



# **Annual Report 2021/22**

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# Message from our Group Scout Leader



This year has been great to see scouting back on track and seeing the young people learning Skills for Life.

This year we have got back to face to face meetings, back to doing stuff that is normal and most importantly we have got back to providing nights away experiences. The young people are bouncing back and this is a really nice thing to see.

We have also managed to do bonfire night and a jumble sale which was great to start getting back to fundraising after nearly 2 years.

I would like to say thank you to the leaders for getting back on track and continuing to provide amazing activities and events for the young people.

Thank you to the group exec as well for their behind-the-scenes work, making sure the building was ready for us to come back to and making sure we still had funds by getting grants.

Thank you also to the SASU for supporting the sections and group exec, this is a valuable team of people who help out where they can.

I would like to thank Gwyn and Esther for all their help and advice on getting the sections and SASU back up and running.

And thank you to the parents for their support and thank you to young people for making it worthwhile.

Owen Cheesmur

Group Scout Leader

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## SMUGGLERS

It has been another fun and extremely busy year at Smugglers Beavers. We have awarded loads of badges, with many of oldest Beavers going on to earn their bronze award. We've had a broad and exciting program over the last year, allowing Beavers to earn many of their activity and challenge badges. Here are just a few of the trips and activities that we've done: visited East Grinstead fire station, met the local PCSOs, visited the local church, went on a healthy eating picnic, celebrated Diwali with sparklers and model fireworks, watched a pantomime, practised our fire lighting and cooking, went bowling, played laser tag, and of course, we played lots of games and made and ate lots of food!

We have also joined in with local events! Beavers all created musical instruments, baked delicious cakes, and built amazing Lego models for the Copthorne Flower and Produce show.



At the end of the summer term, we held a joint party with Voyagers to celebrate 35 years of Beavers! We all had a great time, and even got to meet Badges the Beaver while eating our ice creams.

In November, we held a Christmas themed sleepover, where Beavers created lots of wonderful crafts, making table decorations, candle holders, and reindeer cookies. They finished the camp off with a Christmas dinner and movie (with lots of popcorn!).

This would not have been possible without the support of such an amazing leadership team, so a big thank you to: Jo (TicTak), Natalie, Ellie, Kevin, Charlie, and Harry.

Nick (Badger)



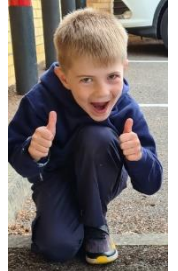


# BEAVERS

## VOYAGERS

It has been another year of change for the leadership team in Voyagers – Jade joined our team after enjoying so many of our zoom meetings during the lockdown. She was named Sky by the Beavers. We were also lucky to have two young leaders join us in December 2021 who are named Astro and Cosmo.

Voyagers had an exciting year back following the lockdown. We were determined to be outside and enjoy being back at Beavers as much as we could. We started by making some slime and doing the skittle experiment.



We practised our cycling and road safety skills. We had a lot of fun building dens in the woods. The beavers' imagination is just wonderful - secret entrances, bedrooms, fire pits and even a baby bird swing!



In July we celebrated 35<sup>th</sup> years of Beavers with a lovely joint party with Smugglers. Lots of games on the field, a bouncy obstacle course and a BBQ.



Our autumn term had even more fun activities including learning to be secret spies, designing and making robots out of junk modelling, a visit from Chino (an assistant dog), a Halloween party, and celebrated Alien's 21<sup>st</sup> birthday with a trip to Lazerworld. We also had our long awaited Winter Wonderland Sleepover which included a trip to the panto.



2022 started with a trip to St Swithun's Church followed by some cricket skills, scavenger hunts and a visit by SKF Karate. We finished the term with some Easter fun on the field.

A huge thanks to all members of the Leader Team.

