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WANSDYKE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT and ACCOUNTS 2022

Registered Charity Number 1184760

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WANSDYKE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

on 7th September 2022 at 7.30 pm

at Marksbury Village Hall

AGENDA

1. Chairman's Welcome
2. Apologies for absence
3. To confirm minutes of the Annual General Meeting held via Zoom on 28th October 2021 at 7.30 pm *(pages 5-7)*
4. Matters Arising
5. To approve the Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31st March 2022 *(page 8)*
6. To approve the Trustees' Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2022 *(pages 11-17)*
7. Chairman's Address
8. To approve the District Commissioner's nomination for District Chairman
9. To elect a District Secretary
10. To elect a District Treasurer
11. To elect up to six persons to the District Executive Committee
12. To receive and confirm the District Commissioner's nominations to the District Executive Committee (up to six persons)
13. To elect two leaders to represent the District on the Avon County Scout Council
14. To appoint an Independent Financial Examiner for 2022 –2023
15. The District Commissioner's Address
16. Presentations
17. The County Commissioner's Address
18. Any Other Business
19. Chair closes the meeting

MEMBERS of WANSDYKE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL 2021-22

Ex Officio Members:

All adult members and associate members of the Scout District;

All adults holding the following appointments from the Scout Groups in the District: Group Scout Leader, Deputy Group Scout Leader, Group Chair, Group Secretary, Group Treasurer, Section Leader, Assistant Section leader, Group Active Support Manager;

All Explorer Scouts;

All members of the District Scout Network;

A representative of the Troop Leadership Forum, selected from amongst the membership of the Forum 72;

All parents of Explorer Scouts;

The County Commissioner;

The County Chair

Nominated Members:

Other supporters of the District Appointed by the District Scout Council on the recommendation of the District Commissioner and the District Executive Committee. The number of Nominated Members must not exceed the number of Ex Officio members. Nominated members must be appointed for a fixed period not exceeding 3 years. Subsequent reappointments are permitted.



CHARITY TRUSTEES of WANSDYKE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL (District Executive Committee) 2021-22

Ex Officio:

Chair

Nigel Wright

District Commissioner

Tina Curtis

Deputy District Commissioner

Graham Bush

District Explorer Scout Commissioner

Will Holmes (from 27 December 2021)

District Youth Commissioner

vacant

District Secretary

Maddie Difazio-Wright

District Treasurer

Tim Miles

Elected by District Scout Council:

Will Holmes (until 27 December 2021), John Mander,
John Sharp, Tony Stringer, Tristan Stuart.

Nominated by District Commissioner:

Ian Carter, Mark Smee, James Swallow, Stuart Whale.

The Deputy District Commissioners and the Deputy Youth Commissioner have right of attendance at District Executive meetings. The County Chair and the County Commissioner or their nominee(s) have right of attendance at District Executive meetings.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF WANSDYKE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

Wednesday 28th October 2021 at 7.30 pm

Via ZOOM

1. The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting, especially Graham Brant, County Commissioner, and Stuart Ballard Deputy County Commissioner.

The Chair drew the meeting's attention to the sad deaths of Graham Dix who had served for over 50 years in uniform and lay capacity, Maureen Garish ACSL 1st Keynsham, and Scout Michael Dolphin from 1st Keynsham.

2. **Apologies for absence** had been received from 25 Scouter and Lay Officials
3. **Approval of the Minutes of the 2020 Annual General Meeting** held on 23rd September 2020 via Zoom. Ian Carter proposed, seconded Stuart Whale seconded. Approved via poll: 92% in favour, 8% abstain.
4. **Matters Arising.** There were none
5. **Approval of the Trustees' Annual Report** for year ended 31 March 2021. Proposed: Ian Carter, Seconded: Stuart Whale. 79% in favour; 21% abstentions.
6. **Approval of the Trustees' Accounts** for year ended 31 March 2020. The Chair asked for any questions to John Sharp to be raised via Chat. There were no questions. Proposed: Michael Walker; Seconded: Tina Curtis. Approved via poll: 87% in favour, 13% abstain.
7. **Chairman's Address.** This is my first year as District Chair and I have learned a lot. Importantly, I could not have undertaken this role without the help of all of the members of the District Executive who have shared their knowledge with me whilst tactfully and patiently tolerated my Scouting naivety.

