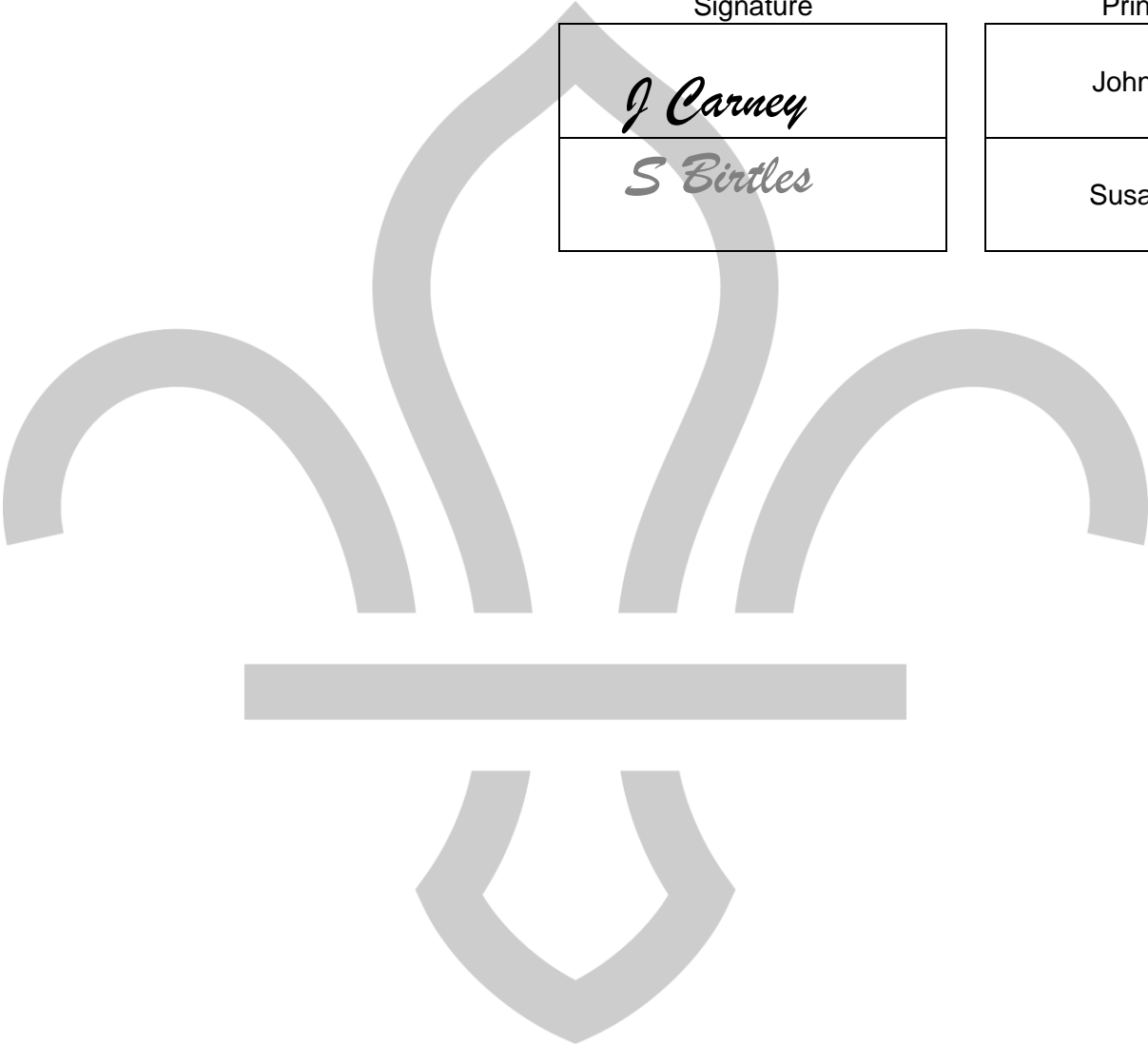
The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Management Committee on 11th May 2021 and signed on their behalf by

Signature

Print Name

<i>J Carney</i>
<i>S Birtles</i>

John Carney	Chair
Susan Birtles	Treasurer



Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees/members of Pennine Scout District

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022 which are set out on pages 7 to 9.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 43 of the Act),
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 43(7)(b) of the Act), and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

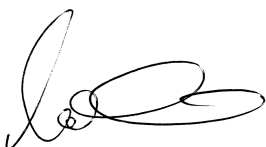
Basis on Independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts presented a "true and fair" view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, 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 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.



Richard Gahan FCCA
7 Kingsbury Close, Bury BL8 1WA

23 May 2022

PENNINE SCOUT DISTRICT GM

England & Wales - Charity number 1175173

Accounts



Annual Report for Pennine Scout District GM (2020 – 2021)

(Registered Charity No. 1175173)

Aims & Purposes

The Pennine Scout District is one of six districts within the Greater Manchester North Scout County, covering the geographical area of the Rochdale Metropolitan Borough and in particular the towns of Rochdale, Middleton, Heywood & Littleborough. The Pennine Scout district was created in 2014 following a comprehensive review of the former districts undertaken across the County and subsequent mergers. The Pennine Scout district was registered with the Charity Commission on 16 October 2017.

The Pennine District Scout Council (PDSC) is responsible for ensuring that opportunities exist for Scouting to be active in as many locations as possible across the borough, providing a service for young people from the age of 6 - 25 across five different sections – Beaver Scouts, Cub Scouts, Scouts, Explorer Scouts, Network Members. Scouting is an inclusive movement and is available to all young people. At the present time there are 21 individual groups spread across the borough. Within the district there are several properties owned and managed directly by individual groups. Other groups meet in school buildings, community halls or church halls. One building (former Middleton district scout hut) is owned by the district but the day to day management of this is the subject of a service level agreement between the district and a group. The district is responsible for the management and maintenance of the Ashworth Valley Scout Campsite.

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

Values & Method

The PDSC is committed to enabling as many young people as possible to participate in Scouting activities.

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 co-operate with others and make friends.

Vision

By 2025* we will have prepared more young people with skills for life, supported by amazing leaders delivering an inspiring programme. We will be growing, more inclusive, shaped by young people and making a bigger impact in our communities.

**Due to the impact of COVID-19, our Skills for Life strategy has been extended by 2 years until 2025.*

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 policies we follow are stated clearly in the Scout Associations Policy Organisation and Rules document (POR) covering the following topics:-

- The Religious Policy
- The Equal Opportunities Policy
- The Safety Policy
- The Safeguarding Policy
- The Vetting Policy
- The Youth Member Anti-Bullying Policy
- The Development Policy
- The Privacy and Data Protection Policy

Activities & Achievements

Throughout the year, there are a host of activities for the young people to access as part of their Scouting programme. Most of the activity takes place within individual sections belonging to groups and these planned activities provide a structure of badges and awards, which are progressive through the sections, and will actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society'.

Additional activities are arranged each year and run on a district basis for all Pennine groups, and there are a limited number of larger activities provided by the Greater Manchester North County and the North West region.

In March 2020, activities were severely curtailed by Covid-19 lockdowns and these lasted until June 2021 when limited outdoor activities resumed. It is hoped that the Autumn of 2021 will see a near normal resumption of the indoor and outdoor programme.

