

1ST WOODLEY SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 300521

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1971-09-29

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

Contact

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Activities

Objects: UNIT OF THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION

Activities: Scout Organisation activities for boys and girls aged 6 years to 14 years of age

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Religious Activities, Amateur Sport, Environment/conservation/heritage, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** WOODLEY
- Wokingham

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£46,486	£53,746	-	-
2024-03-31	£43,673	£47,637	-	-
2023-03-31	£37,889	£37,442	-	-
2022-03-31	£30,599	£18,909	-	-
2021-03-31	£17,542	£10,431	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Amanda Marjorie Franklin		2018-06-16
Cheryl Wynn-MacKenzie		2024-09-06
Ian James Garner		2024-09-06
Ian Richard Nelson		2024-09-06
Keri Benham-Annetts		2024-09-06
LYNDA GRACE EVANS		
Louise Kate Lloyd		2024-09-06
Matthew Milam		2024-09-06
Richard Victor Baker		2024-09-06
Robert Jones		2024-09-06
Tarah Thumwood		2024-09-06

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 01	Month 04	Year 2024		Day 31	Month 3	Year 2025

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

1st Woodley Scout Group

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

300521

Charity's principal address

20 SOUTH LAKE CRESCENT
WOODLEY
READING
Postcode RG5 3QW

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Tarah Thumwood	Chair	From 06/09/24	Group Lead Volunteer
2	Louise Lloyd	Treasurer	From 06/09/24	Group Scout Council
3	Lynda Evans	Group Lead Volunteer	Whole year	District Commissioner
4	Keri Benham-Annetts		From 06/09/24	Group Scout Council
5	Ian Nelson		From 06/09/24	Group Scout Council
6	Matthew Milam		From 06/09/24	Group Scout Council
7	Richard Baker		From 06/09/24	Group Scout Council
8	Cheryl Wynn-MacKenzie		From 06/09/24	Group Scout Council
9	Robert Jones		From 06/09/24	Group Scout Council
10	Ian Garner		From 06/09/24	Group Scout Council
11	Amanda Franklin		Whole year	Group Scout Council
12	Wendy Boonaert		Up to 05/09/24	Group Scout Council
13	Edward Wingrove	Chair	Up to 05/09/24	Group Lead Volunteer
14	Roger Jones	Treasurer	Up to 05/09/24	Group Scout Council
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Declaration of Trust 3 rd May 1971 The Scout Group's governing documents are those of the Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, which in turn gives authority to the Bye Laws of the Association and The Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	The Scout Group is a trust established under the Scout Association rules which are common to all Scouts.
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	The Group Lead Volunteers be appointment of the Scout Association's District Commission, the Unit Leaders by appointment by the Scout Lead Volunteers and the Trustees by election of the Scout Group Council.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The objectives of the group are as a unit of the Scout Association. The aim of the Scout Association is to promote the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potentials, as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of their local, national and international communities.

