

4th Eling Sea Scouts

England & Wales · Charity number 302268

Details

Other names	4TH NEW FOREST NORTH (ELING) SEA SCOUTS, 4TH NEW FOREST SOUTH (ELING) SEA SCOUTS, 4TH NEW FOREST SOUTH ELING, 9TH NEW FOREST EAST (ELING) SEA SCOUT GROUP, 9TH NEW FOREST SOUTH ELING SEA SCOUT GROUP
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1966-11-07
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: 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.

Activities: Provision of Sea Scouting to Beaver, Cub and Scout sections

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Amateur Sport
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** TOTTON
- Hampshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£48,340	£39,021	-	-
2023-12-31	£37,926	£36,186	-	-
2022-12-31	£63,323	£70,586	-	-
2021-12-31	£61,616	£69,130	-	-
2020-12-31	£41,100	£32,102	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Craig Joseph Challis		2026-01-01
Jill Doherty		2020-07-14
Karen Mould		2020-07-14
Lisa Williamson		2022-06-25
Mark Justin Mearns		2025-07-05
PAUL BULLOCK		
Paul Fredericks		2024-07-13
Peter Maurie Foster		2026-02-03
Richard James White		2022-06-25

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

For the year ended 31st December 2024

Registered Charity Number: 302268

Integrity
Respect
Care
Belief
Cooperation

Our values

As Scouts we live by the values of Scouting. They underpin everything we do, how we act and the way we treat each other.

Do more.

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**Leaders
Problem solvers
Team players**

A - REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS

Charity Name: 4th Eling Sea Scouts
Registered Charity Number: 302268
HQ Registration Number: 10013513
Principal Address: Testwood Lakes, Off Brunel Road, Totton, Southampton,
SO40 3WX

TRUSTEES WHO MANAGE THE CHARITY

Mr Paul Bullock	Trustee - Group President
Ms Jill Doherty	Trustee - Parent Representative
Mr Peter Maurice Foster	Trustee (until 13/07/2024)
Mr Paul Fredericks	Trustee (since 13/07/2024)
Mrs Lorna Kathleen MacPhee	Trustee - Treasurer
Mr Robin Mair	Trustee - Group Lead Volunteer (since 13/07/2024)
Mrs Michelle Moody	Trustee - Secretary (until 13/07/2024)
Mr Alex James Moody	Trustee - Co-Secretary (until 13/07/2024)
Ms Karen Mould	Trustee - Parent Representative
Mrs Donna Ovenden	Trustee
Mr Richard James White	Trustee - Cub Section Team Leader
Mr Kyle Michael Williamson	Trustee - Group Chair
Mrs Lisa Dawn Williamson	Trustee - Sea Scout Section Team Leader

ADVISORS TO THE CHARITY

Independent Examiner Ms Holly Dolan 8 Ernest Road, Alton, GU34 1GN



Confident
Active
Challenging
Inclusive
Optimistic



B - STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE & MANAGEMENT

DESCRIPTION OF THE CHARITY'S TRUSTS:

TYPE OF GOVERNING DOCUMENT:

The charity's governing documents are those of The Scout Association. The Scout Association's governing document is a royal charter which gives authority to the Bye-Laws of the Association and the Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR) of the Scout Association. The group is an unincorporated association established under these rules which are common to all Scout Groups. At the 2023 AGM, we adopted our constitution based on the Scout Association's POR (5.4, April 2023 version).

HOW THE CHARITY IS CONSTITUTED:

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

TRUSTEE SELECTION METHODS:

The Trustees are appointed or elected in accordance with the POR.

ADDITIONAL GOVERNANCE INFORMATION:

THE TRUSTEE BOARD:

The Group, which is a registered educational charity, is managed by the Trustees of the Charity. As Charity Trustees they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities, including financial management, accounting and reporting to the Charity Commission as required.



On board and inspired.

The Trustees are in continuous communication, and formally meet when necessary. Trustee meetings consist of the appointed roles of Chair, Treasurer and Secretary, together with the Group and Section Leaders, elected members and parents' representatives. New members complete training set out by The Scout Association.

As well as being the primary body responsible under Charity Law, the Trustee Board also exists to support the Scout Leaders in meeting the responsibilities of their appointments and is responsible for:

- Raising funds and the administration of Group finance;
- The maintenance and development of Group property and equipment.
- The insurance of persons, property and equipment.
- Representing the Group at public events.
- Assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support.
- Appointing any sub committees that may be required.
- Appointing Group Administrators and Advisers other than those who are elected.

RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROL

The Trustee Board regularly reviews the major risks to which the Group could be exposed. Systems and controls have been established to mitigate these risks where appropriate. The main areas of concern that have been identified are:


Financial mismanagement: We have internal controls in place to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss. These include two signatories for all payments and comprehensive insurance policies to cover the insurable risks.

Damage to the building, property and equipment: In recent years the Group has upgraded the physical security of the property. The Trustee Board continues to review the physical security and is considering further upgrades in 2025. This is in addition to buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent or major loss. If required, we would seek the use of buildings, property and equipment from neighbouring Scout Groups and organisations.

Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members: Through the capitation fees the Group contributes to the Scout Association's national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities.

Anti-social behaviour at the lake: The number and scale of these incidents has increased over recent years as the lake has attracted more visitors, especially in the immediate vicinity of our Scout HQ. In 2024, we attended meetings with Hampshire Police and other lake users and are working closely with other stakeholders to address these issues, which can adversely impact the sections' activities.





Do more. Learn more. Be more.

Reduced income from fundraising: The Group is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. We also hold a reserve fund to ensure the continuity of activities. Subscriptions could be raised to increase the income to the Group, 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, or 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 the membership in a particular section or in the Group as whole were to drop below a viable level then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of that section, or in the worst-case scenario, the complete closure of the Group.

Rising costs & Inflation: Like most organisations, The Group is exposed to Rising Costs, particularly in Energy and Contracted In-Services. The Trustee Board has taken the approach of long term contracts to ensure expenditure is known (such as energy) and utilising the services of members and volunteers wherever possible.

Conflict of Interest: Trustees' personal and professional connections do bring benefits to the Group that would otherwise be unobtainable or require larger expenditure, and the Group does take note of the Charity Commission's guidance on these matters. Where there is a potential conflict of interest this is declared and conflicted trustees take no part in the decisions being made and the guidance is followed to ensure that decisions are made in the best interests of the charity.



Integrity

C - OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

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

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

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;



Summary of the main activities in relation to these objectives

The main activities that are normally undertaken in relation to the above objectives are:

- Provision of leadership training to facilitate the delivery of excellent Scouting;
- Provision of land- and water-based Scouting activities;
- A programme of activities aimed at the young people achieving recognition through being awarded badges;
- Participation in district and county events and competitions;
- Participation in conservation projects and civic events, like the St Georges Day and Remembrance Day parades;
- Opportunities are given to represent the Group at Jamborees and other international events;
- Fundraising to facilitate other activities.

Contribution made by volunteers

The contribution of volunteers to the Group is both fundamental and excellent. Currently the Group has over 25 volunteers working in Scout leadership and administration roles.

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.



Respect

D - ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The Group achieved a number of highlights to be proud of, in particular:

- The Sponsored 24 Hour Paddle undertaken by all sections in 2024 raised nearly £4,000 [our best ever!] and this will be spent in 2025 on boating equipment.
- The Donkey Derby 2024 raised nearly £12,000 (of which 50% split with our partner group, 5th Testwood Scouts) - this was the first year both groups had operated the event together, and was a resounding success.
- Whilst we were unable to continue the Beaver Section from July 2024 [which restarted in May 2025], our Sea Scouts Troop and Cub Pack have both continued to grow across the two evenings they each run.

Boating & Building

- We were able to continue to renew and replace key equipment, such as the purchase of new spraydecks in April 2024 at a cost of £410.
- The trustees continue to regard maintaining the building and equipment as a key priority of the charity, and were able to continue to use funds in this way and are able to continue maintaining all the equipment in line with manufacturer recommendations.

E - FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial highlights

The Group maintained its strong financial position in 2024. In addition to our ongoing investment in capital improvements and projects, we had a surplus of £8,309 in our unrestricted funds for the year. The Group held unrestricted cash reserves of £27,670 at the end of the year, of which £5,041 the trustees have designated for specific expenditure in 2025. The Group also held £1,480 of funds that are restricted to specific expenditure. This is comfortably over the target range of our Financial Policy.

The charity's principal sources of funds

The Group's principal sources of funds are subscriptions and non-subscription income (grants, donations and fundraising). The income from subscriptions is used solely for the provision of the Scouting programme, including the membership (capitation) fee, activities, training, and other costs to run the facility, such as the lease, maintenance, utilities and insurance. Gross subscription income in 2024 was £13,222 of which £4,504 was paid out as the annual membership fee. An additional £4,480 was received from HMRC through the Gift Aid scheme against the subscription income. Non-subscription income is used to cover running costs, improvements to the facility and for the provision of new equipment. In 2024 this unrestricted income comprised £16,538 from the Donkey Derby (before Costs), £4,452 from other fundraising events, £6,910 from other users of the facility and £1,873 in other donations and bank interest.

Investment policy and objectives

The Group has a risk-averse strategy to the investment of its reserve funds. All funds are held in mainstream banks only. £12,330 of these funds is held in a 35-day notice account and the balance is held in current accounts.

Reserves policy

The Group's Financial policy is to hold sufficient reserves to continue the charitable activities of the Group should income and fundraising activities fall short. Our reserves policy has a target for our unrestricted reserves to cover 6-9 months of our average non-discretionary operating expenditure. At the end of 2024 the Group had unrestricted reserves of £27,670 equivalent to 14 months of our 2024 operating costs. The membership fee of circa £4,500 is due in March 2025 and is fully covered by the designated subs reserve which ringfences funds specifically for this commitment.

How expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity

The Group's finances are managed and expenditure is prioritised to support the sections to deliver an exciting Scouting programme consistent with the objectives of Section C.

- Funds made available to sections for spending on their programme and activities;
- Support is provided to leaders to attend training courses and to purchase uniform;
- Maintaining the facility in good condition, and making improvements as and when our finances permit;
- Following a replacement programme for boating and camping equipment to ensure all equipment is in a fit condition.
- Surplus funds are designated to the Group's priority projects, in addition to grants received for these purposes.

F - OTHER OPTIONAL INFORMATION

Plans for future periods

The key projects planned for 2025 are:

- To relaunch the Beaver Colony during the 2025 Year.
- To look again at the internal use of the building and review to ensure the best use of space.
- Following an exceptional successful 24 Hour Paddle, to review and upgrading our boating equipment.
- Following a donation during 2024 from the Beaulieu Beaufort Foundation, we plan to continue our Lighting Upgrades on the Aquativity Centre.

