

CROYDON DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

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Details

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Activities

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

Activities: Training young people in general scouting activities.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Education/training, Amateur Sport
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** CROYDON LB
- Croydon
- Surrey

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£141,949	£134,872	-	-
2023-12-31	£138,712	£162,508	-	-
2022-12-31	£133,572	£174,346	-	-
2021-12-31	£84,080	£62,155	-	-
2020-12-31	£62,005	£67,242	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Anthony Raymond Eeles		2024-09-27
Bernard Winston Farrell		2022-06-17
Elizabeth Peters		2024-06-28
John Derek Seaton		2025-05-07
Richard Charles Goad		2012-01-03
Theresa Jeffrey		2024-06-28

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Scouts

Croydon District

District Annual Report
Croydon District Scout Council
to 31st December 2024

Squirrels **BEAVERS**

cubs **SCOUTS**

EXPLORERS **network**

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One District One Movement

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Provided as a separate document:-

- Trustees Annual Report and Accounts (Separate booklet)

SCOUT GROUPS

1st COULSDON SCOUT GROUP

Richmond Hall, Fourth Drive, Coulsdon, CR5 3BD
(Access from rear of Lion Green Road car park, CR5 2NL)

1st / 27th CROYDON SCOUT GROUP

Beverley Hall, Grant Road, Croydon, CR0 6PJ

2nd CROYDON SCOUT GROUP

The Den – 3 Rama Lane, Cintra Park
Upper Norwood. SE19 2LJ (Paused Meetings)

3rd CROYDON (Legacy) SCOUT GROUP

Legacy Youth Zone. Whitehorse Road,
Croydon. CR0 2LG

6th CROYDON SCOUT GROUP

11-13 Bynes Road, South Croydon, CR2 0PY

7th/12th CROYDON SCOUT GROUP

Rear of 35 Birdhurst Rise, South Croydon, CR2 7EJ

10th CROYDON SCOUT GROUP

113-115 St James's Road, Croydon, CR0 2UW

23rd CROYDON (1st South Norwood) SCOUT GROUP

The Den, 30 Love Lane, South Norwood, SE25 4NG

26th CROYDON (St Andrew's) SCOUT GROUP

St Andrew's Church Hall, Quadrant Rd, Thornton Heath, CR7 7NG
St James the Great School, Windsor Rd, Thornton Heath, CR7 8HJ

28th CROYDON (Our Lady of the Annunciation) SCOUT GROUP

Rear of 20-22 Craven Road, Croydon, CR0 7JH

29th CROYDON (St John's) SCOUT GROUP

Behind Shirley Parish Hall, 81 Wickham Road, Croydon, CR0 8TB

31st CROYDON (2nd Shirley, St George's) SCOUT GROUP

Rear of St George's Church, Elstan Way, Croydon CR0 7PR
(Currently meeting at the Pinewood Scout Centre - CR0 5AJ)

39th CROYDON SCOUT GROUP

The Quest, 105-107 Beulah Road, Thornton Heath, CR7 8JG

44th CROYDON (Air Scouts) SCOUT GROUP

Ad Astra, Hythe Road, Thornton Heath, CR7 8QQ
(Currently meeting in Salvation Army Building – CR7 8LF)

61st CROYDON (St Oswald's) SCOUT GROUP

The New Enterprise, Biggin Hill, Upper Norwood, SE19 3HT

63rd CROYDON (4th South Norwood) SCOUT GROUP

Rear of Holy Innocents Church, Selhurst Rd, South Norwood, SE25 6XX (Paused Meetings)

67th CROYDON SCOUT GROUP

The Endeavour Halls, 273 Norbury Crescent, Norbury, SW16 4LF

1st PURLEY (Princess Christian's Own) SCOUT GROUP

53-55 Purley Park Road, Purley, CR8 2BW

7th PURLEY (All Saints, Kenley) SCOUT GROUP

All Saints Church Hall, Church Road, Kenley, CR8 5DU

9th PURLEY (St John the Baptist) SCOUT GROUP

St John the Baptist Parish Centre, Dale Road, Purley, CR8 2EF

11th PURLEY (St James) SCOUT GROUP

St Edmunds Church, 51 Mitchley Avenue,
Purley, CR8 1DN

16th PURLEY (7th Sanderstead, All Saints) SCOUT GROUP

Cranleigh Close, South Croydon, CR2 9LH

17th PURLEY (St John's, Old Coulsdon) SCOUT GROUP

Rear of St John's Church Hall, Marlipit Lane, Old Coulsdon,
CR5 2HD (top of Marlipit Lane)

18th PURLEY (Sanderstead URC) Scout Group

Farm Fields, South Croydon, CR2 0HQ

19th PURLEY (Riddlesdown) SCOUT GROUP

Dunmail Drive, off Mitchley Hill, South Croydon, CR2 1EX (Access
from bottom of Mitchley Hill, CR2 9HJ)

21st PURLEY (St Barnabas) SCOUT GROUP

St Barnabas Church, Higher Drive, Purley, CR8 2HR

25th PURLEY (St Mark's) SCOUT GROUP

Scout Hut, Rear of St Mark's Church Hall, Church Road, Purley,
CR8 3QQ

29th PURLEY (Purley Baptist) SCOUT GROUP

Purley Baptist Church, Banstead Road, Purley, CR8 3EA

30th PURLEY MASJID SCOUT GROUP

Rear of Hillars Heath Road, Coulsdon, CR5 2JP
(path between numbers 28 & 29)

1st SELSDON & ADDINGTON SCOUT GROUP

Rear of St John's Hall, 7a Upper Selsdon Rd, South Croydon,
CR2 8DD

2nd SELSDON & ADDINGTON SCOUT GROUP

Entrance between 89 & 91 Foxearth Rd, South Croydon, CR2 8EN
(Group merged with 5th S&A Scout Group)

5th SELSDON & ADDINGTON SCOUT GROUP

Addington Methodist Church, Huntingfield, Addington, CR0 9BA

EXPLORER SCOUT UNITS

AL-AYYUBI EXPLORER SCOUT UNIT

Rear of Hillars Heath Road, Coulsdon, CR5 2JP
(path between numbers 28 & 29)

CROHAM VALLEY EXPLORER SCOUT UNIT

Rear of 35 Birdhurst Rise, South Croydon, CR2 7EJ

KENLEY EXPLORER SCOUT UNIT

21st Purley HQBP Hut, St Barnabas Church, Higher Drive, Purley,
CR8 2HR

LEGACY EXPLORER SCOUT UNIT

(Paused Meetings)

PINEWOOD SEAHORSES EXPLORER SCOUT UNIT

St. Mary's Church Hall in Addington Village. Croydon. CR0 5AS
(Opposite the Harvester Restaurant)

PURLEY CROSS EXPLORER SCOUT UNIT

Purley Baptist Church, Banstead Road, Purley, CR8 3EA

YOUNG LEADERS EXPLORER SCOUT UNIT

No regular meeting place

SCOUT NETWORK

CROYDON (ROMANS) SCOUT NETWORK

No regular meeting place

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF CROYDON DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL
HELD ON FRIDAY 27th JUNE 2025 AT 7.30PM.**

**VENUE: THE CHURCH HALL OF OUR LADY OF THE ANNUNCIATION,
BINGHAM ROAD, CROYDON, CR0 7EN.**

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Introduction.
2. Apologies for absence.
3. Minutes of the 2024 Annual General Meeting.
4. Receive and consider the Annual Report of the District Board of Trustees including the annual statement of accounts.
5. Approve and adopt the District Constitution and amended policies.
6. Appoint the proposed District Chair
7. Appoint the proposed District Treasurer
8. Appoint the members of the Board of Trustees.
9. Appoint the District Vice Presidents nominated by District Board of Trustees
10. Appoint a representative to serve on the County Board of Trustees – **this should be the District Chair**
11. Appoint a representative of the District Scout Council to represent the District at meetings of the County Scout Council
12. Nominate representatives to represent the District on the Scout Council
13. Appoint an Independent Examiner
14. District Lead Volunteer
15. County Lead Volunteer
16. Guest Speaker(s) – Cllr. Richard Chatterjee (Civic Mayor of Croydon) & Col. Ray Wilkinson (Rep DL for Croydon)
17. AOB (all items to be notified to the District Secretary prior to 13th June otherwise they may not be considered)
Please Email: secretary@croydonscouting.org.uk
18. Close

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting for Croydon District Scout Council

Meeting held on: Friday 28th June 2024 at 7:30pm

Meeting held at: The Church Hall or our Lady of the Annunciation, Bingham Road, Croydon.

1. Welcome and Introduction

Bernie Farrell as the interim chair presided over the meeting.

He welcomed everyone to the meeting especially Cllr. Lynne Hale (Deputy Executive Mayor) and Croydon Scouting Vice President. Col Ray Wilkinson (Rep Deputy Lieutenant for Croydon).

16 groups were represented and 41 people attended.

2. Apologies for absence

These had been received from Simon Whitehead; Tony Rowland; Gabi Covacci ; Peter Palmer; Dave Rixson; Richard Goad; Anthony Woodin; Chris Dean; Julie Findlay; Jim Clements; Matthew Hewitt.

3. Minutes of the 2023 Annual General Meeting

Agreed unanimously.

4. Receive and consider the Annual Report of the District Board of Trustees including the annual statement of accounts.

We have two centres Pinewood and Bears Wood they are there for the activities for the young people not to make a profit.

Agreed unanimously.

5. Approve and Adopt the District Constitution. As we have a new Board of Trustees that for the time being we would adopt POR and assess our own for confirmation.

Agreed unanimously.

6. Appoint the proposed District Chair – Bernie Farrell was confirmed.

Agreed unanimously.

7. Appoint the proposed District Treasurer – Matthew Hewitt was confirmed.

Agreed unanimously.

8. Appoint the members of Board of Trustees – Theresa Jeffery; Richard Goad; Beth Peters; Bernie Farrell; Matthew Hewitt. Secretaries /Administrators Karen Purton and Pam Grogan – non voters. We can appoint between 7-12 members . We require younger members.

Agreed unanimously.

9. Appoint the District Vice Presidents nominated by District Board of Trustees. Steve French; Tony Grogan; Lynne Hale; Theresa Jeffrey; John Seaton. Tony Rowland has resigned.

Agreed unanimously.

10. Appoint a representative to serve on the County Board of Trustees – Richard Goad.

Agreed unanimously.

11. Appoint two representatives of the District Scout Council to represent the District at meetings of the County Scout Council. To appoint Trustees at a later date.

12. Appoint an Independent Examiner – Ian Rowe prepared to continue.

Agreed unanimously.

13. District Commissioner

As you know I have resigned and will continue as interim GSL 10th Croydon. Encouraged those present to continue to give the skills of life to all the young people in the District. He is exploring adventure within the District – going on expeditions organized with the District . Wish us good luck for the future and great adventure. Thanked Martin Greenwood and Danny Curnyn with all their assistance getting Bears Wood with others up and running again. Greg was presented with flowers and a bottle.

14. County Commissioner

Owen thanked Greg for all his hard work.

Training and Safety the District are high on the list with completed qualifications. The young people can go on activities safely. Croydon is moving forward. The number of squirrels drays are increasing. Croydon is the largest District but need to improve our numbers. We need to go out into the Community and show that Scouting is still there for young people and adults to join. We must welcome young people to retain their interest. We have two centres Pinewood and Bears Wood they are working together to give the activities for you to use. We need to come together and do it together.

The County Commissioner presented some adult awards.

