

# 1ST CHORLEYWOOD SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales · Charity number 302526

## Details

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Other names	1ST CHORLEYWOOD BOY SCOUT GROUP, 1ST CHORLEYWOOD SCOUT GROUP
Status	Registered
Legal form	Trust
Registered	1966-06-27
Register	<a href="#">View on the Charity Commission register</a>

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## Activities

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**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:** Scouting activities & events

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Education/training, Economic/community Development/employment, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People

## Geography

- **Area of benefit:** CHORLEYWOOD
- Throughout England And Wales

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£57,418	£53,017	-	-
2023-12-31	£38,801	£24,995	-	-
2022-12-31	£31,735	£39,135	-	-
2021-12-31	£54,242	£37,000	-	-
2020-12-31	£35,465	£19,423	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>Robert Edward Hems</b>	Chair	2020-01-01
David Charles Ponsford		
Gareth Bowsher		2025-06-03
Katharine Simons		2018-01-01
Leann Frances Jones Bowden		2025-06-03
Neil Thomson		2020-10-11
Sarah Wright		2024-05-13

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# Accounts

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## 1st Chorleywood Scout Group - Trustee Annual Report 2024

For the period from 1st January 2024 to 31st December 2024

### Reference and administration details

Charity name: 1st Chorleywood Scout Group

Registered charity number: 302526

Principal address: Orchard Drive, Chorleywood, Herts WD3 5QN

Names of charity trustees who manage the charity:

Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
David Ponsford		
Ed Hems	Chairman	
Neil Thomson	Treasurer	
Katie Simons		
Sarah Wright		From 13th May 2024
Alita Davern		From 13th May 2024
Esther Kufrin		From 13th May 2024

### Section B Structure, governance and management details

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 (POR) of The Scout Association.

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

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

The Group is managed by the Group Leadership Team, the members of which are the charity trustees of the Scout Group which 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 Trustee Board consists of the Group Lead Volunteer, Chair, Treasurer and Trustees. 3 ex-officio trustees joined in May 2024 at the 2023 AGM. Also appointed in Autumn 2024 was Kathryn Gould as Clerk to the Trustee Board. The Trustee Board meets every 2 months, and alternates between in person and on line according to availability of the scout HQ as a venue. The Trustee board was set up in 2024 as we moved from a group executive to a Trustee board in line with the requirements of the Charity Commission and the Scout Association.

Members of the Trustee Board complete Being a Scouts Trustee learning within the first 6 months of joining the Board, and hold a valid Scout Association DBS.

This Group Trustee Board exists to make sure the charity is well-managed, risks are assessed and mitigated, buildings and equipment are in good working order, and everyone follows legal requirements and the organisation's policies and rules. Their support helps other volunteers run high-quality and safe programmes that gives young people skills for life.

In terms of risks, and Internal Control the Trustee Board 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:

Damage to the building, property and equipment. We have sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss.

Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members. Through capitation fees we contribute to the Scout Association's national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities, and all leaders are trained in making risk assessments and understand the process of mitigating risk in activity planning. Risk assessments are reviewed by the lead volunteer and supporters.

Reduced income from fund raising. The group is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. We hold a reserve to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income.

Reduction or loss of leaders. We are totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the scout 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. The group provides activities for all

young people aged 6 to 18. If there was a reduction in membership in a particular section or then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section

Material mismanagement or loss. 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 comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

## **Objectives and activities**

### **Summary of the objects of the charity as set out in its governing document**

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
- 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:**

1<sup>st</sup> Chorleywood Scout Group is a large local Scout Group that runs 6 sections; 1 Beaver Colony, 2 Cub Packs & 3 Scout Troops. Total membership across all 6 sections is approximately 160 young people & the number of regular volunteers involved, including section leaders, Trustee Board members & support team members is around 50. Each section meets once per week during school term time & runs a full programme of events. There are also numerous camps, sleepovers & weekends away. Together, these allow each young person to experience a varied & extensive range of activities. There is also an associated Explorer section that is based at Chorleywood Scout HQ.

The reports from these sections can be found below.

## **Section D Achievements and performance**

### **Group Lead Volunteer Report – Sarah Wright**

**(Group Lead in 2024 was handed to Sarah Wright during the autumn term, from David Ponsford outgoing Group Lead Volunteer)**

In 2024 I was 'Assistant Group Scout Leader', and then in the Autumn term of 2024 I agreed to take on the role that was Group Scout leader and is now known as Group Lead volunteer. I have stepped into a role filled by David Ponsford for over 30 years, a daunting prospect after so many years of amazing service from David. I hope to be able to provide direction and leadership to the amazing team of volunteers who make Chorleywood Scouts such a great group to be involved in.

The Scout Association underwent a process in 2024 called 'Transformation' including a "digital first" approach and changes to volunteer roles and learning, aim to improve the Scout experience and impact on young people.

For Chorleywood Scouts, we already adopted a team approach to the volunteering experience, and so the impact on the teams was minimal. We have adjusted to new titles, 'Volunteers' instead of 'Scout Leaders', and have ensured that the new training requirements are met. We continue to actively recruit team members from the community.

The challenges presented to the team when we were advised by the Trustees that our HQ was no longer accessible due to the presence of asbestos should not be understated. Programmes had already been planned, and teams rearranged sessions, looked at creative alternatives, and embraced the outdoors in winter. The teams did incredibly well with continuing to meet with no fixed home. We are grateful for the support of Christ Church and the Parish Council which allowed us to still meet in Chorleywood.

Behind the scenes, Gareth Bowsher stepped away from leadership of Thames scouts, allowing him to focus on the buildings renovation project. Andy Shah has stepped into the role of team lead for Thames, a transition that has gone really well thanks to the support of the Scouts leadership team overall.

The processes involved in planning and executing an exciting programme continue to become more detailed as we work to ensuring a safe environment for our young people. Our volunteers do an amazing job and I want to thank them all for their hard work in a challenging year.

## Chair of Trustee's review of the year – Ed Hems

2024 was a busy year for 1st Chorleywood Scouts, with a wide range of exciting activities for the Beavers, Cubs and Scouts. You'll see the evidence of this through the individual section reports, but it's clear that there have been so many great troop nights and on top of that weekend adventures to bring fun, challenge and development to our young people.

Much of this has been made possible thanks to the dedication, enthusiasm, and skill of our leaders – who have given their time and energy to ensure that our young Scouts have had rich and rewarding experiences. It's truly encouraging to see just how many Chorleywood young people have benefited from their programmes and on behalf of the Trustees we give our full thanks to the leaders.

From a buildings perspective it has been more challenging with the discovery and removal of asbestos in our HQ building. This has required us to close the HQ while the work has been done, bringing disruption to our troops and to guarantee a safe environment we have closed our upstairs hall, thereby reducing the capacity in the building and requiring use of the Memorial Hall and Christ Church junction for winter troop nights. Thank you to Gareth Bowsher, Leann Bowden and the buildings team for their work on the premises.

From this difficulty, a project has emerged to renovate HQ, and we have launched a fundraising campaign to raise funds to develop the building for the future Scouts and the local community. It's vital that we look ahead – to build a new, safe home for Chorleywood Scouts, one that not only meets modern standards but can also support the Scouts and Chorleywood community for the future. Thank you to Sarah Wright for the work she is doing on fundraising to date, and the teams who have worked so hard on the fundraising events..

Being a Scout Leader (or volunteer in new terminology) is very time consuming in the current environment and motivating, retaining and recruiting volunteers is a top priority in Chorleywood Scouts. This makes the contribution that David Ponsford has given to Chorleywood Scouts all the more impressive. David has given so much to the Scouts in over 50 years of service and in 2024 he finally decided to take a step back and Sarah Wright will take on the Group Scout Leader or Lead Volunteer role. We are lucky that David will stay involved as President of our group and he will remain on the Trustee Board to continue to contribute to the group. Thank you David.

Ed Hems, Chair.

## **Chorleywood Beavers – Liz Hall, Duncan Munro & Sandra Silva**

In 2024 there were 30 beavers on our colony led by Liz Hall (Team Leader) and supported by Duncan Munro and Sandra Silva.

In the Spring Term at beavers we honed our scarf-rolling, tie-tying and shoelace-tying skills. We learned all about Fairtrade and about birds and made a bird feeder; several beavers did the RSPB birdwatch. We talked about teeth, sugar-consumption and healthy eating and we completed our emergency aid stage 1 badge at HQ. We have been learning all about Global Issues and we took part in a sponsored walk in aid of Water Aid in March and raised another £760 for WaterAid. We did our Faith badge at Christ Church, aided by Rev Anne Lovegrove and cooked Welsh cakes for St David's day. We held our Rainforest sleepover at HQ and had great attendance and an excellent visit from Wild Science with real live animals, an evening hike through the 'forests' of Chorleywood and enjoyed making cookies and smoothies using rainforest fruits. We cooked Irish soda bread and potato soup for St Patrick's day. and ended up on the allotment, planting our potatoes and onions again and sewing our sunflower seeds for another season!

Last summer term we started on Chorleywood Common, learning about Bird's Eye Views and how they help us draw maps and about St George. We weeded the Chorleywood orchard, cooked at Chorleywood campsite, did some mapping of the woodland trail and had an evening of orienteering on the Common and hiked around the Chenies-Latimer loop. We drew Bird's Eye Views at the Swillett Playground, weeded the allotment and met Liz's chickens. We had a great Group camp at Paccar, pitching tents, tying knots, playing Laser Quest, cooking our own lunch on the Saturday on fires and enjoying the go-karts. Upon our return we constructed our own maps of the Swillett Playground using our Bird's Eye Views, weeded the allotment and met the chickens again. We went back to Chorleywood Campsite to do more cooking and canoed at BLYM to end the term.

In the autumn we couldn't use HQ for most of the term but we got out as much as we could. We scrubbed the benches at Chorleywood Orchard – surprisingly popular, (!) then returned to Chorleywood campsite, lighting fires and cooking marshmallows on them. We did our cyclist badge on the track at The Swillett. We harvested potatoes and onions from the allotment and made 6 scarecrows on the theme of Time for Chorleywood Orchard for the Chorleywood Scarecrow trail. Over two evenings we met in The Junction at Christ Church and shared evidence with each other for our Collector, Hobbies, Sport and Photography badges, which was very varied and interesting. We hiked to Nathan's farm and fed the animals there.

We did a Road and Rail safety walk to Chorleywood station and drew maps of our route. We took part in the Remembrance Parade and also visited Hendon Aircraft Museum to complete our Air Activity badge. The Scottish Dancers visited us at the Memorial Hall and taught us some great dances. We sang songs and did a short Christmas presentation at

Dapplemere Nursing Home. We used the Traverse wall at HQ and mapped some of the local roads. Our Christmas bring-and-buy sale and individual Smartie-packet coin collection fund-raisers together raised £350 in aid of repairs to HQ and we enjoyed the Christmas Party back in the bottom hall at last!

As ever we couldn't do it all without our very supportive group of parents- thanks to all who have helped us out. And our fabulous Young Leaders- George who left in September to go to University and Isla. And as ever we have enough beavers on the waiting list to start a second colony if we only had the leaders!

### Eagles & Falcons Cubs - Jonathan White & Ollie Hobden

In 2024 the two cub Packs – Eagles and Falcons, continued to thrive. The packs operate with a shared programme, with Team leader Jonathan White for Eagles, and Ollie Hobden for Falcons.

We welcomed a new volunteer, Alan Vanstone to Falcons, and Rebecca Tate stepped away from the pack to focus on home improvements, but we hope to see her back in 2025.

The Spring term in 2024 saw the cubs looking at communication and safety, with a series of meetings on methods of communication, road safety and a visit to the fire station in Rickmansworth – with added police visitors as well! The cubs learned to maintain their bikes, fixing punctures and oiling chains at HQ ready for a summer term bike ride. They also completed their DIY badge, using hammers, saws and screwdrivers, as well as power drills to make hedgehog houses to be placed at our district campsite.

A particularly popular evening for the cubs is the collectors / hobbies badge nights. We invite the young people to share with the pack over two weeks what they like to do outside school / cubs. We always get an amazing array of interesting things, and the cubs improve communication skills in sharing a hobby or sport that they enjoy.

The cubs also had a night hike in the chess valley, playing a wide game in the dark, and then enjoyed a sleepover at Christ Church – not much sleep was had!

In the Summer term the cubs were out and about as usual. They went to the campsite and played wide games and enjoyed a campfire, followed by a session on the community allotment learning all about the methods to grow different vegetables. The cubs did rifle shooting and bouldering at Lees wood campsite, showing their marksmanship skills, and took part in fun activities at Phasels wood campsite. They hiked in the bluebells, taking a route in Chalfont St Giles that the young people were not familiar with, whilst the leaders encouraged them to work on map reading skills (never easy in a large group of happy children!)

With Group Camp approaching, and 36 young people signed up to come from cubs, we worked on tent pitching skills and bushcraft. Camp was a highlight of the summer term and

a valuable time of bonding for the leaders as well. The term ended with paddleboarding and bike rides, though the weather did make some evenings a little challenging!

Autumn 2024 saw a challenging time as HQ was closed and we were unable to meet there. We were really grateful for the support of the trustees at Christ Church Chorleywood who allowed the group to meet in their rooms. The location was great for access to the common, but the indoors space a little smaller than we were used to. Access to our resources at HQ was also challenging.

Our Autumn programme did see a few meetings cancelled due to weather – without HQ we didn't have a good back up plan, and on Thursdays Christ Church only had one room available, so we couldn't meet there at the same time as the scouts.

The Autumn term programme was very much focussed on where we could meet – we went to Paccar to do some on site activities (abseiling and team building), we went to the Three Rivers Museum, to Restore Hope in Latimer to use the go Karts, and we went on a night hike, and a reflector trail. When we were at Christchurch we also had a Norwegian night, as Sarah shared with us her trip with the UK scouts to a camp in Norway.

We were delighted that by the start of December we were back in HQ and able to do crafts, use the traverse wall and altar fires outside again. The alternate week schedule means that although only one hall is open, we are able to do some of our usual activities with our resources to hand.

During the year we have had a good number of cubs achieve their Bronze Scout Award, which is a testament to the perseverance of the young people and leaders over a challenging time.

The Cubs section leaders work incredibly hard, and all have busy challenging jobs as well, and would always welcome new team members, to help ensure a quality programme for the young people.

