

TRUSTEES Annual report

For the period

From (start date) 0 1 0 1 2 4 to end date 3 1 1 2 2 4

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name

1st Portishead Scouts

Other names the charity is known by

n/a

Registered charity number (if any)

2 7 3 8 9 9

HQ registration number

1 0 0 1 1 1 0 5

Charity's principal address

The Scout Hut
Station Road
Portishead
Postcode B S 2 0 7 D B

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

(These will be published in the annual report of the charity and the Charity Register if reporting for a Registered Charity with a charity regulator)

Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1 Jennifer Niblett	Chair	From July 2024
2 Matthew Jaroszewicz	Group Lead Volunteer	
3 Laura Jaroszewicz	Treasurer	From July 2024
4 Mille Bulivant		From July 2024
5 Kathryn Lyndoe		From July 2024
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9 Jill Thomas	Chair	until July 2024
10 Jo Fenton-Stretton	Treasurer	until July 2024
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Names and addresses of advisers (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

(These will be published in the annual report of the charity)

Type of advisor	Name	Address
Auditor	Dawn Betney	Anthony Smith & Co. Nailsea, BS48 1AW

Section B

Structure, governance and management

Risk and Internal Control (Specimen 1)

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:

Damage to the building, property and equipment. The Group would request the use of buildings, property and equipment from neighbouring organisations such as the church, community centre and other Scout Groups. Similar reciprocal arrangements exist with these organisations. 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. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities.

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.

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 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 4 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.

Risk and Internal Control (Specimen 2)

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 a comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

Section C

Objectives and activities

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

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 these objects

This has been successfully achieved through weekly meetings, outdoor activities and overnight camps and experiences. We have developed programs that embrace the scout values, drawing on the wide breadth of suggested activities that combine to make up the diverse challenge badges.

This has benefited the young persons mental health whilst developing them personally and empowering them to make positive social interactions.

Additional details of the objectives and activities (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

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

- policy on grantmaking;
- contribution made by volunteers;
- policy on investments.

We encourage each section to make use of £15 per young person activity grants to enrich the programs; as well as making available overnight grants.

Volunteers have given their time and energy in many ways, including encouraging young people to challenge themselves.

Public benefit statement

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.

Section D
Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year	<p>2024 saw many examples of ways in which Scouting enriches the lives of Young People:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Scout sections went on several overnight camps and challenging hikes - Cub sections developed their scouting skills with numerous adventurous activities including climbing, tobogganing, high rope and watersports - Beaver sections enjoyed their first foray into Scouting with badge progression, several visits to community services and achieving several Chief Scout Award badges - the whole group were involved in the Portishead Remembrance Day Parade - Introduction of a new structure from the Scout Association has seen our volunteers establish "teams" to better represent
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Section E	Financial Review
Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	<p>Reserves Policy</p> <p>Any reserves are held for further investment in our young people's experiences and replace/renewal of the equipment and infrastructure we hold for them.</p>
Quantify and explain any designations	<p>The Group held reserves of £49,899.50 at the end of the financial year, holding monies to cover the replacement of the minibus, longer term hut maintenance, and savings for the Kandersteg Trip in 2026.</p>
Details of any funds materially in deficit (circumstances plus steps to eliminate)	<p>n/a</p>
Further financial review details (optional information)	<p>You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising); <p>The principle source of funds is the monthly subscriptions paid for by parents (£20,897), in addition funds were sourced from parent contributions funding activities (£2,564). We received in 2024, £12,733 relating to Gift Aid for 2021, 2022 and 2023. Other income includes hire of our minibus (£4,181), and the return of funds from our section bank accounts after moving to OSM cards (£4,567).</p>

• how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity: Expenditure includes maintenance of buildings, utilities, equipment and insurance to provide space for weekly meetings, resources and section programs and activities.

• investment policy and objectives: The Group's Income and Expenditure is very small and as a consequence does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer-term investments such as stocks and shares. The Group 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.

Section F Other Optional Information

Plans for future periods (details of any significant activities planned to achieve them) An aspiration to provide more nights away opportunities for young people, enabled by qualifying leaders with a nights-away permit.