The Scouting programme provides a range of activities, challenges and experiences that young people experience in Scouting, and it is based around three main themes:

- outdoor and adventure,
- world
- and skills.

This programme of activities is planned by the leadership team in partnership with young people, and incorporates elements from each theme, to offer young people the most interesting and diverse experience.

There is flexibility within Scouting which means that all young people, regardless of their learning and physical abilities, can enjoy and achieve. The Programme is flexible and has room to adapt and accommodate the needs of the individuals in the section, with the focus being on personal development.

Ashworth Valley

PDSC has responsibility for the ownership and management of the Ashworth Valley Scout Campsite.

Background

This is the largest single asset owned by the district. The 48-acre campsite is situated in rural Lancashire in countryside bordering the Pennines, but still within easy reach of Greater Manchester's motorway network. The site was previously owned by the former Rochdale & Heywood Scout districts and was a working farm until the mid-1990's; camping at that time only took place in the valley and on the 'bottom field'. The voluntary staff ran the campsite from wooden buildings around the camp centre.

More recently

When the tenant farmer retired it was decided to have the whole farm as a campsite. Some of the old wooden buildings were taken down and the new workshop erected.

Many of the old stone farm buildings were redeveloped as washrooms, toilets, shop, offices and stores. In addition to the camping fields the site benefits from two purpose built residential buildings which can accommodate 32 and 24 people dormitory style.

Present

Ashworth Valley is committed to investing into the future and developing the site for all. We have many ongoing projects which aim to move the site forward, both in terms of site amenities and activities

We offer a wide range of activities for all ages.

Climbing Wall, Indoor Air Rifle Range, Outdoor Archery Range, Outdoor Axe Throwing Range, Crossbow, Pedal Karts, Orienteering, Pioneering, Adventure Playground, Beaver Leaf and Bug Hunt, Backwoods Area, Nature Trail, Outdoor Games Pack, Low Ropes Course, Zip line and High Ropes Grass Sledges, Cave Bus, Soft Archery & Dipping pond

Following the successful installation and commissioning of a new sewerage treatment plant (at a cost of £60,000), other more routine maintenance projects will be the focus of development work over the coming months. Of course, this routine management and maintenance will continue largely with the help provided by our wonderful team of volunteers who turn out every week to tend the grounds, repair minor breakages etc. Without them the task of keeping the site in tip top condition would not be possible. The uncertain times ahead, as a result of Covid- 19 will, of course, dictate the speed of these future improvement and development programmes.

Most of the bookings for 2020 and the early part of 2021 were cancelled or re-booked for a later date. From July 2021 bookings have re-started with the promise of a return to near normal levels for the latter part of 2021 and into 2022

Financial Review

In the past, the Pennine District account comprises three separate elements, covering the shop (uniform and badge sales to all members), the Ashworth Valley Scout campsite and the general account for all matters relating to the day to day running of the district. During 2019/20220 the shop was sold to the Greater Manchester North Scout County and was relocated to the County Headquarters building so that this can serve a wider membership. Total receipts on unrestricted funds were £30249.37 of which £5,052 was gained from renting out part of the former farmhouse.

The largest single transaction each year is the collection of membership subscriptions of behalf of the district. For each registered young person, we are required to collect a fee – this was £43.50 for the 2021 year. This subscription is collected and subsequently paid out to cover County and National Headquarters running costs and is subject to an annual review. At present, the district has not added any additional levy to this subscription. The account therefore shows £31,798.50 both as income and expenditure.

Full details of the account are included under the Financial Statements. The net result for the year was a deficit of receipts over payments of £10,203.68. This is a direct result of the reduced activity at the campsite during the twelve months of lockdown. Adding bank and deposit balances brought forward at the beginning of the financial year, the balances carried forward on 31 March 2021 on unrestricted funds totalled £85,507, excluding non-monetary assets.

Monies from the elements of the consolidated accounts are invested in banks, the Scout Association Short Term Investment service and Scottish Widows – details of these are included in the Consolidated Receipts and Payments account.

Volunteers

Nearly 1,100 young people experience fun and adventure every week in the 21 groups that comprise the Pennine Scout District. We have a wealth of Scouting experience in the 400+ adult volunteers and their dedication and value to the groups is tremendous. Without this commitment week on week we would not be able to provide the varied programme of activities and achieve the development potential in our young people. We are also lucky to have a group of volunteers providing the support 'behind the scenes' covering a variety of administration duties and supporting the groups and the sectional leaders.

Structure, Governance and Management

The method of appointment of District Executive Committee Members is set out in Scouting's 'Policy Organisation and Rules' (POR). The district executive members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the Pennine district including on how the funds of the district are spent.

The Executive Committee met every 2 months over the past year and the meetings were generally well attended. Of course, most of these took place as virtual meetings via Zoom. As ever we discussed a range of topics relating to all aspects of managing the district including, financial support to groups, GDPR, advising on Gift Aid, Growth & development, Risk Management and Census. The Appointment Secretary attended one of the meetings to provide an update on the current process within the district. In the past twelve months we welcomed 16 new adult volunteers across the district. This number is much a reduced from previous years but reflects the reduced activity as a direct result of the pandemic lockdowns.

One of the key development areas identified is the support that we can offer to groups across the district and particularly with their Executive committee responsibilities. This is something the District Executive committee members will continue to assist with during the coming year. Some of our groups, with their own property, were fortunate enough to qualify for the Government's Retail, Hospitality and Leisure Grant Fund (RHLGF) to help them manage their outgoings during the periods of lockdown.

Administrative Information

The Pennine District is situated within the Borough of Rochdale, Greater Manchester and the correspondence address is: c/o District Secretary (Anne Williams), 14 Alresford Road, Middleton, Manchester, M24 1WU. Email: secretary@pennine.gmnscouts.org.uk

The current Executive Committee members who were elected at the AGM held on 10 September 2019 are as follows (several of these also served on the previous committee). As a result of the Covid-19 pandemic and the restrictions associated with this, the 2021 AGM was held virtually by Zoom with all the administration carried out via email. Part of this process was the agreement that all current serving committee members agreed to continue for a further year without holding elections. There was the opportunity however for anyone eligible to offer to serve on the new committee either as an elected or co-opted member. No nominations were received by the declared closing date.

