

Trustees' Annual Report

For the period:

From	01 January 2025	To	31 January 2025

Charity Name	1st Hathersage Scout Group
Charity Registration Number (if registered - leave blank if excepted charity)	1208121
HQ Registration Number	10010603

Objectives and activities

Summary of the purpose and objects of the charity as set out in its governing document	The objectives of the charity are as a part of The Scout Association. 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 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
Summary of the main activities in relation to the purpose and objects	During the year the Group provided a high-quality programme of activities to over 80 young people across three sections (Beavers, Cubs and Scouts) in accordance with the Scout Method and aligned with our Values. The Beaver section continued to run at or near capacity throughout the year, with a waiting list for places as they became available. The programme delivered a wide range of activities in line with Scout method and values, including climbing and bouldering, map and compass work, outdoor navigation, campfire cooking, and community visits – including to the local fire station and Moorland House residential care home. Young people earned badges across health and fitness, faiths and beliefs, creative skills and the outdoors, and a number of Beavers received their Chief Scout's Bronze Award on moving up to Cubs. A section sleepover at the hut

	and participation in the Group's summer camp at Linnet Clough were particular highlights of the year. The Cub section grew significantly during the year, reaching 34 young people, which required the section to be split into two groups to keep sessions safe, manageable and fun. The programme included caving, archery, cricket, shelter building and camp skills, as well as a visit to Chesterfield Observatory and an evening in which Cubs planned, prepared and served a full meal to their parents. Hikes, sleepovers at the hut, and participation in the Group summer camp provided further highlights. Young Leaders supported the section throughout, acting as positive role models for younger members. Badge progression was strong across the section during the year. The Scout section delivered an engaging and varied programme through a period of leadership change. Key events included the Chilly Challenge – a winter camping expedition with open-fire cooking and navigation – and the Big Shoot camp at Drum Hill, where Scouts competed in archery, shooting and fencing, winning prizes across all categories. In September, two teams completed the 22km Kinder Challenge, self-navigating with minimal leader input. Scouts also represented the Group at the Hathersage Remembrance Parade. Five Chief Scout's Gold Awards were presented during the year, and two Scouts were selected to attend the World Scout Jamboree in Poland in 2027. Badge progression, with a particular focus on the Chief Scout's Gold Award, remained a central priority for the section. Across all three sections, the Group continued to deliver its programme in line with Scout method – learning by doing, taking responsibility, undertaking new and challenging activities, and engaging with the wider community. The Group maintained a strong focus on safety and safeguarding throughout the year, with all leaders holding current mandatory training and the Trustee Board strengthening its oversight in this area. The Group also continued to make progress on plans for a new Scout hut, securing grants and match funding to support this long-term investment in the future of Scouting in Hathersage.
Statement confirming the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	The Trustees confirm that the charity meets the Charity Commission's Public Benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.
You may choose to include further statements, where relevant, about: • <i>Policy on grant making</i>	The Charity does not make grant awards.

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year identifying the difference and impact the charity's work has made, including on sustainability	Over the course of the year, 1st Hathersage Scout Group provided high-quality Scouting to over 80 young people across its three sections, with waiting lists in all sections reflecting sustained demand from the local community. Young people participated in a broad and challenging programme — camping, independent navigation, teamwork, community engagement and practical skills — in direct pursuit of the Group's purpose of supporting young people's personal development. Measurable achievements include Chief Scout's Bronze Awards for Beavers moving up to Cubs, five Chief Scout's Gold Awards in the Scout section, and two Scouts selected to attend
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	the World Scout Jamboree in Poland in 2027. The Group's most significant achievement of the year was continued progress on the project to replace its ageing Scout Hut. Architectural design has advanced, tender responses have been secured, and fundraising has brought the total raised to approximately £380,000 through a combination of grants, match funding and community activity. The new building has been designed to minimise disruption to the existing trees on site and will be substantially more energy efficient than the current structure, including the use of an air source heat pump — reducing both the Group's environmental footprint and its long-term running costs. The project represents a major investment in the future of Scouting in Hathersage, and securing the remaining funding to complete it is the Group's primary strategic priority.
You may choose to include further statements, where relevant, about: • <i>Achievements against objectives</i> • <i>Fundraising activities</i> • <i>Contribution made by volunteers</i>	During the year, the group secured grants of £21,000 and a match-funding offer of up to £50,000 in support of the project to replace the Scout Hut.