Silver Acorn

Kate Balzer

Award for Merit

Wendy Jones; Theo Turner; Neil Rodgers;

Chief Scout Commendation for Good Service

Richard England; Michael Smaldon; Matthew Kasoar; Kay Tokarski; Timothy Ayers; Robert Buckley; Alexander Beal; Elisabeth Rodgers.

15 Guest Speaker – Col Ray Wilkinson (Rep DL for Croydon)

Congratulated those who had received awards.

He thanked Greg – it had not been easy, a very tough time during his time as District Commissioner with COVID etc and wished him good luck for the future.

We need to look at the needs of young people to help them overcome mental health issues and look at the cause to see if we can help.

621 adults attended meetings every week during the 2023 to assist 2000 young people enjoy Scouting. YP and adults are helped through Scouting and it benefits everyone's future. Volunteering with Scouting and top awards always looks good on your CV.

Thank you and please do continue all the good work you are doing supporting the YP in Croydon.

16. AOB

There had been no notification of any other business. Bernie thanked everyone for coming and thanked Mandy and her team for the refreshments

The meeting closed at 20:30 hrs

District Chair's Annual Report 2024

First of all **WELCOME** to this the first of the transformed AGM - Spot the difference.

To say it's been an interesting time would be an understatement.

In football terms it's been a game in two halves. An Executive in the first half and a Board of Trustees in the second whilst at the same time we had a national transition to flow and bump our way through.

Never before but a first time in Scouting; being sacked as a committee chair, and then quite out of the blue being appointed / elected as the Chair of the newly formed Trustee Board (BOT for short)

The first half of the year saw us move the mobile climbing wall over to County and with the resulting funds we built the Traversing wall at Bears Wood and committed funds for the Pinewood Scout Centre bunk room project.

My thanks go to all the exiting and long standing members of the District Executive for their contribution to Croydon Scouting. As normal they all had and have other roles in Scouting. With a special thanks to the previous chair persons.

The second half of the year with a new reduced role as trustee saw us consolidating the positive position of Croydon Scouting and reinforcing the support to Sections, Groups, Units and volunteer teams. A very special welcome to our new (DC to me) DLV, Anthony Eeles, he could not have picked a more opportune time to take the reins. We are lucky to get such a nice guy in charge; it's been a privilege working with him.

I would like to personally thank my colleague Trustees for the forbearance and support during this period and special thanks to those like myself who will be standing down at the AGM to allow for more youthful members to take on the good work of supporting the young people involved in Scouting in Croydon.

Sticking with thanks, I have nothing but admiration and gratitude for those who have worked tirelessly to try and smooth the transition's ups and downs. It's been no easy task for them.

As I said earlier it's been an interesting year to date but it really is time for younger blood to move us forward, I will however revert to just properties and premises as an octogenarian volunteer.

Bernard Farrell

Board of Trustees (Chair)

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District Lead Volunteer – Annual Report 2024

2024 was a year of substantial change for Croydon Scouting and for our movement nationally.

We thanked Greg Cook for his 6 years of dedicated service as our District Commissioner in June, briefly welcomed our CLV, Owen, as our acting DC until October, and I subsequently joined the team as District Commissioner in September for all of 6 weeks (possibly some sort of adverse record!) before becoming Croydon's Lead Volunteer instead.

As we all know, Scouts' transformation project arrived in Croydon in November. Our district structure is nearly complete – and my thanks to Richard Goad, Kate Balzer, Mandy Giles and Chris Dean, who have stepped into their respective new roles as the team leaders for 14-24, Volunteer Development, and Programme (jointly), as well as all the GLVs who have adopted the District Leadership Team approach. To complete the process, we are still looking for a Support Team Leader to coordinate the background activities that make our movement what it is – IT, finance, administration, marketing & PR, equipment and premises.

I'd also like to thank those members of the Trustee Board who agreed to stand for a year last summer whilst we moved through this period of transition into the new model. Our Trustees work tirelessly behind the scenes to ensure that Scouting in Croydon is safe, legal, well-resourced and financially secure.

The new membership systems, roles and teams, and culture have made trying to run our programme a moving target over the last few months. I would like to thank every one of our 500+ members and 400+ occasional helpers for the way they have met these challenges and taken to the updated ways of working, training requirements, paperwork and systems.

But... Scouting is – we are – a movement, not an organisation. Change is a constant fact – in school or college, our working and family lives and beyond. Whilst it may not always feel like it, we have an immense privilege, and a huge responsibility: to be role models for our young people, helping them build resilience and a positive approach to change which will be with them throughout their lives. I'm grateful to everyone who has approached these changes in that spirit.

Any movement will need to navigate difficult times. Throughout Scouting, we are still reflecting on and learning from the tragic incident in Great Orme in 2018, with the Prevention of Future Deaths report released in 2024 having a profound impact across the Scout Association. Regardless of our role, every single one of us has a shared primary responsibility – putting the safety and welfare of the young people in our care first. Our programme and method help create self-confident young people and adults – but there is a fine line between self-confidence and over-confidence. You and your teams have the fundamental right – and the obligation – to challenge anything you feel could be safer or to halt activities you're concerned about. Speaking up or taking a pause will never be the wrong thing.

In this report, you'll be able to read about the exciting activities and experiences we have provided across all our groups, units and sections. My heartfelt thanks to everyone who makes Scouting in Croydon so special, and who provides these incredible experiences for our young people.

Ant Eeles

District Lead Volunteer

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Squirrel Section Annual Report 2024

The success of Squirrels in Croydon continued with two more dreys opening during 2024, and we now have 4 dreys in the District located at the 7th/12th Croydon (in South Croydon) 28th Croydon (in Addiscombe) 29th Purley (in Purley) and 39th Croydon (in Thornton Heath) with a total membership of 48 young people as at the census held in January 2025. There are a further two dreys being considered at the 30th Purley and 44th Croydon Scout Groups so watch this space. It is very important that we all recognise the need to open additional dreys to satisfy the large demand from parents in Croydon.

Squirrel dreys typically meet for an hour each week either weekday afternoons or on Saturdays. They are typically run by a Team Leader with parents stepping up as Team Members or Helpers. They have Young Leaders too.

There were no District events for Squirrels in 2024 but Team Leaders got together to run a Fun Day at Bears Wood in March 2025 and some 40 Squirrels took part. More recently Harbinder Sadra has been appointed as the 'Voice of Squirrels' on the District Programme Team so please contact him if you are considering opening a drey or want further advice.

Chris Dean
District Programme Team Lead

Squirrels



Beaver Section Annual Report 2024

As the ADC role for Beavers is one person and with time constraints the only District led event last year was the Cubs/Beavers fun day held at Frylands Wood.

Sadly the proposed County event at Walton Firs was cancelled. We have also not been able to hold a reward day for those who have achieved the Chief Scout Bronze award in 2024 although the badges have been awarded locally and our congratulations go to all those Beaver Scouts achieving the highest award in this section.

I have seen a number of Colonies either at a Nights away event or at a weekly meetings during the year and as the District transforms to the new Team(s) structure, this support and oversight will be taken over by the new programme team.

With regards to Night's Away events, just a polite reminder that one should take place each year and a NAN form and risk assessment should be sent in two weeks prior to the event via the District website. If there is an issue with leaders not having a Nights away permit then this should be raised to the Programme team as there are others in the District that do and it may be possible to have a joint Nights away activities. In any event one should be offered each year.

My thanks to Gina as always who last year kept Beaver leaders informed and who took the minutes at BSL Meetings.

Andrew Davies
ADC Beaver Scouts
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Cub Section Annual Report 2024

As usual, the Cub Section has been getting out and about and being more active in their weekly meetings. Sadly, due to lack of response the Badge Day was cancelled but possibly this indicated how busy the Packs were with their own programmes.

This year saw the Beavers join the Cubs for their Fun Day, which was held on Saturday 11th May at Frylands Wood Scout Outdoor Centre. We had a fantastic demand for places and there were over 600 Cubs and Beavers who attended on the day. We also welcomed the 175 leaders, young leaders and adult helpers on to site, and not to mention all the Crew at Frylands, who provided the instructors for the various activities. The weather was fantastic, and everyone had a great time enjoying the 30 plus activities that had been arranged. A big thank you to all involved in organising this event. (See below for additional photos)



During the year total of 41 Camps took place representing 27 Packs - some were indoor and others were Camping. This gave a total of 103 nights away. As last year, the Leaders are looking further afield for new places to Camp. This year saw quite a few camping at their HQ's while others went to Polyapes, Broadstone Warren, Walton Firs and Garners Field in Fareham as well as using our own Camp sites - Bears Wood and Pinewood and not forgetting Frylands.

Again, various Activities were enjoyed by all who attend them: -

Off road Cycling; Paddleboarding; Zorbing as well as the usual Archery; Shooting & Tomahawks.

While visits to further afield included: -

Winchester Science Centre - this was a day visit while on Camp

RAF Fairford for the Royal International Air Show

New Scientist Show at the Excel

Cenotaph in Whitehall to remember those who had lost their lives in the Wars.

As the Summer holidays drew to a close, it was time to think about annual Baloo Trophy. This year 132 Cubs took part from 12 Packs. Cubs took part in a number of tasks consisting of 12 bases that covered team building, problem solving, first Aid and adventurous activities. With only 36 points between 11 & 1st it was a tough competition, but the Cubs had an amazing time.

As always, the Packs have a varied Programme - this is to ensure that the Cubs learn new Skills and at the same time earn Activity and Challenge Badges which go towards the Chief Scouts Silver Award. Over the year a total of 102 were gained.



District Leaders meetings continued to be held and it is nice to see new Leaders participating.

Mandy Giles

ADC Cubs

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(Top photos from Funday 2024, lower photos from Baloo Trophy 2024)



Scout Section Annual Report 2024

The Scout section enjoyed another very busy and active year in 2024.



We started the year with our first ever **Potluck Cook Off**. In March, 19 teams from 18 troops came up with some amazing and rather 'interesting' culinary inventions. Like the MasterChef invention test, each team was given a random bag of ingredients and had to cook 2 courses featuring most of the ingredients. To add a bit of a twist, some were also given 'ingredients of doom!' Teams could also swap some ingredients with other teams. They had to be prepared to eat what they had created. Everybody seemed to really enjoy the challenge of experimenting and coming up with their own particular culinary delights.

Later in March, there was a strong presence from Croydon in the **County Night Hike** with teams from 9 troops representing our District. This was an incident hike at night, starting and finishing at Polyapes camp site, near Oxshott in Surrey. The overall winners were 5th Selsdon and Addington, with 1st Purley taking 2nd place, out of 41 teams from across the County. A great result.

In April we had our **Cub/Scout Linking Day** at Bears Wood. 120 older Cubs and younger Scouts took part. They learned first aid, fire lighting with flint and steel, making 'A' frame chariots, and using axes and saws safely. They used knives to whittle a tent peg and had a Task Master challenge.

Our annual **Checkpoint Challenge** daytime incident hike competition took place in May with 22 teams. The route was 6 miles in countryside around Bears Wood and Frylands Wood, with 8 checkpoint incidents along the way. It was won jointly by 28th Croydon Scafell and 7/12th Croydon.

At the end of June our annual **Adkin Camping Challenge weekend** continued with the emphasis on developing camping skills. All 14 teams managed to achieve a good standard of camping, with 5 teams reaching Silver and 9 teams reaching Gold Standard. There were 4 activities running throughout the weekend including Bivvi building and some team building activities. The winning team from 28th Croydon (Scafell) received the Adkin Trophy, the 7th/12th Croydon (Trainspotters A team) were awarded the Roger Hicks Patrol Spirit trophy, and the 1st Purley (Kermit's Krew) were recognised as the most improved team.