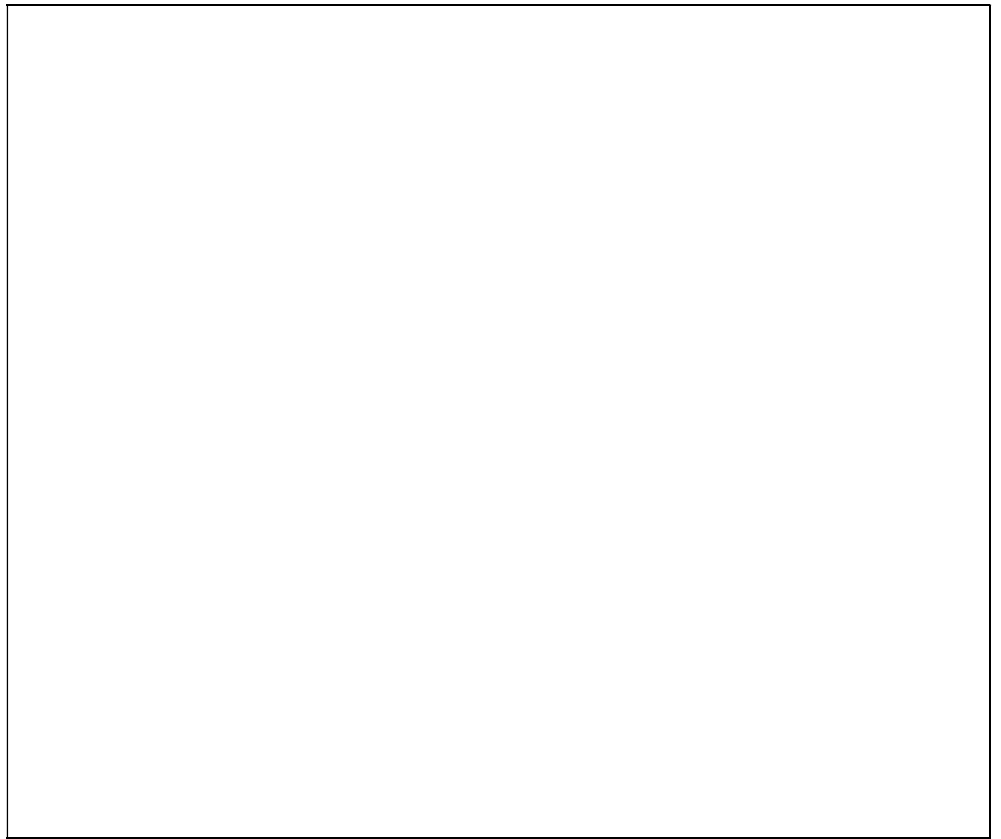
Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The method of achieving the aim of the Association is by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law and guided by adult leadership. The Group meets the Charity Commission's public benefits criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.



Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The last year has been very productive for the Group. The Beavers are increasing in numbers thanks to the second Colony. They run very interesting and diverse activities thanks to the dedicated Leaders and parent helpers. Lots of smiling faces and noise. The Cubs Packs are thriving due to the hard-working leaders who have been under pressure to provide a varied and challenging program with so few uniformed leaders. The Scout Section has had an amazing year with a very active and exciting program of interesting and active activities. The energy of the Leaders is to be applauded as week after week they challenge and guide members to learn new skills. We need more people to take up the challenge and join the very active team that we are here at 1st Woodley. It is fun, it will stretch you at times and it will repay you many times over when you see the young people thrive, grow and achieve. I am aware that we have the support of most parents on a weekly basis as parent helpers. With out that help we could not run the varied and active programs. I would like to thank all of the Leaders and Trustee Board Members without whom the Group would not function.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Scout Group has no particular policy on reserves but aims to hold sufficient funds to provide suitable case flow during the year and to meet reasonable contingencies. The Group Trustees consider that a sum equivalent to 4 months running costs, ~£8,000 would be sufficient to cover this objective.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F

Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	Louise Lloyd	
Full name(s)	Louise Lloyd	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer	
Date	18/12/2025	



Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

To

31/03/2025

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Subscriptions	11,902	-	-	11,902	9,700
Camp fees and activities	12,473	-	-	12,473	10,452
Fundraising	14,547	-	-	14,547	18,654
Gift Aid	4,561	-	-	4,561	-
Rent	900	-	-	900	900
Contributions	907	-	-	907	345
Donations	829	-	-	829	760
Bank interest	367	-	-	367	187
Grants	-	-	-	-	3,500
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	46,486	-	-	46,486	44,498
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	46,486	-	-	46,486	44,498
A3 Payments					
District Capitation	5,654	-	-	5,654	4,813
Camps & Activities	13,873	-	-	13,873	9,299
Fundraising	9,064	-	-	9,064	11,311
Premises costs	12,058	-	-	12,058	15,431
Vehicles costs	431	-	-	431	1,325
Equipment	11,210	-	-	11,210	5,414
Administration	471	-	-	471	44
Card Fees	985	-	-	985	825
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	53,746	-	-	53,746	48,462
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	53,746	-	-	53,746	48,462
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 7,260	-	-	- 7,260	- 3,964
A5 Transfers between funds					
A6 Cash funds last year end	42,067	-	-	42,067	-
Cash funds this year end	34,807	-	-	34,807	3,964

