Trustees' Annual Report

For the period:

From	01/01/2025	To	31/12/2025
	(period start date)		(period end date)

Charity Name	**1ST TURNFORD SCOUT GROUP**
Charity Registration Number (if registered - leave blank if excepted charity)	**267342**

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	1st Turnford Scout Group meets these objectives through its weekly Beavers, Cubs, and Scouts meetings and through additional events organised by the Group, District, and County teams. Beavers meet on Thursday evenings for 1 hour during term-time, Cubs meet on Tuesday eveings for 1 ½ hours during term-time, and Scouts meet on Thursday evenings for 2 hours during term-time. We are very grateful to all or leaders for all the time they commit to ensuring we have a safe and full programme of activities. In addition to the weekly meetings, we have continued to run additional activities which have included Hikes, Days Out, and a number of camps for each section.

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.

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	Group Lead Volunteers Report 2026 Sue Dennison and I share the role of Group Lead Volunteer, this means that between us we are responsible for all the section leaders and the scout hall. Sue leads on leader training, GDPR and other tasks which can be undertaken remotely and I look after the hall and hands on issues with the sections. The leaders and young leaders within each section run their own sections, delivering evening programmes, day trips, competitions and overnight camps and experiences. Being a close knit group you will often find them also helping at different sections. They are all unpaid volunteers giving freely of their time and often failing to claim expenses for 'small' items bought at short notice to fill a gap in the evening or make an activity work. All of our sections are running full and interesting programmes, including camps and day trips. I am sure that you join with me to thank them for their efforts on behalf of your young people. Additionally many of our leaders also work hard supporting the district at sectional level, planning and running district wide events and as district supporters/trustees helping ensure the district can function. This means the call on their time for general scouting is higher than ever and this is still all unpaid and has to exist alongside the day job. In order to deliver great evenings we need the Scout Hall to work for us and at the moment it is showing its age. We have spent the last few years securing a 25 year lease from the Council, this was needed before we could do any work on the building. We have now had a structural engineering survey as we have a problem where the kitchen joins the main hall. The engineer has advised on this as well as how we should improve the insulation and flooring. He confirmed that the main structure is sound and that it is appropriate to plan to spend money on insulation, toilets, floors etc. To support our vision going forward the leaders have brainstormed what they want from the hall and this is in the process of being taken to an architect / quantity surveyor to draw up measured plans with the specifications necessary to go to tender once appropriate landlord permissions, building regs and planning permissions are gained. Given all of this our challenge for the next couple of years is fundraising. The Surveyor suggested that our plans could cost around £100,000, we have over £50,000 saved towards this but that still leaves £50,000 to raise. We are looking at how best to share this out between running events and applying for grants. If any parents work for companies that give money or in-kind donations that may be able to support us please contact any of the team. Going forward we will also be looking for support with running fundraising events as well as participating in these. Our leader team is sorely stretched so cannot devote as much time to this as it needs to be successful, therefore parents/older siblings/grandparents help could improve our chances of achieving our target of providing a hall where scouting can continue to deliver value for all young people for years to come. Please think about how you can help us raise these much needed funds.

	Beverley Johnston and Sue Dennison

Financial review

Review of the financial position	The Scout Group continues to show a healthy income, with operational costs being covered by the General Funds. An increase in the number of children in the group has increased subscription income (net of fees to the district) by 11% to £5,178 (£4,645 in 2024). The accounts for 2025 include Gift Aid relating to 2023 subscription fees (£1,675.14) and a large donation from NFU Mutual (£7,931.50) with the donation being reserved for renovation of the scout hut.
Policy on Reserves, why they are held, and the amount of reserves	It is the intention of the Trustee Board to keep a general fund and its reserve for the upkeep and repair of the current Scout Hut, and at least one year's expenses for the running of the Group. The Trustee Board has designated reserves for the new HQ fund, thus providing a building which will secure the future of Scouting at 1st Turnford. These designated reserves are held in a savings account to gain interest.
Policy on Investments and investment performance	The charity's reserves are small and as a consequence does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer-term investments such as stocks and shares. The charity has therefore adopted a low risk strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or building societies.
A description of the principal risks	The Trustee Board has identified the major risks to which they believe the Group 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 the building, property, and equipment. The Group would request the use of buildings, property, and equipment from neighbouring organisations such as the primary school, village hall, sports pavilion, parish rooms and other Scout Groups. The Group has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss. Injury to Leaders, helpers, supporters, and members. The Group, through the capitation fees, contributes to the Scout Associations national accident insurance policy. Reduced income from fund raising. The Group is reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. The Group does hold a reserve, which should 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 Group on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently. Reduction or loss of Leaders. The Group is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the Group. If there were a reduction in the number of Leaders to an unacceptable level in a particular Section or the Group as a whole, then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a Section. In the worst-case scenario, the complete closure of the Group.

