

FIRST LIPHOOK SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales · Charity number 273205

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1977-04-29

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: FUNDS TO BE APPLIED TO OR FOR THE GENERAL PURPOSES OF THE UNIT IN SUCH MANNER AS THE GROUP COUNCIL OF THE UNIT SHALL FROM TIME TO TIME DIRECT.

Activities: 1st Liphook Scouts are a local group providing scouting activities to local young people.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** BRAMSHOTT AND LIPHOOK
- Hampshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£39,258	£42,767	-	-
2024-03-31	£39,997	£43,656	-	-
2023-03-31	£38,453	£30,716	-	-
2022-03-31	£33,449	£20,689	-	-
2021-03-31	£14,029	£11,720	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Stuart Edward Clark	Chair	2017-09-20
ALISON MARY JACKSON		
Bryan Jackson		2007-04-12
David Stuart Hains		2025-02-06
Neil Alexander Caie		2024-06-13
Paul Bateman		2023-09-12
Victoria Pires		2021-03-10

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ANNUAL REPORT

April 2024- March 2025

Thursday 10 July 2025

1ST LIPHOOK SCOUT GROUP

Group Scout Leader

Bryan Jackson

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Membership

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Finance

Chair

treasurer@liphookscouts.org.uk chair@liphookscouts.org.uk

GROUP STRUCTURE

President

Mary West

Vice Presidents

Mike King and Albert Crook

Honorary Scouters

Bill Jackson, Mike King and Mary West

Group Scout Leader

Bryan Jackson

Trustee Board Members 2024-2025

Stuart Clark, Bryan Jackson, Alison Jackson, Sarah-Jane Anslow, Vic Pires, Neil Caie, Caroline Stephenson, Paul Bateman, David Hains and Andrew Baynes.

Section Leaders

Chris Stephenson, Neil Caie, Oscar Peterson, Alison Jackson, Karen Lloyd, Neil Boxall, Helen Coyte, Mark Boosey and Mark Stocker.

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Accounts

Accounts 2024-25			
	Balance at 01/04/2023	Balance at 01/04/2024	
Current Account	23,556.00	12,355.20	
Savings	10,000.00	30,418.29	
Go Cardless	12,866.72	-	
Bank balance at start of year	46,422.72	42,773.49	
Income	2023-24	2024-25	
Membership subscription	18,551.41	17,537.22	
Fundraising	3,345.31	1,470.97	
Donations & Grants	6,295.00	3,051.11	Large donation in 23-24
Giftaid	-	7,799.11	New giftaid claim in 24-25
Scout Camp	8,990.00	5,375.00	Lower attendance than prior year
Cub Camp	1,235.00	965.00	Lower attendance than prior year
Scout Shop	840.35	1,657.61	
Rifle	51.70	220.00	
Archery	60.00	-	
Interest	628.60	1,182.69	
TOTAL INCOME	39,997.37	39,258.71	Comparable with prior year total
Expenditure	2023-24	2024-25	
Donations	50.00	-	
Lewy's & Fees	9,360.00	2,958.00	Effect of repayment from district
Fundraising Costs	1,115.04	516.47	
Badges/Uniform/Scout Shop	3,024.83	3,132.66	
Section Payments & Activities	4,496.42	2,320.80	
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Training	215.00	-	
HQ Charges	7,500.00	11,750.00	Increase to rent
Materials & Equipment	5,338.79	10,259.13	23/24 Containers - 24/25 Patrol Boxes & Kitchen (grant in 25-26)
Insurance	52.00	52.00	
Minibus	2,582.98	1,791.80	Insurance/MOT/service/tyres
Hall sundries	207.79	-	
Admin & Secretarial	387.00	494.85	Web domain/OSM
Archery	802.89	-	Lower club activity in 24-25
Misc	845.00	956.87	Beaver camp deposit
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	43,656.60	42,767.91	
Balance of Income over Expenditure	- 3,659.23	- 3,509.20	
Current Account	12,355.20	7,009.31	
Savings	30,418.29	31,600.98	
Go Cardless	-	-	
Balance at end of year	42,773.49	38,610.29	

