

**1<sup>ST</sup> GREAT AMWELL SCOUT GROUP**

**ACCOUNTS and REPORT**

**2020-2021**

**Year ended 31 January 2021**

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## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS:**

<b>Andy Verdin</b>	<b>Chairman</b>
<b>Gail Stretch</b>	<b>Group Scout Leader</b>
<b>Julie Greaves</b>	<b>Assistant Group Scout Leader</b>
<b>Christine Prince</b>	<b>Group Treasurer</b>
<b>Christina Coates</b>	<b>Secretary</b>
<b>Richard Clayden</b>	<b>Scout Leader</b>
<b>Robert Price</b>	<b>Cub Leader</b>
<b>Michelle Lang</b>	<b>Cub Leader</b>
<b>Allison Lochhead</b>	<b>Beaver Leader</b>
<b>Wendy Devonshire-Helps</b>	<b>Beaver Leader</b>
<b>Gail Stretch</b>	<b>Subscriptions &amp; Lettings Secretary</b>
<b>Bankers</b>	<b>Barclays Bank plc</b>
<b>Group Registration Number with Scout Association</b>	<b>35362</b>
<b>Charity Registration Number</b>	<b>267345</b>
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This last year has turned into a very different way of Scouting, I must start off with thanking the entire leadership team for continuing to make Scouting possible even in a very different format for our members. There have been many challenges to overcome such as social distancing, masks and sanitising all equipment. Whilst in lockdown all sections have been running a varied programme on zoom assisting our members in achieving their Bronze, Silver and Gold Chief Scout Awards.

Great Amwell is a very fortunate group as we do have the space to run a socially distanced outdoor programme. Although having tried to make toothbrush robots in the driving rain under gazebos did prove interesting. This has led onto the executive undertaking a new project looking at extending the building with an outside covered space to enable the sections to run activities all year round no matter what the weather.

Over the next year we are going to develop the site further with a new fence and gate leading into the woods and a log store, as well as join mains sewage, these projects will be in excess of £60,000. The group are also trialling a recycling scheme with the council, ensuring we are doing our bit for the environment.

Hopefully from September we will start to see Scouting get back to some form of normality over the next year. The group are keen to start introducing new ideas and hopefully if allowed we will start to introduce group activities each term to assist with the transitions between sections, as well as holding our annual group camp.

We are very fortunate that our funds remain healthy and the pay-out for bills and upkeep is covered by our income. Our funds are also kept healthy by the group's involvement in a number of set fundraising activities, although these have not been possible due to COVID we hope to see a resurrection in 2022 of marshalling the fireworks display and running the BBQ at Ware Carnival. Both of these events are great opportunities for us to raise the profile of the group, help our community and also to raise funds.

During the year we had an operating surplus on general funds and activities of £13,558.79. At 31st January 2021 we had cash of £70,218.40 in general funds and no designated reserves.

The Group has identified the major risks to which it is exposed and follows the policies and rules of the Scout Association to deal with them.

Unfortunately over the last year we have seen some of our leaders retire and they will be very much missed but I thank them for their commitment, hardwork and time they have given with the group.

We will now be starting a recruitment campaign as we do have vacancies within our leader team.

I would like to thank our group executive for their dedication through the year, Julie Greaves for her ongoing support and our fantastic leadership team as, without them, the Great Amwell group would not be the success that it is.

**Gail Stretch**  
**Group Scout Leader**

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**Receipts & Payments Account for the year to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2021**

RECEIPTS			PAYMENTS		
<u>2020</u>		<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>		<u>2021</u>
	<b>Subscriptions</b>			<b>Subscriptions</b>	
12,981.25	Subscriptions	8,257.94	5,568.00	To County & HQ	5,162.00
-	Income Tax Recovered	-			
	<b>Activities</b>			<b>Activities</b>	
2,220.00	Camps & Activities	658.53	1,865.54	Badges & Uniform	851.21
			1,150.00	Training	-
			1,362.12	Materials	570.48
			9,319.81	Equipment	992.34
			3,778.62	Camps, Trips etc.	883.60
			23,044.09		8,459.63
	<b>Donations</b>			<b>Capital/Designated Expenditure</b>	
2,213.06	Donations and contributions	1,000.00		Building Programme	1,271.80
	<b>Grants</b>				
-	Grants	11,166.00		<b>Administration</b>	
	<b>Fundraising</b>		1,130.98	General Expenses	936.67
580.00	Ware week	-	1,130.98		936.67
600.00	Fireworks	-			
48.25	Other Fundraising	-			
1,228.25		-			
	<b>Premises</b>			<b>Premises</b>	
21,739.50	Lettings	19,093.40	2,036.23	Insurance	2,036.23
			1,434.00	Grounds	1,248.00
			1,125.58	Repairs/Maintenance	4,235.69
			3,317.45	Cleaning	4,906.90
			2,554.37	Electricity	1,377.54
			436.15	Gas	203.64
			2,400.00	Sewerage	1,680.00
			194.32	Water Rates	293.90
			13,498.10		15,981.90
	<b>Investment Income Etc.</b>				
91.35	Bank Interest	32.92			
			37,673.17		26,650.00
			2,800.24	<b>(Deficit)/Surplus for year</b>	13,558.79
<u>£ 40,473.41</u>		<u>£ 40,208.79</u>	<u>£ 40,473.41</u>		<u>£ 40,208.79</u>