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Treasurer account - current	9,207	-	-
	Supporters account - current	6,126	-	-
	Instant Access Savings	8,604	-	-
	32 day Savings	10,270	-	-



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
1st Woodley Scout Group

**On accounts for the year
ended**

March 31st 2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

300521

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2025.

**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
- 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.

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

Signed:

N. Swanson

Date:

16/12/2025

Name:

Nakita Swanson

	Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	
	Address:	49 Trevelyan, Bracknell, RG12 8YD

Section B Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

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

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1ST WOODLEY SCOUT GROUP

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date			Period end date		
From	1 st	April 2023	To	31 st	March 2024

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name **1st Woodley Scout Group**

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) **300521**

Charity's principal address

20 South Lake Crescent
Woodley, READING,
Berkshire
Postcode RG5 3QL

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Mrs L G Evans	Group Scout Leader	Whole Year	District Commissioner
2	Mr E J Wingrove	Group Chairman	Whole Year	Group Scout Leader
3	Mr R Jones	Group Treasurer	Whole Year	Group Council
4	Mrs W J Boonaert	Executive Member	Whole Year	Group Council
5	Mrs A M Franklin	Executive Member	Whole Year	Group Council
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Description of the charity's trusts

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How the charity is constituted <i>(eg. trust, association, company)</i>	The Scout Group is a trust established under the Scout Association rules which are common to all Scouts.
Trustee selection methods <i>(eg. appointed by, elected by)</i>	The Scout Group Leader by appointment of the Scout Association's District Commissioner, the Unit Leaders by appointment by the Scout Group Leader and the Group Executive by election by the Scout Group Council, in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

- You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:
- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
 - the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
 - relationship with any related parties;
 - trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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 includes the registration, keeping proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate.

The Committee consists of 2 independent representatives, Chair and Treasurer together with the Group Scout Leader, individual section leaders and parent's representation and meets every month.

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

- The maintenance of Group property;
- The raising of funds and the administration of Group finance;
- The insurance of persons, property and equipment;
- 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.

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, property and equipment from neighbouring organisations such as the church, community centre and other Scout Groups. Similar reciprocal arrangements exist with these organisations. The Group has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss.

Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members. The Group through the capitation fees contributes to the Scout Associations national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities.

Reduced income from fund raising. The Group is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. The group does hold a reserve to ensure 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 number 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 members. The Group provides activities for all young people aged 6 to 14. 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.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The objectives of the group are as a unit of the Scout Association.

The Aim of The Scout Association is to promote the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potentials, as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of their local national and International communities.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The method of achieving the Aim of the Association is by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law and guided by adult leadership.

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

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You may choose to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

1st Woodley continues to recover strongly from the Pandemic years with steadily increasing membership, new Leaders and Helpers joining. The regrowth has also lead to much greater interaction with family groups, assisting with the planning and running of activities. Consequently it has been possible to reinstate a new Scout Troop. All sharing activities, and some of the Leaders.

The resurgence has also attracted the interest of more people willing to join the Group Executive as Trustees, which is bringing in new ideas and lessening individual burdens in running Fund Raising activities and maintenance of the Scout Premises.

Fund Raising has been quite successful this year with a good turn out for our Firework display, run in conjunction with the Rivermead School, a stall at the Town's Winter Extravaganza, and also at the Annual Woodley Carnival in the Summer. Made possible again by a solid group of Volunteer Supporters, raising significant funds for the Group, which helps keep costs of membership low. Participation in these activities is beneficial on many levels, apart from the financial receipts, the Group has a high profile in the area and does its bit in making a contribution to the social activities in the Town.