Nights Away - Over the summer most troops got away to camp. 20 Troops and around 200 Scouts completed nights away. They camped at various sites including Frylands Wood, Hope Hill, Buckmore Park, Garners Field, Stanford, Ferny Croft, Buddens and Bentley Copse. The 23rd and 1st/27th Croydon troops went to Arnhem, Netherlands. Four Troops, 7th/12th Croydon, 17th and 29th Purley and 1st Coulsdon Rangers attended an international camp at Braggers Wood, Christchurch, with Scouts from France and Sweden. The 17th Purley and 7th/12th Croydon visited Brownsea Island, camping the Saturday night on the Island. It was great to see collaborations at some camps with the 28th, 67th and 10th Croydon camping together, and the 9th and 21st Purley Troops joining forces for their summer camp. A good example of Troops working together to give as many Scouts as possible the chance to do nights away.

In October 32 PLs and APLs attended the **PL Training Weekend** at The Fort in Dulwich. They learnt about what makes a good Patrol Leader, instructing others, teamwork, risk assessing activities and programme planning amongst other things. Each of them took a turn at leading the Patrol they were in on an activity which included knife skills, fire lighting, making a promotional video and various teamwork challenges.

We had an ideal evening in November for our annual **wide game at Shirley Hills**. Over 200 Scouts from 18 troops enjoyed playing 3 out of 4 different games – Searchlight (an old favourite!), Hunt the Aliens, game based on snooker and ‘The Great Swap’. To accommodate increased numbers, we used the car parking facilities at nearby Royal Russell School for dropping off and pick up.

None of these events would have been possible without lots of planning and organisation from our District Scout Team and the help of the troop leaders and some Explorers and Young Leaders. A big thank you to all who helped at our events and to those volunteers who give up their time every week providing valuable skills for life and lots of fun for the young people in the Scout troops.

Richard Carrau and Dawn Lockyer

District Programme Team Members – Scouts

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Explorer Section Annual Report 2024

Croydon Explorers continue to grow in number with the starting of Al Ayyubi unit hosted by the 30th Purley and very strong organic growth with all the existing units, leading to the greatest number of explorers in Croydon since the section was created in 2002. The Units must be doing something right.

We continue to be active with top awards with two Seahorses gaining their Explorer belt with a joint GLSW/Surrey team to Sweden. The Explorer belt is a 10-day unsupported expedition to a foreign country undertaking tasks to learn about the land they travel through.

Duke of Edinburgh in 2024 we gained 9 Bronze awards, 12 Silvers, but unfortunately no Golds this year.

The Young Leader unit has continued to run the YL training scheme with every session well attended. 3 Young Leaders completed their YL Missions to achieve their top award of the YL Belt.

A very well done to all in gaining these top awards.

In July Purley Cross, Croham Valley and Kenley Aces joined with Swedish and French Explorer age Scouts at Camp Auk in the New Forest. We took part in activities as the Explorer Sub camp with totally integrated camping, cooking and activities with new friendships formed.

Kenley reinforced those friendships as a party of 35 travelled to Svedala in Sweden for their summer camp, where the Swedish Explorers were based. We undertook several joint activities with our hosts at their summer camp site in Svedala near Malmo.

Kenley, Croham Valley and YLs from 7th Purley entered the Southern 50 challenge with all teams reaching the finish. Kenley and Croham valley both joined 8000 other Scouts on the London Monopoly run. In June representatives of Croydon Explorers attended the Colonel's Review at Horseguards Parade in London. In July Kenley Aces and Seahorses attended the Military Music Spectacular at Horseguards Parade, then later in the same week attended the Royal International Air Tattoo at RAF Fairford. All units were represented in the annual Red Flare incident hiking competitions.

Richard Goad
District Explorer Scout Commissioner
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District Adult Support Annual Report 2024

2024 was a big year of change for everyone in Scouting, especially regarding training. I “retired” from my DAC Adult Support role in early October, when transformation came in, having been the caretaker training manager since September 2022.

(This report goes up to September 2024 and covers the “old training system” only)

September was by far the busiest month in all my many years being involved in training with all leaders in training having to be met with to validate all the courses they had undertaken to ensure the training transferred to the new system. I am pleased to say that in Croydon everyone was seen and validated (over 50 people), by myself and the 4 training advisors - Mandy Giles; Sean Weston; Richard Goad and Theresa Jeffrey

A list of people gaining wood badges and completing getting started in 2024 is listed in this report, well done to all of them, and I hope they enjoy their Scouting journey. There were 26 wood badges gained and 36 getting started in 2024 – this is compared with 26 and 29 respectively in 2023

Since 2018, when I took over as training manager, I have signed off a total of 160 wood badges and 213 getting started.

Finally, a big thank you to all the people who have helped and supported me over the last 6 years these include – training advisors, district team, county team especially the other District training mangers.

Jon Slade
DAC Adult Support

Getting Started – January 2024 to September 2024 (End Compass)

• Abida Syed	AESL	Al Ayyubi Explorers
• Aidah Gahara	ACSL	44 th Croydon
• Alex Graham	DSL	District
• Amanda Michael	BSL	39 th Croydon
• Anthony Eeles	DC (Acting)	District
• Barbara McKinnon	GSL	25 th Purley
• Ben Handley	DSL	District
• Chloe Greenslade	ABSL	25 th Purley
• Darren Hawkden	GSL	31 st Croydon
• Debbie Jeffries	DCSL	District
• Douglas Gordon	ASL	1 st S & A
• Gabi Covacci	BSL	7/12 th Croydon
• Gabrielle Welch	ABSL	1 st Purley
• Greg Cook	GSL	10 th Croydon
• Greg Cook	AESL	Kenley Explorers
• Haajir Booley	ACSL	30 th Purley
• Hamaza Nisar	AESL	Al Ayyubi Explorers
• Ieva Sleinere	ABSL	30 th Purley
• James Cork	CSL	7/12 th Croydon
• Jennie Davidson	DCSL	District
• John Edwards	DSL	District
• Lade Apio	ASL	29 th Croydon
• Lucy Bresslaw	ABSL/ACSL	28 th Croydon
• Mary O'Driscoll	ABSL	1/27 th Croydon
• Mehnaz Ibrahim-Khan	ASL	30 th Purley
• Neil Tyson	DSL	District
• Nicola Thoroughgood	ABSL	11 th Purley
• Paul Jones	ACSL	1 st Coulsdon
• Peter Giles	DCSL	District
• Richard Jones	ACSL	9 th Purley
• Robert Sands	ACSL	1 st Purley
• Ryan Carter	ASL	5 th S & A
• Samantha Coppock	BSL	5 th S & A
• Sara Abbasi	AESL	Al Ayyubi Explorers
• Shamima Khanom	ABSL	30 th Purley
• Thomas Earley	GSL	63 rd Croydon
• Usma Ahmed	ACSL	30 th Purley

Woodbadges – January 2024 to September 2024 (End Compass)

• Aidah Gahara	ACSL	44 th Croydon
• Alex Graham	DSL	District
• Amanda Michael	BSL	39 th Croydon
• Amy Morgan	SL	28 th Croydon
• Chris Biggart	GSL	23 rd Croydon
• Chris Thompson	CSL	28 th Croydon
• Chris Tsounis	ACSL	28 th Croydon
• Corinne Jones	ASL	61 st Croydon
• Dawn Lockyear	ADC Scouts	District
• Debbie Jeffries	DCSL	District
• Dee Bartells	BSL	26 th Croydon
• Donna Hardcastle	AESL	Purley Cross
• Gemma Pearson	ASL	29 th Purley
• Gill Payne	BSL	29 th Purley
• Greg Cook	GSL	10 th Croydon
• James Baster	BSL	9 th Purley
• James Cork	CSL	7/12 th Croydon
• Jennie Davidson	DCSL	District
• John Edwards	DSL	District
• Mehnaz Ibrahim-Khan	ASL	30 th Purley
• Mir Ali	ACSL	30 th Purley
• Neil Tyson	DSL	District
• Nurul Islam	ASL	30 th Purley
• Peter Bundock	ASL	1 st Crystal Palace
• Peter Devine	ACSL	28 th Croydon
• Richard Carrau	ADC Scouts	District
• Sue Eardly	AESL	Croham Valley

Awards Received by District Members 2024

Medal For Meritorious Conduct

Odin Somerscales - 1st Purley

Mandy Giles - District

Silver Wolf

Tony Crackett – 67th Croydon

Bar to the Silver Acorn

Sonya Dyer - 1st Coulsdon

John Seaton - District

Silver Acorn

Ron Broom - 39th Croydon

Richard Carrau - District

Angela McGarel - 7th Purley

Award of Merit

Wendy Jones - 23rd Croydon

Barry Edrupt - 5th S&A

Neil Rodgers - 29th Croydon

Theo Turner - 29th Purley

Heather Peters - 61st Croydon

Lia O'Brien - 19th Purley

Gary Melody - 19th Purley

Gabriella Covacci - 7/12th Croydon

Anthony Eeles - 29th Purley

Claire Shadbolt - 28th Croydon

Anthony Woodin - Croyham Valley Explorers

Neil Hillier - 6th Croydon

Julie Hillier - 6th Croydon

Patrick Kingman - 28th Croydon

Philip Seaman - 11th Purley

Ian Carlyle - 26th Croydon

Ashley Dewar - 21st Purley

Sandra Dunnion - 31st Croydon

Mick Gilbert - 67th Croydon

Stathis Gikas - 7th Purley

Andrew Davies - District

Simon Jackson - 17th Purley

Pat Stannard - 44th Croydon

Chief Scouts Commendation for Good Service

Peter Low - 17th Purley

Robert Buckley - 1st Purley

Richard England - 1st Purley

Elisabeth Rodgers – 29th Croydon

Michael Smaldon - 1/27th Croydon

Matthew Kasoar - 1st Coulsdon

Timothy Ayers - 25th Purley

Alexander Beal - 25th Purley

Kay Tokarski - 25th Purley

Kevin Davies - 5th S & A

Louise Green - 5th S & A

Darren Latter - 44th Croydon

Jim Clements – Pinewood Scout Centre

Peter Fosdike - Purley Cross Explorers

Tracey Steed - 5th S & A

Anthony Fuller - 23rd Croydon

Katherine Carlyle - 26th Croydon

Asad Lone - 30th Purley

Nighat Qureshi - 30th Purley

Assim Khokhar - 30th Purley

Michael Garlick - 17th Purley

Gemma Webb - 16th Purley

Barbara Hill - 18th Purley

Andrew Ogg - 16th Purley

Mohammed Haque - 16th Purley

Sadeef Khokhar - 30th Purley

District Chaplain Annual Report 2024

This last year has seen many changes in Croydon Scouting, of which one of them has been the toll of being the Lead Chaplain for Croydon Health Services and the need for major surgery which has had a huge constraint on my free time. However, with health issues resolved and changes at the hospital, I am looking forward to a new start in Scouting during this coming year.

Plans are already in place to commence visiting units and commencing joining in the leaders meetings.

As District Chaplain to Croydon I can offer support and pastoral care to all / any members of Scouting in Croydon. We live in a very frail and changing world and sometimes unexpected things just happen and when required I would be very pleased to help if I can.



Revd. Andy Dovey
Croydon District Chaplain
Lead Chaplain of Croydon Health Services
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District Safety Annual Report 2024

The District Safety team (is a virtual facility) to offer help and advice to Scout Groups in the District on their statutory responsibility under Health and Safety Legislation and duty of care for safety of persons using their premises.

