

Trustees' Annual Report

For the period

From (start date) 20 1 0 4 2 3 to end date 3 1 0 3 2 4

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name

301216 1ST FERNDOWN SCOUT GROUP

Other names the charity is known by

Gorsemoor Scout Group

Registered charity number (if any)

3 0 1 2 1 6

HQ registration number

1 2 2 3 1 9 7 9

Charity's principal address

14 Aldridge Road

Ferndown

Dorset

Postcode

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Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

(These will be published in the annual report of the charity and the Charity Register if reporting for a Registered Charity with a charity regulator)

	Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1	Roberta Anne Spurgeon	Trustee	
2	John Goodliffe	Group Lead Volunteer	
3	Alistair Bradford	Trustee	
4	Wayne Simpson	Trustee	14-Sep-23
5	Kathryn Hardy	Treasurer	14-Sep-23
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Names and addresses of advisers (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

(These will be published in the annual report of the charity)

Type of advisor	Name	Address

Section B

Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document

(e.g. trust deed, constitution)

The Group's governing documents are those of the 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

(e.g. trust, association, company)

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

Trustee selection methods

(e.g. appointed by, elected by)

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

Additional governance issues (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

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

The Group is managed by the Group Trustee Board, 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.

Policies and procedures adopted for:
a) the induction and training of trustees;
b) trustee consideration of major risks
and the systems and procedures to
manage them

The Trustee Board consists of the Chair, Treasurer and 3 Trustees and meets every 6 months.

Members of the Trustee Board complete 'Being a Scouts Trustee' learning within the first 6 months of joining the Board.

This Group Trustee Board exists to make sure the charity is well-managed, risks are assessed and mitigated, buildings and equipment are in good working order, and everyone follows legal requirements and the organisation's policies and rules. Their support helps other volunteers run high-quality and safe programmes that gives young people skills for life.

Risk and Internal Control

The Group Trustee Board 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 Board 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 4 to 18. If there was a reduction in membership in a particular section or the group as 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 Purpose of Scouting Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society. The Values of Scouting As Scouts we are guided by these values: Integrity - We act with integrity; we are honest, trustworthy and loyal. Respect - We have self-respect and respect for others. Care - We support others and take care of the world in which we live. Belief - We explore our faiths, beliefs and attitudes. Co-operation - We make a positive difference; we co-operate with others and make friends. The Scout Method Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together based on the values of Scouting and: - enjoy what they are doing and have fun - take part in activities indoors and outdoors - learn by doing - share in spiritual reflection - take responsibility and make choices - undertake new and challenging activities - make and live by their Promise.
Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects	All sections have had the opportunity to camp and take part in outdoor adventurous activities. Indoor activities have included wide-ranging and vibrant programmes aimed at learning by doing and introduction to new topics and experiences. The Scout troops in particular have encouraged young people to take on responsibilities and shape their own programme.
Additional details of the objectives and activities (optional information but encouraged as best practice)	
Public benefit statement	The Group meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.

Section D	Achievements and performance
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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

In its first full year the group had seen full integration of members of the three founding groups which came together to form Gorsemoor, while welcoming many new members from outside. Our leader team has also been strengthened in Beaver and Scout sections, enabling a second Scout troop to open.

Section E

Financial Review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Reserves Policy

The Group's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the group should income and fundraising activities fall short. The Group Trustee Board considers that the group should hold a sum equivalent to 12 months running costs, circa £15,000, plus .

Quantify and explain any designations

The Group held reserves of approximately £30,000 against this at year end. This is above the level required for operating expenses. However this can be explained by a transfer of funds from combining three scout groups into one.

Details of any funds materially in deficit (circumstances plus steps to eliminate)

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 principal sources of funds is membership subs with some additional ad hoc grant income for specific activities or capital projects. Fundraising provides a small amount of income for the group only.

• how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;	Purchases of additional outdoor equipment has enabled all our members to be given the opportunity to attend various outdoor activities and overnight camping.
• investment policy and objectives;	Investment Policy The Group's Income and Expenditure is very 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 building societies.

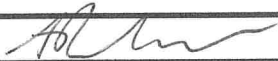
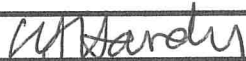
Section F	Other Optional Information
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Plans for future periods (details of any significant activities planned to achieve them)	
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Section G	Declaration
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The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	 
Full name(s)	AUSTAIR BRADFORD KATHRYN HARDY
Position (eg Secretary, Chair)	Trustee Trustee (treasurer)
Date	02 03 10 M Y2 15

1st Ferndown Scout Group

Accounts

For the period ended 31 October 2023

1st Ferndown Scout Group
Accountants Report
For the period ended 31 October 2023

You have approved the accounts for the period ended 31 October 2023.

