

1ST THORLEY (ST JAMES) SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 279424

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1980-03-19

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

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Activities

Objects: THE INSTRUCTION OF BOYS OF ALL CLASSES IN THE PRINCIPLES OF DISCIPLINE, LOYALTY AND GOOD CITIZENSHIP.

Activities: Part of the Worldwide group of Scouting for young persons. Activities are many geared towards the age various age groups and are set to challenge each individual whilst encouraging team work and friendship along the way

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Education/training, Religious Activities, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport, Environment/conservation/heritage
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- Essex
- Hertfordshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£70,748	£69,769	-	-
2023-12-31	£62,194	£59,244	-	-
2022-12-31	£66,954	£60,069	-	-
2021-12-31	£64,410	£37,278	-	-
2020-12-31	£32,369	£25,334	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Colin Nicholls	Chair	
Catherine Hills		2022-10-12
Matthew John Ritchie		2024-06-26
NIGEL PAUL REED		2021-11-03
Paula Mothersole		2021-04-19
Samantha Gillian Carrington		2021-04-19
Susan Anne Byford		2021-04-19

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Accounts



1st Thorley (St. James) Scout Group

Registered Charity No.279424

Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2024

**1st Thorley (St. James) Scout Group
Financial Statements for the year ended
31st December 2024**

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1st Thorley (St. James) Scout Group

Information

President

Mr G. Bishop

Trustees

Mr C. Nicholls

Group Chairman

Mrs C. Hills

Group Secretary

Mr N. Reed

Group Scout Leader

Mrs S. Carrington

Deputy Group Scout Leader

Mrs S. Byford

Group Executive Member

Mrs P. Mothersole

Group Executive Member

Mr. M. Ritchie

Group Treasurer

Bankers:

Lloyds TSB

20 North St

Bishop's Stortford

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32343

Charity Registration Number:

279424

Contact Name & Address:

Mr C. Nicholls

19 Mazoe Road

Bishop's Stortford

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1st Thorley (St. James) Scout Group Trustee's Annual Report for the Year Ended 31st December 2024

The aim of the Scout Association is to promote and encourage “the physical, mental and spiritual wellbeing of its members so they can take a rightful place in society”.

We offer a balanced and progressive programme from the age of six through to sixteen, supported by a Group Executive made up of parents past and present. Our Group continues to grow with members from all sections gaining top training awards and having lots of fun along the way.

Scouting is alive and well in Bishop's Stortford with 1st Thorley (St. James) Scout Group currently being one of the largest Groups both locally as well as in Hertfordshire.

Group Scout Leader

Group Chairman

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the 1st Thorley (St. James) Scout Group

I report on the accounts of the 1st Thorley (St. James) Scout Group for the year ended 31st December 2024.

As the Charity's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of Section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 43(7)(b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiner's Statement

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

which gives me reasonable cause to believe, that in any material respect, the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 41 of the Act, to prepare accounts, which accord with the accounting records, and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act, have not been met,

or to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached,

or which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the accounting rules of the Group's constitution have not been met.

Name Matthew Ritchie
 86 Thorley Hill
 Bishop's Stortford
 CM23 3NB

Signed

Dated

**1st Thorley (St. James) Scout Group
(Registered Charity No. 279424)**

**CONSOLIDATED GROUP SUMMARY STATEMENT OF INCOME &
EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

	Year ended 31 Dec 2024 Total £	Year ended 31 Dec 2023 Total £
Total Receipts for the year	70,747	62,194
Total Payments for the year	69,769	59,244
Net Receipts/(Payments) for the year	979.21	2,950
Net current assets brought forward	77,823	74.873
Net current assets carried forward	78,803	77,823

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Group Chairman

Group Scout Leader

Dated :