G - DECLARATION

The trustees declare that they have approved the Trustee's Report above on 1st July 2025, and this report is signed on behalf of the charity trustees by:



Kyle Michael Williamson
Chair



Lorna Kathleen MacPhee
Treasurer

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF 4TH ELING SEA SCOUTS

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the 4th Eling Sea Scouts for the year ended 31st December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the 4th Eling Sea Scouts 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 4th Eling Sea Scouts accounts carried out under section 745 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 4th Eling Sea Scouts as required by section 130 of the Act: or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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:



Name: **Holly Dolan ACA (ICAEW)**

Date: **01/10/2025**

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies: **ACA (ICAEW)**

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT - RECEIPTS

FOR THE YEAR FROM 1ST JANUARY 2024 TO 31ST DECEMBER 2024

	2024			2023
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
<u>Subscriptions and Gift Aid</u>				
Membership subscriptions	13,222.50		13,222.50	14,539.50
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on 4/3/24	-4,504.50		-4,504.50	-4551.00
Net Membership subscriptions retained	8,718.00		8,718.00	9,988.50
Gift Aid	4,480.86		4,480.86	2,334.55
Sub total	13,198.86	0.00	13,198.86	12,323.05
<u>Grants and Donations</u>				
Unrestricted donations	595.00		595.00	350.00
Anonymous Family Trust (paving)				6,000.00
RN Admiralty Fund (boating)				1,325.00
The Peoples Postcode Lottery (equipment)				500.00
Tesco (rafting equipment)				500.00
Netley Marsh Steam Rally (HQ projects)				235.00
Beaulieu Beaufort Foundation (Lighting)		1,000.00	1,000.00	
Sub total	595.00	1,000.00	1,595.00	8,910.00
<u>Donkey Derby</u>				
Gross income	22,429.75		22,429.75	500.00
Less: 50% Profit Share to 5th Testwood Scout Group	-5,891.20		-5,891.20	
Sub total	16,538.55	0.00	16,538.55	500.00
<u>Other Fund Raising and Interest</u>				
Sponsored events	3,835.75		3,835.75	453.00
Hire of Facility/Equipment	6,910.00		6,910.00	7,542.50
Badges / Uniform				30.00
Other fundraising activities	616.54		616.54	2,908.71
Bank interest	278.17		278.17	93.14
Sub total	11,640.46	0.00	11,640.46	11,027.35
<u>Section Camps and Activities</u>				
Beaver section				401.00
Cub section		1,289.57	1,289.57	2,835.00
Scout section		1,920.00	1,920.00	1,580.00
District Camp		2,147.50	2,147.50	
Sub total	0.00	5,357.07	5,357.07	4,816.00
Total Gross Income	41,972.87	6,357.07	48,329.94	37,576.40
Sale of Group equipment	10.00		10.00	350.00
Total Receipts	41,982.87	6,357.07	48,339.94	37,926.40

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT - PAYMENTS

FOR THE YEAR FROM 1ST JANUARY 2024 TO 31ST DECEMBER 2024

	2024			2023
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Premises				
Maintenance & Grounds	2,098.33		2,098.33	2,047.06
HQ improvements (excl. discretionary projects)				82.98
Cleaning	4,153.64		4,153.64	4,290.11
Safety, Fire & Security	1,844.63		1,844.63	2,499.62
Electricity	2,232.86		2,232.86	2,127.74
Gas	126.36		126.36	126.01
Water	173.28		173.28	203.29
Phone line - internet & alarm	585.72		585.72	306.06
Rent	250.00		250.00	250.00
Buildings and Contents Insurance	2,038.43		2,038.43	1,710.84
Section Camps and Activities				
Beaver section	275.73		275.73	933.26
Cub section	754.65	847.07	1,601.72	2,972.49
Scout section	985.54	1,834.41	2,819.95	2,018.56
Group events	40.21		40.21	20.00
District Camp		2,666.12	2,666.12	
Camping and Boating Equipment				
Camping equipment	300.68		300.68	
Boating equipment purchases	998.89		998.89	3,760.69
Boating equipment maintenance	1,208.55		1,208.55	516.66
Programme Expenses				
Badges	516.45		516.45	301.00
Group Scarves, Sweatshirts & T Shirts	35.99		35.99	253.45
Volunteer Training & Recruitment	284.21		284.21	
Other Expenses				
Bank Charges & Gocardless Fees	618.82		618.82	653.57
Administration & Sundry Expenses	384.28		384.28	144.23
Marine and Pontoon Insurance	2,769.09		2,769.09	2,436.99
Accident and medical cover for non members	136.00		136.00	136.00
Total operating expenses	22,812.34	5,347.60	28,159.94	27,790.61
DISCRETIONARY EXPENSES				
Fund Raising Expenses				
Donkey Derby	10,655.58		10,655.58	200.00
Other Fund Raising				372.59
Capital expenditure & Discretionary Projects				
Paving / Parking area resurfacing				6,012.87
Lighting upgrade	205.42		205.42	706.14
Mobile router installation				618.15
Equipment Store				486.03
Total discretionary expenses	10,861.00	0.00	10,861.00	8,395.78
Total Payments	33,673.34	5,347.60	39,020.94	36,186.39
Net of receipts / (payments)	8,309.53	1,009.47	9,319.00	1,740.01
Transfer of camp surplus to general funds	342.46	-342.46	0.00	0.00
Cash funds last year end	19,018.51	813.53	19,832.04	18,092.03
Cash funds this year end	27,670.50	1,480.54	29,151.04	19,832.04

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITES AT YEAR END

31ST DECEMBER 2024



		2024		2023
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
Cash funds				
CAF Current Account	13,615.71	1,480.54	15,096.25	9,935.48
NatWest Current Account	1,724.63		1,724.63	6,703.07
NatWest 35-day Notice Account	12,330.16		12,330.16	3,073.49
Cash in hand				120:00
Total cash funds	27,670.50	1,480.54	29,151.04	19,832.04
Other monetary assets				
Gift Aid				1,196.00
Outstanding member subs	30.00		30.00	87.50
Relentless Explorers Contribution for 2024	900.00	-	900.00	
24 Hour Paddle - Paypal Receipts	159.46		159.46	
Total other monetary assets	1,089.46		1,089.46	1,283.50
Non-monetary assets for own use				
Land and buildings (see note 1)	391,514	41,067	432,581	432,581
Pontoon	3,018	90,414	93,432	93,432
Scouting equipment, furniture etc (see note 2)	10,102	6,075	16,177	16,177
Boating equipment	47,755	19,979	67,734	67,149
Total other non-monetary assets	452,389	157,535	609,924	609,339
Liabilities - those due within one year				
Trade Creditors	1,270.49		1,270.49	695.14
Section activity claims				51.85
Total liabilities	1,270.49		1,270.49	746.99
Contingent liabilities and future obligations				
Rent payable in the future £250 per year until 2026. Rent to be reviewed in 2026 until the end of the lease in 2036. (see note 3)				

Notes:

1. The value of the building for insurance purposes is £542,988.
2. The Scouting equipment etc is valued at original cost.
3. The property is leased by the Scout Association Trust Corporation as trustee for 4th Eling Sea Scouts.

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 1st July 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

Signature

Chair

Treasurer

Print Name

Kyle Michael Williamson
Lorna Kathleen MacPhee

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**Leaders
Problem solvers
Team players**

GROUP CHAIR'S FOREWORD

Sitting down - and reflecting on the last year – it's certainly been something of an eye-opener for me! My own involvement in scouting originally ended in my teens, and as a teenager coming up through cubs and beavers, the skills learnt, and memories made have been hugely beneficial and stayed with me throughout my adult life. Like most ex-scouts, there's always a memory that stands out, and for me, it's learning morse code on a weekend jamboree in the early 90's.



As an adult, having had and enjoyed those experiences, I think it's imperative that subsequent generations continue to have these opportunities. As a result, it was a real honour and privilege to return to the fold in March 2023 and take on the role of chair of 4th Eling Sea Scouts. As a resident of Totton & Eling, and a regular user of Testwood Lakes, I have always been in awe of what the strong minded and tenacious volunteers have achieved for our group. We are incredibly lucky to not only occupy the Aquativity Centre as our Headquarters at Testwood Lakes, but that we also have the equipment and knowledge to provide a real programme of being able to build individual's skills for life – not only for young people, but adults too. I want us to respect, protect and build on the legacy that past volunteers have left us.



It's also worth saying that we couldn't do this without the substantial contribution that all our volunteers make daily. From our Trustee Board down to the parent that helps in a session, you are all important and invaluable and we couldn't do this without your contribution. I'd also like to personally thank Donna Ovendon, who has been the backbone of our group, as she steps down as our GSL after many years at our AGM.

Across the scouting movement, volunteer recruitment for leaders is becoming more difficult, and we are no exception. I feel incredibly lucky to chair a team of resilient trustees and leaders that continue our programme in the face of these challenges. I am also very thankful to our finance team and funders who, despite the rising costs, have been able to make sure that we remain solvent and been able to continue in upgrading and maintaining our HQ this year. We will never stand still, and we will continue to do whatever we can to make our program the best it can be.



We are always looking for new volunteers, from those who can offer as little as an hour a week to those wanting to be a Section Leader. We are able to give you experiences you won't get elsewhere, as Robert Baden-Powell quite rightly said, the real way to get happiness is by giving out happiness to other people. You don't have to be Bear Grylls but you will most likely become an expert in shoelaces and fist bumps. As always, we will do our best to "Be Prepared", and we look forward to another year at 4th Eling Sea Scouts.

Kyle Williamson
Group Chair

GROUP SCOUT LEADER REPORT

Wow so it's that time again when we reflect on the last year and what has been happening with the group!

So, more projects have happened around the building – the paving water side looks fantastic. And I must thank all that have been involved in the last year with the group, especially the leadership team who put in so much effort all the time. The Trustees who you may never see but they are doing things behind the scenes to keep the group going. Those parents that are able to support us this is also very appreciated as we just can't run without the support be that, helping weekly at beavers, cubs or scouts, being here each evening of boating for scouts and helping get all that equipment in and out – you will find you're better at tetris after spending time helping! To those that have more recently helped with the Donkey Derby event the biggest we have ever done!

I have been lucky to attend all sections throughout the year but seeing the small Beavers develop in confidence and skills right through to the now scouts that tower over me. I'm always amazed at what scouting offered young people! Some amazing activities have happened the scouts got to experience scuba diving last year! And the Beavers and cubs joined together to visit the panto which I think I can safely say we all really enjoyed!

We've seen changes in our leadership teams over the last year again and sadly have lost a lot of adults, but we must thank all those that have given time and those that have moved on as well. We welcome with open arms the newer members to the leadership team, but there is always space for more – actually in all seriousness if we are to continue, we really do need people to make that step forward and get involved.

Chantelle departs as a Beaver Leader after devoting 14 years to the group, and we are still looking for individuals to come forward and take on the challenge of our Beaver Section.

Runaway success for donkey derby



Maya George

THE annual Totton & Eling Donkey Derby - enjoyed by hundreds every year - was a runaway success.

Children saddled up to race donkeys at fast and slow paces around Eling recreation ground.

Now in its 27th year, the popular family event held on Saturday raised funds for the 4th Eling and 5th Testwood Scouts, who joined forces for the first time.

Cub scout leader and derby organiser Sarah Challis said: "By joining the 4th Eling Scouts, we have made the event even bigger, and we are hoping to get more people into the event as a result. "All the money raised goes towards helping both groups keep Scouting affordable."

I have been immensely proud to lead the group and work with all sections as well. One of the highlights for me is in the last year convincing all sections to give up their sections cupboards and share everything – so far, no arguments have happened, and we are all slowly getting used to finding everything. Also being able to run District Camp and have all three sections in attendance is something I wanted to do for a long time, the last camp we attended as a group was 2010! – when I vowed never again (and I was just a section assistant with cubs back then).

It was a great feeling watching all sections interact with each other, but the magic was the leadership team how they all work together. Us older ones trying to encourage the young leaders and show them how things work! There has even been talk of a group camp for Eling in the future to get all sections together!

On to the sad part (although some maybe relived!) this will be my last AGM and my last officialt (24-hour paddle) as Group Scout Leader/Lead Volunteer as I step down from the role.

Donna Ovenden
Group Scout Leader

BEAVERS - ANNUAL REPORT (BEAVER COLONY)

We currently have 9 Beavers in the Colony. The numbers are less than normal as we have not invited new beavers to our group in the last year due to decreasing numbers of Beaver leadership team. The waiting list has 10 children under Beaver age on it, the youngest being 3. There are 9 children on the waiting list of a Beaver age.

The section has 2 uniformed leaders, 2 section assistants and 1 Young Leader (although 4 adults are not able to attend weekly due to work / personal / volunteering commitments). This year we have had further changes to our leadership team. We would like to thank Debbie who stepped down from Beaver Leader due to other commitments and for Andy Brown who dedicated many years to being a section assistant. We have welcomed Tracey Hansford as a section assistant and for Lewis return to Beavers. We are incredibly grateful to the parents that have stepped in as occasional helpers to enable us to continue to run activities safely, in line with the Scout Association rules. Thank you to everyone that has assisted us over the last 12 months for their tireless work for the Beavers.

Chantelle has been an integral part of the leadership team for over 14 years and has seen many Beavers move up through the group. Her positivity, kindness and friendliness has been an example to us all and we would like to thank her for her incredible contribution. This year has been particularly challenging for the leadership team and would like to acknowledge the dedication and extensive support provided by Donna Ovenden over the last year. She has supported the beaver team on a frequent basis and also dedicated many hours exploring any opportunity available to increase our Beaver leadership team. We have enjoyed taking part in District Paultons Park trip last autumn and District sleepover last month and looking forward to District Picnic in July. Our Facebook page has shown the enthusiasm of the beavers and leaders who have had a fun packed year making the most of both the HQ and the local community.