Financially the Group remains on a good footing and has been able to carry out improvements to the Kitchen area with much of the work being done by volunteers among the Leaders and Supporters. Plans are also well underway to refurbish the Ladies Toilets, which were proving inadequate for the current level of female members, and hopefully will be updated in the following Financial Year.

The Group was also fortunate to qualify for a Grant from the Scout Association in respect of setting up the new Scout Group, receiving £3,500 towards equipment, tents, gazebos and other items which make life at Camp more comfortable and exciting.

The Scouting year has been very full with units entering all of the District Competitions, attending Camps, and gaining many more awards as a result. We are fortunate to have some really skilled and enthusiastic Leaders in the Group who run exciting and challenging programs which provide training and skills not just for Scouting, but also for later life, leading to more confident, proactive, and can do individuals.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Scout Group has no particular policy on reserves but aims to hold sufficient funds to provide suitable cash flow during the year and to meet reasonable contingencies. The Group Executive considers that a sum equivalent to 4 months running costs, circa £8,000 would be sufficient to cover this objective.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);

Sources of Funds

The Group's primary source of funding is from Annual Subscriptions which fund about 55% of the operating costs of the Group. The remainder is raised by two major fund raising activities; a Catering Concession at the Woodley Carnival and a Firework Display in conjunction with a local School. Further income is received from letting space to the District Scout Shop, donations for the use of equipment, by other Scout Groups, and catering at other youth events.

- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;

Expenditure

The main outlay is in connection with the operational cost of running and maintaining the Scout Groups Premises in Woodley. These are leased from Wokingham Borough Council on a Repairing Lease basis which requires the Scout Group to meet the costs of keeping the premises in good order, as well as the heating, lighting, security, and cleaning costs. The Premises are extensively used by the Beaver, Cub and Scout Units for their basic activities, and are in use 5 evenings a week. Grants available this year have enabled the Group to start up a new Scout Troop and meet the costs of new Patrol Tents and Gazebos, as well as refurbishment of the kitchen and repairs to the Group Minibus.

- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

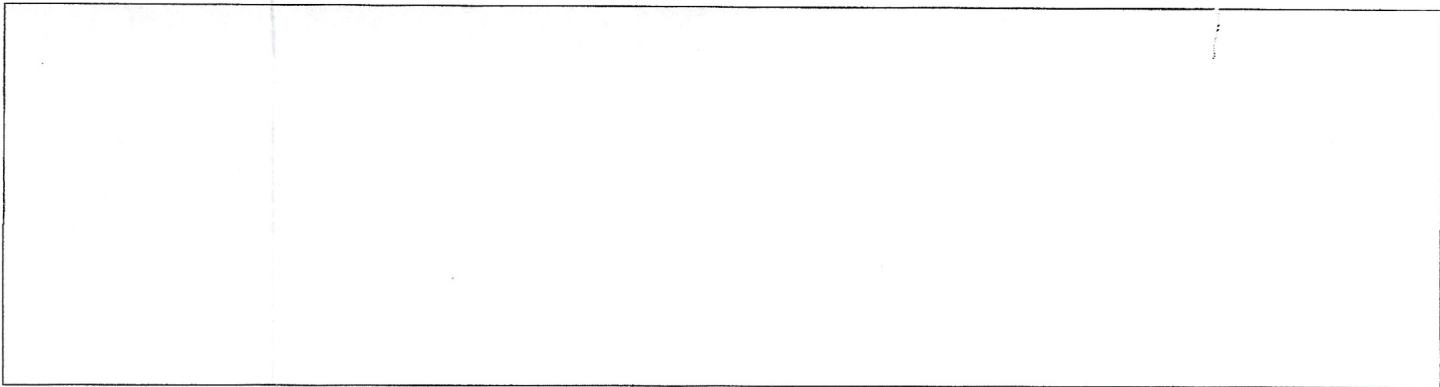
Investment Policy

The Group Executive regularly monitors the levels of bank balances and the interest rates received to ensure the group obtains maximum value and income from its banking arrangements. Unused Funds are currently held in two short term investment accounts, with the Bank, to earn interest.

