

**2ND AMERSHAM ON THE HILL SCOUT GROUP
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

Registered charity No. 300650

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Reference and administration details

Charity name : 2nd Amersham on the Hill Scout Group

Registered number : 300650

Principal address : Jubilee Scout Hall, Rectory Hill, Amersham, Bucks HP7 0BT

Trustees who served during the year :

Chairman : Tim Sleet
Group Scout Leader : Nardine Blue
Former Treasurer : Pieter Ferwerda
New Treasurer: Michelle Steiger

Structure, governance and management

The Charity's Governing Document is Chapter 3 of The Scout Association Policy, Organisation and Rules, which deals specifically with individual Scout Groups.

The Charity is a Scout Group consisting of approximately 200 members, including leaders and helpers. The Group consists of two Scout Troops, three Cub Packs and two Beavers Colonies.

Trustees are appointed or reappointed at the Annual General Meeting, or co-opted during the year and their appointment confirmed at the Annual General Meeting.

Objectives and activities

The main objective of the 2nd Amersham on the Hill Scout Group is to provide scouting activities for young people in the Amersham area. This objective has been successfully achieved.

During the year, these sections meet weekly during school term time. In addition to meetings at the Jubilee Scout Hall, activities of a Scouting nature are organised both during term time and the school holidays.

Main achievements and performance

The group held all its scheduled meetings and activities during the year, when permitted to do so taking into consideration Covid restrictions.

Activities included camps, night hikes, water and sporting activities. Scouts, Cubs and Beavers are also encouraged to make a contribution to the local community. All activities are organised by leaders and parents who are unpaid volunteers. The Trustees, who form the Executive Committee, are also unpaid volunteers.

The construction of the new scout hall was completed in the year and the keys were provided to the Scout Group in December 2020. Due to Covid the hall was not used until April 2021. The new hall is an outstanding asset for the Scout Group and the local community.

Financial Review

Details of the group's income and expenditure are shown in the accompanying accounts. The receipts and payments related to rebuilding the scout hut are reported in the New Build category.

Running the Group

The total receipts for the year were £41,635, excluding New Build related receipts. This comprised £8,139 membership subs (after deducting the Misbourne Council charges of £9,699), investment income of £192, and donations, gift aid and a small amount of minibus income totalling £33,305. This is £16,002 less than the receipts of £57,637 in the previous year.

The lower receipts compared to the previous year is due to the subs of £17,838 being £14,690 lower than the previous year (£32,528). There were approximately 30 less members during the year concerned than the previous year and Covid also had an impact on subs taken.

In addition, there was no income from hall lettings due to the rebuilding of the hall or any contributions to activities. Income from hall lettings was £5,369 and contributions to activities £7,570 in the previous year.

The lower receipts from the above were partially offset by donations of £10,238 in the year.

The cost of premises (£8,402), activities (£654), admin expenses (£255), equipment (£1,514) and sundries (£3,140) were all down compared to last year (a reduction of £20,305).

At the beginning of the year a proportion of the group's cash reserves were held in a Restricted Fund, The Derek Thorne Memorial Fund. In the year, the trustees agreed that the remaining funds could be used for group purposes in the rebuild of the Scout Hut and also for training purposes for the new climbing wall. The balance on the account was therefore transferred to the general funds account.

Within the group's general funds, the Trustees aim to maintain a cash reserve of £10,000 as a contingency fund. This is to enable the group to meet its obligations and continue its activities in case of any unforeseen circumstances such as the loss of or inability to use and hire out Jubilee Hall. The hall is a valuable asset to the group but it imposes a number of onerous obligations on the Trustees.

At 31 March 2021 the group general funds stood at a high level of £75k. This provided a contingency for any unforeseen issues following completion of the hall, to enable equipment to be purchased for the new hall and to assist with the return to face-to-face activities after the second Covid lock-down.

New Build

The main receipts in the year were from sponsors and donations. These totalled approximately £398,500. The Scout Group also took a loan of £170k from the main sponsor to assist with the completion of the build. £40k was repaid in March 2021 and the balance repayable at the end of the year was £130k. The main payments in the year were for the construction (£1.11m). Other payments were for the architect, the quantity surveyor and sundries (£63k in total).

To carry on its activities, the group relies on the substantial unpaid voluntary work of the Executive Committee, the Section Leaders, the Fundraising Committee and parent helpers, to all of whom grateful thanks are extended.