Financial review

Review of the financial position	During the year the Charity generated unrestricted income of £31,401 and restricted income of £63,640 (principally comprising GiftAid received in respect of substantial donations to support the project to replace the Scout Hut received in the previous period). The Charity had incurred unrestricted expenses of £14,564, giving an unrestricted surplus for the year of £16,838. The Trustees note that this level of surplus is unusually high, given that the Charity received interest income of £7,608 in the period, associated with substantial cash balance held whilst the Scout Hut replacement project is pending, and also because of a catch-up receipt of £4495 of GiftAid covering subs. payments over several years. The Charity incurred restricted expenses of £17,435, all of which were in connection with the Scout Hut replacement project. At the end of the period, the Charity had net unrestricted assets of £64,111 and restricted assets of £332,831.
Policy on Reserves, why they are held, and the amount of reserves	The policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the charity should income and fundraising activities fall short. The Trustee Board considers that the charity should hold a sum equivalent to 6 months running costs, circa £8,000. The Charity held unrestricted reserves of approximately £64,111 at year end. This is above the level required for operating expenses. However, a substantial portion of unrestricted reserves are held in support of the Scout Hut replacement project, whilst not strictly restricted for such use. The charity also holds restricted funds (£332,830) for the Scout Hut

	replacement project.
Policy on Investments and investment performance	The Charity does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer term investments. The Charity has therefore adopted a risk averse strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or building societies. The Trustee Board regularly monitors the levels of bank balances to ensure the Charity has sufficient liquidity to meet its near-term needs. From time to time, in order to secure increased rates of interest the Group may place funds on deposit in accounts where a period of notice is required to before funds can be withdrawn. Before doing so the Trustee Board considers the cash flow requirements of the Charity.
A description of the principal risks	

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document	The charity'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 (POR) of The Scout Association.
How the charity is constituted	The charity is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts. It is constituted as an educational charity.
Trustee selection methods	The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.
Policies and procedures for the induction and training of trustees	All Trustees complete The Scout Association trustee and mandatory learning within the first six months of joining the Trustee Board, they also complete other Scout Association mandatory learning periodically as required.
Additional governance arrangements	The charity is managed by the Trustee Board, the members of which are the "Charity Trustees". 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. The Trustee Board consists of the Chair, Treasurer and 5 Trustees and meets 4 times a year on average. The Trustee Board exists to support the Leadership Teams in meeting the responsibilities of their appointments and in supporting them to run high-quality and safe programs that give young people skills for life. The Trustee Board maintain appropriate governance policies and oversight. The Trustee Board is responsible for carrying out its purposes for the public benefit, complying with the charity's governing document and the law, and managing the charity's resources responsibly. The Trustee Board is responsible for ensuring the charity is well managed, risks are assessed and mitigated, buildings and equipment are in good order and everyone follows legal requirements and Scout Association Policy, Organisation & Rules. This includes responsibility for:

	• Promoting a positive image of Scouting in the community, as well as its development; • Developing, maintaining and regularly reviewing a risk register, including putting in place appropriate mitigations; • Ensuring that the finances are properly managed, and there are sufficient resources (and reserves) to deliver high quality Scouting; • Ensuring a system of internal controls is in place that is designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss; • Ensuring that property is appropriately managed; • Maintaining appropriate insurance of persons, property and equipment; • Assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support; • Having an open and transparent selection process for the recruitment of Trustees; • Appointing Advisors as required; • Ensuring effective administration is in place to support the Trustee Board; • Ensuring compliance with applicable governance and charity regulations, including in respect to safety and safeguarding; • Ensuring incidents are appropriately reported in line with regulation and policy; • Ensuring applicable policies and regulations are regularly reviewed and changes implemented as appropriate; • Ensuring transparency of operations, including in the preparation of accounts and holding and AGM; • Ensuring compliance with Data Protection legislation; • Acting as a responsible employer for any employees, who are effectively managed.
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Plans for future periods

Plans for future Periods	Over the coming periods, the Charity intends to continue to deliver a high-quality programme of activities, in accordance with the Scout Method and aligned with our values. The Charity intends to secure sufficient funding to allow the Scout Hut replacement project to commence as soon as possible.
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Reference and administration details

Principal Address	Scout Hut Baulk Lane Hathersage S32 1AF
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	Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1	Thomas Crooks	Chair	
2	Daniel Thompson	Lead Volunteer	
3	Leigh White	Treasurer	
4	Jonathan Burrows		
5	Victoria Crooks		
6	Joze Taylor		1.1.2025 – 15.05.2025
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Name and address of advisors

Type of advisor	Name	Address
Independent Examiner / Auditor	Gareth Hunt	34 Woodholm Road, Sheffield, S11 9HT

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees by:

Signature		
Full name	Jonathan Burrows	
Position held	Trustee	
Date		



Unaudited Financial Statements

of the

1st Hathersage Scout Group

for the year ended

31 December 2025

Bank:

Metrobank
58-64 Fargate
Sheffield City Centre
Sheffield
S1 2HE

Prepared by L. White
(Hon. Treasurer)

Statement of Financial Activities

INCOME:

Bank Interest
Donation
Events / Camps
Fundraising
Gift Aid
Hut Hire
Membership Fees
Bank Fees (Expenses)
Events (Expenses)
Utilities Refund