Alison (Rocket)



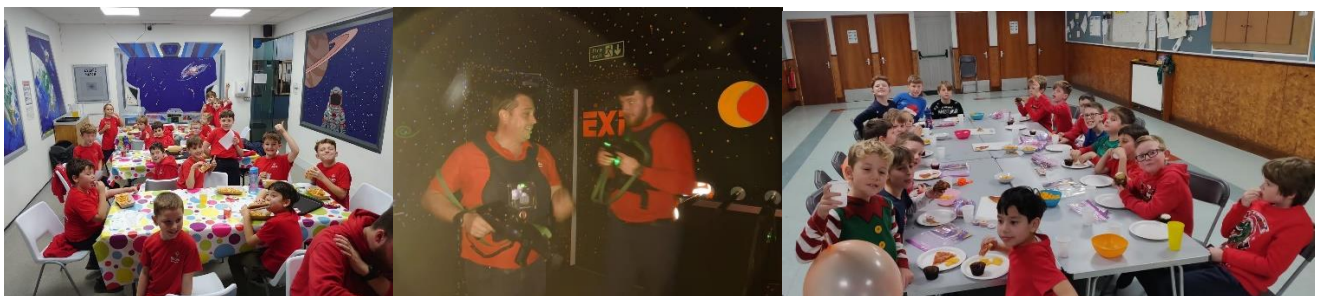


As a group we have had a very busy year involving lots of wide games outside and several outings.

Here are a few photos which show the cubs in some of their activities. As you will see even the leaders took part!

My thanks to all members of the Leader Team for all their hard work this year.

Mark (Shere Khan)





OAK

It has been another busy and fun filled year in Oak Pack, the Cubs have taken part in a wide array of activities ranging from Photography to Climbing at Blacklands! Oak have earned lots of badges this past year including, Science, Money Skills, Animal Care, Emergency Aid and Fire Safety.

The Summer term saw us getting competitive with Nerf Wars and a game of Foot Golf, we also enjoyed getting creative with Father's Day craft as well as creating robots from recycling and old clothes.

Autumn was a jam-packed term with loads of exciting activities. The Cubs impressed us with their cooking skills during our Campfire Cooking Competition where the Cubs also put into practice their fire safety skills. They all became budding scientists when we worked towards their science badge and enjoyed nights of messy science experiments, which included balloon rockets and lemon volcanos. Towards the end of the term, we visited Laser Quest where all the Cubs seemed to target the Leaders more than anyone else! We ended the term with a Christmas party with party games and turning each other into Christmas trees with tinsel.

The New Year brought new fun experiences for the Cubs; we showed our hidden talents in a talent show in which the Cubs were all very impressive. A Photography evening allowed the Cubs to take some amazing light photos using glow sticks in the dark and Oak teamed up with Ash Pack for a night of Bowling. We learned important life skills during our Emergency Services night where the Cubs learned the essential skill of calling for help in an emergency as well as mastering some basic first aid skills earning them their Emergency Aid badge. The Spring term ended with a pizza making night and the Cubs hosting a lovely Mother's Day tea.

There has been change in the leadership team this year with the arrival of Joseph (Ziggy) and Hannah (Rocky) in April who joined Carly (Akela) and Karen (Chil). Carly stepped back from the pack in February, and we would like to say a big thank you for her hard work and commitment to Oak Pack. We would also like to thank Owen, Esther and Nick for their continued support over the past couple months.

We look forward to what next year brings!  
Oak Pack Leaders.



We started the year still under covid rules and spend most of the summer term outdoors. We did nerf wars, field games, climbing, abseiling, what 3 words treasure hunt, and lightweight camp cooking .

Finally covid rules were relaxed and we were able to go on our summer camp to Walton firs Cobham. We cooked on open fires, did archery, nightline, adventure course, caving, crate stacking and frisbee golf

In the autumn term the scouts made pizzas, war hammer figures, did wide games, laser hub and completed their climber badge. The patrol leaders ran an evening and taught the scouts about their hobbies. They also went to St Omer army barracks in Aldershot and completed their mechanics badge.

In October we went to Tower hill campsite for the weekend for a survival camp. Here we built fires, which we cooked all our meals on, took part in a wide game and slept in shelters which the scouts built.

We also attended the outdoor remembrance day service at Copthorne Church. The patrol leaders and assistant patrol leaders took part in a winter walk camp. In the Spring term we did our skills badge which meant finding out about healthy eating and lifestyle choices as well as learning new skills. We went to Buchan Park and helped the rangers make fire breakers. We had a visit from a magician who taught a several tricks and finished the term with an egg fling. We had 3 scouts achieve their chief scout gold awards and they have all moved on to Explorers.

I would like to say a very big thank you to Stephen, Alaric and Owen for their continuing support and hard work.