Ex Officio members

Gary Walczak - District Chair

Alan Sharkey - District Commissioner

Alex Wedgwood – Youth Commissioner

Anne Williams – District Secretary

Avril Redfern – District Treasurer

Mike Phillips – District Explorer Scout Commissioner

Jon Gillibrand - District Scout Network Commissioner

Nominated Members (by District Commissioner)

Donna Moriarty

Darren Lord

Elected Member (re-elected at the Zoom AGM held on 7 July 2021)

John Salisbury

Doug Sutton

Keith Williams

Pauline Mitchell

Co-opted Members (confirmed at virtual AGM on 7th July 2021)

Norma Brandon

Annual Reports to AGM, including Financial Statements

(see separate attachments, sent with this report)

Independent Examiner's/ Auditor's Report

(see separate attachment, sent with this report)

Anne Williams

District Secretary, Pennine District Scouts

September 2021

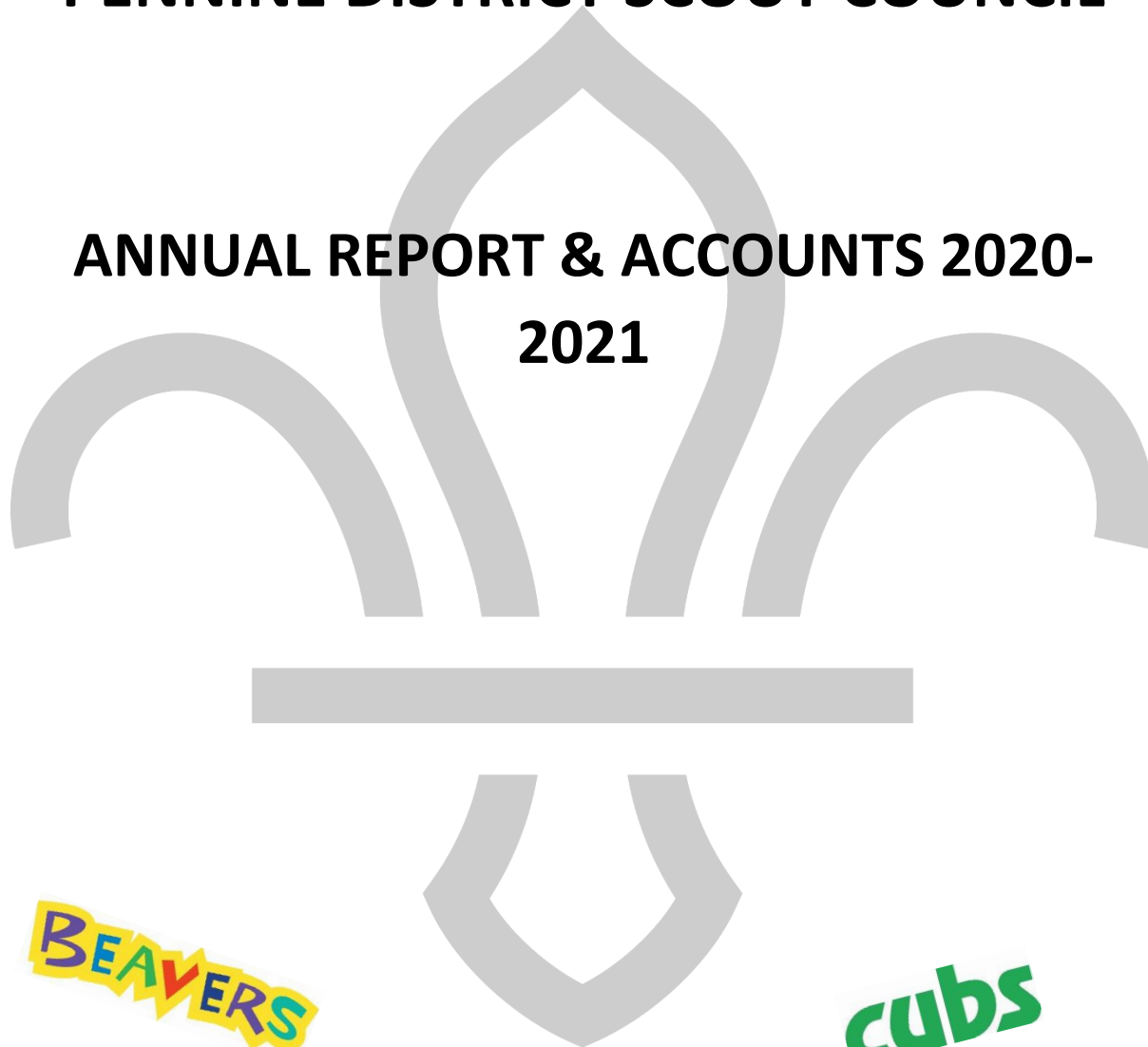


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Report from the Chair

Our strategic objectives

This year we maintain a focus on:

Growth	Inclusivity	Youth Shaped	Community impact
We believe Scouting changes lives so we want to give every young person in the UK the opportunity to join	Everyone, regardless of their background, should be able to participate in Scouts.	Every young person should be shaping their experience and developing their leadership potential.	Through community impact projects, Scouts makes a difference not just to the individual but to whole communities.

Pillars of work

To meet our objectives as a movement we will focus on these three pillars of work:

Programme	People	Perception
A fun, enjoyable, high quality programme consistently delivered and supported by simple (digital) tools	More, well trained, better supported and motivated adult volunteers, and more young people from diverse backgrounds.	Scouting is understood, more visible, trusted, respected and widely seen as playing a key role in society today.

Welcome, to the AGM of the Pennine District. We, once again, meet virtually through the wonders of zoom, to reflect on this most unusual year for us all. Tonight, we will celebrate the ingenuity and creativity that our leaders have employed to ensure that our scouts have stayed connected.

This has been a challenging year, but I am delighted to report that the outcomes of the recent national census, indicates that here in Pennine we have retained a higher number of scouts, than the national average. Thank you to the leaders, who have worked so hard to achieve this. In thinking outside the box, our scout leaders have demonstrated great ingenuity, to engage scouts in the home. I have no doubt that the anticipation of the online scout meetings, and challenges set at home, will have contributed to your members' sense of continuity and wellbeing.

During the year, scouting has transitioned between online and face to face meetings. In keeping with our diligent duty of care, your attention to detail in writing risk assessments has ensured all has gone well. My particular thanks go to our DC, Alan Sharkey and his team, for their dedication in evaluating the risk assessments, to ensure that all are as safe as we can be.

As we begin to enjoy a sense of normality, and as scouting heads towards green, Pennine District must turn its attention to the recruitment and retention of good group leaders and helpers. The figures show that we have retained the scouts, let us not fail them for lack of leaders. It is up to all of us here tonight, District members and group leaders, to work together to achieve this end. If you have any good ideas on how we may retain Explorers and develop them as future leaders, please share them.

The pandemic has placed a particular strain on Ashworth Valley. Although the site was not able to operate, the management and maintenance team seized the opportunity to carry out essential work around the site and generally keep everything in good order. I appeal to all group leaders to stay local, and support Ashworth Valley to recover income lost in 2020. This is an excellent facility and one we should cherish.

Let's hope in 2021 we can get back to scouting as we knew it before Covid-19. To be able to provide the opportunities to enjoy new adventures and experience the great outdoors interacting with others and making new friends.

Gary Walczak – Chair Pennine District Scout Council

District Commissioners Report

Hello everyone.

As we all know, it's been a funny old year. But I have to say that out of all the districts I am in contact with, Pennine has made the greatest effort to overcome the disabilities of the pandemic and keep Scouting flying and in the minds of everyone around.

Some notable examples stand out.

