

New Forest District Scout Association

England & Wales · Charity number 302319

Details

Other names	NEW FOREST WEST BOY SCOUTS LOCAL ASSOCIATION, NEW FOREST WEST DISTRICT SCOUT ASSOCIATION.
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1966-11-10
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Activities

Objects: NEW FOREST WEST BOY SCOUTS LOCAL ASSOCIATION

Activities: 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.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, Religious Activities, Amateur Sport, Environment/conservation/heritage, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** WOODGREEN
- Hampshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£232,264	£135,877	-	-
2024-03-31	£239,484	£190,134	-	-
2023-03-31	£174,700	£182,211	-	-
2022-03-31	£79,247	£26,619	-	-
2021-03-31	£30,855	£31,625	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Andrew Michael Chatwin		2021-10-01
Donna Kerrigan		2019-07-17
Julie Margaret Mair		2021-10-01
ROGER NEWLAND		
Robin Mair		2021-10-01
Sara Jane Le Bas		2021-10-01
Sian Winter		2021-10-01
Steven Robert Osborn		2021-10-01

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Accounts

Signed copy.

New Forest Scout District



District President – Roy Farmers, MBE, JP, MCIM
Registered Charity Number – 302319

District Commissioners (Team DC)

Kevin Harner Tel: 07904 943511	Robin Mair Tel: 07702 464823	District Treasurer Shan Winter Tel: 07879 428846
District Chair Donna Kerrigan Tel: 07767 896855	District Secretary (Minutes) Sara Le Bas Tel: 07906 837654	

New Forest District SCOUT COUNCIL

Annual General Meeting

11th July 7pm Harry's Island

AGENDA

1. Introduction and welcome
2. Apologies for absence
3. Governance topics
 - a. Approve the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 18/7/2024
 - b. Adopt the model constitution from Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR)
 - c. Note the District's financial year March to April
 - d. Agree the quorum for future meetings of the District Scout Council (excluding this AGM)
4. Review of the previous year
 - a. The District Lead Volunteer's review of Scouts in the New Forest District
 - b. Receive and consider the Annual Report of the District Trustee Board, including the annual Statement of the Accounts
5. Making appointments
 - a. Appoint the District Chair, following recommendation from the open selection process initiated by the District Trustee Board
 - b. Appoint the District Treasurer, following recommendation from the open selection process initiated by the District Trustee Board
 - c. Appoint members of the District Trustee Board, following recommendations from the open selection process initiated by the District Trustee Board
 - d. (Re-)appoint District President
 - e. Appoint the Auditor
 - f.

Closing remarks County representative, presentations etc.

New Forest Scout District consists of:

3rd Ashurst & Colbury, 1st Buryley, 2nd Copythorne, 4th Eling, 1st Fordingbridge, 1st Forres Sandle Manor,
 1st Lyndhurst, 6th Netley Marsh, 1st Poulner, 3rd Ringwood, 1st Sandleheath, 5th Testwood,
 District Explorer Unit, District Network, District Scout Active Support

New Forest Scout District Board of Trustees

Minutes

Minutes of the 3rd AGM of the New Forest District Scout Council held on 18th July 2024, at Harry's Island.

Chairman	Donna Kerrigan
Treasurer	Sian Winter
Minutes Secretary	Sara Le Bas
Team DC	Robin Mair

Present: Sara-Marie Andrews, Julie Mair, Tracy Hogan, Andy Chatwin, Tim Evans, John Trinder, Pa Whiteing, Julie Whiteing, Hazel Winch, Simon Down, Barry Stride, Joe Simes, Pat Wedderburn, Sarah Thomas, Jackie Noakes, Steve Brinkman, Sue Brinkman, Tony Parker, Warren Turvey

1. Welcome
Donna welcomed everybody to our District campsite. Harry's Island is a beautiful setting. Thank you for coming out all this way tonight. Welcome to Sarah Thomas, County Chair. Who hasn't been to Harry's Island before so a nice surprise for her. Thank you to Tony Parker for the use of the venue and the organisation tonight.

2. Apologies for Absence
Apologies have been received from Roger Newland, Lynn Tatavossian, Kerie Wallace, Ian Sims, Shirley Brookes, Martine Coatham, Keith Greenaway, Jan Greenaway, Margaret Roberts, Dave Gilliam and Kevin Harmer

3. Governance Topics

3a. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held 11th July 2023 and matters arising
The District Trustee Board have reviewed the minutes of the previous AGM at their meeting held on 11th July 2023. I put forward these minutes are taken as read and ask the District Scout Council to agree they're a true record of that meeting.
Seconded by Warren Turvey and approved.

3b. Adopt the model constitution from Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR)
In line with the recommendation from Scout Headquarters, the District Trustee Board proposes we adopt the model constitution from Chapter 5 of Policy, Organisation and Rules. A copy of this was available for review and inspection prior to this meeting, and copies are also available at this meeting.

Seconded by Sara-Marie Andrews and approved

3c. Note the District's financial year
Can the District Scout Council members please note our charity's financial year is 1 April to 31 March

3d. Agree the number of members that may be appointed to the Trustee Board

Following good practice recommendations from the Charity Governance Code, POR states Trustee Boards should have a minimum of 5, and no more than 12, Trustees in total. This includes ex officio and co-opted Trustees.

The District Scout Council must agree the number of people to be appointed to the Trustee Board. The outgoing Trustee Board recommends that 12 people are appointed. I propose the District Scout Council approves that recommendation.

Seconded by Tony Parker and approved.

3e. Agree the quorum for future meetings of the District Scout Council (excluding this AGM)

The District Scout Council must agree its quorum – the minimum number of District Scout Council members that must be present at District Scout Council meetings. The outgoing Trustee Board recommends the quorum should be set at 5 people. Does the District Scout Council approve that recommendation?

Seconded by Robin Mair and approved

4. Review of the previous year

We'll now use this part of the meeting to reflect on the activities of the past year.

4a. The District Lead Volunteer's review of Scouts in the New Forest District.

This is in the AGM booklet but as an addition the District has continued to grow in youth members but as always is struggling to pull in adult volunteers. Thank you to Donna for her commitment and to the Treasurer and Secretary for their support.