## **Misbourne Troop, Chess Troop & Thames Troop Scout Report (Duncan Farnsworth, & Andy Shah)**

In 2024, our three Scout Troops — Misbourne, Chess and Thames have continued to operate a shared and varied programme that provided excitement, challenge, adventure and learning for our young scouts. Each Troop brought their own unique energy and spirit to the year, but united through a common programme.

Throughout the year, the scouts took part in an exciting variety of activities in regular meetings and on top of the scouts evening the activities included Chariot Racing, Scalextric, Pizza Ovens, Orienteering, Camp cooking, Warhammer, Christmas Lights, paddleboarding and kayaking, bridge building and litter picking around Chorleywood.

Outside of the regular programme there was many other opportunities provided during the weekends, including:

- District and County Cooking competition where our scouts competed against other troops and after winning the District completion fared well against other troops in Hertfordshire
- Monopoly Run across London, where scouts raced around the capital completing challenges and having fun
- A hiking weekend in North Wales, tackling some tough terrain and learning key navigation and outdoor skills in the heart of the National Park
- Sleeping under the Northern Lights in hammocks in the campsite
- Group Camp in Tolmers fostering a strong sense of community and shared Scouting spirit across all of our sections.
- A special weekend aboard the Lord Amory boat in the Docklands. During this unique adventure, the scouts enjoyed a full programme of water sports and life onboard, which proved both challenging and immensely rewarding.
- Green Beret camping with other scouts in Hertfordshire

A number of scouts were also proud recipients of the Gold Scout Award this year. Their achievement was the result of dedication and perseverance, exemplified by a challenging expedition along the Thames and back into Chorleywood. These Scouts demonstrated outstanding commitment and fully earned their award.

## **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.

## **Financial Review**

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 trustees consider it prudent to hold a revenue reserve of around 6 to 8 months' normal revenue expenditure. This is intended to cover:

- An operating bank balance which takes account of the fact that the timing through the year of income receipts and expense payments are not matched.
- A cushion in case income drops unexpectedly or there are unexpected costs.

**Financial overview - the full report can be found in the accounts for 2024.**

In 2024 we realised we needed a major fundraising drive for the HQ refurbishments. We established a fundraising group, as a sub team as per the new scouts structure.

Events included

- Stall at Village day (an annual event)

- An Oktoberfest held in a members garden!
- Participation in the Scarecrow Trail including a refreshments stall
- Stall at the Chorleywood Christmas festival

We also set up a Just giving page, and planned grant applications for 2025 submission. Fundraising in 2024 for HQ raised £17,800, including gifts from members of the public and charitable trusts.


**Section F Other optional information**

In 2025 we will be carrying out major fundraising activities to finance a refurbishment project to secure our HQ for future generations of scouts in Chorleywood.

**Section G Declaration**

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustee

Signature(s)	Full name(s)	Position	Date
	Robert Edward Hems	Chair of Trustee Board	30 July 2025

## 1st Chorleywood Scout Group

### Income & Expenditure for 12 months to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024

	31 <sup>st</sup> December 2024	31 <sup>st</sup> December 2023
<b>INCOME &amp; EXPENDITURE</b>		
<b>Receipts</b>		
Subscriptions	£23,423.14	£21,106.82
Tax Refund (Gift Aid)	£4,163.39	£8,634.64
HQ Fundraising / Covid-19 Related Grant	£17,844.47	-
Fundraising	£2,403.91	£3,323.29
Other Income	£9,582.86	£5,736.32
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>£57,417.77</b>	<b>£38,801.07</b>
<b>Less: Expenditure</b>		
Vehicles	£3,271.78	£3,440.11
Premises	£27,607.88	£2,173.61
Utilities	£3,662.70	£2,232.30
Scout Activities (see below)	£3,745.96	£3,870.65
Fundraising	£585.75	£1,252.96
HQ Fundraising Expenses	£678.56	-
Group Expenses	£10,087.02	£9,892.92
Equipment	£3,377.35	£2,132.87
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>£53,017.00</b>	<b>£24,995.42</b>
<b>Net Surplus / Deficit</b>	<b>£4,400.77</b>	<b>£13,805.65</b>

### BANK RECONCILIATION

<b>Bank Account Balances</b>		
Lloyds Bank (Treasurer's)	£7,394.84	£3,620.60
Lloyds Bank (Subscriptions)	£12,314.38	£11,687.85
Skipton Building Society	£85,000.00	£85,000.00
<b>Total Bank Balance</b>	<b>£104,709.22</b>	<b>£100,308.45</b>
<b>Reconciliation</b>		
Prior Year Total Bank Balance	£100,308.45	£86,502.80
Net Surplus / Deficit (per above)	£4,400.77	£13,805.65
Calculated Total Bank Balance	£104,709.22	£100,308.45
Actual Total Bank Balance (per above)	£104,709.22	£100,308.45
<b>Variance (Surplus / Deficit)</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£0.00</b>

### SCOUT ACTIVITIES SUMMARY

<b>General Expenditure</b>		
Section Meetings at HQ & Locally	£1,610.29	£1,894.24
Badges	£1,960.74	£1,956.37
Miscellaneous	£876.20	£318.09
Deposit Payments for Future Camps, etc.	£1,361.25	£726.00
<b>Surplus / Deficit</b>	<b>£5,808.48</b>	<b>£4,894.70</b>
<b>Group Camp</b>		
Income (GoCardless)	£3,725.71	£5,372.03
Expenditure	£4,747.48	£4,287.19
<b>Surplus / Deficit</b>	<b>£1,021.77</b>	<b>£1,084.84</b>
<b>Summer Camp</b>		
Income	£0.00	£7,220.00
Expenditure	£0.00	£6,248.45
<b>Surplus / Deficit</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£971.55</b>
<b>Other Activities, Sleepovers &amp; Camps</b>		
Income (GoCardless)	£13,244.41	£10,794.61
Income (Direct Payments)	£2,370.00	£710.00
Expenditure (Activities at PACCAR, Bury I)	£5,665.18	£4,876.65
Expenditure (Sleepovers & Other Camps)	£6,864.94	£7,660.30
<b>Surplus / Deficit</b>	<b>£3,084.29</b>	<b>£1,032.34</b>
<b>Net Surplus / Deficit</b>	<b>£3,745.96</b>	<b>£3,870.65</b>

### INDIVIDUAL SECTION SUMMARY

<b>Section Meetings at HQ &amp; Locally</b>		
Misbourne Troop	£165.86	£480.31
Chess Troop	£308.79	£323.98
Thames Troop	£65.05	£470.29
Falcons Cubs	£329.95	£90.96
Eagles Cubs	£614.38	£101.30
Beavers	£126.26	£427.40
Other / Miscellaneous	£0.00	£0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£1,610.29</b>	<b>£1,894.24</b>



**Independent examiner's report on the  
accounts**

**Section A Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees**

Charity Name  
1<sup>st</sup> Chorleywood Scout Group

**On accounts for the year ended**

31 <sup>st</sup> December 2024	<b>Charity no (if any)</b>	302526
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**Set out on pages**

See documentation contained in '2024 Audit Pack (1CW)'

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2024.

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

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

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination 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:**

*Myfanwy Ronchetti*

**Date:**

21/05/25

**Name:**

Myfanwy Ronchetti

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

ICAEW

**Address:**

Whitestacks, Stag Lane, Chorleywood, Herts, WD3 5HE

**Section B Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

**Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.**

[Empty box for disclosure details]



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# Accounts

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77<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting

**13th May 2024– 8pm**



# Scouts

## **1st Chorleywood Scout Group**

Do more. Share more. Be more.



# Agenda

Acceptance of 2022 Annual Accounts and the 76th AGM minutes

Adopting the New Constitution

Moving to Trustee Boards

Programme Highlights

Group Progress (Exec / Governance)

Financial Overview

Election of Executive Committee Members



**Do more. Share more. Be more.**

The Executive Committee proposes that 1<sup>st</sup> Chorleywood Scouts adopts the model Constitution, created by the Scout Association and as circulated.

### 5.3 Constitution - requirement <sup>SV</sup>

5.3 applies to each Group, District and County, whether or not it is registered with a charity regulator.

5.3.1.1 Every charity within the Scouts' federation of charities must have an agreed constitution. Although a charity may agree its own constitution, it is **very** strongly encouraged that each Group, District and County adopts the model constitutions that are shown in 5.4, 5.5 and 5.6, respectively, in this chapter.

The model constitutions in 5.4, 5.5 and 5.6 describe the role, membership and operation of the Scout Council, and the Trustee Board.

5.3.1.2 In the interest of openness, especially for new members of the Scout Council, the Scout Council should re-adopt their charity's constitution at each AGM. This must be recorded in the minutes of the AGM.

A Group, District, or County which adopts unchanged the model constitution in 5.4, 5.5, 5.6 as appropriate must record in their AGM minutes that POR 5.4, 5.5 or 5.6 is fully adopted as its constitution. In this case, a copy of 5.4, 5.5 or 5.6 does not need to be attached to the minutes – it is sufficient for the adoption of 5.4, 5.5, 5.6 to be stated in the AGM minutes.

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- b) the specifics of the local amendment(s) that it has adopted.
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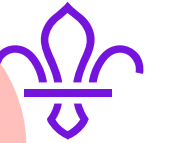
- a) the differences between their constitution and the model constitution
- b) clear reasoning for the retention of each of the differences

# Group Progress / Governance

Becoming a Trustee Board - In April 2023, the Scout Association renamed Executive Committees and Executive Committee Members, as Trustee Boards and Trustees respectively. Doing this brings us in line with good practice guidance set by charity regulators. It also clarifies purpose. Before the name change, Executive Committee members performed the roles of charity trustees and were responsible for charity governance. Trustee Boards are set up to focus solely on the governance of the charity not charity operations, and the name change makes this focus clearer.

The Trustee Board is a team of volunteers who work together, as charity trustees, to make sure Scouts is run safely and legally. At the heart of their role is a focus on strategy, performance and assurance.

Trustee Boards, and their sub-teams, need to focus only on good charity governance. This means responsibility for support and operational tasks needs to sit with other teams, like the Group Leadership Team or District / County Support Team. A clear separation of governance and operational tasks might be different to what volunteers who were part of Executive Committees are used to. But it's important as it means Trustees can focus on governance and do it well. It'll also be easier to retain volunteers and recruit new ones to Trustee Boards as what's expected of our Trustees will be clearer. It also means that volunteers who want to focus on operational and support tasks do not need to be a Trustee to do so. For example, the person who's great at managing the hall or running fundraising events can do so as part of the Leadership Team or Support Team. If they don't have the interest, skill or time to be a Trustee - they don't have to.



### **Trustee term limits**

Trustee Board membership will refresh as of the 2024 AGMs. New term limits won't include any previous service as a Trustee: current trustees, regardless of how long they have been a member of an Executive Committee already, will start a new term (of up to 9 years) at the next AGM in 2024.

Appointed Trustees are appointed for up to three years and can be re-appointed (by the Scout Council at the AGM). Co-opted Trustees are appointed for an initial period of one year (by the Trustee Board). They can stay on longer if agreed by the Trustee Board, but it's a good idea for co-opted Trustees to move onto being appointed Trustees at the next AGM.

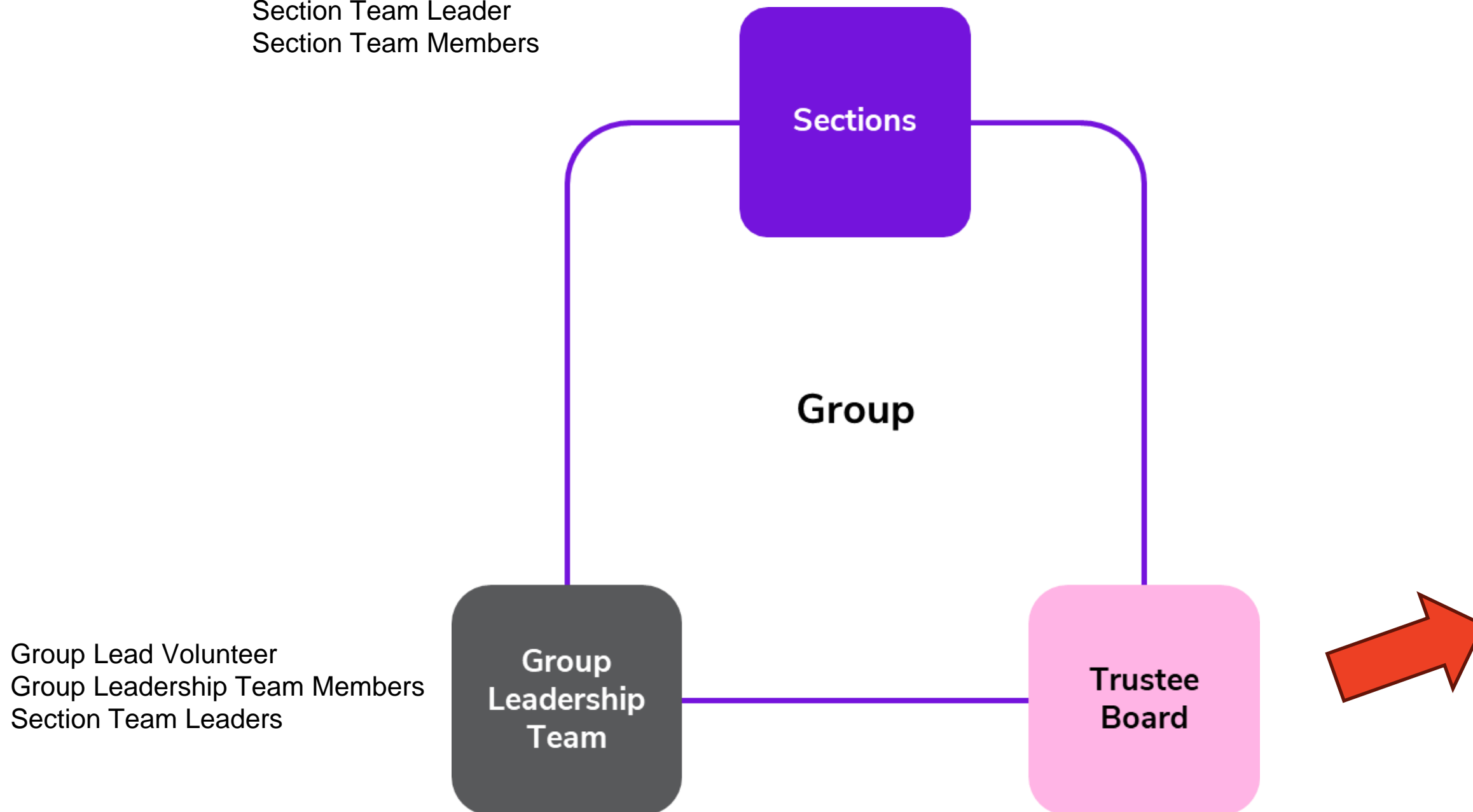
Trustees may only be on the same Trustee Board for a maximum of nine years, before taking a break of at least three years. This applies to any role, but not ex officio Trustees (Lead Volunteers or Youth Leads).

