



14th Aldershot

Trustees Annual Report

For the Period 1/4/2024 – 31/3/2025



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Reference and Administration Details

Charity Name

14th Aldershot Pegasus Scout Group

Registered Charity Number

302192

Charity's Address

Mantle Hall
North Lane
Aldershot
GU12 4QG

Trustees

| Trustee Member | Office (if any) | Dates acted if not for the whole year. |
|-----------------|---------------------------|--|
| Jane Corby | Chair | |
| Sarah Key-Smith | Secretary (not a trustee) | |
| Cesar Freschi | Treasurer | |
| Claire Hewitson | Group Lead Volunteer | |
| Angela Hughes | Beaver Team Leader | |
| Kirsty Bazen | Cub Team Leader | |
| Kiernan Lane | Scout Team Leader | |
| Emma Olive | Trustee | |
| Paul Coles | Trustee | |
| Ian Ellsley | Trustee | March 2025 |
| Andy Cornelius | Trustee | |
| Jan Podhoransky | Trustee | |

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Documents

The 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.

Constitution

The group has fully adopted The Scout Association model constitution in 5.4 of Policy, Organisation and Rules.

Trustee Selection Methods

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

Governance

The Group is managed by the Group Trustee Board, the members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' of the Scout Group. The Trustees are responsible for the good governance of the group, the safety and safeguarding of the group and complying with legislation applicable to charities.

The Trustee Board meet bi monthly.

Objectives and Activities

Objectives

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

Activities

14th Aldershot Scout group has weekly meetings in term time for Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs and Scouts and additional events organised by the group and district teams.

Squirrels meet on a Thursday evening, Beavers meet on a Tuesday evening, Cubs on a Monday and Scouts on a Friday. In addition to these weekly meetings we have held numerous camps and sleepovers, hikes, adventurous activity days and attended district events.

Achievements and Performance

Group Annual Report

Good afternoon everyone,

It is an absolute pleasure to stand before you today at our Annual General Meeting. Your continued support and dedication have been the backbone of our achievements over the past year.

I would like to extend a warm welcome to all Young people, parents and members who have joined us today. As parents you are part of our scout council and your support this year has been fantastic.

As we reflect on the past year, we can take great pride in our accomplishments. We have opened a squirrel drey, the first in Aldershot and it has been an amazing success. The Young people across all four sections of the group have armfuls of badges and most are achieving the top awards in their section.

I would like to thank Cesar for all his hard work as treasurer. We'll hear more about the accounts in a moment but we are in a healthy financial position and have been able to complete some much-needed maintenance on the buildings as well as supporting the leaders to provide excellent scouting for all the Young people in our group.

Looking ahead, we are filled with optimism and excitement. We have a number of group camps coming up this year. The first of these is to Garners field, just outside of Farnham in two weeks time.

We have been looking at renovating the outside space. We would like to add a garden where the YP can grow their own. And make the campfire area a more inviting area than it currently is. We would also like to give the hall a lick of paint.

Thank you to all our leaders and volunteers. Whether you are a leader, team member, parent helper, come with us on walks, camps or days out. Thank you so much. We are all volunteers and the young people really do benefit from everything you do.

Financial Review

I would like to say a big thanks to Claire and the group for allowing me to be here today and supporting me during this period of just over a year as the group's treasurer. Thank you.

We managed to accomplish so many things this year that I am already concerned about what I am going to present next year!

Reflecting about the Financial Year of 2024 I think the biggest accomplishment is the shift to electronic payments. The existing way to keep track of finances was just not fit for purpose and because of that we had nearly 1/3 of the sub payment behind.

Everything money related was manually handled and events such as camping, meetings, etc. had to be manually accounted for and in many times the group made a loss just because we didn't properly track the payments.

Since April/2024 all payments (income or expense) are tracked and accounted for by OSM and around 95% of the payments are cashless. I would love that to be 100% and we are working towards it.

As an outcome of "OSM-first" I am pleased to confirm that 100% of last year's subs and activities have been paid off.