- We should all applaud the 2nd Middleton's efforts in starting and running a food bank for the needy during this time. Without their efforts, a lot more people would have gone hungry.
- All the groups who have been doing virtual scouting – I congratulate you all. You've all had to learn new skills very quickly and it's been a pleasure watching the faces of the Young People as they enjoy Scouting 'from afar'. I think this, more than anything else has had a major contribution to the mental wellbeing of the scouting community and their families.
- To all the young people and the number of badges they have earned. It's been a real pleasure to hand out these rewards for the hard work.
- To everyone who has earned a Chief Scouts award. I've seen the pictures of Facebook – and it's lovely to appreciate the efforts that they have gone through to get them.
- To the leaders who have struggled through the pandemic but have still managed to put on a decent programme for their sections.
- To my District leaders for interacting with their sections and encouraging and supporting everyone.
- To The Scout Association (TSA) and the 1st Virtual Facebook group who have given us a lot of support with new programme ideas to help us through the last 12 months.
- And, of course, to my Exec team for providing some stability and support to me and the district.

We are just beginning to get back to normality. It will take time, but we are starting to grow again. I know from personal experience that there are a LOT of children out there who now see Scouting as their next big thing. I am getting enquiries from adults wanting to help and, of course, our existing leaders are getting their enthusiasm back (some never lost it!).

Looking to the future, we will be running district activities as soon as we can. And we will be opening new sections and possibly new groups once we have achieved the stability we had before all this lockdown started.

I will close off this short report by just thanking every leader and helper for all the hard work they have done in very trying times. You have not been forgotten and I am very grateful that you have been around to support Scouting.

Alan Sharkey

District Commissioner (slightly frazzled around the edges – but still having fun).

ADC Beavers Section Report

Since my last report, we have continued under these strange times of the pandemic, and it has been a testing time for us all. There have been a number of beaver leaders who have continued with Scouting via Zoom meetings and for their dedication I salute you and thank you for all your hard work. It has been a learning curve for all and not as easy as it seems to keep young children sitting for up to an hour giving us their attention when they have been zooming during the day with their schoolwork. Some children did not take part and one can sympathise – and too, with our adult leaders and helpers who have been working this way during the day to then give their time with the children. For those who were, for whatever the reason, unable to do take part in the zoom sessions we thank you for returning to us now that we are able to restart with face-to-face scouting.

We sadly lost one of our leaders in Heywood, Gail Walthall was a valued member and an inspiration to those of us who knew her and know of her dedication to scouting. Our thoughts are with her family and group.

According to the census our beaver membership has dropped from 355 beavers that we had in Jan 2020 to 226 in Jan 2021. This seems to be down by a third but does not take into account the waiting lists that showed, at that time, 107 children were waiting for a place. Nor does it consider the fact that some beavers have been held back by not being able to move up to cubs when they should have due to not meeting face to face – so not a clear picture which should start to become clearer as we are released from lockdown. Adult members in beavers: 83 last year and 67 this year – showing a reduction although the majority of this loss is under the section assistants, so we have a good solid basis for regrowth and hope for the future.

Assuming all continues on course with easing of lockdown and the readiness levels returning to green; there are plans for District beaver events next year - an Ashworth Valley activity day booked for mid-June. There will hopefully be a mystery coach trip (perhaps in late September this year IF lockdown has finished totally but otherwise moved to a date next year. In addition, other ideas being discussed will be in the New Year.

On behalf of the young people, I would, as always, like to thank our dedicated adult members and young leaders, for their hard work, time and efforts they continue to give. This is even more heartfelt especially during these strange times of lockdowns and restarting, with the extra effort and requirements that we now must put in place.

In addition, thanks go to our district leaders, district Youth Commissioner and Deputy for their input as well as to all our adult helpers across the District for their continued support and time.

We cannot provide a scouting adventure for the younger end of the Scout movement without you, and I hope long may it continue. Thank you.

Keep Safe.

Mole Wedgwood

ADC Beavers Pennine District

ADC Cubs Section Report

This has been an unbelievably challenging year with Cub packs unable to hold face to face meetings due to Covid-19 lockdown restrictions. Nevertheless, cub leaders have been incredibly creative throughout this time and have organised virtual pack meetings, sleepovers and camps for their packs.

For some packs virtual scouting has proved too difficult and, unfortunately, they have lost members. However, there is cautious optimism that once face to face meetings can resume there will be a gradual return to normality.

Continuing restrictions means that district events are not a realistic proposition at the moment. However, when restrictions end, activities will be planned to support the Cub section as they rebuild and develop their packs.

Sandra Roberts (ADC Cubs)

ADC Scouts Section Report

The Scout section is the foundation of the entire association and to be able to support the leaders and young people in the section is vital. Having recently moved into the area I thought that taking on the role as ADC Scouts would be an interesting way to jump in the deep end. It has not been the easiest start thanks in no part to being constantly online. However, in the short time that I have been in role I feel confident that there are many plans on the horizon for everyone to take part in. Having been able to meet the leaders online, I hope now to start seeing the Young People within their sections over the coming months.

Ryan Hawkins ADC (Scouts)

Report from DESC for Pennine District AGM

It has been a quiet year for our Explorer Units, with most Units either tagging onto their associated Scout Troops, or else not having regular meetings at all. However, since face to face meetings recommenced, our nine different Units have all started meeting again. Most Explorers have returned, and some Units even grown in numbers.

We have held one Leaders meeting so far, my first as DESC. Most Units were either represented or sent apologies. We spent around an hour discussing where the Units stood, and what plans are in hand for the future.

We will share our different Unit programmes, using Teamup, so that our smaller Units can see what the other Units are doing. The option being to join in with these meetings. After all, all our Explorer Scouts are members of Pennine, and so of all Units across the district, whichever Group they came from.

We hope to start running District based events soon, such as a District Explorer Camp in the next year, with an activity day at Ashworth Valley, and a day for the Scouts to attend, run by the Explorers to try to encourage the older Scouts to engage with and try out Explorer Scouts.

I am arranging termly meetings with Unit leaders, to plan and coordinate activities across Pennine, while we expand Explorers into the future.

Mike Phillips

DESC Pennine District

Youth Commissioners Section Report

Firstly, we would like to thank all leaders for all their work over the last 12 months. This last year hasn't been easy and on behalf of all the young people in our district, I would like to thank you for all you have done.

Like everyone, we have not been able to do many of the activities we would have liked to have done in the last 12 months, however we were able to hold our second District Explorer Forum. This event was held virtually in January, and we managed to get a few good ideas. It was not as well attended as we would have liked on virtual as, when we chose the date, we hoped we would be out of lockdown by then. A new lockdown started two weeks before the forum and many of our explorers would have been very 'zoomed out'. We hope our next District Explorer Forum will be face-to-face and we can get lots more ideas for activities and continue in our progression for making our district Youth-Shaped.

As you know, face to face scouting has only recently restarted and as such we have thought it best to let groups get themselves up and running before we come and visit. However, we are still active on the District Instagram page, which is ran by the Youth Commissioner team and we are always available to provide support to any leaders who would like it.

There are lots of exciting things coming soon, one of which is the brand new YouShape award. This award will be a great chance for your young people to show that they are shaping their scouting journeys and also having a positive impact on their groups and local community. This award will be launched in October 2021. The activities and resources will be on the scouts website in September. It is an award that is different for each of the 4 main sections, and it is a very exciting award for each section to do. We are looking forward to seeing these awards in action and the Youth Commissioner team are more than happy to help with these awards.