Over the past years members of the Safety team have conducted a safety audit of Group and District premises and provided a report to the Group with recommendations for improvement where necessary. These recommendations have been generally well received but not fully implemented by all Groups. The Safety team can arrange to carry out a Safety Re-Audit of premises but only by invitation of the Group safety officers or GSL. The Safety team (whilst a virtual facility) can call upon trained and experienced members in the District to support Croydon Groups and District sites. If you have some Health and Safety background;- e.g. NEBOSH or of Membership of IOSH, or a workplace appointment or safety training and are willing to help please do let us know..

Fire Risk Assessments The Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005. Under this reform it is a legal obligation that all premises require a Fire Risk Assessment. The regulation also requires that a documented Fire Risk Assessment be available for inspection on the premises and that all users be aware and trained in the actions required by the assessment.

Other legal requirements Under 'The Health and Safety at Work Act 1974' other legal requirements have been introduced. In Scouting we may not be at work, but this legislation forms the basis of good practice and is applicable when premises are let out to other users. In the event of an emergency or incident we may find ourselves judged against these legal requirements. We therefore recommend the following practices, procedures and paperwork as evidence of Duty of Care.

- Appoint a Group Safety Officer
- Maintain a Group Health and Safety Policy
- Maintain a Safety Logbook for your premises
- Prepare and maintain a Fire Risk Assessment
- Regularly inspect and hold certificates for Electrical and Gas Installation and Fire extinguishers.
- Provide training and record training for Users of the premises and Members
- Maintain an available First Aid Kit and accident procedures and record.
- Provide a welcome pack to all new members and a user pack to all Leaders and users of your premises.

Below is a list of attachments available on the web site that can be downloaded and adapted for individual group purposes:

Group Health & Safety Policy
Group Safety Logbook
Group Safety Officer Duties
Group_Fire_Risk_Assessment.doc
Duty of Care Summary
User Training Notes and Welcome Pack
Risk Assessment for Group Maintenance Activities
Storage of LPG
First Aid notice board sign
Asbestos in your home
Disabled Discrimination Act requirements
Electrical and Gas Installations – The Regulation requirements
Group Premises Audit Check List
Safety requirements for your group meeting place
HSE Publication indg236 Electrical Inspections

District PR Annual Report 2024

As many of the Section reports will have already mentioned 2024 was a busy year with plenty going on in Groups with weekly meetings in person and activities and camps. Sadly there are still only limited opportunities to promote local Scouting in the community but some Groups do seize the opportunity and marketing themselves well in their local communities. However the District PR equipment (branded gazebo's and feather flags / rollers banners) together with printed marketing materials have still been made available to Groups during the year.

DL Awards 2024: Sadly Croydon didn't have any young people nominations for DL Awards in 2024. The presentation event was held at Trinity School rather than at the Town Hall. Lets hope we identify suitable young people for 2025.



Croydon YOU Challenge Day: On Sunday 2nd June saw the Croydon 'YOU' London Group hold their annual 'YOU' London Competition Day at Royal Russell School. This is an annual event having now been organised and run for several years. On arrival, young people from Croydon units of the Army Cadets, Fire Cadets, Girlguiding, Croydon Scouting, Sea Cadets, Volunteer Police Cadets and members of Royal Russell School CCF were split into mixed syndicates. They then completed nine challenges run by the adult volunteers from each organisation, designed to develop their teamwork and leadership skills.

Some of the activity stands included an observation stand run by the Army Cadets, a vehicle search run by the Volunteer Police Cadets, a team building exercise run by the RAF CCF Training Team and a 'toxic waste transfer' run by the Sea Cadets. Other activities such as an archery competition run by Girlguiding Croydon and a mobile climbing wall run by Croydon Scouting & GLSW Scout County ensured a fun mix of challenges during the day.



The event finished with a delicious BBQ courtesy of Royal Russell School. The Civic Mayor of Croydon, Councillor Kola Agboola, took time out of his busy schedule to visit the event and talk to the young people, alongside Councillor Tony Pearson, Croydon Council's Armed Forces Champion. The winning team, Team 5, were presented with gold YOU London pin badges by Colonel Hugh Purcell OBE DL, Chair of YOU London. In his closing speech at the end of the day, Colonel Ray Wilkinson QVRM TD DL VR, Representative Deputy Lieutenant for the London Borough of Croydon said: "Thank you for attending, and particular thanks to all the adult volunteers for planning and delivering the event today. Without your dedication, this event could not have happened. I've seen so much commitment, enthusiasm and energy today from both the young people and adult volunteers, that it gives me great hope for the future of Croydon. The 30th Purley (Masjid) Scout Group represented the District with pride.

Early June 2024 also saw the District hosting the County AGM. As there are 5 Districts in GLSW this pleasure comes round every 5th year. This event was held at the same venue as our own AGM held at the end of June 2024.

Remembrance Day 2024: On Sunday 10th November nearly 80 members from Croydon Scouting from various Groups represented the District at the Croydon Borough Civic Remembrance Parade in Central Croydon and we placed a Poppy Wreath at the War Memorial. As well as our collaborative presence in Croydon, many of our Scout Groups & Units attend local Parish services held on this same day elsewhere in the Borough.



Generally: In Croydon many of our Groups are actively promoting themselves and carrying out local community projects, including: local community area gardening, pond clearing, litter picking, working with and donating food to food banks and collecting Easter eggs, toys, Christmas presents and general gifts to hospitals and Nursing Homes. Several Groups work collaboratively in their local area to ensure maximum profile and community impact and are involved with community events which often the District also support and provide PR equipment and marketing materials.

Utilising our Croydon Scouting FB (our public presence) and Croydon Leaders FB (our private group) we regularly post either volunteer opportunities and or provide ideas to the Groups for ways to locally improve their profile and impact. We have a regular profile on our local community neighbourhood sites and groups. Our standard volunteer message is now a regular printed page in several local resident / community group quarterly magazines and / or local community notice boards or supermarket community boards.

Croydon PR Team

Email: pr@croydonscouting.org.uk

Bears Wood Scout Campsite – Annual Report 2024

I can report that 2024 again proved to be another very successful year for the campsite and we look forward to continuing our success, building on all the great work that has been done over the past 5 years.....

YES, we are celebrating 5 years since Croydon District took back total control of the site from the previous management committee and as we move forward, under the terms of TSA transition, we are now called the Bears Wood Team!!

Never fear, nothing has changed. We are still made up of the same people both as a “service team” (previously BW SASU), which is within the Support Team, the same people on the Management Team (previously the Management Committee) overseen by the Premises Team which is a sub-team of the Trustees Board. Hope you are still following this..... Good - because I'm not sure I am yet!!!

This past year we have continued to make further improvements to the site and its facilities. We started the year clearing the old climbing facility away and erecting a brand new Traversing Wall, which is fenced in to its own compound for security as well as being covered and floodlit to make it usable in wet weather and in the evenings. This was made possible by funds raised from the sale of the Mobile Climbing Wall along with extremely generous donations in memory of our dear friend Nick Smith both from the family and from Royal Russell School, who held a charity fund raising day. The family were joined by members of the BW team, Croydon District and friends from Royal Russell at the official opening where Anita & Brian (Nick's mum and dad) unveiled a plaque mounted on the front of the wall.



We also replaced the “very well worn” arched entrances to the Campfire circle, chapel and team building area with new natural wooden ones, in keeping with the surroundings.

As always there is a never-ending cycle of grounds maintenance and we continue with our Woodland Management Plan by tending our grassland, hedgerows and tree stock. Much hazel coppicing has been carried out and “recycled” in the form of hazel fencing, the old archery range is being dismantled and the fencing used to build deer enclosures as part of the monitoring regime of the wildlife.

We have again benefitted from the volunteer help of a couple of estate agent firms, each giving up their time as part of their Corporate Social Responsibility pledge, to provide manpower for which we are very grateful; as the saying goes – “many hands make light work”. This has been supplemented by our “Graft'n'Grub” days and the annual Seahorse Explorers workday which again proved extremely helpful.

We have again had an extremely successful year with regards to booking, exceeding previous years once again. As far as visitors to the site go, we have continued to have very healthy numbers on site using both the camping areas and the indoor accommodation. Over the past year we have had 54 residential bookings with 104 overnight stays, 26 evening bookings and 11 day bookings at weekends. The most rewarding thing for us is the amount of positive feedback that we get and the amount of repeat booking we have. We like to think that we must be doing something right!!

We also hosted “Bush Scouts”, the National SASU for outdoor training, early in July for a weekend of “Outdoor Skills” training and Tomahawk Throwing for the first time as they seek to get a foothold in the South East of England. The weekend was a great success and we are proud to announce that they have booked to come back in 2025 & 2026.

Finally, as always, my grateful thanks to our band of regular volunteers without whom all of this would not be possible.

Martin Greenwood – Team Leader (Bears Wood)

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Pinewood Scout Centre Annual Report 2024

Pinewood continues to go from strength to strength with increasing awareness and use by Groups from across the Region, with lots of visitors now booking for residential camps from outside of the District.

The Pinewood Development Plan continues to steer our projects and provide focus on the areas that we need to prioritise on to ensure that Pinewood increases our ability to enrich the lives of young people through access to adventurous activities and engagement in nature.

These projects continue to deliver improvements to the woodland areas, with removal of invasive rhododendron and replanting with native, broadleaf tree species. This extends to the lake which continues to improve and provide fun opportunities for our visitors to try paddle boards, kayaking and raft building. This has translated into over 400 participants taking part in water activities at Pinewood in 2024, which highlights that our facilities and exclusive hire arrangements are a major factor for why so many Groups now want to use Pinewood as the base for their camping programme, with peak dates being booked up to 12 months in advance now.

A major development that will span 2024 and 2025 is the installation of new dormitory bunk rooms, which will significantly increase our ability to provide year round indoor accommodation. Planning permissions have been secured recently and building work will hopefully be completed in early summer, in time for our autumn Camps.

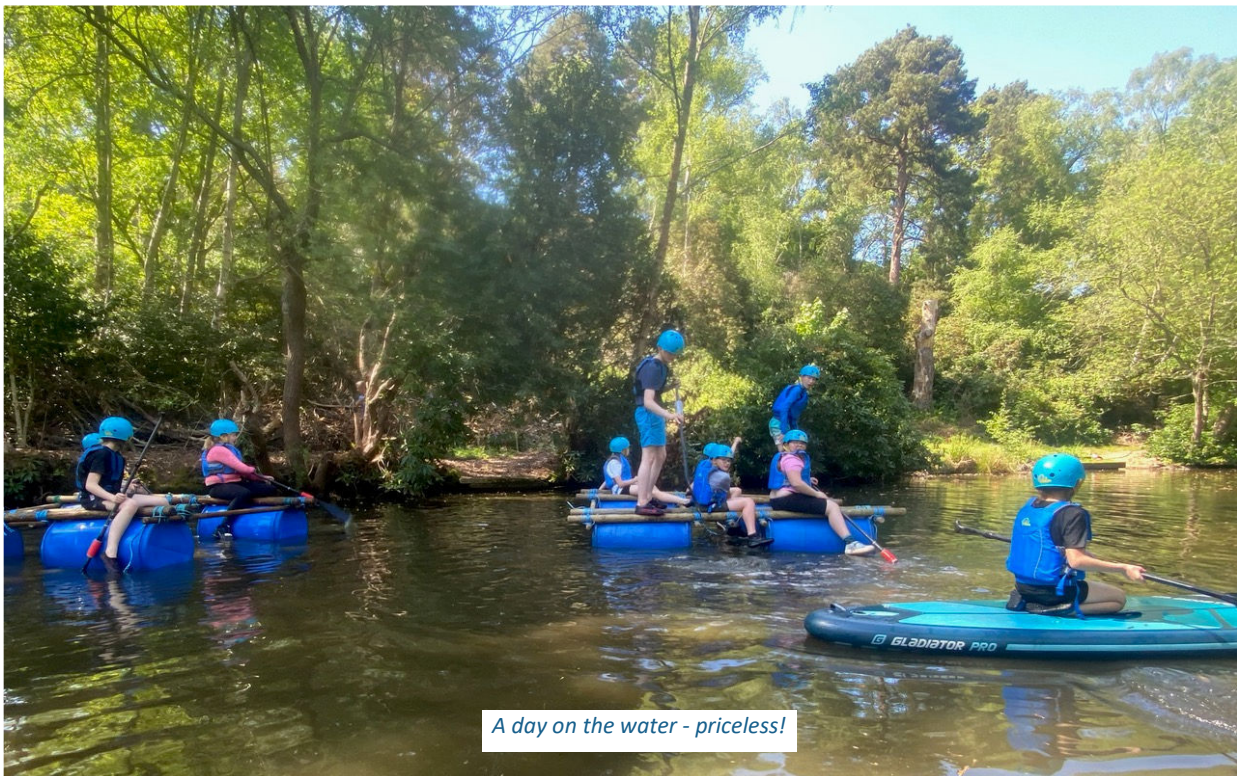
In 2024 Pinewood has achieved a phenomenal amount of progress with a small number of dedicated volunteers and we are constantly looking to provide opportunities for more people to join us on our Thursday morning maintenance days.

