



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date				Period end date		
From	01	04	2024	To	31	03	2025

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address	Scout HQ
	Leppington
	Bracknell
	RG12 7WW

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Nigel Barlow	Chair		
2	Alena Ellis	Treasurer		
3	Pauline Baker			
4	David Fletcher			
5	Lewis Jenkins			
6	Andy Gorham			
7	Steve Tucker			
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

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Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document
(eg. trust deed, constitution)

The Group's governing documents are those of the 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
(eg. trust, association, company)

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

Trustee selection methods
(eg. 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)

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

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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.

The Trustee Board consists of 2 independent representatives, Chair and Treasurer, together with the Group Lead Volunteer, Section Team members and parent's representation and meets every month.

Section C

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The objectives of the group are as a unit of the Scout Association.

The Aim of The Scout Association is to promote the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potentials, as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of their local national and international communities. The method of achieving the Aim of the Association is by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law and guided by adult leadership.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The Group provides weekly meetings in term time for each section for up to 100 young people aged 6 to 14 years. In addition, activities such as trips, craft activities and camps are provided for the relevant sections, according to their age groups.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

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

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Section D

Achievements and performance

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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

ANNUAL REPORT FROM THE CHAIR OF THE TRUSTEE BOARD FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2025

A mixed year.

A great start! - Reluctantly, we decided that subscriptions should go up from £30 to £35 per term. With costs running at £43 per head, per term it seemed reasonable to increase subs to £35 per term and cover the deficit by fundraising.

We continued to look for grants for the installation of heating which would reduce our dependence on fossil fuels for the gas heater. In March 2024 we learnt we had been awarded a grant of £12,118 from the Shanly Foundation towards the upgrade of the electricity supply and the installation of infrared heating in the HQ.

We therefore asked SSEN to quote for the excavation of a trench to lay in a 3-phase supply to the HQ, ready for the heating.

In May, we helped marshal the Bracknell Half Marathon again and received a £650 donation from the organisers, Everyone Active.

We had some good parental support when we spruced up the HQ and decorated the main hall.

We also received a grant from the Co-op Local Community Fund. We aim to clear the corner of the grounds between the cabin and the fence next to the bottle banks outside. We aim to get the corner ready for 're-wilding' and give it back to nature. In the meantime the area will be available for growing produce – runner beans, potatoes and tomatoes. In total we have received £2,441.

Our Group numbers have increased from 86 to 96 young people during the financial year.

We continue to excel at fundraising thanks to the commitment of members of the Group. Our May Fair raised £1,476 and the Christmas Bazaar in November came in with a record £2,496. Our thanks to everyone who took part.

Group Camp in June at Bears Rails campsite celebrated the Group's 50th year. We provided activities such as climbing, caving and much, much more for the young people present. Highlight of the day was a superbly crafted birthday cake which mimicked the commemorative badge produced for the occasion.

The heating project continues, and we eagerly await the final outcome!

Our young people have had the opportunity to continue Scouting thanks to the Lead Volunteers' and Team Members' time and commitment, and all their efforts are gratefully recognised here.

The Trustee Board exists to support the Group in several ways. These include maintaining Group property – the Headquarters and all the canvas and equipment – and administering the finances of the Group. Members of the Board include parents of children (ideally) from each section, the Group Lead Volunteer, Chair, Treasurer, and Team Leaders and Team Members.

I would like here to thank all my colleagues for their support during the year. We would welcome any parents who could offer about an hour of their time each month to participate in the Trustee Board meetings where we discuss all the various aspects of the management of the Group.

New growth helps ensure the further success of the Group for the future.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

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 3 months running costs, circa £3,000.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Further financial review details (Optional information)

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

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Nigel H E Barlow

Full name(s)

Nigel H E Barlow

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair

Date

12 July 2025

The scrutineer's report to the trustees

Scrutineer's Report to the Trustees of the 9th Bracknell (South Hill) Scout Council

I report on the accounts of the Group/District for the year ended 05/04/2025

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Scrutineer

As the Group's/District's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that neither the audit nor independent examination requirements of the Charities Act 2011 apply. It is my responsibility without carrying out an audit or independent examination to scrutinise the accounts and to report to you.

Basis of Scrutineer's Statement

In accordance with the directions given in the Group's/District's constitution, I have scrutinised the records and the accounts set out on pages 1 to 8

Scrutineer's Statement

In my opinion the accounts are in accordance with the records produced to me and comply with the constitution.

