1ST EASTHAMPSTEAD (ST MICHAEL'S) SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales · Charity number 287924

Details

Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1983-10-05
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	Scout Association The Westwick Hall Wildridings Road Bracknell RG12 7WP
Phone	01344 485915
Email	info@fesg.org.uk
Website	fesg.org.uk

Activities

Objects: TO PROMOTE THE DEVELOPMENT OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN ACHIEVING THEIR FULL PHYSICAL, INTELLECTUAL, SOCIAL AND SPIRITUAL POTENTIALS AS INDIVIDUALS, AS RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS AND AS MEMBERS OF THEIR LOCAL, NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITIES.

Activities: Scouting actively engages and supports young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Education/training, Economic/community Development/employment, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- Northern Ireland
- Scotland
- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£34,889	£34,757	-	-
2024-03-31	£40,948	£35,787	-	-
2023-03-31	£33,563	£28,577	-	-
2022-03-31	£38,026	£21,524	-	-
2021-03-31	£5,779	£12,767	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
SIMON JAMES RIDGEON	Chair	
GEORGINA CARYS TOMKINS		2015-07-10
Graham Douglas Ruddock		2019-09-07
JEANETTE LOUISE GODSELL		2014-07-08
JONATHAN MARK SMITH		2015-07-10
Jill Ridgeon		2015-07-10
KIM PAPPS		2015-07-10
PETER ANTHONY GODSELL		
Phillip James Clark Wood		2015-07-10
Robert Sartori		2019-05-21
Simon Graham Ruddock		2020-03-31
Stuart Lindsey		2019-01-15

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1st Easthampstead (St Michael's) Scout Group Trustees' Annual Report

For the period from

1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025

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The Chairperson during the report period was: Simon Ridgeon

The Treasurer was: Graham Ruddock

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TRUSTEE NAME	OFFICE HELD	DATE ACTED IF NOT FOR WHOLE YEAR
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Appointed		
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Graham Ruddock	Treasurer	
Kim Papps	Cub Section Lead	
Simon Ruddock	Scout Section Lead	
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Jeanette Godsell	Trustee	
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Co-opted		
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- **Reduction or loss of leaders –** The Group is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the Group. If there was a reduction in the numbers of leaders to an unacceptable level in a particular section or the Group as a whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section. In the worst-case scenario, the complete closure of the Group.
- **Reduction or loss of member –** The Group provides activities for all young people aged 6 to 18. If there was a reduction in membership in a particular section or the Group as a whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section. In the worst-case scenario, the complete closure of the Group.

The Group has in place systems of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss, these include 2 signatories for all bank payments and comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

3 Section C. Objectives and Activities

3.1 Summary of the objectives of the charity set out in its governing document

The Purpose of Scouting - Our purpose is to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.

The Values of Scouting - As Scouts we are guided by these values:
Integrity - We act with integrity; we are honest, trustworthy and loyal.
Respect - We have self-respect and respect for others.
Care - We support others and take care of the world in which we live.
Belief - We explore our faiths, beliefs and attitudes.
Co-operation - We make a positive difference; we co-operate with others and make friends.

The Scouting Method - Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together based on the values of Scouting and:

- enjoy what they are doing and have fun;
- take part in activities indoors and outdoors;
- learn by doing;
- share in spiritual reflection;
- take responsibility and make choices;
- undertake new and challenging activities;
- make and live by their Promise.

Public benefit statement

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

4 Section D. Achievements and performance

Our sections have been actively engaging in an amazingly diverse range of activities, both within and outside the hall, allowing our members to access a raft of activities that they may not be able to access outside of scouting.

Group numbers on the census date on January 31st, our group experienced a decline again in membership, again reaching its lowest count since 2018. Addressing this decline has been a priority, and as a group pleased that our leadership team has been proactive in implementing strategies to boost our numbers. Initiatives such as 'bring a friend,' clearing the waiting list, and an upcoming local community outreach through posters and flyers have already shown promising results in increasing our membership, although further efforts are needed to ensure the group's stability.

5 Section E. Financial Review

5.1 Statement on the charity's policy on reserves

The Group's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the Group, should income and fundraising activities fall short. The Group Trustee Board considers that the Group should hold a sum equivalent to 12 months running cost in reserves, circa £11,000.

The Group held reserves of approximately £46,000 against this end at year. This is above the level required for operating expenses; however, this can be explained by the group continuing to hold (c. £25,000 - £30,000) due to the risk of repairs to the scout hall roof, the remainder has been held from increased fundraising, increased saving for forecasted increase in running costs and building reserves for spend against things such as the hall due to its age. Also, (£2,000) of the reserve is in a restricted fund for disadvantaged members.

It should also be noted that the group continues to monitor and plan ahead to ensure that the group remains financially stable without large impacts having to be passed to our members.

5.2 Details of any fund materially in deficit

The Group does not have any funds in a deficit position.

5.3 Investment Policy

The Group does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer-term investments. The Group has therefore adopted a risk averse strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or building societies. Due to the increase in the Group's reserves, the Trustee Board have begun to look at possible options for more effective "storage" of funds to best make use of increasing interest rates, however as of the 31st March 2025 nothing has yet been acted on.

The Group Trustees regularly monitors the levels of bank balances, and the interest rates received to ensure the Group obtains maximum value and income from its balancing arrangements. Occasionally this may involve using an account that requires a period of notice before funds may be withdrawn. Before doing so the Group Trustees will consider the cash flow requirements of the Group

6 Section G. Declaration

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

Signed for and on behalf of the 1st Easthampstead (St Michael's) Scout Group Trustees

Signature		
Full Name	Simon Ridgeon	Phillip Wood
Position	Chair	Trustee
Date	28/08/25	28/08/25

Treasurer's Report.

1st Easthampstead Scout Group
As at 31 March 2025

Introduction

Membership numbers and subscriptions remained about the same as in the year before. Our variety of activities continued, although there was no summer Scout camp in 24/25. Income dropped compared with 23/24. In addition, some costs were carried over from 23/24. Overall, income in 24/25 slightly exceeded costs.

2024/25 Financial Year Accounts

The credit balance of just £133 clearly requires a review of our income and expenditure for next year.

We have four main sources of income: (1) Subscriptions (about half of which is our membership fees to the Scout Association for their running costs); (2) Activity fees, which are intended to cover the additional costs of events, such as watersports, hire of non-FESG facilities, or camps; (3) gifts; and (4) fundraising.
The Group's income again benefitted from running a F&B stall at a local school football competition, this time raising some £5,000 after expenses. We also received donations after having helped at the Bracknell half-marathon, the Remembrance Day parade and gifts for packing for Christmas shoppers at Waitrose.
In 24/25, we also received £2,000 via HMRC as Gift Aid.