	Reduction or loss of members. The Group provides activities for all young people aged 6 to 14. If there were a reduction in membership in a particular Section or the whole Group, then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a Section. In the worst-case scenario, the complete closure of the Group. The Group has in place systems of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss; these include two signatories for all payments and comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered

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 9 Trustees and meets 4 times a year. The Trustee Board is supported by a Board Administrator. 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 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.

Plans for future periods

Plans for future Periods	In the coming year, the group intends to continue providing Scouting to young people in our community. The key priorities are: • Delivering a varied, high-quality programme across all sections (Beavers, Cubs, and Scouts) including nights away, camps, outdoor activities and community projects, with a focus on helping young people achieve their badges and awards. • Increasing the number of fundraising events throughout the year to supplement our income from subscriptions. • Investigate specific plans to improve our scout hut.

Reference and administration details

Principal Address	**43 The Oval** **Broxbourne** **EN10 6DQ**

	Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1	Angela Connoley	Chair	
2	Beverley Johnston	Lead Volunteer	
3	Andrew Taylor	Treasurer	
4	Gary Staples		
5	Laura Meyer		
6	Sue Dennison		
7	Toni Phelps		
8	Maria Constaninou		
9	Odette Kirby		
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Name and address of advisors

Type of advisor	Name	Address
Independent Examiner	Keith Bailey	Hatton House Church Lane Cheshunt Hertfordshire EN8 0DW

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.
Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees by:

Signature	X	
Full name	**Andrew Taylor**	
Position held	**Treasurer**	
Date	**19/10/2026**	

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF

1st TURNFORD SCOUT GROUP

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above cha
for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the acco
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 unc
145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all t
Directions given by the Charity commission under section 145(5)(b) of the A

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have c
attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to belie
any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements con
  and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Re
  Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts g
  fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independ
  examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection v
examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to en
understanding of the accounts to be reached.

K M Bailey
Bailey Phillips
Chartered Accountants
Hatton House
Church Lane
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Hertfordshire
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21 May 2026

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Accounts Summary for the year ended 31st December 2025

	This Year General Fund	This Year Restricted Fund	This Year Endowment Fund	This Year Total Fund	Previous Year
	£	£	£	£	£
Total receipts for the year	26,407.67	0.00	0.00	26,407.67	14,387.24
Total payments for the year	17,608.47	0.00	0.00	17,608.47	17,084.09
Net receipts (payments) for the year	8,799.20	0.00	0.00	8,799.20	(2,696.85)
Cash, bank and similar funds brought forward	56,324.06	0.00	0.00	56,324.06	59,020.91
Cash, bank and similar funds carried forward	65,123.26	0.00	0.00	65,123.26	£56,324.06

Restricted funds B/F relate to 2024 camp deposits taken and paid in 2023

The above account and accompanying statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees

on and signed on their behalf by

B.A. Johnston - Group Scout Leader

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Payments for the year ended 31st December 2025

	This Year General Fund £	This Year Restricted Fund £	This Year Endowment Fund £	This Year Total Fund £	Previous Year £
PREMISES					
Rent	**450.00**	0.00	0.00	450.00	540.00
Rates	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Services - Light, Heat, Water. Telephone	**1,832.27**	0.00	0.00	1,832.27	2,288.95
Insurance	**1,924.88**	0.00	0.00	1,924.88	1,537.38
Repairs & Renewals	**2,607.18**	0.00	0.00	2,607.18	1,388.30
Cleaning Expenses & Materials	**282.10**	0.00	0.00	282.10	480.00
	7,096.43	0.00	0.00	7,096.43	6,234.63
DONATIONS / GRANTS					
Donations	**25.00**	0.00	0.00	25.00	0.00
Grants	**0.00**	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	25.00	0.00	0.00	25.00	0.00
Camps	**3,364.40**	0.00	0.00	3,364.40	5,867.95
Trips/Activities	**5,449.59**	0.00	0.00	5,449.59	2,590.13
	8,813.99	0.00	0.00	8,813.99	8,458.08
Fund-Raising Expenses	**20.00**	0.00	0.00	20.00	20.00
	20.00	0.00	0.00	20.00	20.00
Administrative/Establishment Expenses	**256.73**	0.00	0.00	256.73	642.43
Bank Charges	**120.00**	0.00	0.00	120.00	173.20
	376.73	0.00	0.00	376.73	815.63
OTHER EXPENSES					
Group Expenses (Trophies etc.)	**0.00**	0.00	0.00	0.00	89.87
Leader Training	**40.00**	0.00	0.00	40.00	0.00
	40.00	0.00	0.00	40.00	89.87
Capital Equipment Purchases	**260.00**	0.00	0.00	260.00	600.53
		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	260.00	0.00	0.00	260.00	600.53
SUNDRY PAYMENTS					
Other Purchases	**0.00**	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Badge/Uniform Purchases	**976.32**	0.00	0.00	976.32	865.35
Caps	**0.00**	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	976.32	0.00	0.00	976.32	865.35
TOTAL PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	**17,608.47**	0.00	0.00	17,608.47	£17,084.09