**Trustee Boards need good administration and organisation.** Trustees are collectively responsible for making sure this is in place. To bring Scouts in line with charity sector good practice, the Trustee role of Secretary as the administrator will cease. At the point of migration to the new system, if still in role, existing Secretaries will be recorded as Trustees and will be expected to continue with Trustee responsibilities and not focus on administration. Ahead of then, Trustee Boards should consider how they arrange their administration support.

**Trustee Board size** - Trustee Boards should have a minimum of 5 and a maximum of 12 members. This allows for a variety of viewpoints without making decision-making difficult. It also follows the Charity Governance Code's recommendation.

# Group Structure (from Transitioning to Trustee Boards Webinar)

Section Team Leader  
Section Team Members



Group Lead Volunteer  
Group Leadership Team Members  
Section Team Leaders

- Proposed Structure 1st Chorleywood:**
- Chair
  - Treasurer
  - Group Lead Volunteer(s)
  - Governance / Administration
  - Training Administration (mandatory training)
  - Co Opted Trustees

## What this looks like in practice

Some areas are for trustees **to be confident** that they are being done.

Some areas, the core governance tasks, are for trustees **themselves collectively** to do.

Operational tasks such as repairing the hut, cutting grass, fundraising and similar are still really important.

These will be managed through the Group Leadership Team, or the Support Team in a District or County (or equivalent).

These tasks can still be carried out by people who are Trustees, however, they will be managed under the relevant operational team rather than in their Trustee role.



# Facilities and Governance – some examples of the work we have been doing



Ongoing training



Emergency plumbing repairs / Gas leak issues



Hall Hire – CKTS and ad hoc bookings



Onboarding of new leaders



Village day and late night shopping - fundraising



We made a decision to sell one of the 2 vans.  
*Actually conducted in 2024*



DBS checks



Work on adopting new constitution and Trustee Boards



Recycling of ink cartridges



We purchased new equipment including benches and light weight gazebos

# Programme Highlights

# NOTE FROM OUR CHAIR

To be added post meeting



## TROOP REPORTS – HIGHLIGHTS – BEAVERS



**Liz Hall and Duncan Munro and young leaders Maddie, Charlotte and George.**

Double checking ending due to the young leaders comments/

In the Spring Term at Beavers we had a great evening doing the musician badge, making good use of our musically talented Young Leaders, George, Maddie and Charlotte. We covered the disability awareness badge with a visit from Guide Dogs for the Blind, and sessions on Sign Language and the Paralympics. We took part in the RSPB birdwatch and had a visit from the Police to learn about Safe Strangers and the Phonetic Alphabet and how to call 999 for our Communication Badge. We visited Ricky Fire Station. We did some bouldering on Llewellyn's climbing wall twice and celebrated St David's Day by making Welsh Rarebit. We went on a chip shop hike to Harefield; the incentive of the chips helped us get up the final hill! We practised our basic outdoor first aid skills and built dens in Phillips Hill woods which withstood a watering-can of water! We found out about St Patrick on his day and visited Bracknell Science Discovery Centre for our Experiment badge. We ended the term at HQ playing battleships and sewing our sunflower seeds for another season! Last summer term we started up on the allotment, planting our potatoes and onions. The beavers also met our chickens again, which have become part of every allotment session! We weeded the Chorleywood orchard twice, explored and mapped the Chorleywood House sculptures, cooked again at Chorleywood campsite and hiked around Oxhey Woods Sculpture Trail. We had a great group camp at Paccar, pitching tents, tying knots, stacking crates, playing Laser Quest and driving the Go-karts and we cooked our own lunch on the Saturday on fires. We hiked to Croxley Moor and back, went on a barge at Batchworth and canoed at BLYM before finishing again back at HQ on a rainy evening playing battleships- great for learning coordinates! In the autumn we started at Chorleywood campsite, lighting fires and cooking marshmallows on them. We scrubbed the benches at Chorleywood Orchard – surprisingly popular (!) and walked to the River Chess and made and sailed a paper boat. We harvested potatoes and onions from the allotment and made the YMCA c new and Charlies Angels scarecrows for Chorleywood Orchard for the Chorleywood Scarecrow trail and won a prize! Our Autumn sleepover was Harvest-themed; We cooked our own hot-dog tea at Chorleywood campsite then walked across the Common to HQ where we carved pumpkins and lit candles in them, made bread rolls, had a talk from Watford New Hope Trust about homelessness and slept overnight in our own cardboard shelters at HQ, turning them into tunnels the next morning! We had a pond-dipping session with the Common ranger, did a scavenger hunt hike round Chorleywood and learned all about scouting around the world with a talk from Rosie Hooper about the Jamboree as part of our International badge. We had an agility session and learned about healthy foods. We celebrated St Andrew's Day, made pizzas and sang at Late-Night shopping. Our Christmas bring-and-buy sale raised £120 for WaterAid which we have been learning about and supporting for our Community Impact Stage 1 badge. As ever we couldn't do it all without our very supportive group of parents- thanks to all who have helped us out. And our fabulous Young Leaders- Maddie, Charlotte and George. Welcome to Sandra who joined us in January as another Assistant Leader- it's great to share the load. Liz Hall, Sandra Silva and Duncan Munro.

TROOP REPORTS – HIGHLIGHTS – CUBS

**To be added**



## TROOP REPORTS – HIGHLIGHTS – MISBOURNE / CHESS/ THAMES

Numbers: 70-75 scouts across 3 troops, varying through the year as usual.



### Troop Programme

The programme was reasonably consistent between all 3 troops, something that has been cemented further going into 2024. Some of the individual evenings were:

- Various craft nights including balloon cars
- Hikes
- Assault Course
- Paddlesports including stand up paddleboards and kayaks
- Local knowledge
- Knot board
- River Chess conservation project
- Visits to Paccar and Phasels including Cresta Run and Circus Skills
- Egg drop challenge
- Ukraine evening
- Cooking competition
- Local campsite evenings

### Trips Out

There were various trips away from Chorleywood with up to 16 nights away available. This included:

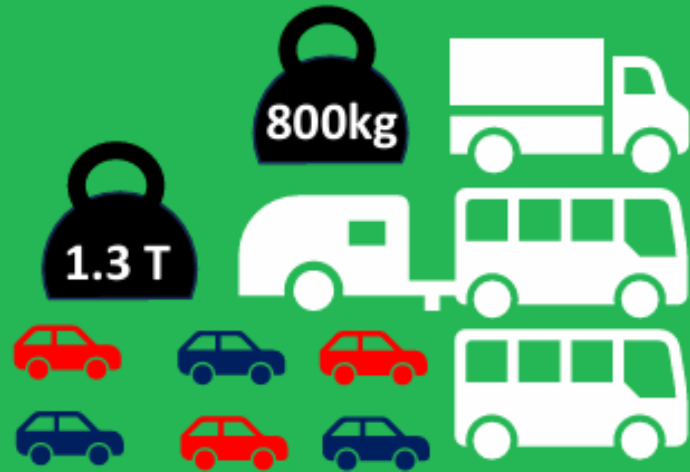
- A muddy Green Beret weekend at Tolmers
- Visiting Gilwell for JOTI/JOTA
- A very hot and sunny Group Camp at Paccar
- Introduction to the Hills (County led)
- Monopoly Run in London
- Dorset for a week long Summer Camp
- Fire & Ice at Phasels Wood with more mud

A huge thank you to everyone who helped make 2023 a successful year. Tony Barnett finished being a regular leader at the end of 2023 and we owe him a huge vote of thanks for all his efforts over the years.

# 1<sup>st</sup> Chorleywood formula for a successful week of summer camp



## Transport



2000 Miles Covered

9 Vehicles

3 minibus drivers...

1 driver broken 10 days before camp (Duncan)

1 new recruit to cover (Thanks Carl)

Total equipment moved... 2.1 Tonnes

## Tents

23 pitched

6 dining shelters

6 faulty tents binned

400 (estimated) pegs used



## Cooking

9 Gas stoves used

4 Stoves replaced week before camp

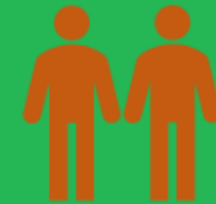
12 gas bottles

6 portable BBQs used



27

Scouts & Explorers



12

Leaders & Helpers

>100  
Badges



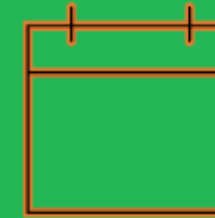
>500  
Badge Credits

£7,500

Camp Budget

77 Total  
Days  
Volunteered

Annual Leave  
Days 23



Personal  
Volunteered  
48 Days

Company  
Volunteering  
Leave  
days 6

Volunteering Hours  
For the week  
of Camp 1620



Planning Camp  
Far too many Hours

Drying and putting kit away  
– TBC and rising

# Financial Overview

## 1st Chorleywood Scout Group

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<b>Receipts</b>					
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Covid-19 Related Grants	-	-	£19,034.00	£11,000.00	-
Fundraising	£3,323.29	£3,122.08	£1,040.32	£1,717.00	£1,462.03
Other Income	£5,736.32	£5,680.17	£3,896.31	£5,749.48	£2,043.00
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>£38,801.07</b>	<b>£31,734.97</b>	<b>£54,566.07</b>	<b>£35,465.12</b>	<b>£26,985.26</b>
<b>Less: Expenditure</b>					
Vehicles	£3,440.11	£3,655.36	£3,752.95	£3,168.86	£3,383.45
Premises	£2,173.61	£13,609.21	£16,745.40	£4,253.65	£8,843.83
Utilities	£2,232.30	£3,859.75	£2,705.79	£2,049.26	£2,779.20
Scout Activities (see below)	£3,870.65	£5,334.60	£3,985.16	£2,662.24	£3,185.89
Fundraising	£1,252.96	£1,246.14	£323.77	-	-
Group Expenses	£9,892.92	£10,130.84	£7,904.99	£7,026.62	£6,999.00
Equipment	£2,132.87	£1,299.18	£1,905.92	£262.46	£271.29
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<b>Net Surplus / Deficit</b>	<b>£13,805.65</b>	<b>£7,400.11</b>	<b>£17,242.09</b>	<b>£16,042.03</b>	<b>£1,522.60</b>

### BANK RECONCILIATION

<b>Bank Account Balances</b>					
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Nationwide B/Soc (Jamboree)	-	-	-	-	£2,210.69
Skipton Building Society	£85,000.00	£12,279.71	£12,210.81	£12,204.71	£12,160.70
<b>Total Bank Balance</b>	<b>£100,308.45</b>	<b>£86,502.80</b>	<b>£93,902.91</b>	<b>£76,660.82</b>	<b>£60,618.79</b>
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<b>General Expenditure</b>		
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Miscellaneous	£318.09	£252.22
Deposit Payments for Future Camps, etc.	£726.00	£2,082.40
<b>Surplus / Deficit</b>	<b>£4,894.70</b>	<b>£5,486.13</b>
<b>Group Camp</b>		
Income (GoCardless)	£5,372.03	£6,979.62
Expenditure	£4,287.19	£6,625.32
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Income	£7,220.00	£7,180.00
Expenditure	£6,248.45	£7,242.24
<b>Surplus / Deficit</b>	<b>£971.55</b>	<b>£62.24</b>
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Income (GoCardless)	£10,794.61	£5,560.19
Income (Cash Contributions)	£710.00	£525.00
Expenditure (Activities at PACCAR, Bury I)	£4,876.65	£2,765.32
Expenditure (Sleepovers & Other Camps)	£7,660.30	£3,460.40
<b>Surplus / Deficit</b>	<b>£1,032.34</b>	<b>£140.53</b>
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<b>Section Meetings at HQ &amp; Locally</b>					
Misbourne Troop	£480.31	£226.58			
Chess Troop	£323.98	£183.45			
Thames Troop	£470.29	£223.86			
Falcons Cubs	£90.96	£148.28			
Eagles Cubs	£101.30	£259.11			
Beavers	£427.40	£225.32			
Other / Miscellaneous	£0.00	£193.03			
<b>Total</b>	<b>£1,894.24</b>	<b>£1,459.63</b>			
<b>Group Camp</b>					
Deposit(s) Paid in Prior Year	£864.00	-			
Income (GoCardless)	£5,372.03	£6,979.62			
Costs	£4,287.19	£6,625.32			
<b>Surplus / Deficit</b>	<b>£220.84</b>	<b>£354.30</b>			
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# **Election of Executive Committee Members**

Thank you to all those who give their time to sit on the Executive Committee and are Trustees for 1<sup>st</sup> Chorleywood Scouts



#### Current Committee members

David Ponsford – GSL (Lead Volunteer)

Ed Hems - Chair

Neil Thomson - Treasurer

Katie Simons - Secretary (Governance)

Marion Walker – District Campsite and Exec member

Sarah Wright - Deputy GSL Cubs

Punyadip Cheema – parent rep

Leann Bowden – Admissions

Alita Davern – Training

James Ray – Subscriptions

Esther Kufrin – Group Administrator



**Any Questions?**

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Treasurer Scouts <treasurer@chorleywoodscouts.org>

## Sign off - Chorleywood Scouts 2023

1 message

**Myfanwy Ronchetti** <myfanwyronchetti@gmail.com>  
To: "treasurer@chorleywoodscouts.org" <treasurer@chorleywoodscouts.org>

29 October 2024 at 19:44

Neil

Thank you for the audit pack (referenced in the below email) - it was very clear and easy to follow and made the audit very easy to conduct.

I have completed the independent review of the 31st December 2023 accounts for the 1st Chorleywood Scouts and I can confirm that no material matters have come to my attention.

Please find attached the Independents examiner's report on the accounts

Thanks  
Myfanwy Ronchetti

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**1ST CHORLEYWOOD SCOUT GROUP**

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# Accounts

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76<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2023– 8pm**



# Scouts

## **1st Chorleywood Scout Group**

Do more. Share more. Be more.