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<div>J. Niblett</div>	
Full name(s)	<div>J. NIBLETT</div>	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair)	<div>CHAIR TRUSTEES.</div>	
Date	<div>160725</div>	

1st Portishead Scout Group
Profit and Loss Statement
For Year End 31 December 2024

	YE 31 Dec 24	YE 31 Dec 23	YE 31 Dec 22	YE 31 Dec 21	YE 31 Dec 20	YE 31 Dec 19
Income						
Income Subscriptions Total	20,897.04	20,594.64	20,250.24	21,688.00	11,752.00	26,343.00
Income Events	-	3,675.04	1,093.95	-	-	-
Income Kanderstag	170.00	16,959.75	7,475.81	-	-	-
Income Minibus Total	4,181.00	2,262.00	3,724.00	-	2,411.00	2,039.00
Income Other Total	-	506.05	357.00	50.00	219.00	-
Income Donation/Fundraising Total	-	737.85	722.00	-	-	4,586.00
Income Interest	309.35	232.67	-	-	-	-
Income Covid Grants	-	-	2,667.00	16,097.00	15,334.00	-
Income Gift Aid	12,722.76	-	-	-	-	6,095.00
Income Section Funds Returned (NEW)	4,567.00	-	-	-	-	-
Income Parent Contribution (NEW)	2,563.51	-	-	-	-	-
						Un-utilised Allowance in Section Accounts returned to Group
						Parent Contribution directly towards event
Total Income	45,410.66	44,968.00	36,290.00	37,835.00	29,716.00	39,063.00
Expenses						
Exp - Capitation Total	- 9,300.00	- 8,601.00	- 9,000.00	- 8,289.00	- 8,798.00	- 9,204.00
Exp - Insurance Total	- 2,257.00	- 2,402.48	- 2,368.00	- 2,300.00	- 2,206.00	- 2,144.00
Exp - Cleaning/Gardening/Maintenance Total	- 1,330.07	- 4,641.70	- 3,768.54	- 751.81	- 1,816.94	- 4,298.52
Exp - Kanderstag Total	-	- 34,938.05	- 339.00	-	-	- 5,700.00
Exp - Minibus Total	- 3,434.26	- 2,800.69	- 2,598.00	- 1,837.00	- 1,509.00	- 3,303.00
Exp - Other Total	- 1,792.46	- 1,732.73	- 2,544.00	- 1,232.00	- 642.00	- 4,443.00
Exp - Section Allowance Total	- 1,918.35	- 1,824.00	- 2,232.00	- 2,664.00	- 2,832.00	- 2,892.00
Exp - Activity/Camp Grants Total	- 3,111.70	- 3,347.25	- 3,996.00	- 1,826.00	- 640.00	- 3,231.00
Exp - Trips Total	-	- 4,270.75	- 3,186.00	- 459.00	- 1,296.00	- 2,756.00
Exp - Utilities Total	- 3,966.50	- 718.99	- 208.46	- 772.19	- 816.06	- 218.48
Exp - Workshop	-	-	-	- 8,518.00	-	-
Exp - Section Expenses (NEW)	- 2,773.95	-	-	-	-	-
						Excludes Group Allowance is accounted in Section Allowance above
Total Expenses	- 29,884.29	- 65,277.64	- 30,240.00	- 28,649.00	- 20,556.00	- 38,190.00
Net Profit/(Loss)	15,526.37	- 20,309.64	6,050.00	9,186.00	9,160.00	873.00

1st Portishead Scout Group
Balance Sheet/Retained Earnings
For Year End 31 December 2023

Asset - Cash at Bank		
Bank Balance 1st Jan	31,474.55	51,784.19
Section Accounts (not previously declared)	2,898.58	
Movement (P&L)	15,526.37	- 20,309.64
Bank Balance 31st Dec - Retained Earnings	49,899.50	31,474.55
Check to Zero	-	- 0.00

AUDIT REPORT

1st Portishead Scout Group

The Hut, Station Rd

Portished, North Somerset, BS20 7DB

For the period 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024

AUDITOR'S OPINION STATEMENT

I have examined the statement of income and changes in fund balances for the period 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024. This was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and included such tests of accounting records and other audit procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances for a fund operating on a charity cash basis.

In my opinion the accompanying financial statements present fairly the financial position of the 1st Portishead Scout Group as of 31 December 2024 and its revenues collected and expenses paid for the period then ended.

Signature of Auditor



Name of Auditor: Dawn S Bettney FCA