Protected Fund Balances

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Budget 2025-26

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Fundraising	1,470.97	2,000.00	
Donations & Grants	3,051.11	6,000.00	Includes grant for kitchen (£3.4k)
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Scout Shop	1,657.61	1,800.00	
Rifle	220.00	200.00	
Archery	-	100.00	
Interest	1,182.69	1,000.00	
TOTAL INCOME	39,258.71	41,510.00	
Expenditure	Actual 2024-25	Budget 2025-26	
Donations	-	-	
Levy's & Fees	2,958.00	10,000.00	
Fundraising Costs	516.47	600.00	
Badges/Uniform/Scout Shop	3,132.66	2,000.00	
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Misc.	956.87	200.00	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	42,767.43	41,450.00	
Balance of Income over Expenditure	(3,508.72)	60.00	

Group Lead Volunteer (GLV) Report

Scouting in Liphook continues, and we are maintaining our numbers with around 180 youth members.

The Group consists of three Beaver Colonies, three Cub Packs, two Scout Troops and one Explorer unit.

The Explorer Section 14-18 age range having its highest number of 30 members for a long time. Once they are 18 years they have to move on to Network (18-24 yrs) and it is good that four have signed up to become leaders.

We occasionally get asked if we will establish the new Squirrels section for ages 4-6, which the Scouts are gradually introducing. We have not yet decided to do this at the present time.

We continue to benefit from strong leadership team, who continue to do an excellent job. We always appreciate additional support across all sections or from individuals with various skills either with the sections or behind the scenes.

The previous low numbers, a legacy from Covid have now slowly move from Beavers to Cubs and is now affecting the Scout section.

Although general attendance at weekly meetings is good, we are finding that the percentage attending other event and camps is low! Our leaders put a lot of time into planning, organising and running other events, which with low numbers is a bit disheartening at times. Is it just that the members are too busy doing other things?

In the last year all the sections held their annual camps. The Beavers at Tilford, Cubs near Botley and the Scouts and Explorers in Dorset, plus other camps and weekend events have also been held.

Chairman Report

This report covers the period April 2024 to March 2025.

The Trustee Board continues to operate primarily to provide support to the Group Lead Volunteer and the leaders of the Group Sections. The Trustee Board also carries a governance role to ensure that Scout organisation rules and procedures are followed and we meet compliance standards for areas such as Risk Assessments. The Group has a Membership Secretary, Vic Pires, who does a fantastic job in managing the throughput of our 170 young members as they progress through the sections. In addition, we manage the Financials of the Group to ensure we have sufficient money of the sections and have viable plans for the Group to exist for many years to come through creation of budgets and maintenance of long-term savings.

We have a committed set of Trustee Board members who we are lucky enough to have retained for a number of years though we are always on the look-out for new members who can spare the time for the 3-4 meetings we hold each year.

The Group remain keen to participate in the local community and we have supported the Parish Council events such as Millennium Green fun day and the VE Day event last June.

This year we did experience the sad loss of one of our long-serving leaders. Kevin Stephenson passed away last August. He has been a great presence within the Group over many years as a Leader and also as a previous Chair of the Executive Committee. His good nature and willingness to be involved in any way will be greatly missed.

As always we are fortunate to have a strong leadership team made up of established leaders with many years of experience, a growing band of new young leaders who have come through from the sections as well as new volunteers who are stepping up. Lastly, not forgetting our section helpers who support the leaders. Thank you all for offering your own time to make a difference!

Stuart Clark
Group Chair

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Liphook Scout Group

Income & Expenditure Account for the Year Ended 31st March 2025

	<u>31/03/2025</u>	<u>31/03/2024</u>
Income		
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Donations & grants	3,051.11	6,295.00
Gift Aid	7,799.11	-
Scout camp	5,375.00	8,990.00
Cub Camp	965.00	1,235.00
Scout Shop	1,657.61	840.35
Rifle/Archery	220.00	111.70
Interest	1,182.69	628.60
Total Income	<u>39,258.71</u>	<u>39,997.37</u>
Expenditure		
Donations	-	50.00
Levy's & Fees	2,958.00	9,360.00
Fundraising Costs	516.47	1,115.04
Badges/Uniforms/Scout Shop	3,132.66	3,024.83
Section Payments & Activities	2,320.80	4,496.42
Scout Camp	6,794.61	4,777.31
Cub Camp	1,720.72	2,282.05
Rifle/Archery	20.00	1,422.39
Training	-	215.00
HQ Charges	11,750.00	7,500.00
Materials & Equip	6,653.13	5,338.79
Insurance	52.00	52.00
Minibus	1,791.80	2,582.98
Hall Sundries	-	207.79
Admin & Secretarial	494.85	387.00
Patrol Boxes	3,606.00	-
Misc	956.87	845.00
Total Expenditure	<u>42,767.91</u>	<u>43,656.60</u>
Deficit (Excess) of Income over Expenditure	<u>- 3,509.20</u>	<u>- 3,659.23</u>