Thank you also to the parents for your support.

We look forward to another busy year.

Esther Cheesmur



It has been another very busy year for us all in Copthorne, and Scott Troop have taken part in a range of activities.

We have done a lot of training on camp skills, due to missing out on a years' worth of camping when COVID hit us. This has included remembering how to pitch a tent, cook on Trangias, lighting and cooking on an open fire, pioneering and map reading.

Back in May 2021, we went on a walk around Copthorne and learnt about the history of certain roads and buildings. The Scouts learnt that there used to be a well in front of the Junior School, that the Dukes Head Roundabout used to be crossroads and that there used to be a hardware store and butchers in the village.

In the Autumn term of 2021, our programme included the likes of a Performing Arts night, where the Troop had to create their own campfire sketch which they then had to perform. We also had a Chef's Evening, where the Senior Patrol Leaders taught the other Scouts how to make Chilli and Rice – I think it goes without saying this was a huge success and the Scouts loved being able to have a second dinner! We finished off the term with a trip to LazerWorld, which wasn't highly competitive at all...

The start of 2022 brought Scott Troop a cooking contest (think Ready, Steady, Cook!), where they were presented with a range of ingredients and told to make a meal. The leaders were quite surprised at how well they did, and both teams did very well. We also worked on some ways that we could promote Scouting, and had an International evening where we learnt about Scouting in different countries and cultures. The Spring term ended with a trip to the bowling alley (which saw some very impressive high scores), and naturally we finished up with an Easter Egg hunt on the field.

Over the past year we were fortunate to be invited along to camps with Mallory Troop, all of which the Troop have thoroughly enjoyed! A big thank you to Mallory Troop Leaders for organising these amazing camps for the Scouts.

I also want to take this opportunity to thank everyone that has supported Scott Troop over the past year – we really couldn't have made some evenings happen without the support of fellow Leaders, parents and our Scout Active Support group. You guys are amazing!

A big thank you to my leader team too, I think I would have gone crazy a long time ago if it wasn't for Miles, Keith and Ruben being there each week to help plan and support the evenings.

Here's to another amazing year!

Becca

Scott Troop Leader





# EXPLORERS

## MATTERHORN

We have 10 Explorers in the unit, over the last year we done activities like backward cooking, climbing at volume 1 in East Grinstead, bowling with the Copthorne Rangers.

The explorers helped with the bonfire night having a sleep over on the Friday night at the scout centre.

Here are some of the planned activities for the next year - a sailing trip and summer camp at Thriftwood.



## COPTHORNE SCOUT ACTIVE SUPPORT UNIT

Our Scout Active Support members have been busy throughout the year giving much needed support to the Scout Leaders and Scout Group Executive and most of you will have seen the Black shirts with gold logos at



Copthorne's Scouting Events.

You have a tremendous team of volunteer leaders, in all the sections, of the Copthorne Group who give much more than anyone should expect to make your young people have the best Scouting experience. What they achieve can only be measured by the smiling faces of the children today and the memories and experiences your children will take with them into the future.

By giving support at activities and events during the year we enable the leaders to spend more time concentrating on the vital role for which they are trained which is, to encourage the physical, intellectual, social, emotional and spiritual development of young people so that they take a constructive place in society. What a mammoth challenge this is for our leaders and one which requires them to give individual attention to each child.

The Copthorne Scout Active Support have this year supported the Group's fund raising that makes this possible at Jumble Sales, Bonfire Night, The Carnival and the Jubilee. We have given direct help to the sections activities in the Sports Day, The Pantomime trip, and assistance at Cub Camp. Members have also given back up to section meetings and the provision of second hand uniforms to those that need them. We are, however, a small team limited by time and skills so we cannot achieve all we would like. No member of the Scout Active Support is expected to do anything. They help when they can and when they want to, but through the team communication they are able to know what help is required and when it is needed.

We need to increase our pool of members so that we can be more effective, for the benefit of your children, but unfortunately no one has come forward to join us in the last twelve months despite our efforts to advertise the important background role we can play.

As parents we must remember that all leaders are unpaid volunteers who give untiringly of their time to be trained so that they can provide the best Scouting experience. By registering with the Copthorne Scout Active Support you can, within your own limitations, support their task and show your appreciation of all that they achieve.