4 Beavers have earned their Chief Scouts Bronze Awards. This is 3 more than the previous 12 months. The Beavers and Leadership Team should be really proud that we have awarded 209 badges over the last year, which is only 20 less than the previous 12 months whilst our Beaver numbers have been reducing over the last year. In the summer term we enjoyed a range of activities outside of our HQ We joined in with session at Netley Marsh scout group, played mini golf in Romsey, hike in the New Forest, Boating Session at the lakes (thank you to the support from Scout & explorer leaders) and cyclist badge in Testwood recreation park. In Autumn we had a busy term we worked on Teamwork badge & collectors' badge. Beavers took part in scavenger hunt, tried their skills at soap carving and took part in night hike. The second half of the autumn term saw us taking part in Remembrance Day Parade. We celebrated Christingle at the HQ and had a lovely evening making Christingles and singing Christmas carols at the HQ inviting parents to join us.



We had a Halloween fun evening, worked on cooks and creative badges. We were pleased to be able to join the district in returning to Paulton's Park in the autumn and had a fantastic evening joining in with cubs to attend Panto at the Mayflower which was enjoyed by everyone!

We have continued in 2024 with our usual beaver activities such as space badge, safety, communicator, first aid badge, team / challenge games and had a visit from our local PCSO. Our older beavers have also had the opportunity to run activities as part of their personal challenge badge which they have embraced and delivered a wide variety of different sessions with enthusiasm!

We had a visit from our local PCSOs and Beavers enjoyed learning about the police and their patrol vehicles. The beavers took part in litter picking evening in Totton that they were very enthusiastic and collected an impressive amount of rubbish. We have also been to Fernycrofts to take part in tunnelling and climbing sessions. Five of our beavers attended District camp and were enthusiastic taking part in all the activities that were on offer over the weekend.

We are immensely proud of all the Beavers that we have supported over the years and hope that they continue to enjoy their journey through their scouting journey.

Chantelle Carter & Teresa Aburrow
Beaver Leadership Team

CUBS - ANNUAL REPORT (WAINGUNGA PACK)

We currently have 26 Cubs in the Packs which is slightly lower than previous years, and we currently have Four Young Leaders in our section and Seven Leaders (plus Donna) over the nights we meet. Not all attend every week, Kelly is currently on sabbatical after having her little boy in April and we see Lorna and Andy leave for a sunnier climate come the summer holiday to start their new life in Australia. Alex is also currently on leave as he has set sail on his maiden voyage in his new (to him) boat. He may be back by the AGM - we are hoping the vessel stays watertight!



Over the last year we have taken part in the following activities. Knots Evening, Annual Visit to Sunnyfields for Pumpkin Carving, Remembrance Activities, First Aid, Christmas Craft, Gardening Nights, Athletics Evening, Lego Challenge, Trip to the Mayflower Theatre with the Beavers for the Panto. Our older Cubs also took part in a hike across the Forest (a slightly different path due to the wetness of the Forest last time) and other challenges overnight we have also had lots of evenings with Skills for Life being practiced.



We also had our Summer Camp at Six Penny Handley including Air Museum and Kite Flying and lots of other fun activities including a lovely hike.



The Cub Pack also took part in the District Top Trump Competition and Won and went onto County Final and came 2nd Overall.

We also took part in the District Brainbox Competition and came 1st as well.

We have presented 8 Chief Scout Silver Awards and 370 Badges in total over the year.



We have a good team of leaders but due to work, family and other commitments we can't always attend each week. So we will be asking for more adult help in the future for us to continue running each week. If you are interested in helping, please come and see us.

We aim to try and get every Cub in the pack their Chief Scout Silver Award, but this needs help from Parents and Cubs as well. I would like to thank you for the help and support we have received from all our leaders, parents and of course for the good behaviour (most of the time!) of the Cubs.

Akela (Richard White)

Our Team

Donna, Alan, Sarah, Sam, Lorna, Andy, Elisabeth, Alex, Amy, Chrion

SEA SCOUTS - ANNUAL REPORT (WARRIOR TROOP)

2023- 2024 has been a very busy year! The scouts have resumed summer boating on the lake and continue to show amazing skills as they progress through Sailing (RYA 1), Rafting and Kayaking (Paddle Start Award). Our winter programme saw activities such as night hikes, wide games, backward's cooking, scuba diving, cake making, bell ringing and photography.

The Scouts also participated in sponsored walks and raised over £500 for the group, taken part in several weekend camps, including the district camp. Scouts had the opportunity to take part in Archery, Go Karting, Assault Courses, Axe Throwing, Rock Climbing and Hiking, alongside learning skills to support themselves – such as cooking.



We have a great team of leaders and skills instructors supporting the unit taking care of 43 scouts, and 4 young leaders. All the leaders and skills instructors have spent a lot of time outside of scouts working hard getting their permits and training done over the last year to give the scouts more opportunities.

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce assistant scout leaders Alex, Lally and Mark and our young leaders James, Hayden & Evie who've all joined the unit within the last year.

Sadly, we lost a couple of leaders this last year as they could no longer commit to the time needed for scouting due to other commitments. This has resulted in a real need for more support. We are looking for potential Section Assistants and Assistant Leaders who are willing to undertake the relevant training and permits required to run a successful Sea Scout troop. If you would like to be involved in assisting the troop, please do get in touch!

Over the last year 379 badges have been awarded - special mention to Evie Barrow and Aiden Scott for completing their Chief Scouts Gold Scout Award!

The near future holds many exciting opportunities as we continue our boating programme including a sponsored paddle to raise necessary funds for Boating equipment, as well as the weekend chaos camp in September.

Skip (Lisa Williamson)

Our Team:

Flic, Manuela, Dave, Paul, Thomas Q and Thomas W, Mark, Alex, Peter & Lally





Scouts
4th Eling Sea Scouts

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

For the year ended 31st December 2023

Registered Charity Number: 302268

Integrity
Respect
Care
Belief
Cooperation

Our values

As Scouts we live by the values of Scouting. They underpin everything we do, how we act and the way we treat each other.

Do more.

#SkillsForLife



Scouts 

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**Leaders
Problem solvers
Team players**

A - REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS

Charity Name: 4th Eling Sea Scouts
Registered Charity Number: 302268
HQ Registration Number: 10013513
Principal Address: Testwood Lakes, Off Brunel Road, Totton, Southampton,
SO40 3WX

TRUSTEES WHO MANAGE THE CHARITY

Mr Paul Bullock	Trustee
Ms Deborah Crocker	Trustee (until 17/06/2023)
Ms Jill Doherty	Beaver/Cub Parent Representative
Mr Peter Maurice Foster	Trustee
Mrs Lorna Kathleen MacPhee	Treasurer
Mrs Michelle Moody	Secretary
Mr Alex James Moody	Co-Secretary
Ms Karen Mould	Scout Parent Representative
Mrs Donna Ovenden	Group Scout Leader & Lead Volunteer
Mr Alan Ovenden	Explorers Leader (until 17/06/2023)
Mr Richard James White	Cub Leader
Ms Lisa Vail	Scout Parent Representative (until 27/12/2023)
Mr Kyle Michael Williamson	Group Chair (since 30/03/2023)
Mrs Lisa Dawn Williamson	Scout Leader

ADVISORS TO THE CHARITY

Independent Examiner	Ms Holly Dolan	8 Ernest Road, Alton, GU34 1GN
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Confident
Active
Challenging
Inclusive
Optimistic



B - STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE & MANAGEMENT

DESCRIPTION OF THE CHARITY'S TRUSTS:

TYPE OF GOVERNING DOCUMENT:

The charity's governing documents are those of The Scout Association. The Scout Association's governing document is a royal charter which gives authority to the Bye-Laws of the Association and the Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR) of the Scout Association. The group is an unincorporated association established under these rules which are common to all Scout Groups. At the 2023 AGM, we adopted our constitution based on the Scout Association's POR (5.4, April 2023 version).

HOW THE CHARITY IS CONSTITUTED:

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

TRUSTEE SELECTION METHODS:

The Trustees are appointed or elected in accordance with the POR.

ADDITIONAL GOVERNANCE INFORMATION:

THE TRUSTEE BOARD:

The Group, which is a registered educational charity, is managed by the Trustees of the Charity. As Charity Trustees they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities, including financial management, accounting and reporting to the Charity Commission as required.



On board and inspired.

The Trustees are in continuous communication, and formally meet when necessary. Trustee meetings consist of the appointed roles of Chair, Treasurer and Secretary, together with the Group and Section Leaders, elected members and parents' representatives. New members complete training set out by The Scout Association.

As well as being the primary body responsible under Charity Law, the Trustee Board also exists to support the Scout Leaders in meeting the responsibilities of their appointments and is responsible for:

- Raising funds and the administration of Group finance;
- The maintenance and development of Group property and equipment.
- The insurance of persons, property and equipment.
- Representing the Group at public events.
- Assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support.
- Appointing any sub committees that may be required.
- Appointing Group Administrators and Advisers other than those who are elected.

RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROL

The Trustee Board regularly reviews the major risks to which the Group could be exposed. Systems and controls have been established to mitigate these risks where appropriate. The main areas of concern that have been identified are:

Financial mismanagement: We have internal controls in place to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss. These include two signatories for all payments and comprehensive insurance policies to cover the insurable risks.

Damage to the building, property and equipment: In recent years the Group has upgraded the physical security of the property. The Trustee Board continues to review the physical security and has also completed upgrades in 2023. This is in addition to buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent or major loss. If required, we would seek the use of buildings, property and equipment from neighbouring Scout Groups and organisations.

Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members: Through the capitation fees the Group contributes to the Scout Association's national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities.

Anti-social behaviour at the lake: The number and scale of these incidents has increased over recent years as the lake has attracted more visitors, especially in the immediate vicinity of our Scout HQ. In 2023, we attended meetings with Hampshire Police and other lake users and are working closely with other stakeholders to address these issues, which can adversely impact the sections' activities.





Do more. Learn more. Be more.

Reduced income from fundraising: The Group is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. We also hold a reserve fund to ensure the continuity of activities for up to 7 months. Subscriptions could be raised to increase the income to the Group, 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, or 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 the membership in a particular section or in the Group as whole were to drop below a viable level then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of that section, or in the worst-case scenario, the complete closure of the Group.

Rising costs & Inflation: Like most organisations, The Group is exposed to Rising Costs, particularly in Energy and Contracted In-Services. The Trustee Board has taken the approach of long term contracts to ensure expenditure is known (such as energy) and utilising the services of members and volunteers wherever possible.

Conflict of Interest: Trustees' personal and professional connections do bring benefits to the Group that would otherwise be unobtainable or require larger expenditure, and the Group does take note of the Charity Commission's guidance on these matters. Where there is a potential conflict of interest this is declared and conflicted trustees take no part in the decisions being made and the guidance is followed to ensure that decisions are made in the best interests of the charity.



Integrity

C - OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

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

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

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;



Summary of the main activities in relation to these objectives

The main activities that are normally undertaken in relation to the above objectives are:

- Provision of leadership training to facilitate the delivery of excellent Scouting;
- Provision of land- and water-based Scouting activities;
- A programme of activities aimed at the young people achieving recognition through being awarded badges;
- Participation in district and county events and competitions;
- Participation in conservation projects and civic events, like the St Georges Day and Remembrance Day parades;
- Opportunities are given to represent the Group at Jamborees and other international events;
- Fundraising to facilitate other activities.

Contribution made by volunteers

The contribution of volunteers to the Group is both fundamental and excellent. Currently the Group has over 25 volunteers working in Scout leadership and administration roles.

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.

Respect

D - ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The Group achieved a number of highlights to be proud of, in particular:

- The Scouts got to enjoy Scuba Diving last Christmas, a novel experience to everybody!
- 4 Beavers, 8 Cubs and 2 Scouts Achieved their Chief Scout Awards.
- We were able to continue our programme of improvements to the facilities and upgrading of equipment.
- We held numerous camps and expeditions across all sections, including working with new community partners, such as a visit from our local PCSO for the Beavers.



Paving

Additional paving was laid to improve accessibility outside the boatshed and to the lake. The total cost of this project was £5,991 which was fully funded from a grant received specifically for this project.



Safety rib motor

We purchased another new Mariner outboard motor to replace the Yamaha motor that was over 20 years old and in need of major repairs. The cost of £2,335 was funded by a combination of an Admiralty Grant, the Scouts' sponsored walk and other fundraising, plus trading in the Yamaha motor.



Topper launching trolleys

We purchased new launching trolleys for our 2 Topper sailing dinghies, at a cost of £567, funded from our unrestricted funds.