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Receipts for the year ended 31st December 2025

	This Year General Fund £	This Year Restricted Fund £	This Year Endowment Fund £	This Year Total Fund £	Previous Year £
MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS	**9,356.00**	0.00	0.00	9,356.00	7,662.75
less: Paid	**4,178.50**	0.00	0.00	4,178.50	3,498.00
	5,177.50	0.00	0.00	5,177.50	4,164.75
INVESTMENT INCOME RECEIVED					
Bank Interest	948.09	0.00	0.00	948.09	18.83
Building Society Interest	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
The Scout Assoc'n Short Term Investment Service	**0.00**	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Dividends and Interest	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Property Rents	**286.00**	0.00	0.00	286.00	25.00
	1,234.09	0.00	0.00	1,234.09	43.83
DONATIONS / GRANTS	**8,067.35**	0.00	0.00	8,067.35	312.30
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	8,067.35	0.00	0.00	8,067.35	312.30
ACTIVITIES					
CAMPS	**3,425.00**	0.00	0.00	3,425.00	8,035.40
TRIPS/ACTIVITIES	**4,210.00**	0.00	0.00	4,210.00	914.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	7,635.00	0.00	0.00	7,635.00	8,949.40
FUND RAISING					
FUND RAISING (gross)	**2,330.09**	0.00	0.00	2,330.09	359.40
UNIFORM SHOP / EAST HERTS REBATE	**122.00**	0.00	0.00	122.00	132.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	2,452.09	0.00	0.00	2,452.09	491.40
OTHER INCOME					
Income Tax recovered - on subscriptions and donations	**1,675.14**	0.00	0.00	1,675.14	1,543.11
on dividends and interest	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	1,675.14	0.00	0.00	1,675.14	1,543.11
SUNDRY RECEIPTS					
Uniform Receipts	**166.50**	0.00	0.00	166.50	332.50
Badge receipts	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Loans received	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	166.50	0.00	0.00	166.50	332.50
TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR	**£26,407.67**	£0.00	£0.00	£26,407.67	£15,837.29

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Statement of Assets & Liabilities for the year ended 31st December 2025

	This Year General Fund £	This Year Restricted Fund £	This Year Endowment Fund £	This Year Total Fund £	Previous Year £
MONETARY ASSETS					
Bank Current Account(s)	16,352.71	0.00	0.00	16,352.71	8,478.67
Bank Deposit Account(s)	48,751.40	0.00	0.00	48,751.40	47,826.24
Bank Term Deposit(s)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Building Society Account(s)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash in hand	19.15	0.00	0.00	19.15	19.15
	65,123.26	0.00	0.00	65,123.26	£56,324.06
OTHER MONETARY ASSETS					
Tax Claim for Year ending 31 December 2025	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	£0.00
INVESTMENT ASSETS					

Government Stocks at market value	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other quoted securities at market value	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other investments	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Property held for investment purposes	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	£0.00
NON-MONETARY ASSETS Assets for Charity's own use					
Badge Secretary's stock	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tshirts and scarves Stock	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Land and Buildings	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Motor vehicles	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Scouting equipment, furniture, etc.	25,242.00	0.00	0.00	25,242.00	25,242.00
	25,242.00	0.00	0.00	25,242.00	£25,242.00
LIABILITIES Those due within one year					
Accounts not yet paid	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses incurred not yet invoiced	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Subscriptions not yet paid	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	£0.00

LIABILITIES Those due after one year

Loan (with details)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hire Purchase owing	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Leasing payments outstanding	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other long term liabilities	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	£0.00

CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND FUTURE OBLIGATIONS .....

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF

1st TURNFORD SCOUT GROUP

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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21 May 2026