Pinewood is a unique and special community asset that, under the Development Plan, will continue to grow and showcase the wonderful service Croydon District Scouts provides for our young people and Groups.

Jim Clements

The Pinewood Team

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A day on the water - priceless!

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This is 'YOU' the **YOU London** Giraffe wearing his Croydon Scouting District scarf. He was designed by youth members from the Croydon **YOU London** Organisations and formed part of the Croydon Stands Tall Heritage Trail in 2023. 'YOU' also attended the Lord Mayor's Show in November 2023 heading up the **YOU London** float and currently resides at Royal Russell School.



CROYDON DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

England & Wales - Charity number 282738

Accounts



Scouts

Croydon District

Trustees Annual Report & Accounts

Croydon District Scout Council

to 31st December 2023

Squirrels **BEAVERS**

cubs **SCOUTS**

EXPLORERS **network**

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Scouts 
Active Support



One District One Movement

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Trustees Annual Report
For The Period From 1st January to 31st December 2023

Reference and administrative details:

<u>Charity Name:</u>	Croydon District Scout Council
<u>Registered Charity Number:</u>	282738
<u>President:</u>	Theresa Jeffrey

Names of the Charity Trustees who manage the charity:

Chair	Dave Rixson (resigned 23.06.23) Louise Cook (appointed 23.06.23)
Deputy Chair	John Seaton (resigned 01.01.23)
District Commissioner	Gregory Cook
Secretary	Pamela Grogan
Treasurer	Saiqa Asghar (resigned 01.01.23) John Seaton (appointed 01.01.23)
Youth Commissioners	Jake Belcher
DESC	Richard Goad
Network Leader	Cari-anne Bailey
Nominated	Simon Whitehead Zahir Khan Jon Slade
Elected Members	Amanda Giles Kate Balzer Robert Hiscocks (appointed 23.06.23) Tony Crackett (resigned 23.06.23) Gabriella Covacci (resigned 23.06.23) Revd Andy Dovey (resigned 23.06.23)
Co-opted Members	Bernard Farrell Steve French

Type of governing document

The Districts 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 District is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.

Trustee selection methods

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.

Risks and internal control

The District has in place systems of internal control that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss. These include two signatories for all payments and comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

Objectives and activities

Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.

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.

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 and make and live by their Promise.

The District meets the Charities Commission’s public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.

Main achievements during the year

These are set out by the District Commissioner and Chairman in the District annual report.

Financial accounts

This is shown on pages 6 to 10 of this report.

Reserves policy

The District policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the District should income and fundraising activities fall short. The District Board of Trustees considers that the District should hold a sum equivalent to 24 months running costs, circa £20,000.

Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the above report.

Signed on behalf of the charity’s trustees:

Signature:

Full name:

Julie Findlay

John Seaton

Position:

Chair

Treasurer

Date:

24th April 2024

26 April 2024

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the
Croydon District Scout Council**

I report on the accounts of the District for the year ended 31 December 2022 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Statement of Assets and Liabilities and related notes set out on pages 6 - 10

This report is made solely to the trustees in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees for my examination work.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Group's/District's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

1. Examine the accounts (under Section 145 of the Charities Act);
2. To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act); and
3. To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent 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 Group/District 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's statement

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

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements; to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Charities Act; and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Name
Signature

Ian Rowe



Qualification
Address

ACA
13 Wallace Crescent,
Carshalton, Surrey
SM5 3SU

Date

26 April 2024

Croydon District Scout Council
Statement of Financial Activities
For The Year Ended 31st December 2023

<u>Income</u>	2023	2023	2023	2023	2022
	General Funds	Designated Funds ¹	Restricted Funds ⁴	Total	Total

Donations, Legacies & Similar
Income

Membership Subscriptions	97973	0	0	97973	84175
Less: Membership Subscriptions paid on District	84490	0	0	84490	79623
Net Membership Subscriptions Retained	13483	0	0	13483	4552

Grants and Donations

Grants	0	0	0	0	0
Donations	275	0	0	275	350
Gift Aid	43	0	0	43	75
Sub Total	318	0	0	318	425

District Income

Activities ²	15093	0	0	15093	14997
Climbing Wall	0	0	3288	3288	1775
Awards Evening	0	0	0	0	0
Jamboree/Camp	0	0	22864	22864	19175
Group Development	0	462	0	462	1858
Sub Total	15093	462	26152	41707	37805

Others

Campsites ⁶	32252	0	0	32252	26207
Explorer Groups ⁷	49157	0	210	49367	64385
Network ⁸	0	0	0	0	
Sub Total	81409	0	210	81619	90592

Investment Income

Bank Interest	525	0	0	525	0
Other Investment Income	1060	0	0	1060	198
Sub Total	1585	0	0	1585	198

Total Gross Income	111888	462	26362	138712	133572
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<u>Expenditure</u>	2023	2023	2023	2023	2022
	General Funds	Designated Funds ¹	Restricted Funds ⁴	Total	Total

Payments

Activities ²	12493	0	0	12493	17674
Training	0	2534	0	2534	773
Insurance	642	0	0	642	387
Purchase of Equipment	2609	0	0	2609	506
PR	0	169	0	169	498
AGM	0	833	0	833	894
General Expenses	0	0	0	0	0
Administrative costs ³	818	0	0	818	833
Gifts & Donations	50	0	0	50	990
Depreciation	12511	0	0	12511	4171
Climbing Wall	0	0	5256	5256	4168
Awards Evening	0	0	0	0	0
Jamboree/Camp	0	0	26221	26221	23800
Group/District Development	0	3968	0	3968	29595
Sub Total	29123	7504	31477	68104	84289

Others

Campsites ⁶	38609	0	0	38609	76334
Explorer Groups ⁷	42932	0	12863	55795	49374
Network ⁸	0	0	0	0	0
Sub Total	81541	0	12863	94404	125708

Total Gross Expenditure	110664	7504	44340	162508	209997
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Summary

Total Receipts	111888	462	26362	138712	133572
Less Total Payments	110664	7504	44340	162508	209997
Profit/loss before funds transferred	1224	-7042	-17978	-23796	-76425
Funds transferred	-281	0	281	0	0
Net Profit/Loss	943	-7042	-17697	-23796	-76425
Add:Funds balance last year	108584	31931	33831	174346	250771
Grand Total Carried Forward	109527	24889	16134	150550	174346

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

Fixed Assets

Tangible Assets ⁵	0	15947
Sub Total	0	15947

Current Assets

Debtors	0	0
Investments	0	85000
Loans	0	0
Cash in Bank and in hand	150550	73399
Sub Total	150550	158399

Total Assets	150550	174346
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Less Current Liabilities

Liabilities	0	0
Sub Total	0	0

Net Assets	150550	174346
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Represented by funds

General Funds	109527	108584
Designated Funds ¹	24889	31931
Restricted Funds ⁴	16134	33831
Total	150550	174346

Notes To The Annual Report

1. Designated Fund

	<u>Group Development General</u>	<u>District Development</u>	<u>Total</u>
Previous balance brought forward	16725	15206	31931
Incoming Resources	462	0	462
Outgoing Resources	1250	6254	7504
Transfer In/Out	0	0	0
Total carried forward	15937	8952	24889

2. Activities

The income and expenditure represent activities carried out by the District throughout the year including out of pocket expenses incurred by the ADCs and helpers in running the district activities

3. Administrative costs

This covers out of pocket and reimbursed expenses of the Chairman, DC, ADCs, Secretary, Treasurer and helpers during the year, as well as miscellaneous expenses.

4. Restricted Funds

	Balance bought forward	In	Out	Transfers	Balance carried forward
Jamboree	3170	22864	26221	0	-187
Mobile Climbing Wall	18289	3288	5256	0	16321
Pinewood Scout Centre	0	0	0	0	0
Crystal Place Explorers	12372	210	12863	281	0
Total	33831	26362	44340	281	16134

5. Tangible Assets

	Net Book Value 01/01/23	Additions	Depreciation	Net Book Value 31/12/23
Mobile Climbing Wall	5599	0	5599	0
Bears Wood Equipment	3436	0	3436	0
Pinewood Hall Equipment/Contents	6912	0	6912	0
Total	15947	0	15947	0

The depreciation charge of £3426 for Bearswood equipment is included in the campsite expenditure within the statement of financial activities. The Trustees agreed to write off any asset whose face value was £5,000 or lower, which left only the Mobile Climbing Wall, but as it was no longer in use and was in the process of being disposed of, it was agreed to write it off this year.

6. Croydon District Scouts Council Campsites

	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Closing Balance
Pinewood Scout Camp Site	6852	11885	15419	0	3318
Bear Wood Scout Camp Site	13559	20367	23190	0	10736
Total	20411	32252	38609	0	14054

7. Croydon District Scouts Explorers Units

Explorers	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfer	Closing Balance
Kenley Explorer Scout Unit	6308	16249	16801	0	5756
Croham Valley Explorer Scout Unit	2259	4526	2716	0	4069
Pinewood Seahorses Explorer Scout Unit	12898	13696	11090	0	15504
Purley Cross Explorer Scout Unit	2259	5651	5575	0	2335
Crystal Palace Explorer Scout Unit	18285	9245	19613	0	7917
Total	42009	49367	55795	0	35581

8. Network

	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Closing balance
Croydon District Scout Network	801	0	0	801

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CROYDON DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

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Trustees Annual Report
For The Period From 1st January to 31st December 2022

Reference and administrative details:

<u>Charity Name:</u>	Croydon District Scout Council
<u>Registered Charity Number:</u>	282738
<u>President:</u>	Theresa Jeffrey

Names of the Charity Trustees who manage the charity:

Chair	Dave Rixson
Deputy Chair	John Seaton
District Commissioner	Gregory Cook
Secretary	Pamela Grogan
Treasurer	Saiqa Asghar
Youth Commissioners	Jake Belcher
DESC	Richard Goad
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Resigned Members	Megan Young (1/1/22) George Campbell (17/6/22) Martin Greenwood (17/6/22) Kevin Moynihan (17/6/22)

Type of governing document

The Districts 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 District is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.