Income for FESG activities dropped to £8,260 (from £13,000), but the costs were £11,400 (£12,100 in 23/24). However, costs of over £3,000 were for 23/24 expenditure. Maintenance & running costs of Westwick Hall rose by £2,800 compared to 23/24 (1 item cost £2,500), while Minibus costs fell by nearly £2,300. Minibus income fell by £900, but hire of Westwick Hall rose by £400. Most other items were comparable or risen as expected.

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Assets and Liabilities

	31 Mar 2025		Notes	31 Mar 2024	
Current Financial Assets	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	01	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds
Cash Funds					
Cash-in-hand	£ 150	£ 0		£ 69	£ 0
Equals Money Card Account	£ 1,507	£ 0		£ 1,285	£ 0
FESG Investment Bank Account	£ 34,482	£ 2,000	01	£ 34,079	£ 2,000
FESG Manager's Bank Account	£ 10,271	£ 0		£ 10,611	£ 0
Total Cash Funds	**£ 46,410**	**£ 2,000**		**£ 46,045**	**£ 2,000**
Liabilities					
Minibus Deposits	£ (232)	£ 0	02	£ (300)	£ 0

Assets for FESG's Own Use	**31 Mar 2025**	Notes 03	**31 Mar 2024**
Westwick Hall and Site	£ 423,079		£ 423,079
Hall, Office and Computer Equipment	£ 7,675		£ 7,675
Camping Equipment	£ 2,345		£ 2,345
Other Equipment	£ 2,286		£ 2,286
Minibus	£ 10,000		£ 10,000
Total Value of FESG Assets	**£ 445,385**		**£ 445,385**

01: See all Numbered Notes on Page 3

24/25 Categorised Statement of Receipts and Payments

1st Easthampstead Scout Group

For the year ended 31 March 2025

Cash Basis

Activity Income less Directly Related Costs	FY 2024/25 Unrestricted Funds	FY 2024/25 Restricted Funds	Notes 04	FY 2023/24 Unrestricted Funds	FY 2023/24 Restricted Funds
Member Subscriptions					
Income from FESG Member Subscriptions	£ 11,100	£ 0		£ 11,196	£ 0
Cost of District Capitation Precept	£ (5,752)	£ 0	05	£ (5,747)	£ 0
Net Member Subscriptions	**£ 5,347**	**£ 0**		**£ 5,449**	**£ 0**
FESG Activities					
Income for FESG Activities	£ 8,257	£ 0		£ 13,037	£ 0
Cost of FESG Activities	£ (11,414)	£ 0	06	£ (12,133)	£ 0
Cost of Group Badges and Uniforms	£ (904)	£ 0	07	£ (1,151)	£ 0
Income for FESG Investitures	£ 494	£ 0		£ 510	£ 0
Cost of FESG Investitures and Uniforms	£ (150)	£ 0	07	£ 0	£ 0
Net Total FESG Activities	**£ (3,717)**	**£ 0**		**£ 263**	**£ 0**
Non-FESG Activities					
Income for Non-FESG Scouting Activities	£ 150	£ 0	08	£ 567	£ 0
Cost of Non-FESG Scouting Activities	£ 0	£ 0		£ 0	£ 0
Net Total Non-FESG Activities	**£ 150**	**£ 0**		**£ 567**	**£ 0**
Hiring FESG Assets					
Income for Minibus Use	£ 2,655	£ 0		£ 4,538	£ 0
Cost of Minibus	£ (1,739)	£ 0	09	£ (3,994)	£ 0
Income from Hiring Hall or Equipment	£ 1,839	£ 0		£ 1,446	£ 0
Cost of Hiring Hall or Equipment	£ (10)	£ 0		£ 0	£ 0
Net Total Hiring FESG Assets	**£ 2,745**	**£ 0**		**£ 1,990**	**£ 0**
Fundraising					
Income from Fundraising Events	£ 6,825	£ 0	10	£ 6,064	£ 0
Cost of FESG Fundraising	£ (1,569)	£ 0		£ (2,217)	£ 0
Net Total Fundraising	**£ 5,256**	**£ 0**		**£ 3,847**	**£ 0**
Gifted Income					
Income from Gifts	£ 78	£ 0		£ 120	£ 0
Income from Small Unassigned Gifts	£ 841	£ 0	11	£ 795	£ 0
Grants and One-off Payments	£ 0	£ 0	12	£ 2,300	£ 0
Income from Gift Aid	£ 2,011	£ 0	11	£ 0	£ 0
Cost of Gifts Made by FESG	£ (33)	£ 0		£ (151)	£ 0
Net Total Gifted Income	**£ 2,898**	**£ 0**		**£ 3,064**	**£ 0**
Other Income and Costs					
Interest Received	£ 402	£ 0		£ 375	£ 0
Banking Fees	£ (834)	£ 0		£ (851)	£ 0
All Other Income	£ 237	£ 0		£ 0	£ 0
Net Total Other Income	**£ (195)**	**£ 0**		**£ (476)**	**£ 0**
Total Activity Related Income	**£ 34,889**	**£ 0**		**£ 40,949**	**£ 0**
Total Directly Related Costs	**£ (22,405)**	**£ 0**		**£ (26,245)**	**£ 0**
Total Activity Income less Directly Related Costs	**£ 12,484**	**£ 0**		**£ 14,704**	**£ 0**

Asset Sales and Purchases	FY 2024/25 Unrestricted Funds	FY 2024/25 Restricted Funds	Notes	FY 2023/24 Unrestricted Funds	FY 2023/24 Restricted Funds
Asset Sales less Asset Purchases			01		
Income from Sale of FESG Equipment	£ 0	£ 0	13	£ 0	£ 0
Cost of FESG Equipment	£ (1,282)	£ 0		£ (1,065)	£ 0
Total Asset Sales less Asset Purchases	**£ (1,282)**	**£ 0**		**£ (1,065)**	**£ 0**
Cost of Overheads			14		
Cost of FESG Administration	£ (553)	£ 0		£ (727)	£ 0
Cost of Running Westwick Hall	£ (3,321)	£ 0		£ (3,175)	£ 0
Cost of Repairs & Maintenance of Westwick Hall	£ (4,751)	£ 0		£ (1,974)	£ 0
Cost of Insurance	£ (1,107)	£ 0	09	£ (937)	£ 0
Cost of Group Leader Training	£ 0	£ 0		£ 0	£ 0
Cost of AGM, Trustee & Leader Mtgs and Workdays	£ (372)	£ 0		£ (331)	£ 0
Costs and Fees for Accountancy and Auditing	£ (615)	£ 0	15	£ (1,147)	£ 0
Costs and Fees for Legal and Consultancy Advice	£ 0	£ 0		£ 0	£ 0
All Other Costs	£ (350)	£ 0		£ (187)	£ 0
Total Cost of Overheads	**£(11,069)**	**£ 0**		**£ (8,477)**	**£ 0**
Total All Income	**£ 34,889**	**£ 0**		**£ 40,949**	**£ 0**
Total All Costs	**£(34,757)**	**£ 0**		**£(35,787)**	**£ 0**
Gross Surplus (Loss)	**£ 133**	**£ 0**		**£ 5,161**	**£ 0**

Notes:

01: The Charity Commission requires Restricted and Unrestricted Funds and Asset Sales less Asset Purchases to be reported separately. We have a £2,000 legacy that has restrictions on its use. These funds are saved in our Investment bank account. There was no recorded spending related to the Restricted Fund in 24/25.