The Group's Income and Expenditure is small and as a consequence does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer term investments such as stocks and shares. The Group has therefore adopted a low-risk strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks

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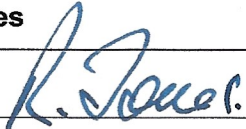
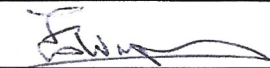
Other optional information



Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Roger Jones	Edward Wingrove
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Group Treasurer	Group Chairman
Date	6 th September 2024	6 th September 2024



Charity Name 1st Woodley Scout Group		No (if any) 300521	
Receipts and payments accounts			
For the period from	Period start date 1st April 2023	To	Period end date 31st March 2024

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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Subscriptions	9,700	-	-	9,700	8,878
Camp Fees & Activities	10,452	-	-	10,452	10,390
Fund Raising	18,654	-	-	18,654	17,029
Rent Received	900	-	-	900	900
Contributions Received	345	-	-	345	205
Donations Received	760	-	-	760	1,217
Bank Interest	187	-	-	187	11
Card Fees	825	-	-	825	741
Scout Assoc - Startup Grant	3,500	-	-	3,500	-
Covid Support Grants	-	-	-	-	-
<i>AR)</i>	43,673	-	-	43,673	37,889
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	43,673	-	-	43,673	37,889
A3 Payments					
District Capitation	4,813	-	-	4,813	4,560
Activities and Camping	9,299	-	-	9,299	11,580
Fund Raising	11,311	-	-	11,311	9,752
Permits Costs	15,431	-	-	15,431	7,321
Vehicles Costs	1,325	-	-	1,325	1,187
Equipment	5,414	-	-	5,414	2,900
Administration	44	-	-	44	142
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	47,637	-	-	47,637	37,442
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	47,637	-	-	47,637	37,442
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 3,964	-	-	- 3,964	447
A5 Transfers between funds					
A6 Cash funds last year end	46,031			46,031	45,584
Cash funds this year end	42,067	-	-	42,067	46,031

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank Accounts - Current	21,461	-	-
	Short Term Investment Account	20,006	-	-
	Cash In Hand	600	-	-
	Total cash funds	42,067	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
 	ROGER JONES LYNDA EVANS	10/7/2024 4/10/2024



Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

1st Woodley Scout Group

On accounts for the year
ended

31st March 2024

Charity no
(if any)

300521

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

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 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 43 of the 1993 Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 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 41 of the 1993 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 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:

James Sandford

Date:

25-08-2024

Name:

JAMES SANDFORD James Sandford

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

CIMA, AAT

Address:

'MALOJA', NINE MILE RIDE, WOKINGHAM, BERKS, RG40 3LU

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.

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

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1ST WOODLEY SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 300521

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

		Period start date			Period end date		
From	1 st	April	2022	To	31 st	March	2023

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name **1st Woodley Scout Group**

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) **300521**

Charity's principal address

20 South Lake Crescent
 Woodley, READING,
 Berkshire
 Postcode **RG5 3QL**

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Mrs L G Evans	Group Scout Leader	Whole Year	District Commissioner
2	Mr E J Wingrove	Group Chairman	Whole Year	Group Scout Leader
3	Mr R Jones	Group Treasurer	Whole Year	Group Council
4	Mrs W J Boonaert	Executive Member	Whole Year	Group Council
5	Mrs A M Franklin	Executive Member	Whole Year	Group Council
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Description of the charity's trusts

<p>Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)</p>	<p>Declaration of Trust dated 3rd May 1971</p> <p>The Scout Group's governing documents are those of the Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, which in turn gives authority to the Bye Laws of the Association and The Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.</p>
<p>How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)</p>	<p>The Scout Group is a trust established under the Scout Association rules which are common to all Scouts.</p>
<p>Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)</p>	<p>The Scout Group Leader by appointment of the Scout Association's District Commissioner, the Unit Leaders by appointment by the Scout Group Leader and the Group Executive by election by the Scout Group Council, in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.</p>

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

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The objectives of the group are as a unit of the Scout Association.