# Agenda

Acceptance of 2021 Annual Accounts and the 75th AGM minutes

Programme Highlights

Troops

75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

Group Progress (Exec / Governance)

Financial Overview

Election of Executive Committee Members



# Programme Highlights



# Note from our Chair



In 2022 it was an honour and a pleasure to be involved with Chorleywood Scouts. In the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary year for the group it was a good time to reflect on the positive contribution that Chorleywood Scouts has made to the lives of so many Chorleywood youngsters and the community at large. During the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary event that took place in Scouts HQ to see 3 of our first Queen Scouts come back as lifelong friends, having met in the Scouts, and to share with us their experiences in Scouts and hear how much they got from it was brilliant.

In 2022 the Executive Committee have continued to improve the HQ building which, with a building of that age and size, continues to be an ongoing task to ensure a safe and positive environment. There remains other work to do in 2023 and beyond to keep it in line with the requirements for Scouts building. The work done to vest the building with the Charity Commission was a highlight in 2023 thanks to our Secretary and will guaranty the building stays for our future beneficiaries in Chorleywood Scouts. It is for this reason of maintaining the building, and the age and condition of the minibuses, that significant reserves are required.

Similar to other Scout groups and local community groups the volunteers that lead and help the Beavers, Cubs and Scouts and the volunteers that sit on the Exec are short in supply. In 2022 the Chess Troop Leaders (Marion Walker, Alan Benton and Angus Ryall) decided to take a step back and this required a new team of leaders to come forward and this will continue to be a theme that the GSL and Exec team will need to focus on. Volunteers for the Exec and for helping lead the Beavers, Cubs and Scouts troops will need to step forward to ensure that we maintain the current participant numbers.

On behalf of the Executive Committee, thanks to all of the leaders and volunteers that have delivered a fantastic program in 2022. With their enthusiasm and skills and with some keen youngsters we look forward to the next 75 years of Chorleywood Scouts.

## TROOP REPORTS – HIGHLIGHTS – BEAVERS



**Liz Hall and Duncan Munro and young leaders Maddie, Charlotte and George.**

In the Spring Term at Beavers we honed our scarf-rolling, tie-tying and shoelace-tying skills. Susie Turnbull came to talk about Fairtrade and we also learned about birds and made a bird feeder; several beavers did the RSPB birdwatch. We talked about teeth, sugar-consumption and healthy eating and we completed our emergency aid stage 1 badge at HQ. We have been learning all about Global Issues and we took part in a sponsored walk in aid of Water Aid in March and raised another £670 for WaterAid. We did our Faith badge at Christ Church, aided by Rev Anne Lovegrove and cooked Welsh cakes for St David's day. The young leaders ran another fabulous fitness session. It was exciting to be able to hold our Rainforest sleepover which was cancelled 2 years ago, and we had great attendance and an excellent visit from Wild Science with real live animals, an evening hike through the 'forests' of Chorleywood and enjoyed making cookies and smoothies using rainforest fruits. We cooked Irish soda bread and potato soup for St Patrick's day.

Last summer term we started at HQ using Llewellyn's climbing wall, which has become a great feature of some of our HQ sessions. We also learned about St George. We weeded the Chorleywood orchard, cooked at Chorleywood campsite, did some orienteering on the Common and hiked around the Chenies-Latimer loop. We enjoyed hatching eggs into baby chicks in an incubator and seeing them grow up into egg-laying birds this year. We went back to Chorleywood Common and drew maps of the woodland trails there and canoed at BLYM.

In the autumn we started at Chorleywood campsite, lighting fires and cooking marshmallows on them. We scrubbed the benches at Chorleywood Orchard – surprisingly popular (!) and did our cyclist badge on the new track at The Swillett. We made 6 Legends and Icons scarecrows for Chorleywood Orchard for the Chorleywood Scarecrow trail and were placed again in the top 10! Over two evenings we shared evidence with each other for our Collector, Hobbies, Sport and Photography badges, which was very varied and interesting. We hiked to Nathan's farm and fed the animals there. We did a Road and Rail safety walk to Chorleywood station and drew maps of our route. We had a fabulous space-themed sleepover at HQ and earned our space badge. We took part in the Remembrance Parade and also visited Hendon aircraft museum to complete our Air Activity badge. The Scottish Dancers visited us and taught us some great dances. We sang songs and did a short Christmas presentation at Dapplemere Nursing Home. Our Christmas bring-and-buy sale raised £75 for NCH Action for Children and we enjoyed the Christmas Party!. Across the year the Beavers had lots of chances to meet the chickens, and tend and get produce from the allotment.

**Welcome to Sandra Silva who has just joined us as a leader**



# TROOP REPORTS – HIGHLIGHTS – MISBOURNE

Tony Barnett & Duncan Farnsworth



## - Spring

- Winter Olympics. Home made caster/curling stones & Ice hockey
- Rifle & Archery training/practice at Paccar Scout camp
- Night hikes and Cycle rides
- Misbourne cooking competition – Vegetable crumble.
- Indoor Pioneering – Marble run using tennis balls – Patrol competition.
- Indoor and Outdoor craft project – Warhammer modelling & Painting / Giant Fleur De Lis
- Tent practice & cleaning
- Indoor assault course – HQ Upper floor – Patrol competition.

- Egg Drop challenge – HQ – Patrol competition.
- Wide games on Chorleywood common
- Cresta Run – Phasels Wood Scout Camp – Patrol competition.
- Badge/craft work – Making weather measurement equipment.
- Time on the water – Stand-up Paddleboard and Kayaks Rickmansworth Aquadrome
- Badge work – Fun with maps.
- HS2 visit Denham works. Presentation, fact finding & STEM project/competition.
- Small holding badge – Restore Hope Latimer, time with the Animal carer.
- CW scout camp – Den making & BBQ

- Time on the water – Stand-up Paddleboard Rickmansworth Aquadrome.
- Troop forum & Retro Scouts – Scouting in the 1950s/60s
- Craft project – Pinewood derby car making and patrol competition.
- Leap of faith and climbing wall Paccar Scout Camp
- CW Scout camp – Cardboard ovens, Bonfire cake
- Badge work – Bike safety & Maintenance. Road Safety.
- Map & Route planning – Expedition challenge presentation.
- Patrol Cooking competition – Shepherdess Pie
- Gang show – Skit competition
- Xmas party & games.

## - Winter (joint programme with Chess Troop)

- District Activity:
- District cooking competition – 1<sup>st</sup> Chorleywood/Misbourne runners-up.

- Chorleywood Group Activities:
- Group camp / Tolmers Scout camp 10th June 2022
- Summer Camp / Derbyshire 23rd July 2022

### Special Recognition:

2 of the Misbourne Scouts were awarded the Chief Scout GOLD award.

Tony & Duncan would like to Express their great appreciation to all of our scouts for their Engagement, Energy, creativity and teamwork over the past year. We would also like to extend our thanks and gratitude to all of our Parents for their ongoing support and especially for their help on Scout nights.

# TROOP REPORT HIGHLIGHTS - CHESS - Part 1



## Spring Term 2022

In January 2022 Covid 19 was still circulating in the community so the Leadership Team decided to hold most of the meetings outside until half-term. The Leadership Team also informed the Group Executive that they would be standing down as Leaders at the end of the Summer Term.

The term started with a linear night hike, meeting at Bullisland Hall and taking a route through Philipshill Woods and Old Shire Lane to HQ with the Scouts taking it in turns to navigate. The Scouts went orienteering in Chorleywood House Estate, made chariots and raced them at the District Campsite and for the final meeting of the half-term the one of the Scouts favourite activities, Backwoods Cooking at the Campsite. The next half-term started with another favourite activity – making pancakes. The Troop then had a few evenings where they worked on the Skills Challenge Badge. The activities included sewing a badge on, ironing, putting a shelf up, changing a light bulb and wiring a plug. The Troop also had a pioneering activity at PACCAR and Troop Forum where we asked the Scouts what they would like to do on an evening. The most popular choices were cooking – indoor and outdoor, lighting fires, playing wide games and shelter building.

## Summer Term 2022

Summer Term started with the Troop meeting at HQ, to celebrate St George's Day and renew our Scout promise, we also had enrolments and the Scouts used the traverse wall. The rest of the term was spent outdoors where the Troop spent two evenings at PACCAR doing archery and rabbit run, two evenings at BLYM canoeing and rafting, several evenings at the District Campsite, fire lighting, backwoods cooking, playing wide games, and a biodiversity evening and bat hunt.

The Leadership Team would like to take this opportunity to thank all those parent helpers and other Leaders who stepped in to help run the Troop – we couldn't have done it without you!

Nights Away Activities:

- Group camp / Tolmers Scout camp 10th June 2022
- Summer Camp / Derbyshire 23rd July 2022

At the end of the Summer Term Alan Banton, Angus Ryall, Marion Walker stood back from being the Chess Troop Leadership Team after many years of service. During the term a new team of leaders was found for the following term with the kind offer of mentorship and help from Marion. Chorleywood Scouts would like to extend their gratitude to Angus, Alan and Marion for their contribution to Scouts in Chorleywood and making Chess troop a fantastic place.

## Autumn Term 2022

During Autumn Term a new Leader team started of Rowena Raine, Dawn Symons, Louise Price, Norman Leinster, Jonathan Taylor, Jen Whinnett and Edward Hems. As part of the transition it was essential that Chess would move to a Joint program with Misbourne Troop to share assets and administration and to have a common program across all of Scouts. The team completed their mandatory training and interviews and are now learning with support from the GSL, Marion and Misbourne leaders in running their

## TROOP REPORT HIGHLIGHTS - CHESS – Part 2

### Autumn Term 2022



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#### Program Highlights:

- Time on the water – Stand-up Paddleboard Rickmansworth Aquadrome.
- Troop forum; Retro Scouts – Scouting in the 1950s/60s
- Craft project – Pinewood derby car making and patrol competition.
- Night Hike
- Leap of faith and climbing wall Paccar Scout Camp
- CW Scout camp – Cardboard ovens, Bonfire cake
- Badge work – Bike safety ; Maintenance. Road Safety.
- Night Bike ride – Ebury way/King Georges Park Watford
- Map; Route planning – Expedition challenge presentation.
- Patrol Cooking competition – Shepherds Pie
- Gang show – Skit competition
- Christmas party

## TROOP REPORTS – HIGHLIGHTS – THAMES



Leaders: Jonathan Carter, Lise Davies & Gareth Bowsher; together with the regular help of Daniel Madiera and a weekly parent rota. Membership was 21-23 with an average 73% attendance.

The Spring term featured a mix of HQ-based activities including an indoor assault course, cooking, building giant marble runs and other scouting activities. We also did a volunteering evening at Restore Hope, Latimer, bagging up wood cut from their site, for them to sell to assist their fund-raising activities.

Summer term saw the troop carry out a varied mix of activities including camp planning, fire safety (including planning and preparation for camps), and Survival skills. Group Camp at Tolmers was well attended (13 Scouts) with activities including raft building and sailing/sinking them. We made a site visit to the Align visitor centre for HS2 in Denham, which was inspirational, and gave the troop a real insight into the detail of HS2 on a local level.

The undoubted highlight of the summer term though was 5x Scouts receiving their Chief Scout's Gold Award, and then all moving on to Axolotl Explorers in Chorleywood. Congratulations to Sienna Bowsher, Josh Kay, Daniel Goldstein, Elyse Smith and Rhys Hanson.

Summer camp went ahead this year with 6 members of Thames attending for a week of outdoor activities in the Peak District. This included the mix of hill walking, weaseling, abseiling, cycling, working in camp patrols and basically catering and looking after themselves. It was a unique and first experience for our Scouts, as Summer camp hadn't happened since 2019. This camp would not be possible without the unwavering planning and energy of Duncan Farnsworth and support of many leaders.

The Autumn term was a mix of scouting skills, and fun, including Derby car construction from balsa wood and then racing them, quizzes, whittling, wide games and culminated in a walk in London along the South Bank of the Thames. We were also really fortunate to be allowed to visit the SCS HS2 site in Ruislip – thanks to a parent who is involved in the project, where we saw first-hand a real site in operation including a TBM (Tunnel Boring Machine). In October, 7x Senior Scouts (6 from Thames and 1 from Misbourne Troop) carried out their Expedition Challenge – planning and self-navigating a 2-day route, with camping overnight, and then a week later, presenting back to all 3 troops on their achievements.

The highlight of this Autumn term was another 6x Scouts receiving their Chief Scout's Gold Award, and then most moving on to Sarratt Explorers. Congratulations to Lawrence Faulkner, Leo Clarke, Seth Muirden, William Allen, Joel McKechnie, and Alex Bowsher.

2022.... The first year since Covid where we could run an entire year of activities. The fact that 11 Senior Scouts attained their Chief Scout's Gold Award in 2022 cannot be understated. These Scouts were members throughout Covid, lockdowns, and scouting from home via Zoom, and with that significant disruption to their Scouting journey, missed many traditional activities that feed into the 9x Challenge Awards that they needed to attain to achieve the Gold Award. All achieved every challenge raised to them, many of their challenges being carried out in unfamiliar and unconventional ways, taking many tasks home as homework, and requiring additional time and personal dedication that in "normal scouting times" would not have been necessary... An amazing achievement for those Scouts, and testament to how enterprising scouting and the personal dedication of Scouts rises above the chaos and challenges posed by even a pandemic.

THANK YOU to the whole Scouting team for all you do.

# 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations



We were delighted to welcome old and new friends of 1st Chorleywood to celebrate our 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with us.

Our Open Event on the 24<sup>th</sup> September saw fire lighting demonstrations, Knex playground equipment model building, mini pioneering and knot activities as well as a fabulous display of Scouting through the last 75 years in Chorleywood. We have been very generously donated memorabilia including World Jamboree badges and reports.

Amongst those who came to visit us were Ex Beaver leaders, previous Queen's Scout award holders and neighbours who had the chance to see what went on in HQ.