We are still very much on the lookout for another Deputy District Youth Commissioner, and if you or you know anyone above the age of 18 that would be suitable for or interested in the role, please let one of the youth commissioner team know.

The Youth Commissioner Role is one of the few roles in scouting with a time limit (3 years). At the end of July, my term of being Youth Commissioner will come to an end. It has been a massive privilege to do this role and I am very grateful for having this opportunity. It has been exciting to see the young people shape their scouting and I am sure the next Youth Commissioner will continue with ensuring Scouting in our local area continues being youth led.

Thank you for all your hard work and if there is any way we can support you, please let us know.

Yours in Scouting

Alex Wedgwood & Darren Lord

District Youth Commissioner & Deputy District Youth Commissioner

Email: youth@pennine.gmnscouts.org.uk

Ashworth Valley Campsite Warden's Report

Following TSA and Government guidelines, between March 2020 and March 2021, Ashworth Valley has been closed to all Groups, due to the Covid 19 Pandemic. Also following the guidelines, we implemented Covid and Social Distancing measures.

Even without visitors, the Campsite grounds, buildings, and equipment needed to be maintained. Therefore, we formed three two-man teams. 'Team one' would ensure that the grounds, such as the three large camping fields and outside activities areas were prevented from becoming overgrown and unusable. 'Team Two' and 'Team three' were tasked with completing projects that, for safety reasons, could not be abandoned. They were also tasked with carrying out general and improvement maintenance in order to prevent the deterioration of our buildings and activity equipment. Carrying out this important maintenance also kept our insurance valid. Although these teams were visiting the Campsite regularly, we had two major water bursts, causing damage. But thankfully, by early intervention, major damage and a possible expensive insurance claim was prevented. After our Electrician had checked the electrics, our Plumber was able to make repairs and the damage to the buildings was repaired.

The Ashworth Valley Team are looking forward to welcoming you all back and will endeavour to assist you with your Groups camping adventures.

Yours in Scouting

Keep safe.

John Salisbury

Campsite Warden

Adult Training Report

The past year has been a difficult one for everyone, and unsurprisingly no face-to-face training has taken place. Weekend 1 of the Fast track 10 course was the first casualty being cancelled shortly after lock-down 1 began in March 2020.

However, looking at the positives, the Scout Association have used this period to review some elements of the training programme and to accelerate some of the changes they had already started work on.

The Getting Started course has been completely overhauled and is now fully available as online learning, reflecting existing online training and methods used across many businesses and organisations. Many of our new leaders will be very familiar with this method of updating their knowledge base.

All new appointments, from September 2021, are required to complete 4 online modules - Safety, Safeguarding, Essential Information and GDPR. Anyone with a governance role is now required to complete a Trustee Introduction module. This is a good refresher course for existing members, too, to ensure they understand their responsibilities as a charity trustee. Section Leaders and Assistant Section Leaders must also complete a First Response course (more about this below), but they can be validated for this training if they have a First Aid qualification through work or another recognised organisation.

Several of our volunteers have continued to be validated during the past year, by their Training Advisers, particularly where they were part way through their Wood badge courses. Thank you to those TAs who have assisted with any of these over the 'phone or using virtual meetings.

Future training courses will continue to be advertised on the County calendar and when courses restart, individuals will be able to book themselves on to a course, and remember all training is free. gmnscoutstraining.org Please be aware that courses may have to be cancelled or re-arranged at short notice, as a result of present or future restrictions.

First Aid - Over the past year a new First Aid training scheme has been developed, recognising that the old six hours course was getting more and more complex to deliver. TSA are of the opinion that a basic course is more appropriate than the former workplace type training. This new training will take the form of a theory module 10A, run by local Counties, followed up with a group practical session, module 10B, this second part is expected to take about 40 minutes to complete. Clearly the practical sessions of this training cannot happen until further restrictions are lifted and we return to a green state of readiness.

In the meantime, Scouting has stated that from the time we return to 'green', members will have a six-month extension to complete the first response course. This extension applies to those whose training expired, shortly before and during lockdowns, since March 2020. It does not extend to historical First Aid qualifications.

Finally, thank you to all those that have completed or renewed training in any area over the past year, adding to the time you already offer in your role as a valued volunteer.

Keith Williams – Local Training Manager ltm@pennine.gmnscouts.org.uk

Pennine District Appointments Advisory Committee Report

As we all know this has been a difficult year with new challenges as well as great opportunities. Due to the pandemic and the restrictions the appointments committee have not held any face-to-face meetings at all during the period. However, we have used ZOOM to hold 6 'online' appointment meetings and although they took a bit of getting used to, they have proved to be very successful. Some initial feedback received indicates that this type of meeting avoids applicants having to travel, often in bad weather during winter months and therefore saves time, no childminding has to be arranged, committee members also spend less time away from home, so overall positive results.

As groups have not been meeting, recruitment of new leaders has been limited, but during the period 16 applicants were reviewed and had their roles confirmed.

The appointments procedure has been reviewed and updated and it is worth line managers taking a little of their time to read the details in POR, about what action line managers should be taking to prepare the new applicants for the role they are taking on. It would also help if applicants were briefed on Scouting Values and Policies, together with having a clear understanding of the role they are taking on.

<https://www.scouts.org.uk/por/the-appointment-process/>

If anyone wants any help in this area please do drop me an email to :-

appointment-sec@pennine.gmnscouts.org.uk

and I will gladly explain what is required and links to follow.

Colin Tunncliffe

Pennine District Appointments Secretary

District Secretary's Report

What a different year it has been but having said that and from a governance perspective the Pennine District has managed to fulfil most of its requirements. We held our 2020 AGM via email, in accordance with acceptable Covid safe practices, and we have had regular Executive meetings approximately every 2 months, via Zoom. The first couple of these were maybe a bit strange, but I think that we have now warmed to the process and attendance has been particularly good.

Thank you to all the Group Scout Leaders and Group Contacts for their very speedy completion of the census process this year and for making my part of the process stress free! *It is still possible that we may be having another census in October 2021, so I will be needing your support again. If this does happen it will only be the census, with the membership fee element not due until the more usual time in February/March (but based on the census numbers in October)*

Within the Executive meetings we have covered many topics and concerns of the district (such as District finances, Support for groups, hardship funds, hospitality grants, Virtual AGM, Return to Scouting and associated risk assessments, Ashworth Valley partial land sale, Charity Commission annual report, Gift Aid, Executive committee membership). If you have any issues that you or your group would like to be addressed by the Executive, then let me know and I will add these to a future agenda.

Pennine district has continued to gain a good number of Good Service awards and congratulations to all who have received one during the past 12 months. There was a pause in the process for a large part of 2020 when the awards team staff at Gilwell were furloughed. Thankfully, they returned to work in January and have been playing catch up since that time.

Sadly, two of our longer serving, and extended District family, have died recently – Gail Walthall and David Nunwick. Our grateful thanks go to them for their service to Scouting, along with our condolences to their families.