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Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The method of achieving the Aim of the Association is by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law and guided by adult leadership.

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

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You may choose to include further statements, where relevant, about:

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Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The Group appears to have weathered the Pandemic quite well, with memberships increasing again, as well as being able to recruit some new leaders. This has enabled us to re-open a Scout Troop and address the need to progress members who have outgrown their respective Cub and Beaver Units.

There remains a healthy interest in joining the Beaver Units, and we currently have a waiting list for entry. Some additional Leaders would enable us to take in more of these younger members.

Our activity programme has also begun to resume with involvement in District wide, Group and Unit activities being well supported. There has also been an enthusiastic take up of many online activities which have developed from the Covid days when we had to run events from our homes, and badge related events in particular, are very popular.

Limited Leadership has also resulted in an increase in shared planning and running of activities between Cubs and Scouts, and Cubs with Beavers, which is leading to a more cohesive membership group.

With the removal of Covid restrictions on gatherings, our Fundraising activities have also started to recover, starting with an excellent showing at our Joint Firework Display with the Rivermead School, which achieved our best receipts since this was started, possibly due to good weather and the fact that families wanted to get out and enjoy themselves again,

At Christmas the Scouts took part in the Town Extravaganza with a Bric-a-Brac stall, and in the Summer our Scouts operated a very successful Tombola, alongside the Group's refreshments stall.

We are fortunate to have a very dedicated core of volunteers who turn out to help run our events, and join in the fun. Several have joined our Executive Team, bringing new ideas and enthusiasm to this Group. All of which makes for a very happy and forward thinking Scout Group.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Scout Group has no particular policy on reserves but aims to hold sufficient funds to provide suitable cash flow during the year and to meet reasonable contingencies. The Group Executive considers that a sum equivalent to 4 months running costs, circa £6,000 would be sufficient to cover this objective.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Sources of Funds

The Group's primary source of funding is from Annual Subscriptions which fund about 63% of the operating costs of the Group. The remainder is raised by two major fund raising activities; a Catering Concession at the Woodley Carnival and a Firework Display in conjunction with a local School. Further income is received from letting space to the District Scout Shop, donations for the use of equipment, by other Scout Groups, and catering at other youth events.

Expenditure

The main outlay is in connection with the operational cost of running and maintaining the Scout Groups Premises in Woodley. These are leased from Wokingham Borough Council on a Repairing Lease basis which requires the Scout Group to meet the costs of keeping the premises in good order, as well as the heating, lighting, security, and cleaning costs. The Premises are extensively used by the Beaver, Cub and Scout Units for their basic activities, and are in use 5 evenings a week.

Investment Policy

The Group Executive regularly monitors the levels of bank balances and the interest rates received to ensure the group obtains maximum value and income from its banking arrangements. Surplus Funds are currently lodged with the Scout Association Charity Deposit Account, for investment.

The Group's Income and Expenditure is small and as a consequence does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer term investments such as stocks and shares. The Group has therefore adopted a low-risk strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks

Section F

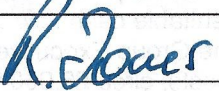

Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Roger Jones	Edward Wingrove
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Group Treasurer	Group Chairman
Date	6th December 2023	6th December 2023

The Group's primary source of funding is from Annual Subscriptions which fund the operating costs of the Group. The remainder is raised by two main fundraising activities: a Christmas Carol Concert at the Woodley Carnival and a Summer Dinner in conjunction with a local school. Further income is received from the sale of goods and services provided to the community and from the use of equipment and other Group assets and raising at other youth events.