Congratulations to Niam for winning the 75th Anniversary Badge Design competition

# Group Progress / Governance



## Facilities and Governance



Ongoing training



Both floors were repaired



Investigation of ongoing building repairs (incl HQ clean up day: Painted garage doors and kitchen)



Village day and late night shopping



Quiz



Village day and late night shopping - fundraising



Looking at future strategy and replacement vehicles  
ONGOING



Onboarding of new leaders



DBS checks



Completed Legal process for vesting HQ / Land



Continued recycling of ink cartridges



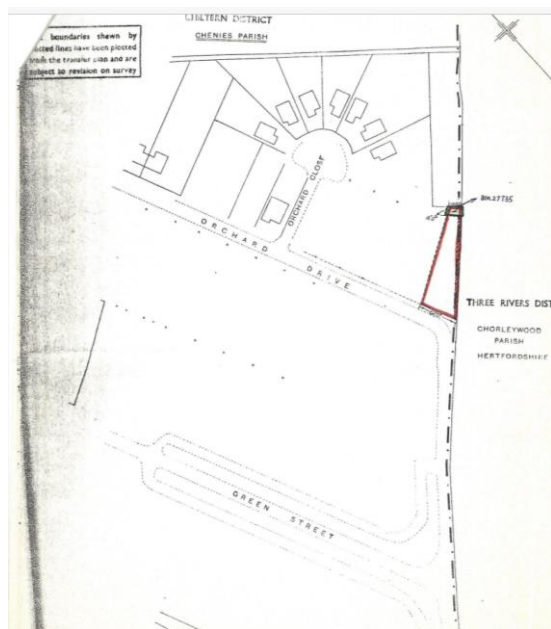
Fencing replaced

## Protecting HQ - Vesting the Land at Orchard Drive with the Charity Commission



- In 1997 a Deed of Retirement and Appointment was produced in order to transfer the Trustees from R Crockett and W Holding (deceased) to R Gordon and J Gregory to be trustees alongside F Gullett
- None of these Trustees are involved any longer in 1<sup>st</sup> Chorleywood Scouts and F Gullett is now also deceased
- Each time trustees change, 1<sup>st</sup> Chorleywood Scouts would have to technically update names but this a) hadn't happened for a while b) has costs associated
- 1<sup>st</sup> Chorleywood Scouts does hold original copies of the paperwork (Land deeds etc).
- The Executive Committee chose to look into the land ownership issue at HQ due to queries over Business rate payments
- We chose to vest the land with the Charity Commission (at no cost) rather than the Scout Association who offer a similar service (ongoing costs involved)
- Permission was granted by surviving original trustees, and death certificates provided to prove 1<sup>st</sup> Chorleywood Scouts had carried out due diligence

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-official-custodian-for-charities-land-holding-service-cc13/the-official-custodian-for-charities-land-holding-service>



**ORDER OF  
THE CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

to transfer land to the Official Custodian for Charities under the power given in sections 69  
and 90 of the Charities Act 2011

dated the

**4<sup>th</sup> April 2022**

for the charity known as

**1<sup>ST</sup> CHORLEYWOOD SCOUT GROUP (302526)**

at

Chorleywood, Hertfordshire

**ORDER**

The title of land described in the schedule is transferred by this order to the Official Custodian  
for Charities in trust for the charity.

**SCHEDULE**

Land registered at HM Land Registry under Title Number BM3860.

# Financial Overview



**1st Chorleywood Scout Group****Income & Expenditure for 12 months to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022 (Draft)**

	31 <sup>st</sup> December 2022	31 <sup>st</sup> December 2021	31 <sup>st</sup> December 2020	31 <sup>st</sup> December 2019	31 <sup>st</sup> December 2018
<b>INCOME &amp; EXPENDITURE</b>					
<b>Receipts</b>					
Subscriptions	£22,932.72	£19,501.37	£15,408.69	£23,480.23	£21,814.55
Tax Refund (Gift Aid)	-	£11,094.07	£1,589.95	-	-
Covid-19 Related Grants	-	£19,034.00	£11,000.00	-	-
Fundraising	£3,122.08	£1,040.32	£1,717.00	£1,462.03	£895.54
Other Income	£5,680.17	£3,896.31	£5,749.48	£2,043.00	£4,360.00
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>£31,734.97</b>	<b>£64,566.07</b>	<b>£35,465.12</b>	<b>£26,985.26</b>	<b>£27,070.09</b>
<b>Less: Expenditure</b>					
Vehicles	£3,655.36	£3,752.95	£3,168.86	£3,383.45	£2,144.94
Premises	£13,609.21	£16,745.40	£4,253.65	£8,843.83	£14,510.00
Utilities	£3,859.75	£2,705.79	£2,049.26	£2,779.20	£3,787.41
Scout Activities (see below)	£5,334.60	£3,985.16	£2,662.24	£3,185.89	£4,730.19
Fundraising	£1,246.14	£323.77	-	-	-
Group Expenses	£10,130.84	£7,904.99	£7,026.62	£6,999.00	£6,534.19
Equipment	£1,299.18	£1,905.92	£282.46	£271.29	£2,091.27
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>£39,136.08</b>	<b>£37,323.98</b>	<b>£19,423.09</b>	<b>£25,462.66</b>	<b>£33,798.00</b>
<b>Net Surplus / Deficit</b>	<b>£7,400.11</b>	<b>£17,242.09</b>	<b>£16,042.03</b>	<b>£1,522.60</b>	<b>£6,727.91</b>
<b>BANK RECONCILIATION</b>					
<b>Bank Account Balances</b>					
1 – Lloyds Bank (Treasurer's)	£8,041.70	£8,008.43	£21,382.88	£2,146.98	£4,432.61
2 – Lloyds Bank (100 Club Draw)	-	-	-	£3,025.83	£2,697.83
3 – Lloyds Bank (Chess)	-	-	-	-	-
4 – Lloyds Bank (Subscriptions)	£66,181.39	£73,683.67	£43,073.23	£41,074.59	£37,548.27
5 – Nationwide B/Soc (Jamboree)	-	-	-	£2,210.69	£2,210.69
6 – Skipton Building Society	£12,279.71	£12,210.81	£12,204.71	£12,160.70	£12,076.41
<b>Total Bank Balance</b>	<b>£86,502.80</b>	<b>£93,902.91</b>	<b>£76,660.82</b>	<b>£60,618.79</b>	<b>£68,965.81</b>
<b>Reconciliation</b>					
Prior Year Total Bank Balance	£93,902.91	£76,660.82	£60,618.79		
Net Surplus / Deficit (per above)	£7,400.11	£17,242.09	£16,042.03		
Calculated Total Bank Balance	£86,502.80	£93,902.91	£76,660.82		
Actual Total Bank Balance (per above)	£86,502.80	£93,902.91	£76,660.82		
<b>Variance (Surplus / Deficit)</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£0.00</b>		

**SCOUT ACTIVITIES SUMMARY****General Expenditure**

Section Meetings at HQ & Locally	£1,459.63
Badges	£1,691.88
Miscellaneous	£252.22
Deposit Payments for Future Camps, etc.	£2,082.40
<b>Surplus / Deficit</b>	<b>£5,486.13</b>

**Group Camp**

Income (GoCardless)	£6,979.62
Costs	£6,625.32
<b>Surplus / Deficit</b>	<b>£354.30</b>

**Summer Camp**

Income	£7,180.00
Costs	£7,242.24
<b>Surplus / Deficit</b>	<b>£62.24</b>

**Other Activities, Sleepovers & Camps**

Income (GoCardless)	£5,560.19
Income (Cash Contributions)	£525.00
Costs (Activities at PACCAR, Bury Lake, etc.)	£2,765.32
Costs (Sleepovers & Other Camps)	£3,460.40
<b>Surplus / Deficit</b>	<b>£140.53</b>

<b>Net Surplus / Deficit</b>	<b>£5,334.60</b>
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**INDIVIDUAL SECTION SUMMARY****Section Meetings at HQ & Locally**

Misbourne Troop	£226.58
Chess Troop	£183.45
Thames Troop	£223.86
Falcons Cubs	£148.28
Eagles Cubs	£259.11
Beavers	£225.32
Other / Miscellaneous	£193.03
<b>Total</b>	<b>£1,459.63</b>

**Notes:**

- Gift Aid: No claim in 2022, next claim in plan for 1Q2023, approx. £4,000 expected
- Premises: Includes £7,400 hall floors, £3,200 fencing, £900 insurance, £800 cleaning
- Group Expenses: Includes Capitation £8,500, exec. hoodies, leaders' uniform & banners £1,100
- Deposit Payments: None in previous 2 years (2020 & 2021) due to Covid-19
- Group Camp: Actual surplus is smaller by approx. £200 as some expenses included in Section Meetings (so this correspondingly lower)
- Bank Balance: Plan for 1Q2023 to put more funds into interest bearing account

# Election of Executive Committee Members

Celebrating  
**75**  
years

Thank you to all those who give their time to sit on the Executive Committee and are Trustees for 1<sup>st</sup> Chorleywood Scouts



The following committee members are standing for re election:

David Ponsford – Group Scout Leader

Ed Hems - Chair

Neil Thomson - Treasurer

Katie Simons - Secretary (and Charity Commission Trustee)

Marion Walker – District Campsite and Exec member

Sarah Wright - Deputy GSL Cubs

Punyadip Cheema – parent rep

Leann Bowden – Admissions

Alita Davern – Training

Welcome to Esther Kufrin – new Group Administrator

*Standing down:*

*We would like to thank Anne Maria for all of her hard work as Group Administrator.*

*NB The Group Scout Leader position within the Executive Committee (David Ponsford) is a requirement of the Scout Association. David is also a Trustee*



**Any questions?**



# 1st Chorleywood Scout Group

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<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>£39,135.08</b>	<b>£37,323.98</b>	<b>£19,423.09</b>	<b>£25,462.66</b>	<b>£33,798.00</b>
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Actual Total Bank Balance (per above)	£86,502.80	£93,902.91	£76,660.82		
<b>Variance (Surplus / Deficit)</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£0.00</b>		

### SCOUT ACTIVITIES SUMMARY

#### General Expenditure

Section Meetings at HQ & Locally	£1,459.63
Badges	£1,691.88
Miscellaneous	£252.22
Deposit Payments for Future Camps, etc.	£2,082.40
<b>Surplus / Deficit</b>	<b>£5,486.13</b>

#### Notes:

- Gift Aid: No claim in 2022, next claim in plan for 1Q2023, approx. £4,000 expected
- Premises: Includes £7,400 hall floors, £3,200 fencing, £900 insurance, £800 cleaning
- Group Expenses: Includes Capitation £8,500, exec. hoodies, leaders' uniform & banners £1,100
- Deposit Payments: None in previous 2 years (2020 & 2021) due to Covid-19
- Group Camp: Actual surplus is smaller by approx. £200 as some expenses included in Section Meetings (so this correspondingly lower)
- Bank Balance: Plan for 1Q2023 to put more funds into interest bearing account

#### Group Camp

Income (GoCardless)	£6,979.62
Costs	£6,625.32
<b>Surplus / Deficit</b>	<b>£354.30</b>

#### Summer Camp

Income	£7,180.00
Costs	£7,242.24
<b>Surplus / Deficit</b>	<b>£62.24</b>

#### Other Activities, Sleepovers & Camps

Income (GoCardless)	£5,560.19
Income (Cash Contributions)	£525.00
Costs (Activities at PACCAR, Bury Lake, etc.)	£2,765.32
Costs (Sleepovers & Other Camps)	£3,460.40
<b>Surplus / Deficit</b>	<b>£140.53</b>

<b>Net Surplus / Deficit</b>	<b>£5,334.60</b>
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### INDIVIDUAL SECTION SUMMARY

#### Section Meetings at HQ & Locally

Misbourne Troop	£226.58
Chess Troop	£183.45
Thames Troop	£223.86
Falcons Cubs	£148.28
Eagles Cubs	£259.11
Beavers	£225.32
Other / Miscellaneous	£193.03
<b>Total</b>	<b>£1,459.63</b>



Treasurer Scouts &lt;treasurer@chorleywoodscouts.org&gt;

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**1CW Accounts 1 Jan to 31 Dec 2022**

1 message

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**Myfanwy Ronchetti** <myfanwyronchetti@gmail.com>  
To: "Treasurer, Scouts" <treasurer@chorleywoodscouts.org>

17 May 2023 at 13:11

Neil

I have reviewed the accounts and I am happy with them. I have 2 questions/observations

1. As with last year I think it would be good to keep a balance sheet/ statement of assets showing the assets the Scouts have e.g. the building, Vans, any big equipment
2. Just to note - You have made a loss this year – I am happy this is due to spending some of your reserves on the building etc and not a going concern issue

I am happy to sign off the independent review of the 1st Chorleywood Scout Group for 2022

Loss £7,400.11

Bank balances of £86,502.80

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On 6 Oct 2022, at 15:18, Treasurer, Scouts <treasurer@chorleywoodscouts.org> wrote:

Hi Myfanwy

Firstly, thank you very much for the quick turnaround; it's really appreciated.

With regard to your queries:

1.) I can confirm that all of the Covid-19 related payments received from TRDC were grants. No loan mechanism of any kind was / is involved & repayment is not required.

2.) I have no additional documentation relating to the Covid-19 payments (I have searched through emails, paper items & other documentation). The only 2 items I could find are the application & subsequent confirmation of receipt from TRDC (both attached) for the Local Restrictions Support Grant payments, but you will have already seen these. I can find no reply received 'within 10 working days' as TRDC specify but note that the payment was actually received within that same timeframe i.e. application confirmation received from TRDC 16-Feb-2021, payment received 01-Mar-2021. I do also remember that some later Covid-19 related payments were made automatically by the local authority if an application had already been made for a previous lockdown period. I believe the existence & rateable value of a registered property was also a factor in making these payments.

3.) You asked via WhatsApp about a balance sheet &, in my rush, I replied to say there are no assets; at the time, I had my Russell School PTA thinking cap on! Of course, there are some substantial assets, principally the HQ building, two minibuses & a lot of camping equipment. We don't maintain a formal balance sheet for these & nor do we amortise the assets in the accounts. However, I think you've raised a good point (annoyed I didn't think of it myself) that it might be good to have a formal asset statement detailing items of significant value. I wouldn't see this as being a part of the financial accounts but, perhaps, something that can be periodically reviewed. I've made a note to raise it at the next exec committee meeting.

4.) Email sign off is fine; can I please ask you to include your full name, qualifications if relevant and address & contact details?

And thank you once again for undertaking this audit. If you're happy to continue next year, I'll aim to provide the 2022 audit pack sometime during January 2023.

Neil Thomson  
Treasurer, 1st Chorleywood Scout Group

Tel. 07419 986 869

On Wed, 5 Oct 2022 at 21:10, Myfanwy Ronchetti <[myfanwyronchetti@gmail.com](mailto:myfanwyronchetti@gmail.com)> wrote:

Neil

I have completed my audit of the accounts and I only have one question around the covid grants.