Michelle Steiger
Honorary Treasurer
On behalf of the Trustees



Independent examiner's report to the trustees of 2nd Amersham on the Hill Scout Group

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021 which are set out on pages 4 to 7.

This report is made solely to the trustees in accordance with Section 145 of the

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 this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to :

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of the independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 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 the course of 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 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of

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RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT SUMMARY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 March 2021

	This year General Funds £	This year Restricted Funds £	This year New Build Funds £	This year Total £	Previous Year Total £
Total receipts for the year (see page 5)	(14,820)	(12,094)	637,222	610,308	515,409
Total payments for the year (see page 6)	(13,965)	-	(1,213,377)	(1,227,342)	(675,573)
Net (payments) / receipts for the year	(28,785)	(12,094)	(576,155)	(617,034)	(160,164)
Cash, bank and similar funds brought forward	104,488	12,094	579,906	696,488	856,651
Cash, bank and similar funds carried forward	75,703	-	3,751	79,454	696,488

The above account and accompanying statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on
20/01/22 and signed on their behalf by:

T.J. Sweet (T.J. SWEET)
Chairman

NARDILX BLUE (NARDILX BLUE)
Group Scout Leader

M.C. Steiger (MICHELLE STEIGER)
Honorary Treasurer

The Restricted Funds consist of The Derek Thorne Memorial Fund.

The Fund was set up in memory of Derek Thorne, Group Scout Leader of 2nd Amersham-on-the-Hill Scout Group from 1985 to 1994. Derek had been involved in Scouting for over 45 years. Following his death, the sum of £10,000 was donated by Derek Thorne's employer, M W Kellogg, and this has been invested so that the interest, less an appropriate sum each year to protect the capital sum from inflation, can be used to fulfil the aims of the Fund.

When it was initially founded, the main purpose of the Fund was to offer Scouts, Leaders and Supporters of the 2nd Amersham-on-the-Hill Scout Group the opportunity to undertake suitable training which otherwise might be denied to them for financial reasons. This was widened to include the provision of the Group's equipment inventory.

In the year ended the 31 March 2021, the trustees of The Derek Thorne Memorial Fund agreed that the remaining funds could be used for group purposes in the rebuild of the Scout Hut and also for training purposes for the new climbing wall. The balance on the account was therefore transferred to the General Funds account.

The New Build Funds covers the receipts and payments related to rebuilding the Scout Hut. The main receipts are from sponsors and donations. The main payments are for the architect, quantity surveyor, planning fees and the construction. During the year ended 31 March 2021 a loan of £170,000 was provided by the main sponsor to assist with the completion of the build. At 31 March 2021 the loan balance was £130,000.

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RECEIPTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 March 2021

	This year General Funds £	This year Restricted Funds £	This year New Build Funds £	This year Total £	Previous Year Total £
MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS	17,838			17,838	32,528
Less paid (Misbourne Valley Scout Council)	(9,699)			(9,699)	(10,149)
	8,139	-	-	8,139	22,379
INVESTMENT INCOME RECEIVED					
Scout Association Investment Service	-	80		80	42
Building Society interest	192			192	184
Property Rents (Hall Lettings)	-			-	5,369
	192	80	-	272	5,595
DONATIONS / GRANTS	22,412	(12,174)		10,238	-
	22,412	(12,174)	-	10,238	-
ACTIVITIES					
Contributions to activities	-			-	7,570
	-	-	-	-	7,570
OTHER INCOME					
Gift Aid	23,022			23,022	21,294
Income from hiring out of minibus	45			45	509
Explorers Partnership Agreement	-			-	289
	23,067	-	-	23,067	22,093
NEW BUILD INCOME					
Main Sponsors			155,000	155,000	255,000
Stewardship			26,577	26,577	25,751
Specific Donations			191,015	191,015	159,500
Other Donations			25,910	25,910	12,178
Interest			91	91	5,345
Other Income	(68,629)		68,629	-	-
	(68,629)	-	467,222	398,593	457,773
Subtotal Receipts	(14,820)	(12,094)	467,222	440,308	515,409
ASSET & INVESTMENT SALES					-
SUBTOTAL ASSET & INVESTMENT SALES			170,000	170,000	-
Subtotal Asset & Investment Sales			170,000	170,000	-
TOTAL RECEIPTS	(14,820)	(12,094)	637,222	610,308	515,409