The main liability is in connection with the contractual cost of running and maintaining the Woodley Group Premises in Woodley. These are leased from Woodley Borough Council on a Retaining Lease basis which requires the Group to meet the costs of heating the premises in good order as well as the heating, lighting, security, and cleaning costs. The Premises are extensively used by the Beaver Club and Girl Units for their basic activities and are in use throughout the year.

The Group Executive regularly monitors the levels of bank balances and the interest rates received to ensure the group obtains maximum value and income from its bank arrangements. Bank Funds are currently lodged with the Woodley Branch of the National Westminster Bank.

The Group's income and expenditure is small and as a consequence does not attract significant funds to invest in long-term investments such as stocks and bonds. The Group has therefore adopted a low-risk strategy to the investment of its funds. The funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks.



Charity Name 1st Woodley Scout Group	No (if any) 300521
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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 1st April 2022	To	Period end date 31st March 2023
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Subscriptions	8,878	-	-	8,878	5,842
Camp Fees & Activities	10,390	-	-	10,390	3,765
Fund Raising	17,029	-	-	17,029	950
Rent Received	900	-	-	900	-
Contributions Received	205	-	-	205	225
Donations Received	1,217	-	-	1,217	-
Bank Interest	11	-	-	11	103
Card Fees	741	-	-	741	252
Furlough Grants	-	-	-	-	140
Covid Support Grants	-	-	-	-	19,574
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	37,889	-	-	37,889	30,347
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	37,889	-	-	37,889	30,347
A3 Payments					
District Capitation	4,560	-	-	4,560	2,556
Activities and Camping	11,580	-	-	11,580	6,176
Fund Raising	9,752	-	-	9,752	60
Permits Costs	7,321	-	-	7,321	7,055
Vehicles Costs	1,187	-	-	1,187	1,353
Equipment	2,900	-	-	2,900	1,410
Administration	142	-	-	142	47
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	37,442	-	-	37,442	18,657
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	37,442	-	-	37,442	18,657
Net of receipts/(payments)	447	-	-	447	11,690
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	45,584	-	-	45,584	33,894
Cash funds this year end	46,031	-	-	46,031	45,584

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank Accounts - Current	31,563	-	-
	Short Term Investment Account	13,868	-	-
	Cash In Hand	600	-	-
	Total cash funds	46,031	-	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

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Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	ROGER JONES	28/9/23
	EDWARD JOHN WINGROVE	6/12/23



Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

1st Woodley Scout Group

On accounts for the year
ended

31st March 2023

Charity no
(if any)

300521

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

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 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 43 of the 1993 Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 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:
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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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Signed:

J. L. L.

Date:

20/11/2023

Name:

James Sandford

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

CIMA, AAT

Address:

*Maloja, Nine Mile Ride, Wokingham,
Berkshire, 1 R440 3LU*

1ST WOODLEY SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 300521

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date		Period end date	
From	1 st April 2021	To	31 st March 2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name **1st Woodley Scout Group**

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) **300521**

Charity's principal address **20 South Lake Crescent**

Woodley, READING,

Berkshire

Postcode

RG5 3QW

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Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

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Type of adviser	Name	Address

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The raising of funds and the administration of Group finance;
The insurance of persons, property and equipment;
Group public occasions;
Assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support;
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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The Group is now recovering from the disruption of the Covid -19 Pandemic restrictions on meetings, but some of our Leaders have subsequently left the Group, leaving us with insufficient trained and experienced Leaders to run all Units to full capacity, and there is now a waiting list for entrants at the Beaver level. The two Cub Units are sharing leaders and maintaining their planned level of activities. All Units are receiving much welcome support from parent helpers and are helping each other's Units out, consequently it has been possible to offer a full range of varied and imaginative programs for all members, and to maintain progress for all in working for their Awards.