TOTAL INCOME:

EXPENSES:

Group Running Costs
Section Running Costs
Bank Fees
New Hut Project
Capital Expenditure
Hut Running Costs
Camps/Events/Activities
Costs of Fundraising
Hut Hire Refund / Misc -Sundry Expenses:
Insurance
Capitation

Less: Capitalised as Tangible Fixed Asset

TOTAL EXPENSES:

EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENSES

TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS:

NET INCREASE / (DECREASE) IN FUNDS:

FUND BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD AT 1ST JAN**:
PRIOR YEAR ADJUSTMENT***

FUND BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD AT 31ST DEC:

Unres. Funds	Res. Funds	Total 2025	Total 2024 (Restated)
£	£	£	£
7,608	0	7,608	
0	1,091	1,091	
3,967	0	3,967	2,026
0	49	49	250,416
4,495	62,500	66,995	
7,750		7,750	9,838
7,968		7,968	8,116
(376)		(376)	(327)
(10)		(10)	
0	0	0	44
31,401	63,640	95,041	270,111
356	0	356	375
659	0	659	1,820
120	0	120	
0	17,345	17,345	
359	0	359	150
5,778	0	5,778	4,443
2,685	0	2,685	3,963
0	0	0	10
155	0	155	80
1,414	0	1,414	
3,037	0	3,037	2,558
0	(17,345)	(17,345)	
14,564	0	14,564	13,399
16,838	63,640	80,477	256,713
-	-	-	-
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47,273	269,192	316,465	58,694
			1,059
64,111	332,831	396,943	316,465

Statement of Assets & Liabilities

	2025	2024
	£	(Restated*)
Note		£
TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS:		
Investment in replacement hut building	17,345	0
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash at Bank - Current Account	24,054	315,230
Cash at Bank - Deposit Account	354,608	0
Cash in hand	0	0
Debtors	208	208
Prepayments	1,561	1,483
Accrued income	44	87
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS:	380,474	317,007
LIABILITIES:		
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	0	0
Accruals	(172)	0
Deferred Income	(705)	(542)
NET CURRENT ASSETS/LIABILITIES:	379,597	316,465
TOTAL NET ASSETS:	396,943	316,465
SCOUT GROUP FUNDS		
Unrestricted Funds	64,111	47,273
Restricted Funds ##	332,831	269,192
TOTAL SCOUT GROUP FUNDS	396,943	316,465
## Comprising:		
HUT ROOF	18,547	18,547
Hut Build	314,055	250,416
SINK	228	228
BRADWELL	-	-
	332,830	269,191

* In 2024 the Bradwell group was established as an independent entity and the balance of money held by 1st Hathersage Scout Group in respect of Bradwell was transferred to the new entity. In the 2024 accounts this was shown as a payment from unreserved funds. This has been corrected and restated as a payment from reserved funds.

Accounting Policies

The charity is a public benefit entity.

The financial statements have been prepared on an Accruals basis in accordance with The Scout Association's Guidance "Guidance on the Accounting and Audit Requirements for Group, Districts, Counties/Areas and Scottish Regions" (LT103950) together with applicable accounting standards (FRS102) and the Charities SORP 2019.

The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the Scout Group Trustees are responsible in law.

Income from the hire of Scout Hut premises is accounted for on an event by event basis.

All other income is generally recognised when it is received.

Capitation costs, are collected and held to be paid to the District Scouts.

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid.

Tangible fixed assets: Expenditure on the construction of the replacement Scout hut is capitalised at cost as incurred. The asset is not depreciated while it remains under construction; depreciation will be charged over its useful economic life once the building is complete and brought into use.

Restricted funds: Represent a) income which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the donation, grant or receipt and b) donations or grants received for a specific object or invited by the Scout Group for a specific object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given.
Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund.

Charities SORP

Going Concern

The trustees have assessed the charity's ability to continue as a going concern and have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future, being at least 12 months from the date of approval of the financial statements. Accordingly, the financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

In making this assessment, the trustees have considered the charity's current financial position, cash flow forecasts, and the principal risks and uncertainties it faces. This includes a review of income streams, expenditure commitments, and the impact of any known or anticipated legal, regulatory, or economic changes.

This assessment is consistent with the requirements of the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 2019, which mandates disclosure of the basis for the going concern assumption and any significant judgements made by the trustees in reaching their conclusion.

Additional Notes

The trustees confirm that they have reviewed the charity's financial forecasts. No material uncertainties have been identified that would cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. The charity has sufficient reserves and access to funding to meet its obligations as they fall due.

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of 1st Hathersage Scout Group

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the 1st Hathersage Scout Group (the "Scout Group") for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Scout Group 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 Scout Group 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

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 Scout Group 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.



Signed:

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FCA (ICAEW - 9155909)

Address: 34 Woodholm Road, Sheffield, S11 9HT

Date: 9th July 2026

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