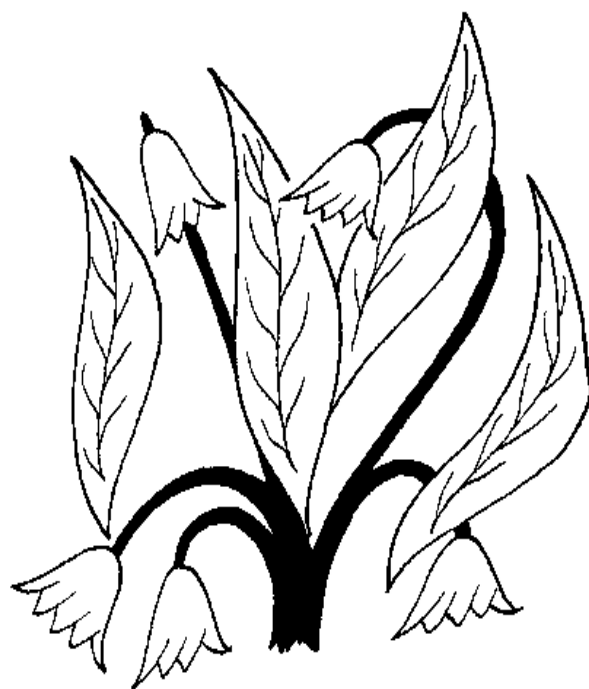




REGISTERED CHARITY No 276613



**92<sup>nd</sup>**

**Annual General Meeting**

**June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

# **WELCOME**

*The President and District Officials cordially welcome  
you to the*

## **92<sup>nd</sup> Annual General Meeting of Loddon District Scout Council**

**On**

**Wednesday June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**At**

**The Community Hall at St Dominic's School, Woodley.**

*The agenda for the meeting, the minutes of the last AGM  
and the various reports are set out in the following  
pages.*

# **LODDON DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL**

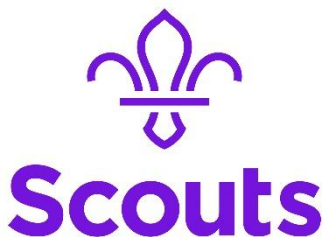
Annual General Meeting

*Wednesday June 15<sup>th</sup> 8.00pm*

The Community Hall at St Dominic's School, Woodley

## **AGENDA**

1. Introduction and welcome
2. Apologies for absence
3. To approve the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> June 2021
4. The District Commissioner's review of Scouting in Loddon District
5. To receive and consider the Annual Report of the District Executive Committee including the annual Statement of the Accounts
6. To approve the District Commissioner's nomination of the District Chair
7. Election of the District Secretary
8. Election of the District Treasurer
9. Elections of members to the District Executive Committee
10. To approve the District Commissioner's nominations to the District Executive Committee
11. Election of Group Scouters to represent the District on Berkshire County Scout Council
12. To appoint the Independent Examiner
13. Presentations
14. Comments by County Commissioner
15. Close



## **Minutes of the 91<sup>st</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Loddon District Scout Council held on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2021 over Zoom & commencing at 8.00pm**

### **1. Introduction and welcome**

The President, Mick Stocks, opened the meeting and welcomed those present and introduced the meeting with the following comments.

Last September we held our AGM via a Zoom Meeting which had followed a really challenging time for Scouting. At that time, I guess we were not expecting another 9 months of restricted Scouting due to a second wave of Covid, with resulting lockdowns and a period which proved to be more severe than the first wave.

However, the future does look more promising, mainly thanks to the successful vaccination programme, but the threat of continuing restrictions still remains with us.

The fact we have kept Scouting going during the past 15 months, or so, is quite remarkable, especially when you consider we've had changes from red to amber; back to red; and returned to amber; and often with changing guidelines.

We owe so many thanks to our adult volunteers for delivering a very different kind of Scouting. These are volunteers that have faced lots of personal challenges, e.g.: lockdowns; working from home; home schooling; many being furloughed with reduced family budgets; some still not sure if there's a job after furlough; and regretfully, some may have lost jobs.

**Yet they still found motivation and time to keep Scouting going. As I said, quite remarkable!**

It's also been a very challenging and disruptive time for our youth members. Not only have they lost out on normal Scouting, but other sports and activities as well, e.g.: football clubs; swimming clubs; and so on. Their schooling, colleges, and universities, with associated exams, etc, has also been badly disrupted.