Name: MICHAEL SANTO

Address: 7 PERTOLA CLOSE

WORKINGHAM

RG4 2AH

Date: 16/6/25

9th Bracknell Scout Group Receipts and Payments Account

For the year from	2024	To	2025
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Receipts and payments

	2024/25			2024/25	
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Receipts					
Donations, legacies and similar income					
Membership subscriptions	9,385	-	-	9,385	-
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/Area/District)	4,566	-	-	4,566	-
Net membership subscriptions retained	4,819	-	-	4,819	-
Donations	4,197	-	-	4,197	-
Legacies	-	-	-	-	-
Gift Aid	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	9,016	-	-	9,016	-
Grants					
Bracknell Council Grant	-	-	-	-	-
Government Grant	-	-	-	-	-
Maintenance Grant (Heating System renewal)	12,188	-	-	12,188	-
Sub total	12,188	-	-	12,188	-
Fundraising (gross)					
Hall bookings	3,842	-	-	3,842	-
Investiture, T-shirts	352	-	-	352	-
Car wash	744	-	-	744	-
Christmas bazaar	2,496	-	-	2,496	-
Other fundraising activities	729	-	-	729	-
Sub total	8,163	-	-	8,163	-
Float					
Cash deposit	205	-	-	205	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	205	-	-	205	-
Investment Income					
Bank interest	3	-	-	3	-
Building Society interest	-	-	-	-	-
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	-	-	-	-	-
Property rent income	-	-	-	-	-
Other investment income	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	3	-	-	3	-
Total Gross Income	29,575	-	-	29,575	-
Payment received G/Camp, Group/Sections Activities)	5,925	-	-	5,925	-

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Project Malawi donations/fundraise	2,905			2,905	
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	38,405	-	-	38,405	-

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		2024/25			2024/25
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Payments					
Charitable Payments					
Youth programme and activities (Investiture, Badges)	1,547	-	-	1,547	-
Personal Licence	78	-	-	78	-
Rent	-	-	-	-	-
Water and Sewerage	609	-	-	609	-
Waste Management	694	-	-	694	-
Electricity and Gas	1,757	-	-	1,757	-
Property licence	180	-	-	180	-
Insurance	2,806	-	-	2,806	-
Repairs and Renewals (New Heating system)	15,116	-	-	15,116	-
Materials and equipment	862	-	-	862	-
Printing and photocopying	17	-	-	17	-
Website cost	129	-	-	129	-
OSM fees	261	-	-	261	-
Contribution to camp costs	-	-	-	-	-
Group Camp, District Camp, Sections activities	6,113	-	-	6,113	-
Uniforms	-	-	-	-	-
AGM and trustee expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Cleaning	470	-	-	470	-
Donations Project Malawi	4,379	-	-	4,379	-
Hardship Fund - Subs	245	-	-	245	-
Float - cash transfer	205	-	-	205	-
Sub total	35,468	-	-	35,468	-
Fundraising expenses					
Raffle Tickets	212	-	-	212	-
Lottery licence	-	-	-	-	-
Other fundraising costs	-	-	-	-	-
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Sub total	212	-	-	212	-
Float expenses					
Section activities, badges, investiture	214	-	-	214	-

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	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	214	-	-	214	-
Total Gross Expenditure	35,894	-	-	35,894	-
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	35,894	-	-	35,894	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	2,511	-	-	2,511	-
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds last year end	21,648	-	-	21,648	-
Cash funds this year end	24,159	-	-	24,159	-

Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

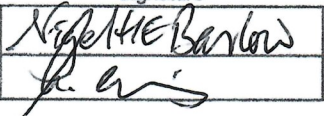

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Cash funds					
Bank current account	23,928	-	-	23,928	-
Bank deposit account (Savings Account)	219	-	-	219	-
Building society account	-	-	-	-	-
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	-	-	-	-	-
Cash/Floats	9	-	-	9	-
Total cash funds	24,157	-	-	24,157	-
Other monetary assets					
Tax claim	-	-	-	-	-
Debts due from the County/Area/District/Group	-	-	-	-	-
Insurance claim	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Investment assets					
Investment property - detail	-	-	-	-	-
Quoted investments	-	-	-	-	-
Other investments - detail	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Non monetary assets for charity's own use					
Badge stock	-	-	-	-	-
Shop stock	-	-	-	-	-
Other stock	-	-	-	-	-
Land and buildings	632,000	-	-	632,000	-
Motor vehicles	-	-	-	-	-
Scouting equipment, furniture etc	746	-	-	746	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	632,746	-	-	632,746	-
Liabilities					
Accounts not yet paid	-	-	-	-	-


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Expenses incurred but not invoiced	-	-	-	-	-
Subscriptions not yet paid	-	-	-	-	-
Loan - detail	-	-	-	-	-
Other liabilities	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Bad Debt Write Off					
Creation Station outstanding balance - Hall Hire (Aug/21-June/22)	155	-	-	155	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	155	-	-	155	-

Contingent liabilities and future obligations

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on (the date of the Executive Committee meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by

Signature	Print Name	
	NIGEL BARLOW	Chair
	ALEVA ELLIS	Treasurer

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