



Annual General Meeting
21st September 2025

SPELTHORNE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

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21st September 2025, 3pm
Hengrove Scout Headquarters, Station Crescent, Ashford, TW15 2HN

AGENDA

- 1. Introduction and welcome**
- 2. Apologies for absence**
- 3. Governance topics**
 - a. Approve the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 25th June 2024
 - b. Adopt the model constitution from Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR)
 - c. Note the District's financial year
 - d. Approve appointed and community members of the District Scout Council
 - e. Agree the number of members that may be appointed to the Trustee Board
 - f. Agree the quorum for future meetings of the District Scout Council (excluding this AGM)
- 4. Review of the previous year**
 - a. The District Lead Volunteer's review of Scouts in the Spelthorne District
 - b. Receive and consider the Annual Report of the District Trustee Board, including the annual Statement of the Accounts
- 5. Making appointments**
 - a. Appoint the District Chair, following recommendation from the open selection process initiated by the District Trustee Board
 - b. Appoint the District Treasurer, following recommendation from the open selection process initiated by the District Trustee Board
 - c. Appoint members of the District Trustee Board, following recommendations from the open selection process initiated by the District Trustee Board
 - d. Re-appoint District President
 - e. Appoint the Independent Examiner
 - f. Nominate representatives of the District Scout Council to represent the District on the County Scout Council
- 6. Closing remarks**

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
OF SPELTHORNE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL
HELD ON
TUESDAY 25TH JUNE 2024 AT 7.30PM**

1. Introduction and welcome

Graham Ledger welcomed everyone to the meeting together with the Cllr. Med Buck (Spelthorne Mayor), Oliver Davies (District Vice President), Joe Rogerson (DC), Julia Kilestra (DDC) & Malcolm McKee (DDC) and Cllr. Bing Dong.

2. Apologies for absence

These were received from Suzy Webb (District President), Cllrs Beecher, Bhayde, Doran, Dunn, Grant and Rybinski and members of the Scout Council; James Ayling, Roy Clough, Alan Green, Gill Henry, Havery Hieke, Wendy Kislingbury, Catherine Mason, Karen Miller, Jill Tomkins, Mark Smith and Richard Wheeler.

3. Governance topics

- a. Approve the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 25th June 2024
The minutes were proposed by Graham Ledger, seconded by Keith Brewer and agreed by those present with one amendment to page 5, Treasurer is Darran Buttigieg.
- b. Adopt the model constitution from Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR)
This was agreed by those present.
- c. Note the District's financial year
The District's financial year is 1st April to 31st March.
- d. Approve appointed and community members of the District Scout Council
None appointed
- e. Agree the number of members that may be appointed to the Trustee Board
This number was agreed as 5 plus the District Lead Volunteer and the District Youth Volunteer.
- f. Agree the quorum for future meetings of the District Scout Council (excluding this AGM)
This was agreed to be 15 people (which is approximately 15% of the membership).

4. Review of the previous year

- a. The District Lead Volunteer's review of Scouts in the Spelthorne District
Roger Dix the outgoing District Commissioner, thanked everyone for their support over the last 10 years, he then welcomed Stuart Riachardson who was taking on the role of our new and first District Lead Volunteer. Dorcas Pope was awarded the 30 year award.

Graham thanked all of the members of the Trustee Board, with special thanks to

Neil Gray who was stepping down after many years.

- b. Receive and consider the Annual Report of the District Trustee Board, including the annual Statement of the Accounts

These were presented by Darran Buttigieg. The banks holding funds were queried, this is currently being updated, however, some of these were the old section accounts which are collated under the District Report and Accounts.

5. Making appointments

- a. *Appoint the District Chair, following recommendation from the open selection process initiated by the District Trustee Board*

Denise Buttigieg was appointed Chair following Graham Ledger's resignation.

- b. *Appoint the District Treasurer, following recommendation from the open selection process initiated by the District Trustee Board*

Darran Buttigieg was appointed as District Treasurer.

- c. *Appoint members of the District Trustee Board, following recommendations from the open selection process initiated by the District Trustee Board*

Daniel Benjamin, Keith Brewer and Gill Henry were appointed.