1st Thorley (St. James) Scout Group
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CONSOLIDATED GROUP STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Year ended 31 December 2024	Year ended 31 December 2023
	Total £	Total £
Income		
Membership	25,996.29	24,102.78
Gift Aid	-	3,757.64
Use of HQ	1,830.00	1,527.00
Donations/Grants	778.27	4,711.08
Troop & Pack activities	18,117.53	12,785.86
Camp income	19,855.64	10,664.32
Electricity	-	-
Uniforms and badges	1,822.90	1,458.85
Bank interest	997.17	636.41
Other income	1,349.99	2,550.28
Total income	70,747.79	62,194.22
Expenditure		
Membership	10,587.48	9,894.38
Troop & Pack activities	19,271.44	18,813.28
Camp costs	22,760.82	11,909.65
Fund raising expenses	-	-
Building fund	-	1,776.00
Cleaning	160.00	1,170.28
Donations	535.00	616.81
Utilities	1,427.73	1,693.82
Equipment	524.72	2,143.60
Insurance	574.30	563.14
Rent	6,512.50	707.54
Repairs & Maintenance	1,731.78	1,799.73
Uniforms and badges	3,471.05	4,813.97
Transport	-	-
Miscellaneous	2,211.76	3,341.80
Total Expenditure	69,768.58	59,244.00
Net Income/(Expenditure)	979.21	2,950.22
Opening cash & bank balance	77,835.17	74,873.11
Closing cash & bank balance	78,814.38	77,823.33
Represented by:		
Current Accounts	37,180.66	37,874.65
Deposit Account	41,237.20	40,240.03
Cash in hand	236.84	126.37
Debtors and prepayments	-	-
Accrued costs	159.68	(417.72)
	78,814.38	77,823.33

1st Thorley (St. James) Scout Group
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STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Year ended 31 December 2024	Year ended 31 December 2023
	Total £	Total £
Income		
Membership subscriptions	18,798.06	18,007.49
Gift Aid	-	3,757.64
Use of HQ	1,830.00	1,527.00
Donations/Grants	-	-
Troop & Pack activities	2,050.05	-
Camp income	-	-
Electricity	-	-
Uniforms and badges	39.00	72.00
Bank interest	997.17	636.41
Other income	300.00	781.70
Total income	24,014.28	24,782.24
Expenditure		
Membership	10,675.00	9,800.00
Troop & Pack activities	542.69	417.23
Camp costs	-	72.00
Fund raising expenses	-	-
Building fund	-	1,776.00
Cleaning	160.00	1,170.28
Donations	-	-
Utilities	1,374.73	1,649.33
Equipment	332.59	965.38
Insurance	574.30	563.14
Rent	6,512.50	707.54
Repairs & Maintenance	1,731.78	1,799.73
Uniforms and badges	1,638.71	2,070.05
Transport	-	-
Miscellaneous	345.35	1,019.60
Total Expenditure	23,887.65	22,010.28
Net Income/(Expenditure)	126.63	2,771.96
Opening cash & bank balance	64,434.13	61,662.17
Closing cash & bank balance	64,560.76	64,434.13
Represented by:		
Current Account	17,009.79	21,444.07
Deposit Account	41,237.20	40,240.03
Cash in hand	30.48	30.48
Debtors and prepayments	6,283.29	2,911.08
Accrued costs	-	(191.53)
	64,560.76	64,434.13

Adventurer Scout Troop
(Registered Charity No. 279424)

STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Year ended 31 December 2024	Year ended 31 December 2023
	Total £	Total £
Income		
Membership	5,010.00	4,743.00
Gift Aid		
Use of HQ		
Donations/Grants		100.00
Troop & Pack activities	4,415.33	3,977.20
Camp income	3,235.00	3,445.00
Electricity		
Uniforms and badges		
Bank interest		
Other income	310.00	959.20
Total income	12,970.33	13,224.40
Expenditure		
Membership	3,578.57	3,387.86
Troop & Pack activities	4,904.31	4,797.93
Camp costs	3,462.62	3,276.19
Fund raising expenses		
Building fund		
Cleaning		
Donations		
Utilities	53.00	-
Equipment		1,178.22
Insurance		
Rent		
Repairs & Maintenance		
Uniforms and badges		29.49
Transport		
Miscellaneous	938.33	370.80
Total Expenditure	12,936.83	13,040.49
Net Income/(Expenditure)	33.50	183.91
Opening cash & bank balance	3,769.92	3,586.01
Closing cash & bank balance	3,803.42	3,769.92
Represented by:		
Current Account	3,803.42	3,769.92
Deposit Account		
Cash in hand		
Debtors and prepayments		
Accrued costs		
	3,803.42	3,769.92

Buccaneer Scout Troop
(Registered Charity No. 279424)

STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Year ended 31 December 2024	Year ended 31 December 2023
	Total £	Total £
Income		
Membership	3,872.02	3,256.32
Gift Aid		
Use of HQ		
Donations/Grants		-
Troop & Pack activities	523.60	641.85
Camp income	6,964.64	1,909.12
Electricity		
Uniforms and badges		
Bank interest		
Other income	344.44	48.57
Total income	11,704.70	5,855.86
Expenditure		
Membership	2,987.14	3,003.29
Troop & Pack activities	754.69	2,039.20
Camp costs	10,035.12	1,449.01
Fund raising expenses		
Building fund		
Cleaning		
Donations		
Utilities		
Equipment		
Insurance		
Rent		
Repairs & Maintenance		
Uniforms and badges		
Transport		
Miscellaneous	385.91	443.84
Total Expenditure	14,162.86	6,935.34
Net Income/(Expenditure)	(2,458.16)	(1,079.48)
Opening cash & bank balance	2,777.94	3,857.42
Closing cash & bank balance	319.78	2,777.94
Represented by:		
Current Account	1,212.64	2,777.94
Deposit Account		
Cash in hand		
Debtors and prepayments		
Accrued costs	(892.86)	
	319.78	2,777.94

Norman Cub Pack
(Registered Charity No. 279424)

STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Year ended 31 December 2024	Year ended 31 December 2023
	Total £	Total £
Income		
Membership	3,730.57	3,209.76
Gift Aid		
Use of HQ		
Donations/Grants	113.27	1,224.67
Troop & Pack activities	6,085.44	3,502.04
Camp income	3,615.00	50.00
Electricity		
Uniforms and badges	404.00	337.55
Bank interest		
Other income	72.05	455.48
Total income	14,020.33	8,779.50
Expenditure		
Membership	2,726.13	2,535.74
Troop & Pack activities	5,849.27	3,615.18
Camp costs	1,905.98	2,114.21
Fund raising expenses		-
Building fund		
Cleaning		
Donations	235.00	26.11
Utilities		
Equipment		
Insurance		
Rent		
Repairs & Maintenance		
Uniforms and badges	911.30	1,415.30
Transport		
Miscellaneous	236.85	299.84
Total Expenditure	11,864.53	10,006.38
Net Income/(Expenditure)	2,155.80	(1,226.88)
Opening cash & bank balance	650.56	1,877.44
Closing cash & bank balance	2,806.36	650.56
Represented by:		
Current Account	4,828.81	2,673.01
Deposit Account		
Cash in hand	15.37	17.29
Debtors and prepayments		
Accrued costs	(2,037.82)	(2,039.74)
	2,806.36	650.56

Saxon Cub Pack
(Registered Charity No. 279424)

STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Year ended 31 December 2024	Year ended 31 December 2023
	Total £	Total £
Income		
Membership	3,341.15	3,381.30
Gift Aid		
Use of HQ		
Donations/Grants		-
Troop & Pack activities		-
Camp income	2,715.00	3,112.10
Electricity		
Uniforms and badges	431.80	345.30
Bank interest		
Other income		80.50
Total income	6,487.95	6,919.20
Expenditure		
Membership	2,428.23	2,193.86
Troop & Pack activities	817.55	1,814.91
Camp costs	2,594.13	1,816.99
Fund raising expenses		
Building fund		
Cleaning		
Donations		
Utilities		44.49
Equipment		
Insurance		
Rent		
Repairs & Maintenance		
Uniforms and badges		
Transport		
Miscellaneous	126.33	264.79
Total Expenditure	5,966.24	6,135.04
Net Income/(Expenditure)	521.71	784.16
Opening cash & bank balance	2,002.74	1,218.58
Closing cash & bank balance	2,524.45	2,002.74
Represented by:		
Current Account	3,419.09	2,897.48
Deposit Account		
Cash in hand		
Debtors and prepayments		
Accrued costs	(894.64)	(894.74)
	2,524.45	2,002.74

Viking Cub Pack
(Registered Charity No. 279424)

STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Year ended 31 December 2024	Year ended 31 December 2023
	Total £	Total £
Income		
Membership	2,800.00	2,778.00
Gift Aid		
Use of HQ		
Donations/Grants	300.00	
Troop & Pack activities	206.00	357.46
Camp income	760.00	600.00
Electricity		
Uniforms and badges		-
Bank interest		
Other income	130.00	
Total income	4,196.00	3,735.46
Expenditure		
Membership	1,462.50	2,015.00
Troop & Pack activities	1,111.10	671.61
Camp costs		407.56
Fund raising expenses		
Building fund		
Cleaning		
Donations	300.00	310.00
Utilities		-
Equipment		
Insurance		
Rent		
Repairs & Maintenance		
Uniforms and badges		-
Transport		
Miscellaneous	16.10	60.00
Total Expenditure	2,889.70	3,464.17
Net Income/(Expenditure)	1,306.30	271.29
Opening cash & bank balance	1,015.82	744.53
Closing cash & bank balance	2,322.12	1,015.82
Represented by:		
Current Account	2,151.23	945.48
Deposit Account		
Cash in hand	170.89	70.34
Debtors and prepayments		
Accrued costs	2,322.12	1,015.82