Can you please confirm that the following are all grants and not loans - i.e. do not need to be paid back at anytime

Covid-19 LRSG (Local Restriction Support	£ 4,000.00
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Grant), Lockdown 3	
Covid-19 CBLP (Closed Business Lockdown Payment), Lockdown 3	£ 2,001.00
Covid-19 CBLP (Closed Business Lockdown Payment), Lockdown 3 (Extension)	£ 286.00
Covid-19 LRSG (Local Restriction Support Grant), Lockdown 3 (Extension). Believe to relate to the period 16- Feb-2021 to 31-Mar- 2021 as part of the second cycle payment process (LRSG Addendum)	£ 2,096.00

Covid-19 Business Restart Grant Scheme payment (for the period commencing Thu 01-Apr- 2021)	£ 8,000.00
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Also for the first 4 do you have any backing/documentation I can review.

Apart from that I must say they are the best charity accounts I have ever audited (and I have seen a lot). Thank you they were so easy to follow.

I have no changes to make to the income and schedule and subject to the answers to the question above happy to sign off

Profit £17,242.09

Bank balances of £93,902.91

Are you happy with an email sign off or would you like something more formal ?

Thanks

Myfanwy

<Covid-19 Business Grant - Local Restrictions Support Grant Application (LRSG308254373).pdf>

<Covid-19 Business Grant - Local Restrictions Support Grant Confirmation (LRSG308254373).pdf>

**1ST CHORLEYWOOD SCOUT GROUP**

England & Wales - Charity number 302526

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# Accounts

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75<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2022 – 8pm**

**Zoom Meeting**



# Scouts

## **1st Chorleywood Scout Group**

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# Agenda

Acceptance of 2020 Annual Accounts and the 74th AGM minutes

Programme Highlights – Troops

Group Progress (Exec / Governance)

Financial Overview

Election of Executive Committee Members

Celebrating

**75**

years

Scouts 



# Programme Highlights



Last year started with a ban on all face to face activities meaning that the only way we could run a programme was online by zoom as the year progressed lock down slowly started to ease which meant that activities could resume in face to face conditions for the first time in nearly two years there were many restrictions on what could be done on both group size and also that we could only meet outside with a maximum group size of 12 children pushing some sections to run there programme three times we slowly increased group sizes which meant that by the summer sections could meet with their full quota but no cross mixing with in age groups there was still a strict embargo on any residential activities so our first group activity turned in to three on the same weekend at Paccar where over 120 young people attended

As the summer rolled on most sections continued to meet outside but were still subject to restrictions on transport which limited activities. After the summer break covid restrictions became easier and the cubs managed a night away on a narrowboat restrictions continued until the autumn when we were allowed back to HQ and use the new traverse wall that had been installed with the funds received from the Watkins family

The executive worked tirelessly last year in calming various grants and in backdated gift-aid on our subs which enabled us to operate at a reduced subs rate In addition to this many hours were spent on sprucing the rear of the HQ to enable us to use this space and introduce a one way system for access and departure.

Although we had been unable to use the minibuses a lot of time and work was spent on these to ensure they were ready for us to use safely and we are now looking forward to a near normal term of activities

In the coming year we will have two of our scouts attend the world jamboree is an immense achievement as they had to go through a tough selection process as there were only 8 places available and over thirty applied from this district alone

Finally I would like to say a big thank you to all the leaders and executive who have worked so hard in the last 12 months ensuring that all our activities and Property has been fully risk assessed so that our young people can once again enjoy scouting in a safe environment this has been a very demanding period but now we are coming out the other side to celebrate our 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year.

David Ponsford

Group Scout Leader

Beavers we were back on Zoom for the third lockdown in the Spring Term, and used the opportunity to do our disability awareness badge and our communication badge through online fun sessions. We also had a great evening doing the musician badge online, and several beavers took part in the RSPB birdwatch and others made Welsh Rarebit for St David's Day. We had fun trying out a range of experiments at home for the experiment badge and also practised our basic first aid and found out about St Patrick on his day. We celebrated the beaver 35th birthday with another party zoom. Several beavers took part in the Hertfordshire Beavers in Burrows event online. Beavers also did a record number of hikes with their families as they were desperate to get out and about for their daily exercise!

Last summer term we started on the allotment, which was great to get back to after a year away, and planted our potatoes and onions as usual, and seeds in pots for our annual sunflower-growing competition. The beavers also met our chickens, which have since become part of every allotment session! We had a great activity weekend at Paccar, even though we couldn't camp. We also cooked our own lunch on the Saturday on fires. We built dens at Phillips Hill Woods and did some outdoor first aid. We hiked to Harefield for chips and up the canal and over Croxley Moor and back. We canoed at BLYM before finishing back at our allotment to check the crops, and we made maps of the Swillett playground using Birds Eye Views..

In the autumn we started at Chorleywood campsite, lighting fires and cooking chocolate bananas and chocolate oranges on them. We made 6 Kings and Queens scarecrows for Chorleywood Orchard for the Chorleywood Scarecrow trail and were placed in the top 10!. We walked to the River Chess and made and sailed paper boats, harvested potatoes and onions from the allotment and helped out with some weeding at Chorleywood Orchard. At last we were allowed to do camps and our Autumn sleepover was Harvest-themed; We had a talk from Watford New Hope Trust about homelessness and slept overnight in our own cardboard shelters at HQ, turning them into tunnels the next morning! We had a pond-dipping session with the Common ranger, did a scavenger hunt hike round Chorleywood and learned all about scouting around the world as part of our International badge. We had an agility session, run by our young leaders, learned about healthy foods, and drew maps. We couldn't sing at Late-Night shopping or Hurstleigh so we took a week off and enjoyed a Christmas Light-hunt with our families. Our Christmas bring-and-buy sale raised £90 for WaterAid which we have been learning about and supporting for our Community Impact Stage 1 badge.



As ever we couldn't do it all without our very supportive group of parents- thanks to all who have helped us out. And our fabulous Young Leaders- Maddie, Charlotte and George. And as ever we have enough beavers on the waiting list to start a second colony if we only had the leaders!

Falcons & Eagles – highlights from the combined Troop report

**Leaders: Sarah Wright, Rebecca (Falcons) Jonathan White, Katherine Fawcett, Bruce Rawthorne (Eagles)**



Spring 2021 Our last term of lockdown & Virtual Cubs - our aim was to try to keep the cubs entertained and engaged with plenty of fun, silliness and novelty. We started with a drawing game and a scavenger hunt - which was a favourite one for the Cubs. One of the highlights of the term was Virtual One man and his dog: an evening with a local shepherd and his dog, looking at how he communicates with his dog to control the sheep. Everyone was fascinated (and we plan to go and see him "IRL" - in real life this term).

We had a very interesting evening talking to William Nice, an ex-cub, who has become quite famous in Chorleywood for his animation movies, winning several prizes. We had a look at his bespoke studio, and he showed us his films. After this inspiring evening the Cubs were then challenged to make their own films, which we all watched later in the term. Finally, the last evening of term was about the RAF, courtesy of Pete Fawcett, and he talked about his jobs, the jet planes, and then we made paper aeroplanes. I think everyone found this last period of lockdown the hardest: bleak weather, short days, and schools were more set up in some cases for full days of lessons online. Some found the idea of more time on a screen just too unappealing. We had reasonable attendance though, of around 9 making nearly every week, and another 4 managing about half in Eagles.

Summer 2021 Back to face to face Scouting - Outside for nearly the whole term! We started with an old favourite of Capture the flag and other Wide games, got stuck in with whittling knife skills, making shelters and lighting fires. We also got our muscles going with a hike in Chalfont St Giles, and our only indoor night, climbing at Rock up. We made Catapults and went on a village walk and community map. We weren't able to camp overnight, but the Activities weekend at Paccar was very well attended, and enjoyed by all. We ended with a water fight, in which the leaders took the brunt of the soaking! Thankfully the weather was perfect.

Autumn 2021 Getting back to normal The falcons took 8 cubs on a canal boat trip into London in October. Very limited numbers due to space but we had a fantastic time. The programme We went back for more activities at Paccar, and had a session on mental health, another night we went orienteering on the Common. We were visited by Gagan Malhotra, local MP, and we had a question and answer session with him, and then debated a new law. The motion was: 'children should be able to wear their own clothes' interestingly the motion did not pass! We sewed Remembrance poppies for our wreaths, and had a Guy Fawkes bonfire night where we made our guys and burnt them. The traditional conker tournament took place, but no winners -due to rock hard conkers, none of them broke! Then we had fantastic attendance at the Remembrance march and service in November and laid our wreaths. The Cubs really enjoyed the incident hike where most of them ended up in bandages, finishing off with making stretchers to carry the last casualty home.

In conclusion: a good year, although no camping. It was sad to say goodbye to some Cubs without them having camped with us. But 9 Cubs still managed to gain their Silver Scouts awards

## Highlights from the Troop report: Misbourne Scouts

Tony Barnett and Duncan Farnsworth



### Spring 2021 - Virtual Meetings were held due to Covid restrictions and included:

Online activities such as the Crystal Maze, Batchworth Escape room and 'Taskmaster'.

World Challenge badge – Zoom connect with Dutch Scout group in Alkmaar. Each group shared troop & regional history, played an international version of Kims Game and sang troop songs together.

Several activities required a doorstep drop of all pre-prepared materials: Making a Paracord Jig, then using it to make a Making a Paracord Bear Grylls survival bracelet and Making the Misbourne "M" shaped birdbox.

### Summer 2021 – face to face activities resumed (with Covid risk assessments) and included:

Water sports at the Aquadrome (Stand up Paddleboarding, kayaking and sailing

Use of the district campsite for camping, relay racing and backwoods cooking.

Night hikes to both the Chess Valley and Chiltern way

Sapling planting at Restore Hope Latimer (Forester badge)

Go-Kart building

- Autumn 2021 – face to face activities resumed (with Covid risk assessments) and included:
- Wide games on Chorleywood Common & welcome to our new scouts.
- Home Made Go-Kart racing & Competition in the floodlit open barn at Restore Hope in Latimer.
- Pinewood Derby – Race night at HQ using our 50yr old track!
- Firewood bagging at Restore Hope Latimer – Volunteer work credit.
- Abseiling from HQ roof window led by Geoff Hall.
- Local Knowledge quiz – exploring Chorleywood. Badge work
- Fun with Crates patrol challenge.
- Official unveiling of the traverse wall memorial Plaque dedicated to Chairman Llewelyn with guest of Honour – Morag Watkins.
- Fun with Electronic games at HQ
- Christmas Party & Games at HQ



*Tony & Duncan would like to Express their great appreciation to all of our scouts for their Engagement, Energy, creativity and teamwork during this very difficult and somewhat restricted year. We would also like to extend our thanks and gratitude to all of our Parents for their ongoing support and especially for their help on Scout nights.*

## Chess Troop report Highlights

**Marion Walker, Scout Leader; Alan Banton Section Assistant; Angus Ryall, Section Assistant.**



The Spring Term started off with us still in Covid lockdown so we spent the term having Zoom meetings. We used the 'Zoom Packs' ( which contained compasses, maps, lengths of cord and string, paper straws, clothes pegs and masking tape) that were delivered at the end of the previous term .

We practised our map reading skills, tied knots, made a robotic hand and ventured into the kitchen to make pancakes on-line and microwave mug cakes at a later date. We had our Troop Forum where the Scouts gave us ideas for activities they would like to do when we came out of lockdown. We also had quizzes

The Summer term saw us meeting outside again initially half the Troop per evening. When TSA rules changed, we met as a whole Troop. We had evenings at PACCAR rifle shooting, completing Gladiator Challenge. We did shelter building at the District Campsite, but sadly due to TSA rules the Scouts weren't able to sleep in them. The Scouts planted saplings at Restore Hope, Latimer; played wide games, built chariots (?) and raced them at the District Campsite and of course lighting fires and Backwoods Cooking.

Some of the Troop attended the two activity days at PACCAR in June which replaced Group Camp.

The Autumn Term started off with us meeting at HQ, however as there was an upsurge in cases of Covid locally we switched to outdoor meetings for most of the rest of the term. We had a night hike, wide games on the Common, went to PACCAR several times to do Archery, Gladiator Challenge and Orienteering. The Scouts had a Local Knowledge Quiz around Chorleywood, mapped the District Campsite, did Backwoods cooking and came inside for the Chess Cooking Competition which had as a theme a simple 'One-Pot' meal.

In November we had eighteen Scouts present at the Remembrance Day service when one of our Scouts played the Last Post and Reveille.

A big thank you to all the parents we couldn't run a programme of activities like this without your help.

Very grateful thanks go to Dave Martin (ex-Cub Leader) Ed Hems (Chairman) David Ponsford (GSL) and Norman Leinster for stepping in to help run Troop meetings when members of the Chess Troop Leadership Team were unable to attend.

To be added but Gareth gave a verbal update at the AGM:

Most of the Scouts continued through lockdown and on zoom, losing only 1 or 2 young people.

On returning to face to face activities the troop was split into two groups and a parallel programme ran

Gareth said it was good to be back to running the troop face to face

75<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting  
Wednesday 11th May 2022



# Group Progress / Governance



## FACILITIES & Governance



We have replaced the boiler - although we did need to get it fixed under warranty unfortunately!



New cooker installed



Fire Doors installation and removal of fire escape that is no longer required  
Additional fire survey actions



Minibus – keeping them roadworthy  
Additionally looking at future strategy and replacement vehicles



Replacement fencing and general repairs



Asbestos Survey and other HQ Maintenance



Reviewing Legal paperwork for HQ ownership



We officially opened the Llewellyn Watkins traverse wall



# EVENTS

Sadly Covid Restrictions Meant events were still limited

But 2021 did see the return of the Christmas Late Night Shopping in the village  
There was a BBQ in September to thank all Leaders and Exec for their hard work

2022 (not within this AGM)  
Very successful Quiz Night  
HQ Painting / kitchen refurb weekend

Planned:

Chorleywood Village Day July  
12<sup>th</sup> July Open Evening and 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration with Troops presenting  
Friends of Chorleywood Scouts 75 Anniversary Celebration (September)

More Christmas Market and more working parties potentially....