4b Receive and Consider the Annual Report of the District Trustee Board including the annual Statement of Accounts

The District Trustee Board has approved the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts and has received the report on the accounts from Michael Walsh, Independent Examiner.

Further comments: we are not £50,000 better off due to capitation being paid out after the end of the financial year. Michael Walsh is happy to have been asked to examine the accounts for the AGM. Thank you to Sian for all the incredible work she does for the District accounts.
No vote required.

5. Making appointments

We'll use this part of the meeting to organise the set up of the charity until the next AGM. We'll appoint a Trustee Board to oversee good governance for the charity over the next year.

5a. Appoint the District Chair, following recommendations from the open selection process initiated by the District Trustee Board

The recommendation to the District Scout Council is that Donna Kerrigan continues as District Chair

5b. Appoint the District Treasurer, following recommendations from the open selection process initiated by the District Trustee Board

The recommendation to the District Scout Council is that Sian Writer should continue as District Treasurer

5c. Appoint members of the District Trustee Board, following recommendations from the open selection process initiated by the District Trustee Board

Recommendation that the list as stated in the AGM booklet stand as the Board for the next year.

Thank you to all the Trustees for their work and support to the District.

5d. (Re-)appoint District President

Recommend that Roy Farmers continues as District President

5e. Appoint the Independent Examiner

Treasurer proposes Natalie Clap as independent examiner – agreed.

6. Closing Remarks

A bouquet of flowers is to be presented with thanks to Lynn Tatavosian for all her hard work with the merger and her support to the District

Robin Mair was presented with his 40 year long service award – thank you for everything that you do for Scouting.

Sean Brinkman is to receive the Award of Merit for Outstanding Service – Sue Brinkman accepted it on his behalf.

Sarah Thomas, County Chair: Thank you for inviting me to your AGM. I have never been to Harry's Island before and it is a glorious and fantastic location. This is the first year we have been up on numbers since Covid. Thank you so much for all the you do. There are 1029 young people in District as of the January census so keep going as you are, you're amazing.

7. Meeting closed 19.23pm.

Date of Next AGM: tbc.

Signed as a true record of the meeting:



Chair of District Executive Committee

Date: 11/7/2025

Chair report for New Forest District 2024 to 2025

Once again, another busy and exciting year. You only have to look at the DC report to see what a thriving district we are privileged to support. Tails of the New Forest [News – New Forest Scouts](#) has further details

The District Board of Trustees has continued to meet regularly using the hybrid system of face to face and Zoom. This has given us good attendance and I thank my fellow trustees for their hard work and careful governance.

Our biggest asset, Harry's Island continues to flourish and develop and we must thank Tony and his team for this. As Tony Parker has asked to step back a little, 2025 will see some changes in the management and operation of Harry's Island but Tony will not disappear! He and Steve Brinkman have created a thriving business asset for us and many of us take for granted this amazing asset but it would not be as successful without their hard work and dedication.

The transformation we were expecting has continued. There have been some teething problems with the membership system and I thank everyone who has worked so hard to ensure New Forest remains operational. Our thanks go to Lynn Tattavossian who has done an amazing job supporting us through difficult waters.

Finally a thank you to all of the Group Board of Trustees who are fulfilling such an important role to support the Groups.

Donna Kerrigan

Chair of the Board Of Trustees

New Forest District



New Forest Scout District

District President – Roy Farmers, MBE, JP, MCIM
Registered Charity Number – 302319



District Lead Volunteers (Team DLV)

Kevin Harmer District Chair Tel: 07904 943511 Donna Kerrigan Tel: 07767 996855	Robin Mair Tel: 07702 464823	Sian Winter District Treasurer Tel: 07879 428846
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District Secretary (Minutes)

Sara Le Bas
Tel: 07906 837654

District Lead Volunteer

Annual Report 2024/25.

Where has the last year gone. It certainly has flown by. All the Groups, Units, relaunched Network & Active Support Unit continue to take run exciting and enthusiastic programmes. There continue to be District events being run for all the sections with some more events being added to the Squirrel range of events. Several sections have run joint events.

At the census our numbers were down less than 1 % however we have seen growth since then. We have launched a new squirrel drey in Ringwood. We have had 2 GLV's step back this year and in the short-term Kevin and I are supporting these 2 groups until suitable candidate can be found

I suppose the biggest change this year has been the launch of the new Scout membership system. This was a mammoth undertaking and many hours of work done by quite a few of us to ensure it all transitioned smoothly. There have been development issues with the new system but these are steadily being resolved. In relation to this we need to thank Andy Chatwin, Julie Mair, Lynn Tattavossian and Steven Osbourn for all their support and answering the 101 different questions. All members have also had to complete an online updated safety training course.

Training & personal development opportunities are available as always. We are using the County Permit training assessors to help continue to grow the depth of appropriately trained and permitted team members across the District.

Looking forward there will be lots on international opportunities; the trip to Malawi goes out Summer 2025; coming around with the launch due shortly for World Scout Jamboree 2027 and then a county-based support event as well. There will also be another Suisse Adventure in 2027 as well.

Especially I need to say "thank You" to all of you. Scouting in this District would not be where it is now without all the unseen hours spent in the background ensuring everything is sorted for section meetings, section and group camps, group and District events, group and District governance.

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New Forest District Scout Council Trustees' Annual Report

1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name: New Forest District Scout Council

Other names the charity is known by: New Forest District Scout Council

Registered charity number: 302319

Charity's principal address: 12 Antelis Way, Alderholt, FORDINGBRIDGE, Hampshire

Postcode: SP6 3AW

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity.

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

Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1 Donna Kerrigan	Chair	
2 Roger Newland		
3 Antony Parker		
4 Stan Winter	Treasurer	
5 Sara Le Bas	Secretary	
6 Andrew Chatwin		
7 Steven Osborn		
8 Julie Mair		
9 Sara-Marie Andrews		
11 Kevin Harmer		resigned August 2024
12 Lynn Tatavossian		resigned August 2024
13 Robin Mair		
14 Michael Doncom		

Names and addresses of advisers

Type of advisor	Name	Address
1	none in 2024-25	

Section B Structure, Governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document

The District Scout Council's governing documents are those of The Scout Association (charity 306101). 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 is the charity constituted

The District Scout Council is a trust established under its rules, which are common to all Scouts.