### **A Copthorne Active Support Member**

To register with Copthorne Active Support please contact one of organisers below:

Gwyn Cheesmur     Active Support Manager

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Stephen Hammond     Active Support Co-ordinator

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# Group Executive - Chairman's Report

The Executive committee's role is to ensure that scouting is carried out in a safe environment and with suitable equipment, to be able to offer the children a balanced and varied programme. The Executive committee takes the lead in the fundraising events and other activities throughout the year.

Fundraising in 2021 began with the village carnival where we were able to run the usual three stalls. The October jumble sale was cancelled due to concerns over COVID. The family fireworks and bonfire being an outdoor event went ahead and proved to be very successful. This year's March jumble sale was well supported by both volunteers and members of the public. There was a considerable amount of jumble collected, sold and at the end recycled.

Income from hall hire has dropped since we lost our regular hirer during COVID, Various new groups are now taking up regular spots.

The scout centre is in a good state of repair at present with some minor work on the ridge tiles to be carried out.

I would like to thank all the executive members for their hard work and support during the last financial year. I would especially like to thank John for his hard work and dedication in looking after the group's finances. John has ensured we get the best returns on our investments and worked to secure grants from various local sources.

We were able to help the cubs and scouts with providing transport for camps and supporting the leaders, who give up their own holidays, which helps in keeping the cost of camp affordable for all.

The leaders under the guidance of Owen, have given the young people a varied and challenging program over the last year. Thank you for all your hard work. As always, I have a request. Parents, please help the group by giving up some time to help. You could come along and help during a section meeting, come along and help at a jumble sale, volunteer 30 minutes of your time at the carnival, join the executive committee, or even volunteer to become a leader, we even have a small group dedicated to supporting the group known as the Scout Active Support unit, who have helped throughout the year.