Liphook Scout Group

Opening Balance at Bank	Current account	12,355.20	23,556.00
	Savings	30,418.29	22,866.72
	1st April	<u>42,773.49</u>	<u>46,422.72</u>
Loss for year		- 3,509.20	- 3,659.23
Prepaid adj-annual fees	10,004-9350	- 654.00	10.00
Accrual JMB	£840 2 years to be paid in 25/26	-	-
Total Assets		<u><u>38,610.29</u></u>	<u><u>42,773.49</u></u>

Bank Accounts	Current	7,009.31	12,355.20
	Savings & Go Cardless	31,600.98	30,418.29
	31st March	<u><u>38,610.29</u></u>	<u><u>42,773.49</u></u>

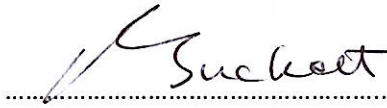
Independent Report for the Year Ended 31st March 2025

We have prepared the attached financial statement using standard accounting policies.

The accounting policies are considered appropriate to the clubs circumstances and amount of transactions.

The records have been examined from the information provided and in my opinion reflect a fair view of the clubs affairs as at 31st March 2025

Signed:


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Date:

5th January 2025

JMB Accounting Ltd

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Accounts



ANNUAL REPORT

April 2023 – March 2024

1. Trustee Board Annual Report

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity Name	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.
Registered Charity Number	273205
Charity's principal address	Scout Hall Millennium Hall 2-10 Ontario Way Liphook GU30 7LD

Trustee Board Members

Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
Stuart Clark	Chair	
Sarah-Jane Anslow	Treasurer	
Bryan Jackson	Group Lead Volunteer	
Alison Jackson		
Kevin Stephenson		
Caroline Stephenson		
Victoria Pires		
Neil Caie		
Paul Bateman		From June 2024

Section Leaders

Lead Volunteers	Section
Helen Coyte	Maple
Mark Boosey	Willow
Mark Stocker	Ashdown
Alison Jackson	Oakhangar
Karen Lloyd	Downlands
Neil Boxell	Wheatsheaf
Oscar Peterson	Shackleton
Neil Caie	Scott
Chris Stevenson	Explorers

President

Mary West

Vice Presidents

Mike King and Albert Crook

Honorary Scouters

Bill Jackson, Mike King and Mary West

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of Governing document	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	The Group is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.
Trustee selection method	The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.
Trustee Governance	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	<p>The Trustee Board consists of the Chair, Treasurer and 6 Trustees (including 1 Ex Officio Trustees, and 5 appointed Trustees) and meets every 4 months.</p> <p>Members of the Trustee Board complete Being a Scouts Trustee learning within the first 6 months of joining the Board.</p> <p>This Group Trustee Board exists to make sure the charity is well-managed, risks are assessed and mitigated, buildings and equipment are in good working order, and everyone follows legal requirements and the organisation's policies and rules. Their support helps other volunteers run highquality and safe programmes that gives young people skills for life.</p>
Risk and Internal Control	<p>The Group 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:</p> <p>The Group has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss.</p> <p>Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members. The Group through the capitation fees contributes to the Scout Associations national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities.</p> <p>Reduced income from fund raising. The Group is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. The group does hold a reserve to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income. The Board could raise the value of subscriptions to increase the income to the group on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently.</p> <p>Reduction or loss of leaders. The group is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the group. If there was a reduction in the number of leaders to an unacceptable level in a particular section or the 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.</p> <p>Reduction or loss of members. The Group provides activities for all young people aged 6 to 18. If there was a reduction in membership in a particular section or the group as 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.</p> <p>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 comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered</p>