Trustee selection methods

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association. The District Scout Council is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.

Additional governance information

The District Scout Council (hereafter referred to as the Council) is managed by the 'Charity Trustees' and is an educational charity. As charity trustees they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities. This includes the registration, keeping proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate.

The Council consists of 3 independent representatives (Chair, Treasurer and Secretary) together with the District Commissioner team and other trustees within various branches of the Scout District's activities. The Council and meets every at least every 3 months.

Members of the Council complete all of the compulsory training within the first 5 months of joining. This Council exists to support the District's Scout Groups in meeting the responsibilities of the appointments, training and governance. It is responsible for:

- The maintenance of Scout District property;
- The raising of funds and the administration of the Scout District finances;
- The appropriate insurance of persons, property and equipment;
- Scout District public occasions and licencing;
- Assisting in the recruitment of Leaders and other adult support;
- Appointing any sub committees that may be required;
- Appointing Administrators and Advisors other than those who are elected.

Risk and Internal Control

The Council has identified the major risks to which they believe they are exposed, these have been reviewed and systems have been established to mitigate against them. The main areas of concern that have been identified are:

- Damage to the building, property and equipment.
 - The Council has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss.
 - Injury to Leaders, Helpers, Supporters and Members.
 - The District Scout Council through the capitation fees contributes to the Scout Associations national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities.
 - Reduced income from fund raising.
- The Scout District is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and events. The Council holds reserves to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income in the short term. The Council could raise the value of subscriptions or reduce the range of activities and they support to maintain their funding envelope either on a temporary or permanent basis, depending on the reason for the reduction in funding.

- Reduction or loss of leaders.
The Council is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer their activities. If there was a reduction in the number of leaders to an unacceptable level in a particular area then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of that area.
- Reduction or loss of members.
The Council supports the District Groups to provide activities for all young people aged 4 to 25. 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 potentially closure in that area.
- Risk and Internal Control.
The Council has in place systems of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss, these include 2 signatories for all payments and a comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

Section C Objectives and activities

Public benefit statement

The Council meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.

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

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 cooperate with others and make friends.

The Scout Method

Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together based on the values of Scouting and:

- enjoy what they are doing and have fun
- take part in activities indoors and outdoors
- learn by doing - share in spiritual reflection
- take responsibility and make choices
- undertake new and challenging activities
- make and live by their Promise.

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

Provision of Harry's Island Scout Camp to support young people to take part in outdoor activities and learn by doing, taking responsibility and making choices to develop their skills in a safe environment. When Harry's Island achieves a surplus the funds can be used to provide additional opportunities and support for both our own (Scout) young people and other groups of young people who use the site through a scheme of developments. Surplus funds are

also used to provide additional Scout District activities such as grants for projects, Chief Scout Award celebrations, Eagle Trophy challenge, etc.

Providing training and support for adult volunteers who support the Scout Groups and Section Scout activities within the Scout District, including recruitment and appointments.

Facilitating a range of opportunities for young people across the Scout District to access activities and opportunities that might not be available within their Scout Group or Section.

Managing the Council's assets to ensure financial sustainability in the short and long term for the Scout District.

Section D Achievements and performance

The highlights of our activities are covered in our regular newsletter 'Tails of the New Forest', which are published on our website in the 'What's happening with us?' section: <https://newforestscouts.org.uk/>

Section E Financial Review

Quantify and explain any designations

Any property holdings and changes in holdings – the Scout District's only holding is Harry's Island which remains unchanged in this financial year.

Reserves Policy

The District Scouts policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the District Scouts should income and fundraising activities fall short.

The District Executive Committee considers that the Scout District should hold a sum equivalent to 12 months running costs, circa £16,000 for Harry's Island plus £8,000 for the basic running costs of the District – total £24,000. Where District events are planned across more than one financial year a temporary increase in reserves to support the event will be considered.

Investment Policy

The Scout District's Income and Expenditure is usually earmarked for specific purposes and as a consequence the Scout District does not have sufficient funds to invest in higher risk longer-term investments such as stocks and shares. The Scout District has therefore adopted a low risk strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or building societies.

The District Executive regularly monitors the levels of bank balances and the interest rates received to ensure the group obtains maximum value and income from its banking arrangements. Occasionally this may involve using an account that requires a period of notice before funds may be withdrawn, before doing so the District Executive considers the cash flow requirements

Section F Other Optional Information

Plans for future periods (details of any significant activities planned to achieve them):

The funds realised from the sale of Strides Lane land in 2021 are mainly being used to update and improve the Harry's Island facilities, this work is currently in the planning stages, with plans submitted to New Forest National Park Authority Planning Department.

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

CHAIR: Donna Kerrigan

Date: 11/07/2025

Financial Statements for the New Forest District Scout Council

Year Ending 31 March 2025

Registered Charity Number - 302319

These financial statements were approved by the Trustees and authorised for issue at the Annual General Meeting

Annual General Meeting date: 11 July 2025

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

Name of signatory: Donna Kerrigan - Chair

Accounts prepared by: Sian Winter - CPA

Date: 03/07/2025

Accounts checked by: Michael Walsh

Date: 09/07/2025

Independent Review by: Sophie Shaw

Date: 09/07/2025

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of New Forest District Scout Council

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the New Forest District Scouts for the year ended 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the New Forest District 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 New Forest District 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 New Forest District 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: Sophie Shaw

Name: Sophie Shaw

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

Address: 33a Lower Church Road, PO14 4PW

Date: 09/07/2025

Accounting Principles applied to these Financial Statements

Accounting Policies

The financial statements of the charity, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out below.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has received the funds. Income is accounted for on a cash (actuals) basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all income related to the category.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as the payment has been made. Expenditure is accounted for on an cash (actuals) basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Fixed assets

Depreciation is not accounted for as the District's main asset is Harry's Island Campsite; land in the New Forest usually appreciates in value faster than the rate of inflation, so the asset is held at book value and revalued either every 20 years, or when there is a work done on the site that changes the insurance requirements for the site.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity as specified by the donor, or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.
At this time all funds held by the District are unrestricted funds.