**It's a generation that's lost so much at such a critical time in their lives.**

More than anything, I believe young people and adults alike, have missed socialising with their extended families, friends and peers. That time for company and friendship. That time spent with your pals has been lost.

When Scouting goes green, it can, and should, play a key part in restoring some of the things we have lost – especially the friendships as well as the activities.

**I'm sure Scouting will play its crucial part in getting life back to what I guess will be a new normal.**

Before handing over to Donald to Chair the AGM I want to thank him and the District Executive; and to thank Geoff, Jenny, and the District Team, for all their hard work during these difficult times.

Finally, a special thanks to Donald and his Paddicks Patch Project Team for keeping the new building project moving forward. Such a lot of work behind the scenes.

So, with lots of thanks and appreciation . . . I pass you to Donald.

2. **Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from, Chris Fido, Hannah Lee, Joan Fahey, Ian Loring, Barbara Loring & Linda Bowes.

3. **Approval of Minutes of AGM held on 9 September 2020.**

The District Chair, Donald MacDonald, then took over chairing the meeting by welcoming all those present to our 91<sup>st</sup> AGM, in particular Nigel Bevan our County Commissioner. Some 22 District members also attended.

He said the Paddicks Patch Project had been a trial and tribulation. The wildlife, trees and site have all been surveyed and now finally planning has been approved.

We have £80,000 in the fund so are well on the way to funding the project. The design group will meet to finalise specific features of the building. Keith Walker will continue to manage the project so that it is completed in a professional manner.

The minutes of the 90th Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2020 have been previously reviewed by the District Executive and were agreed as a true record of the meeting by Jenny Lamprell with a show of hands to approve.

4. **District Commissioner's Review of Scouting in Loddon District**

In addition to his written report Geoff said that 95% of our sections are back meeting face to face. Risk assessments are being submitted and approved by our leaders. Lots of activities are bouncing back and things are returning to some sort of normal.

A special thank you to Jane Moore for all her hard work in managing the training, she has kept on top of all the training for all leaders which has been a huge task and is much appreciated by the district.

A special vote of thanks to Donald for his work with the Paddicks Patch project which has also proved to be a mammoth task. The new build will be a huge asset to the district and will make the site much more usable.

Many thanks to all our leaders for their hard work throughout the year.

The Chair expressed his thanks to Geoff for his part in keeping Scouting running in the district.

5. **To receive and consider the annual report of the District Executive Committee including the annual statement of accounts.**

The treasurer added to his report by saying that with the lack of activity, due to Covid, there had been a corresponding lack of spending. We have in the region of £8,500 surplus and we keep a year of funds spare in case of need. We have received income from various grants, some for Covid and some towards the Paddicks Patch project. We are conscious that the shop had been badly affected by covid but were impressed that it had managed to break even, due to Barbara and Ian's good management.

He offered to answer any questions but there were none.

The chair then thanked Simon for his work throughout the year.

6. **To approve the District Commissioner's nomination of the District Chair.**

Donald then handed over the chairmanship of the meeting to Geoff the DC, who nominated Donald as District Chair and asked for a show of hands to approve the nomination. This was agreed unanimously.

7. **To elect the District Secretary** – Helen Price has been formally proposed and seconded, so we now need a show of hands to approve the election. This was agreed unanimously.

8. **To elect the District Treasurer** – Simon Roberts has been formally proposed and seconded, so we now need a show of hands to approve the election. This was agreed unanimously.

9. **Nominations to the District Scout Council**

There are three nominations: -

The Youth Commissioner – Hannah Lee

The District Explorer Commissioner – Stuart Johnson

The District Network Commissioner – Malcolm Fillingham

10. **To elect persons to the District Executive Committee**

The Secretary then listed the following people as having been formally proposed and seconded.

Beaver Scout Section – vacant

Cub Section – vacant

Scout Section – Pete Rogers

District Scout Active Support – Chris Fido

Safety co-ordinator – Robin Phillips

The Chair then asked for a show of hands to approve the elections which was given unanimously.

11. **District Commissioner's nominations**

The DC then nominated Ulla Swynford-Lain as District Appointment Secretary and Jenny Lamprell as Deputy DC.

These nominations were noted by the meeting.

The Chair then thanked the District Executive Committee for their work throughout the year.

12. **Election of representative to the County Scout Council**

The Secretary then said that Tom Toy, GSL 1<sup>st</sup> Twyford Scout Group had been proposed and seconded and asked for a show of hands to approve the nomination. This was agreed unanimously.