I would like to thank John Sharp who, after contributing 50 years to Scouting is stepping down as District Treasurer. He has dedicated 10 of those years to managing the finances at Wansdyke Scouts and is handing the baton to Tim Miles. Tim is an experienced accountant who has offered to continue John's excellent work for the next year. Thank you, John, and good luck Tim! I am pleased to say John has agreed to remain with the District Executive for the foreseeable future, we do not like to lose our valued members.

A personal mention and heartfelt 'thank you' must also go to John Mander. Not only has John devoted over 40 years to Scouting but with his help I have been able to keep my head above water. His assistance in setting a course particularly for this AGM made me all the more reluctant to let his knowledge and experience go completely. Happily, John has agreed to stay serving as a Trustee with Wansdyke District Scout Council role where we can all benefit from his wise words and calm demeanour. Thank you also to John's wife, Hilary who has tirelessly helped with Scouting generally, in particular the Badge Account, not an easy job!

Thank you to Tina Curtis and her Deputy, Graham Bush. They have been very patient with me whilst working tirelessly for the District. James Swallow, thank you for your help in setting this meeting up on Zoom and for administering the voting system this evening. Thank you to Ian Carter who quite frankly, is gold dust. I would like to send best wishes on behalf of us all to Gavin Lear who has had a very difficult time. We wish him a speedy recovery.

2021 – 2025 STRATEGIC VISION

There are 4 main areas that I believe we have opportunities to excel, namely:

Finance and Resources

District Structure and Development

Growing our Activities

Community Impact

Finance & Resources: We welcome Tim Miles to the team as Treasurer who will begin the implementation of our 5 year financial plan for Wansdyke Scouts starting with moving our financial management to an IT based system. We have also appointed a new external auditor, Tony Dicker & Co. and we are making progress.

District Structure and Development: It is our aim to make the District Executive more visible amongst Explorer and Scout Groups. We have commenced meetings with the Group Chairs to share common issues and solutions. It is our aim to increase the use of OSM by all Sections within the whole District, we realise some training will need to be undertaken but that investment will pay dividends very quickly. The Covid pandemic, which had forced the closure of Scouting activities for so many months created an immediate demand for Leaders to renew their First Aid qualifications when Scouting recommenced in September of this 2021. To assist with the large task of getting Leaders current First Aid training we have organised and funded all First Aid training throughout the District. Stuart Whale, one of the District Executive has undertaken the not insignificant task of organising First Aid training venues and trainers alongside filling each of the training courses, he has done a remarkable job, thank you Stuart. In addition a District wide Training day has been organised by members of the Executive and a Group GSL to address important topics of LGBT, mental health and best practice.

Growing our Activities: Recruitment is essential but Covid has made this more complicated. Please bear in mind that with any contact you have with a parent, use it as an opportunity to recruit! It is vitally important to build legacies into our Scouting Group and organisation. To assist with this, we will be introducing a new, District wide event for 2022. This inclusive event will involve all parents and our hope is that not only will this improve collaboration, but also inspire others to become leaders and volunteers.

Community Impact: Recent events have highlighted the importance for Scouting to recognise, acknowledge and be familiar with LGBT and mental health. Tristan Stuart will be leading awareness training across Wansdyke as part of our drive to make Scouting increasingly inclusive.

The Executive Committee must exist for a reason and it is our hope that by encouraging meetings between all group Chairs across the district, face-face contact will create an environment to share ideas and inspire more dialogue between the groups.

A topical subject which is also very close to my heart is climate change. This is an area I am keen to tackle within Scouting in the coming year.

Finally, I cannot emphasise this enough when I address these remarks to everyone. You make Scouting possible. Your tireless work that goes into creating events for young people is humbling. You all dedicate time to give your very best to the young people that come to Scouting. My wish is that other parents recognise that impact and the lessons you give them. It is my hope that they use it as a benchmark within their life.