- d. *Re-appoint District President and Vice Presidents*

Suzu Webb was re-appointed as District President.

- e. *Appoint the Independent Examiner*

Peter Connolly was appointed as the Independent Examiner for the District.

- f. *Nominate representatives of the District Scout Council to represent the District on the County Scout Council*

James Ayling was nominated as the Districts representative.

6. Closing remarks

Joe Rogerson spoke to thank Roger for his work over many years in the District and for his last 10 as District Commissioner.

Stuart Richardson spoke briefly to say there are a lot of upcoming changes with the new structure and that we need to getting our training improved to 100%. YL training has been adopted We will be 'One District, One Team'.

The Mayor of Spelthorne spoke to congratulate the new District team and thank Roger. He unfortunately missed out on Scouting in his home country of Mauritius although his brothers had the opportunity. He is passionate about the community and has been a member of the Red Cross and Rotary.

Malcolm McKee (County Programme Lead) spoke about the new digital system that will be introduced when ready and that is essential that we get the basics of Scouting right including permits, international trips. Growth is needed nationally.

Harry Jaffer from Ashford Rotary thanked the SASU for their help at Christmas on the Santa Rotary Collection, £6,000 was raised over 12 days and they are donating £750 to the District as a thanks for the help.

Stuart declared the meeting closed at 8.28 pm

Spelthorne District Scout Council AGM, Sunday September 2025

Chair's Report

Dear Council Members and Guests,

Welcome to our Annual Report, this has been a year of many changes for those across Spelthorne District.

This has been my first year as Chair, having been in the secretary role for many years and also the first year with the changes to the structure of the team approach to running the District. At our AGM last year we welcomed back Stuart Richardson as our first District Lead Volunteer of Spelthorne. Stuart 'hit the ground running' and has totally overhauled our HQ with paint for a fresh new look, new windows, new kitchen, new lighting and heating, new storage and a tidied outside area. His enthusiasm and hard work is there for us all to see. He is ably assisted by Richard Wheeler and the HQ now incorporates a shooting range with further plans for a traversing wall.

As a District we have worked hard to ensure that people are up to date with the necessary training to ensure that our young people get the best and safest scouting possible. Thank you to all the volunteers for the time they give up to make this possible.

As a District we are growing, we now have our first Squirrel Drey based at 1st Staines and hope that this is the first of many. We have established the Fiennes Young leader unit under Elliott Miller and this year are looking to provide a network offering for the 18-25 members, and this means that we can lay sure foundations for the next generation of leaders.

I would like to thank all of the leaders, helpers and parents across the District and members of the District team, for all they do for the young people across Spelthorne Scouting, giving them amazing opportunities and experiences whilst they learn #SkillsForLife.

I would finally like to thank Darran for his service as District Treasurer especially over the last year when the Chair refused to let him step down and for his support of me during my time on the Trustee Board.

As always, our biggest challenge to providing Scouting to even more young people across Spelthorne is having enough volunteers to run and support the groups. If you know of any adults who might want to support Spelthorne Scouts, please ask them to get in touch with us at volunteering@spelthornescouts.org.uk or visit our website <https://spelthornescouts.org.uk>. We offer many opportunities, with many roles being able to be shared and are happy to work in flexible and creative ways to support volunteering in a way that is mutually convenient.

Yours in Scouting
Denise Buttigieg
Chair, District Board of Trustees

New Names and Teams.... What do they mean?

District Lead Volunteer (DLV) (formally District Commissioner). This is the person who leads the District (in our case Spelthorne) by looking after the overall strategy and vision for the district. They make sure Groups are compliant and that we put in place activities and provision for all groups.

District Youth Commissioner (DYC) (formally District Youth Commissioner). This person supports the DLV in making sure the youth members of the district are listened to and have their chance to influence Scouting.

Trustee Board (formally Executive Committee) These are the group of people who look after the governance side of the charity. They don't do the day to day operational stuff such as running meetings but make sure meeting places are safe and maintained, plan and run the budget and support the leaders to provide good quality, safe Scouting.