Partnerships with community groups (e.g. Restore Hope)



Termly Newsletter



Continued Hall Hire



Support for Scouts events



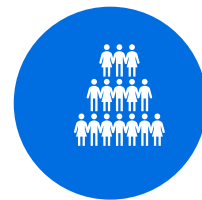
Support to District Campsite Rennovations



Recruitment into Chorleywood Scouts Group



recycling ink cartridges



Remembrance Parade



# Financial Overview



# Financial Overview

## Income & Expenditure for year to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021 (Draft)

	31 <sup>st</sup> December 2021	31 <sup>st</sup> December 2020	31 <sup>st</sup> December 2019	31 <sup>st</sup> December 2018	31 <sup>st</sup> December 2017	Notes (re. 2021)
<b>INCOME &amp; EXPENDITURE</b>						
<b>Receipts</b>						
Subscriptions	£19,501.37	£15,408.69	£23,480.23	£21,814.55	£21,370.02	Spring term £3,500, summer term £6,800, autumn term £7,500
Tax Refund (Gift Aid)	£11,094.07	£1,589.95	-	-	-	Gift Aid 2017/18, 2018/19, 2019/20 & 2020/21
Covid-19 Related Grants	£19,034.00	£11,000.00	-	-	-	
Fundraising	£716.55	£1,717.00	£1,462.03	£895.54	£1,482.37	Late Night Shopping £618
Other Income	£3,896.31	£5,749.48	£2,043.00	£4,360.00	£4,535.00	Hall Hire: local elections £300, Sills Perf. Arts £3,235, other £350, 100 Club donations £60, interest £6
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>£54,242.30</b>	<b>£35,465.12</b>	<b>£26,985.26</b>	<b>£27,070.09</b>	<b>£27,387.39</b>	
<b>Less: Expenditure</b>						
Vehicles	£3,752.95	£3,168.86	£3,383.45	£2,144.94	£4,062.32	Van insurance x 2 £1,196, road tax x 2 £430, general maintenance £1,056, Transit MoT failure repairs £980
Premises	£16,745.40	£4,253.65	£8,843.83	£14,510.00	£12,795.39	Guttering repairs £890, insurance £890, fence replacement £1,413, boiler replacement £10,634, cleaning £696, gas oven £1,475
Utilities	£2,705.79	£2,049.26	£2,779.20	£3,787.41	£2,056.72	Website renewal £380
Scout Activities	£3,985.16	£2,662.24	£3,185.89	£4,730.19	£2,996.67	
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# Election of Executive Committee Members



Thank you to all those who give their time to sit on the Executive Committee and are Trustees for 1<sup>st</sup> Chorleywood Scouts



The following committee members are standing for re election:

Ed Hems – Chair (and Charity Commission Trustee)

Katie Simons – Secretary (and Charity Commission Trustee)

Neil Thomson – Treasurer (and Charity Commission Trustee)

James Ray – Subscriptions

*Leann Bowden – Admissions TBC HAVEN'T HEARD*

Anne Maria Farnsworth – Administration (DBS)

Alita Davern – Parent Rep and Training

Michael Ponsford – committee member

Sarah Wright and Marion Walker attend on behalf of Section Leaders and have said they will stay on even though stepping down as section leaders

Rob Botwright – committee member and Charity Commission Trustee (STANDING DOWN)

We would like to welcome Punyadip Cheema to the Executive Committee as a Parent Rep

*NB The Group Scout Leader position within the Executive Committee (David Ponsford) is a requirement of the Scout Association. David is also a Trustee*



75<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2022



# Jamboree

Celebrating

**75**

years

In Summer 2023, more than 40,000 Scouts from all over the world will gather in Korea for the 25 World Scout Jamboree. The World Scout Jamboree (WSJ) is a World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM) event, it happens every four years, [each time hosted by a different country](#). We're so proud that thousands of UK young people aged 14 to 17 and their leaders will in South Korea and we'll call ourselves the UK Contingent.

Chorleywood Scouts are really proud to have 2 Scouts (Rosie and Seth) going to the Jamboree in South Korea in 2023. We will be supporting them in various fundraising events over the next 12 months – please do join in with them where you can and support our young people on this amazing adventure

Just like the Olympic Games, every 4 years, Scouts aged 14-17 from around the World gather to celebrate Scouting at the World Scout Jamboree. In fact this event overshadows the Olympics in size as around 40,000 Scouts from more than 150 countries will attend the next Jamboree in Korea in August 2023, in the largest youth gathering on Earth. The 25th WSJ will be held in SaeManGeum in Korea.

Just once in every Scout's life, they have the opportunity to apply for a place to represent the County and Country at the World Scout Jamboree as a Participant.

Participants and Leaders alike make a commitment to the UK Contingent to spread the good-word of Scouting and the Jamboree at all stages of the journey; attending public events, and delivering related program content to local Groups in order to encourage would-be volunteers and inspire future Scouts to continue their journey in the movement.

Each Jamboree trip is typically just under 3 weeks in total comprising of 12 days on the Jamboree site, sandwiched by a 2-3 day 'big city' visit, this time to Seoul, and a Hosted Hospitality experience where Units will meet and stay with a local Scout Group for a few days. During the Jamboree itself there will be a programme covering faiths and beliefs, international foods, adventurous activities, global and personal development and cultural understanding within the five main aims of this Jamboree: Scouting for life, Smart and Scientific, Safe and Secured, Sustainability and lastly Adventure, Culture and Tradition. All participants will camp in their Units of 36 Scouts and 4 leaders, and all neighbour Units from other parts of the world; rising to the challenge of making friendships with like-minded young people who may not even speak the same language.

# 25 World Scout Jamboree

Tuesday 1 – Saturday 12 August 2023 - Korea



75<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting  
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# Volunteering



We are grateful for the support of Parents each week, on the parent rota. But, if you feel you can commit a bit more time to help out, then we are looking for new leaders as we are sadly saying goodbye to Chess Scout Leader Marion and Falcons Cubs Leader Sarah at the end of Summer 2022.

And in addition would like to handover the Admissions role (managing waiting lists) and find a new auditor for the annual accounts

#SkillsForLife

[scouts.org.uk/join](https://scouts.org.uk/join)



**Thank you!**

**Any Questions?**

Celebrating

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## 1st Chorleywood Scout Group

### Income & Expenditure for 12 months to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021

	31 <sup>st</sup> December 2021	31 <sup>st</sup> December 2020	31 <sup>st</sup> December 2019	31 <sup>st</sup> December 2018	31 <sup>st</sup> December 2017	Notes (re. 2021)
<b>INCOME &amp; EXPENDITURE</b>						
<b>Receipts</b>						
Subscriptions	£19,501.37	£15,408.69	£23,480.23	£21,814.55	£21,370.02	Spring term £3,500, summer term £6,800, autumn term £7,500
Tax Refund (Gift Aid)	£11,094.07	£1,589.95	-	-	-	Gift Aid 2017/18, 2018/19, 2019/20 & 2020/21
Covid-19 Related Grants	£19,034.00	£11,000.00	-	-	-	
Fundraising	£716.55	£1,717.00	£1,462.03	£895.54	£1,482.37	Late Night Shopping £618
Other Income	£3,896.31	£5,749.48	£2,043.00	£4,360.00	£4,535.00	Hall Hire: local elections £300, Silks Perf. Arts £3,235, other £350, 100 Club donations £60, interest (Skipton B/Soc) £6
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>£54,242.30</b>	<b>£35,465.12</b>	<b>£26,985.26</b>	<b>£27,070.09</b>	<b>£27,387.39</b>	
<b>Less: Expenditure</b>						
Vehicles	£3,752.95	£3,168.86	£3,383.45	£2,144.94	£4,062.32	Van insurance x 2 £1,196, road tax x 2 £430, general maintenance £1,056, Transit MoT failure repairs £980
Premises	£16,745.40	£4,253.65	£8,843.83	£14,510.00	£12,795.39	Guttering repairs £890, insurance £890, fence replacement £1,413, boiler replacement £10,634, cleaning £696, gas oven £1,475
Utilities	£2,705.79	£2,049.26	£2,779.20	£3,787.41	£2,056.72	Website renewal £380
Scout Activities	£3,985.16	£2,662.24	£3,185.89	£4,730.19	£2,996.67	
Group Costs	£7,904.99	£7,026.62	£6,999.00	£6,534.19	£6,894.90	
Equipment	£1,905.92	£262.46	£271.29	£2,091.27	£5,338.86	Traverse wall (£1,000), alter fires (£760)
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>£37,000.21</b>	<b>£19,423.09</b>	<b>£25,462.66</b>	<b>£33,798.00</b>	<b>£34,144.86</b>	
<b>Net Surplus / Deficit</b>	<b>£17,242.09</b>	<b>£16,042.03</b>	<b>£1,522.60</b>	<b>£6,727.91</b>	<b>£6,757.47</b>	
<b>BANK RECONCILIATION</b>						
<b>Bank Account Balances</b>						
1 – Lloyds Bank (Treasurer's)	£8,008.43	£21,382.88	£2,146.98	£4,432.61	£3,335.07	
2 – Lloyds Bank (100 Club Draw)	-	-	£3,025.83	£2,697.83	£2,337.83	Account closed January 2021
3 – Lloyds Bank (Chess)	-	-	-	-	-	Account closed January 2021
4 – Lloyds Bank (Subscriptions)	£73,683.67	£43,073.23	£41,074.59	£37,548.27	£45,843.72	
5 – Nationwide B/Soc (Jamboree)	-	-	£2,210.69	£2,210.69	£2,210.00	Account balance transferred to Lloyds Bank Treasurer's
6 – Skipton Building Society	£12,210.81	£12,204.71	£12,160.70	£12,076.41	£11,980.57	
<b>Total Bank Balance</b>	<b>£93,902.91</b>	<b>£76,660.82</b>	<b>£60,618.79</b>	<b>£58,965.81</b>	<b>£65,707.19</b>	
<b>Reconciliation</b>						
Prior Year Total Bank Balance	£76,660.82	£60,618.79				
Net Surplus / Deficit (per above)	£17,242.09	£16,042.03				
Calculated Total Bank Balance	£93,902.91	£76,660.82				
Actual Total Bank Balance (per above)	£93,902.91	£76,660.82				
<b>Variance (Surplus / Deficit)</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£0.00</b>				



Treasurer Scouts &lt;treasurer@chorleywoodscouts.org&gt;

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**Re: 1CW Accounts 2021**

1 message

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**Myfanwy Ronchetti** <myfanwyronchetti@gmail.com>  
To: "Treasurer, Scouts" <treasurer@chorleywoodscouts.org>

23 October 2022 at 11:39

I have no changes to make to the income and schedule and I am happy to sign off the independent review of the 1st Chorleywood Scout Group for 2021  
Profit £17,242.09  
Bank balances of £93,902.91

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On 6 Oct 2022, at 15:18, Treasurer, Scouts <treasurer@chorleywoodscouts.org> wrote:

Hi Myfanwy

Firstly, thank you very much for the quick turnaround; it's really appreciated.

With regard to your queries:

1.) I can confirm that all of the Covid-19 related payments received from TRDC were grants. No loan mechanism of any kind was / is involved & repayment is not required.

2.) I have no additional documentation relating to the Covid-19 payments (I have searched through emails, paper items & other documentation). The only 2 items I could find are the application & subsequent confirmation of receipt from TRDC (both attached) for the Local Restrictions Support Grant payments, but you will have already seen these. I can find no reply received 'within 10 working days' as TRDC specify but note that the payment was actually received within that same timeframe i.e. application confirmation received from TRDC 16-Feb-2021, payment received 01-Mar-2021. I do also remember that some later Covid-19 related payments were made automatically by the local authority if an application had already been made for a previous lockdown period. I believe the existence & rateable value of a registered property was also a factor in making these payments.

3.) You asked via WhatsApp about a balance sheet &, in my rush, I replied to say there are no assets; at the time, I had my Russell School PTA thinking cap on! Of course, there are some substantial assets, principally the HQ building, two minibuses & a lot of camping equipment. We don't maintain a formal balance sheet for these & nor do we amortise the assets in the accounts. However, I think you've raised a good point (annoyed I didn't think of it myself) that it might be good to have a formal asset statement detailing items of significant value. I wouldn't see this as being a part of the financial accounts but, perhaps, something that can be periodically reviewed. I've made a note to raise it at the next exec committee meeting.

4.) Email sign off is fine; can I please ask you to include your full name, qualifications if relevant and address & contact details?

And thank you once again for undertaking this audit. If you're happy to continue next year, I'll aim to provide the 2022 audit pack sometime during January 2023.

Neil Thomson  
Treasurer, 1st Chorleywood Scout Group  
Tel. 07419 986 869

On Wed, 5 Oct 2022 at 21:10, Myfanwy Ronchetti <myfanwyronchetti@gmail.com> wrote:

Neil

I have completed my audit of the accounts and I only have one question around the covid grants.

Can you please confirm that the following are all grants and not loans - i.e. do not need to be paid back at anytime

Covid-19 LRSG (Local Restriction Support Grant), Lockdown 3	£ 4,000.00
Covid-19 CBLP (Closed Business Lockdown Payment), Lockdown 3	£ 2,001.00
Covid-19 CBLP (Closed Business Lockdown Payment), Lockdown 3 (Extension)	£ 286.00
Covid-19 LRSG (Local Restriction Support Grant), Lockdown 3 (Extension). Believe to rela	£ 2,096.00
Covid-19 Business Restart Grant Scheme payment (for the period commencing Thu 01-Apr)	£ 8,000.00

Also for the first 4 do you have any backing/documentation I can review.

Apart from that I must say they are the best charity accounts I have ever audited (and I have seen a lot). Than you they were so easy to follow.

I have no changes to make to the income and schedule and subject to the answers to the question above happy to sign off

Profit £17,242.09

Bank balances of £93,902.91

Are you happy with an email sign off or would you like something more formal ?

Thanks

Myfanwy

<Covid-19 Business Grant - Local Restrictions Support Grant Application (LRSG308254373).pdf><Covid-19 Business Grant - Local Restrictions Support Grant Confirmation (LRSG308254373).pdf>

**1ST CHORLEYWOOD SCOUT GROUP**

England & Wales - Charity number 302526

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# Accounts

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74<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting  
**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2021**



# Scouts

**1st Chorleywood Scout  
Group**

**Do more. Share more. Be more.**

# Agenda

Impact of Covid19

Programme Highlights

HQ Maintenance & Investment and Future Plans

Financial Overview

Election of Executive Committee Members

Fundraising and Volunteering

Questions ?

**Scouts** 



# Impact of Covid19



Impact of Covid 19 on activities:



The first 'Lockdown' which began in March brought a halt to all face to face meetings.

Leaders very quickly adapted to meeting by 'zoom' – altering programmes so that they could still cover badge work and introducing guest speakers. All leaders meetings and Exec meetings were moved online, a whole new set of risk assessments were written and leaders mastered running virtual sessions.

Sadly all camps and overnight stays had to be cancelled.