In accordance with your instructions we have generated this set of accounts using the information and accounting records provided by you.

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Ashman Accountancy
14 Horseshoe Close
Colehill
Wimborne
Dorset
BH21 2UL

Client Approval Certificate

I approve these accounts and I confirm that all relevant records and information have been made available in their preparation.

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1st Ferndown Scout Group
Profit and Loss Account
For the period ended 31 October 2023

		2023	2023
		£	£
Turnover			
Membership Subscriptions		8,757	5,230
Rent		735	4,450
Activities		4,401	2,294
Grants		-	750
Bank Interest		105	56
		<u>13,998</u>	<u>12,780</u>
Gross Profit		<u>13,998</u>	<u>12,780</u>
Administrative Expenses			
Activities	4,686	1,140	
Leaders Expenses	347	929	
Badges	500	510	
Key Refunds	100	100	
Uniforms	-	297	
Accountancy Fees	150	80	
Water	120	133	
Rent	-	810	
Light, Heat & Power	2,182	2,381	
Insurance	1,034	4,723	
Property Maintenance	203	6,269	
Cleaning	203	670	
		<u>(9,525)</u>	<u>(18,042)</u>
Profit for the Financial Year		<u>4,473</u>	<u>(5,262)</u>

1st Ferndown Scout Group
Balance Sheet
As at 31 October 2023

	2023 £	2023 £
Current assets		
Cash at bank and in hand	30,777	26,304
	<u>30,777</u>	<u>26,304</u>
Net current assets	30,777	26,304
	<u>30,777</u>	<u>26,304</u>
Total assets less current liabilities	30,777	26,304
Net assets	<u>30,777</u>	<u>26,304</u>
Capital account		
Balance at start of period	26,304	31,566
Net profit	4,473	(5,262)
	<u>30,777</u>	<u>26,304</u>

Gorsemoor Scout Group
Unaudited Accounts
for the period ended 31 March 2024

Gorsemoor Scout Group

Report to the proprietor on the preparation of the unaudited accounts of
Gorsemoor Scout Group

Period ended 31 March 2024

In accordance with your instructions, I have compiled the accounts on the following pages from the accounting records and from information and explanations supplied to me.

Ashman Accountancy Solutions

14 Horseshoe Close
Wimborne
Dorset
BH21 2UL
United Kingdom

Date: 21 November 2024

Gorsemoor Scout Group

Profit and Loss Account

Period ended 31 March 2024

		Period from 1 Nov 2023 to 31 Mar 2024
		£
	Note	
Turnover	2	20,359
Gross profit		<u>20,359</u>
Expenditure	2	
Premises costs		825
Staff costs		<u>17,653</u>
		<u>18,478</u>
Profit for the period		<u>1,881</u>

Gorsemoor Scout Group

Balance Sheet

31 March 2024

31 Mar 2024

£

Current assets

Cash at bank

32,658

Net current assets

32,658

Net assets

32,658

Financed by:

Capital account

32,658

Gorsemoor Scout Group

Notes to the Accounts

Period ended 31 March 2024

1 Accounting policies

BASIS OF PREPARATION

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost basis and on a basis which enables the profits to be calculated in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

2 Profit and loss account analysis

TURNOVER

	Period from 1 Nov 2023 to 31 Mar 2024
	£
Membership Subscriptions	5,585
Activities	8,808
Other Income	16
Fundraising	548
Hire of Building	1,650
Other Scout Hut income	252
Grants	3,500
	20,359

EXPENDITURE

	Period from 1 Nov 2023 to 31 Mar 2024
	£
Premises costs	
Rent	825

Gorsemoor Scout Group

Notes to the Accounts (continued)

Period ended 31 March 2024

	Period from 1 Nov 2023 to 31 Mar 2024
	£
Staff costs	
Membership Subscriptions	4,399
Youth Programme and Activities	8,529
Water & Sewage	207
Electricity and Gas	1,285
Facilities Maintenance	391
Insurance	198
Repairs and Renewals	2,160
Materials and Equipment	297
Uniforms	187
	17,653



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name

Gorsemoor Scout Group

On accounts for the year
ended

31st March 2024

Charity no
(if any)

301216

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. *Delete [] if not applicable.*

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report 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 Ashman

Date:

2nd October 2024

Name:

Nichola Ashman

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body

Institute of Financial Accountants (255890)

(if any):

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Address:

14 Horeshoe Close

Wimborne

Dorset, BH21 2UL

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material 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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