Boatshed lighting

The lights in the boatshed were converted to LED lighting at a cost of £706, funded from our unrestricted funds.

Rafting equipment

The Group purchased additional barrels for raft building at a cost of £490, which was fully funded from a Tesco Community grant.

Broadband and WiFi Service

Our broadband connection was converted to a mobile service at a cost of £523, which has significantly improved our WiFi provision at the HQ, funded from our unrestricted funds.

E - FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial highlights

The Group maintained its strong financial position in 2023. In addition to our ongoing investment in capital improvements and projects, we had a surplus of £779 in our unrestricted funds for the year. At the year-end the Group held unrestricted cash reserves of £17,750 (excluding the section camp surplus), which is equivalent to 7 months of our average operating expenditure. This is comfortably in the target range of our Financial Policy.

The charity's principal sources of funds

The Group's principal sources of funds are subscriptions and non-subscription income (grants, donations and fundraising). The income from subscriptions is used solely for the provision of the Scouting programme, including the membership (capitation) fee, activities, training, and other costs to run the facility, such as the lease, maintenance, utilities and insurance. Gross subscription income in 2023 was £14,540, of which £4,551 was paid out as the annual membership fee. An additional £2,335 was received from HMRC through the Gift Aid scheme. Non-subscription income is used to cover improvements to the facility and for the provision of new equipment. In 2023 this unrestricted income comprised £2,836 from fundraising, £7,543 from other users of the Aquativity Centre, and £1,276 from other sources of income.

Investment policy and objectives

The Group has a risk-averse strategy to the investment of its reserve funds. All funds are held in mainstream banks only. £3,073 of these funds is held in a 35-day notice account and the balance is held in current accounts.

Reserves policy

The Group's Financial policy is to hold sufficient reserves to continue the charitable activities of the Group should income and fundraising activities fall short. Our reserves policy has a target for our unrestricted reserves to cover 6-9 months of our average non-discretionary operating expenditure. At the end of 2023 the Group had unrestricted reserves of £17,750, equivalent to 7 months of our 2023 operating costs. The membership fee of circa £4,600 is due in March 2024 and is fully covered by the designated subs reserve which ringfences funds specifically for this commitment.

How expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity

The Group's finances are managed and expenditure is prioritised to support the sections to deliver an exciting Scouting programme consistent with the objectives of Section C.

- Funds made available to sections for spending on their programme and activities;
- Support is provided to leaders to attend training courses and to purchase uniform;
- Maintaining the facility in good condition, and making improvements as and when our finances permit;
- Following a replacement programme for boating and camping equipment to ensure all equipment is in a fit condition.
- Surplus funds are designated to the Group's priority projects, in addition to grants received for these purposes.

F - OTHER OPTIONAL INFORMATION

Plans for future periods

The key projects planned for 2024 are:

- Furnishing the IT/Data Room
- Upgrading the exterior lighting around the building
- Reviewing the Entry Arrangements for the Scout HQ

G - DECLARATION

The trustees declare that they have approved the Trustee's Report above on 27th June 2024, and this report is signed on behalf of the charity trustees by:



Kyle Michael Williamson
Chair



Lorna Kathleen MacPhee
Treasurer

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF 4TH ELING SEA SCOUTS

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the 4th Eling Sea Scouts for the year ended 31st December 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the 4th Eling Sea Scouts 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 4th Eling Sea Scouts accounts carried out under section 745 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 4th Eling Sea Scouts as required by section 130 of the Act: or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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:



Name: **Holly Dolan**

Date: **Jul 11 2024**

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies: ACA (ICAEW)

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR FROM 1ST JANUARY 2023 TO 31ST DECEMBER 2023

	2023			2022
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
<u>Subscriptions and Gift Aid</u>				
Membership subscriptions	14,539.50		14,539.50	14,920.50
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on 5/3/22	-4,551.00		-4,551.00	-4,974.75
Net Membership subscriptions retained	9,988.50		9,988.50	9,945.75
Gift Aid	2,334.55		2,334.55	5,361.97
Sub total	12,323.05	0.00	12,323.05	15,307.72
<u>Grants and Donations</u>				
Unrestricted donations	350.00		350.00	720.00
Anonymous Family Trust (paving)		6,000.00	6,000.00	
RN Admiralty Fund (boating)		1,325.00	1,325.00	
The Peoples Postcode Lottery (equipment)		500.00	500.00	500.00
Tesco (rafting equipment)		500.00	500.00	
Netley Marsh Steam Rally (HQ projects)		235.00	235.00	
The Leslie Sell Trust (store)				1,000.00
The Robert Hall Foundation (store)				2,000.00
ASDA Foundation (store/boating)				1,524.00
Garfield Weston Foundation (store)				2,000.00
Beaulieu Beaufort Foundation (store)				1,500.00
Testwood Lakes Sailability (resurfacing)				1,000.00
Arnold Clark Community Fund (boating)				1,000.00
New Forest District Council Grants				2,667.00
Other restricted grants (HQ projects)				2,010.00
Sub total	350.00	8,560.00	8,910.00	15,921.00
<u>Fund Raising and Interest</u>				
Donkey Derby	500.00		500.00	17,575.57
Sponsored events	453.00		453.00	830.00
Hire of Facility/Equipment	7,542.50		7,542.50	7,620.00
Badges / Uniform	30.00		30.00	101.60
Other fundraising activities	2,908.71		2,908.71	1,480.56
Bank interest	93.14		93.14	13.28
Sub total	11,527.35	0.00	11,527.35	27,621.01
<u>Section Camps and Activities</u>				
Beaver section		401.00	401.00	316.00
Cub section		2,835.00	2,835.00	2,085.00
Scout section		1,580.00	1,580.00	1,322.00
Sub total	0.00	4,816.00	4,816.00	3,723.00
Total Gross Income	24,200.40	13,376.00	37,576.40	62,572.73
<u>Sale of Group equipment</u>				
	350.00		350.00	750.00
Total Receipts	24,550.40	13,376.00	37,926.40	63,322.73

	2023			2022
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
<u>OPERATING EXPENSES</u>				
<u>Premises</u>				
Maintenance & Grounds	2,047.06		2,047.06	1,844.70
HQ improvements (excl. discretionary projects)	82.98		82.98	527.29
Cleaning	4,290.11		4,290.11	4,234.37
Safety, Fire & Security	2,499.62		2,499.62	1,650.35
Electricity	2,127.74		2,127.74	2,086.09
Gas	126.01		126.01	94.25
Water	203.29		203.29	178.15
Phone line - internet & alarm	306.06		306.06	283.15
Rent	250.00		250.00	250.00
Buildings and Contents Insurance	1,710.84		1,710.84	1,556.65
<u>Section Camps and Activities</u>				
Beaver section	628.51	304.75	933.26	833.95
Cub section	663.03	2,309.46	2,972.49	3,550.13
Scout section	777.61	1,240.95	2,018.56	2,212.87
Group events	20.00		20.00	126.85
<u>Camping and Boating Equipment</u>				
Camping equipment				485.59
Boating equipment purchases	1,935.69	1,825.00	3,760.69	5,073.13
Boating equipment maintenance	516.66		516.66	1,135.25
<u>Programme Expenses</u>				
Badges	301.00		301.00	734.07
Group Scarves, Sweatshirts & T Shirts	253.45		253.45	47.50
Adult Leaders Uniform				34.99
<u>Other Expenses</u>				
Administration & Sundry expenses	718.70		718.70	780.41
Professional fees	79.10		79.10	120.00
Marine and Pontoon Insurance	2,436.99		2,436.99	2,365.01
Accident and medical cover for non members	136.00		136.00	136.00
Total operating expenses	22,110.45	5,680.16	27,790.61	30,340.75
<u>DISCRETIONARY EXPENSES</u>				
<u>Fund Raising Expenses</u>				
Donkey Derby	200.00		200.00	6,443.23
Other Fund Raising	372.59		372.59	159.60
<u>Capital expenditure & Discretionary Projects</u>				
Paving / Parking area resurfacing	36.00	5,976.87	6,012.87	5,681.03
Lighting upgrade	706.14		706.14	1,068.78
Mobile router installation	95.02	523.13	618.15	
Equipment Store	251.03	235.00	486.03	18,620.67
Tom Hall Memorial Garden				1,042.76
Boatshed improvements				4,434.66
Defibrillator				1,321.00
Merger / Name change costs				1,416.10
Other projects				57.60
Total discretionary expenses	1,660.78	6,735.00	8,395.78	40,245.43
Total Payments	23,771.23	12,415.16	36,186.39	70,528.58
Net of receipts / (payments)	779.17	960.84	1,740.01	-7,263.45
Transfer of camp surplus to general funds	576.83	-576.83	0.00	0.00
Cash funds last year end	17,662.51	429.52	18,092.03	25,355.48
Cash funds this year end	19,018.51	813.53	19,832.04	18,092.03

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITES AT YEAR END

FOR THE YEAR FROM 1ST JANUARY 2023 TO 31ST DECEMBER 2023

	2023		2022	
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
Cash funds				
CAF Current Account	9,121.95	813.53	9,935.48	10,263.66
NatWest Current Account	6,703.07		6,703.07	4,825.57
NatWest 35-day Notice Account	3,073.49		3,073.49	3,002.80
Cash in hand	120.00		120.00	-
Total cash funds	19,018.51	813.53	19,832.04	18,092.03
Other monetary assets				
Gift Aid claim for Q4 2023	1,196.00		1,196.00	-
Outstanding member subs	87.50		87.50	
Total other monetary assets	1,283.50	-	1,283.50	-
Non-monetary assets for own use				
Land and buildings (see note 1)	391,514	41,067	432,581	425,475
Pontoon	3,018	90,414	93,432	93,432
Scouting equipment, furniture etc (see note 2)	10,102	6,075	16,177	14,953
Boating equipment	47,170	19,979	67,149	64,129
Total other non-monetary assets	451,804	157,535	609,339	597,989
Liabilities - those due within one year				
New Forest District - badges	218.85		218.85	
Blue Rose Services - HQ cleaning	129.60		129.60	
Section activity claims	51.85		51.85	
FloGas - (Jan inv ref Dec)	31.76		31.76	31.76
British Gas Plus - (Jan inv ref Dec) invoice for electricity	235.13		235.13	184.14
Veritech Systems - Jan payment ref Sep inv received late	79.80		79.80	
Electracare				152.76
Total liabilities	746.99		746.99	152.76
Contingent liabilities and future obligations				
Rent payable in the future £250 per year until 2026. Rent to be reviewed in 2026 until the end of the lease in 2036. (see note 3)				



Notes:

1. The value of the building for insurance purposes is £542,988.
2. The Scouting equipment etc is valued at original cost.
3. The property is leased by the Scout Association Trust Corporation as trustee for 4th Eling Sea Scouts.