Anne Williams

Pennine District Secretary – secretary@pennine.gmnscouts.org

Good Service Awards Received in Pennine District (2020 – 2021)

Despite the lock downs during most of this period, and the headquarters awards team being furloughed for quite a long time, the Pennine district has been remarkably successful in receiving Good Service awards for the following adult volunteers.

Silver Wolf

Gail Walthall

Stephen Walthall

Doug Sutton

John Salisbury

Alan Hart

Silver Acorn

Paul Forrest

Sandra Roberts

Chris McLaren

Neil McClure

Norma Brandon

Mark Hollis

Bar Award for Merit

John Carney

Craig Pullan

David Geeson

David Whitehead

Amanda Phillips

Award for Merit

Keith Redfern

Martin Atkinson

Helen Seaton

Mole Wedgwood

Graeme Walmsley

Linda Marsland

Steph Carter

Chief Scout's Commendation

Andrew Wells

Julie Charles

Leanne Chorlton

Ian Moriarty

Rachel Butler

Jonathon Clegg

Rachel Buckley

Martin Atkinson

Donna Moriarty

Martin Eastwood

Lindsey Osbourne

Matthew Thornton

Ian Tait

Sharon McCormick

James Patterson

Commissioner's Commendations

Vicky Rush

Steph Banks

Danny Farnell

Donna Moriarty

For service with Middleton in Action Together Food Bank

Neil McClure

Susan Foex

Anne Williams

Amanda Dixon

Diane Pullan

Laura Cunningham

Norma Brandon

Paul Forrest

Madeleine Foex

Keith Williams

Becky Fletcher

Rachel Meyrick-Bell

Clare Smith

Steven Elsworth

Sebastian Foex

Steve Banks

Sarah Jackson

Stuart Bell

Phil Elsworth

Kelvin Walmsley

Financial Information – Pennine District Report

Pennine District Scout Council Receipts and Payments Account

	Year start date		Year end date
For the year from	01/04/2020	To	31/03/2021

Receipts and payments

	2020/21			2019/2020	
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Receipts					
Membership Subscriptions 2021	31,798.50			31,798.50	40,128
Membership Subscriptions O/S 2020	152.00			152.00	
Less membership Subscriptions Paid	31,929.00			31,929.00	40,280
Net membership Subscription Received	21.50			21.50	152.00
SECTIONAL SUPPORT					
Beaver Scouts					
Gulliver Trip					1601.00
Sports					384.00
Santa Train					
Christmas Cinema Visit					1524.00

Walk					
Cub Scouts					
Annual camp					
Athletes Badge					
Bonfire Event					915.00
Scouts					
Activities					
Ski Rossendale					
Explorer Scouts					
Explorer belt					
Camp					
Miscellaneous					
7th Middleton (Refund of rent 2018/19)					2070.29
7th Middleton (Closure)					6927.25
1st Pennine (Closure)					368.72
Combined					
Rochdale St Georges Day					190.38
Heywood St Georges Day					214.14
Big Camp Deposits					
Pennine Badges					189.00

Sub total	21.50			21.50	14,231.78
Grants					
Kinlaw Trust - Youth Comm. Seminar					250.00
New Groups					3,000.00
Rochdale MBC (Heywood St Georges Day					1,004.00
Sub total					4,254.00
Fundraising (gross)					
Donation	26.17			26.17	
Other fundraising activities					
Sub total	26.17			26.17	
Investment income					
Bank interest	275.75			275.75	239.34
Building Society Interest }					
The Scout Association Short Term } Investment Service }	52.89			52.89	100.13
Pennine Shop (Sold to GMN Scouts)					10,199.11
Shop Insurance Refund					
Sub total	328.64			328.64	10,538.58
Total Gross Income	376.31			376.31	29,024.36
Asset and investment sales, etc.					

<i>Total receipts</i>	376.31			376.31	29,024.36
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Pennine District Scout Council Receipts and Payments Account

Year start
date

Year end
date

For the year from	01/04/2020	To	31/03/2021
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Receipts and payments

	2020/21			2019/2020	
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Payments					
Charitable Payments					
District Insurance		-	-	-	84.00
AGM 2018 and Trustee Expenses		-	-	-	
AGM 2019				-	390.00
Gilwell neckerchieves	84.00	-	-	84.00	62.00
Poppy Wreaths	20.00	-	-	20.00	
Alkington Building Electric		-	-	-	
Gift of Recognition		-	-	-	
DC District Calendar		-	-	-	94.83

Postage	20.15		-	20.15	
Web Site	72.41	-	-	72.41	
	196.56			196.56	630.83
Miscellaneous		-	-	-	
7th Rochdale HQ Repairs				-	
7th Middleton				-	84.61
	-			-	84.61
Sectional Support		-	-	-	
Beaver Scouts		-	-	-	
Medals & Badges				-	
Football				-	94.00
Christmas Cinema Visit				-	1352.47
Hopwood Day Sports				-	367.47
Santa Train				-	
Gullivers World				-	1587.00
Beaver Day at AVSC				-	25.00
	-			-	3,425.94
Cub Scouts				-	
Annual camp				-	50.00
Soap Box Derby				-	

Hopwood Event - Athletes Badge				-	
Football				-	
Fireworks				-	791.37
Roller City (Inc refund £45)				-	
Flag				-	
	-			-	841.37
Scouts				-	
Ski Rossendale				-	
Deposit	100.00			100.00	
Activities at AVSC				-	120.00
Activity Food				-	29.20
	100.00			100.00	149.20
Explorer Scouts				-	
Explorer Project				-	
Youth Commissioner Support				-	
New Group Support				-	
40th Rochdale				-	784.13
5th Pennine				-	1591.25
27th/15th Rochdale debts				-	
Badges				-	78.90

	-			-	2,454.28
Combined					
DC Expenses				-	
MPLC				-	415.30
Heywood St Georges Day		-	-	-	315.00
Rochdale St Georges Day				-	210.00
Pennine Badges		-	-	-	20.00
				-	
Youth Commissioner Expenses				-	189.49
				-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	1,149.79
Fundraising expenses					
Detail 1	-	-	-	-	-
Other fundraising costs	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total Gross Expenditure	296.56	-	-	296.56	8,736.02
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	-	-	-	-	-

Total payments	296.56	-	-	296.56	8,736.02
Net of receipts/(payments)	79.75	-	-	79.75	20,288.34
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds last year end	56,900.90			56,900.90	36,612.56
Cash funds this year end	56,980.65	-	-	56,980.65	56,900.90

Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

31st March 2021



31st Mar
2020

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Cash funds					
Bank current account	16,980.65		-	16,980.65	16,900.90
Bank deposit account			-	-	
Building society account			-	-	-
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	40,000.00		-	40,000.00	40,000.00
Cash/Floats			-	-	
Total cash funds	56,980.65	-	-	56,980.65	56,900.90
Other monetary assets					
District Badges	491.40	-	-	491.40	491.40
Scout Shop bank account	-	-	-	-	-
Scout Shop cash in hand	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	491.40	-	-	491.40	491.40
Investment assets					
Investment property - detail	-	-	-	-	-