8. **Nomination of District Chair.** The meeting approved the District Commissioner's nomination of Nigel Wright as District Chair. 100% in favour.
9. **Election of District Secretary.** Only one nomination had been received: Maddie Difazio-Wright, proposed by Tina Curtis, seconded by Graham Bush.
10. **Election of District Treasurer.** Only one nomination had been received: Tim Miles. Proposed by John Sharp, seconded by Will Summerill.
11. **Election of up to Five Members to the District Executive Committee (Charity Trustees).** John Mander and John Sharp had been nominated, and were elected with the following who were re-

elected for a further year: Will Holmes; Tony Stringer; Tristan Stuart. Proposed by Tina Curtis, seconded by Karl Kilburn. Approved via poll: 92% in favour, 8% abstain.

11. **Receive and Confirm the District Commissioner's Nominations to the District Executive Committee (Charity Trustees)** Ian Carter, Mark Smee, James Swallow, Stuart Whale were approved by the meeting.
12. **Elect Two Leaders to represent the District on the Avon County Scout Council.** Only one nomination received—David Moore. David was thanked for his continuing service, and the District Executive given authority to nominate a second leader.
13. **Appoint an Independent Financial Examiner for the year 2021-2022.** Tony Dicker and Harriett Dicker of Tony Dicker & Co were nominated by John Sharp, seconded by Tim Miles, and agreed by the meeting.
14. **District Commissioner's Address.** Echoing everything Nigel has said. Huge thank you to everyone in the Exec team, leaders, assistants, GSLs – you've all been phenomenal over these past 2 years. Lovely to see that all of the groups are almost all back to pre-covid levels. Having lost some Leaders during the pandemic Chew Stoke is in the process of recruiting new Leaders and a GSL, we wish them well with their efforts.

I would also like to add my thanks and gratitude to John Sharp, Hilary Mander and Mark Smee who have all stepped down from their roles. Thank you to John Mander for stepping into Hilary's shoes to manage the badge account.

My thanks also to Nigel, Graham Bush and Ian Carter who have been rocks during this past year. Thank you for your support – you're always there for me and if ever I need help, you're there and will help. Graham, thank you for attending and being here.

I have now finished my 5 year tenure and need a review to see if I will be permitted to carry on. If permitted, I would like to carry on for another 2 years to recruit an ADC Cubs as well as District Explorer representative to join our Executive.
16. **Presentation.** Hilary Mander was presented with an Award of Merit. Due to online restrictions, Hilary's award was hidden in a drawer in her office at her home, we had the pleasure of directing her to the drawer for her award.
17. **County Commissioner's Address.** Graham Brant thanked the meeting for inviting him to attend. It is a time to think of people less fortunate than ourselves. Scouting numbers in Avon are almost to pre-pandemic levels and this is down to the people running the sections day in day out on zoom, in parks and everywhere else you've done events!

Well done to Tina and Graham, it's easy to be demoralised but you haven't been!

Scouting is green allowing us to get back to normal. There are some alterations and examples of modernising Scouting by the creation of a new programme for 4-5 year olds, it will be known as Squirrels. There will also be a review of uniforms.

Woodhouse Park has been opened having been taken back from 15th September. This is an area we are starting to invest in as we move forward.

You all deliver a great programme to young people. We can only do this if we're safe. Induction is a mandatory part of becoming part of Scouting. Parents put a lot of trust in us and we need to make sure we are trained.

Thank you to Nigel and the whole exec.
18. **Any Other Business.** There was none.
19. **Close of meeting.** The Chairman closed the meeting saying that Scouting is something to be proud of. "Whenever I tell people what my role is, they all say 'what a brilliant thing to be doing.' I say it's not me, it's about the people on the ground – thank you."

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF WANSDYKE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

Registered Charity Number 1184760

for the year 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022

SECTION A—Reference and Administration Details

Charity Name: Wansdyke District Scout Council

Charity's Principal Address: 56 Uplands Road, Saltford, Bristol BS31 3HN

Charity Trustees: Listed on page 3 of this document

Name and Address of Principal Adviser:

Legal and Charity: Mr Derek Bayliss, 56 Uplands Road, Saltford, Bristol BS31 3HN

Independent Examiners: Tony Dicker & Co, 29 Courtenay Road, Keynsham, BS31 1JU

SECTION B—Structure, Governance and Management

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.

The District is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts. The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.