13. **Appointment of Hon Independent Examiner**

The Chair then said that Geoff Cox had been proposed and seconded and asked for a show of hands to approve the nomination. This was agreed unanimously.

14. **County Commissioner's Comments**

Nigel Bevan said that it had been a strange year and that we had all had to adapt to Zoom meetings. Adult leaders have managed to keep things going with mixed success.

HQ are pushing us to get our noncompliance training down to 1.5%. Loddon has managed to stay well within this target which is brilliant.

He said he was pleased that the Paddicks Patch project was doing well and that it would be a good district asset. He was also pleased to learn that it was being managed by a professional.

He commented that members are enjoying some outdoor activities now. There will be an Explorer activity to the Alps in 2022. The plans for the next Jamboree to South Korea in 2023 is underway and adults are being selected to lead this. There will also be a project Africa trip in 2023 so things are beginning to take shape for the future of Scouting.

He expressed his thanks to all leaders in Loddon for keeping scouting going and special thanks to Geoff and Jenny for all their efforts.

The chair then thanked Nigel and his team for all that they had done in keeping County scouting going this year. He hoped that the next AGM in 2022 would be face-to-face.

15. **Closing Remarks**

There were no other comments to be made so the Chair thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.30pm. The next AGM is due to take place on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

## **District Commissioner Report 2021 – 2022**

**Coming out of the pandemic Loddon District is in a strong position to start growing again.**

With all the Groups now back to face-to-face meetings we are starting to see numbers grow in all sections around the District in particular Beaver Scouts are picking up nicely after being the section that saw the largest reduction in numbers. Cubs and Scouts both held onto most of their membership thanks to Leaders running some excellent programmes on Zoom and making the most of the short period when face to face activities were allowed between the lockdowns. I would like to thank Group Scout Leaders and section Leadership teams for all that you did within your Groups over the last two years.

Explorer Scouts remain strong with four meeting nights through the week on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays in both Woodley (based at Paddicks Patch) and on Wednesdays in Earley at Aldryngton Primary School. Thank you to Stuart Johnson and the Explorer Leaders for all your work with the Section and keeping things going during the Pandemic. Loddon is one of the few Districts in Berkshire to have an active Scout Network thanks Malcolm Fillingham Network Commissioner and his team.

We have recently seen the opening of our first Squirrel Drey for 4 to 6-year-olds at 5<sup>th</sup> Woodley. In the coming months I look forward to seeing that first Drey grow and may be see more Dreys opening across the District.

Supporting the groups are Section District teams, the District Executive, Adult Training Support, Scout Shop and Badges, Paddicks Patch team and Scout Active Support. All of whom have continued to support at both Group and District level.

In the last year I have had the privilege and honour to present various Long Service Awards, Wood Badges and in particular the following Leaders all of whom have been recognised by the Association for their outstanding service with the Award for Merit.

Karen Lockwood ACSL 3<sup>rd</sup> Woodley  
Keith Boseley ASL 3<sup>rd</sup> Woodley and Warden Paddicks Patch  
Richard Best CSL 1<sup>st</sup> Wargrave Wildcats & Pumas  
Pete Fry GSL 1<sup>st</sup> Wargrave  
Jane Prichard CSL 84<sup>th</sup> Reading Red Kites & Meerkats  
Alison Swaddle BSL 84<sup>th</sup> Reading

Thank you to our District President Mick Stocks and to the County team lead by Nigel Bevan County Commissioner for your support to both Loddon and Berkshire County.

Finally, I would like to thank Jenny Miller DDC, Donald Macdonald District Chair, Helen Price District Secretary, Ulla Swynford Lain Appointments Secretary, Simon Roberts District Treasurer, Jane Moore Local Training Administrator and Robin Phillips District Safety Manager for all your work and support for Loddon District during this last year.

**Geoff Barnes  
District Commissioner**



## **District Chairman's Report**

As life gets back to what we are now beginning to recognise as the new "normal", on behalf of the District Executive I would like to thank each and every one of you for your hard work and commitment to continue to deliver Scouting to our young people and adults in Loddon District.

We have all had to make significant sacrifices over the last couple of years and keeping Scouting in good health locally has not come without much dedication and flexibility of approach to keep things moving.

Now that we are back to face-to-face meetings and events, we can begin to look forward to all the things we enjoy about Scouting once more.