Quoted investments	-	-	-	-	-
Other investments - detail	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Non monetary assets for charity's own use					
Badge stock	-	-	-	-	-
Shop stock	-	-	-	-	-
Other stock	-	-	-	-	-
Land and buildings	-	-	-	-	-
Motor vehicles	-	-	-	-	-
Scouting equipment, furniture etc	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Liabilities					
Accounts not yet paid	-	-	-	-	-
Expenses incurred but not invoiced	-	-	-	-	-
Subscriptions not yet paid	-	-	-	-	-
Loan - detail	-	-	-	-	-
Other liabilities	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-

Contingent liabilities and future obligations

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 6th July 2021 (the date of the Executive Committee meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by

Signature	Print Name
	Gary Walczak Chair
	Avril Redfern Treasurer

Financial Information – Ashworth Valley Scout Camp Report

Ashworth Valley Scout Camp Receipts and Payments Account

	Year start date		Year end date
For the year from	01/04/2020	To	31/03/2021

Receipts and payments

	2020/2021			2019/2020	
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Receipts					
Donations, legacies and similar income					
Camp Fees and Deposits	1,366.00	-	-	1,366.00	41,261.00
Meters		-	-	-	2,191.95
Activities		-	-	-	18,411.50
E		-	-	-	
Donations, legacies and similar income	2,231.06	-	-	2,231.06	2,384.71
Christmas Meal		-	-	-	
Wayleave		-	-	-	5.75

Electricity Refund	137.75			137.75	
Sub total	3,734.81	-	-	3,734.81	64,254.91
Grants					
Maintenence grant	-	-	-	-	-
Other grants - Covid support	21,000.00	-	-	21,000.00	
Sub total	21,000.00	-	-	21,000.00	-
Fundraising (gross)					
Tuck Shop Sales	86.25	-	-	86.25	10,473.76
Tuck Shop Bank Surplus		-	-	-	118.54
Tuck Shop - Increase in cash from previous year		-	-	-	32.93
Other fundraising activities	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	86.25	-	-	86.25	10,625.23
Investment income					
Bank interest		-	-	-	-
Building Society interest	-	-	-	-	-
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	-	-	-	-	-
Property Rent income	5,052.00	-	-	5,052.00	5,052.00
Other investment income		-	-	-	10.78
Sub total	5,052.00	-	-	5,052.00	5,062.78

Total Gross Income	29,873.06	-	-	29,873.06	79,942.92
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	29,873.06	-	-	29,873.06	79,942.92

Ashworth Valley Scout Camp Receipts and Payments Account

	Year start date		Year end date
For the year from	01/04/2020	To	31/03/2021

Receipts and payments

	2020/2021			2019/2020	
Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Total funds	
£	£	£	£	£	
Payments					
Charitable Payments					
Telephone	461.36	-	-	461.36	703.93
Activities (Inspections)	150.00	-	-	150.00	1,052.22
Cave Bus Rental		-	-	-	2,250.00
New Activity Development				-	949.79
Maintainance of Activities	2,437.46			2,437.46	17,442.41
Activity Instructor Costs				-	1,461.00
New Central Heating				-	
General Maintainance and Refurbishments	15,898.18			15,898.18	18,389.22
Cottage Refurbishments	344.89	-	-	344.89	1,015.80

Site Inspections	379.50			379.50	270.12
Water	1,090.67			1,090.67	1,194.89
Council Tax	-			-	917.28
Cleaning	1,485.76			1,485.76	2,439.72
Electricity (Top Site)	2,653.98	-	-	2,653.98	2,408.40
Electricity (Bottom Site)	1,493.39	-	-	1,493.39	1,707.22
Calor Gas	1,491.34	-	-	1,491.34	1,320.19
Stationery & Postage	98.36	-	-	98.36	338.52
Internet	1,376.53	-	-	1,376.53	453.04
Insurance	5,306.14	-	-	5,306.14	5,267.05
Sanitary Ware	1,922.12	-	-	1,922.12	2,983.57
Rubbish Removal	1,620.00	-	-	1,620.00	3,972.00
Refund of deposits - Coronairus	550.00	-	-	550.00	
Licences (TV & DVD)	826.93	-	-	826.93	404.50
Staff Expenses	51.02	-	-	51.02	1,293.96
ASGC Subscriptions		-	-	-	50.00
Deisel Oil		-	-	-	679.03
Health & Safety	389.94	-	-	389.94	
Miscellaneous	128.92	-	-	128.92	1,108.85
Sub total	40,156.49	-	-	40,156.49	70,072.71

Fundraising expenses					
Tuck Shop Purchases		-	-	-	7,151.39
Tuck Shop - Reduction in cash from previous year		-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	7,151.39
Total Gross Expenditure	40,156.49	-	-	40,156.49	77,224.10
Asset and investment purchases, etc.					-
New Sewage Treatment Plant				-	
Total payments	40,156.49	-	-	40,156.49	77,224.10
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 10,283.43	-	-	- 10,283.43	2,718.82
Transfers between funds			-	-	
Cash funds last year end	38,809.98	-	-	38,809.98	36,091.16
Cash funds this year end	28,526.55	-	-	28,526.55	38,809.98

ASHWORTH VALLEY SCOUT CAMP

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	31st March 2021			Total funds £	31st Mar 2020 Total funds £
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £		
Cash funds					
Bank current account	5,143.64		-	5,143.64	8,391.54
Bank deposit account	1,804.25		-	1,804.25	1,804.25
Scottish Widows	18,999.43		-	18,999.43	25,999.43
Cash/Floats	44.32	-	-	44.32	79.85
Tuck Shop Bank	2,080.59	-	-	2,080.59	2,080.59
Tuck Shop Cash in Hand	454.32	-	-	454.32	454.32
Total cash funds	28,526.55	-	-	28,526.55	38,809.98
Other Currant Assets					
Tuck Shop Stock at cost	2,619.73	-	-	2,619.73	3,012.13
Sub total	2,619.73	-	-	2,619.73	3,012.13

Investment assets					
Investment property - detail	-	-	-	-	-
Quoted investments	-	-	-	-	-
Other investments - detail	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Non monetary assets for charity's own use					
Land at Revaluation	60,000.00	-	-	60,000.00	60,000.00
Buildings at Revaluation	350,000.00	-	-	350,000.00	350,000.00
Buildings at Cost	11,076.00	-	-	11,076.00	11,076.00
Motor vehicles (fully depreciated)		-	-	-	-
Equipment (after depreciation)	53,292.64	-	-	53,292.64	56,295.04
Other	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	474,368.64	-	-	474,368.64	477,371.04
Liabilities					
Accounts not yet paid		-	-	-	
Expenses incurred but not invoiced	-	-	-	-	-
Subscriptions not yet paid	-	-	-	-	-
Loan - detail	-	-	-	-	-
Other liabilities	-	-	-	-	-

Sub total

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Contingent liabilities and future obligations

£21,000 received in Coronavirus support grants

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the management Committee on 26th May 2021 (the date of the Executive Committee meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by