Trustee selection methods

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.

Risks and internal control

The District has in place systems of internal control that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss. These include two signatories for all payments and comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

Objectives and activities

Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.

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.

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 and make and live by their Promise.

The District meets the Charities Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.

Main achievements during the year

These are set out by the District Commissioner and Chairman in the District annual report.

Financial accounts

This is shown on pages 6 to 10 of this report.

Reserves policy

The District policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the District should income and fundraising activities fall short. The District Executive Committee considers that the District should hold a sum equivalent to 24 months running costs, circa £20000.

Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the above report.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signature:

Full name:

David Rixson

Saiqa Asghar

Position:

Chair

Treasurer

Date:

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the Croydon District Scout Council

I report on the accounts of the District for the year ended 31 December 2022 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and related notes set out on pages 6 - 10

This report is made solely to the trustees in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees for my examination work.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Group's/District's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

1. Examine the accounts (under Section 145 of the Charities Act);
2. To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act); and
3. To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent 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 Group/District 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's statement

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

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements; to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Charities Act; and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Name

Ian Rowe

Signature

Qualification

ACA

Address

13 Wallace Crescent,
Carshalton, Surrey
SM5 3SU

Date

Croydon District Scout Council
Statement of Financial Activities
For The Year Ended 31st December 2022

<u>Income</u>	2022	2022	2022	2022	2021
	General Funds	Designated Funds ¹	Restricted Funds ⁴	Total	Total

Donations, Legacies & Similar
Income

Membership Subscriptions	84175	0	0	84175	63625
Less: Membership Subscriptions paid on District	79623	0	0	79623	61246
Net Membership Subscriptions Retained	4552	0	0	4552	2379

Grants and Donations

Grants	0	0	0	0	0
Donations	350	0	0	350	0
Gift Aid	75	0	0	75	0
Sub Total	425	0	0	425	0

District Income

Activities ²	14997	0	0	14997	2450
Climbing Wall	0	0	1775	1775	0
Awards Evening	0	0	0	0	0
Jamboree/Camp	0	0	19175	19175	500
Group Development	0	1858	0	1858	4033
Sub Total	14997	1858	20950	37805	6983

Others

Campsites ⁶	26207	0	0	26207	52249
Explorer Groups ⁷	50116	0	14269	64385	22163
Network ⁸	0	0	0	0	0
Sub Total	76323	0	14269	90592	74412

Investment Income

Bank Interest	0	0	0	0	0
Other Investment Income	198	0	0	198	306
Sub Total	198	0	0	198	306

Total Gross Income	96495	1858	35219	133572	84080
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<u>Expenditure</u>	2022	2022	2022	2022	2021
	General Funds	Designated Funds ¹	Restricted Funds ⁴	Total	Total

Payments

Activities ²	17674	0	0	17674	3231
Training	0	773	0	773	557
Insurance	387	0	0	387	377
Purchase of Equipment	506	0	0	506	0
PR	0	498	0	498	293
AGM	0	894	0	894	39
General Expenses	0	0	0	0	0
Administrative costs ³	833	0	0	833	473
Gifts & Donations	990	0	0	990	428
Depreciation	4171	0	0	4171	4170
Climbing Wall	0	0	4168	4168	920
Awards Evening	0	0	0	0	0
Jamboree/Camp	0	0	23800	23800	0
Group/District Development	0	29595	0	29595	1938
Sub Total	24561	31760	27968	84289	12426

Others

Campsites ⁶	71901	0	4433	76334	30602
Explorer Groups ⁷	44474	0	4900	49374	19127
Network ⁸	0	0	0	0	0
Sub Total	116375	0	9333	125708	49729

Total Gross Expenditure	140936	31760	37301	209997	62155
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Summary

Total Receipts	96495	1858	35219	133572	84080
Less Total Payments	140936	31760	37301	209997	62155
Profit/loss before funds transferred	-44441	-29902	-2082	-76425	21925
Funds transferred	907	-8702	7795	0	0
Net Profit/Loss	-43535	-38603	5713	-76425	21925
Add:Funds balance last year	152118	70535	28118	250771	228846
Grand Total Carried Forward	108584	31931	33831	174346	250771

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

Fixed Assets

Tangible Assets ⁵	15947	20867
Sub Total	15947	20867

Current Assets

Debtors	0	205
Investments	85000	130000
Loans	0	0
Cash in Bank and in hand	73399	99699
Sub Total	158399	229904

Total Assets	174346	250771
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Less Current Liabilities

Liabilities	0	0
Sub Total	0	0

Net Assets	174346	250771
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Represented by funds

General Funds	108584	152118
Designated Funds ¹	31931	70535
Restricted Funds ⁴	33831	28118
Total	174346	250771

Notes To The Annual Report

1. Designated Fund

	<u>Group Development General</u>	<u>District Development</u>	<u>Total</u>
Previous balance bought forward	14068	56467	70535
Incoming Resources	1858	0	1858
Outgoing Resources	2749	29011	31760
Transfer In/Out	3548	-12250	-8702
Total carried forward	16725	15206	31931

2. Activities

The income and expenditure represent activities carried out by the District throughout the year including out of pocket expenses incurred by the ADCs and helpers in running the district activities

3. Administrative costs

This covers out of pocket and reimbursed expenses of the Chairman, DC, ADCs, Secretary, Treasurer and helpers during the year, as well as miscellaneous expenses.

4. Restricted Funds

	Balance bought forward	In	Out	Transfers	Balance carried forward
Jamboree	0	19175	23800	7795	3170
Mobile Climbing Wall	20682	1775	4168	0	18289
Pinewood Scout Centre	4433	0	4433	0	0
Crystal Place Explorers	3003	14269	4900	0	12372
Total	28118	35219	37301	7795	33831

5. Tangible Assets

	Net Book Value 01/01/22	Additions	Depreciation	Net Book Value 31/12/22
Mobile Climbing Wall	7466	0	1867	5599
Bears Wood Equipment	4185	0	749	3436
Pinewood Hall Equipment/Contents	9216	0	2304	6912
Total	20867	0	4920	15947

The depreciation charge of £749 for Bearswood equipment is included in the campsite expenditure within the statement of financial activities.

6. Croydon District Scouts Council Campsites

	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Closing Balance
Pinewood Scout Camp Site	36884	9949	39981	0	6852
Bear Wood Scout Camp Site	21404	16258	36353	12250	13559
Total	58288	26207	76334	12250	20411

7. Croydon District Scouts Explorers Units

Explorers	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfer	Closing Balance
Kenley Explorer Scout Unit	5446	23141	22279	0	6308
Colliers Explorer Scout Unit*	808	0	10	-798	0
Croham Valley Explorer Scout Unit	1408	2452	1601	0	2259
All Saints Explorer Scout Unit*	2750	0	0	-2750	0
Pinewood Seahorses Explorer Scout Unit	13020	10636	10758	0	12898
Purley Cross Explorer Scout Unit	1243	4534	3518	0	2259
Crystal Palace Explorer Scout Unit	5871	23622	11208	0	18285
Total	30546	64385	49374	-3548	42009

*Units closed

8. Network

	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Closing balance
Croydon District Scout Network	801	0	0	801



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<u>Registered Charity Number:</u>	282738
<u>President:</u>	Not Appointed

Names of the Charity Trustees who manage the charity:

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Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the above report.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signature:		
Full name:	David Rixson	Saiqa Asghar
Position:	Chair	Treasurer
Date:	24 th April 2023	24/4/23

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the
Croydon District Scout Council**

I report on the accounts of the District for the year ended 31 December 2022 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and related notes set out on pages 6 - 10

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It is my responsibility to:

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Basis of Independent Examiner's report

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Name

Ian Rowe

Signature



Qualification

ACA

Address

13 Wallace Crescent,
Carshalton, Surrey
SM5 3SU

Date

24th April 2023

Croydon District Scout Council
Statement of Financial Activities
For The Year Ended 31st December 2022

<u>Income</u>	2022	2022	2022	2022	2021
	General Funds	Designated Funds ¹	Restricted Funds ⁴	Total	Total

Donations, Legacies & Similar
Income

Membership Subscriptions	84175	0	0	84175	63625
Less: Membership Subscriptions paid on District	79623	0	0	79623	61246
Net Membership Subscriptions Retained	4552	0	0	4552	2379

Grants and Donations

Grants	0	0	0	0	0
Donations	350	0	0	350	0
Gift Aid	75	0	0	75	0
Sub Total	425	0	0	425	0

District Income

Activities ²	14997	0	0	14997	2450
Climbing Wall	0	0	1775	1775	0
Awards Evening	0	0	0	0	0
Jamboree/Camp	0	0	19175	19175	500
Group Development	0	1858	0	1858	4033
Sub Total	14997	1858	20950	37805	6983

Others

Campsites ⁶	26207	0	0	26207	52249
Explorer Groups ⁷	50116	0	14269	64385	22163
Network ⁸	0	0	0	0	0
Sub Total	76323	0	14269	90592	74412

Investment Income

Bank Interest	0	0	0	0	0
Other Investment Income	198	0	0	198	306
Sub Total	198	0	0	198	306

Total Gross Income	96495	1858	35219	133572	84080
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	General Funds	Designated Funds ¹	Restricted Funds ⁴	Total	Total

Payments

Activities ²	17674	0	0	17674	3231
Training	0	773	0	773	557
Insurance	387	0	0	387	377
Purchase of Equipment	506	0	0	506	0
PR	0	498	0	498	293
AGM	0	894	0	894	39
General Expenses	0	0	0	0	0
Administrative costs ³	833	0	0	833	473
Gifts & Donations	990	0	0	990	428
Depreciation	4171	0	0	4171	4170
Climbing Wall	0	0	4168	4168	920
Awards Evening	0	0	0	0	0
Jamboree/Camp	0	0	23800	23800	0
Group/District Development	0	29595	0	29595	1938
Sub Total	24561	31760	27968	84289	12426

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Campsites ⁶	71901	0	4433	76334	30602
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Add:Funds balance last year	152118	70535	28118	250771	228846
Grand Total Carried Forward	108584	31931	33831	174346	250771

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

Fixed Assets

Tangible Assets ⁵	15947	20867
Sub Total	15947	20867

Current Assets

Debtors	0	205
Investments	85000	130000
Loans	0	0
Cash in Bank and in hand	73399	99699
Sub Total	158399	229904

Total Assets	174346	250771
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Less Current Liabilities

Liabilities	0	0
Sub Total	0	0

Net Assets	174346	250771
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Represented by funds

General Funds	108584	152118
Designated Funds ¹	31931	70535
Restricted Funds ⁴	33831	28118
Total	174346	250771

Notes To The Annual Report

1. Designated Fund

	<u>Group Development General</u>	<u>District Development</u>	<u>Total</u>
Previous balance bought forward	14068	56467	70535
Incoming Resources	1858	0	1858
Outgoing Resources	2749	29011	31760
Transfer In/Out	3548	-12250	-8702
Total carried forward	16725	15206	31931

2. Activities

The income and expenditure represent activities carried out by the District throughout the year including out of pocket expenses incurred by the ADCs and helpers in running the district activities

3. Administrative costs

This covers out of pocket and reimbursed expenses of the Chairman, DC, ADCs, Secretary, Treasurer and helpers during the year, as well as miscellaneous expenses.

