

## Group Treasurer's Report to Trustees and Financial Review to Year End 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

### Review of Year.

#### Building Works

The Kitchen Refit is nearing completion with Stuart and Darren having done most of the work. The costs to date are £8640 with an anticipated further spend of £2000. We received a grant from Conran Energy Ltd for £1000.

We have sufficient funds in reserve to commence the other projects, and we can be confident of raising any shortfall to progress the major works.

#### Fuel Prices

We renewed our annual contract for the Boat Base with British Gas and we are in receipt of a credit (£160) for the Boat Base as a single-fuel consumer. We do not yet know how the new subsidy scheme will affect us. We received grants from ASDA and Oxfordshire County Council to mitigate the rising costs of Gas and Electricity and it was agreed to use this funding to set up a Bursary for those members facing particular difficulties,

#### Subscriptions

The Subscriptions received for this year (£15912) just meet our current running costs. We had, in addition, £96 in outstanding subs.

Based on our fuel usage for this year and an increase in other costs, it is likely that we will need to consider an increase in the termly Subs. Our membership varies from 110 to 115 so, taking the middle figure of 112, we should increase the Subs to £50.

We are now able to offer the option of paying subs in 10 monthly instalments by Standing Order. The S.O. would be monthly from September to June and could be subject to a discount. £15 each month may be more manageable than £50 three times a year.

**Fund Raising** This year we were able to take full advantage of our big fund-raising events – Abingdon Marathon & Fireworks Display. Abingdon Marathon netted us £2261 and the Fireworks netted £6018.

**White Horse Community Lottery** and **easyfundraising** are the two regular income streams for fund raising. Unfortunately, Amazon Smile has now finished and we would hope that more people will register with **easyfundraising** to make up the shortfall.

**RN Scheme Grant** The RN Scheme created a training grant, for this year only, from funds previously allocated to RN Camps. We applied for MIDAS training, CCBM training, and RYA Powerboat/ Safety and RYA First Aid. The training will enable us to deliver a full programme of activities for the Group.

## Financial Position

The Group continues to maintain a strong financial position with our normal activities now fully re-instated.

**Core Costs** Our Gas and Electricity costs continue to rise and it is important that the usage is closely monitored to avoid any excessive use. Our other costs are reflecting our usage and the current rates of inflation.

**Receipts** Our main source of receipts is the Subs we get each term - **£15912** - and Gift Aid - **£2545**. We received a grant from Conran Energy Ltd towards the kitchen re-fit. Grants have also been received from ASDA and Oxfordshire Communities Foundation on behalf of Oxfordshire County Council of £800 and £704 respectively.

The RN Sea Scout fund made monies available for Adult Training. We spent on 4 MIDAS trained drivers, and a Certificate of Community Boat Management. We also spent on courses for Power Boat, First Aid and RYA Safety and we will now be able to run sailing sessions again.

We also received several payments for the use of the Hall, equipment, and the Boat Base at Binsey. We have continued to meet our obligations within our receipts detailed above.

**Expenditure** Our major running expenses have been the Capitation Fees - **£5885** - and Insurances - **£4188**. Our major expenditure has been the re-fit of the kitchen.

**Boating Equipment** We bought a 12' pioner to be named '**Falcon**' for use with our electric outboard though unfortunately we were unable to claim any RN grant for the purchase of the boat.

David Herbertson  
Group Treasurer  
April 2023

## 2nd Abingdon Scout Group

### Statement of Financial Activities

1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023

	General Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	2021/22
<b>RECEIPTS FROM :-</b>				
Subscriptions & Gift Aid	18313	144	18457	14906
Grants, Fundraising & Donations	17877	4214	22092	13941
Activities	11011	37	11048	4479
Other	2022		2022	1364
<b>Total</b>	<b>49224</b>	<b>4395</b>	<b>53619</b>	<b>34690</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON :-</b>				
Capitation & Insurance	10074		10074	9010
Operational Costs	8133		8133	4105
Fundraising	8444		8444	0
Activities	13092		13092	5043
Building Works	7640	1000	8640	6462
Equipment	1417		1417	4797
Administration Expenses	1727		1727	1391
<b>Total</b>	<b>50526</b>	<b>1000</b>	<b>51526</b>	<b>30807</b>
<b>NET RECEIPTS OVER EXPENDITURE</b>			<b>2093</b>	<b>3883</b>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			<b>2022/23</b>	<b>2021/22</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD</b>			<b>57994</b>	<b>54111</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>			<b>60088</b>	<b>57994</b>
<b>BALANCE SHEET</b>			<b>2022/23</b>	<b>2021/22</b>
1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023				
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>				
CAF Bank Cheque Account			16901	16920
CAF Bank Reserve Account			30415	30200
Shawbrook 60 days Notice Account			10000	10000
H S B C Cheque Account			2772	875
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>			<b>60088</b>	<b>57995</b>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>				
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			<b>60088</b>	<b>57995</b>



## NOTES ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

	General Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	2021/22
<b>BUILDING WORKS</b>				
<b>COST</b>				
1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023				
Scout HQ, Farm Road	7640	1000	8640	6462
Boatbase, Binsey	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL COSTS</b>			8640	6462
<b>EQUIPMENT PURCHASES</b>				
<b>COST</b>				
1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023				
Scout HQ Equipment	318	0	318	0
Boatbase Equipment	1099	0	1099	4797
<b>DEPRECIATION</b>				
1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023			1417	4797
<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>			0	0
<b>SUBSCRIPTIONS</b>				
<b>Operating Costs</b>			<b>2022/23</b>	<b>2021/22</b>
Insurances			4189	3500
Scout Hut Services			3130	1359
Boatbase Rent & Services			1384	1305
			8703	6164
<b>Running Costs</b>				
Activities			1193	533
Badges			1400	1902
Administration Expenses			1131	864
			3725	3299
<b>Annual Costs</b>			12427	9463
<b>Receipts</b>				
Subscriptions			15912	13610
Gift Aid			2545	1296
Less Capitation			5885	5510
			12572	9396
<b>Net Receipts Over Expenses</b>			145	-67
<b>Scout Members as at 31st January</b>			111	110
<b>Net Surplus/Deficit per Member</b>			1	-1

# Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Abingdon SCOUT GROUP

I report on the accounts of the Group for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, and related notes.

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 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:

- 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/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.

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