Drake Beavers Colony
(Registered Charity No. 279424)

STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Year ended 31 December 2024	Year ended 31 December 2023
	Total £	Total £
Income		
Membership	3,249.31	2,589.40
Gift Aid		
Use of HQ		
Donations/Grants		
Troop & Pack activities	219.26	280.70
Camp income	2,074.00	308.10
Electricity		
Uniforms and badges	495.50	416.00
Bank interest		
Other income		200.00
Total income	6,038.07	3,794.20
Expenditure		
Membership	2,306.97	1,942.05
Troop & Pack activities	989.69	369.20
Camp costs	2,076.00	328.10
Fund raising expenses		
Building fund		
Cleaning		
Donations		280.70
Utilities		
Equipment	192.13	
Insurance		
Rent		
Repairs & Maintenance		
Uniforms and badges	302.57	443.77
Transport		
Miscellaneous	53.00	342.99
Total Expenditure	5,920.36	3,706.81
Net Income/(Expenditure)	117.71	87.39
Opening cash & bank balance	777.59	690.20
Closing cash & bank balance	895.30	777.59
Represented by:		
Current Account	1,077.99	960.28
Deposit Account		
Cash in hand	20.10	20.10
Debtors and prepayments		
Accrued costs	(202.79)	(202.79)
	895.30	777.59

Raleigh Beavers Colony
(Registered Charity No. 279424)

STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Year ended 31 December 2024	Year ended 31 December 2023
	Total £	Total £
Income		
Membership	3,993.24	4,145.00
Gift Aid		
Use of HQ		
Donations/Grants	365.00	3,386.41
Troop & Pack activities	4,617.85	4,026.61
Camp income	492.00	1,240.00
Electricity		
Uniforms and badges	452.60	288.00
Bank interest		
Other income	193.50	24.83
Total income	10,114.19	13,110.85
Expenditure		
Membership	3,221.00	3,024.07
Troop & Pack activities	4,302.14	5,088.02
Camp costs	2,686.97	2,445.59
Fund raising expenses		
Building fund		
Cleaning		
Donations		
Utilities		-
Equipment		
Insurance		
Rent		
Repairs & Maintenance		
Uniforms and badges	618.47	855.36
Transport		
Miscellaneous	109.89	539.94
Total Expenditure	10,938.47	11,952.98
Net Income/(Expenditure)	(824.28)	1,157.87
Opening cash & bank balance	2,406.47	1,248.60
Closing cash & bank balance	1,582.19	2,406.47
Represented by:		
Current Account	3,677.69	2,406.47
Deposit Account		
Cash in hand		
Debtors and prepayments		
Accrued costs	(2,095.50)	
	1,582.19	2,406.47

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Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **01/01/2023** Period start date To **31/12/2023**
Period end date

Charity name: **1st Thorley (St James) Scout Group**

Charity registration number: **279424**

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	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 in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Ongoing support to our 7 sections of Beavers Cubs and Scouts. Management and oversight of the Group Budget
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association. All trustees are subject to annual appointment at the Group AGM and, once appointed, serve until the following AGM.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	Grants are made from time to time to leaders within the Scout Group to carry out training towards gaining national body awards so that they can obtain permits to enable members of their groups to take part in permitted activities

Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	Social investment is carried out through the delivery of Scouting activities via the Scout programme.
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	None
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	During the year the Group has organised and supported a range of activities for our sections, as well as providing financial support towards training and specific activities.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance	Para 1.41	

against objectives		
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Our Group, like most charities, holds some funds in reserve. Our level of reserves is set to ensure that there is sufficient resources to continue the core activities of the Group should income fall short. The Group trustee board considers that the Group should hold a sum equivalent to 12 month annual subscriptions, circa £37,000 in reserve, and £40,000 of this is held on deposit. Should the level of reserves falls below the target level the Group will make efforts to restore the level within next financial years
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£77,823
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	None