District Teams- *These are the teams which are led by the District to support Scouting at Group and Section level.*

Programme Team- Plans and runs the District programme. This is making sure there are large activities, competitions and events for all age groups to help members see how they are part of the bigger Scouting community. Our programme team has two specialist teams within it: Shooting and Skills and Events.

Development Team- Looks after volunteers. These are the people who welcome, support learning and training and acknowledge. We have three smaller teams within this: Welcome team- who lead welcome conversations with new volunteers; Learning team- which includes first aid and Awards team- who look through award nominations and approve these to go to County/ HQ.

14-25 Team- This team looks after our Explorer and Network provision. In Scouting, Explorers and Network are District provisions. This team make sure we have units in place for 14 year olds to move to and there are opportunities for them to engage in. This team also has our Young Leader provision- Fiennes Young Leader Unit.

Support Team- This looks after our digital presence. Social media, website and email all fall under them.

Together these support our 14 Groups, which make up our 46 Sections of Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Explorers and Network members.

District Lead Volunteer

What a year! Taking over a new role is always daunting but added to massive changes in how we organise the way we volunteer in Scouting has certainly made it a baptism of fire! I am always proud to say I volunteer in Spelthorne Scouts and it has now reached the point where more of my Scouting has been in Spelthorne than back home in Royal Wootton Bassett. We are a diverse District, and our Groups know their members well and work hard to give the members the best chances possible.

My aim for our district is that we are One District: One Team and that we do unite as one to share ideas, skills and facilities. The first area I have been working on is how we communicate. There is so much information that needs to be passed out it is easy to miss someone or bombard people. For this reason, I have moved to a monthly newsletter which compliments the national and county newsletters. This means everyone is getting the same messages and information. I have also introduced a new WhatsApp community to reach people. More about this in the Support Team report.

To enable a central place to meet, we have worked hard to improve our District HQ. After 30 years, Hengrove has had a lick of paint, new kitchen fitted and the meeting room given a facelift. We have improved our security by fitting new doors. We have also secured a grant to help make us a green HQ with new lighting, heating and windows on the way. Plans to improve our AV provision, toilets and acoustics are in place.

This year we have seen our first Explorer Belt Team presented their awards. The Explorer Belt is a mix of 'Hunted', 'Race Across the World' and 'Destination X'. 10 days to explore a country to really get to know it, not a holiday on some pre-planned tour. Everyday is unplanned and can change as you go. A massive support team accompany the teams from Surrey and Greater London South West and make it a truly memorable experience.

We have also seen our first Squirrel Drey open at 1st Staines. Squirrels is for 4-6 year olds and starts to show them the skills they will need to go on to earn their King's Scout Award in years to come. They are lively (not helped when Bentley, our District Dog arrives), keen to learn and keen to play members of the Scouting family and it was lovely to welcome them to our family at our St. Georges Event. There are now 3 other groups looking to open Squirrels in the coming year.

As a District, we have turned 20 this year. Formed from Staines and District and Sunbury and Shepperton District, the last 20 years have seen us grow to what we are today. We now have just under 1000 young people supported by 200 adults. We have 14 Groups and 42 Sections, and we are growing. Of course, the need for more adults, in all roles is vital to our growth by for now, lets celebrate our success.

We are in the process of opening a new Group in the District. Working with Headquarters, we are opening 9th Ashford (Noah's Ark). This group is opening as part of the work to grow Scouting in the Muslim community. From a small start, we are already seeing the future of a strong group. We are also in the process of opening a new Explorer Unit in South Spelthorne- Williamson (named after a Shepperton lock keeper who was on the Scott expedition to the South Pole) which will help ease the pressure on our 2 other weekly units.

Other highlights include the ongoing building work at 8th Ashford. They are moving to a new HQ and this year saw the first spade in the ground and the building start to rise up. Hopefully, next year we will be able to say they have moved in.

I won't mention the events or learning that has gone on, as these are covered in the other reports, but I would like to say a massive 'THANK YOU' to everyone who helps to make Scouting happen in Spelthorne. From our trustee boards to team members to team leads without all of you none of this would happen. We have come a long way in the last year to proving that Spelthorne is the best District in Surrey and the only way here is up!

Finally, I have to acknowledge my family. They have supported me getting used to the new role and all the new challenges which come with it. Helped with the makeover at Hengrove and reminded me when I need to be leaving for meetings or events. It has been a busy, but fun year and I look forward to the next one.