02: Minibus deposits are credited to our bank account until they are repaid. They do not appear in the accounts Surplus.

03: Value of FESG Assets based on earlier insurance replacement valuations. Assessment of depreciation is not required. No revaluation undertaken in 2023/24 or 2024/25.

04: Reporting is based on a Receipts and Payments (or Profit & Loss) statement, but related Income and Expenditure items have been grouped together to help understand and compare where money has been collected and spent.

05: £5752 passed on to District to be members of The Scout Association (our annual Membership Fee {was Capitation}).

06: These are directly related costs only. Although similar to 23/24, this includes a 23/24 camp site fee of £2,900 (charged very late, in July 24) and several 23/24 end-of-year expense submissions, which were not paid until April 24.

07: Badges and investiture items are bought in bulk, but distributed as and when required in the same or later years.

08: These are payments processed by FESG for events organised by other Scout groups or associations.

09: Maintenance costs of Minibus and Warwick Hall depend on need and can vary significantly between year to year

10: Mostly related to Food & Beverage stall at local football competition.

11: Small gifts separated for Gift Aid purposes. Gift Aid was received this year.

12: 23/24 amount exceptional - compensation for gas supply to WWH being cut off.

13: There were no recorded sales of FESG Equipment in 23/24 or 24/25.

14: Overheads are costs that are mostly unaffected by the number of Members and the level and cost of Group activities. They approximate to our minimum operating costs as a local Scout Group.

15: Includes fees in 24/25 for accounting software and Examination of our 23/24 accounts.

The above Statements of Assets and Liabilities and of Receipts and Payments were approved by the Trustees on 28th August 2025, having been subject to an inspection by Tim Kingcott before that date. The adjusted accounts have been signed on their behalf by:

Signature	Name / Role:	Date:
[signature]	Chair	28/8/25.
G D Ruddock	Graham Ruddock Treasurer	28/8/25

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	Charity Name 1st Easthampstead (St Michael's) Scout Group
On accounts for the year ended	31st March 2025
Charity no (if any)	287924
Set out on pages	1-3

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the 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 (other than that disclosed below *)

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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:	TI Kingcott
Date:	29/7/25
Name:	Timothy Ivor Kingcott
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	ACMA ATT

Address:	Kingcott Accountants Ltd
	19 Brockenhurst Road, Martins Heron, Bracknell, Berkshire
	RG12 9FJ

Section B Disclosure

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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FOR THE PERIOD FROM

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Our sections have been actively engaging in an amazingly diverse range of activities, both within and outside the hall, allowing our members to access a raft of activities that they may not be able to access outside of scouting.

Group numbers on the census date on January 31st, our group experienced a decline in membership, reaching its lowest count since 2018. Addressing this decline has been a priority, and as a group pleased that our leadership team has been proactive in implementing strategies to boost our numbers. Initiatives such as 'bring a friend,' clearing the waiting list, and an upcoming local community outreach through posters and flyers have already shown promising results in increasing our membership, although further efforts are needed to ensure the group's stability.

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6 Section G. Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have unanimously approved the trustees' report above on the 21st August 2024.

Signed for and on behalf of the 1st Easthampstead (St Michael's) Scout Group Charity Trustees

Signature	DocuSigned by: Simon Ridgeon D150AABB2BE34BB...	DocuSigned by: Phillip Wood FB5DECB3686E459...
Full Name	Simon Ridgeon	Phillip Wood
Position	Chair	Trustee
Date	23/8/2024	23/8/2024

Treasurer's Report.

1st Easthampstead Scout Group

As at 31 March 2024

Introduction

In 2023/24, subscription rates remained unaltered and overall membership numbers also continued much the same as in the year before. However, with Covid restrictions gone, we again undertook more activities, including camps. Apart from a few areas noted here, both our income and expenditure grew steadily from 2022/23 to 2023/24.

2023/24 Financial Year Accounts

In 23/24, the Group's income again benefitted from a hot and hard weekend's work running an F&B stall at a local school football competition, this time raising over £3,800 after expenses. We also received donations after having helped at the town's half-marathon, the Remembrance Day parade and packing for Christmas shoppers at Waitrose. An unusual one-off contribution was a compensation payment of £2,300 from a local contractor who had unintentionally dug up the gas main to Westwick Hall.

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Maintenance and running costs of Westwick Hall rose by £2,100 in 23/24. The maintenance costs of the Minibus also rose by nearly £2,200. However, during the inspection of these accounts, our auditor identified a problem with how minibus deposits have been handled. Most were later absorbed as part of the payment of our invoice. This results in income showing as £544 more than expenditure. It is unclear if some deposits remain deposits and our procedures for accounting for these will be improved in future years.

With 2000 individual payments received each year, the established process of triggering most of those from parents via OSM using Direct Debits via GoCardless into our bank account remains a great convenience for both the leaders, myself and probably, most parents. We pay small processing fees for these and for our accounting software. Hitherto, GoCardless has not been charging a fee for any failed payments, but wef 1st April 2024, they have started charging a fee in such cases. This is something we will monitor in case it becomes significant.

Assets and Liabilities

	31 Mar 2024		Notes	31 Mar 2023	
Current Financial Assets	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds
Cash Funds					
Cash-in-hand	£ 69	£ 0		£ 0	£ 0
Equals Money Card Spend Account	£ 1,285	£ 0		£ 1,187	£ 0
FESG Investment Bank Account	£ 34,079	£ 2,000		£ 30,704	£ 2,000
FESG Manager's Bank Account	£ 10,611	£ 0		£ 8,992	£ 0
Total Cash Funds	**£ 46,045**	**£ 2,000**		**£ 40,884**	**£ 2,000**
Liabilities					
Minibus Deposits	£ 0	£ 0		£ (300)	£ 0

Assets for FESG's Own Use	**31 Mar 2024**	01	**31 Mar 2023**
Westwick Hall and Site	£ 423,079		£ 423,079
Hall, Office and Computer Equipment	£ 7,675		£ 7,675
Camping Equipment	£ 2,345		£ 2,345
Other Equipment	£ 2,286		£ 2,286
Minibus	£ 10,000		£ 10,000
Total Value of FESG Assets	**£ 445,385**		**£ 445,385**

01: Value of FESG Assets based on earlier insurance replacement valuations. Assessment of depreciation is not required. No revaluation undertaken in 2023/24.