The District is managed by the District Executive Committee, the members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' of the District, which is a registered charity. As charity trustees they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities. This includes the registration, keeping proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate.

Members of the District Executive Committee are listed on page 3 of this document. The Committee consists of the Chair, Treasurer, Secretary, the District Commissioner, the District Explorer Scout Commissioner, the District Network Commissioner, the District Youth Commissioner plus up to four individuals nominated by the District Commissioner and up to four individuals elected from the District Scout Council. It meets approximately every two months.

The Committee exists to support the District Commissioner in meeting the responsibilities of his appointment and in so doing provides indirect support for all those involved in Scouting within the Wansdyke District. The Committee reviews finance and property, ensures compliance with Charity legislation, promotes the development of Scouting in the district, raises funds and manages adult appointments and DBS checks.

SECTION C—Objectives and Activities

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

The Values of Scouting: As Scouts we are guided by these values: **Integrity** - We act with integrity; we are honest, trustworthy and loyal. **Respect** - We have self-respect and respect for others. **Care** - We support others and take care of the world in which we live. **Belief** - We explore our faiths, beliefs and attitudes. **Co-operation** - We make a positive difference; we co-operate with others and make friends.

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

SECTION D—Achievements and Performance

These are detailed in the review by the District Chair and District Commissioner on pages 8 and 9 of this report.

SECTION E—Finance

The District Scout Council has decided that the accounts shall be kept on a Receipts and Payments basis.

SECTION F—Other Optional Information: None

SECTION G—Declaration

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

Signed on 20th July 2022 on behalf of the charity's trustees.

Nigel Wright

District Chair

Maddie Difazio-Wright

District Secretary

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF WANSDYKE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

Last year I began my report by thanking members of the District Executive for tolerating my naivety in Scouting, there is no reason to change that in this report, without their continued support and patience my shortcomings would not be so well hidden.

In 2021 the District Executive created a 5 year Strategic Vision encapsulated on a one page document. The nature of a strategic plan is constant review of progress, or not, I am pleased to say that in the last 12 months we have progressed against the identified aims of 2021 consequently an updated version of the strategy is attached. Thought the past year your District Executive has endeavoured to follow the Wansdyke District Strategic Vision therefore my report will follow the four areas of the vision.

Finance and Resources

The annual accounts show a comfortable financial position, even after making a loan of £25K to High Littleton to assist with the purchase of their premises. We have agreed that First Aid training will be funded by the District therefore removing a considerable financial burden from groups. I would not have thought that changing banking mandates from retiring Treasurers and Chairs would have been difficult but Barclays have proven me wrong. Complaining to Barclays resulted in a "good will" payment from them to us of £75, pleasingly our mandates are now in place and our move to Internet banking is complete. We continue to fund the use of OSM across all groups. Our progress against our 2021 strategy has been good, we have a treasurer, we have Internet Banking, our funding to groups is extending whilst we maintain comfortable financial reserves.

Growing Activities

Our numbers have grown since the Pandemic forced a halt to scouting activities, I am pleased to say all our groups survived with new Leaders and assistants stepping forward to ensure groups were not forced to close. Recruitment remains a problem but I believe the volunteers are available, we need to find new ways of encouraging them to join our movement. All groups and Explorers are meeting, camping and engaging in activities, a fantastic turnout was achieved in May at Chelwood for the renewal of promise.

District Structure and Development

We continue to improve Executive training across the District with some groups now monitoring their own training requirements for Executive members. Our training requirements for Leaders has been dramatically improved, data provided at each District Executive meeting by the District Training Advisor has shown his approach across groups has led to training being completed in a timely fashion. Inevitably there will be some backlog with training as Leaders qualifications ebb and flow throughout the year but we are now in a much healthier position. A DESC has been appointed who will provide a valuable link between the Explorer Groups and the District Executive. Our "WEB Support" has been put to good use at Chew Stoke and Midsummer Norton.

Community Impact

This is an area that as a District we can improve in the coming year. Discussion are underway to hold a WANJAM in 2023 that will focus on adult recruitment as well as young people. Our approach to becoming inclusive has moved forward with a training day for leaders dealing not only with scouting activities but also LGBT awareness briefings across scouting.