Mark Hammond  
Group Chair



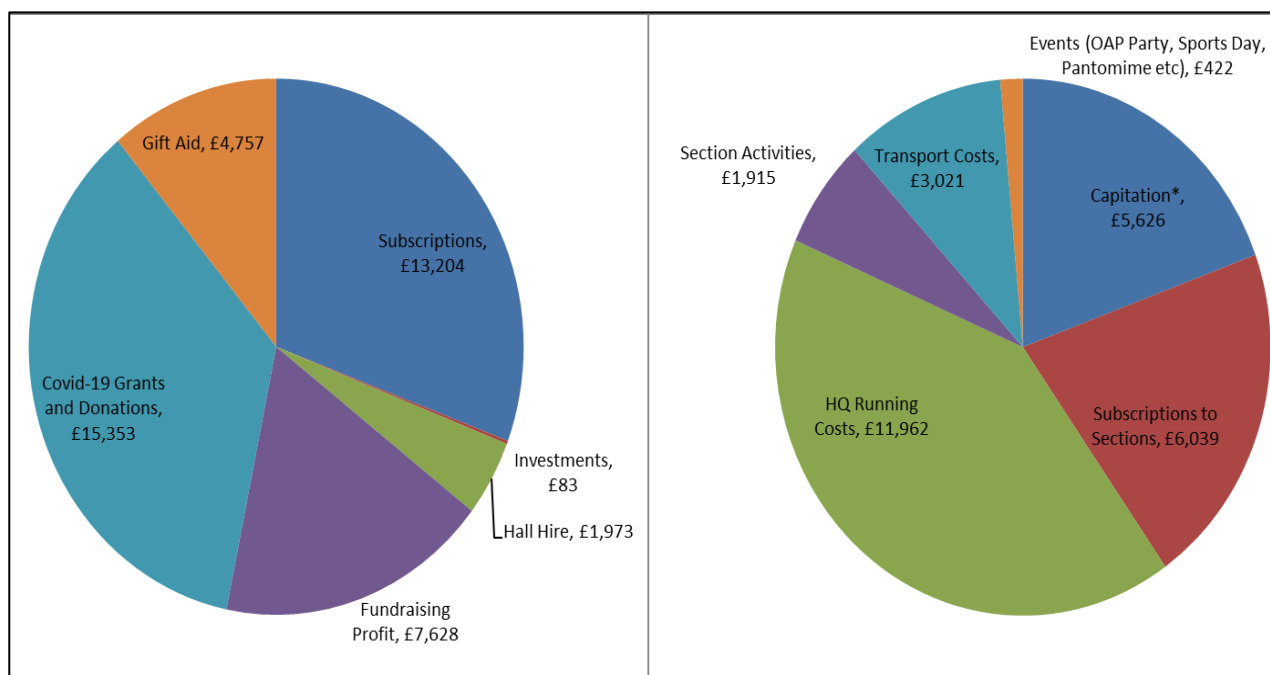
# Treasurer's Report

## 1st Copthorne Scouts Group Accounts to year ending 31st March 2022

	2021/2022		2021/2022
<b>INCOME</b>		<b>EXPENDITURE</b>	
Subscriptions	£13,204	Capitation*	£5,626
Investments	£83	Subscriptions to Sections	£6,039
Hall Hire	£1,973	HQ Running Costs	£11,962
Fundraising Profit	£7,628	Section Activities	£1,915
Covid-19 Grants and Donations	£15,353	Transport Costs	£3,021
Gift Aid	£4,757	Events (OAP Party, Sports Day, Pantomime etc)	£422
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£42,997</b>		<b>£28,985</b>
<b>Income exceeds Expenditure</b>	<b>£14,012</b>		

\*Capitation fees have to be paid to the Scout Association and to County and District

Note - the figures above exclude the section accounts but they are included in the audited accounts.



# 1<sup>st</sup> Cophthorne Scout Group

Our Group Scout Leader, Owen Cheesmur would like to say

## THANK YOU

to everyone who made this year so amazing

So Thanks go to

Our Beaver Leaders

Our Cub Leaders

Our Scout Leaders

Our Explorer Leaders

Our Young Leaders

Our Active Support Members

Our Group Executive members

Who give so freely of their time, enthusiasm and skills  
to provide so many different experiences for our young  
members.

And to all the other volunteers and parents who helped at  
Section meetings,

on activities and events and fundraising

And to all our parents/carers for your support

And finally to our wonderful

**BEAVERS**

**cubs**

**SCOUTS**

**EXPLORERS**

who make it all worthwhile!

**Young people  
are amazing.  
It's our role to  
help them  
realise this.**

Young people are the future.

They're the doers, the dreamers and give-it-a-goers.

As a volunteer you can put your skills to use and learn new ones, while giving something back to your local community.

And with full support and training, you can volunteer in way that suits you.

If you would like to find out more please contact:

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**Gwyn Cheesmur, Active Support Manager**

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**1st Copthorne**





# 1st Copthorne Scout Group Receipts and Payments Account

Year start date

Year end date

For the year from	01/04/2021	T o	31/03/2022
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## Receipts and payments

	2021/22 Unrestricted funds £	2020/21 Unrestricted funds £
<b>Receipts</b>		
<b>Donations, legacies and similar income</b>		
Membership subscriptions	13,204	6,677
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/Area/District)	(5,626)	(4,949)
Net membership subscriptions retained	7,578	1,728
Donations	2,019	1,100
Legacies	-	-
Gift Aid	4,757	-
Other similar income	20,543	3,217
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>34,897</b>	<b>6,045</b>
<b>Grants</b>		
Maintenance grant	-	-
Other grants	13,334	22,918
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>13,334</b>	<b>22,918</b>
<b>Fundraising (gross)</b>		
Jumble Sales	2,418	150
Bonfire	8,711	448
Carnival	684	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>11,813</b>	<b>598</b>
<b>Investment income</b>		
Bank interest	28	19
Building Society interest	-	-
The Scout Association Short Term	55	247
Property Rent income	1,973	4,149
Other investment income		
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>2,056</b>	<b>4,415</b>
<b>Total Gross Income</b>	<b>62,100</b>	<b>33,976</b>
<b>Asset and investment sales, etc.</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
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Youth programme and activities	24,794	3,868
Adult support and training	758	-
Rent	1,069	1,102
Water and Sewerage	-	-
Electricity and Gas	550	758
Insurance	1,016	1,084
Repairs and Renewals	7,195	6,173
Materials and equipment	204	82
Printing and photocopying	388	335
Contribution to camp costs	2,606	1,028
Uniforms	306	213
AGM and trustee expenses	150	-
Online, PRS, Licences	608	512
Miscellaneous	1,366	(684)
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>41,010</b>	<b>14,471</b>
<b>Fundraising expenses</b>		
Jumble Sales	1,067	-
Bonfire	2,928	2,500
Carnival	191	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>4,186</b>	<b>2,500</b>
<b>Total Gross Expenditure</b>	<b>45,196</b>	<b>16,971</b>
<b>Asset and investment purchases,</b>		
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>45,196</b>	<b>16,971</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>16,904</b>	<b>17,005</b>
<b>Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>90,669</b>	<b>73,664</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>107,573</b>	<b>90,669</b>