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 24th June 2024 and signed on their behalf by:

Signature

Print Name

Chair

Kyle Michael Williamson

Treasurer

Lorna Kathleen MacPhee

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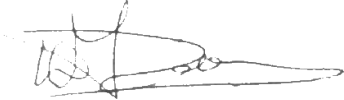

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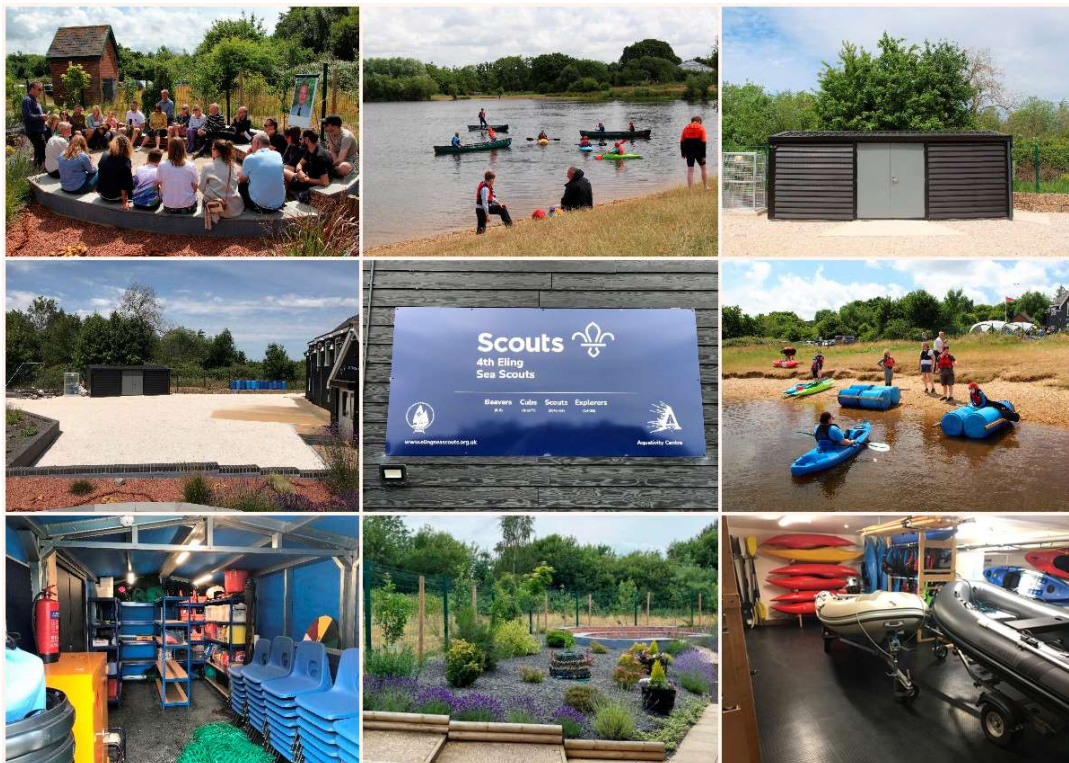
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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT & ACCOUNTS

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

for the year ended 31st December 2022

Section A – Reference and Administration Details

Charity Name:	4th Eling Sea Scouts
Registered charity number:	302268
HQ Registration number:	10013513
Charity's principal address:	Testwood Lakes Off Brunel Road Totton Southampton SO40 3WX

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity, as at 31/12/22:

Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for the whole year
Mrs Donna Ovenden	Group Scout Leader	
Mr Paul Bullock	Assistant GSL	
Ms Lisa Williamson	Scout Leader	Since 25/06/22
Mr Richard White	Cub Leader	Since 25/06/22
Ms Deborah Crocker	Beaver Leader	Since 25/06/22
Mrs Michelle Moody	Secretary	
Mr Alex Moody	Co-Secretary	
Mr Peter Foster	Treasurer	
Ms Lorna MacPhee	Assistant Treasurer	Since 25/06/22
Ms Lisa Vail	Scout parent rep	
Ms Karen Mould	Scout parent rep	
Ms Jill Doherty	Beaver / Cub parent rep	
Mr Rob Perry	Building Manager	Since 25/06/22
Mr Alan Ovenden	Boating Manager	Since 25/06/22
Mr Craig Challis	Beaver parent rep	Until 25/06/22

Names and addresses of adviser:

Type of Adviser	Name	Address
Independent Examiner	Ms Holly Dolan	8 Ernest Road Alton GU34 1GN

Section B – Structure, Governance and Management

Description of the charity's trusts:

Type of governing document	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.
How the charity is constituted	The Group is a trust established in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.
Trustee selection methods	The Trustees are appointed or elected in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

Additional governance issues:

The Group Executive Committee	<p>The Group, which is a registered educational charity, is managed by the Group Executive Committee, of which the members are the Charity Trustees of the Scout Group. As Charity Trustees they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities, including the financial management, accounting and reporting to the Charity Commission as required.</p> <p>The Committee meets every 6 to 8 weeks and consists of the appointed roles of Chair, Treasurer and Secretary, together with the Group and Section Leaders, elected members and parents' representatives. New members complete the 'Essential Information for Executive Committee' training within 5 months of joining the committee.</p> <p>The Group Executive Committee exists primarily to support the Scout Leaders in meeting the responsibilities of their appointments and is responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raising funds and the administration of Group finance; • The maintenance and development of Group property and equipment; • The insurance of persons, property and equipment; • Representing the Group at public events; • Assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support; • Appointing any sub committees that may be required; • Appointing Group Administrators and Advisers other than those who are elected.
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Section B – Structure, Governance and Management

Additional governance issues (continued):

<p>Risk management and Internal Control</p>	<p>The Group Executive Committee regularly reviews the major risks to which the Group could be exposed. Systems and controls have been established to mitigate these risks where appropriate. The main areas of concern that have been identified are:</p> <p><u>Financial mismanagement.</u> We have internal controls in place to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss. These include two signatories for all payments and comprehensive insurance policies to cover the insurable risks.</p> <p><u>Damage to the building, property and equipment.</u> In recent years the Group has upgraded the physical security of the property, in addition to buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent or major loss. If required, we would seek the use of buildings, property and equipment from neighbouring Scout Groups and organisations.</p> <p><u>Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members.</u> Through the capitation fees the Group contributes to the Scout Association's national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities.</p> <p><u>Anti-social behaviour at the lake.</u> The number and scale of these incidents has increased over recent years as the lake has attracted more visitors, especially in the immediate vicinity of our Scout HQ. We are working closely with other stakeholders to address these issues, which can adversely impact the sections' activities.</p> <p><u>Reduced income from fundraising.</u> The Group is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. We also hold a reserve fund to ensure the continuity of activities for up to 7 months. Subscriptions could be raised to increase the income to the Group, either temporarily or permanently.</p> <p><u>Reduction or loss of leaders.</u> 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, or in the worst-case scenario, the complete closure of the Group.</p>
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Section B – Structure, Governance and Management

Additional governance issues (continued):

<p>Risk management and Internal Control (continued)</p>	<p><u>Reduction or loss of members.</u> The Group provides activities for all young people aged 6 to 14. If the membership in a particular section or in the Group as whole were to drop below a viable level then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of that section, or in the worst-case scenario, the complete closure of the Group.</p>
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Section C – Objectives and Activities

<p>Summary of the objectives of the charity set out in its governing document</p>	<p>The objectives of the Group are as a unit of The Scout Association.</p> <p><u>The Purpose of Scouting</u> Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.</p> <p><u>The Values of Scouting</u> 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.</p> <p><u>The Scout Method</u> Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together based on the values of Scouting and:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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.
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Section C – Objectives and Activities

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objectives	<p>The main activities that are normally undertaken in relation to the above objectives are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of leadership training to facilitate the delivery of excellent Scouting; • Provision of land- and water-based Scouting activities; • A programme of activities aimed at the young people achieving recognition through being awarded badges; • Participation in district and county events and competitions; • Participation in conservation projects and civic events, like the St Georges Day and Remembrance Day parades; • Opportunities are given to represent the Group at Jamborees and other international events; • Fundraising to facilitate other activities.
Contribution made by volunteers	<p>The contribution of volunteers to the Group is both fundamental and excellent. Currently the Group has over 25 volunteers working in Scout leadership and administration roles.</p>
Public benefit statement	<p>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.</p>

Section D – Achievements and Performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year	<p>The Group achieved a number of highlights to be proud of, in particular:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After the disruption in 2020-2021 due to Covid, all sections resumed their full programme. • All sections held camps during the year. For the end-of-year activities the Beavers enjoyed Paultons Park, the Cubs watched the pantomime at the Mayflower and the Scouts had fun at the Ninja Warrior attraction. • The Scouts also had a kayaking expedition, a visit to SS Shieldhall and a sponsored 24-hour boating event. • The Group maintained its Royal Navy recognition, as one of only 105 such Groups across the UK. • All of our 2022 planned projects were completed. In addition, the resurfacing of the car park and boat storage area was brought forward and completed.
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Section D – Achievements and Performance

	<p><u>Tom Hall Memorial Garden</u> The Memorial Garden was completed and formally opened on 25/6/22. The total cost of this development was £5,542 (2016-2022) which was funded entirely from grants received specifically for this project.</p>
	<p><u>Equipment store</u> The new equipment store was completed and a retaining wall was built along our whole western boundary. The total cost of this project was £29,058 (2021-2022). £24,143 was funded from restricted and local council grants and the balance was funded from the Donkey Derby proceeds.</p>
	<p><u>Car park and boat storage</u> The whole car park and boat storage area was levelled and resurfaced, with additional drainage installed, at a cost of £5,681. Testwood Lakes Sailability contributed £1,000 towards this project and the balance was funded from the Donkey Derby proceeds and cash reserves.</p>
	<p><u>Boatshed improvements</u> These improvements included the installation of rubber matting over the whole floor area and the adjacent fire escape plus improved storage for the canoes, paddles and accessories. The total cost of £4,455 was funded from a combination of restricted and unrestricted grants.</p>
	<p><u>Safety rib motor</u> A new Mariner outboard motor was bought for the large safety rib to replace the Tohatsu motor that gave a string of problems. The cost of £2,650 was funded by a combination of trading in the Tohatsu motor, boating grants, our boating fund and a sponsored 24-hour boating event.</p>

Section E – Financial Review

<p>The charity's principal sources of funds</p>	<p>The Group's principal sources of funds are subscriptions and non-subscription income (grants, donations and fundraising). The income from subscriptions is used solely for the provision of the Scouting programme, including the membership (capitation) fee, activities, training, and other costs to run the facility, such as the lease, maintenance, utilities and insurance. Gross subscription income in 2022 was £14,921, of which £4,975 was paid out as the annual membership fee. An additional £5,362 was received from HMRC through the Gift Aid scheme.</p> <p>Non-subscription income is used to cover improvements to the facility and for the provision of new equipment. In 2022 this unrestricted income comprised £15,921 from grants and donations, £13,283 from fundraising, £7,620 from other users of the Aquativity Centre, £750 from trading in the Tohatsu outboard motor and £102 from the sale of uniform items.</p>
<p>Reserves policy</p>	<p>The Group's Financial policy is to hold sufficient reserves to continue the charitable activities of the Group should income and fundraising activities fall short. Following the lessons learned during the Covid pandemic, the Exec has decided to increase our reserves policy, with the target to hold reserves to cover 6-9 months of our average non-discretionary operating expenditure by 2025. At the end of 2022 the Group had unrestricted reserves of £16,808, equivalent to 6.6 months of our 2022 operating costs.</p> <p>The membership fee of circa £5,000 is due in March 2023 and is fully covered by the designated subs reserve which ringfences funds specifically for this commitment.</p>
<p>Investment policy and objectives</p>	<p>The Group has a risk-averse strategy to the investment of its reserve funds. All funds are held in mainstream banks only. £3,000 of these funds is held in a 35-day notice account and the balance is held in current accounts.</p>

Section E – Financial Review

<p>How expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity</p>	<p>The Group's finances are managed and expenditure is prioritised to support the sections to deliver an exciting Scouting programme consistent with the objectives of Section C.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funds made available to sections for spending on their programme and activities; • Support is provided to leaders to attend training courses and to purchase uniform; • Support to members to attend international Scouting events, including the World Jamboree in 2023; • Maintaining the facility in good condition, and making improvements as and when our finances permit; • Following a replacement programme for boating and camping equipment to ensure all equipment is in a fit condition. • Surplus funds are designated to the Group's priority projects, in addition to grants received for these purposes.
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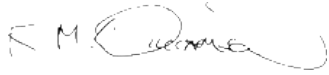

Section F – Other Optional Information

<p>Plans for future periods</p>	<p>The key projects planned for 2023 are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Furnishing the IT/Data Room • Further repairs to the paved areas around the building
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Section G – Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' Report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signature	Full Name and Position
	<p>Name: Kyle Williamson</p> <p>Position: Chair</p> <p>Date: May 24 2023</p>
	<p>Name: Lorna MacPhee</p> <p>Position: Group Treasurer</p> <p>Date: May 24 2023</p>



INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE 4TH ELING SEA SCOUTS

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the 4th Eling Sea Scouts for the year ended 31st December 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the 4th Eling Sea Scouts 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 4th Eling Sea Scouts 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 4th Eling Sea Scouts as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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:



Name: Holly Dolan

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies: ACA (ICAEW)

