

SOLENT SCOUTS TRAINING CENTRE

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2023

**Report & Accounts
For the year ended**

30 September 2023

Solent Scout Training Centre

PRESIDENT

Alan Nossitor

TRUSTEES: *Ex-Officio* – Appointment

Name

Chairman
Vice Chairman
Treasurer
Secretary
Maintenance Manager
Booking Secretary
Assistant Warden – Shop
Site Co-Ordinator
Site Admin

Richard Thompson
Roger Freemantle
Joe Harbour
Elaine Jewell
Alan Crabb
Mary Freemantle
Mick Edwards
Stuart Anderson
Amanda Thompson

TRUSTEES: *Elected*

See Overleaf

As per attached sheet

MEMBERS: *Nominated* – Appointment

Name

BANKERS

Lloyds Bank Plc

CUSTODIAN TRUSTEES (if any)

Scout Association Trust Corporation

OTHER ADVISERS

Group/District Registration Number with The Scout Association

N/A

Charity Registration Number

302293

Contact Name and Address

Joe Harbour, Training Centre Treasurer
1A Uplands Road, Rowlands Castle, Hants, PO9 6BT

Solent Training Centre SCOUT GROUP / DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

ELECTED BY MEMBER DISTRICTS

Denewulf District

D.C. Michael McHugh
Les Farrington
Sarah White
Sam Parker

Fareham West District

D.C. Mark Elbourn
Malcolm Harvey Ross
James Cook
Eric Williams

Gosport District

D.C. Robin Paddell
Carl Pettit
Mike Brown
Charles Nunn

City of Portsmouth

D.C. Kieron Bland
Mark Briggs
Ron Jacobs
Andy Giddings

Elected – Co-Opted

Pete Lawley

Trustees Annual Report
For the year ended 30 September 2023

MAJOR ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE YEAR

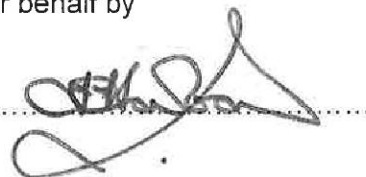
See attached Warden's schedule

The Group/District is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Groups/Districts.

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

The accounts have been drawn up on the accruals basis which is consistent with the previous year.

Approved by the trustees on 16 November 2023 and signed on their behalf by

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'C. H. Jones', is written over a dotted line.

Lyons Copse Agm Site Report 2023.

This has been a full on year for the site with the full on return following the lockdowns. The site has seen a real surge in bookings especially all site district camps, so as agreed there is now a change to whole site bookings, the main part being owner Districts only. A big part of this is ensuring our impact on the locals is kept to a minimum, i.e – traffic flow. we have also agreed to ease numbers on the site to help the volunteers cope with keeping the site running. This will limit normal weekends to a max of 300, giving more room to groups. Our wild life this season has also been magical with Kingfishers, Deer, Badgers and foxes plus squirrels and countless birds. As a Brownie group found out Fox Cubs love Spag Bog!

Site Overall:

Camping is heading back to our pre- covid numbers and as mentioned we have seen a real increase in whole site bookings. Our plans are still to aim to keep the camping numbers under control, with keeping to one group per field. This will allow for toilet allocation to each group and also young people and leaders to get back to the camping experience without competing with another group. Comments from many leaders have been how hard it has been to get everyone back to camping.

What has taken off big time is evening bookings with groups using the site to get out into the fresh air.

The tower, rafting, Barn etc has never been used so much. Again we are having to restrict numbers to 2 groups per night. We are also asking for host groups to let themselves into the site, otherwise the local volunteers are turning out every night. We also now have in place, flood lighting for the Tower.

Safety:

All building checks, Pat testing , fire alarms and gas appliances safety audited with no major issues.

We have had a survey on the Lodge carried out with no concrete issues identified.

Our full site electrical safety check is Due in 2024.

No Major accidents reported in 2023 that needed site issues to be actioned.

Our Defib is now in place and registered.