23/24 Categorised Statement of Receipts and Payments

1st Easthampstead Scout Group

For the year ended 31 March 2024

Cash Basis

Activity Income less Directly Related Costs	FY 2023/24 Unrestricted Funds	FY 2023/24 Restricted Funds	Notes	FY 2022/23 Unrestricted Funds	FY 2022/23 Restricted Funds
Member Subscriptions					
Income from FESG Member Subscriptions	£ 11,196	£ 0		£ 11,381	£ 0
Cost of District Capitation Precept	£ (5,747)	£ 0	02	£ (5,754)	£ 0
Net Member Subscriptions	**£ 5,449**	**£ 0**		**£ 5,627**	**£ 0**
FESG Activities					
Income for FESG Activities	£ 13,037	£ 0		£ 9,326	£ 0
Cost of FESG Activities	£ (12,133)	£ 0	03	£ (6,945)	£ 0
Cost of Group Badges and Uniforms	£ (1,151)	£ 0	04	£ (1,317)	£ 0
Income for FESG Investitures	£ 510	£ 0		£ 354	£ 0
Cost of FESG Investitures and Uniforms	£ 0	£ 0	04	£ (195)	£ 0
Net Total FESG Activities	**£ 263**	**£ 0**		**£ 1,223**	**£ 0**
Non-FESG Activities					
Income for Non-FESG Scouting Activities	£ 567	£ 0		£ 186	£ 0
Cost of Non-FESG Scouting Activities	£ 0	£ 0	05	£ (1,521)	£ 0
Net Total Non-FESG Activities	**£ 567**	**£ 0**		**£ (1,335)**	**£ 0**
Hiring FESG Assets					
Income for Minibus Use	£ 4,538	£ 0		£ 1,515	£ 0
Cost of Minibus	£ (3,994)	£ 0		£ (1,820)	£ 0
Income from Hiring Hall or Equipment	£ 1,446	£ 0		£ 1,745	£ 0
Net Total Hiring FESG Assets	**£ 1,990**	**£ 0**		**£ 1,440**	**£ 0**
Fundraising					
Income from Fundraising	£ 6,064	£ 0	06	£ 2,430	£ 0
Cost of FESG Fundraising	£ (2,217)	£ 0	06	£ (1,263)	£ 0
Net Total Fundraising	**£ 3,847**	**£ 0**		**£ 1,167**	**£ 0**
Gifted Income					
Income from Gifts	£ 120	£ 0		£ 1,211	£ 0
Income from Small Unassigned Gifts	£ 795	£ 0	07	£ 0	£ 0
Grants and One-off Payments	£ 2,300	£ 0	08	£ 297	£ 0
Income from Gift Aid	£ 0	£ 0	07	£ 4,848	£ 0
Cost of Gifts Made by FESG	£ (151)	£ 0		£ 0	£ 0
Net Total Gifted Income	**£ 3,064**	**£ 0**		**£ 6,356**	**£ 0**
Other Income and Costs					
Interest Received	£ 375	£ 0		£ 57	£ 0
Banking Fees	£ (851)	£ 0		£ (803)	£ 0
All Other Income	£ 0	£ 0		£ 214	£ 0
Net Total Other Income	**£ (476)**	**£ 0**		**£ (532)**	**£ 0**
Total Activity Related Income	**£ 40,948**	**£ 0**		**£ 33,563**	**£ 0**
Total Directly Related Costs	**£ (26,245)**	**£ 0**		**£ (19,618)**	**£ 0**
Total Activity Income less Directly Related Costs	**£ 14,703**	**£ 0**		**£ 13,946**	**£ 0**

Asset Sales and Purchases	FY 2023/24 Unrestricted Funds	FY 2023/24 Restricted Funds	Notes	FY 2022/23 Unrestricted Funds	FY 2022/23 Restricted Funds
Asset Sales less Asset Purchases					
Income from Sale of FESG Equipment	£ 0	£ 0	09	£ 0	£ 0
Cost of FESG Equipment	£ (1,065)	£ 0		£ (1,951)	£ 0
Total Asset Sales less Asset Purchases	**£ (1,065)**	**£ 0**		**£ (1,951)**	**£ 0**
Cost of Overheads					
Cost of FESG Administration	£ (727)	£ 0		£ (581)	£ 0
Cost of Running Westwick Hall	£ (3,175)	£ 0		£ (2,414)	£ 0
Cost of Repairs & Maintenance of Westwick Hall	£ (1,974)	£ 0		£ (688)	£ 0
Cost of Insurance	£ (937)	£ 0		£ (853)	£ 0
Cost of Group Leader Training	£ 0	£ 0		£ (15)	£ 0
Cost of AGM, Trustee & Leader Mtgs and Workdays	£ (331)	£ 0		£ (286)	£ 0
Costs and Fees for Accountancy and Auditing	£ (1,147)	£ 0	10	£ (1,135)	£ 0
Costs and Fees for Legal and Consultancy Advice	£ 0	£ 0		£ (687)	£ 0
All Other Costs	£ (187)	£ 0		£ (349)	£ 0
Total Cost of Overheads	**£ (8,477)**	**£ 0**		**£ (7,009)**	**£ 0**
Total All Income	**£ 40,948**	**£ 0**		**£ 33,563**	**£ 0**
Total All Costs	**£(35,787)**	**£ 0**		**£(28,577)**	**£ 0**
Gross Surplus (Loss)	**£ 5,161**	**£ 0**		**£ 4,987**	**£ 0**

Notes:

Reporting is based on a Receipts and Payments (or Profit & Loss) statement, but related Income and Expenditure items have been grouped together to help understand and compare where money has been collected and spent.

The Charity Commission requires Restricted and Unrestricted Funds and Asset Sales less Asset Purchases to be reported separately. We have a £2,000 legacy that has restrictions on its use. There was no recorded spending related to the Restricted Fund in 23/24.

Overheads are costs that are mostly unaffected by the number of Members and the level and cost of Group activities. They approximate to our minimum operating costs as a local Scout Group.

Some codes have changed from 22/23 to 23/24 to reflect the need to separate heads of income and expenditure.

02: £5754 passed on to District to be members of The Scout Association (our annual Membership Fee {was Capitation}).

03: These are directly related costs only. Although nearly twice 22/23, this omits £2,900 camp site fee (charged very late in July 24) and several end-of-year expense submissions, which were not paid until April 24 (i.e. in 2024/25).

04: Badges and investiture items are bought in bulk, but distributed as and when required in the same or later years.

05: Mostly the refund of cancelled District Camp fees.

06: Mostly related to F&B stall at local football competition.

