

Trustees' Annual Report

For the period

From (start date) 01 04 24 and date 31 03 25

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Shoreham Beach Scout Group

Other names the charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1207115

HQ registration number

11924007

Charity's principal address

The Hut

Rear of 21 King's Walk

Shoreham By Sea

PostcodeBN435GL

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity
(These will be published in the annual report of the charity and the Charity Register if reporting for a Registered Charity with a charity regulator)

	Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1	Colin Welch	Chair	
2	Jonathan Elliot	Group Lead Volunteer	
3	Neil Graham	Treasurer	
4	Nicola Brown	Member	
5	Gareth Walsh	BSL	
6	Katie Woodgate	ESL	
7	Sam Boyce	Member	
8	Steve Riordan	Member	
9	Rowena Griffiths	Member	Until 29 Jan '25
10	Jamie Smith	Member	Until 22 Apr '25
11	Hazel Doyle	Secretary	Until 22 Jun '24
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Names and addresses of advisers (optional information but encouraged as best practice)
(These will be published in the annual report of the charity)

Type of advisor	Name	Address

Section B**Structure, governance and management**

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document

(e.g. trust deed, constitution)

The Group's governing documents are those of the Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, which in turn gives authority to the Bye Laws of the Association and The Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.

How the charity is constituted

(e.g. trust, association, company)

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

Trustee selection methods

(e.g. appointed by, elected by)

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

Additional governance issues (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

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

The Group is managed by the Group Trustee Board, the members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' of the Scout Group which is an educational 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.

Policies and procedures adopted for:

- a) the induction and training of trustees;
- b) trustee' consideration of major risks and the systems and procedures to manage them

The Board consists of independent representatives, Chair and Treasurer together with the Group Scout Leaders, individual section leaders (if opted to take on the responsibility) and parent representation and meets every 6 weeks

This Group Trustee Board exists to support the Group Scout Leader in meeting the responsibilities of the appointments and is responsible for:

The maintenance of Group property;

The raising of funds and the administration of Group finance;

The insurance of persons, property and equipment;

Group public occasions;

Assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support;

Appointing any sub committees that may be required;

Appointing Group Administrators and Advisors other than

Section B**Structure, governance and management (continued)****Risk and Internal Control**

The group 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 a 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 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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>
Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects	<p>Designing and delivering a complete and suitable programme to include: Camping, outdoor activities, badge achievement, positive work within the community, and learning of life skills.</p>

Additional details of the objectives and activities (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

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

- policy on grantmaking;
- contribution made by volunteers;

The Group's Trustees and Leaders met in April 2025 to discuss and agree 5 year goals for the group as it continues to improve the scope and quality of provision for our young people and the wider community - these goals include:
- Increase Trustees board from 8 to 11 including parent

- policy on investments.
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| <p>representation from each section</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Increase to 5 sections, including a Squirrels Dray by 2028 - Increase number of young people to 100 over 5 years - Increase number of leaders to 11 in line with this - Run 3 weekend camps per year - plus a full-week camp for Scouts and Explorers - Complete renovation of our Hut by the end of 2025 - Extend the use of the Hut beyond the Scout Group to up to 10 local community groups, using the hut for 100 days per year - Donate 600 volunteer hours and £1000 back to other local groups per year by 2030 - Top Scouting awards (Chief Scout) achieved by 75% of Beavers, 50% of Cubs and 25% of Scouts per year by 2030 |
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Public benefit statement

<p>The Group meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.</p>

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

<p>The group has continued to update and improve the programme of activities for young people, with new leaders joining the Group for our Cub and Beaver sections in 2024. Highlights of activities have included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fours Camps across all sections Scuba diving for Cubs Climbing Bike ride Hiking Go Beavers Beach Walk/Hike Visit to Lifeboat station Visit to Fire Station Visit to Marlipins Pancake making Pioneering Raft Building Pizza Making Skate boarding Ready Steady Cook Chip Hike Making Balloon Powered cars Twig Boat Building Treuchet building(Pioneering) Woggle making Bowling Urban Scavenger Hunt Outdoor cooking and shelter making Downsman Hike