Signature

Print Name

<i>J Carney</i>
<i>S Birtles</i>

John Carney	Chair
Susan Birtles	Treasurer

Financial Information – Consolidated Report

Pennine District Scouts Consolidated Receipts and Payments Account

	Year start date		Year end date
For the year from	01/04/2020	To	31/03/2021

Receipts and payments

	2020/21			2019/20	
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Receipts					
Membership Subscriptions 2021	31,798.50			31,798.50	40,128.00
Membership Subscriptions O/S 2020	152.00			152.00	0.00
Less Membership Subscriptions Paid	(31,929.00)			(31,929.00)	(40,280.00)
Net Membership Subscription received	21.50	0.00	0.00	21.50	(152.00)
DISTRICT SECTIONAL SUPPORT (See separate accounts for details)					
Beaver Scouts	0.00			0.00	3,509.00
Cub Scouts	0.00			0.00	915.00
Scouts	0.00			0.00	0.00
Explorer Scouts	0.00			0.00	0.00

Combined	0.00			0.00	593.52
ASHWORTH VALLEY SCOUT CAMP					
Receipts (See separate accounts for details)	3,734.81			3,734.81	64,254.91
Sub total	3,756.31	0.00	0.00	3,756.31	69,120.43
Grants				0.00	
Kinlaw Trust - Youth Comm Seminar	0.00			0.00	250.00
New Groups	0.00			0.00	3,000.00
Rochdale MBC (Heywood St Georges Day)	0.00			0.00	1,004.00
Ashworth Valley Scout Camp	21,000.00			21,000.00	0.00
Sub total	21,000.00	0.00	0.00	21,000.00	4,254.00
Fund Raising Gross					
Pennine District Shop Sales Sale of stock to County	0.00			0.00	12,565.54
AVSC Tuck Shop Sales	86.25			86.25	10,625.23
Donation	26.17			26.17	
Sub total	112.42	0.00	0.00	112.42	23,190.77
Miscellaneous					
7th Middleton (Refund of rent 2018/19)	0.00			0.00	2,070.29
7th Middleton (Closure)	0.00			0.00	6,927.25
1st Pennine (Closure)	0.00			0.00	368.72
	0.00			0.00	9,366.26

Investment Income					
Bank Interest	275.75			275.75	239.34
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	52.89			52.89	100.13
Shop Insurance Refund	0.00			0.00	0.00
Unpresented Cheque from 2017/2018	0.00			0.00	0.00
Property Income (AVSC)	5,052.00			5,052.00	5,052.00
Other investment income (AVSC)	0.00			0.00	10.78
Sub total	5,380.64	0.00	0.00	5,380.64	5,402.25
Total Gross Income	30,249.37	0.00	0.00	30,249.37	111,333.71
Total receipts	30,249.37	0.00	0.00	30,249.37	111,333.71

Pennine District Scouts

Consolidated Receipts and Payments Account

	Year start date		Year end date
For the year from	01/04/2020	To	31/03/2021

Receipts and payments

	2020/21			2019/20	
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Payments					
Charitable payments	196.56			196.56	630.83
7th Rochdale O/S Rent & Repairs	0.00			0.00	0.00
Alkrington Building Electrics	0.00			0.00	0.00
7th Middleton	0.00			0.00	84.61
Pennine District Scouts (see separate accounts for details)	0.00			0.00	0.00
Sectional; Support					
Beaver Scouts	0.00			0.00	3,425.94
Cub Scouts	0.00			0.00	841.37
Scouts	100.00			100.00	149.20
Explorer Scouts	0.00			0.00	0.00

Combined	0.00			0.00	1,149.79
New Group Support	0.00			0.00	2,454.28
Ashworth Valley Scout Camp (See separate accounts for details)	40,156.49			40,156.49	70,072.71
Sub total	40,453.05	0.00	0.00	40,453.05	78,808.73
Fundraising expenses					
Pennine District Shop Purchases	0.00			0.00	4,657.04
Pennine District Shop Break In	0.00			0.00	0.00
Pennine District Shop Rent	0.00			0.00	0.00
Pennine District Shop Dividends to Groups	0.00			0.00	0.00
Pennine District Shop Stationery & Equipment	0.00			0.00	91.60
AVSC Tuck Shop Purchases	0.00			0.00	7,151.39
AVSC Tuck Shop donation to AVSC from cash surplus	0.00			0.00	0.00
Sub total	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11,900.03
Total Gross Expenditure	40,453.05	0.00	0.00	40,453.05	90,708.76
Asset and investment purchases, etc.					
New Sewage Treatment Plant at Ashworth Valley Scout Camp	0.00			0.00	0.00

<i>Total payments</i>	40,453.05	0.00	0.00	40,453.05	90,708.76
<i>Net of receipts/(payments)</i>	(10,203.68)	0.00	0.00	(10,203.68)	20,624.95
Transfers between funds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash funds last year end	95,710.88		0.00	95,710.88	75,085.93
<i>Cash funds this year end</i>	85,507.20	0.00	0.00	85,507.20	95,710.88



Pennine District Scouts

Consolidated Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	31/03/2021			31/03/2020	
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Cash funds "Pennine District"					
Bank current account	16,980.65			16,980.65	16,900.90
Bank deposit account	0.00			0.00	0.00
Building society account	0.00			0.00	0.00
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	40,000.00			40,000.00	40,000.00
Cash/Floats	0.00			0.00	0.00
Cash Funds "Ashworth Valley Scout Camp"					
Bank current account	5,143.64			5,143.64	8,391.54
Bank deposit account	1,804.25			1,804.25	1,804.25
Scottish Widows	18,999.43			18,999.43	25,999.43
Cash/Floats	44.32			44.32	79.85
AVSC Tuck Shop Bank	2,080.59			2,080.59	2,080.59
AVSC Tuck Shop cash in hand	454.32			454.32	454.32
Total cash funds	85,507.20	0.00	0.00	85,507.20	95,710.88
Other monetary assets					
AVSC Tuck Shop Stock at cost	2,619.73			2,619.73	3,012.13
District Badges	491.40			491.40	491.40
Sub total	3,111.13	0.00	0.00	3,111.13	3,503.53
Investment assets					

Investment property - detail	0.00			0.00	0.00
Quoted investments	0.00			0.00	0.00
Other investments - detail	0.00			0.00	0.00
Sub total	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Non-monetary assets for charity's own use					
AVSC Land at Revaluation	60,000.00			60,000.00	60,000.00
AVSC Buildings at Revaluation	350,000.00			350,000.00	350,000.00
AVSC Buildings at Cost	11,076.00			11,076.00	11,076.00
Motor Vehicles Cost (fully depreciated)	0.00			0.00	0.00
Equipment at Cost (Sewage Plant after depreciation)	53,292.64			53,292.64	56,295.04
District equipment, furniture after depreciation	0.00			0.00	0.00
Other	0.00			0.00	0.00
Sub total	474,368.64	0.00	0.00	474,368.64	477,371.04
Notes re: Sale of Pennine District Scout Shop to Greater Manchester North County					
<i>Sale of Stock to County</i>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,813.89
<i>Reimbursement of Expenses over sale period</i>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	91.60
<i>Bank and Petty Cash Balance paid to District</i>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,293.62
Total Sum Received into the District Account	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,199.11

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 6th July 2021 (the date of the Executive Committee meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by

Signature	Print Name
	Gary Walczak Chair
	Avril Redfern Treasurer

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees/members of Pennine Scout
District

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