Many of you will be interested as to where we are with the PP Rebuilding Project. Well, things have moved forward albeit at a slow pace these last 12 months. Getting building quotes has been far more challenging than ever imagined and the well of funds available for projects of the type we are pursuing is not what it was pre-COVID. The cost of the project has moved from c.£125K to over £200K. That said, we will continue to push on to deliver on the new building to the best of our ability. All ideas in relation to funding and funding sources will be gratefully received.

Looking ahead, we have plenty of work to do individually and collectively to ensure that Scouting continues to be a great thing to do for people of all ages in Loddon and I seek your continued support to keep Scouting in a strong place on the community agenda.

Donald MacDonald  
Chair, Loddon District Scouts

**LODDON DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL  
DISTRICT TREASURER'S REPORT Y/E 31/03/2022**

The district accounts for 2021/22 have been prepared as required by the Charities Act 2011.

Total Assets stood at £109,772 as at 31st March 2021 (£106,658 31/3/21).

The bank balance includes restricted funds totalling £66,789 which are used for specific purposes. Details of individual funds can be found in the Notes to the Accounts statement.

A surplus of Income over Expenditure of £3,114 was generated.

The District continued to be significantly affected by the Covid pandemic. This curtailed activities for Cubs / Beavers, District Scouts and Active Support Units. Consequently, there is no change in these groups' financial position. The Scout Shop, however, managed to trade and made a surplus of £3,666 compared to the previous year of £66.

There were no applications for the International Fund during the year, but the District made grants of £300 to each of the 15 World Scout Jamboree participants for 2023 in South Korea.

The District Executive Committee considers that the district should hold a sum equivalent to 12 months running costs in reserve and we continue to meet this requirement.

The Paddicks Patch Project continues, and planning permission has now been granted.

The section Groups are reported separately as part of the main District report.

The Receipts and Payment account and a Statement of Assets and Liabilities for Loddon District Scout Council can be viewed in the attachments to this report.

We thank all the Group Treasurers, Group Scout Leaders, and Trustees for their continued support.

**Simon Roberts  
District Treasurer**

# LODDON DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

## Receipts and Payments Account Summary for the year ended 31st March 2022

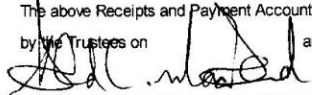
Charity No. 276613

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Total receipts for year	31,736	8,200	39,936	35,790
Total payments for year end	35,822	1,000	36,822	27,421
Net of receipts/(payments) for year	(4,086)	7,200	3,114	8,369
Transfer between funds	-	-	-	-
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## Summary of Assets and Liabilities at 31st March 2022

	2021/22 Unrestricted Funds	2021/22 Restricted Funds	2021/22 Total Funds	2020/21 Total Funds
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<b>MONETARY ASSETS</b>				
Bank Balances	43,861	66,789	110,650	102,664
Cash In Hand	157	-	157	127
	44,018	66,789	110,807	102,791
<b>OTHER MONETARY ASSETS</b>				
Debts due from Group	-	-	-	-
<b>NON-MONETARY ASSETS</b>				
Scout Shop Stock	9,636	-	9,636	11,326
	53,654	66,789	120,443	114,117
<b>LIABILITIES - prepaid subs &amp; other adv pymts</b>	10,671	-	10,671	7,459
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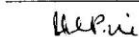
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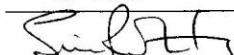
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# LODDON DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

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<b>Net Assets</b>	<u>42,983</u>	<u>66,789</u>	<u>109,772</u>	<u>106,658</u>

The above Receipts and Payment Account and Summary of Asset and Liabilities were approved  
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Donald MacDonald