Some new Leaders have joined the Group and have brought with them many new ideas and fresh enthusiasm. This is manifesting itself in some shared activities for Beavers, Cubs and Scouts, all enjoying similar challenges and experiences, as suiting their ages and abilities. This has Injected a much-needed burst of enthusiasm into the Group and swept away the earlier despair that the Pandemic had brought in. The Group is using this new momentum to encourage more of our parents to become more involved, either as Leaders, Helpers or as members of the Executive Committee, and to enable us to reduce the numbers on our waiting lists.

Financially the Scout Group has benefitted from a variety of Covid Grants offered through the Local Authority, and consequently has been able to meet ongoing costs and to address modifications to the premises to improve the safety of our members during meetings and reduce the risks of passing on infections. This is despite the fact we have been unable to run our main fund raising activities and have lost many membership subscriptions over the past two years. Further work to replace windows and allow better ventilation in our HQ building is scheduled for the following year.

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Investment Policy

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The Group's Income and Expenditure is small and as a consequence does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer term investments such as stocks and shares. The Group has therefore adopted a low-risk strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or The Scout Association's Short Term Investment Service (Charity Deposit Account).

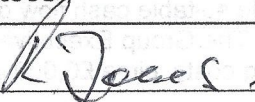
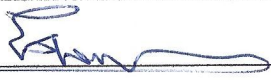
Section F

Other optional information

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Roger Jones	Edward Wingrove
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Group Treasurer	Group Chairman
Date	07/11/22	17/11/22

The Group's primary purpose is to provide a safe and fun environment for children and young people to learn and develop their skills. The Group's income is derived from the sale of merchandise and the provision of services. The Group's assets are held in a separate bank account and are used for the purposes of the Group's activities. The Group's trustees are responsible for the management of the Group's affairs and for ensuring that the Group's activities are carried out in accordance with its objectives. The Group's trustees have approved the trustees' report and the accounts for the year ended 31st October 2022.

Trustees' Report for the year ended 31st October 2022



Charity Name **1st Woodley Scout Group** No (if any) **300521**

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from **1st April 2021** To **31st March 2022**

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Subscriptions	5,842	-	-	5,842	4,610
Camp Fees	3,765	-	-	3,765	-
Fund Raising	950	-	-	950	1,005
Rent Received	-	-	-	-	900
Contributions Received	225	-	-	225	325
Bank Interest	103	-	-	103	-
Furlough Grants	140	-	-	140	702
Covid Support Grants	19,574	-	-	19,574	10,000
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	30,599	-	-	30,599	17,542
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	30,599	-	-	30,599	17,542
A3 Payments					
District Capitation	2,556	-	-	2,556	4,225
Activities and Camping	6,176	-	-	6,176	577
Fund Raising	60	-	-	60	20
Permits Costs	7,055	-	-	7,055	5,569
Vehicles Costs	1,353	-	-	1,353	-
Equipment	1,410	-	-	1,410	-
Administration	299	-	-	299	40
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	18,909	-	-	18,909	10,431
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	18,909	-	-	18,909	10,431
Net of receipts/(payments)	11,690	-	-	11,690	7,111
A5 Transfers between funds					
A6 Cash funds last year end	33,894			33,894	26,783
Cash funds this year end	45,584	-	-	45,584	33,894

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank Accounts - Current	31,727	-	-
	Short Term Investment Account	13,857	-	-
	Cash In Hand	-	-	-
	Total cash funds	45,584	-	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))



Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	ROGER JONES	16/8/22
	EDWARD WILSGRAVE	17/11/22



Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of Charity Name
1st Woodley Scout Group

On accounts for the year ended	31st March 2022	Charity no (if any)	300521
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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 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 43 of the 1993 Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 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 41 of the 1993 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 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: **Date:** 6 - 11 - 2022

Name: **James Sandford**

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any): **CIMA, AAT**

Address: MALOJA, NINE MILE RIDE, WOKINGHAM, RG40 3LU

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.

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

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