Buildings:

Toilets.

We are back to general toilet use and this has eased the work for the cleaning team. We have fitted all the toilets with stock cupboards so groups can keep them clean and refill items as needed. Groups camping are allocated toilets to keep clean over the weekend etc.

The Lodge:

The Lodge now has new sliding front doors, a far better option than the old folding ones.

Pine Cabin:

The cabin has started its refit to the toilets to increase the options as to who can use what toilet etc.

General items:

We now have a new road entrance and a 2 way traffic flow around the site . This should help with busy weekends etc. Our plan is to now look at the car parking .

Our site team have planted 30 new trees on the edge of Lawrence paddock , (a bot bigger ones than those we have done before) Our thanks to Jamie for arranging the donation from Hilliers. Now we are looking to move onto the Ash tree issue once the forestry commission have put in place our felling licence.

Recycling has now stopped on the site due to issues with having to manhandle the waste each week as lots of people have not been following the process (we do still recycle glass).

Looking at our ongoing fuel costs and trying to keep our fees as low as we can we are now making sure we charge groups for the extra power usage ie: bouncy castle use etc. This will also include a water charge for swimming pools on site. We will also have to look at an electric car policy on site as groups on site for a week are often charging their cars, something which we have not catered for and have enough fuel supply for ?

Moving forward as a site we now need to start looking at the future and trying to get new people on board to start having back up support in place for all the site functions / team.

My thanks again to the site crew who have been working tirelessly week after week to keep the site in tact and running despite the weather trying to stop things, well done all.

Alan Crabb

Voluntary Site Manager

Lyons Copse.

Statement of Financial Activities Summary for the year ended 30 September 2023

	2023	2022
	Fund	Year
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES (page B4)	68,470	62,481
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED (page B5)	<u>62,377</u>	<u>43,706</u>
NET INCOMING (OUTGOING) RESOURCES	6,093	18,775
Gains (losses) on investment assets		
Realised		
Unrealised		
Revaluation of tangible fixed assets		
NET MOVEMENT IN FUND	6,093	18,775
FUND BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD	<u>489,703</u>	<u>470,928</u>
FUND BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD	<u>£ 495,796</u>	<u>£ 489,703</u>

Statement of Financial Activities Summary for the year ended 30 September 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
INCOMING RESOURCES			
General camping fees		36,186	33,303
Lyons Lodges Camping fees		24,009	15,964
		<u>60,195</u>	<u>49,267</u>
INVESTMENT INCOME			
Bank / building society interest			
Aldermore Bank		-	2,186
Cambridge & Counties Bank		2,233	2,178
Skipton Building Society		753	118
		<u>2,986</u>	<u>4,482</u>
		<u>63,181</u>	<u>53,749</u>
DONATIONS			
		150	40
		<u>63,331</u>	<u>53,789</u>
Grant: Winchester City Council - Business Rates Covid 19		-	2,199
		<u>63,331</u>	<u>55,988</u>
ACTIVITIES			
Tuck Shop	3	2,690	4,293
Gas / Electric - Total Utilities		618	636
Activities		1,831	1,564
Refunds / Sundry		-	-
		<u>68,470</u>	<u>62,481</u>
Training Course Income		-	-
		<u>68,470</u>	<u>62,481</u>
OTHER INCOME			
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES			
		<u>£ 68,470</u>	<u>£ 62,481</u>