# 1st Copthorne Scout Group

## Statement of assets and liabilities

### Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	31 March 2022	31 March 2021
	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	£	£
<b>Cash funds</b>		
Bank current account	39,108	23,078
Bank deposit account	68,465	40,190
Building society account		
The Scout Association Short Term	-	27,401
Cash/Floats		
<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>107,573</b>	<b>90,669</b>
<b>Contingent liabilities and future obligations</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

In addition to the cash funds, the Group owns assets not recognised as assets above.

The major items that are not recognised above include the following :-


- \* The Group minibus (2006, 15 seat Ford Transit) and trailer for transport
- \* A lease (until 2041) over the land in Humphrey's Field comprising the site of the scout and guide centres and access thereto. The rent payable from 1 April 2020 is £1,069 per year with an increase every 5 years related to the change in the retail price index since the previous increase. The Group has entered into a sublease with Copthorne Guides at 50% of the rent payable on the same terms as the head lease.
- \* Camping and other equipment for use in scouting activities
- \* Furniture and fittings for the Scout centre, including tables, chairs, kitchen equipment and computing/video equipment.

All assets are insured for loss and other risks under insurance contracts.

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 16 June 2022 (the date of the Executive Committee meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by

Signature

Ms Hammond



Print Name

MARK HAMMOND Chair

JOHN DAWSON Treasurer



# **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of 1st Copthorne Scout Group**

I report on the accounts of the 1st Copthorne Scout Group (Charity number 291680 – "the Group") for the year ended 31 March 2022 which are set out on the attached sheets and which comprise the statement of receipts and payments for the year from 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022 and the statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year.

This report is made solely to the trustees in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Charities Act'). My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Group'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 Group and the Group's trustees for my examination work.

## **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The Group'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 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 Commissioners (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 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 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 Acthave 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.



Douglas R Logan Bsc, FCA  
Fermandy House  
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Crawley Down  
West Sussex RH10 4UB

16 June 2022



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# 1st Copthorne Scout Group

## Statement of assets and liabilities

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	31 March 2022 Unrestricted funds £	31 March 2021 Unrestricted funds £
<b>Cash funds</b>		
Bank current account	39,108	23,078
Bank deposit account	68,465	40,190
Building society account		
The Scout Association Short Term	-	27,401
Cash/Floats		
<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>107,573</b>	<b>90,669</b>
<b>Contingent liabilities and future obligations</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

In addition to the cash funds, the Group owns assets not recognised as assets above.

The major items that are not recognised above include the following :-


- \* The Group minibus (2006, 15 seat Ford Transit) and trailer for transport
- \* A lease (until 2041) over the land in Humphrey's Field comprising the site of the scout and guide centres and access thereto. The rent payable from 1 April 2020 is £1,069 per year with an increase every 5 years related to the change in the retail price index since the previous increase. The Group has entered into a sublease with Copthorne Guides at 50% of the rent payable on the same terms as the head lease.
- \* Camping and other equipment for use in scouting activities
- \* Furniture and fittings for the Scout centre, including tables, chairs, kitchen equipment and computing/video equipment.

All assets are insured for loss and other risks under insurance contracts.

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 16 June 2022 (the date of the Executive Committee meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by

Signature

Ms Hammond



Print Name

MARK HAMMOND Chair

JOHN DAWSON Treasurer



# Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of 1st Copthorne Scout Group

I report on the accounts of the 1st Copthorne Scout Group (Charity number 291680 – "the Group") for the year ended 31 March 2022 which are set out on the attached sheets and which comprise the statement of receipts and payments for the year from 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022 and the statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year.

This report is made solely to the trustees in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Charities Act'). My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Group'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 Group and the Group's trustees for my examination work.

## Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Group'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 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 Commissioners (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 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 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 Acthave 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.



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16 June 2022