Trustees' Remuneration and Benefits

The Trustee's received no remuneration or other benefits in this financial year related to their Trustee role

Trustees expenses

The Trustee's received no expenses in this financial year related to their Trustee role

Related Party Disclosures

There were no related party transactions for this financial year

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

all funds are unrestricted

	Total Funds		
	this year	last year	
	£	£	
Receipts			
Harry's Island	17,565	15,062	
Badge Secretary	8,012	7,854	
SAS	0	202	
Explorers	3	68,826	
Network	114,787	3	
District	90,137	48	
Bank Interest Received	1,760	146,679	
Total Receipts	232,264	239,484	

Payments			
Harry's Island	(6,852)	(8,429)	
Badge Secretary	(7,634)	(7,091)	
SAS	(81)	(190)	
Explorers	3	(85,485)	
Network	(96)	0	
District	(83,728)	(88,940)	
Total Payments	(135,877)	(190,134)	

Net Receipts/(Payments)	96,387	49,350	
Cash Funds Brought Forward	182,533	133,184	
Cash Funds At Year End	278,921	182,533	

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

	This Year	This Year
As At 31 March		
Cash Funds		
Cash at bank: DEPOSIT ACCOUNT	50,568	49,605
Cash at bank: CURRENT ACCOUNT	228,352	132,928
Total Cash Funds	278,921	182,533

	1	120,000
Assets Retained for the Charities Own Use		
Land at Harry's Island Camp Site	2	4,185
Badge Stock	124,185	124,319
Total	124,185	124,319

Notes:

Land at Harry's Island was valued in September 2014 by CMC Andrews (Property Surveyor & Valuer). The trustees consider this valuation to remain a reasonable assessment of the value of the land at 31 March 2025. The next revaluation will be done once the planned works on the site are completed.

2 The value of badges held in stock for resale is calculated by the badge secretary at current cost of badges held at 31 March.

3 The significant variation in Explorers receipts and expenditure is due to Malawi/Gambia trips run alternately by Magellan Explorers. This year funds are received towards the trip (showing higher income) and next year the costs will be incurred (when costs will be higher)

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

31/03/2025
 District Handship Harry's Explorers Network SAS
 General Fund Island Secretary
 Scouts
 New Forest District

as at date

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Receipts								
Subs	68,245			13,877	3			82,125
Events/Camp/Expedition Fees	21,392			100,789				137,746
Grants, Donations and Gift Aid	0	500	2,000					500
Badge Secretary (sale of badges)							8,012	8,012
Interest & Deposit account receipts	797		964					1,760
Other	(0)			120	0	0		2,120
Receipts	90,434	500	18,529	114,787	3	0	8,012	232,264

Payments								
Expenses	1,909				96		13	2,019
Badges, Awards etc	902						7,634	902
Badge Secretary (Costs)	400	0						400
Grants								278
Training	278							278
Events/Trips/Camps	21,172			30,295			88	51,535
Utilities			3,018					3,018
Repairs & Maintenance			1,038					1,038
Site Costs			2,271					2,271
Subs	56,595			7,033				63,628
Other items:	2,473		525	157				3,155
Total Payments	83,728	0	6,952	37,485	96	81	7,634	135,877
Net Income/(Expenditure) in the period	6,706	500	11,676	77,302	(94)	(81)	378	96,387
Opening Balance	86,726	2,830	64,500	26,592	306	350	1,230	182,533
Transfers between funds								
Discretionary Fund Allocation								
Closing Balance	93,431	3,330	76,176	103,894	213	269	1,608	278,921

New Forest District Scout Association

England & Wales - Charity number 302319

Accounts

New Forest District Scout Council Trustees' Annual Report

1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024

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	Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1	Donna Kerrigan	Chair	
2	Roger Newland		
3	Antony Parker		
4	Ryan Parry		resigned April 2023
5	Sian Winter	Treasurer	
6	Sara Le Bas	Secretary	
7	Andrew Chatwin		
8	Steven Osborn		
9	Joy Sellwood		resigned June 2023
10	Julie Mair		
11	Sara-Marie Andrews		
12	Kevin Harmer		
13	Lynn Tatavossian		
14	Robin Mair		
15	Michael Doncom		appointed April 2023

Names and addresses of advisers

	Type of advisor	Name	Address
1	none in 2023-24		

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document

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Section D Achievements and performance

The highlights of our activities are covered in our regular newsletter 'Tails of the New Forest', which are published on our website in the 'What's happening with us?' section: <https://newforestscouts.org.uk/>

Section E Financial Review

Quantify and explain any designations

Any property holdings and changes in holdings – the Scout District's only holding is Harry's Island which remains unchanged in this financial year.

Reserves Policy

The District Scouts policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the District Scouts should income and fundraising activities fall short.

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Section F Other Optional Information

Plans for future periods (details of any significant activities planned to achieve them):

The funds realised from the sale of Strides Lane land in 2021 are mainly being used to update and improve the Harry's Island facilities, this work is currently in the planning stages, with plans submitted to New Forest National Park Authority Planning Department.

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

CHAIR:

D Ewing

Date:

18/07/2024

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Accounts

Signed copy



Ag title: New Forest District Scout Council – Annual General Meeting

Agenda for the 2nd Annual General Meeting

1st July 2023 – 20.00-21.00hrs

Harry's Island

Agenda:

Chair – District Commissioner (Team DC)

Chairman – District Chair

Secretary – District Secretary (Minutes)

Treasurer – District Treasurer

Welcome from Chair – DK

Apologies for absence – SLB

Acceptance of the minutes of the last AGM (12th July 2022) – SLB

Approval of annual statement of accounts for the New Forest District – SW

Approval of District Commissioner's nomination of District Chair – RM

Election of Secretary

Election of Treasurer

Election of Trustees

Approval of nomination of Trustees

Appointment of auditor/independent examiner – SW

Quorum for Executive meetings

The District Commissioner address – RM

The Country representative address – TBC

End

Close of meeting and date for 2024 (11th or 18th July 2024)



New Forest Scout District Board of Trustees

Minutes

Minutes of the 1st AGM of the New Forest District Scout Council held on 12th July 2022, at Harry's Island.