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	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 is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	The Group is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts. The Scout Association and the District are Public Benefit Entities
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association. All trustees are subject to annual appointment at the Group AGM and, once appointed, serve until the following AGM.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	1 st Thorley (St James) Scout Group
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	279424

Charity's principal address	19 Mazoe Road Bishops Stortford Herts CM23 3JS

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	Colin Nicholls	Chair		
2	Nigel Reed	Group Scout Leader		
3	Samantha Carrington	Deputy Group Scout Leader		
4	Susan Byford			
5	Catherine Hills			
6	Paula Mothersole			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

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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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

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Full name(s)

Colin Nicholls

Colin Nicholls	
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Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)

Chair

Chair	
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Date

22 October 2024

22 October 2024

1st Thorley (St. James) Scout Group
(Registered Charity No. 279424)

**CONSOLIDATED GROUP STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

	Year ended 31 December 2023	Year ended 31 December 2022
	Total £	Total £
Income		
Membership	24,102.78	24,039.44
Gift Aid	3,757.64	3,480.70
Use of HQ	1,527.00	1,534.00
Donations/Grants	4,711.08	4,593.30
Troop & Pack activities	12,785.86	11,835.64
Camp income	10,664.32	18,742.47
Electricity	-	95.00
Uniforms and badges	1,458.85	1,107.20
Bank interest	636.41	50.35
Other income	2,550.28	1,475.90
Total income	62,194.22	66,954.00
Expenditure		
Membership	9,894.38	10,085.66
Troop & Pack activities	18,813.28	16,231.00
Camp costs	11,909.65	18,858.32
Fund raising expenses	-	314.00
Building fund	1,776.00	-
Cleaning	1,170.28	908.94
Donations	616.81	1,104.01
Utilities	1,693.82	1,612.20
Equipment	2,143.60	562.25
Insurance	563.14	573.62
Rent	707.54	777.70
Repairs & Maintenance	1,799.73	1,761.19
Uniforms and badges	4,813.97	3,637.21
Transport	-	25.00
Miscellaneous	3,341.80	3,617.58
Total Expenditure	59,244.00	60,068.68
Net Income/(Expenditure)	2,950.22	6,885.32
Opening cash & bank balance	74,873.11	67,987.79
Closing cash & bank balance	77,823.33	74,873.11
Represented by:		
Current Accounts	37,874.65	75,358.53
Deposit Account	40,240.03	
Cash in hand	126.37	284.89
Accrued costs	(417.72)	(770.31)
	77,823.33	74,873.11

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the 1st Thorley (St. James) Scout Group

I report on the accounts of the 1st Thorley (St. James) Scout Group for the year ended 31st December 2023.

As the Charity's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of Section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 43(7)(b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiner's Statement

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

which gives me reasonable cause to believe, that in any material respect, the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 41 of the Act, to prepare accounts, which accord with the accounting records, and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act, have not been met,

or to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached,

or which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the accounting rules of the Group's constitution have not been met.

Name Michael Trippick D.Phil, ACMA
 67 The Paddock
 Bishop's Stortford
 CM23 4JW

Signed



Dated

7 March 2024

1ST THORLEY (ST JAMES) SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 279424

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 1	Month January	Year 2021		Day 31	Month December	Year 2021

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

1st Thorley (St James) Scout Group

Other names charity is known by

N/A

Registered charity number (if any)

279424

Charity's principal address

19 Mazoe Road

Bishops Stortford

Hertfordshire

Postcode

CM23 3JS

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 Reed	Group Scout Leader		Bishops Stortford Scouts District Commissioner
2	Colin Nicholls	Chair		Nigel Reed
3	Madhuri Baxi	Secretary		Colin Nicholls
4	Samantha Carrington	Deputy Group Scout Leader		Colin Nicholls
5	Susan Byford			Colin Nicholls
6	Paula Mothersole			Colin Nicholls
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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 <i>(eg. trust deed, constitution)</i>	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 <i>(eg. trust, association, company)</i>	The Group is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts. The Scout Association and the Group are Public Benefit Entities.
Trustee selection methods <i>(eg. appointed by, elected by)</i>	The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association. All trustees are subject to annual appointment at the Group AGM and, once appointed, serve until the following AGM.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