07: Small gifts separated for Gift Aid purposes. No Gift Aid received in 23/24, but £2,011 has been received in 24/25.

08: 23/24 amount exceptional - compensation for gas supply to WWH being cut off.

09: There were no recorded sales of FESG Equipment in 22/23 or 23/24.

10: Includes fees in 23/24 for accounting software and Examination of 22/23 accounts.

The above Statements of Assets and Liabilities and of Receipts and Payments were approved by the Trustees on 21st August 2024, but were subject to an ongoing inspection at that date.
The adjusted accounts have been signed on their behalf by:

Signature	Name / Role:	Date:
Simon Ridgeon	Simon Ridgeon Chair	21/09/24
G D Ruddock	**Graham Ruddock** **Treasurer**	20th September 2024

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Section A **Independent Examiner's Report**

Report to the trustees/ members of	Charity Name 1st Easthampstead (St Michael's) Scout Group		
On accounts for the year ended	31st March 2024	**Charity no (if any)**	287924
Set out on pages	1-3		

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the 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 (other than that disclosed below *)

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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:	TI Kingcott	**Date:**	19/9/24
Name:	Timothy Ivor Kingcott		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	ACMA ATT		

Address:	Kingcott Accountants
	19 Brockenhurst Road, Martins Heron, Bracknell, Berkshire
	RG12 9FJ

Section B Disclosure

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

1ST EASTHAMPSTEAD (ST MICHAEL'S) SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 287924

Accounts

1st Easthampstead (St Michael's) Scout Group Trustees' Annual Report

For the period from

1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023

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1 Section A. Reference and Administration details

Charity name: 1st Easthampstead (St Michael's) Scout Group

Other names the charity is known by colloquially and in this document: 1st Easthampstead
Scout Group, "The Group".

Registered charity number: 287924

Scout Association's Registration Number for the Group: 10013635

Charity's principal address: The Westwick Hall, Wildridings Road, Bracknell, Berkshire RG12 7WP

The Chairperson during the report period was: Simon Ridgeon

The Secretary was: Joanna Hollis

The Treasurer was: Mark Hollis (until September 2022); Graham Ruddock (from September 2022)

1.1 Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

TRUSTEE NAME	OFFICE HELD	DATE ACTED IF NOT FOR WHOLE YEAR
Ex-officio		
Simon Ridgeon	Chairperson	
Phillip Wood	Group Scout Leader (Acting)	
Joanna Hollis	Secretary	
Mark Hollis	Treasurer	**To September 2022**
Graham Ruddock	Treasurer	**From September 2022**
Niki Toogood	Beaver Section Leader	
Kim Papps	Cub Section Leader	
Andy Thomas	Cub Section Leader	
Simon Ruddock	Scout Section Leader	
Elected		
Peter Godsell	Trustee	
Jeanette Godsell	Trustee	
Stuart Lindsey	Trustee	
Alan Papps	Trustee	
Bob Sartori	Trustee	
Tina Vine	Trustee	**To March 2023**
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Jonathan Smith	Trustee	
Liz Cox	Trustee	
Steve Turner	Trustee	
Dan Turner	Trustee	
Nominated		
Georgina Tomkins	Trustee	
Jill Ridgeon	Trustee	

2 Section B. Structure, governance and management

2.1 Description of the charity's trusts

2.1.1 Type of governing document

The Group's governing documents are those of the Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, at which give authority to the Bye Laws of the Association, and the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association (POR).

2.1.2 How is the charity constituted?

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

2.1.3 Trustee selection methods

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

2.1.4 Additional governance issues

The Group is managed by the Group Executive Committee, the members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' of the Scout Group, which is an educational charity. As charity trustees they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities. This included the registration and keeping of proper accounts, and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate.

The Committee consists of 3 independent representatives, Chair, Treasurer and Secretary, together with the Group Scout Leader, individual section leaders, other leaders (if opted to take on the responsibility) and parent representation and meets at a minimum every quarter.

Members of the Executive Committee complete training within their first 3 months of joining the committee.

The Group Executive Committee exists to support the Group Scout Leader in meeting the responsibilities of the appointments and is responsible for:

- The maintenance of Group property;
- The rising of funds and the administration of Group finance;
- The insurance of property, equipment and Group finance;
- Group public occasions;
- Assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support;
- Appointing any sub committees that may be required;
- Appointing Group Administrators and Advisors other than those who are elected.

2.2 Risk and Internal Control

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The group has come out of the pandemic in a strong place, with sections being healthy in the evenings and activities that they have been undertaking.

With a relaxation of the Covid Rules for overnight stays in March 2022 all sections were able to undertake nights away events, be it a Camp or Sleepover in the Hall.

The group does need to look at its numbers in sections as the group has not yet returned to its pre Covid numbers. Work is underway to look at the sections, the groups waiting list and any recruitment work that may need to be done.

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It should also be noted that the group continued to review and monitor the impact of the pandemic on the groups finances and actions were commenced to ensure that the group remained financially stable during the period of the pandemic, this included the reduction in utility costs, a reduction in insurance, we were also able to obtain a number of Government grants to support the group. As we have been able to more freely meet following restrictions being removed from March 2022 we have also been able to increase the usage of our hall and minibus by other groups which has provided additional income to cover their costs that would have come out of general funds otherwise.

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Signed for and on behalf of the 1st Easthampstead (St Michael's) Scout Group Charity Trustees

Signature	DocuSigned by: 70CADEAD256E424...	DocuSigned by: Simon Ridgeon D150AABB2BE34BB...
Full Name	Phillip Wood	Simon Ridgeon
Position	Group Scout Leader / Trustee	Chair
Date	27/9/2023 | 6:46 PM BST	28/9/2023 | 11:51 AM PDT

Treasurer's Report

1st Easthampstead Scout Group

As at 31 March 2023

Scouts
1st Easthampstead

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2022/23 Financial Year Accounts

In 2022/23, post-Covid membership numbers and subscriptions continued much as before, but we were able to undertake more activities.

In 21/22 the Group's income benefitted significantly from a number of Covid-related grants, which did not carry on after April 22. However, we did receive a significant back-payment from HMRC for Gift Aid. We also continue to receive small donations and after a hard weekend's work running an F&B stall at a local school football completion, raised over £1,000.

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The 21/22 Covid grants helped fund some significant maintenance expenditure on the Hall and the Minibus. We have so far not needed to replace the Hall roof, although we are not 100% sure why it was leaking and the minibus maintenance was more routine. As a result, they did not incur similar costs in 22/23. However, some other works at the Hall and the need for a replacement minibus cannot be many more years over the horizon.