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PAYMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 March 2021

	This year General Funds £	This year Restricted Funds £	This year New Build Funds £	This year Total £	Previous Year Total £
PREMISES					
Rates	(192)			(192)	(1,097)
Light & Heat	(2,142)			(2,142)	(4,178)
Insurance	(4,105)			(4,105)	(3,474)
Repairs & Renewals	(1,663)			(1,663)	(300)
Cleaning	(300)			(300)	(4,301)
	(8,402)	-	-	(8,402)	(13,350)
ACTIVITIES					
Woden Scout Troop	-			-	(167)
Thor Scout Troop	-			-	(2,035)
Titan Scout Troop	-			-	(1,462)
Wolf Cub Pack	(63)			(63)	(2,488)
Trimby Cub Pack	(54)			(54)	(1,841)
Milan Cub Pack	(207)			(207)	(3,606)
Forester Beavers	(16)			(16)	(817)
Woodlander Beavers	(313)			(313)	(1,517)
Dambusters Beavers	-			-	-
Training	-			-	-
	(654)	-	-	(654)	(13,934)
ADMIN/ESTABLISHMENT EXPENSES					
Printing, Postage & Stationery	-			-	(15)
Telephone, Broadband & TV License	(255)			(255)	(588)
Sundry	-			-	(140)
	(255)	-	-	(255)	(743)
EQUIPMENT					
Camping/Archery Equipment/Trailer	-			-	(200)
Minibus running costs	(1,362)			(1,362)	(1,316)
Hall Equipment	-			-	-
Uniforms and Badges	(152)			(152)	(953)
	(1,514)	-	-	(1,514)	(2,470)
SUNDRY PAYMENTS					
Remembrance Day wreath	(167)			(167)	(175)
Torchlight procession costs	-			-	-
Group Camp	-			-	-
Hire of Halls (during new build)	(550)			(550)	(3,418)
Sundry	(2,424)			(2,424)	(182)
	(3,140)	-	-	(3,140)	(3,775)
NEW BUILD PAYMENTS					
Architect (Blackwood)			(9,600)	(9,600)	(36,000)
Quantity Surveyor			(28,800)	(28,800)	(43,363)
Fees & Other Surveys			(2,215)	(2,215)	(28,584)
Planning Fees			-	-	(116)
Construction			(1,110,301)	(1,110,301)	(524,998)
Sundries			(22,461)	(22,461)	(8,241)
Loan Repayment			(40,000)	(40,000)	-
Other Expenses			-	-	-
	-	-	(1,213,377)	(1,213,377)	(641,303)
TOTAL PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(13,965)	-	(1,213,377)	(1,227,342)	(675,573)

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 March 2021

	This year General Funds	This year Restricted Funds	This year New Build Funds	This year Total	Previous Year Total
	£	£	£	£	£
MONETARY ASSETS					
Bank current accounts	49,751	-	3,751	53,503	368,961
Deposit and Building society accounts	25,197	-	-	25,197	315,073
Cash in hand	360	-	-	360	360
Scout Association Investment Service	-	-	-	-	12,094
	<u>75,308</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,751</u>	<u>79,060</u>	<u>696,487</u>
NON-MONETARY ASSETS					
Assets retained for the charity's own use:					
Land and buildings - Jubilee Hall	1,835,000	-	-	1,835,000	558,393
Scouting equipment, furniture, etc.	61,200	-	-	61,200	44,500
Minibus	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>1,896,200</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,896,200</u>	<u>602,893</u>
LIABILITIES					
Loan from main sponsor			130,000	130,000	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>130,000</u>	<u>130,000</u>	<u>-</u>

Land & buildings and equipment are shown at their insured value.

Minibus is shown at purchase price less 25% depreciation per year (purchased in February 2014).

We, the Executive Committee and Trustees of 2nd Amersham on the Hill Scout Group have been approached by representatives of the liquidators for Armfield Construction (the builders of the new hall) to make final retention payments on the Scout Hall build. We dispute the liability as the cost of correcting the defects is greater than the retention sum.

We expect this to be resolved by June 2022 with no money's owing except for costs associated with administering the liquidators. These costs can be covered from our general funds.