

Trustee Report for 6th Gosport Scouts

Reporting Period: 1 April 2024 – 31 March 2025

Introduction

Group Name: 6th Gosport Scout Group

Charity Number: 302243

Prepared by: Trustees of 6th Gosport Scouts

Independent Financial review provided by Phillipa Nicholls, 16th September 2025

Objectives and Activities

Purpose: To actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.

Activities: Weekly meetings for Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts; as well as camps and events, and community engagement.

Achievements and Performance

Membership Numbers:

- Squirrels: 50
- Beavers: 70
- Cubs: 100
- Scouts: 55
- Leaders: 25

Key Highlights:

- Summer camp at Belgium and Kent International Jamboree
- RAF Recognition
- Badge achievements: 8000

Financial Review

In the financial year April 2024 to March 2025, Gosport 6th has continued to be financially secure. The overall financial result was a gain of just over £5500, particularly thanks to donations and fundraising and an increase in our Gift Aid income.

Total income was £123,000 – a small increase over the previous year, with some increases from membership fees (due to growth in numbers) and Gift Aid receipts, as well as another year on year increase in the event income for all the events the team runs for our young people across all sections – Event income making up around half of our total income for the year.

This event income is always used to directly fund the events – never intended to make a profit, and within the year the group spent over £62,000 on event activities, out of a total expense of £118,000.

The other significant expense for the Group is the membership fee that we pay to the Scouts Association, which was just shy of £20,000 for the last year. Our other key expenses are for the running and maintenance costs for our Hut and grounds, and investment in our equipment to support our activities and camps, and the Group were able to invest over £5500 in equipment in the year thanks to the additional income received.

Overall, the Group continues to be in a strong financial position, with strong reserves available, earning investment income for the Group and providing comfort should any significant investment be required for the hut or other new equipment for our activities. The Trustee group review our finances and budget regularly, and ensure we continue to make good financial decisions in the interest of the Group and our young people.

Category	Amount (£)	Notes
Income	£123,310	Includes Membership fees £41,943 and Activity & event fees of £59,159
Expenditure	£117,750	£67,480 on Youth programme and events, £19,918 Scouts membership
Reserves	£218,350	

Structure, Governance, and Management

Trustees:

Chair: Matthew Dickens (Chair)

Amelia Somerset (Treasurer)

Lisa Young

Nigel Fleetwood

Lee Pounds

Louise Pounds

Jenna Hewitt

Governing Document: Scout Association Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR).

Recruitment and Training: Leaders and trustees follow DBS checks and mandatory training.

Declaration

Signed by trustees on behalf of the 6th Gosport Scout Group:

Name: Matthew Dickens Signature:  Date: 10/12/25

Name: Amelia Somerset Signature:  Date: 17/12/2025

	2024-2025	2023-2024
Income		
Badges	638.75	238.25
Bank Interest	1,558.82	1,952.07
Donation	3,800.00	6,536.03
Events	13,698.74	13,521.35
Events - Beavers	3,416.70	3,775.58
Events - Cubs	28,754.35	17,558.98
Events - Scouts	12,470.70	15,938.60
Events - Squirrels	819.00	1,992.81
Fundraising	1,761.37	987.73
Gift Aid	9,243.92	6,555.58
Membership Fees	41,943.20	34,463.40
Other Income	35.00	0.00
Sponsorship - Squirrels	2,405.00	425.00
Uniform	2,249.10	3,205.08
Venue Hire	515.00	610.00
Expense		
Activity Equipment	2,998.90	129.13
Admin	704.55	555.69
Badges	2,335.95	2,738.21
Badges - Beavers	2,271.03	844.72
Badges - Cubs	538.49	934.26
Badges - Scouts	430.58	261.46
Badges - Squirrels	418.78	186.26
Camping Equipment	2,507.98	526.45
Donations	217.23	1,850.00
Events	15,879.37	11,005.41
Events - Beavers	3,358.05	2,596.44
Events - Cubs	24,594.36	14,621.44
Events - Scouts	17,788.03	9,528.68
Events - Squirrels	716.65	2,658.93
Fundraising	76.00	50.00
GoCardless Fees	3,128.23	2,923.27
Hut Fixtures & Fittings	5,763.64	3,238.95
Insurance	1,180.95	1,872.80
Meetings - Beavers	1,402.87	1,081.63
Meetings - Cubs	1,284.21	807.87
Meetings - Scouts	1,402.28	311.72
Meetings - Squirrels	1,054.61	807.37
Membership Costs	19,917.50	16,401.00
Penalty fee	34.07	2.10
Uniform & Welcome Pack	2,792.05	3,479.88
Utilities	2,987.84	3,205.51
Venue Maintenance	1,965.92	6,215.41
Account balances		
Barclays Current Account	0.00	46,382.71
Cash	32.32	26.05

Expense Account	5,099.85	2,242.63
Barclays Savings Account	0.00	164,138.68
Co-op Current Account	47,848.79	0.00
Co-op 35 Day Notice Account	165,368.64	0.00

Summary

Account balance brought forward	212,790.07	193,864.20
Total income	123,309.65	107,760.46
Total expenditure	117,750.12	88,834.59
Net income	5,559.53	18,925.87
Account balance carried forward	218,349.60	212,790.07

01/04/2025	6THBEAVERS-23DP
01/04/2025	6THSCOUTS-NCRD
31/03/2025	4380787 6TH GOSI

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£ 4.16
£ 47,855.03

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£ 2.08
£ 47,850.87

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£ 19.32
£ 47,848.79

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England & Wales

Unqualified report for a non-company charity preparing receipts and payments accounts with a gross income of £250,000 or less in the relevant financial year.

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of 6th Gosport (Rowner) Scout Group

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the 6th Gosport (Rowner) Scout Group for the year ended 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the 6th Gosport (Rowner) Scout Group 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 6th Gosport (Rowner) Scout Group 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the 6th Gosport (Rowner) Scout Group as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records. Or
3. the accounts do 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.

Signed: *P Nicholls*

Name: Philippa Nicholls

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies (if any): ACCA Student

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Date: 16/09/2025