Section C

Objectives and activities

<p>Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document</p>	<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 cooperate 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:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 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.
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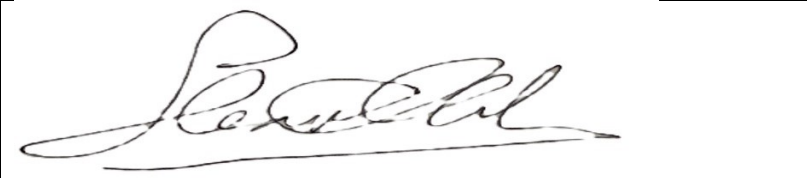
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Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

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Stuart Edward Clark

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Scout Shop	3,243.91	840.35	
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Archery	10.00	60.00	
Interest	-	628.60	
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Fundraising Costs	-	1,115.04	
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My thanks go to all the Leaders, Section helpers and supporters, Trustee Board Members and all the other backroom supporters for the time and effort that they put into supporting our Scouting in Liphook and we look forward to yet another exciting year ahead.

Bryan Jackson
Group Scout Leader



ANNUAL REPORT

April 2023 – March 2024

1. Trustee Board Annual Report

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity Name	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.
Registered Charity Number	273205
Charity's principal address	Scout Hall Millennium Hall 2-10 Ontario Way Liphook GU30 7LD

Trustee Board Members

Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
Stuart Clark	Chair	
Sarah-Jane Anslow	Treasurer	
Bryan Jackson	Group Lead Volunteer	
Alison Jackson		
Kevin Stephenson		
Caroline Stephenson		
Victoria Pires		
Neil Caie		
Paul Bateman		From June 2024

Section Leaders

Lead Volunteers	Section
Helen Coyte	Maple
Mark Boosey	Willow
Mark Stocker	Ashdown
Alison Jackson	Oakhangar
Karen Lloyd	Downlands
Neil Boxell	Wheatsheaf
Oscar Peterson	Shackleton
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Chris Stevenson	Explorers

President

Mary West

Vice Presidents

Mike King and Albert Crook

Honorary Scouters

Bill Jackson, Mike King and Mary West

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Section C

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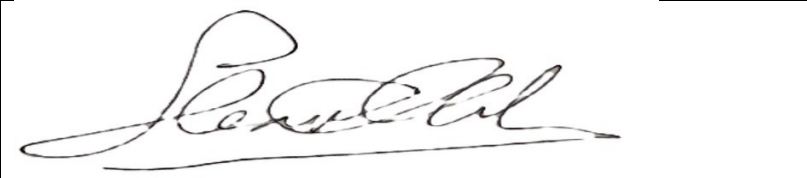
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External examiner / auditor report has not yet been finalized. Our organisation is following up on this and we will lodge a formal version as soon as possible

FIRST LIPHOOK SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 273205

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Stuart Clark	Chair	
Sarah-Jane Anslow	Treasurer	
Bryan Jackson	Group Lead Volunteer	
Alison Jackson		
Kevin Stephenson		
Caroline Stephenson		
Victoria Pires		
Neil Caie		
Paul Bateman		From June 2024

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of Governing document	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	The Group is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.
Trustee selection method	The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.
Trustee Governance	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	<p>The Trustee Board consists of the Chair, Treasurer and 6 Trustees (including 1 Ex Officio Trustees, and 5 appointed Trustees) and meets every 4 months.</p> <p>Members of the Trustee Board complete Being a Scouts Trustee learning within the first 6 months of joining the Board.</p> <p>This Group Trustee Board exists to make sure the charity is well-managed, risks are assessed and mitigated, buildings and equipment are in good working order, and everyone follows legal requirements and the organisation's policies and rules. Their support helps other volunteers run highquality and safe programmes that gives young people skills for life.</p>
Risk and Internal Control	<p>The Group 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:</p> <p>The Group has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss.</p> <p>Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members. The Group through the capitation fees contributes to the Scout Associations national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities.</p> <p>Reduced income from fund raising. The Group is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. The group does hold a reserve to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income. The Board could raise the value of subscriptions to increase the income to the group on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently.</p> <p>Reduction or loss of leaders. The group is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the group. If there was a reduction in the number of leaders to an unacceptable level in a particular section or the 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.</p> <p>Reduction or loss of members. The Group provides activities for all young people aged 6 to 18. If there was a reduction in membership in a particular section or the group as 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.</p> <p>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 comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered</p>