Chairman	Donna Kerrigan
Treasurer	Sian Winter
Minute Secretary	Sara Le Bas
Team DC	Robin Mair, Lynn Tatavossian

Present: Kerie Wallace, John Trinder, Roger Newland, Sue & Steve Binkman, Brian Carver, Simon, Down, Barry Stride, Joe Simes, Martine Coatham, Mark Symonds, Tony Parker, Steven Osborn, Michael Doncom, Donna Ovenden, Manuela Horwood, Lisa Williamson, Emma Cully, Shariff Moosun, Dave Gillam, Sara-Marie Andrews, Shirley Brookes, Julie Mair, Andy Chatwin.

1. Welcome

Donna welcomed and thanked everyone for coming to the AGM on this very hot evening at Harry's Island. It's a lovely asset for the District. Thank you to the two P23/WSJ participants for cooking the BBQ, there's a bucket for donations at the back.

2. Apologies for Absence

Apologies have been received from Roy Farmers, Pat Savage, Allan Glass, Ann Dennis, Brian Gradidge, Charley Gradidge, Christine Hughes, Debbie Crocker, Donna Hasted, Doug Mitchell, Faye Hersey, Hannah Brown, Ian Sims, Jan & Keith Greenaway, Jo Stubbington, Joy Sellwood, Kevin Harmer, Mary Stubbington, Neil Winter, Oli Neave, Richard White, Roy Landon, Stu Philips, Will Hersey, Mandy Peters, Tim Le Bas, John Hayes

3. Minutes of the opening meeting held 25th January 2022 and matters arising

These were accepted and signed as a correct and true record.

No matters arising.

4. Approval of Annual Accounts and Reports

The format of the accounts is slightly different as we have a Charity Commission requirement to follow. Explorer balances are not broken down just brought forward on the bottom line. There are

6. Election of Secretary and Treasurer

Minutes Secretary – Sara Le Bas
Treasurer – Sian Winter

Proposed – Roger Newland

Seconded – Tony Parker

Agreed

7. Election of Trustees of the District Executive:

Donna's list...

AAC	Mrs S	
SASU	Andrews	Elected
	Joy Sellwood	Elected
SASU	Roger	
	Newland	Elected

Proposed – Julie Mair

Seconded – Andy Chatwin

8. Approval of Nominations of Trustees to the District Executive

Julie Mair – Training

Steven Osborn – Media & Communications

Tony Parker – Harry's Island

Welcome to Michael Doncom for joining the Exec as Youth Commissioner.

No co-opted members, but have the right to add them as required.

Agreed

9. Nomination of District Auditor by Treasurer

Proposed to carry on with Vivienne Franklin - agreed.

10. Quorum for Executive meetings

Agreed that 9 people are required to attend to vote as quorate

11. District Commissioner's Remarks

Robin welcomed everyone to Harry's Island, feel free to have a wander round and see what is available. It is as busy as it ever is with bookings, 2023 half full and 2024 beginning to fill up.

Presentations: Barry Stride, Length of service award

GSL David Gillam, 25 Years Service Award

Shariff Moossun, 5 years service

Sara-Jane Andrews, Commissioner's Commendation Award for 26 years' service on the District Appointments Committee, particularly her work during the pandemic– presented by Donna Kerrigan.


Things are beginning to move on, Nights Away Permit applications are increasing. Have a lovely summer

12. County Representative Remarks

Andy Chatwin (Assistant County Commissioner for Programme Support) – really good to see the new District working well. Great to see everyone gelling as a District. On behalf of County I'd like to thank every one in uniform, non-uniform and any kind of support to Scouting for everything you do.

13. Meeting closed 19.57pm.

Date of Next AGM: 11th July 2023.

Signed as a true record of the meeting:  Chair of District Executive Committee
Date: 11/7/2023.....



Meeting minutes



Meeting title: Board Of Trustees AGM (District Executive)

Date: Tuesday 11th July 2023

• New Forest Chair Annual Report

- At the time of writing we have now been the New Forest District for 20 months. For the period covered by this AGM we have completed our first full year. This has been a period of change and adjustment on a local level. The success of the merger is down to the character and skills of all of those involved, led by the District Commissioners, in steering us through the change.
- From a Governance point of view my grateful thanks must go to all of the Trustees across the District for the hard work you do. I would like to especially thank those trustees who sit on the District Board of Trustees (Formerly know as the Executive Committee). They work tirelessly in the background ensuring that the District is on a firm and legal footing, in compliance with the Charity Commission and Scout Association Rules.
- Our biggest asset, Harry's Island continues to go from strength to strength. There is a great team of people ensuring all runs smoothly. It is always fully booked well in advance and the income generated allows us to keep our membership fees low and also, we can support a number of projects such as grants for those going to the World Jamboree.
- The Appointments Committee has held numerous Welcome Chats and so we have been able to support the safe recruitment practices required by the Scout Association. My thanks to all who support this.
- We are about to embark on yet more change, initiated nationally to ensure our compliance with the Charity Commission Rules. In reality, if the Executive committees have been running as they should then there is little significant difference, other than the name. Chairs are encouraged to use the resources on the Scout Association Website.
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- Once again, my grateful thanks for all that you do, whatever your role
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- Donna Kerrigan
- Chair New Forest District Scouts.



Meeting minutes



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New Forest Team DC Annual report

Our first full year as the New Forest District. At the Census point at the end of January we were down in numbers slightly due to the closure of the Forres Sandle Manor Cub Pack. However at our mid-year review point our numbers were up against the census return and we were seeing signs of growth. We are hopeful having found some new Leaders at Forres Sandle Manor that this Cub Pack will reopen in September 2023.

Last year we have managed to successfully open Squirrel Dreys at 2nd Copythorne and 5th Copythorne. We have managed to recruit new leaders in to assist in supporting these sections. We have plans for 2 more Dreys soon.

Our District has all run events for the District Beaver's Cubs and Scouts and the attendance at these events is continuing to grow. Team DC thank all of our District Team members for their continued support during the last year and managing to organise these events above and beyond their duties.

We continue to welcome new leaders into the movement. The welcome to scouts chats have been moved online mainly and are appearing to be extremely successful. Thanks to the all the members of the appointments committee for all their hard work.

In our District we have the highest number of participants in the World Scout Jamboree (WSJ) and 23 international events from across the County. The WSJ is in South Korea and the 23 event is in Europe. Both events last approximately 3 weeks.

Our Explorer Units continue to thrive running their mixed programme of Duke of Edinburgh and outdoor based activities. The Magellan Unit partnered with 2nd Copythorne are running an event in Gambia during the Summer holiday period.