4. Restricted Funds

	Balance bought forward	In	Out	Transfers	Balance carried forward
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Mobile Climbing Wall	20682	1775	4168	0	18289
Pinewood Scout Centre	4433	0	4433	0	0
Crystal Place Explorers	3003	14269	4900	0	12372
Total	28118	35219	37301	7795	33831

5. Tangible Assets

	Net Book Value 01/01/22	Additions	Depreciation	Net Book Value 31/12/22
Mobile Climbing Wall	7466	0	1867	5599
Bears Wood Equipment	4185	0	749	3436
Pinewood Hall Equipment/Contents	9216	0	2304	6912
Total	20867	0	4920	15947

The depreciation charge of £749 for Bearswood equipment is included in the campsite expenditure within the statement of financial activities.

6. Croydon District Scouts Council Campsites

	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Closing Balance
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Bear Wood Scout Camp Site	21404	16258	36353	12250	13559
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Colliers Explorer Scout Unit*	808	0	10	-798	0
Croham Valley Explorer Scout Unit	1408	2452	1601	0	2259
All Saints Explorer Scout Unit*	2750	0	0	-2750	0
Pinewood Seahorses Explorer Scout Unit	13020	10636	10758	0	12898
Purley Cross Explorer Scout Unit	1243	4534	3518	0	2259
Crystal Palace Explorer Scout Unit	5871	23622	11208	0	18285
Total	30546	64385	49374	-3548	42009

*Units closed

8. Network

	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Closing balance
Croydon District Scout Network	801	0	0	801

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Reference and administrative details:

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<u>Registered Charity Number:</u>	282738
<u>President:</u>	Not Appointed

Names of the Charity Trustees who manage the charity:

Chair	Dave Rixson
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Main achievements during the year

These are set out by the District Commissioner and Chairman in the District annual report.

Financial accounts

This is shown on pages 6 to 10 of this report.

Reserves policy

The District policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the District should income and fundraising activities fall short. The District Executive Committee considers that the District should hold a sum equivalent to 24 months running costs, circa £20000.

Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the above report.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signature:		
Full name:	David Rixson	Saiqa Asghar
Position:	Chair	Treasurer
Date:	24 th April 2023	24/4/23

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the
Croydon District Scout Council**

I report on the accounts of the District for the year ended 31 December 2022 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and related notes set out on pages 6 - 10

This report is made solely to the trustees in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees for my examination work.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Group's/District's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

1. Examine the accounts (under Section 145 of the Charities Act);
2. To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act); and
3. To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent 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 Group/District 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's statement

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

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements; to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Charities Act; and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Name

Ian Rowe

Signature



Qualification

ACA

Address

13 Wallace Crescent,
Carshalton, Surrey
SM5 3SU

Date

24th April 2023

Croydon District Scout Council
Statement of Financial Activities
For The Year Ended 31st December 2022

<u>Income</u>	2022	2022	2022	2022	2021
	General Funds	Designated Funds ¹	Restricted Funds ⁴	Total	Total

Donations, Legacies & Similar
Income

Membership Subscriptions	84175	0	0	84175	63625
Less: Membership Subscriptions paid on District	79623	0	0	79623	61246
Net Membership Subscriptions Retained	4552	0	0	4552	2379

Grants and Donations

Grants	0	0	0	0	0
Donations	350	0	0	350	0
Gift Aid	75	0	0	75	0
Sub Total	425	0	0	425	0

District Income

Activities ²	14997	0	0	14997	2450
Climbing Wall	0	0	1775	1775	0
Awards Evening	0	0	0	0	0
Jamboree/Camp	0	0	19175	19175	500
Group Development	0	1858	0	1858	4033
Sub Total	14997	1858	20950	37805	6983

Others

Campsites ⁶	26207	0	0	26207	52249
Explorer Groups ⁷	50116	0	14269	64385	22163
Network ⁸	0	0	0	0	0
Sub Total	76323	0	14269	90592	74412

Investment Income

Bank Interest	0	0	0	0	0
Other Investment Income	198	0	0	198	306
Sub Total	198	0	0	198	306

Total Gross Income	96495	1858	35219	133572	84080
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Expenditure	2022	2022	2022	2022	2021
	General Funds	Designated Funds ¹	Restricted Funds ⁴	Total	Total

Payments

Activities ²	17674	0	0	17674	3231
Training	0	773	0	773	557
Insurance	387	0	0	387	377
Purchase of Equipment	506	0	0	506	0
PR	0	498	0	498	293
AGM	0	894	0	894	39
General Expenses	0	0	0	0	0
Administrative costs ³	833	0	0	833	473
Gifts & Donations	990	0	0	990	428
Depreciation	4171	0	0	4171	4170
Climbing Wall	0	0	4168	4168	920
Awards Evening	0	0	0	0	0
Jamboree/Camp	0	0	23800	23800	0
Group/District Development	0	29595	0	29595	1938
Sub Total	24561	31760	27968	84289	12426

Others

Campsites ⁶	71901	0	4433	76334	30602
Explorer Groups ⁷	44474	0	4900	49374	19127
Network ⁸	0	0	0	0	0
Sub Total	116375	0	9333	125708	49729

Total Gross Expenditure	140936	31760	37301	209997	62155
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Summary

Total Receipts	96495	1858	35219	133572	84080
Less Total Payments	140936	31760	37301	209997	62155
Profit/loss before funds transferred	-44441	-29902	-2082	-76425	21925
Funds transferred	907	-8702	7795	0	0
Net Profit/Loss	-43535	-38603	5713	-76425	21925
Add:Funds balance last year	152118	70535	28118	250771	228846
Grand Total Carried Forward	108584	31931	33831	174346	250771

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

Fixed Assets

Tangible Assets ⁵	15947	20867
Sub Total	15947	20867

Current Assets

Debtors	0	205
Investments	85000	130000
Loans	0	0
Cash in Bank and in hand	73399	99699
Sub Total	158399	229904

Total Assets	174346	250771
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Less Current Liabilities

Liabilities	0	0
Sub Total	0	0

Net Assets	174346	250771
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Represented by funds

General Funds	108584	152118
Designated Funds ¹	31931	70535
Restricted Funds ⁴	33831	28118
Total	174346	250771

Notes To The Annual Report

1. Designated Fund

	<u>Group Development General</u>	<u>District Development</u>	<u>Total</u>
Previous balance bought forward	14068	56467	70535
Incoming Resources	1858	0	1858
Outgoing Resources	2749	29011	31760
Transfer In/Out	3548	-12250	-8702
Total carried forward	16725	15206	31931

2. Activities

The income and expenditure represent activities carried out by the District throughout the year including out of pocket expenses incurred by the ADCs and helpers in running the district activities

3. Administrative costs

This covers out of pocket and reimbursed expenses of the Chairman, DC, ADCs, Secretary, Treasurer and helpers during the year, as well as miscellaneous expenses.

4. Restricted Funds

	Balance bought forward	In	Out	Transfers	Balance carried forward
Jamboree	0	19175	23800	7795	3170
Mobile Climbing Wall	20682	1775	4168	0	18289
Pinewood Scout Centre	4433	0	4433	0	0
Crystal Place Explorers	3003	14269	4900	0	12372
Total	28118	35219	37301	7795	33831

5. Tangible Assets

	Net Book Value 01/01/22	Additions	Depreciation	Net Book Value 31/12/22
Mobile Climbing Wall	7466	0	1867	5599
Bears Wood Equipment	4185	0	749	3436
Pinewood Hall Equipment/Contents	9216	0	2304	6912
Total	20867	0	4920	15947

The depreciation charge of £749 for Bearswood equipment is included in the campsite expenditure within the statement of financial activities.

6. Croydon District Scouts Council Campsites

	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Closing Balance
Pinewood Scout Camp Site	36884	9949	39981	0	6852
Bear Wood Scout Camp Site	21404	16258	36353	12250	13559
Total	58288	26207	76334	12250	20411

7. Croydon District Scouts Explorers Units

Explorers	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfer	Closing Balance
Kenley Explorer Scout Unit	5446	23141	22279	0	6308
Colliers Explorer Scout Unit*	808	0	10	-798	0
Croham Valley Explorer Scout Unit	1408	2452	1601	0	2259
All Saints Explorer Scout Unit*	2750	0	0	-2750	0
Pinewood Seahorses Explorer Scout Unit	13020	10636	10758	0	12898
Purley Cross Explorer Scout Unit	1243	4534	3518	0	2259
Crystal Palace Explorer Scout Unit	5871	23622	11208	0	18285
Total	30546	64385	49374	-3548	42009

*Units closed

8. Network

	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Closing balance
Croydon District Scout Network	801	0	0	801

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Trustees Annual Report
For The Period From 1st January to 31st December 2021

Reference and administrative details:

<u>Charity Name:</u>	Croydon District Scout Council
<u>Registered Charity Number:</u>	282738
<u>President:</u>	Not Appointed

Names of the Charity Trustees who manage the charity:

Chair	Dave Rixson
Deputy Chair	John Seaton
District Commissioner	Gregory Cook
Secretary	Pamela Grogan
Treasurer	Saiqa Asghar
Youth Commissioners	Megan Young
	Jake Belcher
DESC	Richard Goad
Network Leader	Cari-anne Bailey
Nominated	Simon Whitehead
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Main achievements during the year

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Financial accounts

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Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the above report.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signature:



Full name:

David Rixson

Saiqa Asghar

Position:

Chair

Treasurer

Date:

25th April 2022

25/4/22

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the
Croydon District Scout Council**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Croydon District Scout Council for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Croydon District Scout Council 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 Croydon District Scout Council 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Croydon District Scout Council 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

Ian Rowe

Signature



Qualification

ACA

Address

13 Wallace Crescent,
Carshalton, Surrey
SM5 3SU

Date

26th April 2022

Croydon District Scout Council
Statement of Financial Activities
For The Year Ended 31st December 2021

<u>Income</u>	2021	2021	2021	2021	2020
	General Funds	Designated Funds ¹	Restricted Funds ⁴	Total	Total

Donations, Legacies & Similar
Income

Membership Subscriptions	63625	0	0	63625	82118
Less: Membership Subscriptions paid on District	61246	0	0	61246	72293
Net Membership Subscriptions Retained	2379	0	0	2379	9825

Grants and Donations

Grants	0	0	0	0	0
Donations	0	0	0	0	40
Gift Aid	0	0	0	0	0
Sub Total	0	0	0	0	40

District Income

Activities ²	2450	0	0	2450	1595
Climbing Wall	0	0	0	0	3850
Awards Evening	0	0	0	0	0
Camp	0	500	0	500	8964
Group Development	0	4033	0	4033	636
Sub Total	2450	4533	0	6983	15045

Others

Campsites ⁶	52249	0	0	52249	28222
Explorer Groups ⁷	22163	0	0	22163	7905
Network ⁸	0	0	0	0	0
Sub Total	74412	0	0	74412	36127

Investment Income

Bank Interest	0	0	0	0	0
Other Investment Income	306	0	0	306	968
Sub Total	306	0	0	306	968

Total Gross Income	79547	4533	0	84080	62005
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Expenditure	2021	2021	2021	2021	2020
	General Funds	Designated Funds ¹	Restricted Funds ⁴	Total	Total

Payments

Activities ²	3231	0	0	3231	3329
Training	0	557	0	557	330
Insurance	377	0	0	377	357
Purchase of Equipment	0	0	0	0	0
PR	0	293	0	293	-37
AGM	0	39	0	39	134
General Expenses	0	0	0	0	0
Administrative costs ³	473	0	0	473	457
Gifts & Donations	0	0	428	428	1368
Depreciation	4170	0	0	4170	5212
Climbing Wall	0	0	920	920	1080
Awards Evening	0	0	0	0	0
Camp 2020	0	0	0	0	4649
Group/District Development	0	1938	0	1938	18413
Sub Total	8251	2827	1348	12426	35292