Throughout the coming year the District Executive will endeavour to position itself to meet the changing environment and society where we live, work and volunteer. Volunteering is an important word because without the volunteers the District Executive would have no relevance consequently we thank as warmly and generously as we can all those people who give their time, experience, enthusiasm, patience, wisdom and understanding to improve the lives of everyone through scouting.

Nigel Wright
District Chair

THE ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

Greetings fellow Scouters!

This year has been such an improvement over the previous 2 years where many of our lives were almost on hold. Thank goodness for Zoom which seemed to keep most people connected and active.

Most of the 9 groups in our district are back up to pre Covid numbers but many are struggling for adult volunteers, this is something district have gradually been supporting groups with.

Starting with 1st Chew Stoke who were inactive for 2 years and almost at the point of closure. A meeting with interested parents and existing volunteers brought forward enough support to re-open one of the Beaver colonies and one of the cub packs earlier this year and the scout section are preparing to re-open in September. We now have Ian Dellbridge as their Group Scout Leader and Lee Hiscox as AGSL so the group is now in good shape.

1st Saltford have been without a GSL for nearly 3 years and struggling with leaders in all sections. We now have Paul Goddard who has just agreed to step in to the Group Scout Leader role and together we are working to set up a new group structure in line with the Transition 22 guidance. Other groups will be getting support with their recruiting in the near future.

I would like to offer congratulations to the following adults in Wansdyke for some well deserved awards this year.

SCOUTING ADULT AWARDS 2021-22



MBE: **Stuart Ballard**



Bar to the Silver Acorn: **Graham Bush, Karl Kilburn, Dave Turner**



The Silver Acorn: **Simon Walker**

Other Awards for Good Service:



5 Chief Scout's Commendations, 4 Awards for Merit, 5 Bars to the Award for Merit

Transition 22 will be bringing in a lot of restructuring and changes over the next year including:

A warmer welcome for everyone;

Simplifying how we volunteer together with new roles and structures;

More support to help get everyday things done: digital transformation;

A more engaging learning experience ;

For more information visit the testing hub here - <https://www.scouts.org.uk/about-us/testing-hub/>

I would like to express my thanks to each and every one of you for all that you do for our young people.

Huge amounts of your personal time is committed to ensuring that they all gain so much experience from scouting and pick up those valuable skills for life. Without you none of this would happen so be very proud of yourselves.

Lastly onto me! At the 2023 AGM I will be stepping down after 7 years as District Commissioner. I have loved every minute of working with all of you but the time has come to lighten my load and take life a little easier. Over the next 6 months we will be actively looking for my replacement with a view to the lucky candidate shadowing me for a while to settle in. If you or anyone you know would like to be considered for the position please do not hesitate to contact me or Graham to discuss what the role entails.

Yours in Scouting

Tina Curtis

District Commissioner

WANSDYKE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

Accounts

31 March 2022

Charity number: 1184760

Wansdyke District Scout Council
Year ended 31 March 2022
Charity number: 1184760

Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of Wansdyke District Scout Council

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of Wansdyke District Scout Council (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity Trustees of the Trust 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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act

Independent examiners 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 in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act ; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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.



A R Dicker FCA
Tony Dicker & Co
Chartered Accountants
29 Courtenay Road
Keynsham
Bristol
BS31 1JU

Date: 17/9/2022

Wansdyke District Scout Council
Statement of Financial Activities
Year ended 31 March 2022

	Total Funds (all unre- stricted) 2022 £	Total Funds (all unre- stricted) 2021 £
Incoming resources		
Charitable activities	42,496	25,365
Investment income (interest)	1	37
Gift Aid and other donations	0	100
Total	<u>42,497</u>	<u>25,502</u>
Resources expended		
Charitable activities	41,867	29,318
Total	<u>41,867</u>	<u>29,318</u>
Net incoming (outgoing) resources	630	-3,816
Total funds brought forward	109,874	113,690
Total funds carried forward	<u>110,504</u>	<u>109,874</u>

Wansdyke District Scout Council
Statement of Financial Activities
Year ended 31 March 2022