Our campsite Harry's Island continues to have very high bookings for the current year and season already over 75% full. Congratulations to Tony Parker and his team for their continued hard work in ensuring this facility in neat and tidy and well looked after.

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New Forest District Explorer Scouts AGM report July 2023



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Our Explorers continue to work towards their Scouting and DofE awards, with New Forest Top Awards numbers in the Top of the table for the County again.

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Names and addresses of advisers

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ned in our regular newsletter 'Tails of the New Forest', which are published on our website in the 'What's ng with us?' section: <https://newforestscouts.org.uk/>

E Financial Review

and explain any designations

erty holdings and changes in holdings – the District's only holding is Harry's Island which remains ged in this financial year.

es Policy

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F Other Optional Information

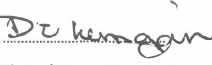
or future periods (details of any significant activities planned to achieve them):

The funds realised from the sale of Strides Lane land in 2021 will mainly be used to update and improve the Harry's Island facilities, this work is currently in the planning stages.

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

CHAIR:

Signed as a true record of the meeting:  Chair of District Executive Committee
Date: <u>11/7/2023</u>

Date:

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

Receipts are unrestricted

	Total Funds this year £	last year £
Receipts		
Harry's Island	44,927	55,332
Badge Secretary	6,132	3,164
Outpost Shop	0	0
AS	659	0
Explorers	55,788	8,021
Network	32	5
District	67,017	49,991
Bank Interest Received	145	1
Total Receipts	174,700	116,513
Payments		
Harry's Island	(63,249)	(3,104)
Badge Secretary	(7,346)	(2,623)
Outpost Shop	0	0
AS	(1,002)	(41)
Explorers	(44,096)	(5,807)
Network	0	0
District	(66,518)	(68,986)
Total Payments	(182,211)	(80,560)
Receipts/(Payments)	(7,511)	35,953
Funds Brought Forward	140,695	104,742
Funds At Year End	133,184	140,695

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

31 March	note	This Year	Last Year
Funds			
Cash at bank: DEPOSIT ACCOUNT		48,792	18,647
Cash at bank: CURRENT ACCOUNT		84,392	122,048
Total Cash Funds		133,184	140,695

Assets Retained for the Charities Own Use

Land at Harry's Island Camp Site	1	120,000	120,000
Badge Stock	2	3,683	3,935
Land at Strides Lane	4	0	0
Total		123,683	123,528

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Land at Harry's Island was valued in September 2014 by CMC Andrews
1 (Property Surveyor & Valuer). The trustees consider this valuation to remain a
reasonable assessment of the value of the land at 31 March 2023.

2 The value of badges held in stock for resale is calculated by the badge
secretary at current cost of badges held at 31 March.

3 During 2020, the shop was closed with all stock being passed to other
Scouting retail outlets for a nominal sum, this item has been removed in the
2022-23 accounts

4 Land at Strides Lane was historically used by Poulner Scout Section, this was
sold by the District in March 2022 and will provide investment in Harry's Island,
funds on deposit. This note will be removed from the 2023-24 accounts

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of New Forest District Scout Council

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the New Forest District Scout Council for the year ended 31 Marsh 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the New Forest District Scout Council 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 31 Marsh 2023 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.

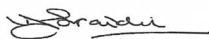
Independent examiner's statement

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 kept in respect of the New Forest District Scout Council as required by section 130 of the Act; and
2. the accounts 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: Vivienne Franklin

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies (if any): CIMA Qualified

Address: 3 Spire View, Empress Road, Lyndhurst, Hants, SO43 7AE

Date: 9th July 2023

New Forest District Scout Association

England & Wales - Charity number 302319

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New Forest (West) District Scout Council Trustees' Annual Report

1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name: New Forest (West) District Scout Council

Other names the charity is known by: New Forest District Scout Council

Registered charity number: 302319

Charity's principal address: 12 Antells Way, Alderholt, FORDINGBRIDGE, Hampshire

Postcode: SP6 3AW

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

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

	Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1	Colin Andrews		resigned Oct 2021
2	Timothy Ash		resigned March 2022
3	Susan Brinkman		resigned Oct 2021
4	Brian Calver		resigned Oct 2021
5	Nicola Savage	Treasurer	resigned Oct 2021
6	Donna Kerrigan	Chair	
7	Roger Newland		
8	Antony Parker		
9	Ryan Parry		
10	Sian Winter	Treasurer	appointed Oct 2021
11	Sara Le Bas	Secretary	appointed Oct 2021
12	Andrew Chatwin		appointed Oct 2021
13	Steven Osborn		appointed Oct 2021
14	Joy Sellwood		appointed Oct 2021
15	Julie Mair		appointed Oct 2021
16	Sara Marie Andrews		appointed Oct 2021
17	Kevin Harmer		appointed Oct 2021
18	Ian Sims		appointed Oct 2021
19	Lynn Tatavossian		appointed Oct 2021

Names and addresses of advisers (optional information but encouraged as best practice) (These will be published in the annual report of the charity)

Type of advisor	Name	Address
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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document

The District Scout Council's governing documents are those of The Scout Association (charity 306101). 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 is the charity constituted

The District Scout Council is a trust established under its rules, which are common to all Scouts.

Trustee selection methods

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association. The District Scout Council is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.

Additional governance information

The District Scout Council is managed by the 'Charity Trustees' and is an educational charity. As charity trustees they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities. This includes the registration, keeping proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate.

The Council consists of 3 independent representatives (Chair, Treasurer and Secretary) together with the District Commissioner team and other trustees within various branches of the District's activities. The Council meets every at least every 3 months.

Members of the Council complete all of the compulsory training within the first 5 months of joining. This Council exists to support the District's Scout Groups in meeting the responsibilities of the appointments, training and governance. It is responsible for:

- The maintenance of District property;
- The raising of funds and the administration of District finance;
- The appropriate insurance of persons, property and equipment;
- District public occasions and licencing;
- Assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support;
- Appointing any sub committees that may be required;
- Appointing Group Administrators and Advisors other than those who are elected.