<p>Overland Hike Bell ringing Air Rifle Shooting Scavenger Hunt A Christmas Carol Service at the Church of the Good Shepherd</p> <p>This year great progress has been made on the renovation of our new Scout Hut on Shoreham Beach.</p> <p>Our fundraising (detailed below) has enabled us to complete the following work at the hut:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Further site clearace - Replacement of the roof - New windows - Donation of Solar Panels - to be installed in June 2025 <p>We have also increased our engagement with our local community, attending the local Resident's Association AGM and reaching out to organisations including Shoreham Port, Friends of Shoreham Beach, the Church of the Good Shepherd and other local Rotary Clubs and associations. We have also been successful in securing donations of money, time and materials from local businesses in support of our renovations. We have also created a list of local groups struggling to find affordable space, who will be able to benefit from renting our hut at low cost when it is</p>
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Section E	Financial Review
Brief statement of the charity’s policy on reserves	<p>Reserves Policy</p> <p>The Group's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the group should income and fundraising activities fall short. The Group Trustee Board considers that the group should hold a sum equivalent to 5 months running costs, circa £5,000.</p> <p>The Group held reserves of approximately £8,500 against this at year end, with the surplus held in our hut renovation fund put aside for further development work in 2025-26</p>
Quantify and explain any designations	
Details of any funds materially in deficit (circumstances plus steps to eliminate)	<div>None</div>
Further financial review details (optional information)	
You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising); 	<p>Our principal source of funding for the operations of the Group and Scouting activities is subscriptions from our members, which were raised from £13 to £15 per month this year in line with increasing costs - following 7 years of being kept static.</p> <p>The fundraising team secured a record-breaking £17,198 in funding this year, including grants, private donations from local businesses, and our own fundraising events including a sponsored run, stalls at local school and community fairs, and a car boot fair.</p> <p>Proceeds from fundraising are kept in a separate bank account specifically ringfenced for hut renovation expenditure</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity; 	<p>Our fundraising activity has supported significant progress with the renovation of our new Scout Hut this year - against our objective to complete these renovations by the end of 2025</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> investment policy and objectives; 	<p>No significant investments are made by the group at this stage. Our policy is for all investments to be approved by the trustees board.</p> <p>Our objective is for the group to be able to donate up to £1000 back to other local community groups per year by 2030</p>

Section F	Other Optional Information
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Plans for future periods (details of any significant activities planned to achieve them)

Section G	Declaration
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The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	Colin Welch	Jonathan Elliot
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Full name(s)	Colin Michael Welch	Jonathan Paul Elliot
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Position (eg Secretary, Chair)	Chair	Group Lead Volunteer
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Shoreham Beach Scout Group

Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2025


	3/31/2025	3/31/2024	3/31/2023
Monetary Assets			
Bank Current Account	8,449.10	10,384.20	10,518.24
Cash in hand	0.00	0.00	0.00
Debtors	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<u>8,449.10</u>	<u>10,384.20</u>	<u>10,518.24</u>
Total Assets	<u>8,449.10</u>	<u>10,384.20</u>	<u>10,518.24</u>
Liabilities			
WSSC Loan	5,333.74	7,167.00	9,167.00
Accrued Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
Creditors	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<u>5,333.74</u>	<u>7,167.00</u>	<u>9,167.00</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>3,115.36</u>	<u>3,217.20</u>	<u>1,351.24</u>
Accumulated Fund			
Accumulated fund brought forward	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net Group income expenditure for the year	-10,184.03	452.83	

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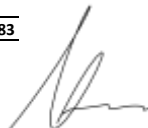
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Approved by the trustees (Group Trustees) on
and signed on their behalf by:


Colin Welch
Chair of Trustees

Treasurer:
Neil Graham



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Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2025

	3/31/2025	3/31/2024	3/31/2023
	£	£	£
INCOME			
Subs / Joining Fees	12,273.20	9,541.70	10,554.71
Gift Aid	6,344.55	0.00	5,878.47
Bank Interest	31.17	26.07	21.36
	<u>18,648.92</u>	<u>9,567.77</u>	<u>16,454.54</u>
 Investment Income Received			
	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
 Donations / Grants / other			
 Fundraising	<u>17,198.60</u>	<u>2,818.67</u>	<u>982.99</u>
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 TOTAL INCOME FOR THE YEAR	 <u><u>35,847.52</u></u>	 <u><u>12,386.44</u></u>	 <u><u>17,437.53</u></u>

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Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2025

	3/31/2025 £	3/31/2024 £
EXPENDITURE		
Venue Hire	2,541.50	2,524.50
Achievement Badges	294.38	116.06
Storage	1,456.00	1,456.00
Hut (running cost -Electric)	232.36	81.44
Hut development	31,452.00	
Donations (outgoing)	100.00	
	<u>36,076.24</u>	<u>4,178.00</u>
 Administration expenses		
Capitation Fees	3,503.50	3,505.50
Insurance	329.84	344.49
Banking Costs	55.00	76.05
WSCC Loan	1,833.26	1,833.26
Domain Registration	0.00	68.39
	<u>5,721.60</u>	<u>5,827.69</u>
 Activities		
General	579.23	751.31
Beavers	35.00	281.00
Cubs	779.23	330.86
Scouts	1,121.93	0.00
Explorers	483.68	204.75
Camps	1,234.64	360.00
	<u>4,233.71</u>	<u>1,927.92</u>
 TOTAL EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR	<u>46,031.55</u>	<u>11,933.61</u>
 TOTAL INCOME FOR THE YEAR	35,847.52	12,386.44
 EXCESS INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE	-10,184.03	452.83