<u>Incoming resources</u>	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
District membership subscriptions	45,609	40,747
Less : Avon County membership subscriptions	<u>-41,172</u>	<u>-37,097</u>
	4,437	3,650
World Scout Jamboree fees refund	0	655
District Scout Camp	0	135
Badges	4,751	716
Explorer Scout Units	33,308	20,208
Donations	0	100
Bank interest - District	0	38
Bank interest - Explorer Scout Units	1	0
	<u>42,497</u>	<u>25,502</u>
<u>Resources expended</u>		
Training	600	0
OSM Costs	705	871
Gift Aid Payments to Explorer Scout Units	0	135
District Challenge Night	86	0
Accountancy fees	540	660
Insurance	0	42
Motion Picture Licence	205	199
Scrapstore Membership	25	50
Sections	279	0
IT expenses	42	0
Administration and AGM	198	0
Flowers to retiring secretary	0	32
Badge costs	4,147	0
Explorer Scout Units	34,420	27,329
World Scout Jamboree Payment	620	0
	<u>41,867</u>	<u>29,318</u>
Net incoming (-outgoing) resources	630	-3,816
Loan to High Littleton Scout Group	-25,000	0
Overall Resources in/-out flows	<u>-24,370</u>	<u>-3,816</u>

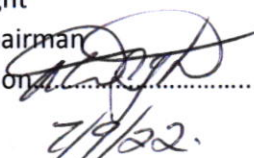
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Statement of Financial Activities
Year ended 31 March 2022

	2022 £	2021 £
Current assets/-liabilities		
Stocks	5,298	5,459
Cash at bank and in hand	79,628	104,415
Loan repayable within 12 months	2,500	0
Debtors	714	0
Creditors	-136	0
Net current assets	<u>88,004</u>	<u>109,874</u>
Loan repayable between 2 and 10 years	22,500	0
Net Assets	<u>110,504</u>	<u>109,874</u>
Represented by :		
Total funds (all unrestricted)	<u>110,504</u>	<u>109,874</u>

The accounts were approved and signed on behalf of Wansdyke District Scout Council on their behalf by:

Nigel Wright

District Chairman

Approved on 

7/9/22

Tina Curtis

District Commissioner

Approved on 

Wansdyke District Scout Council
Notes to the accounts
Year ended 31 March 2022

1. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis

Income

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the Scout Council has received the income. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- voluntary income is received by way of donations and gifts and is included in the Statement of Financial Activities when received
- investment income is included when received
- incoming resources from activities are accounted for when received

Resources expended

Expenditure is charged on a payments basis

2. Cash at bank and in hand

	2022	2021
	£	£
Bath Building Society	25,261	25,261
District current account	23,120	46,984
District deposit account	4,210	4,209
Badge account	2,226	2,039
Keynsham ESU current account	2,045	2,804
Keynsham ESU reserve account	2,122	0
Keynsham ESU expedition account	30	931
Keynsham ESU fundraising account	0	460
Argus ESU account	6,160	7,248
Mercury ESU current account	6,999	6,052
Mercury ESU savings account	394	791
Saxon ESU current account	5,157	5,035
Titan ESU current account	1,760	1,873
Argus ESU cash in hand	0	410
Titan ESU cash in hand	12	
Saxon ESU cash in hand	132	318
	<u>79,628</u>	<u>104,415</u>

3 Loan to High Littleton Scout Group

On 16th September 2021 the charity advanced the sum of £25,000 to High Littleton Scout Group in order to support the acquisition of their new Scout Hall. The loan is interest free and is repayable in ten equal instalments of £2,500 commencing on 1 September 2022.

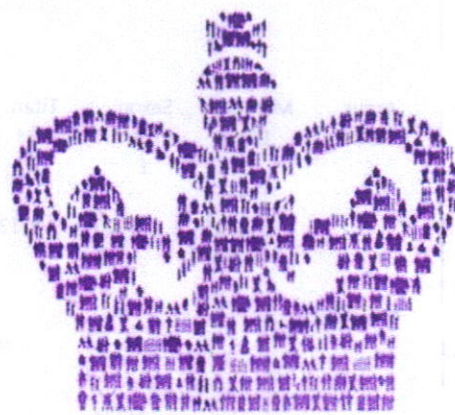
Wansdyke District Scout Council
Statement of Financial Activities
Year ended 31 March 2022