Section C

Objectives and activities

<p>Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document</p>	<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 cooperate 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:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 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>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Punchbowl Walk – Autumn 2023 – challenging night hike involving navigation, map and compass work. - Winter Camp – November 2023 – proposed campsite had become inaccessible, so decision was made to relocate to Scout Hall. The highlight was a ‘MasterChef’ challenge to plan a menu on a £3 budget – resulting in a 5-course banquet. A great example of resilience to adapt to new circumstances and embrace the new plan. - Rope Bridge over River Wey – Spring 2024 – construction of rope bridges over the river in Radford Park using pioneering techniques with poles and rope. - Beaver Camp – early opportunity for young members to camp, have fun together and experience varied activities outdoor. - In summary many of our activities aim to help our members develop as individuals and to work as a team.
<p>Public benefit statement</p>	<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

<p>Summary of the main achievements of the charity during this year</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Community Support through participation in Carnival Event and Kings Celebration on the Millennium Green. - Support for the International Jamboree through donations to members and leaders who participated in the Jamboree in South Korea - Continuing development of young people with Explorers working with younger sections to provide leadership support and offering non-members opportunity to volunteer in Scouts as part of their Duke of Edinburgh awards.
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Section E**Financial Review**

Reserve Policy	<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.</p> <p>The Group Trustee Board is continuing to evaluate its financial position and will define a reserves policy to determine a target sum that the group should hold a sum in relation to its running costs.</p> <p>The Group held reserves of approximately £30,000 at year end. This is above the level required for operating expenses. However, this can be explained by the ongoing need to secure a long-term financial future especially as lease discussions for our hall are still in progress. In addition, the reserve fund provides some funding towards an (eventual) replacement minibus.</p>
Investment Policy	<p>The Group has therefore adopted a low-risk strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using a mainstream bank and the reserves are held in an interest bearing 90-day notice account.</p>

Section F**Declaration**

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signature(s)

Full Name(s)

Stuart Edward Clark

Position(s)

Chair

Date

10 June 2024

2. Group Treasurer Annual Report

The table below shows the 2023-24 accounts compared to the 2022-23 accounts. The period that the accounts cover is 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024.

Income in 2023-24 was £40k compared to the prior year of £38k, the main reason that we were able to have this increase was due to a donation left to the group in a will. The group was able to engage in more fundraising activities through local events, by running BBQ's, netting the group an additional £1k on the previous year. We are also benefitting from a new savings account, which has given the group almost £1k through the investment of the 'rainy day' fund.

Costs for the group were pretty much as expected in a normal year Liphook Scouts. Exceptions to worth noting are that the section payments have been increased, giving leaders more money per head, to spend on their groups activities and having to request less from parents for larger activities.

During the year, we also had expenditure increases for the District Levvy and Scout Hall rent, due to rising costs all round.

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We did also make a major investment in a new container for the canoe and kayaking equipment. The previous storage facility was no longer available to us and a new one was found, which involved the purchase of the container to keep the equipment safe.

This meant that expenditure was a little higher than the prior year, and we actually used up some of the group reserves, as we had to spend almost £4k more than the income. This has meant that the balance of the group's reserves has gone from £46k last year to £43k this year.