<p>You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. 	<p>The Group is managed by the Executive Committee, the members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' as identified above. 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 Trustees, including officers, receive no remuneration and they and others who support the Scouting activities of the Group do so as volunteers, with there being no cost to the Group for the time committed. This Executive Committee exists to support Group activities which are intended to support the development of Scouting within 1st Thorley (St James) Scout Group and to support the individual Scout Sections. This includes a number of activities mandated by the Scout Association, for example leader appointments, as well as provision of support to beavers, cubs and scouts.. The Executive Committee meets approximately every 4 months and receives reports from the Group Scout Leader, Treasurer and from representatives of each section. All leaders within the Group are entitled to attend these meetings, and dates are published on the Group calendar.</p>
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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

Ongoing support to the 7 sections of the Group.

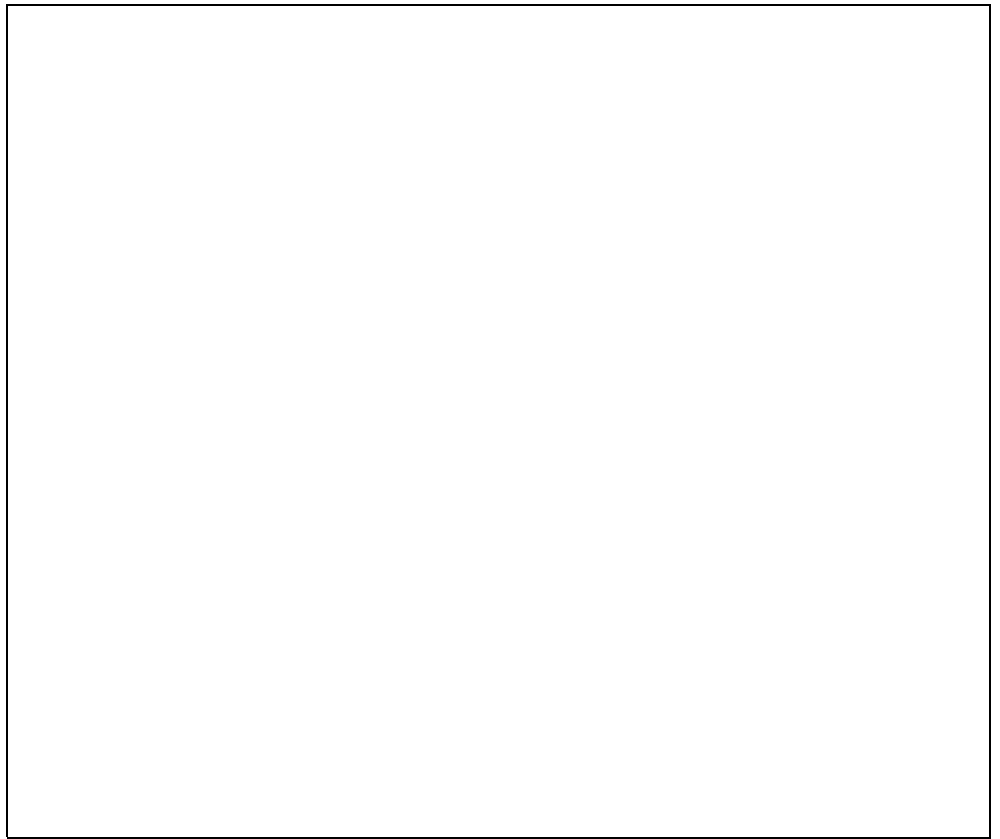
Organisation of several Group wide events

Management and oversight of the Group Budget

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)**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

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

During the year the Group has organised and supported a range of activities for the various sections within 1st Thorley (St James), as well as providing financial support towards training and specific activities. On behalf of the Group, the Executive would like to thank all those who helped to organise and run these events.

The Bishops Stortford Scout District has continued its valuable work in administering leader appointments in the Group.

Section E**Financial review****Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves**

Our Group, like most charities, holds some funds in reserve. Our level of reserves is set to ensure that there is sufficient resources to continue the core activities of the Group should income fall short. The Group executive committee considers that the Group should hold a sum equivalent to 12 month annual subscriptions, circa £12,000 in reserve. Should the level of reserves falls below the target level the Group executive committee will make efforts to restore the level within next financial years.