District Chair

\_\_\_\_\_  
Helen Price

District Secretary

\_\_\_\_\_  
Simon Roberts

District Treasurer

# LODDON DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

## Receipts and Payments Account

### Receipts for the year ended 31st March 2022

	2021/22 Unrestricted funds £	2021/22 Restricted funds £	2021/22 Total funds £	2020/21 Total funds £
<b>RECEIPTS</b>				
<b>Donations, legacies and similar income</b>				
Membership subscriptions	50,037	-	50,037	57,241
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/Area/District)	(46,289)	-	(46,289)	(51,551)
Net membership subscriptions retained	3,748	-	3,748	5,690
Donations	-	-	-	-
Gift Aid	-	-	-	-
Other similar income/Legacy	-	8,200	8,200	13,430
<b>Sub total</b>	3,748	8,200	11,948	19,120
<b>Grants</b>				
Paddicks Patch Project	-	-	-	200
International Fund	-	-	-	-
Berkshire Scouts Jamboree	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	200
<b>Fundraising (gross)</b>				
Cubs/Beavers	-	-	-	-
Scouts	-	-	-	-
Explorer	22,997	-	22,997	16,151
Scout Active Support Unit	-	-	-	12
Paddicks Patch	1,047	-	1,047	165
Other fundraising activities -District Events	250	-	250	-
<b>Sub total</b>	24,294	-	24,294	16,328
<b>Investment income</b>				
Bank interest(COIF)	27	-	27	76
Scout Shop	3,666	-	3,666	66
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	3,693	-	3,693	142
<b>Total Gross Income</b>	31,736	8,200	39,936	35,790
<b>To COIF a/c</b>	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Receipts</b>	31,736	8,200	39,936	35,790

# LODDON DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

## Receipts and Payments Account

### Payments for the year ended 31st March 2022

	2021/22 Unrestricted funds £	2021/22 Restricted funds £	2021/22 Total funds £	2020/21 Total funds £
<b>PAYMENTS</b>				
<b>Charitable Payments</b>				
Premises - Paddicks Patch	4,006	-	4,006	2,368
Premises - Scout Shop	572	-	572	715
Section Expenses	-	-	-	-
International Fund	-	-	-	-
AGM and trustee expenses	1,130	-	1,130	995
Insurance	238	-	238	238
Independent Examiners Fees	43	-	43	138
Adult support and training	-	-	-	-
General Expenses	-	-	-	183
WSJ23 Grants	4,500	-	4,500	-
Fundraising Fees	-	-	-	-
Paddicks Patch Project	-	1,000	1,000	3,680
Berkshire Scouts Jamboree	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>10,488</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>11,488</b>	<b>8,317</b>
<b>Section Activities</b>				
Cubs/Beavers	-	-	-	-
Scouts	-	-	-	32
Explorer Scouts	25,054	-	25,054	18,751
Scout Active Support Unit	-	-	-	50
Other fundraising costs- District Events	279	-	279	271
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>25,333</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>25,333</b>	<b>19,104</b>
<b>Total Gross Expenditure</b>	<b>35,822</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>36,822</b>	<b>27,421</b>
To COIF a/c	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>35,822</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>36,822</b>	<b>27,421</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>(4,086)</b>	<b>7,200</b>	<b>3,114</b>	<b>8,369</b>
<b>Transfers between funds</b>				
<b>Net assets last year end</b>	<b>47,069</b>	<b>59,589</b>	<b>106,658</b>	<b>98,289</b>
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# LODDON DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

## Statement of assets and liabilities as at 31st March 2022

	2021/22 Unrestricted funds £	2021/22 Restricted funds £	2021/22 Total funds £	2020/21 Total funds £
<b>Cash funds</b>				
Bank-Loddon District Scout Council	25,060	7,200	32,260	23,570
Bank- COIF Deposit Fund	4,426	59,589	64,015	63,988
Bank- Scout Shop Account	4,582	-	4,582	3,256
Bank- District Scout Account	2,428	-	2,428	2,428
Bank- Explorer Scout Account	4,332	-	4,332	6,389
Bank-Loddon Scout Active Support	3,033	-	3,033	3,033
Cash/Floats	157	-	157	127
<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>44,018</b>	<b>66,789</b>	<b>110,807</b>	<b>102,791</b>
<b>Other monetary assets</b>				
Tax claim	-	-	-	-
Debts due from the County/Area/District/Group	-	-	-	-
Insurance claim	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Investment assets</b>				
Other investments - detail	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Non monetary assets for charity's own use</b>				
Shop items & Badges stock	9,636	-	9,636	11,326
Other	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>9,636</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9,636</b>	<b>11,326</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Accounts not yet paid	-	-	-	-
Expenses incurred but not invoiced	-	-	-	-
Subscriptions paid in advance	10,021	-	10,021	7,459
Loan - detail	-	-	-	-
Other liabilities	650	-	650	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>10,671</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>10,671</b>	<b>7,459</b>
<b>Net assets</b>	<b>42,983</b>	<b>66,789</b>	<b>109,772</b>	<b>106,658</b>

### NON-MONETARY ASSETS

(based on insurance values)	<u>Explorer Scouts</u>	<u>Loddon District - Paddicks&amp;Shop</u>
Buildings	£20,000	£57,250
Contents&Equipment	£46,520	£22,550
Trailers	£8,254	

# LODDON DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

Notes to accompany the Accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022

## 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice on Accounting by Charities 2005 (SORP 2005), the Charities Act 1996 and applicable accounting standards.