Accounts 2023-24			
	Balance at 01/04/2022	Balance at 01/04/2023	
Current Account	38,045.72	23,556.00	
STIS	10,000.00	10,000.00	
Go Cardless	-	12,866.72	
Bank balance at start of year	48,045.72	46,422.72	
Income			
	2022-23	2023-24	
Membership subscription	20,636.09	18,551.41	
Fundraising	1,052.55	3,345.31	
Donations & Grants	2,628.01	6,295.00	
Giftaid	-	-	No giftaid in this year
Scout Camp	2,998.60	8,990.00	
Cub Camp	4,486.70	1,235.00	
Group Camp	2,035.00	-	
Scout Shop	3,243.91	840.35	
Rifle	1,362.24	51.70	
Archery	10.00	60.00	
Interest	-	628.60	
TOTAL INCOME	38,453.10	39,997.37	
Expenditure			
	2022-23	2023-24	
Donations	1,500.00	50.00	International Jamboree
Levy's & Fees	8,461.75	9,360.00	New district fees
Fundraising Costs	-	1,115.04	
Badges/Uniform/Scout Shop	1,672.98	3,024.83	
Section Payments & Activities	1,716.71	4,496.42	Increased section payments
Scout Camp	-	4,777.31	
Cub Camp	420.00	2,282.05	
Group Camp	3,198.77	-	Costs of group camp
Rifle	302.83	619.50	Cost for rifle range improvements
Training	-	215.00	
HQ Charges	6,750.00	7,500.00	
Materials & Equipment	3,327.89	5,338.79	Includes new containers

Insurance	52.00	52.00	
Minibus	2,027.52	2,582.98	Insurance/MOT/service/tyres
Hall sundries	-	207.79	
Admin & Secretarial	785.18	387.00	Web domain/OSM
Archery	466.93	802.89	
Misc	33.54	845.00	Beaver camp deposit
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	30,716.10	43,656.60	
Balance of Income over Expenditure	7,737.00	-	3,659.23
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3. Group Lead Volunteer's Annual Report

Scouting in Liphook continues to thrive, and we are maintaining our numbers, with three Beaver Colonies, three Cub Packs, two Scout Troops and an Explorer Scout unit. Having said that since the pandemic the Beaver numbers are slowly increasing, but the previous low numbers in Beavers has now moved onto the Cub section and their numbers are low. The Scouts are maintaining their numbers, but the Explorer section 14- 18 age range have the largest number that we had for many a year which is good to see, especially for this age range which must mean that we are doing something right to maintain their interest.

We have a good leadership team who are doing an excellent job running all the sections, but we do require more adults to come forward as leaders particularly in the Cub section and Explorer section where we have lost a couple of leaders who have moved away and just to maintain strong teams. We always welcome additional adult support, be it coming a leader, helping with activities, general help or helping behind the scenes.

At the current time The Scout Association is in the middle of transformation, introducing a new digital technology which hopefully will simplify and help leaders so that they can concentrate on running their sections. As well as renaming the various roles, so for example instead of Scout Leader, they will now be called Lead Volunteer Scouts.

In the last year all the sections has held various camps, Beavers camping at Garners field in Tilford, Cubs a camp at the Hampshire Scout site in the New Forest and the Scouts and Explorers camping in Wareham. All with a wide variety of activities, climbing, abseiling, archery, backwoods skills air rifle shooting to name just a few.

Before pandemic we had strong archery and air rifle clubs with members taking part in county and national competitions. We have been trying to re-establish them though it seems hard to get the members interested in them again. Also, on some of the camps and other activities outside normal meetings the number of members taking part is down all most by 50% from pre-pandemic times. This is a great shame as the members are missing out on activities and the leaders give up a lot of their time and trouble to arrange these activities but get limited interest. Is this down to members just not being interested, or do they have many of interest and activities on outside Scouting. Whichever it is we do need the support and encouragement of parents to get the members to take part.

As normal we supported other events in the Village, from the Village picnic, Remembrance Day and Liphook Carnival. Thanks to Karen and all the team of leaders and parents that helped with painting and building the float.

Scout Christmas post was again arranged by Mark Boosey and his team did an excellent job of sorting and the members delivering the cards.

One of our Explorer scouts, Madeleine Edginton, was a member of a Hampshire contingent to the World Scout Jamboree in South Korea attended by 50,000 Scouts from around the world, which as you possible saw all the news, did not go as planned. However, it was still an experience of a lifetime and she was joined by four of our leaders who also attended as part of the IST, International Support Team involved in running the event.

In the current year we are going to get the Archery and Air Rifle clubs up and running again and it will be good to see our members taking part in the various local and National competitions as we did before Covid.

My thanks go to all the Leaders, Section helpers and supporters, Trustee Board Members and all the other backroom supporters for the time and effort that they put into supporting our Scouting in Liphook and we look forward to yet another exciting year ahead.