Address: 8 Ernest Road, Alton, GU34 1GN

Date: 25/4/2023

Receipts and Payments Account

For the year from 1st January 2022 to 31st December 2022

Receipts

	2022			2021
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £	Total £
Subscriptions and Gift Aid				
Membership subscriptions	14,920.50		14,920.50	14,620.50
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on 5/3/22	-4,974.75		-4,974.75	-3,971.40
Net Membership subscriptions retained	9,945.75		9,945.75	10,649.10
Gift Aid	4,859.47	502.50	5,361.97	5,662.94
Sub total	14,805.22	502.50	15,307.72	16,312.04
Grants and Donations				
The Leslie Sell Trust (store)		1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
The Robert Hall Foundation (store)		2,000.00	2,000.00	
ASDA Foundation (store/boating)		1,524.00	1,524.00	
Garfield Weston Foundation (store)		2,000.00	2,000.00	
Beaulieu Beaufort Foundation (store)		1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Testwood Lakes Sailability (resurfacing)		1,000.00	1,000.00	
Arnold Clark Community Fund (boating)		1,000.00	1,000.00	
The Peoples Postcode Lottery (boating)		500.00	500.00	
New Forest District Council Grants	2,667.00		2,667.00	17,302.57
Other unrestricted donations	720.00		720.00	233.50
Other restricted grants (HQ projects)		2,010.00	2,010.00	16,907.77
Sub total	3,387.00	12,534.00	15,921.00	36,943.84
Fund Raising and Interest				
Donkey Derby	17,575.57		17,575.57	
Sponsored paddle	830.00		830.00	
Hire of Facility/Equipment	7,620.00		7,620.00	3,196.67
Badges / Uniform	101.60		101.60	106.50
Other fundraising activities	1,480.56		1,480.56	480.68
Bank interest	13.28		13.28	
Sub total	27,621.01	0.00	27,621.01	3,783.85
Section Camps and Activities				
Beaver section		316.00	316.00	435.00
Cub section		2,085.00	2,085.00	
Scout section	2.00	1,320.00	1,322.00	70.00
Sub total	2.00	3,721.00	3,723.00	505.00
Total Gross Income	45,815.23	16,757.50	62,572.73	57,544.73
Sale of Group equipment	750.00		750.00	100.00
Total Receipts	46,565.23	16,757.50	63,322.73	57,644.73

Receipts and Payments Account

For the year from 1st January 2022 to 31st December 2022

Payments				
	2022			2021
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £	Total £
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Premises				
Maintenance	1,844.70		1,844.70	4,546.24
HQ improvements (excl. HQ projects)	527.29		527.29	432.14
Cleaning	4,234.37		4,234.37	2,942.40
Health, Safety, Security & PPE	1,650.35		1,650.35	134.55
Electricity	2,086.09		2,086.09	1,299.66
Gas	94.25		94.25	157.77
Water	178.15		178.15	127.19
Phone line - internet & alarm	283.15		283.15	231.84
Rent	250.00		250.00	250.00
Buildings and Contents Insurance	1,556.65		1,556.65	1,392.90
Loan Repayment and Interest				
Capital				13,000.00
Interest				181.00
Section Camps and Activities				
Beaver section	560.17	273.78	833.95	1,019.77
Cub section	2,028.26	1,521.87	3,550.13	744.87
Scout section	919.69	1,293.18	2,212.87	1,029.60
Group events	52.25	74.60	126.85	0.00
Camping and Boating Equipment				
Camping equipment	485.59		485.59	163.64
Boating equipment purchases	3,573.13	1,500.00	5,073.13	7,902.68
Boating equipment maintenance	1,135.25		1,135.25	597.53
Programme Expenses				
Badges	734.07		734.07	185.05
Group Scarves, Sweatshirts & T Shirts	47.50		47.50	0.00
Adult Leader uniform	34.99		34.99	24.00
Adult Leader training			0.00	0.00
Other Expenses				
Administration & Sundry expenses	780.41		780.41	254.39
Professional fees	120.00		120.00	120.00
Marine and Pontoon Insurance	2,365.01		2,365.01	2,285.18
Accident and medical cover for non members	136.00		136.00	126.00
Total operating expenses	25,677.32	4,663.43	30,340.75	39,148.40
DISCRETIONARY EXPENSES				
Fund Raising Expenses				
Donkey Derby	6,443.23		6,443.23	0.00
Other Fund Raising	159.60		159.60	297.65
Capital expenditure & Discretionary Projects				
Tom Hall Memorial Garden		1,042.76	1,042.76	1,586.51
Equipment Store	7,580.89	11,039.78	18,620.67	10,437.21
Boatshed improvements	898.16	3,536.50	4,434.66	
Lighting upgrade	1,068.78		1,068.78	
Parking area resurfacing	4,681.03	1,000.00	5,681.03	
Defibrillator	1,321.00		1,321.00	
Merger / Name change costs	1,416.10		1,416.10	
Fencing				9,967.90
Other projects	57.60		57.60	3,721.00
Total Payments	49,303.71	21,282.47	70,586.18	65,158.67
Net of receipts / (payments)				
Transfer of camp surplus to general funds	202.65	-202.65	0.00	0.00
Transfer balance of Tom Hall fund to general funds	48.20	-48.20	0.00	0.00
Cash funds last year end	20,150.14	5,205.34	25,355.48	32,869.42
Cash funds this year end	17,662.51	429.52	18,092.03	25,355.48

Receipts and Payments Account

For the year from 1st January 2022 to 31st December 2022

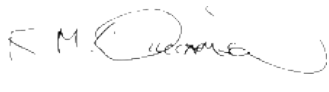

Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	2022			2021
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £	Total £
Cash funds				
CAF Current Account	9,834.14	429.52	10,263.66	10,078.51
CAF Subscriptions Account (closed)	-		-	8,200.12
NatWest Current Account	4,825.57		4,825.57	7,070.85
NatWest 35-day Notice Account	3,002.80		3,002.80	-
Cash in hand	-		-	6.00
Total cash funds	17,662.51	429.52	18,092.03	25,355.48
Non-monetary assets for own use				
Land and buildings (see note 1)	390,620	34,855	425,475	397,751
Pontoon	3,018	90,414	93,432	93,432
Scouting equipment, furniture etc (see note 2)	9,401	5,552	14,953	13,349
Boating equipment	46,520	17,609	64,129	60,969
Total other assets	449,559	148,430	597,989	565,501
Liabilities - those due within one year				
BT direct debit for December usage				189.30
Electracare - awaiting invoice	152.76		152.76	
FloGas - awaiting invoice	31.76		31.76	
British Gas Plus - awaiting Dec invoice for electricity	184.14		184.14	
Total liabilities	368.66		368.66	189.30
Contingent liabilities and future obligations				
Rent payable in the future £250 per year until 2026. Rent to be reviewed in 2026 until the end of the lease in 2036. (see note 3)				

Notes:

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The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 18th May 2023 and signed on their behalf by

Signature		Print Name
	Chair	Kyle Williamson
	Treasurer	Lorna MacPhee

4th Eling Sea Scouts

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Section A – Reference and Administration Details

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Registered charity number:	302268
HQ Registration number:	10013513
Charity's principal address:	Testwood Lakes Off Brunel Road Totton Southampton SO40 3WX

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity, as at 31/12/21:

Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for the whole year
Mrs Donna Ovenden	Group Scout Leader	
Mr Paul Bullock	Assistant GSL	
Ms Jill Doherty	Chair	
Mrs Michelle Moody	Secretary	Since 29/06/21
Mr Peter Foster	Treasurer	
Ms Lisa Vail	Scout parent rep	
Ms Karen Mould	Scout parent rep	
Mr Alex Moody		Since 29/06/21
Mr Craig Challis	Beaver parent rep	Since 29/06/21
Dr Clare Pollack	Scout parent rep	Until 29/06/21
Mr Paul Williamson	Assistant Treasurer	Until 29/06/21

Names and addresses of adviser:

Type of Adviser	Name	Address
Independent Examiner	Richard Butler	The Old Stable Coombe Farm Coombe Lane Awbridge, Romsey SO51 OHN

Section B – Structure, Governance and Management

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Additional governance issues:

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Section B – Structure, Governance and Management

Additional governance issues (continued):

<p>Risk management and Internal Control</p>	<p>The Group Executive Committee regularly reviews the major risks to which the Group could be exposed. Systems and controls have been established to mitigate these risks where appropriate. The main areas of concern that have been identified are:</p> <p><u>Financial mismanagement.</u> We have internal controls in place to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss. These include two signatories for all payments and comprehensive insurance policies to cover the insurable risks.</p> <p><u>The Covid pandemic.</u> The Group's Covid Policy is aligned to the Scout Association's tiered statuses. Most Scouting activities were restricted to online sessions and virtual events until the Green status was announced in mid-2021.</p> <p><u>Damage to the building, property and equipment.</u> During 2021 a 2-metre fence was installed to provide better protection of our property and equipment. The Group also has buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss and would request the use of buildings, property and equipment from neighbouring Scout Groups and organisations if required.</p> <p><u>Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members.</u> Through the capitation fees the Group contributes to the Scout Association's national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities.</p> <p><u>Reduced income from fundraising.</u> The Group is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. State grants received from the local council in 2021 made up for the reduced fundraising income. The Group also holds a reserve fund to ensure the continuity of activities for up to 6 months. The Committee could raise the value of subscriptions to increase the income to the Group on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently.</p> <p><u>Reduction or loss of leaders.</u> 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, or in the worst-case scenario, the complete closure of the Group.</p>
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Section B – Structure, Governance and Management

Additional governance issues (continued):

Risk management and Internal Control (continued)	<p><u>Reduction or loss of members.</u> 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 whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section, or in the worst-case scenario, the complete closure of the Group.</p>
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Section C – Objectives and Activities

Summary of the objectives of the charity set out in its governing document	<p>The objectives of the Group are as a unit of The Scout Association.</p> <p><u>The Purpose of Scouting</u> Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.</p> <p><u>The Values of Scouting</u> 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.</p> <p><u>The Scout Method</u> Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together based on the values of Scouting and:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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.
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Section C – Objectives and Activities

<p>Summary of the main activities in relation to these objectives</p>	<p>The main activities that are normally undertaken in relation to the above objectives are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of leadership training to facilitate the delivery of excellent Scouting; • Provision of land- and water-based Scouting activities; • A programme of activities aimed at the young people achieving recognition through being awarded badges; • Participation in district and county events and competitions; • Participation in conservation projects and civic events, like the St Georges Day and Remembrance Day parades; • Opportunities are given to represent the Group at Jamborees and other international events; • Fundraising to facilitate other activities. <p>Several of these activities could not take place during 2021 due to the Covid restrictions. No boating could be done until the Green Covid status in mid-2021.</p>
<p>Contribution made by volunteers</p>	<p>The contribution of volunteers to the Group is both fundamental and excellent. Currently the Group has over 30 volunteers working in Scout leadership, administration and fundraising roles.</p>
<p>Public benefit statement</p>	<p>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.</p>

Section D – Achievements and Performance

<p>Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year</p>	<p>Despite the challenges of Covid restrictions, the Group achieved a number of highlights to be proud of, in particular:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The name of the Group and charity was changed to 4th Eling Sea Scouts on 01/10/21. • The Group maintained its Royal Navy recognition, as one of only 105 such Groups across the UK. • Following the drop in membership during the lockdowns, section numbers are on the increase again, with 103 youth members in the Group at year-end. All sections are working towards getting back to full strength again. • All the sections held regular meetings - both online and at the hut, in line with the Covid status - with a variety of activities and challenges for members to participate in. • The Scout section competed in the County regatta held at Testwood Lakes. • Good progress was made in implementing our Development Plan with c. £33,000 spent on improvements to our property and equipment. Details of the main projects are provided below.
	<p><u>Tom Hall Memorial Garden</u></p> <p>Great progress was made on the Memorial Garden once the Covid restrictions were eased. A few additions remain to be completed in 2022.</p>
	<p><u>Security and fence</u></p> <p>A 2-metre fence was erected around our property at a cost of £9,968 and a hedge was planted along the lakeside boundary. Our CCTV system was also upgraded at a cost of £1,680 to provide 360° coverage around our building.</p>
	<p><u>Changing rooms</u></p> <p>Improvements included the installation of the benches and shower curtains in the changing rooms, at a total cost of £2,041.</p>

Section D – Achievements and Performance

	<p><u>Boating equipment</u></p> <p>The Group purchased a new Sedgemoor SB380 dinghy, our first new rowing dinghy in over 10 years, at a cost of £5,005 including the road trailer and accessories. A further £2,900 was spent on replacing older boating equipment, including buoyancy aids, Pico mainsails and rigging.</p>
	<p><u>Equipment store</u></p> <p>Phase 1 of this project was completed, which included the planning approval and initial groundworks. Phase 2 commenced with the ordering of the steel building for delivery in March 2022. Our fundraising drive is on target to be able to complete this project in 2022.</p>