Risk and Internal Control

The Council has identified the major risks to which they believe they are exposed, these have been reviewed and systems have been established to mitigate against them. The main areas of concern that have been identified are:

- Damage to the building, property and equipment.
The Council has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss.
- Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members.
The Council through the capitation fees contributes to the Scout Associations national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities.
- Reduced income from fund raising.

The District is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and events. The Council holds reserves to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income in the short term. The Council could raise the value of subscriptions or reduce the range of activities and they support to maintain their funding envelope either on a temporary or permanent basis, depending on the reason for the reduction in funding.

- Reduction or loss of leaders.

The Council is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer their activities. If there was a reduction in the number of leaders to an unacceptable level in a particular area then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of that area.

- Reduction or loss of members.

The Council supports the District groups to provide activities for all young people aged 6 to 18. If there was a reduction in membership in a particular section, or the group as whole, then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or potentially closure in that area.

- Risk and Internal Control.

The group has in place systems of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss, these include 2 signatories for all payments and a comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

Section C Objectives and activities

Public benefit statement

The Council meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.

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

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 cooperate with others and make friends.

The Scout Method

Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together based on the values of Scouting and:

- enjoy what they are doing and have fun
- take part in activities indoors and outdoors
- learn by doing - share in spiritual reflection
- take responsibility and make choices
- undertake new and challenging activities
- make and live by their Promise.

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

Provision of Harry's Island Scout Camp to support young people to take part in outdoor activities and learn by doing, taking responsibility and making choices to develop their skills in a safe environment. When Harry's Island achieves a surplus the funds can be used to provide additional opportunities and support for both our own (Scout) young people and other groups of young people who use the site through a scheme of developments. Surplus funds are also used to provide additional District activities such as grants for projects, Chief Scout Award celebrations, Eagle Trophy challenge, etc.

Providing training and support for adult volunteers who support the Group and Section Scout activities within the District, including recruitment and appointments.

Facilitating a range of opportunities for young people across the District to access activities and opportunities that might not be available within their Group or Section.

Managing the Council's assets to ensure financial sustainability in the short and long term for the District.

Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Section E Financial Review

Quantify and explain any designations

Any property holdings and changes in holdings

Sale of Stride's Lane property in Ringwood for £50,000.

Reserves Policy

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Group's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the group should income and fundraising activities fall short.

The Group Executive Committee considers that the group should hold a sum equivalent to 12 months running costs, circa £16,000 for Harry's Island plus £8,000k for the basic running costs of the District – total £24,000.

Investment Policy

The Group's Income and Expenditure is usually earmarked for specific purposes and as a consequence the District does not have sufficient funds to invest in higher risk longer-term investments such as stocks and shares. The Group has therefore adopted a low risk strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or building societies or The Scout Association's Short Term Investment Service.

The Group Executive regularly monitors the levels of bank balances and the interest rates received to ensure the group obtains maximum value and income from its banking arrangements. Occasionally this may involve using an account that requires a period of notice before funds may be withdrawn, before doing so the Group Executive considers the cash flow requirements

Section F Other Optional Information

Plans for future periods (details of any significant activities planned to achieve them):

From 1 April 2022 the New Forest (West) and New Forest North District Scout Councils will merge to become the New Forest District Scout Council, with the charity registration from New Forest (West) covering the merged District (New Forest North do not have a charity registration).

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees



DE Kerrigan
Chair



S Winter
Treasurer

12/07/2022

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT 2021-22

all funds are unrestricted

	Total Funds this year £	last year £
Receipts		
Harry's Island	55,332	11,294
Badge Secretary	921	402
Scout Shop	0	1,067
SAS	0	0
Explorers	565	320
District	22,429	17,762
Bank Interest Received	1	10
Total Receipts	79,247	30,855
Payments		
Harry's Island	(3,104)	(6,922)
Badge Secretary	(773)	(401)
Scout Shop	0	(211)
SAS	0	(61)
Explorers	0	(742)
District	(22,743)	(23,288)
Total Payments	(26,619)	(31,625)
Net Receipts/(Payments)	52,628	(770)
Cash Funds Brought Forward	37,831	38,601
Cash Funds At Year End	90,459	37,831

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

As At 31 March	note	This Year	Last Year
Cash Funds			
Cash at bank: DEPOSIT ACCOUNT		18,647	18,645
Cash at bank: CURRENT ACCOUNT		71,812	19,186
Total Cash Funds		90,459	37,831

Assets Retained for the Charities Own Use

1	Land at Harry's Island Camp Site	1	120,000	120,000
2	Badge Stock	2	3,935	3,528
3	Shop Stock	3	0	0
4	Land at Strides Lane	4	0	50,000
	Total		123,935	173,528

Notes:

- 1 Land at Harry's Island was valued in September 2014 by CMC Andrews (Property Surveyor & Valuer). The trustees consider this valuation to remain a reasonable assessment of the value of the land at 31 March 2022.
- 2 The value of badges held in stock for resale is calculated by the badge secretary at current cost of badges held at 31 March.
- 3 During 2020, the shop was closed with all stock being passed to other Scouting retail outlets for a nominal sum. This note will be removed in the next financial year
- 4 Land at Strides Lane was sold during March 2022, with monies held in the current account on 31 March 2022. During the next financial year £30,000 will be used for investment in Harry's Island and held in the HI deposit account, the net balance will be transferred to the District deposit account

From 1 April 2022 New Forest West District will take over New Forest North District to form New Forest District Scout Council.

Therefore the accounts for next financial year will be materially different to the current District accounts.

The trustees declare that they have approved the Accounts above

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees



DE Kerrigan
Chair



S Winter
Treasurer

12/07/2022

Vivienne Franklin
3 Spire View
Empress Road
Lyndhurst
SO43 7AE

New Forest District Scout Council

10 July 2022

This is to certify that I have examined the accounts of the Scout District and am satisfied that they represent a true and accurate picture of the financial activities of the District for the year to 31st March 2022.

The Treasurer is to be complemented on the work put in to amalgamate the accounts.

Signed

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Vivienne Franklin', with a horizontal line underneath it.

Vivienne Franklin

CIMA Qualified Accountant / Independent Examiner

New Forest District Scout Association

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New Forest West District Scout Council

Annual Report and Accounts

Year Ended 31 March 2021

Charity Number: 302319

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Trustees' Annual Report

The Trustees of the New Forest West District Scout Council ("the charity") present their Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2021.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

As part of The Scout Association, the charity aims to promote the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potentials as individuals, responsible citizens and as members of their local, national international communities.