Others

Campsites ⁶	30602	0	0	30602	16773
Explorer Groups ⁷	18841	0	286	19127	15177
Network ⁸	0	0	0	0	0
Sub Total	49443	0	286	49729	31950

Total Gross Expenditure	57694	2827	1634	62155	67242
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Summary

Total Receipts	79547	4533	0	84080	62005
Less Total Payments	57694	2827	1634	62155	67242
Profit/loss before funds transferred	21853	1706	-1634	21925	-5237
Funds transferred	-1189	1193	-4	0	0
Net Profit/Loss	20664	2899	-1638	21925	-5237
Add:Funds balance last year	131454	67636	29756	228846	234083
Grand Total Carried Forward	152118	70535	28118	250771	228846

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

	2021	2020
	£	£
<u>Fixed Assets</u>		
Tangible Assets ⁵	20867	23852
Sub Total	20867	23852
<u>Current Assets</u>		
Debtors ⁹	205	205
Investments	130000	130000
Cash in Bank and in hand	99699	84789
Sub Total	229904	214994
Total Assets	250771	238846
<u>Less Current Liabilities</u>		
Liabilities	0	10000
Sub Total	0	10000
Net Assets	250771	228846
<u>Represented by funds</u>		
General Funds	152118	131454
Designated Funds ¹	70535	67636
Restricted Funds ⁴	28118	29756
Total	250771	228846

Notes To The Annual Report

1. Designated Fund

	<u>Group Development General</u>	<u>District Development</u>	<u>Total</u>
Previous balance bought forward	10784	56852	67636
Incoming Resources	4033	500	4533
Outgoing Resources	1938	889	2827
Transfers	1189	4	1193
Total carried forward	14068	56467	70535

2. Activities

The income and expenditure represent activities carried out by the District throughout the year including out of pocket expenses incurred by the ADCs and helpers in running the district activities

3. Administrative costs

This covers out of pocket and reimbursed expenses of the Chairman, DC, ADCs, Secretary, Treasurer and helpers during the year, as well as miscellaneous expenses.

4. Restricted Funds

	Balance bought forward	In	Out	Transfers	Balance carried forward
Socca Cheta	432	0	428	-4	0
Mobile Climbing Wall	21602	0	920	0	20682
Pinewood Scout Centre	4433	0	0	0	4433
Crystal Place Explorers	3289	0	286	0	3003
Total	29756	0	1634	-4	28118

5. Tangible Assets

	Net Book Value 01/01/21	Additions	Depreciation	Net Book Value 31/12/21
Mobile Climbing Wall	9332	0	1866	7466
Bears Wood Equipment	3000	1785	600	4185
Pinewood Hall Equipment/Contents	11520	0	2304	9216
Total	23852	1785	4770	20867

The depreciation charge of £600 for Bears Wood equipment is included in the campsite expenditure within the Statement of Financial Activities

6. Croydon District Scouts Council Campsites

	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Closing Balance
Pinewood Scout Camp Site	22544	20943	6603	36884
Bear Wood Scout Camp Site	14097	31306	23999	21404
Total	36641	52249	30602	58288

7. Croydon District Scouts Explorers Units

Explorers	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfer	Closing Balance
Kenley Explorer Scout Unit	5142	6267	6974	1011	5446
Colliers Explorer Scout Unit	808	0	0	0	808
Croham Valley Explorer Scout Unit	1308	2322	2222	0	1408
Coulsdon Explorer Scout Unit*	1501	0	0	-1501	0
All Saints Explorer Scout Unit	2750	0	0	0	2750
Pinewood Seahorses Explorer Scout Unit	12136	4730	3846	0	13020
Purley Cross Explorer Scout Unit	669	1698	1124	0	1243
Pheonix Explorer Scout Unit*	699	0	0	-699	0
Crystal Palace Explorer Scout Unit	3686	7146	4961	0	5871
Total	28699	22163	19127	-1189**	30546

*Units closed

**Amount transferred to CDSC Group Development Designated Fund

8. Network

	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Closing balance
Croydon District Scout Network	801	0	0	801

9. Debtors

This represents the amount paid for the hire of venue for the 2020 AGM which was held online due to Covid-19.

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Trustees Annual Report
For The Period From 1st January to 31st December 2020

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<u>Registered Charity Number:</u>	282738
<u>President:</u>	Not Appointed

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Financial accounts

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Reserves policy

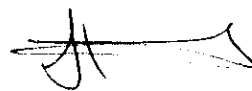
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The Trustees declare that they have approved the above report.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signature:



Full name:

David Rixson

Saiqa Asghar

Position:

Chair

Treasurer

Date:

26/4/21

26/4/21

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This report is made solely to the trustees in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees for my examination work.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Group's/District's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

1. Examine the accounts (under Section 145 of the Charities Act);
2. To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act); and
3. To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent 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 Group/District 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's statement

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

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements; to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Charities Act; and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Name

Ian Rowe

Signature



Qualification

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Date

26 April 2021.

Croydon District Scout Council
Statement of Financial Activities
For The Year Ended 31st December 2020

Income	2020	2020	2020	2020	2019
	General Funds	Designated Funds ¹	Restricted Funds ⁴	Total	Total
<u>Donations, Legacies & Similar Income</u>					
Membership Subscriptions	82118	0	0	82118	79952
Less: Membership Subscriptions paid on District	72293	0	0	72293	68354
Net Membership Subscriptions Retained	9825	0	0	9825	11598

Grants and Donations

Grants	0	0	0	0	0
Donations	40	0	0	40	70
Gift Aid	0	0	0	0	2
Sub Total	40	0	0	40	72

District Income

Activities ²	1595	0	0	1595	18017
Climbing Wall	0	0	3850	3850	6067
Awards Evening	0	0	0	0	0
Camp	0	8964	0	8964	0
Group Development	0	636	0	636	3050
Sub Total	1595	9600	3850	15045	27134

Others

Campsites ⁶	28222	0	0	28222	27886
Explorer Groups ⁷	7905	0	0	7905	42992
Network ⁸	0	0	0	0	45
Sub Total	36127	0	0	36127	70923

Investment Income

Bank Interest	0	0	0	0	0
Other Investment Income	968	0	0	968	868
Sub Total	968	0	0	968	868

Total Gross Income	48555	9600	3850	62005	110595
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Expenditure	2020	2020	2020	2020	2019
	General Funds	Designated Funds ¹	Restricted Funds ⁴	Total	Total
Payments					
Activities ²	3329	0	0	3329	17151
Training	0	330	0	330	1143
Insurance	357	0	0	357	357
Purchase of Equipment	0	0	0	0	0
PR	0	-37	0	-37	3620
AGM	0	134	0	134	424
General Expenses	0	0	0	0	0
Administrative costs ³	457	0	0	457	844
Gifts & Donations	200	0	1168	1368	2194
Depreciation	5212	0	0	5212	6516
Climbing Wall	0	0	1080	1080	6674
Awards Evening	0	0	0	0	0
Camp 2020	0	4649	0	4649	0
Group/District Development	0	18413	0	18413	14049
Sub Total	9555	23489	2248	35292	52972

Others

Campsites ⁶	16773	0	0	16773	16613
Explorer Groups ⁷	15177	0	0	15177	42277
Network ⁸	0	0	0	0	40
Sub Total	31950	0	0	31950	58930

Total Gross Expenditure	41505	23489	2248	67242	111902
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Summary

Total Receipts	48555	9600	3850	62005	110595
Less Total Payments	41505	23489	2248	67242	111902
Profit/loss before funds transferred	7050	-13889	1602	-5237	-1307
Funds transferred	-5044	3444	1600	0	0
Net Profit/Loss	2006	-10445	3202	-5237	-1307
Add:Funds balance last year	129448	78081	26554	234083	235390
Grand Total Carried Forward	131454	67636	29756	228846	234083

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

Fixed Assets		2020 £	2019 £
Tangible Assets ⁵		23852	26064
Sub Total		23852	26064

Current Assets

Debtors ⁹		205	1998
Investments		130000	135000
Loans		0	2500
Cash in Bank and in hand		84789	74485
Sub Total		214994	213983

Total Assets		238846	240047
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Less Current Liabilities

Liabilities ¹⁰		10000	5964
Sub Total		10000	5964

Net Assets		228846	234083
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Represented by funds

General Funds		131454	129448
Designated Funds ¹		67636	78081
Restricted Funds ⁴		29756	26554
Total		228846	234083

Notes To The Annual Report

1. Designated Fund

	Group Development (General)	District Development	Total
Balance bought forward	21184	56897	78081
Incoming Resources	636	8964	9600
Outgoing Resources	16080	7409	23489
Transfers In	5044		5044
Transfers Out		-1600	-1600
Balance carried forward	10784	56852	67636

2. Activities

The income and expenditure represent activities carried out by the District throughout the year including out of pocket expenses incurred by the ADCs and helpers in running the district activities

3. Administrative costs

This covers out of pocket and reimbursed expenses of the Chairman, DC, ADCs, Secretary, Treasurer and helpers during the year, as well as miscellaneous expenses.

4. Restricted Funds

	Balance bought forward	In	Out	Transfers	Balance carried forward
Socca Cheta	0	0	1168	1600	432
Mobile Climbing Wall	18832	3850	1080	0	21602
Pinewood Scout Centre	4433	0	0	0	4433
Crystal Place Explorers	3289	0	0	0	3289
Total	26554	3850	2248	1600	29756

5. Tangible Assets

	Net Book Value 01/01/20	Additions	Depreciation	Net Book Value 31/12/20
Mobile Climbing Wall	11664	0	2332	9332
Bears Wood Equipment	0	3000	0	3000
Pinewood Hall Equipment/Contents	14400	0	2880	11520
Total	26064	3000	5212	23852

6. Croydon District Scouts Council Campsites

	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Closing Balance
Pinewood Scout Camp Site	19032	14114	10602	22544
Bear Wood Scout Camp Site	6160	14108	6171	14097
Total	25192	28222	16773	36641

7. Croydon District Scouts Explorers Units

	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Closing Balance
Kenley Explorer Scout Unit	8167	562	3587		5142
Colliers Explorer Scout Unit	808	0	0		808
Croham Valley Explorer Scout Unit	1214	1150	1056		1308
Coulsdon Explorer Scout Unit	2212	1863	2574		1501
Purley Oaks Explorer Scout Unit*	5574	598	1128	-5044**	0
All Saints Explorer Scout Unit	2750	0	0		2750
Sanderstead Explorer Scout Unit*	94	0	94		0
Pinewood Seahorses Explorer Scout Unit	13713	2352	3929		12136
Purley Cross Explorer Scout Unit	859	262	452		669
Pheonix Explorer Scout Unit	699	0	0		699
Crystal Palace Explorer Scout Unit	4925	1118	2357		3686
Total	41015	7905	15177	-5044	28699

*Units closed

**Amount transferred to CDSC Group Development Designated Fund

8. Network

	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Closing balance
Croydon District Scout Network	801	0	0	801

8.Camp2020

Camp2020 cancelled due to Covid-19. Deposits from groups were returned. Agreement was received that monies received from other sources could be utilised for other scouting purposes with the exception of the £10,000 received from the Green Fund which was returned in January 2021 and shown as a liability in the balance sheet of these accounts. All payments made in respect of costs for Camp2020 have been written off.

9. Debtors

This represents the amount paid for the hire of venue for the 2020 AGM which was held online due to Covid-19.

10. Liabilities

As per note 8 the £10,000 represents the amount repaid to the Green Fund in January 2021.