3. Explorer Scout Units

	Keynsham ESU £	Argus ESU £	Mercury ESU £	Saxon ESU £	Titan ESU £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
<u>incoming resources</u>							
Subscriptions	2,425		2,415	2,925	1,128	8,893	3,194
Activities and Camps	1,385		3,625	115		5,125	2,873
Minibus Hire	4,027					4,027	1,966
Donations/Grants						0	550
Fundraising	8,903				30	8,933	8,960
Expo	1,875					1,875	1,422
London				2,440		2,440	
Gift Aid			944		39	983	1,123
Uniforms			653			653	119
Christmas meal				229		229	
Bouldering				150		150	
Bank interest						0	4
	<u>18,615</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>7,637</u>	<u>5,859</u>	<u>1,197</u>	<u>33,308</u>	<u>20,211</u>
<u>Resources expended</u>							
Capitation Fees	2,068	578	676	1,316	936	5,574	3,735
Subscriptions						0	55
Activities and Camps	2,266	511	5,558	1,697	42	10,074	2,330
Fundraising	6,823					6,823	7,011
Expo	2,272					2,272	5,950
Transport(incl. repairs)	5,184					5,184	5,777
London				2,389		2,389	0
Skiing						0	100
Equipment			9		232	241	2,246
Leader training					85	85	
Sidmouth/Bouldering				200		200	0
Uniforms			814			814	0
Other		410	30	321	3	764	124
	<u>18,613</u>	<u>1,499</u>	<u>7,087</u>	<u>5,923</u>	<u>1,298</u>	<u>34,420</u>	<u>27,328</u>
Net incoming/outgoing resources	2	-1,499	550	-64	-101	-1,112	-7,117
Funds brought forward	4,100	7,659	6,844	5,353	1,873	25,829	32,946
Funds carried forward	<u>4,102</u>	<u>6,160</u>	<u>7,394</u>	<u>5,289</u>	<u>1,772</u>	<u>24,717</u>	<u>25,829</u>

4. Statement of Funds

	Balance at 01 April 2021 £	income £	Expenses £	Transfers £	Gains/ losses £	Balance at 31 March 2022 £
Unrestricted funds						
Beavers	191					191
Cubs	1,060					1,060
Scouts	1,205					1,205
Explorers	25,829	33,308	34,420			24,717
Young Leaders	157					157
Network	0					0
Jamboree Fund	4,294		620			3,674
Wansdyke Fund	0					0
General Fund	77,138	9,189	6,827			79,500
	<u>109,874</u>	<u>42,497</u>	<u>41,867</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>110,504</u>



The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service

• THE MBE FOR VOLUNTEER GROUPS •

Avon County Scouts volunteers have been honoured with the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service, the highest award a voluntary group can receive in the UK.

The Scout Association in the Avon area supports young people from all walks of life to reach their full potential and become the best possible citizens of the future while having fun and learning skills for life. They are fully inclusive and totally embedded within the community taking part in a plethora of activities and having a profound impact on hundreds of children.

Avon County Scouts is one of 244 charities, social enterprises and voluntary groups from across the United Kingdom and Channel Islands to receive the prestigious award this year. The number of nominations and awards has increased year on year since the awards were introduced in 2002, showing that the voluntary sector is thriving and full of innovative ideas to make life better for those around them.

The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service aims to recognise outstanding work by volunteer groups to benefit their local communities. It was created in 2002 to celebrate the Queen's Golden Jubilee. Winners are announced each year on 2 June – the anniversary of the Queen's Coronation. Award winners this year are wonderfully diverse.

Representatives of the local Scout Association will receive the award crystal and certificate from the Lord-Lieutenant of the City and County of Bristol Mrs Peaches Golding OBE later this summer. In addition, two volunteers from Avon County Scouts will attend a garden party at Buckingham Palace in 2023 (depending on restrictions at the time), along with other recipients of this year's Award.

Graham Brant, County Commissioner for Avon Scouts was delighted that our County's work has been recognised, and this Award pays tribute to the hard work and commitment of our volunteers. He said, "It is a real honour for our volunteers to receive such fantastic recognition for all their hard work and commitment."