Scouts actively engages and supports young people in their personal development, empowering them to make positive contributions to society. In partnership with adults, young people take part in fun indoor and outdoor activities. They learn by doing, by sharing in spiritual reflection and by taking responsibility. They make choices, undertake new and challenging activities and they live their Scout Promise.

In particular, the charity meets these objectives through the provision of:

- human resources, advocacy, advice and information to the operational units in the district;
- a campsite within the New Forest National Park for the use of both Scouts and others;
- grants to individuals and organisations to enable Scouting experiences that would not otherwise be financially achievable.

The trustees confirm they have had due regard to the guidance issued by the charity commission on public benefit. The charity, as an affiliate of The Scout Association, provides extraordinary benefits and opportunities to young people in the New Forest West area, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

During this unprecedented year, support has been given to the Groups within the district to enable them to continue their provision of Scouting as best they can. With the Coronavirus restrictions preventing face to face Scouting for most of the year, virtual meetings have been introduced and activities continued where possible.

The Covid pandemic prevented the District campsite – Harry's Island – from being used. The District received grant funding from New Forest District Council to help alleviate the impact of the loss of this revenue.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

During the year the charity has received income of £30,855 (2020: £40,007). This included a one-off receipt of £11,334 of grant funding from New Forest District Council, to help alleviate the impact of the loss of camp fees resulting from the compulsory closure of Harry's Island.

Careful control of expenditure throughout the year resulted in a net deficit for the year of £770 (2020: net gain of £5,819), maintaining reserves at a reasonable level of £37,831 (2020: £38,601) The trustees wish to retain funds of at least the annual running costs of it's landed asset – Harry's Island campsite – to ensure the continuation of this important provision to local scouting.

All funds of the charity are unrestricted. The trustees have designated certain of these funds to be available for the provision of grants to help enable members of the scout association to take advantage of opportunities arising that otherwise might not be within their financial reach.

The reserves held by the charity being adequate to meet it's ongoing obligations, the trustees have no uncertainty as to it's future as a going concern.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

New Forest West District Scout Council is an autonomous charity affiliated to The Scout Association (registered charity number 306101). The Scout Association has a comprehensive set of policies and rules, all of which are applied by the charity.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

The principal address for administration purposes of the New Forest West District Scout Council is Copperbank, Bowerchalke, Wiltshire, SP5 5AY.

The trustees who served during the year are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Office</u>	
Colin Andrews		
Timothy Ash		<i>appointed Sept 2020</i>
Susan Brinkman		
David Brooks		<i>resigned Sept 2020</i>
Brian Calver		
Martine Coatham		<i>resigned Sept 2020</i>
Bill Dutton-Sedman		<i>appointed Sept 2020</i>
Donna Kerrigan	Chair	
Royston Landon		<i>resigned Sept 2020</i>
Roger Newland		
Antony Parker		
Ryan Parry		<i>appointed Sept 2020</i>
Darren Reed		<i>resigned Sept 2020</i>
Nicola Savage	Treasurer	
Roger Wedderburn	President	<i>deceased May 2021</i>

It is with great sadness that we report the death of our President, Roger Wedderburn, in May 2021. We extend our condolences to his family, and thanks for all his years of support and dedication to Scouting.

CUSTODIAN TRUSTEESHIP

No assets were held as custodian trustee during the reporting period or any other.

ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES:



NK Savage BA (Hons) ACMA, CGMA
Treasurer



DE Kerrigan
Chair

19 July 2021

Receipts and Payments Account

	Total Funds (unrestricted) 2021 £	Total Funds (unrestricted) 2020 £
Receipts		
Harry's Island	11,294	15,144
District Badge Secretary	402	2,418
District Scout Shop	1,067	2,073
Scout Active Support	0	10
Explorers	320	1,255
District Management	17,762	19,070
Bank Deposit Interest	10	37
Total Receipts	30,855	40,007
Payments		
Harry's Island	(6,922)	(6,504)
District Badge Secretary	(401)	(2,185)
District Scout Shop	(211)	(1,397)
Scout Active Support	(61)	(132)
Explorers	(742)	(910)
District Management	(23,288)	(23,060)
Total Payments	(31,625)	(34,188)
Net (Expenses)/Receipts	(770)	5,819
Reconciliation Of Funds		
Cash Funds Brought Forward	38,601	32,782
Cash Funds Carried Forward At Year End	37,831	38,601

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

As at 31 March	Note	2021 £	2020 £
Cash Funds			
Cash at Bank: Deposit Account		18,645	18,635
Cash at Bank: Current Account		19,186	16,722
Cash at Bank: Scout Shop		0	3,104
Cash In Hand		0	140
Total Cash Funds		37,831	38,601


Assets Retained for the Charities Own Use

Land at Harry's Island Camp Site	1	120,000	120,000
Badge Stock	2	3,528	3,526
Shop Stock	3	0	2,241
Stride's Lane	4	50,000	nil
Total		173,528	125,767

Notes:

- 1 Land at Harry's Island was valued in September 2014 by CMC Andrews (Property Surveyor & Valuer). The trustees consider this valuation to remain a reasonable assessment of the value of the land at 31 March 2021.
- 2 The value of badges held in stock for resale is calculated by the badge secretary at current cost of badges held at 31 March.
- 3 During the year the District shop was closed. All remaining stock was donated to other Scout retail outlets for a nominal sum.
- 4 For a number of years land at Stride's Lane owned by the District has been used by Poulner Scout Group free of charge. This land had been largely forgotten about and was held at its fully depreciated original value. As Poulner Scout Group no longer need this space the land has been valued for sale and this estimated valuation has been added to the assets of the District in the 2021 statements.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on its behalf by:




NK Savage BA (Hons) ACMA, CGMA
Treasurer



DE Kerrigan

Chair

19 July 2021

Independent Examiner's Report On The Accounts

Report to the Trustees of New Forest West District Scout Council (charity number 302319) on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021, which are set out on pages 2 to 5.

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report.

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that, in any material respect:

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

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed E. Watkin
Name ELAINE WATKIN
Date 20 / 05 / 2021
Relevant professional qualification or body AAT