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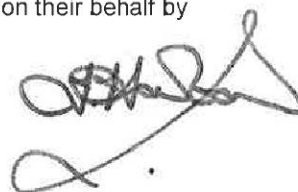
		2023	2022
	Notes	£	£
RESOURCES EXPENDED			
PREMISES			
General / Warden		5,205	1,533
Capital expenditure	1	21,596	9,867
Rates		3,151	2,141
Light & heat		9,399	8,553
Insurance		10,337	9,327
Repairs and renewals		-	403
TV Licence		159	159
		<u>49,847</u>	<u>31,983</u>
ACTIVITIES			
Tuck Shop	3	2,823	2,129
Write offs & expenses		56	650
		<u>52,726</u>	<u>34,762</u>
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES			
		<u>52,726</u>	<u>34,762</u>
ADMIN/ESTABLISHMENT EXPENSES			
		1,675	489
Refuse Collection / Sewage		5,701	5,018
		<u>60,102</u>	<u>40,269</u>
TRUSTEES EXPENSES			
		<u>60,102</u>	<u>40,269</u>
OTHER EXPENDITURE -			
Refund of fees	25	294	
PSA	441	414	
Sundry	1,809	1,781	
		<u>2,275</u>	<u>2,489</u>
		<u>62,377</u>	<u>42,758</u>
DEPRECIATION - STOCKS WRITTEN OFF			
Calor Gas	5		948
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		<u><u>£ 62,377</u></u>	<u><u>£ 43,706</u></u>

Balance Sheet

as at 30 September 2023

			2023	2022
	Notes	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS				
Tangible assets	2		317,452	317,452
Investments				
Payments on account/assets in course of construction				
			<u>317,452</u>	<u>317,452</u>
CURRENT ASSETS				
Stocks -				
Gas	5	-	-	-
Tuckshop		<u>1,899</u>	<u>1,831</u>	<u>1,831</u>
Debtors				
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service				
Cash at bank and in hand -				
Lloyds Current A/c		6,466	5,170	
Tuckshop Bank		2,308	2,441	
Cambridge Counties Bank Bonds		91,542	89,309	
Aldermore Bank Bond		-	-	
Skipton B.Soc Savings Account		<u>76,065</u>	<u>73,312</u>	
			176,381	170,232
Tuckshop Cash In Hand			<u>64</u>	<u>188</u>
			<u>176,445</u>	<u>170,420</u>
Less: CURRENT LIABILITIES:				
Amounts due within one year			<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
			178,344	172,251
NET CURRENT ASSETS				
Less: LONG TERM LIABILITIES				
Amounts due after more than one year			<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
			178,344	172,251
NET ASSETS			<u>495,796</u>	<u>489,703</u>
Represented by:-				
GENERAL FUND			<u>£ 495,796</u>	<u>£ 489,703</u>

Approved by the Trustees on 16 November 2023 and signed on their behalf by



The notes on pages B7 to B8 form part of these accounts.

Solent Scout Training Centre
Lyons Copse
Sandy Lane
Shedfield
Southampton
Hants

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
YEAR TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

1) Breakdown of capital expenditure

Replacement of glass doors to lodge	12,016
Tractor repairs, oil and petrol	4,302
Defibrillator	1,500
Replace water heater	1,038
Preserve washer	953
Decking in front of caravan	501
Plant hire	416
New mower	397
Hedge trimming	281
Removal of dangerous trees	192
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	<u>21,596</u>

2) No depreciation is charged on freehold land or site buildings as it is considered by the committee that the open market value of the site is greater than book value.

3) Tuck Shop

	£	£
Bank reconciliation		
Balance b/f	2,441	
Sales / bankings	2,690	
Purchases / payments		2,823
Expenses & write offs	-	-
Transfer to site a/c	-	-
Balance c/f		2,308
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	<u>£ 5,131</u>	<u>£ 5,131</u>

4) Archery

The archery is run by County who maintain equipment and income received is passed to them. Equipment is held and insured by SSTC.

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

SOLENT TRAINING CENTRE SCOUT GROUP/DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

I report on the accounts of the Group/District for the year ended 30 September 2023 which are set out on pages 3 to 6.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of Section 43(2) of the charities Act 1993 (the Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under Section 43(7)(b) of the Act, 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 explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

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 41 of the Act and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and
 - to comply with the accounting requirements of the Acthave 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,
3. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the accounting rules of the Group's/District's constitution have not been met.

Name: Barter Durgan
Qualification: Chartered Accountants
Address: 10 Victoria Road South, Southsea, Hants, PO5 2DA
Date: 16th October 2023