Subscription rates were halved, in recognition that we were unable to offer a full programme of activity and to reflect financial pressures on families.

Changes were made to HQ to ensure we were ready to "open up" (e.g. One way systems, cleaning etc).

We have tried to react as quickly as possible to the changing situation - the Scout Association follows the National Youth Agency Guidelines in terms of the number of young people able to meet

# Programme Highlights



Despite Covid19, the Leaders produced a fantastic programme of activities, demonstrating huge commitment and creativity. These are some of the highlights:



Beavers celebrated the 35 years of Beavers and "The Great Indoors", they went several hikes including one around Chorleywood to see the Christmas lights as well as fire building at the Campsite and covered topics such as Space and Disability

Falcons and Eagles enlisted some local businesses and experts to join their zoom meetings including a sheep dog trainer, Exotic pet handlers, Forensic science and movie making. They also did online cookery sessions, pet shows and made the most of the few weeks of being allowed face to face (incl the Endurance 10K)

Falcons cubs won the District Football competition just before lockdown

The Chess, Misbourne and Thames took part in Fire and Ice, cooking competitions, night hikes and night bike rides, and visits to local organisations (including St Andrews, Frogmoor Paper Mill) and alongside more traditional outdoor activities (Highropes, archery and caving) organised an online programme that covered OS Map Work, Paper aeroplanes, Escape rooms, Balloon propelled car making.



Beavers gained 308 badges between them, including 10 Chief Scout Bronze awards

Eagles and Falcons both awarded 3 Silver Scouts Awards in 2020

Misbourne had 2 Gold Award recipients

Thames awarded 2 Gold Awards

Leaders awards handed out

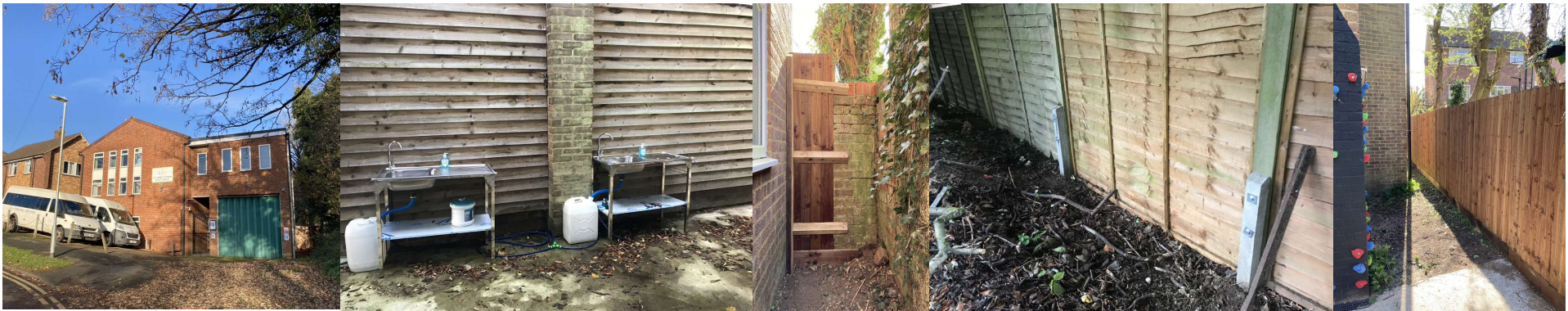
- Wood Badge – Duncan Farnsworth
- 40 Years Service Michael Ponsford
- 10 Years Service – Sarah Wright
- 5 Years Service - Norman Leinster
- 5 Years Service – Duncan Farnsworth

Commissioners Commendation awards for Sarah Wright, Lise Davies and Liz Hall.

**HQ: COVID 19 Improvements**  
**Maintenance**  
**Investment**  
**Future Plans**

A number of changes were made to HQ to make it 'Covid Secure' to enable us to restart face to face activities, including:

- Outdoor sinks installed to provide better outdoor handwashing facilities
- One way system set up, new side gate fitted and gravel path added
- Outdoor lighting installed for all of outdoor area and side path
- Hand sanitiser stations installed, additional cleaning kits (for our use and for any Hall Hirers), checklists and 'deep cleans' setup and signage improved around the building
- New fencing added (and old fencing fixed) to secure the outdoor space
- Guttering repaired, overhanging branches trimmed and drainage improved – to ensure that the outdoor space is better for young people to use for their activities



## The Llewellyn Watkins Traverse Wall

The traverse wall was installed in March, in memory of our late Chair Llewellyn Watkins. Donations were made to 1<sup>st</sup> Chorleywood Scouts in his memory and the traverse wall is a fitting tribute to him and his sense of adventure.



A taster of some of our future plans



Replace aging boiler with fuel efficient and reliable boiler for Scouts HQ



Paint and smarten up kitchen and replace leaking gas cooker to ensure kitchen is usable



HQ safety review to ensure signage and electrics are all safe and access to loft is safe



Group Activity Weekend



Maintenance of Vans and Trailers (nearly completed)



Overnight stays



Summer camp



4 x fire pits purchased



Testing out the Hammocks

# Financial Overview

## High level summary :

### 1st Chorleywood Scout Group

#### Payments & Receipts Account as at 31st December 2020 (Draft)

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Covid-19 Related Grants	£11,000.00	-	-	-	- COVID-19 grant (£10,000), Co-operative Society donation (£1,000)
Fundraising	£1,717.00	£1,462.03	£895.54	£1,482.37	£3,993.91 Quiz night (£1,317)
Other Income	£5,737.08	£2,043.00	£4,360.00	£4,535.00	100 Club donations (£328 (100 Club Draw Account)), interest (£35 (Skipton Account)), local elections hall hire (£900), Silts Perf. Arts (£2,516), Llewellyn Watkins funeral donation (£1,095)
Other District Reimbursements	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>£35,452.72</b>	<b>£26,985.26</b>	<b>£27,070.09</b>	<b>£27,387.39</b>	<b>£23,339.58</b>
<b>Less: Payments</b>					
Vehicle Expenses	£3,168.86	£3,383.45	£2,144.94	£4,062.32	£2,542.93
Premises	£432.48	£1,678.80	£12,596.79	£9,652.72	£885.95 Minimal council tax / business rates paid in 2020
Utilities	£2,049.26	£2,779.20	£3,787.41	£2,056.72	£2,232.70 Includes refund from past overpayments (£1,579)
Repairs & Cleaning	£2,963.24	£6,348.61	£1,119.93	£1,983.57	£626.79 Electrical remedial work (£1,267), gas boiler servicing, etc. (£362)
Premises Insurance	£857.93	£816.42	£793.28	£1,159.10	£1,198.98
Scout Activities	£2,662.24	£3,185.89	£4,730.19	£2,996.67	£3,677.53
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Nationwide B/Soc (Jamboree)	£7.60	£2,210.69	£2,210.69	£2,210.00	£2,206.27
<b>Total Bank Balance</b>	<b>£76,668.42</b>	<b>£60,618.79</b>	<b>£58,965.81</b>	<b>£65,707.19</b>	<b>£71,634.28</b>
<b>Reconciliation</b>					
Net Surplus / Deficit (as per above)	£16,049.63				
Prior Year Total Bank Balance	£60,618.79				
Calculated Year End Bank Balance	£76,668.42				
Actual Year End Total Bank Balance	£76,668.42				
<b>Variance (Surplus / Deficit)</b>	<b>£0.00</b>				

Balance to be confirmed

We are very grateful to have received a number of donations and grants over the last 12 months including:

Donations in the memory of Llewellyn Watkins (£1095)

The Co Op through it's Charity Partner scheme (£1000)

Covid19 business grants

Gift Aid donations – we have managed to claw back £10,593 by applying retrospectively to claim Gift Aid (from 2016/ 2017 up to present) and continue to encourage parents to sign up so we can claim in the future

Money from the Chorleywood Youth committee to purchase a set of hammocks

Smaller gifts of equipment, money from individual donors, including parents who did not request refunds from cancelled trips

Thank you!

# **Election of Executive Committee Members**



Thank you to all those who give their time to sit on the Executive Committee and are Trustees for 1<sup>st</sup> Chorleywood Scouts.

The following committee members are standing for re election:

Ed Hems – Chair

Katie Simons - Secretary

James Ray – Subscriptions

Leann Bowden – Admissions

Anne Maria Farnsworth – Administration (DBS)

Neil Thomson – Treasurer

Alita Davern – Parent Rep

Rob Botwright – committee member

Michael Ponsford – committee member

*NB The Group Scout Leader position within the Executive Committee (David Ponsford) is a requirement of the Scout Association*

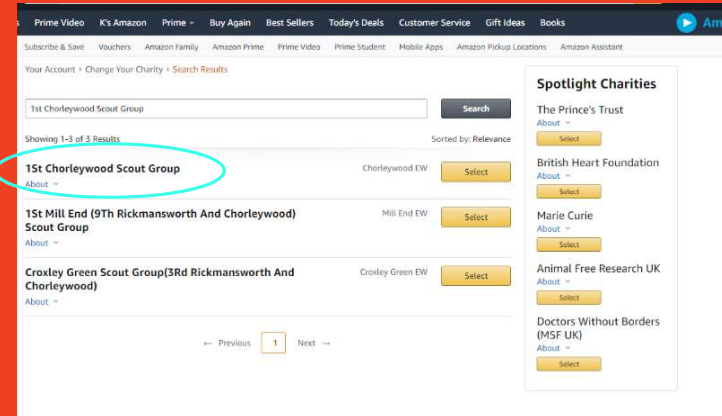
*Sarah Wright and Marion Walker attend on behalf of Section Leaders*

# Fundraising and Volunteering

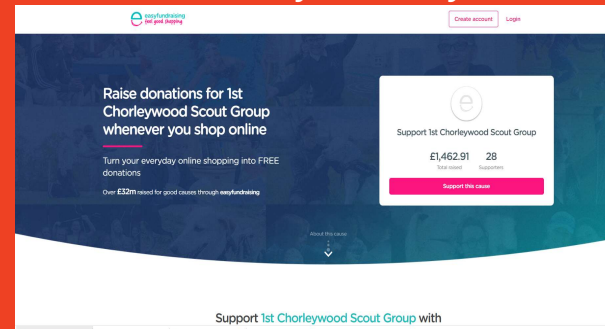


# Fundraising whilst you Shop! **Scouts**

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Or, select us on your EasyFundraising account



Do ask if you want help setting either of these up!

Put your skills to use and learn new ones. Give young people the skills they need to succeed in life and discover how being a part of the Scouting family can be as rewarding for you as it is for them. We would love to welcome new Leaders and Helpers.

We are grateful for the support of Parents each week, on the parent rota. But, if you feel you can commit a bit more time to help out, then we are looking for people to join the Executive Committee, specifically at the moment:

- Auditor – for the annual Accounts
- Parent Representatives
- Admissions (managing waiting lists)
- Training Co Ordinator (Inputting Training information into the system)

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## A message from our District Commissioner, Julia Pich

*"I would like to start by thanking everyone involved in the group for the amazing job you have done in the past year. This year has been a real challenge for everyone with the pandemic especially affecting every aspect of our lives. But in addition your group has also suffered the loss of one of your key members - Llewellyn and the ongoing health issues of another key member - David.*

*But your sections have still managed to deliver Scouting to the young people of your group in interesting and challenging ways. The leaders have adapted to the changing regulations, learnt how to run virtual meetings and managed to help many young people achieve their top award.*

*And your Executive Committee have not just sat back and waited for better days. Important work on the HQ and minibuses means that they are ready for the return of face to face Scouting. Well done.*

*Finally I would like to say what an honour it was that Liz Walker (our County Commissioner) was able to present the Meritorious Conduct Badge to Rhys Hanson. The first such award for this District and such a worthy recipient. Thank you must also go to the leaders who supported the Hanson family through their trials and tribulations.*

*Thank you and Well Done".*

### **Julia Pich**

District Commissioner  
Rickmansworth & Chorleywood

**Thank you!**

**Any Questions?**

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<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>£19,423.09</b>	<b>£25,462.66</b>	<b>£33,798.00</b>	<b>£34,144.86</b>	<b>£17,471.37</b>
<b>Net Surplus / Deficit</b>	<b>£16,042.03</b>	<b>£1,522.60</b>	<b>£6,727.91</b>	<b>£6,757.47</b>	<b>£5,868.21</b>
<b>Bank Account Balances</b>					
1 – Lloyds Bank (Treasurer's)	£21,382.88	£2,146.98	£4,432.61	£3,335.07	£11,462.56 <b>Confirmed both paper and electronic</b>
2 – Lloyds Bank (100 Club Draw)	-	£3,025.83	£2,697.83	£2,337.83	£1,977.83 <b>Confirmed paper (saying closed but its not until January 2021)</b>
3 – Lloyds Bank (Chess)	-	-	-	-	- <b>Confirmed paper statement</b>
4 – Lloyds Bank (Subscriptions)	£43,073.23	£41,074.59	£37,548.27	£45,843.72	£44,106.20 <b>Confirmed both paper and electronic</b>
5 – Nationwide B/Soc (Jamboree)	-	£2,210.69	£2,210.69	£2,210.00	£2,206.27 Passbook checked and transfer checked
6 – Skipton Building Society	£12,204.71	£12,160.70	£12,076.41	£11,980.57	£11,881.42 <b>Checked</b> but only up to Nov 20(Need Dec 20 Statement)
<b>Total Bank Balance</b>	<b>£76,660.82</b>	<b>£60,618.79</b>	<b>£58,965.81</b>	<b>£65,707.19</b>	<b>£71,634.28</b>
<b>Reconciliation</b>					
Net Surplus / <b>Deficit</b> (as per above)	£16,042.03				
Prior Year Total Bank Balance	£60,618.79				
Calculated Year End Bank Balance	£76,660.82				
Actual Year End Total Bank Balance	£76,660.82				
<b>Variance (Surplus / Deficit)</b>	<b>£0.00</b>		<b>Agreed</b>		



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## **Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Chorleywood Scout Association Trust.**

This is an independent examiners report to the trustees

I have independently audited the Treasurers Bank Account Receipts and Payments only, the other bank accounts and Assets and Liabilities of the trust are yet to be examined to comply with the Accounting & Audit Re Districts, Counties/Areas & Scottish Regions Item Code requirements for Group, LT103950 Edition no 2 (1st February 2020)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Chorleywood Scouts Association Trust for the year ended 2020.

Responsibilities and basis of report as the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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

Independent examiner's statement I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust 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:

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Date: 19<sup>th</sup> of August 2021.