Stuart Richardson

District Lead Volunteer.

Programme Team Report

Since taking on the role, I have been getting up to speed with a new shape to Scouting and our District, discovering how a Program lead can identify what is needed and deploy.

To try to shape our programme I have been meeting with leaders and aiming to build a connection with groups. While this has helped not all sections or groups attend and many have expectations beyond the current resources so it does impact on what we can do. We have tried a few new things based on surveys carried out with the different sections teams. We are now getting ready to launch our 'rolling programme' aimed at showing what Spelthorne offers its members at all levels, thinking carefully about the programme and leaders and young people's ideas

Since Last September.

Squirrels first appearance at St Georges Day Event.

Beavers have attended Scientist and Health and Fitness badge days and been on the water to do Sailing badge.

Cubs took part in District Quiz and District Cub Camp, which had a theme of space.

Scouts and Explorers have entered a shooting competition, with the addition of leaders' teams. We were also able to join with Shepperton Fayre to have our own class in the Shepperton raft race.

Our largest event of the year was our St. George's Day event. We were able to return to St. James' School as our venue. We turned the school field into a sea of colour and activities ranging from parachute games to circus skills to caving and tomahawk throwing to name a few. We started with our promise renewal and celebration of our 20th birthday before moving onto picnics and an afternoon of fun. As all birthdays have to have cake, we asked each group to decorate a cake to be judged by our county representative. On the way out, everyone took home a slice of cake.

All these events have been arranged and deployed by teams of leaders in our District, the new way of rolling out District events. This is working well as we can use volunteers' strengths to lead events. It also allows team members the chance to build their leadership skills by leading an event. Thanks go to all the volunteers who have taken on these roles and helped to start our exciting programme of events.

Our aim is to identify and support leaders in Spelthorne with achieving more adventurous activities permits. We have started the process of identifying what training people would like and are looking at ways we can support this. Hengrove range has been set up and a cadre of air rifle instructors trained. Hengrove is now available to use as range and guns can be borrowed by instructors.

In terms of permits to lead events. The air pistol training supported the shooting competition 2025 and will help a lot for 2026. Raft permits were attained by some for Shepperton Fayre raft race. We are looking at who else could gain these to allow the event to increase in team entries.

In our WhatsApp community we have groups to cover Shooting, Climbing, Tomahawks, Archery and Water sports. All aimed at support within the District with running of activities, sourcing and sharing equipment and facilitating of training and permits.

Richard Wheeler- King
Programme Team Lead

Development Team Report

Welcoming: The welcoming team have carried out a number of welcome conversations during the year. This is part of our safer recruitment process. The conversations are a time for the new volunteer to ask questions they are unsure of and for us to welcome them into the wider district. The team is currently made up of 3 volunteers who have all completed their learning to carry out this role.

Learning: There has been a massive drive on compliance this year. Spelthorne has been without a Training Manager for a number of years, and this has led to many gaps in learning. After a relentless drive, we are now a compliant District, with our safeguarding and safety training at 99% compliant, the non-compliant being new members who have 30 days to complete it. We

have run 3 first aid courses and this means we have caught up on making sure volunteers have the necessary learning in place. We are also lucky to have Darren Best joining us as a first aid advisor and trainer. He is a paramedic and so brings a wealth of experience with him.

Awards: Our award team have been busy awarding a number of awards to members of our district. The awards are to recognise the additional effort volunteers put into running Scouting. With the new system in place, the process to nominate people is much easier and this means the team can update these every quarter.

We are currently aiming to recruit a team lead for this team to help carry on the work being carried out.

14-25 Team Report

This year I have been to visit our two weekly Explorer Units to meet the leaders and young people who make up the sections. I have also been working with Elliot on developing the Young Leader section. I am in the process of working with two leaders on opening a new Explorer Unit in the south of the district which will help to ease the pressure on the other two weekly units and allow more 14- 18 year olds to be part of the section.