## 2. MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS

The gross figure includes subscriptions due to Headquarters and County.

## 3. DONATIONS / GRANT / SIMILAR INCOME

The amount of £8,200 was received from various sources towards the PP Project, principally a Covid grant.

## 4. INTERNATIONAL FUND

The funds remain unchanged, and no requests have been received.

## 5. FUNDS

Unrestricted funds represent the funds of this Council that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use. Funds designated for a particular purpose by the Council are deemed as restricted funds and are summarised below. The accounts include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which this Council is responsible in law.

The total Restricted Funds for the year are £66,789.

<b><u>Restricted Fund</u></b>	<b>International Fund</b>	<b>Beavers a/c</b>	<b>Paddicks Patch Fund</b>
<b>Balances as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022</b>	£2,716	£552	£63,521

## 6. PADDICKS PATCH

This wooded area of land in Waingels Road was donated to Loddon District Scouts in 1982 by Sidney Paddock for use as a camp site. In September 1990, a prefabricated building was donated by Barclays Bank and erected on the site. This is now the Loddon District Headquarters. The building will be reconstructed, and detailed planning work is currently being undertaken following receipt of full planning permission.

## 7. SECTIONS

The District Scout Explorers, Scout Active Support Unit and District Scouts maintain separate accounts. The District Cub and Beaver funds are included as restricted funds within the main account.

## 8. LODDON DISTRICT SCOUT SHOP

Scout shop items have been valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. The Scout Shop maintains a separate account. The shop made a contribution of £3,666 to District funds in the year.

## 9. TRUSTEE EXPENSES

Trustees received expenses totalling £1,130 in the year to 31/3/22.

## 10. PUBLIC INTEREST

The District Council meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings. The Trustees have had regard to the public benefit guidance issued by the Charity Commission when deciding upon the activities for the year.



## Independent Examiner's report to the trustees of LODDON DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st March 2022.

### 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 (S)(b) 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.

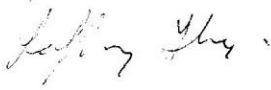
to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act, or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

Name: GEORGEY COX  
Signed:   
Address 6 FOXES WALK  
CHARVIL  
READING. RG10 9TX  
Date: 11<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2022

### **Safety Co-ordinator Report 2021/2022**

Following on from last year's inspection at 1<sup>st</sup> Sonning, I had a very brief follow up discussion. The extent of the boundaries has been confirmed and work on housing their pioneering poles has commenced. The issues surrounding storage of the group's gas cylinders have not yet been solved.

The County safety ASU have been progressing asbestos safety audits with the Groups in the county that have their own premises. So far, no issues have been reported in Loddon District. Groups however need to remain vigilant because of the range of products that had an asbestos content in the past.

Owing to a period of poor health over the last six months I was not able to make any firm commitments to carry out site surveys. These I plan to resume after the summer break.

Robin Phillips  
District Safety Co-ordinator

### **LODDON DISTRICT SCOUT SHOP**

Total sales for the year were £30,223, of which £19,634 (65%) was for Loddon District, £10,214 was for Wokingham (34%) and £375 was others.

Badge sales of £10,344 represented 34% of the turnover, of which Loddon groups purchases were £6,204 and Wokingham £4,139.

Payment by card is now by far the most popular method, and for which we have incurred a handling fee of £280. Where possible we have encouraged payment by bank transfer, particularly in that this enables Group Treasurers to make payment for their groups rather than leaders having to pay then claim back.

We were able to return £1,983 to groups in the form of rebates and transfer £4,000 of surplus funds to the District.

We have encountered a problem during the latter part of the year with obtaining supplies of uniform, neckers and badges from the Scout Association. Had we been able to re-stock our shelves, we could have sold a lot more. It looks like this could be an ongoing problem for some time to come.

We are now very short of helpers as quite a few of our team of volunteers either cannot or did not wish to continue once we re-opened after the Covid closure. Our current group of 6 teams come from only 5 of the 13 groups in the District. Please contact us if you know of anyone who would like to join us.

Barbara Loring  
Shop Manager