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Equals Money Card Spend Account	£ 1,187	£ 0		£ 609	£ 0
FESG Investment Bank Account	£ 30,704	£ 2,000		£ 25,586	£ 2,000
FESG Manager's Bank Account	£ 8,992	£ 0		£ 9,302	£ 0
Total Cash Funds	**£ 40,884**	**£ 2,000**		**£ 35,497**	**£ 2,000**
Liabilities					
Minibus Deposits	£ (300)	£ 0		£ 0	£ 0

Assets for FESG's Own Use	31 Mar 2023		31 Mar 2022
Westwick Hall and Site	£ 423,079	01	£ 294,172
Hall, Office and Computer Equipment	£ 7,675		£ 0
Camping Equipment	£ 2,345		£ 5,280
Other Equipment	£ 2,286		£ 700
Minibus	£ 10,000		£ 18,000
Total Value of FESG Assets	**£ 445,385**		**£ 318,152**

01: Value of FESG Assets based on earlier insurance replacement valuations. Assessment of depreciation not required.

22/23 Categorised Statement of Receipts and Payments

Scouts
1st Easthampstead

1st Easthampstead Scout Group
For the year ended 31 March 2023
Cash Basis

Activity Income less Directly Related Costs	FY 2022/23 Unrestricted Funds	FY 2022/23 Restricted Funds	Notes	FY 2021/22 Unrestricted Funds	FY 2021/22 Restricted Funds
Member Subscriptions					
Income from FESG Member Subscriptions	£ 11,381	£ 0		£ 11,813	£ 0
Cost of District Capitation Precept	£ (5,754)	£ 0	02	£ (5,432)	£ 0
Net Member Subscriptions	**£ 5,627**	**£ 0**		**£ 6,381**	**£ 0**
FESG Activities					
Income for FESG Activities	£ 9,326	£ 0		£ 7,872	£ 0
Cost of FESG Activities	£ (6,945)	£ 0	03	£ (5,058)	£ 0
Cost of Group Badges and Uniforms	£ (1,317)	£ 0	04	£ (946)	£ 0
Income for FESG Investitures	£ 354	£ 0		£ 0	£ 0
Cost of FESG Investitures	£ (195)	£ 0	04	£ 0	£ 0
Total FESG Activities	**£ 1,223**	**£ 0**		**£ 1,868**	**£ 0**
Non-FESG Activities					
Income for Non-FESG Scouting Activities	£ 186	£ 0		£ 0	£ 0
Cost of Non-FESG Scouting Activities	£ (1,521)	£ 0	05	£ 0	£ 0
Total Non-FESG Activities	**£ (1,335)**	**£ 0**		**£ 0**	**£ 0**
Hiring FESG Assets					
Income for Minibus Use	£ 1,515	£ 0		£ 1,083	£ 0
Cost of Minibus	£ (1,820)	£ 0		£ (4,745)	£ 0
Income from Hiring Hall or Equipment	£ 1,745	£ 0		£ 230	£ 0
Total Hiring FESG Assets	**£ 1,440**	**£ 0**		**£ (3,432)**	**£ 0**
Fundraising					
Income from Fundraising	£ 2,430	£ 0	06	£ 0	£ 0
Cost of FESG Fundraising	£ (1,263)	£ 0	06	£ 0	£ 0
Total Fundraising	**£ 1,167**	**£ 0**		**£ 0**	**£ 0**
Gifted Income					
Income from Gifts	£ 1,211	£ 0		£ 1,187	£ 0
Income from Gift Aid	£ 4,848	£ 0	07	£ 0	£ 0
Grants	£ 297	£ 0	08	£ 21,273	£ 0
Total Gifted Income	**£ 6,356**	**£ 0**		**£ 22,460**	**£ 0**
Other Income and Costs					
Interest Received	£ 57	£ 0		£ 2	£ 0
Bank Fees	£ (803)	£ 0		£ (564)	£ 0
All Other Income	£ 214	£ 0		£ 0	£ 0
Total Other Income	**£ (532)**	**£ 0**		**£ (561)**	**£ 0**
Total Activity Related Income	**£ 33,563**	**£ 0**		**£ 43,461**	**£ 0**
Total Directly Related Costs	**£ (19,618)**	**£ 0**		**£ (16,744)**	**£ 0**
Total Activity Income less Directly Related Costs	**£ 13,946**	**£ 0**		**£ 26,717**	**£ 0**

Asset Sales and Purchases	FY 2022/23 Unrestricted Funds	FY 2022/23 Restricted Funds	Notes	FY 2021/22 Unrestricted Funds	FY 2021/22 Restricted Funds
Asset Sales less Asset Purchases					
Income from Sale of FESG Equipment	£ 0	£ 0	09	£ 0	£ 0
Cost of FESG Equipment	£ (1,951)	£ 0		£ (784)	£ 0
Total Asset Sales less Asset Purchases	**£ (1,951)**	**£ 0**		**£ (784)**	**£ 0**
Cost of Overheads					
Cost of FESG Administration	£ (581)	£ 0		£ (1,441)	£ 0
Cost of Running Westwick Hall	£ (2,414)	£ 0		£ (1,568)	£ 0
Cost of Repairs & Maintenance of Westwick Hall	£ (688)	£ 0		£ (5,521)	£ 0
Cost of Insurance	£ (853)	£ 0		£ (800)	£ 0
Cost of Group Leader Training	£ (15)	£ 0		£ 0	£ 0
Cost of AGM, Trustee & Leader Mtgs and Workdays	£ (286)	£ 0		£ 0	£ 0
Costs and Fees for Accountancy and Auditing	£ (1,135)	£ 0	10	£ 0	£ 0
Costs and Fees for Legal and Consultancy Advice	£ (687)	£ 0		£ 0	£ 0
All Other Costs	£ (349)	£ 0		£ (410)	£ 0
Total Cost of Overheads	**£ (7,009)**	**£ 0**		**£ (9,740)**	**£ 0**
Total All Income	**£ 33,563**	**£ 0**		**£ 43,461**	**£ 0**
Total All Costs	**£ (28,577)**	**£ 0**		**£ (27,268)**	**£ 0**
Gross Profit (Loss)	**£ 4,987**	**£ 0**		**£ 16,193**	**£ 0**

Notes:

Reporting is based on a Receipts and Payments (or Profit & Loss) statement, but related Income and Expenditure items have been grouped together to help understand and compare where money has been collected and spent.

The Charity Commission requires Restricted and Unrestricted Funds and Asset Sales less Asset Purchases to be reported separately. We have a £2,000 legacy that has restrictions on its use. There was no spending related to the Restricted Fund in 21/22 or 22/23.

Overheads are costs that are mostly unaffected by the number of Members and the level and cost of Group activities. They approximate to our minimum operating costs as a local Scout Group.

The change of accounting package from 21/22 to 22/23 has changed some of the subsidiary accounts and some transactions may not be coded to the same accounts as before.