Thanks go to the leaders who run the weekly units. It is testimony to your hard work that we have such large units. Thank you to Elliot who has taken on Fiennes Young Leader Unit, following a chance conversation with Stuart in Tesco's! He has worked hard to understand the young leader programme, make sure we know who all our young leaders are and look at ways to offer them programme opportunities beyond the sections they help in. Finally, I would like to thank Stewart Holmes for his hard work in looking after the Explorer section finances and keeping these up to date. He also looks after the gift aid return for the district, which is much appreciated.

Lewis Fitch

14-25 Lead

Support Team Report

The support team have kept our social media running and are working to try to get our Instagram and Facebook accounts links so when we post both are updated. Graham is our IT advisor and has kept our website up to date and is in the process of creating new email addresses for all the sections to help with GDPR compliance. We have also created a new WhatsApp community to help with quicker communication across the district. The community allows for general announcements as well as chats for each section and events. This is proving a successful way of passing information across the district, rather than using email all the time.

Again, we are looking for a team lead for this area to help area.

Trustees' Annual Report

For the period

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Section A	Reference and administration details
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Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
Mr Stuart Richardson	District Lead Volunteer	
Mrs Denise Buttigieg	Trustee Board Chair	
Mr Darran Buttigieg	Trustee Board Treasurer	
Mr Adam Daniel	District Youth Lead	
Mr Daniel Benjamin	Trustee Board Member	
Mr Keith Brewer	Trustee Board Member	
Mrs Gill Henry	Trustee Board Member	

Section A

Reference and administration details (continued)

Names and addresses of advisers

Type of	Name	Address
Independent Examiner	Mr Peter Connolly	33 Carlyle Road, Staines, TW18 2PU
Bankers	CAF Bank Ltd	25 Kings Hill Av., West Malling, ME19 4JQ
	COIF Charity Deposit Fund	85 Queen Victoria Street, London EC4V 4ET
	Virgin Money Plc	Jubilee House, Gosforth, Newcastle, NE3 4PL
	Barclays Bank Plc	Hounslow Branch, Leicestershire LE87 2BB

Section B

Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document

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 and the Policy, Organization and Rules of The Scout Association.

How the charity is constituted

The District is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.

Trustee selection methods

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organization and Rules of The Scout Association.

Section B

Structure, governance and management (continued)

Additional governance issues

The District is managed by the District Trustee Board, the members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' of the District Scout Council which is an educational charity. As charity trustees they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities. This includes keeping proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate.

The Trustee Board consists of 3 independent representatives, Chair, Treasurer, together with the District Lead Volunteer and District Youth Commissioner, and a number of elected, nominated, and co-opted members. Meetings take place four times a year.

The Trustee Board exists to support the District Lead Volunteer in meeting the responsibilities of the appointment and is responsible for:

- The maintenance of the District HQ building and equipment;
- The raising of funds and the administration of District finance;
- The insurance of persons, property and equipment;
- District public occasions;
- The maintenance of the District HQ building and equipment;
- Appointing any sub committees that may be required;
- Appointing District Volunteers and Advisors other than those who are elected.

Risk and internal control

The District Trustee Board has identified the major risks to which it believes the District is exposed, these have been reviewed and systems have been established to mitigate against them. The main areas of concern that have been identified are:

Damage to property and equipment. The District has sufficient insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss.

Injury to Leaders, helpers, supporters and members. The District through the capitation fees, contributes to The Scout Association's national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before activities.

Reduced income from fund raising. The District is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fund raising. The District does hold a reserve to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income. The Trustee Board could raise the value of subscriptions to increase the income to the District on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently.

Reduction or loss of Leaders. The District Trustee Board is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the District. If there was a reduction in the number of Leaders to an unacceptable level in a particular Group or Unit then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a Group or Unit. In the worst case scenario the complete closure or amalgamation of the District.

Reduction or loss of members. The District supports activities for all young people aged 4 to 18. If there was a reduction in membership in a particular Group or Unit then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a Group or Unit. In the worst case scenario the complete closure or amalgamation of the District.