With a steady cash-flow the trustees board could plan and execute the much-needed hut maintenance: We started with the new flooring, replaced the heaters, replaced some of the building doors and among other things we spent over £12500 in building maintenance, a massive increase over the £800 spent in 2023.

We were also able to buy more material for the weekly meetings, between the sections (Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs and Scouts) we spent £1600 in 2024 over £600 in 2023. This is it, more stationery, easter eggs, cooking ingredients, etc. I am going to work with the leaders so that in 2025 we could invest even more on our weekly program.

I was successful in applying for 2 grants from Rushmoor Borough Council. We have received a total of around £1700 which we used to buy 10 new tents, heaters, table and chairs and camping equipment.

On top of that I have also managed to back-claim 4 years of GiftAid from HMRC, a total of nearly £7000! Thank you very much to the parents who signed up for it a couple of months ago. It was well worth it!



All in all, the total income was £41758.73 and £45510.34 expenditure, closing the year with a loss of £3751.61. The loss is well within our safety margins and expected given the amount of work we have done this year.

The financial report has been scrutinised and signed off by an independent person.

I would like to finish by once again thanking the board for supporting my work, the leaders for their amazing work with the young people and the parents who support us making the payments!

Thank you!

Cesar Freschi
Treasurer
14th Aldershot (Pegasus) Scout Group

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|  | <p align="center">14th Aldershot (Pegasus) Scout Group Mantle Hall, 72 North Lane, Aldershot, Hampshire, GU12 4QG</p> <p align="center">Charity No:302192</p> |  |
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Statement of account 1st April 2024 – 31st March 2025

| | 2024-2025 |
|---------------------------|------------------|
| Income | 107.15 |
| Donation | 1,390.00 |
| Events - Beavers | 1,374.00 |
| Events - Cubs | 14,645.00 |
| Events - Group | 1,057.00 |
| Events - Scouts | 6,962.50 |
| Gift Aid | 2,733.00 |
| Grant | 12,635.98 |
| Membership Fees | 315.00 |
| Rent | 539.10 |
| Uniforms | |
| Expense | 2,026.01 |
| Activity Equipment | 1,365.19 |
| Admin | 1,694.90 |
| Badges | 470.91 |
| Camping Equipment | 5.75 |
| Donations | 1,350.73 |
| Events - Beavers | 1,584.07 |
| Events - Cubs | 12,747.52 |
| Events - Group | 165.93 |
| Events - Scouts | 409.59 |
| Good will/Gifts | 1,444.06 |
| Insurance | 570.45 |
| Meetings - Beavers | 457.86 |
| Meetings - Cubs | 273.38 |
| Meetings - Scouts | 274.31 |
| Meetings - Squirrels | 5,334.00 |
| Membership Costs | 127.00 |
| Office Equipment/supplies | 76.00 |
| Rent | 1,644.02 |
| Uniform | 897.25 |
| Utilities | 12,591.41 |
| Venue Maintenance | |

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|---------------------------------|-----------|
| Account balances | |
| Lloyds | 17,244.46 |
| Expense Account | 395.35 |
| Summary | |
| Account balance brought forward | 21,391.42 |
| Total income | 41,758.73 |
| Total expenditure | 45,510.34 |
| Net income | -3,751.61 |
| Account balance carried forward | 17,639.81 |


Prepared by Mr. Cesar Freschi (Treasurer) Date: 19/05/2025
 Lead Volunteer Mrs. Claire Hewitson Date:

C Hewitson 20/05/2025

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signature: 
Full Name: Jane Corby *Jane Corby*
Role: Chair
Date: 21/05/2025

Signature: 
Full Name: Cesar Freschi
Role: Treasurer
Date: 21/05/2025

Signature: 
Full Name: Claire Hewitson
Role: Group Lead Volunteer
Date 21/05/2025

Scrutineer's report to the Trustees



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name
14th Aldershot (Pegasus) Scout Group

On accounts for the year ended

31/03/2025

Charity no
(if any) 302192

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/04/2025.

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

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:

Date:

Wed 07 May 2025

Name:

Michael Baxter

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

Address:

5 Farnborough Street, Farnborough, GU14 8AG

| Section B | Disclosure |
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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.