02: £5754 passed on to District (our annual Capitation Fee) to be members of The Scout Association.
03: directly related costs only.
04: badges and investiture items tend to be bought in bulk, but distributed as and when required.
05: refund of cancelled District Camp fees (paid, but not shown separately in 21/22) received and refunded in 22/23.
06: mostly related to F&B stall at local football competition.
07: received in 22/23, but recovered for previous years.
08: 21/22 amount exceptional - (a lot related to Govt Covid support).
09: there were no recorded sales of FESG Equipment in 21/22 or 22/23.
10: previously included in Cost of FESG Admin. No fees in 21/22 for Examination of 20/21accounts.

The above Statements of Assets and Liabilities and of Receipts and Payments were approved by the Trustees on 26/06/2023 (the date of the Executive Committee meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by:

Signature	Name / Role:	Date:
[signature]	Chair	28/09/2023
G D Ruddock	**Graham Ruddock** **Treasurer**	**28/09/2023**

1ST EASTHAMPSTEAD (ST. MICHAEL’S) SCOUT GROUP
INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF 1ST EASTHAMPSTEAD (ST. MICHAEL’S) SCOUT GROUP

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of 1st Easthampstead (St. Michael’s) Scout Group (“the Charity”) for the year ended 31st March 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report
As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (“the Act”).

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust’s accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement
I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached

Siobhan Glenister, ACA
For and on behalf of David Howard Chartered Accountants

5 The Square
Bagshot
Surrey
GU19 5AX

Date: 15/09/2023

1ST EASTHAMPSTEAD (ST MICHAEL'S) SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 287924

Accounts

1st Easthampstead (St Michael's) Scout Group
Trustees' Annual Report

For the period from

1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022

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1 Section A. Reference and Administration details

Charity name: 1st Easthampstead (St Michael's) Scout Group

Other names the charity is known by colloquially and in this document: 1st Easthampstead Scout Group, "The Group".

Registered charity number: 287924

Scout Association's Registration Number for the Group: 10013635

Charity's principal address: The Westwick Hall, Wildridings Road, Bracknell, Berkshire RG12 7WP

The Chairman during the report period was: Simon Ridgeon

The Secretary was: Joanna Hollis

The Treasurer was: Mark Hollis

1.1 Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

TRUSTEE NAME	OFFICE HELD	DATE ACTED IF NOT FOR WHOLE YEAR
Ex-officio		
Simon Ridgeon	Chairperson	
Phillip Wood	Group Scout Leader	
Joanna Hollis	Secretary	
Mark Hollis	Treasurer	
Dave Turney	Beaver Section Leader	**To September 2021**
Niki Toogood	Beaver Section Leader	
Kim Papps	Cub Section Leader	
Andy Thomas	Cub Section Leader	
Simon Ruddock	Scout Section Leader	
Elected		
Peter Godsell	Trustee	
Jeanette Godsell	Trustee	
Stuart Lindsey	Trustee	
Alan Papps	Trustee	
Bob Sartori	Trustee	
Tina Vine	Trustee	
Tim Turner	Trustee	**To September 2021**
Graham Ruddock	Trustee	
Jonathan Smith	Trustee	
Janine Tonkin	Trustee	**To September 2021**
Liz Cox	Trustee	
Steve Turner	Trustee	
Dan Turner	Trustee	
Nominated		
Georgina Tomkins	Trustee	
Jill Ridgeon	Trustee	

2 Section B. Structure, governance and management

2.1 Description of the charity's trusts

2.1.1 Type of governing document

The Group's governing documents are those of the Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, at which give authority to the Bye Laws of the Association, and the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association (POR).

2.1.2 How is the charity constituted?

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

2.1.3 Trustee selection methods

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

2.1.4 Additional governance issues

The Group is managed by the Group Executive Committee, the members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' of the Scout Group, which is an educational charity. As charity trustees they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities. This included the registration and keeping of proper accounts, and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate.

The Committee consists of 3 independent representatives, Chair, Treasurer and Secretary, together with the Group Scout Leader, individual section leaders, other leaders (if opted to take on the responsibility) and parent representation and meets at a minimum every quarter.

Members of the Executive Committee complete training within their first 3 months of joining the committee.

The Group Executive Committee exists to support the Group Scout Leader in meeting the responsibilities of the appointments and is responsible for:

- The maintenance of Group property;
- The rising of funds and the administration of Group finance;
- The insurance of property, equipment and Group finance;
- Group public occasions;
- Assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support;
- Appointing any sub committees that may be required;
- Appointing Group Administrators and Advisors other than those who are elected.

2.2 Risk and Internal Control

The Group Executive Committee has identified the major risks to which they believe the Group is exposed, these have been reviewed and systems have been established to mitigate against them. The main areas of concern that have been identified are:

- **Damage to the building, property and equipment** - The Group would request the use of buildings and equipment from neighbouring organisations such as the church, community centre and other Scout Groups. Similar reciprocal arrangements arrange with these organisations. The Group has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permeant loss.
- **Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members** – The Group through the membership fees contributes to The Scout Association's national accident insurance policy, an additional policy has been taken out to cover those parents or helpers who do not fall under the main Scout Association national accidence insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities.
- **Reduced income from fund raising** – The Group is primarily reliant on income from subscriptions and fundraising. The Group does hold a reserve to ensure that the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income. The Committee could raise the value of subscriptions to increase the income to the Group on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently.
- **Reduction or loss of leaders** – The Group is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the Group. If there was a reduction in the numbers of leaders to an unacceptable level in a particular section or the Group as a whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section. In the worst-case scenario, the complete closure of the Group.
- **Reduction or loss of member** – The Group provides activities for all young people aged 6 to 18. If there was a reduction in membership in a particular section or the Group as a whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section. In the worst-case scenario, the complete closure of the Group.

The Group has in place systems of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss, these include 2 signatories for all bank payments and comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

3 Section C. Objectives and Activities

3.1 Summary of the objectives of the charity set out in its governing document

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

The Values of Scouting - As Scouts we are guided by these values:
Integrity - We act with integrity; we are honest, trustworthy and
loyal. *Respect* - We have self-respect and respect for others.
Care - We support others and take care of the world in which we live.
Belief - We explore our faiths, beliefs and attitudes.
Co-operation - We make a positive difference; we co-operate with others and make friends.

The Scouting Method - Scouting uses a Method, which is young people, in partnership with adults:

- enjoying what they are doing;
- learning by doing;
- participating in varied and progressive activities;
- making choices for themselves;
- taking responsibility for their own actions;
- working in groups;
- taking increasing responsibility for others;
- taking part in activities outdoors;
- sharing in prayer and worship;
- making and living out their Promise.

3.2 Public benefit statement

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

4 Section D. Achievements and performance

As we came out of the 2021 lock down, the group was once again able to start face to face meetings, under Covid safe procedures, this enabled all the sections to run a varied and exciting program along with camps and other off-site activities.