The District has in place systems of **internal controls** that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss, these include 2 signatories for all payments and comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

Section C	Objectives and activities
Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document	<p>The objective of the District is to support 13 Groups, 2 Explorer Scout Units, Young Leaders as well as the activity support teams with activities that are in accord with the aims 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 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> <p>Subscriptions are charged for membership to cover immediate running costs of the District and these do not unduly restrict membership. The District follows the principle that no one should be excluded because of their inability to pay membership subscriptions.</p> <p>Two key principles demonstrate that Scouting's aims are for the public benefit.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Through the Scout method young people develop towards their full potential. 2. There is a clear link between the benefits for young people and the purpose of Scouting. <p>The safety of young people is taken very seriously and the benefits of Scouting activities provided far outweigh the risks.</p>
Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects	<p>All sections take part in regular camping activities, nights away, and outings. There are various programmes of fund raising across the Groups for both the Group itself and local and Scouting charities. The Sectional Leadership teams ensure that balanced programmes are planned to provide a suitable balance of activities.</p>
Additional details of the objectives and activities	<p>The District is not a grant making organisation and therefore has no such policy. The contribution made by volunteers cannot be overemphasised. The District relies entirely on volunteer Leaders and helpers.</p>

Section D	Achievements and performance
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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The total membership of the District as at 31st January 2025 was 1,179, an increase of 29 compared to 2024. Youth numbers are 913 compared to 863 in 2024. The Leaders and helpers involved continue to provide a progressive and challenging programme of events and activities.

Section E	Financial review
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Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Reserves policy

The District's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the District should income and fundraising activities fall short. The District Trustee Board considers that the District should hold a sum equivalent to 24 months operating costs, about £25,000.

The District (incl. sections) held 'available' reserves of £52,000 against this at the year end. This is sufficient to cover operating costs for approximately 3.5 years.

Investment policy

The District funds are all held in cash using banks or COIF Charity Funds.

The funds previously held in a FP CAF Fixed Interest Fund B Income account which was closed in 2023 are in the CAF bank account. They will remain here until the Trustee Board source an alternative suitable fund.

The District Trustee Board regularly monitors the levels of bank balances and the interest rates received to ensure the District obtains maximum value and income from its banking arrangements. Occasionally this may involve using an account that requires a period of notice before funds may be withdrawn; before doing so the District Trustee Board considers the cash flow requirements.

Section F	Other optional information
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Section G	Declaration
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The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' Annual Report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's Trustees

Signatures	Stuart Richardson	Darran Buttigieg						
Full names	Stuart Richardson	Darran Buttigieg, ACMA						
Positions	District Lead Volunteer	District Treasurer						
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Spelthorne District Scout Council (Charity No.1178685)

Receipts and Payments Account

Year start date		Year end date	
For the year from	1st April 2024	To	31st July 2025

Receipts and payments					
		2024/25			2023/24
		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds
		£	£	£	£
Receipts					
Donations, legacies and similar income					
Membership subscriptions	51,585	-	-	51,585	44,229
Less: Subscriptions - Surrey County	47,020			47,020	39,914
Net membership subscriptions retained	4,565	-	-	4,565	4,315
Donations	17,581			17,581	-
Gift Aid (Explorers)	1,633			1,633	1,205
Sub total	23,779	-	-	23,779	5,520
Grants					
Other grants	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Fundraising events (gross)					
General	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Program and activities (as listed on page 10)					
District	12,861			12,861	330
Beaver Scout Section	-			-	-
Cub Scout Section	-			-	5,570
Scout Section	-			-	-
Explorer Scout Section	76,345			76,345	125,895
District Scout Active Support Unit	-			-	-
Sub total	89,207	-	-	89,207	131,795
Investment income					
Bank interest - Virgin Money	491	-	-	491	158
Bank interest - CCLA Investment	125	-	-	125	95
Bank interest - CAF	74	-	-	74	48
FP CAF Fixed Interest Fund B Inc	-	-	-	-	12,721
Sub total	690	-	-	690	13,022
Other income					
Badge sales	3,515	-	-	3,515	2,515
Membership subs rebate from County	888			888	430
Hall Usage Income	600			600	300
Jamboree Levy/ Contributions	1,826			1,826	1,895
TFR from District Sections	8,981			8,981	-
Other Sundry Receipts	320			320	40
Sub total	16,130	-	-	16,130	5,180
Total receipts	129,806	-	-	129,806	155,516