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External examiner / auditor report has not yet been finalized. Our organisation is following up on this and we will lodge a formal version as soon as possible

FIRST LIPHOOK SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 273205

Accounts



ANNUAL REPORT
April 2021 - March 2022

Thursday 20 October 2022

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Stuart Clark, Bryan Jackson, Alison Jackson, Vic Pires, Jeremy Turner, Sarah-Jane Anslow, Sam Goodwin, Helen Meekins, Chris Hains.....

Leader Members

Bryan Jackson, Alison Jackson, Mark Stocker, Helen Coyte, Mark Boosey, Chris Hains, Karen

Bryan Jackson

Section Leaders

Alison Jackson, Mark Stocker, Helen Coyte, Mark Boosey, Chris Hains, Karen Lloyd, Neil Boxall, Neil Caie, Chris Stevenson

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ACCOUNTS 2021-22

	Balance at 01/04/2020	Balance at 01/04/2021	
Current Account	22,977.54	25,285.71	
STIS	10,000.00	10,000.00	
Bank balance at start of year	32,977.54	35,285.71	
Income	2020-21	2021-22	Notes
Membership subscription	13,573.10	21,053.52	Membership income - full year in 21-22
Fundraising	119.90	1,089.84	Two years of Xmas post money / Easy Fundraising
Donations & Grants	278.00	2,240.73	EHDC Grant & Donation
Giftaid	-	9,053.27	
Interest	58.04	12.47	
TOTAL INCOME	14,029.04	33,449.83	

ACCOUNTS 2021-22

Expenditure	2020-21	2021-22	Notes
Donations	50.00	50.00	
Levy's & Fees	7,970.50	7,253.58	Payments to District, County & HQ
Badges	1,139.04	2,149.52	Section badges
Section payments	705.00	1,364.22	Transfer of monies to sections
Camp/activities	(560.00)	(457.24)	Balance for Grp Camp - payments in 2022-23
Training	-	95.00	Climbing training
HQ Charges	-	6,750.00	No rent in 20-21
Materials & Equipment	1,145.95	1,279.98	Cost of all materials and activity equipment & canoe storage
Insurance	42.00	42.00	
Minibus			Minibus running costs

ACCOUNTS 2021-22

	719.00	1,711.27	- increased usage and higher repair bill in the year
Hall sundries	40.74	27.49	
Admin & Secretarial	428.64	387.00	Admin & OSM cost
Archery	40.00	-	
Misc	-	37.00	Bank charges / Sm Misc
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	11,720.87	20,689.82	
Balance of Income over Expenditure	2,308.17	12,760.01	
Current Account	25,285.71	38,045.72	
STIS	10,000.00	10,000.00	
Balance at end of year	35,285.71	48,045.72	

TREASURER'S REPORT

The table above shows the 2021-22 accounts compared to the 2020-21 accounts. The period that the accounts cover is 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022.

Income in 2021-22 was £33k compared to the prior year of £14k. This increase is due to the fact that we had a full year of subs, two years of Christmas post (due to delayed banking due to lockdown), an EHDC grant and a £9k giftaid claim.

In terms of expenditure, this was much more in line with a normal year. Levy payments to County & District were based on section numbers. Badge payments increased due to more activity in meetings. Rent payments were for three quarters of the year. Costs for the mini-bus were higher due to increased usage and the need to replace tyres and service.

Due to HSBC adding charges to their charity accounts, the executive committee made the decision to switch banks and we are now with Natwest. This has also given us the ability to access online banking and payments.

With income being higher and the substantial giftaid claim, the Group finished the year almost £13k higher than the previous year. This has allowed the Group not to increase sub payments for another year.

GROUP CHAIR REPORT

As mentioned elsewhere, this report covers the period April 2021 through to March 2022.

The Group Executive Committee, of which I am a member, operates to provide support to the Group Scout Leader and the leaders of the Group Sections, ideally taking on functions to ensure that the leaders can spend more time on activities with our young members. This includes actively managing the membership enquiries and administration. This is carried out effectively and successfully by Vic Pires our Membership Secretary. In addition, we look after the Finances of the group with Sarah-Jane Anslow managing subscriptions, bank accounts and annual accounts. The Committee also meets 3-4 times a year with our Secretary Sam Goodwin keeping track at meetings. Finally, we also have a number of leaders and parents attend to discuss and agree items covered at periodic Committee meetings during the year.