Section E – Financial Review

<p>Financial highlights</p>	<p>The Group maintained its strong financial position in 2021. Although our unrestricted funds show a shortfall of £4,503 for the year, this is solely as a result of the additional loan instalment of £6,500 that was paid to settle the Group's loan. £5,383 of this early payment was covered from the loan reserve brought forward from previous years' surpluses. The full loan was paid off more than a year earlier than due, thereby clearing our annual liability of £6,500 plus interest that had been payable each year since 2013.</p> <p>At the year-end the Group held unrestricted cash reserves of £19,369 (excluding the section camp surplus), which is equivalent to 6.5 months of our average operating expenditure. Although higher than our Financial Policy defines, the excess reserves have been designated to be spent on the new equipment store in 2022.</p>
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Section E – Financial Review

<p>The charity's principal sources of funds</p>	<p>The Group's principal sources of funds are subscriptions and non-subscription income (grants, donations and fundraising). The income from subscriptions is used solely for the provision of the Scouting programme, including the membership (capitation) fee, activities, training, and other costs to run the facility, such as the lease, maintenance, utilities and insurance. Gross subscription income in 2021 was £14,621, of which £3,971 was paid out as the annual membership fee. An additional £5,663 was received from HMRC through the Gift Aid scheme.</p> <p>Non-subscription income is used to repay the building loan, improvements to the facility and for the provision of new equipment. In 2021 this unrestricted income comprised £17,536 from grants and donations, £2,907 from other users of the Aquativity Centre, £183 from fundraising and £207 from the sale of uniform and old kit.</p>
<p>Reserves policy</p>	<p>The Group's Financial policy is to hold sufficient reserves to continue the charitable activities of the Group should income and fundraising activities fall short. The policy targets a reserve of unrestricted funds to cover 3 to 6 months of the Group's typical operating expenditure (circa £36,000 per year).</p> <p>The membership fee of circa £5,300 is due in March 2022 and is fully covered by the designated subs reserve which ringfences funds specifically for this commitment.</p> <p>At the year-end, some of the grants received were held as restricted funds to be spent in 2022:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A balance of £1,166 is available for the completion of the Tom Hall Memorial Garden; • £4,040 of grant funding and £4,000 of reserve cash funds is available for phase 2 of the new equipment store, in addition to the £6,043 deposit that has already been paid for the building.

Section E – Financial Review

Investment policy and objectives	The Group has a risk-averse strategy to the investment of its reserve funds. All funds are held in cash using mainstream banks only.
How expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity	<p>In normal times the Group’s finances are managed and expenditure is prioritised to support the sections to deliver an exciting Scouting programme consistent with the objectives of Section C.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funds made available to sections for spending on their programme and activities; • Support is provided to leaders to attend training courses and to purchase uniform; • Maintaining the facility in good condition, and making improvements as and when our finances permit; • Following a replacement programme for boating and camping equipment to ensure all equipment is in a fit condition. • Surplus funds are designated to the Group’s priority projects, in addition to grants received for these purposes. <p>Once again our Scouting programme was disrupted due to the Covid restrictions, which meant that online sessions had to replace the usual face-to-face activities for the first half of 2021. No section camps were possible and boating could only recommence in September.</p>

Section F – Other Optional Information

Plans for future periods	<p>The key projects planned for 2022 are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion of the Tom Hall Memorial Garden; • Completion of the new equipment store; • Upgrading the downstairs lighting; • New external signage with the new Group name; • Commencement of the car park resurfacing, subject to funding being available. <p>These projects will be funded in the main by fundraising and appeals specifically for these improvements.</p>
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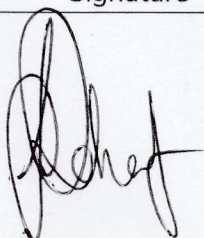
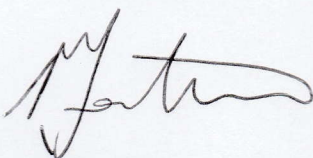
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Section G – Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' Report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signature	Full Name and Position
	Name: Jill Doherty Position: Chair Date: 12 th June 2022
	Name: Peter Foster Position: Group Treasurer Date: 11/6/22



INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE 4TH ELING SEA SCOUTS

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the 4th Eling Sea Scouts for the year ended 31st December 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the 4th Eling Sea Scouts 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 4th Eling Sea Scouts 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 4th Eling Sea Scouts as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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:



Name: Richard Butler

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies: IFA

Address: The Old Stable, Coombe Farm, Coombe Lane, Awbridge, Romsey, SO51 0HN

Date: 7/6/2022

Receipts and Payments Account

For the year from 1st January 2021 to 31st December 2021

Receipts

	2021			2020
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £	Total £
Subscriptions and Gift Aid				
Membership subscriptions	14,620.50		14,620.50	13,715.50
Less : Membership subscriptions paid on 2/3/21	-3,971.40		-3,971.40	-5,247.00
Net Membership subscriptions retained	10,649.10		10,649.10	8,468.50
Gift Aid	5,662.94		5,662.94	4,178.01
Sub total	16,312.04		16,312.04	12,646.51
Grants and Donations				
New Forest District Council Grants	17,302.57		17,302.57	11,334.00
Royal Navy Grant (dinghy)		2,500.00	2,500.00	
The Leslie Sell Trust (fencing)		1,000.00	1,000.00	
The Royston Group (Memorial garden)		1,000.00	1,000.00	
The Beaulieu Beaufort Foundation (fencing)		1,500.00	1,500.00	
Exxon Mobil (fencing)		500.00	500.00	
The Co Op Community Fund (store)		1,977.77	1,977.77	
The Barker-Mill Foundation (store)		2,000.00	2,000.00	
Southern Communications (store)		2,000.00	2,000.00	
Bernard Sunley Foundation (store)		4,000.00	4,000.00	
Testwood Lakes Sailability (Memorial garden)		550.00	550.00	
Arnold Clark Community Fund (benches)		750.00	750.00	
Aviva / Crowdfunder Grant (heating)				3,052.36
The MM Wyllie Charitable Trust Grant (fencing)				5,000.00
Anonymous / other donors	233.50	1,630.00	1,863.50	172.00
Sub total	17,536.07	19,407.77	36,943.84	19,558.36
Fund Raising				
Donkey Derby				150.00
Crowdfunder Prize Draw (fencing project)				300.00
Hire of Facility/Equipment	2,906.67		2,906.67	2,009.63
Testwood Lakes Sailability (pontoon insurance)		290.00	290.00	280.00
Badges / Uniform	106.50		106.50	11.50
Other fundraising activities	480.68		480.68	257.88
Sub total	3,493.85	290.00	3,783.85	3,009.01
Section Camps and Activities				
Beaver section		435.00	435.00	0.00
Cub section				627.26
Scout section		70.00	70.00	0.00
Sub total		505.00	505.00	627.26
Total Gross Income	37,341.96	20,202.77	57,544.73	35,841.14
Sale of Group equipment	100.00		100.00	12.00
Total Receipts	37,441.96	20,202.77	57,644.73	35,853.14

Receipts and Payments Account

For the year from 1st January 2021 to 31st December 2021

Payments

	2021			2020
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £	Total £
Premises				
Maintenance	4,546.24		4,546.24	5,237.03
HQ improvements	432.14		432.14	697.64
Cleaning	2,942.40		2,942.40	1,095.05
Health, Safety & PPE	134.55		134.55	208.09
Electricity	1,299.66		1,299.66	1,446.21
Gas	157.77		157.77	126.36
Water	127.19		127.19	0.00
Phone line - internet & alarm	231.84		231.84	407.58
Rent	250.00		250.00	250.00
Buildings and Contents Insurance	1,392.90		1,392.90	1,317.72
HQ Projects				
Tom Hall Memorial Garden		1,586.51	1,586.51	991.40
Fence	1,417.90	8,550.00	9,967.90	
Changing rooms	41.00	2,000.00	2,041.00	
CCTV upgrade	1,680.00		1,680.00	
Equipment Store	4,369.22	6,067.99	10,437.21	
Heaters				3,052.36
Loan Repayment and Interest				
Capital	13,000.00		13,000.00	6,500.00
Interest	181.00		181.00	536.25
Section Camps and Activities				
Beaver section	584.77	435.00	1,019.77	570.22
Cub section	744.87		744.87	1,169.18
Scout section	959.60	70.00	1,029.60	805.85
Fund Raising Expenses				
Donkey Derby			0.00	220.00
Other Fund Raising	297.65		297.65	0.00
Camping and Boating Equipment				
Camping equipment	163.64		163.64	687.90
Boating equipment purchases	3,688.45	4,214.23	7,902.68	408.18
Boating equipment maintenance	597.53		597.53	510.23
Programme Expenses				
Badges	185.05		185.05	647.63
Group Scarves, Sweatshirts & T Shirts			0.00	411.16
Adult Leader uniform	24.00		24.00	18.60
Adult Leader training			0.00	99.00
Other Expenses				
Administration & Sundry expenses	254.39		254.39	332.60
Professional fees	120.00		120.00	120.00
Marine and Pontoon Insurance	1,995.18	290.00	2,285.18	1,915.30
Accident and medical cover for non members	126.00		126.00	126.00
Total payments	41,944.94	23,213.73	65,158.67	29,907.54
Net of receipts / (payments)	-4,502.98	-3,010.96	-7,513.94	8,997.96
Cash funds last year end	24,653.12	8,216.30	32,869.42	23,871.46
Cash funds this year end	20,150.14	5,205.34	25,355.48	32,869.42

Receipts and Payments Account

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Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	2021			2020
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £	Total £
Cash funds				
CAF Current Account	4,873.17	5,205.34	10,078.51	14,484.87
CAF Subscriptions Account	8,200.12		8,200.12	11,237.01
NatWest Current Account	7,070.85		7,070.85	7,147.54
Cash in hand	6.00		6.00	-
Total cash funds	20,150.14	5,205.34	25,355.48	32,869.42
Non-monetary assets for own use				
Land and buildings (see note 1)	375,656	22,095	397,751	372,922
Pontoon	3,018	90,414	93,432	90,414
Scouting equipment, furniture etc (see note 2)	7,797	5,552	13,349	6,800
Boating equipment	44,685	16,284	60,969	56,665
Total other assets	431,156	134,346	565,501	523,749
Liabilities - those due within one year				
BT direct debit for December usage	189.30		189.30	93.66
Other long term liabilities - HQ loan (see note 3)	-		-	13,000.00
Total liabilities	-		-	13,093.66
Contingent liabilities and future obligations				
Rent payable in the future £250 per year until 2026. Rent to be reviewed in 2026 until the end of the lease in 2036. (see note 4)				

Notes:

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Mrs Judith Lakin	Scout parent rep	Until 5/3/2020
Mr Marcus Sly	Group Scout Leader	Until 7/7/2020
Mrs Victoria Chevis	Cub parent rep	Until 31/8/2020
Ms Penny Luscombe	Fundraising	Since 14/7/2020 until 1/9/2020
Mr Simon Walter		Since 14/7/2020 until 13/10/2020

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Section B – Structure, Governance and Management

Additional governance issues (continued):

<p>Risk management and Internal Control</p>	<p>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:</p> <p>The Group has in place systems of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss, these include two signatories for all payments and comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered.</p> <p><u>The Covid pandemic.</u> In response to the Covid restrictions, the Scout Association implemented a tiered system for all Scouting activities. Most Scouting activities during 2020 were restricted to online sessions and virtual events.</p> <p><u>Damage to the building, property and equipment.</u> The Group would request the use of buildings, property and equipment from neighbouring organisations such as other Scout Groups. The Group has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss.</p> <p><u>Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members.</u> Through the capitation fees the Group contributes to the Scout Association's national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities.</p> <p><u>Reduced income from fundraising.</u> The Group is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. During 2020 the lost fundraising income has been covered by grants received from the local council. The Group also holds a reserve to ensure the continuity of activities for c. 6 months. The Committee could raise the value of subscriptions to increase the income to the Group on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently.</p> <p><u>Reduction or loss of leaders.</u> 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, or in the worst-case scenario, the complete closure of the Group.</p>
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Section B – Structure, Governance and Management

Additional governance issues (continued):

<p>Risk management and Internal Control (continued)</p>	<p><u>Reduction or loss of members.</u> 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 whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section, or in the worst-case scenario, the complete closure of the Group.</p>
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Section C – Objectives and Activities