Spelthorne District Scout Council (Charity No.1178685) Receipts and Payments Account

Year start date		Year end date	
For the year from	1st April 2024	To	31st July 2025

Receipts and payments					
	2024/25			2023/24	
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Payments					
Premises - Hengrove Scout HQ					
Building insurance	2,105			2,105	1,425
Electricity	1,017			1,017	196
Rent	1,085			1,085	360
Repairs and maintenance	10,752			10,752	537
Sub total	14,959	-	-	14,959	2,518
Equipment					
Purchase of equipment	535			535	990
Equipment insurance	637			637	658
Sub total	1,172	-	-	1,172	1,648
Programme and activities (as listed on page 11)					
District	17,599	-	-	17,599	600
Beaver Scout Section	2,247	-	-	2,247	-
Cub Scout Section	2,277	-	-	2,277	4,279
Scout Section	416	-	-	416	-
Explorer Scout Section	150,082	-	-	150,082	51,108
District Scout Active Support Unit	4,206	-	-	4,206	244
District Young Leaders	-	-	-	-	20
Sub total	176,828	-	-	176,828	56,251
Other costs					
Badge purchases	4,943			4,943	2,729
Legal Fees	-			-	1,290
Personal accident insurance	281			281	523
Subscription rebate to Groups	457			457	862
Website costs	258			258	240
Jamboree payments to County	-			-	1,980
Spelthorne Gangshow	-			-	-
Sub total	5,939	-	-	5,939	7,623
Sundry payments					
AGM and admin expenses	191			191	355
Bank Charges	80			80	60
Conference/ Meeting Expense	-			-	-
Other sundry payments	879			879	928
Sub total	1,150	-	-	1,150	1,342
Total payments	200,049	-	-	200,049	69,382

Spelthorne District Scout Council (Charity No.1178685) Receipts and Payments Account

Year start date

Year end date

For the year from	1st April 2024	To	31st July 2025
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Summary					
	2024/25				2023/24
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Total receipts	129,806			129,806	155,516
Total payments	200,049			200,049	69,382
Net of receipts/(payments)	70,242			70,242	86,134
Cash funds last year end	178,446			178,446	92,312
Cash funds this year end	108,203			108,203	178,446

Programme and activities - Receipts					
	2024/25				2023/24
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£	£
District					
Activities	9,977	-	-	9,977	
Rifle Range	535	-	-	535	
Training courses	2,349	-	-	2,349	330
Sub total	12,861	-	-	12,861	330
Beaver Scout Section					
Activities	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Cub Scout Section					
Camps - Summer/ District	-	-	-	-	5,570
Swimming Gala	-	-	-	-	-
Other activities	-	-	-	-	-
Sundry receipts	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	5,570
Scout Section					
Camps	-	-	-	-	-
Activities	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Explorer Scout Section					
Activities	3,393	-	-	3,393	5,122
Camping/Expeditions	41,688	-	-	41,688	74,642
Fundraising	16,132	-	-	16,132	35,976
Membership subscriptions	14,931	-	-	14,931	8,702
Sundry receipts	200	-	-	200	1,453
Sub total	76,345	-	-	76,345	125,895
Scout Active Support Unit					
Activities	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total activity receipts	89,207	-	-	89,207	131,795

Programme and activities - Payments					
	2024/25				2023/24
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£	£
District					
Activities	13,018	-	-	13,018	-
Rifle Range Expenses	349	-	-	349	-
Training courses	4,232	-	-	4,232	600
Other	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	17,599	-	-	17,599	600
Beaver Scout Section					
TFR to District	2,247	-	-	2,247	-
Sub total	2,247	-	-	2,247	-
Cub Scout Section					
Camps - Summer/ District	-	-	-	-	4,279
Swimming Gala	-	-	-	-	-
Other activities	-	-	-	-	-
TFR to District	2,277	-	-	2,277	-
Sub total	2,277	-	-	2,277	4,279
Scout Section					
Scoutabout	-	-	-	-	-
Bivouac night	-	-	-	-	-
Other activities	-	-	-	-	-
Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
TFR to District	416	-	-	416	-
Sub total	416	-	-	416	-
Explorer Scout Section					
Activities	7,025	-	-	7,025	7,353
Camps/expeditions	130,936	-	-	130,936	38,589
Equipment	2,793	-	-	2,793	541
Fundraising expenses	342	-	-	342	-
Subscriptions paid to District	5,394	-	-	5,394	4,167
Rent & Minibus	-	-	-	-	-
Donations	-	-	-	-	30
Sundry payments	3,593	-	-	3,593	427
Sub total	150,082	-	-	150,082	51,108
Scout Active Support Unit					
Activities	165	-	-	165	201
Equipment purchase	-	-	-	-	-
Jamboree Contribution	-	-	-	-	-
Sundry payments	4,041	-	-	4,041	43
Sub total	4,206	-	-	4,206	244
Total activity payments	176,828	-	-	176,828	56,231