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**Balance sheet as at 31st January 2021**

<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>
290,830.12 Brought Forward	<b>293,630.36</b>		
2,800.24 (Deficit)/Surplus for year	<b>13,558.79</b>		
		<u>FIXED ASSETS</u>	
		1.00 Land	<b>1.00</b>
		236,969.75 Building - brought forward	<b>236,969.75</b>
		- additions	<b>-</b>
		<u>236,970.75</u>	<b>236,969.75</b>
		<u>CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND</u>	
		55,814.75 Barclays Group	<b>69,715.29</b>
		676.45 NatWest Scouts	<b>423.70</b>
		(48.92) Cash Cubs (Leopards)	
		217.33 Cash Cubs (Otters)	<b>79.41</b>
		- Cash Beavers (Bears)	<b>-</b>
		- Cash Beavers (Wolves)	<b>-</b>
		<u>56,659.61</u>	<b>70,218.40</b>
		<u>DEBTORS</u>	
		- Inland Revenue-tax	<b>-</b>
<u>£ 293,630.36</u>	<u>£ 307,189.15</u>	<u>£ 293,630.36</u>	<u>£ 307,189.15</u>

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**Statement of Financial Activities for the Year ended 31<sup>st</sup> January 2021**

Unrestricted Fund 2020	TOTAL		Unrestricted Fund 2021	TOTAL
		<b>INCOME &amp; EXPENDITURE</b>		
		<b>Incoming Resources</b>		
12,981.25		Membership Subscriptions	8,257.94	
2,220.00		Activities	658.53	
2,213.06		Donations	1,000.00	
-		Grants	11,166.00	
21,739.50		Premises	19,093.40	
1,228.25		Fundraising	-	
-		Income Tax Recovered	-	
91.35		Bank Interest & Investment Income	32.92	
<u>40,473.41</u>	<u>40,473.41</u>	<b>TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES</b>	<u>40,208.79</u>	<u>40,208.79</u>
		<b>RESOURCES USED</b>		
		<b>Direct Charitable Expenditure</b>		
23,044.09		Members Activities & Services provided	8,459.63	
1,130.98		Administration	936.67	
13,498.10		Premises	17,253.70	
<u>37,673.17</u>	<u>37,673.17</u>	<b>TOTAL RESOURCES USED</b>	<u>26,650.00</u>	<u>26,650.00</u>
2,800.24	2,800.24	<b>NET RESOURCES BEFORE TRANSFERS</b>	13,558.79	13,558.79
-		<b>Other recognised Gains &amp; Losses</b>	-	
-		Revaluation of Property	-	
2,800.24	2,800.24	Surplus on sale of Investments	-	
<u>2,800.24</u>	<u>2,800.24</u>	<b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>	<u>13,558.79</u>	<u>13,558.79</u>
290,830.12	290,830.12	Balance Brought Forward	293,630.36	293,630.36
<u>293,630.36</u>	<u>£ 293,630.36</u>	<b>BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<u>307,189.15</u>	<u>£ 307,189.15</u>
<i>Unrestricted Funds</i>			<i>Unrestricted Funds</i>	
236,970.75		<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>		
-		Tangible Fixed Assets	236,970.75	
236,970.75	236,970.75	Investments	-	
<u>236,970.75</u>	<u>236,970.75</u>		<u>236,970.75</u>	<u>236,970.75</u>
		<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
-		Payment in advance		
56,491.20		Debtors	-	
168.41		Bank & Building Society	70,138.99	
56,659.61	56,659.61	Cash	79.41	
<u>56,659.61</u>	<u>56,659.61</u>		<u>70,218.40</u>	<u>70,218.40</u>
		<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		
-		<b>Creditors</b> (amount falling due within 1 year )	-	
56,659.61	56,659.61			
<u>56,659.61</u>	<u>56,659.61</u>	<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<u>70,218.40</u>	<u>70,218.40</u>
293,630.36	293,630.36	<b>TOTAL ASSETS less CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	307,189.15	307,189.15
		<b>Creditors</b> (amounts falling due after more than 1 year)	-	
293,630.36	£ 293,630.36	<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<u>307,189.15</u>	<u>£ 307,189.15</u>

Approved on behalf of the Executive Committee on  
17th May 2021 and  
signed on their authority

Gail Stretch  
Group Scout Leader

Christine Prince  
Group Treasurer

## **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the 1<sup>st</sup> Great Amwell Scout Group**

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> January 2021, which are set out in pages 4 to 6.

### **Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### **Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

### **Independent Examiner's Statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

*C McGovern*

11<sup>th</sup> June 2021

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