Details of any funds materially in deficit**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)



Full name(s)

Colin Nicholls

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair

Date

15 October 2022

1st Thorley (St. James) Scout Group
(Registered Charity No. 279424)

CONSOLIDATED GROUP STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Year ended 31 December 2021	Year ended 31 December 2020
	Total £	Total £
Income		
Membership	21,103.00	17,332.83
Gift Aid	5,579.58	-
Use of HQ	962.00	586.00
Donations/Grants	19,581.82	11,290.49
Troop & Pack activities	8,213.86	2,871.40
Camp income	7,745.68	74.85
Electricity	-	196.00
Other income	1,223.61	17.00
Total income	64,409.55	32,368.57
Expenditure		
Membership	9,072.00	9,350.00
Troop & Pack activities	10,310.19	6,410.63
Camp costs	7,318.35	169.00
Cleaning	862.31	830.18
Donations	719.85	187.00
Utilities	412.45	982.86
Equipment	1,372.59	1,442.56
Insurance	477.03	445.20
Rent	445.80	519.10
Repairs & Maintenance	1,957.48	771.52
Uniforms and badges	2,686.38	2,177.71
Miscellaneous	1,644.03	2,048.21
Total Expenditure	37,278.46	25,333.97
Net Income/(Expenditure)	27,131.09	7,034.60
Opening cash & bank balance	40,856.70	33,822.10
Closing cash & bank balance	67,987.79	40,856.70
Represented by:		
Current Accounts	68,221.47	40,961.20
Cash in hand	253.67	107.07
Debtors and prepayments	410.00	-
Accrued costs	(897.35)	(211.57)
	67,987.79	40,856.70



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

1ST THORLEY (ST JAMES) SCOUT GROUP

On accounts for the year ended

31 DECEMBER 2021 Charity no (if any) 279424

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 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.

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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

Signed:

[Signature]

Date:

27/07/2022

Name:

Antonio Giambone

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

ACMA / CGMA

Address:

27a Elwood, Church Langley, Harlow, Essex CM17 9QJ

1ST THORLEY (ST JAMES) SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 279424

Accounts

1st Thorley (St. James) Scout Group
Trustee's Annual Report
for the Year Ended 31st December 2020

The aim of the Scout Association is to promote and encourage "the physical, mental and spiritual wellbeing of its members so they can take a rightful place in society".

We offer a balanced and progressive programme from the age of six through to sixteen, supported by a Group Executive made up of parents past and present. Our Group continues to grow with members from all sections gaining top training awards and having lots of fun along the way.

Scouting is alive and well in Bishop's Stortford with 1st Thorley (St. James) Scout Group currently being one of the largest Groups both locally as well as in Hertfordshire.

Group Scout Leader

Group Chairman

1st Thorley (St. James) Scout Group
(Registered Charity No. 279424)

CONSOLIDATED GROUP STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Year ended 31 December 2020	Year ended 31 December 2019
	Total £	Total £
Income		
Membership	17,332.83	23,402.87
Gift Aid	-	3,250.43
Use of HQ	586.00	3,288.60
Donations/Grants	11,290.49	950.89
Troop & Pack activities	2,871.40	8,501.00
Camp income	74.85	5,401.00
Electricity	196.00	88.00
Scout shop	-	200.00
Other income	17.00	570.18
Total income	32,368.57	45,652.97
Expenditure		
Membership	9,350.00	7,874.67
Troop & Pack activities	6,410.63	12,825.30
Camp costs	169.00	12,035.04
Cleaning	830.18	1,385.18
Donations	187.00	1,769.50
Utilities	982.86	1,139.88
Equipment	1,442.56	1,035.12
Insurance	445.20	532.90
Rent	519.10	891.70
Repairs & Maintenance	771.52	3,060.73
Scout shop	2,177.71	1,810.11
Miscellaneous	2,048.21	1,805.21
Total Expenditure	25,333.97	46,165.34
Net Income/(Expenditure)	7,034.60	(512.37)
Opening cash & bank balance	33,822.10	34,334.47
Closing cash & bank balance	40,856.70	33,822.10
Represented by:		
Current Accounts	40,961.20	33,584.43
Cash in hand	107.07	320.52
Debtors and prepayments	-	396.00
Accrued costs	(211.57)	(478.85)
	40,856.70	33,822.10

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or which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the accounting rules of the Group's constitution have not been met.

Name

ANTONIO GIAMBRONE
27a ELWOOD
CHURCH LANGLEY
HARLOW
ESSEX CM17 9QJ

Signed



Dated

8/04/2021