Additional information					
	31st July 2025				31st March 2024
	Current Account	Deposit Account	Cash in Hand	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Cash funds					
Beaver Scout Section			10	10	2,258
Cub Scout Section				-	2,277
Scout Section				-	416
Explorer Scout Section	39,774	-	370	40,144	112,248
SASU	-		-	-	4,206
District Executive	38,049	28,000		66,049	55,041
Sub total	77,823	28,000	380	106,204	176,446
COIF Charity funds		2,000	-	2,000	2,000
Total cash funds	77,823	30,000	380	108,204	178,446

	2024/25	2023/24
Jamboree account		
Balance b/f as at 1st April	6,102	6,187
Add - Contributions from Groups	1,826	1,726
Add - Fundraising and donations		169
Less - Grant paid to reps		-
Sub total	7,928	8,082
Less - Payments of fees		1,980
Balance as at 31st July 2025	7,928	6,102

Designated funds as at 31st July 2025		
Group Hardship Fund	2,000	12,000
HQ Maintenance Fund	25,000	15,000
Activity Fund	2,000	2,000
Jamboree account	7,928	6,102
Gangshow	1,460	1,460
SASU former deposit account		5,157
Total	38,388	41,719

Spelthorne District Scout Council (Charity No.1178685) Receipts and Payments Account

	Year start date		Year end date
For the year from	1st April 2024	To	31st July 2025

Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year					
	31st July 2025				31st March 2024
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Cash funds					
Bank current account	77,823	-	-	77,823	147,063
Bank deposit account	30,000	-	-	30,000	31,150
Building society account	-	-	-	-	-
Cash/Floats	380	-	-	380	233
Total cash funds	108,204	-	-	108,204	178,446
Other monetary assets					
Tax claim	-	-	-	-	-
Insurance claim	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Investment assets					
FP CAF Fixed Interest Fund B Inc	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Non monetary assets for charity's own use					
Badge stock	3,283			3,283	3,283
Land and buildings - Portacabin	3,562			3,562	3,562
- Container	3,156			3,156	3,156
Land and buildings - Hengrove Scout HQ	365,728			365,728	365,728
Scouting equipment, furniture etc.	50,875			50,875	50,875
Sub total	426,604	-	-	426,604	426,604
Liabilities					
Accounts not yet paid	-	-	-	-	-
Expenses incurred but not invoiced	-	-	-	-	-
Subscriptions not yet paid	-	-	-	-	-
Other liabilities	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total net assets	534,808	-	-	534,808	605,050

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on Xth X 200X (the date of the

Signature	Print Name
Stuart Richardson	Stuart Richardson - District Lead Volunteer
Darran Buttigieg	Darran Buttigieg, ACMA - Treasurer

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Spelthorne District Scout Council

I report on the accounts of the Group for the sixteen month period ended 31 July 2025 which comprise the Receipts and Payments Accounts and the Statement of Assets and Liabilities as attached.

This report is made solely to the trustees in accordance with Sections 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees for my examination work.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The District's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Charities Act')) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under Section 145 of the Charities Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under Section 145 (5) (b) of the Charities Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's report

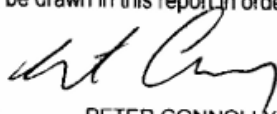
My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the District and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items 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 view is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept as required by Section 130 of the Charities Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.



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Date:13 September 2025.....

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