<p>Summary of the objectives of the charity set out in its governing document</p>	<p>The objectives of the Group are as a unit of The Scout Association.</p> <p><u>The Purpose of Scouting</u> Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.</p> <p><u>The Values of Scouting</u> 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.</p> <p><u>The Scout Method</u> Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together based on the values of Scouting and:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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.
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Section C – Objectives and Activities

<p>Summary of the main activities in relation to these objectives</p>	<p>The main activities that are normally undertaken in relation to the above objectives are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of leadership training to facilitate the delivery of excellent Scouting; • Provision of land- and water-based Scouting activities; • A programme of activities aimed at the young people achieving recognition through being awarded badges; • Participation in district and county events and competitions; • Participation in conservation projects and civic events, like the St Georges Day and Remembrance Day parades; • Opportunities are given to represent the Group at Jamborees and other international events; • Fundraising to facilitate other activities. <p>Most of these activities could not take place during 2020 due to the Covid restrictions. No boating activities were possible during the boating season.</p>
<p>Contribution made by volunteers</p>	<p>The contribution of volunteers to the Group is both fundamental and excellent. Currently the Group has over 30 volunteers working in Scout leadership, administration and fundraising roles.</p>
<p>Public benefit statement</p>	<p>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.</p>

Section D – Achievements and Performance

<p>Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year</p>	<p>Despite the difficulties that 2020 presented, the Group achieved a number of highlights to be proud of, in particular:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Group maintained its Royal Navy recognition, as one of only 103 such Groups across the UK. • The membership of the Group increased to 108 during the year. Our target is still to get all sections back to full strength, once the Covid restrictions are over. • The Cub Pack held a Parent and Child camp before the start of lockdown. • All the sections continued to provide regular online meetings, with a variety of activities and challenges for members to participate in. • The Group took delivery of the new kayak trailer that was purchased at the end of 2019. • Major progress has been made in building the Tom Hall Memorial Garden. • The 'Heat the Hut' crowdfunding appeal was successful in raising over £3,000 which enabled the new heaters to be installed downstairs at the hut.
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Right: the new kayak trailer
Below: the Tom Hall Memorial Garden



Section E – Financial Review

<p>The charity's principal sources of funds</p>	<p>The Group's principal sources of funds are subscriptions and non-subscription income (grants, donations and fundraising). The income from subscriptions is used solely for the provision of the Scouting programme, including the membership (capitation) fee, activities, training, and other costs to run the facility, such as the lease, maintenance, utilities and insurance. Gross subscription income in 2020 was £13,716, of which £5,247 was paid out as the annual membership fee. An additional £4,178 was received from HMRC through the Gift Aid scheme.</p> <p>Non-subscription income is used to repay the building loan, improvements to the facility and for the provision of new equipment. In 2020 this unrestricted income comprised £11,506 from grants and donations, £2,010 from other users of the Aquativity Centre, and £258 from fundraising.</p>
<p>Reserves policy</p>	<p>The Group's Financial policy is to hold sufficient reserves to continue the charitable activities of the Group should income and fundraising activities fall short. The policy targets a reserve of unrestricted funds to cover 3 to 6 months of the Group's average operating expenditure (circa £42,000 per year). At the year-end £25,276 was held as general funds, which is equivalent to 7.2 months of our typical operating expenditure.</p> <p>The membership fee of circa £5,346 is due in March 2021, and is fully covered by unrestricted funds at the year-end, which have been ringfenced for this purpose. At year-end £5,383 was ringfenced for our 2021 loan instalment.</p> <p>At the year-end, some of the grants received were held as restricted funds to be spent in 2021:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A balance of £1,306 of boating grants is available towards the purchase of the new rowing dinghies; • £987 for the completion of the Tom Hall Memorial Garden; • £5,300 for the installation of the new fence.
<p>Investment policy and objectives</p>	<p>The Group has a risk-averse strategy to the investment of its reserve funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks.</p>

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT for the year ended 31st December 2020

<p>How expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity</p>	<p>In normal times the Group's finances are managed and expenditure is prioritised to support the sections to deliver an exciting Scouting programme consistent with the objectives of Section C.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funds made available to sections for spending on their programme and activities; • Support is provided to leaders to attend training courses and to purchase uniform; • Maintaining the facility in good condition, and making improvements as and when the funds permit; • Following a replacement programme for boating and camping equipment to ensure all equipment is in a fit condition. <p>Our Scouting programme was severely disrupted since due to the Covid restrictions, which meant that online sessions had to replace the usual face-to-face activities, for most of 2020. No boating or camping was possible after March.</p>
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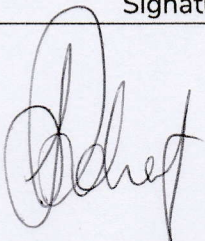
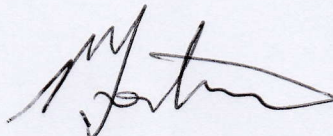
Section F – Other Optional Information

<p>Plans for future periods</p>	<p>The key projects planned for 2021 are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Installation of a security fence around the property; • Completion of the Tom Hall Memorial Garden; • Purchase of 2 new rowing dinghies; • Additional storage facilities. <p>These projects will be funded in the main by fundraising and appeals specifically for these improvements.</p>
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Section G – Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' Report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature	Full Name and Position
	Name: Jill Doherty Position: Chair Date: 29 th June 2021
	Name: Peter Foster Position: Group Treasurer Date: 29/6/2021



INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE 4TH NEW FOREST NORTH (ELING) SEA SCOUTS

I report on the accounts of the 4th New Forest North (Eling) Sea Scout Group for the period ended 31st December 2020, which are set out on pages 12 to 14.

This report is made solely to the trustees in accordance with Sections 144 and 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and charity's trustees for my examination work.

Respective responsibilities of the 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 144 of 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 Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 explanation 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.

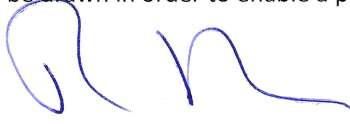
Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with 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 requirements of the 2011 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.

Name RICHARD BUTLER 
Relevant professional body or qualification IFA
Address THE OLD STABLE, COOMBE FARM, COOMBE LANE
AWBRIDGE, ROMSEY, HAMPSHIRE SO51 0HN.
Date 8/6/2021

Receipts and Payments Account

For the year from 1st January 2020 to 31st December 2020

Receipts

	2020			2019
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £	Total £
Subscriptions and Gift Aid				
Membership subscriptions	13,715.50		13,715.50	16,036.50
Less : Membership subscriptions paid on 6/3/20	-5,247.00		-5,247.00	-5,658.00
Net Membership subscriptions retained	8,468.50		8,468.50	10,378.50
Gift Aid	4,178.01		4,178.01	3,609.90
Sub total	12,646.51		12,646.51	13,988.40
Grants and Donations				
New Forest District Council Grants	11,334.00		11,334.00	
Aviva / Crowdfunder Grant (additional heating)		3,052.36	3,052.36	
The MM Wyllie Charitable Trust Grant (fencing)		5,000.00	5,000.00	
The Royal Navy Admiralty Grant				2,430.00
The Barker-Mill Trust Grant				3,000.00
The Co op Grant				4,047.30
The Beaulieu Beaufort Foundation Grant				1,500.00
Exxon Mobil Grant				500.00
Anonymous / other donors	172.00		172.00	10.00
Sub total	11,506.00	8,052.36	19,558.36	11,487.30
Fund Raising				
Donkey Derby	150.00		150.00	13,141.54
Crowdfunder Prize Draw (fencing project)		300.00	300.00	
Hire of Facility/Equipment	2,009.63		2,009.63	9,222.46
Testwood Lakes Sailability (pontoon insurance)		280.00	280.00	564.00
Badges / Uniform	11.50		11.50	316.00
Employee matched funding				730.50
Other fundraising activities	257.88		257.88	4,033.66
Sub total	2,429.01	580.00	3,009.01	28,008.16
Section Camps and Activities				
Beaver section			0.00	317.00
Cub section		627.26	627.26	2,956.10
Scout section			0.00	3,622.50
Sub total		627.26	627.26	6,895.60
Total Gross Income	26,581.52	9,259.62	35,841.14	60,379.46
Sale of Group equipment	12.00		12.00	280.00
Total Receipts	26,593.52	9,259.62	35,853.14	60,659.46

Receipts and Payments Account

For the year from 1st January 2020 to 31st December 2020

Payments

	2020			2019
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £	Total £
Premises				
Maintenance and Improvements	3,097.31	3,052.36	6,149.67	15,314.62
Cleaning	1,095.05		1,095.05	4,268.59
Health, Safety & PPE	208.09		208.09	0.00
Electricity	1,446.21		1,446.21	2,134.74
Gas	126.36		126.36	104.95
Water	0.00		0.00	23.05
Phone line - internet & alarm	407.58		407.58	668.28
Rent	250.00		250.00	250.00
Buildings and Contents Insurance	1,317.72		1,317.72	1,265.07
Loan Repayment and Interest				
Capital	6,500.00		6,500.00	6,500.00
Interest	536.25		536.25	715.00
Section Camps and Activities				
Beaver section	570.22	0.00	570.22	1,346.65
Cub section	197.42	971.76	1,169.18	4,183.11
Scout section	805.85	0.00	805.85	3,755.94
Group events	0.00		0.00	321.10
Fund Raising Expenses				
Donkey Derby	220.00		220.00	6,488.85
Other Fund Raising			0.00	451.41
Camping and Boating Equipment				
Camping equipment	187.90	500.00	687.90	1,446.93
Boating equipment purchases	408.18		408.18	5,966.55
Boating equipment maintenance	510.23		510.23	301.33
Programme Expenses				
Badges	647.63		647.63	1,280.96
Group Scarves, Sweatshirts & T Shirts	411.16		411.16	282.55
Adult Leader uniform	18.60		18.60	53.99
Adult Leader training	99.00		99.00	171.62
Other Expenses				
Administration & Sundry expenses	332.60		332.60	306.69
Professional fees	120.00		120.00	0.00
Marine and Pontoon Insurance	1,635.30	280.00	1,915.30	1,649.92
Accident and medical cover for non members	126.00		126.00	126.00
Tom Hall Memorial Garden		776.40	776.40	1,462.73
Total payments	21,274.66	5,580.52	26,855.18	60,840.63
Net of receipts / (payments)	5,318.86	3,679.10	8,997.96	-181.17
Transfer of camp surplus to general funds	26.60	-26.60	0.00	0.00
Correction to Tom Hall memorial fund	-1,039.90	1,039.90	0.00	
Cash funds last year end	20,347.56	3,523.90	23,871.46	24,052.63
Cash funds this year end	24,653.12	8,216.30	32,869.42	23,871.46

Receipts and Payments Account

For the year from 1st January 2020 to 31st December 2020

Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	2020			2019
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £	Total £
Cash funds				
CAF Current Account	11,268.57	3,216.30	14,484.87	11,160.32
CAF Subscriptions Account	11,237.01		11,237.01	5,324.00
NatWest Current Account	2,147.54	5,000.00	7,147.54	7,387.14
Cash in hand	-	-	-	-
Total cash funds	24,653.12	8,216.30	32,869.42	23,871.46
Non-monetary assets for own use				
Land and buildings (see note 1)	369,869.08	3,052.83	372,921.91	369,869.08
Pontoon		90,413.80	90,413.80	90,413.80
Scouting equipment, furniture etc (see note 2)	3,748.00	3,052.36	6,800.36	3,748.00
Boating equipment	44,595.00	12,070.00	56,665.00	56,310.00
Total other assets	418,212.08	108,588.99	526,801.07	514,981.88
Liabilities - those due within one year				
BT direct debit for December usage	93.66		93.66	59.88
HQ cleaning services not yet invoiced				31.76
Other long term liabilities - HQ loan (see note 3)	13,000.00		13,000.00	19,500.00
Total liabilities	13,000.00		13,000.00	26,463.00
Contingent liabilities and future obligations				
Rent payable in the future £250 per year until 2026. Rent to be reviewed in 2026 until the end of the lease in 2036. (see note 4)				

Notes:

- The value of the building for insurance purposes is £502,863.
- The Scouting equipment etc is valued at original cost.
- Loan repayments are £6,500 per year plus 2.75% interest. The final instalment is due in 2022.
- The property is leased by the Scout Association Trust Corporation as trustee for 4th New Forest North (Eling) Sea Scouts.

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 29/6/2021 and signed on their behalf by

Signature




Chair

Treasurer

Print Name

JILL DOHERTY
29th June 2021

PETER FOSTER