As we move forward it is important that new people are added to the central team and we are on the lookout for volunteers to participate.

A key part of the Exec Committee function is to ensure that fundraising takes place and the Group remains actively in community events where possible such as the Liphook Bike Ride and the Carnival as well as more ceremonial events such as Remembrance Sunday where we always have a good turn-out. We are also fortunate that we receive donations from individuals and other organisations such as Bramshott Open Gardens. Our major source of funds in the past has been Classic Car Day. Unfortunately this has not taken place since the pandemic and we will be looking more creatively for funding as we go forward to ensure that our current healthy accounts do not deteriorate. We will be looking to setup a fundraising sub-committee to look at ways to improve funding and any help and participation from parents will be greatly appreciated.

We also jointly look after the running of the halls with The Guide leaders. We are currently negotiating a new lease with the Parish Council to ensure we have secure tenancy going forward into the future.

As always we are fortunate to have a strong leadership team made up of established leaders with many years of experience, a growing band of new young leaders who have come through from the sections as well as new volunteers who are stepping up. Lastly, not forgetting our section helpers who support the leaders. Thank you all for offering your own time to make a difference!

Stuart Clark
Group Chair

GROUP SCOUT LEADER'S REPORT

Scouting in Liphook continues to thrive, and we have maintained our number following the main Covid period and is still one of the largest Scout Groups in Hampshire with a current membership of just under 200 young people.

The group consists of three Beaver Colonies, three Cub Packs, two Scout Troops and one Explorer Scout unit.

We have a good strong leadership team who are doing an excellent job running all the sections, but we are always on the lookout for additional adult support, at the present time additional support in the Beaver section would be welcome.

With the Covid restriction being eased in the early part of 2021 it was good to be able to get back to some sort of normality and to hold face to face meeting. Zoom meeting did keep the sections going but getting back to face-to-face meeting and being able to meet indoors was a great relief. At the time of the normal Beaver camp in 2021 we were still had restrictions on holding camps and instead of their normal camp they held an adventure day at Tilford instead.

The restriction on camps were relaxed just in time for us to arrange a last-minute camp for the Scouts and Explorers. Due to the sort time scale to get one arranged we were lucky that Ashly Pirt was able to make his field near Goodwood available to us. So we arranged a short camp for 5 nights, but then someone came up with the idea that as we had the camp set up why not have a Cub camp following on for the rest of the week so that the Cubs could also get a camp. Which was a good idea but at the end of a full 9 days of running the camps the leaders truly need a break, and a big thanks for all their hard work.

Remembrance Day was partly back to normal but with the Covid restriction still in place for numbers we only had the sections Colour Parties, flags taking part in the church service.

Scout Christmas post was arranged as normal, Mark Boosey and his team did an excellent job of sorting and the members delivering the cards.

2022 is the Anniversary of the reforming of Scouting in Liphook and the start of the 1st Liphook Scout Group. To help celebrate this a competition was held for the members to design a special badge. We had a good response to this and following one of our Group Leaders meetings a ballot was held and the badge was selected.

We then held our Anniversary camp for all the section in the Group to take part, which was held at Garners Field in Tilford. Where the members were able to take part in several activities, Archery, Canoeing, Climbing, Abseiling, Air Rifle, Back Woods, Craft, to name a few.

As it was also the weekend of the Queens Platinum Jubilee celebrations on the Saturday, we held a giant afternoon tea party for every one with flags, balloons and banners to mark the special occasion.

Then to close the camp parents and friends were invited to come along and join a Camp fire and BBQ, before the members departed.

We are also pleased that one of our members has been selected to join a Hampshire contingent to take part in the next World Scout Jamboree in 2023, being held in South Korea which will be attended by 50,000 Scouts from around the world.

For the group to continue to be successful we do need the Parents' commitment and support, so please do help where and when you can. Be it at a fund-raising event, building a float for the Carnival, helping us to support other local events or taking part in activities with us.

My thanks go to all the Leaders, Section helpers and supporters, Executive Committee Members and all the other backroom supporters for the time and effort that they put into supporting Scouting in Liphook, and we look forward to yet another exciting year ahead.

Bryan Jackson
Group Scout
Leader