The group was able to obtain a number of Covid grants from the government via the council, which meant that we were able to keep our membership subscriptions reduced during the pandemic whilst also continuing with the upkeep and developments on the Group HQ.

5 Section E. Financial Review

5.1 Statement on the charity's policy on reserves

The Group's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the Group, should income and fundraising activities fall short. The Group Executive Committee considers that the Group should hold a sum equivalent to 12 months running cost in reserves, circa £10,000.

The Group held reserves of approximately £11,000 against this end at year. This is above the level required for operating expenses, however this can be explained by the group holding £2,000 in a restricted fund for disadvantaged members.

It should also be called out that the group started to review the impact of the pandemic on the groups finances and actions were commenced to ensure that the group remained financially stable during the period of the pandemic, this included the reduction in utility costs, a reduction in insurance, we were also able to obtain a number of Government grants to support the group.

5.2 Details of any fund materially in deficit

The Group does not have any funds in a deficit position.

5.3 Investment Policy

The Group does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer-term investments. The Group has therefore adopted a risk averse strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or building societies.

The Group Executive Committee regularly monitors the levels of bank balances and the interest rates received to ensure the Group obtains maximum value and income from its balancing arrangements. Occasionally this may involve using an account that requires a period of notice before funds may be withdrawn. Before doing so the Group Executive will consider the cash flow requirements of the Group.

6 Section G. Declaration

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

Signed for and on behalf of the 1st Easthampstead (St Michael's) Scout Group Charity Trustees

Signatures	[illegible]	[illegible]
Full Name	Simon James Ridgeon	Phillip Wood
Position	Group Chair	Group Scout Leader
Date	20/9/22	29/09/22

1st EASTHAMPSTEAD SCOUT GROUP COUNCIL

Receipts and Payments Account

	From the year:		To	
	2021/22			2020/21
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS - RECEIPTS				
Receipts				
Donations, legacies and similar income				
Membership subscriptions	£ 11,813.00		£ 8,323.00	
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/Area/District)	£ 5,432.40		£ 5,892.80	
Net Membership subscruptions retained	£ 6,380.60		£ 2,430.20	
Donations	£ 1,187.30		£ 340.37	
Gift Aid				
Other similar income (Explorers)				
Sub Total	£ 7,567.90	£ -	£ 2,770.57	£ -
Grants				
Maintenance grants	£ -		£ -	
Other grants	£ 21,272.90		£ 10,000.00	
Sub Total	£ 21,272.90	£ -	£ 10,000.00	£ -
Programme and Activities				
External Activities	£ 7,872.07		-£ 7,213.70	
Sub Total	£ 7,872.07	£ -	-£ 7,213.70	£ -
Fundrasing (gross)				
Misc				
Minibus Hire	£ 1,083.30		-£ 150.00	
Scout Shop				
Hire	£ 230.00		£ 330.00	
Other (inc investiture)			£ 42.00	
Sub Total	£ 1,313.30	£ -	£ 222.00	£ -
Investment Income				
Bank interest		£ 2.42		£ 11.88
Other income	£ -		£ -	
Sub Total	£ -	£ 2.42	£ -	£ 11.88
Total Gross Income	£ 38,026.17	£ 2.42	£ 5,778.87	£ 11.88
Total receipts	£ 38,026.17	£ 2.42	£ 5,778.87	£ 11.88

	2021/22			2020/21
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS - PAYMENTS				
Payments				
Charitable Payments				
Programme and activities	£ 5,057.60		£ 594.54	
Adult support and training				

Rent				
Water & Sewage	-£ 156.32		£ 318.89	
Electricity & Gas	£ 908.90		£ 973.59	
Telephone & Broadband	£ 502.82		£ 323.89	
Insurance	£ 800.11		£ 963.93	
Repairs & renewals	£ 5,521.02		£ 3,667.42	
Materials & equipment	£ 783.59		£ 995.64	
Office stationary	£ 1,441.08		£ 530.45	
Investiture	£ 945.99		£ 662.51	
AGM and trustee expenses				
Minibus expenses	£ 4,745.21		£ 3,119.59	
Go Cardless & Worldpay Fee	£ 563.68		£ 555.27	
Other expenses	£ 410.12		£ 61.67	
Sub total	£ 21,523.80	£ -	£ 12,767.39	£ -
Fundrasing expenses				
Bag packing			£ -	
Other fundrasing costs				
Sub total	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
Total gross expenditure	£ 21,523.80	£ -	£ 12,767.39	£ -
Total payments	£ 21,523.80	£ -	£ 12,767.39	£ -
Net of receipts/(payments)	£ 16,502.37	£ 2.42	-£ 6,988.52	£ 11.88

Statement of assests and liabilities at the end of the year	**2021/22**			**2020/21**
	Unrestricted funds	**Restricted funds**	**Unrestricted funds**	**Restricted funds**
Cash funds				
Bank current account	£ 9,301.88		£ 6,330.33	
Bank deposit account	£ 16,500.07	£ 11,086.18	£ 3,578.31	£ 11,083.76
Cash/Floats / Equals Money	£ 609.06			
Total cash funds	£ 26,411.01	£ 11,086.18	£ 9,908.64	£ 11,083.76
Other monatary assets				
Tax claim			£ -	
Debts due from the County/Area/District			£ -	
Insurance Claim			£ -	
Sub total	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
Investment assets				
Investment property			£ -	
Quoted investments			£ -	
Other investments			£ -	
Sub total	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
Non monetary assest for charity's own use				
Badge Stock			£ -	
Shop Stock			£ -	
Other Stock			£ -	
Land & Buildings	£ 294,172.00		£ 294,172.00	
Motor Vehicles	£ 18,000.00		£ 18,000.00	
Scouting Equipment	£ 5,280.00		£ 5,280.00	
Other	£ 700.00		£ 700.00	

Sub total	£ 318,152.00		£ -		£ 318,152.00		£ -
Liabilities							
Accounts not yet paid					£ -		
Expenses occurred but not invoiced					£ -		
Subscriptions not yet paid					£ -		
Loans					£ -		
Other liabilities					£ -		
Sub total	£ -		£ -		£ -		£ -
Contingent liabilities and future obligations							

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on ___ ____ 20__ (the date of the Executive Committee meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by

SIGNATURE	PRINT NAME	DATE	
[signature]	SIMON RIDGEON	20/9/22	CHAIR
[signature]	MARK HOLLIS	20/9/2022	TREASURER

1ST EASTHAMPSTEAD (ST. MICHAEL'S) SCOUT GROUP
INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF 1ST EASTHAMPSTEAD (ST. MICHAEL'S) SCOUT GROUP

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For and on behalf of David Howard Chartered Accountants

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Date: 07/10/2022