

1st St Albans Scout Group - 115th AGM – Thursday 29th June 2023.

Chair & Group Administrator – Steve Lindsay MBE – Annual Report

Welcome everybody to this years A.G.M. , as we seek to review the 12 months ending the 31st March 2023

As normal the last 12 months have been packed full of challenges, and enormous credit must go to all our Exec team and section leadership team, for another 12 months of hard work / devotion to Scouting at the 1st.

Their work has seen our young people enjoy a very stimulating year, leading up to this year's Group Camp at Tolmers Activity Centre, in Cuffley next weekend (7th – 9th July). We will hear more about their section programmes later.

At the time of the Annual Census, at the end of Jan 23, our numbers of young people had grown to 130 up from 117 the previous year. This increase in numbers is only possible as we have a strong section leadership team, which the group is extremely fortunate to have. We benefit from their long service / strong commitment, many who have been working at the 1st for many years, supported by a number of new leaders / occasional helpers. Long may it continue !

Shortly Paul & Gabriella Cordell, who have been chosen to represent St Albans / Hertfordshire will be off to the World Scout Jamboree in Korea, we wish them well. Parents are always welcomed and indeed encouraged to get involved , and one feature our annual group camp, will be the amazing support of a good number of parents.

Your group executive are changing their title shortly to become The Trustee Board, which will more clearly define their role. As always they remain focussed on maintaining strong finances, ensuring the building / facilities are well maintained / and a safe environment for our young people. Last Summers refurbishment works, included the re-sanding / varnishing of the hall floor and its complete redecoration. We have always seen the Wadley Hut as a community asset, and the wide range of external users is testament to that, including being used as Polling Station, a training hub for the NHS, home to Ramadam Prayers, a base for a number of small businesses, and latterly home to Chiswell Green Rainbows.

I should also mention our cleaner who continues to show great flexibility / professionalism / being willing to work round all our external users –our sincere thanks to Claudine Minns.

Bob Allam will once again provide us with all the financial details, his sound management continues to ensure the group is perhaps the financially, the strongest in the county.

Finally I want to thank my amazing core Exec Team, without whom the 1st would be so much the poorer :-

Sue Campbell – Secretary – (24 years)

Bob Allam – Ex leader / treasurer – (37 years)

Steve Norris – Ex leader / safety manager (26 years) & John Wallace (39 years)

Ex leader / maintenance.

Finally we all now know, if we didn't before, just how important Scouting is to the well being of our Young People. Long may the 1st be here to meet that need, and lets have lots of fun on the way!

Thanks Steve Lindsay

Receipts & Payments Account summary for the year ended 31st March 2023

	This Year General Fund	Previous Year
	£	£
Total receipts for the year (page C4)	28,327.47	24,186.40
Total payments for the year (page C5)	30,974.69	14,869.43
Net receipts (payments) for the year	(2,647.22)	9,316.97
Cash, bank and similar funds brought forward	126,172.31	116,855.34
Cash, bank and similar funds carried forward	<u>£123,525.09</u>	<u>£126,172.31</u>

The above account and accompanying statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees

on June 2023 and signed on their behalf by Steve Lindsay, Chair

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Receipts for the year ended 31st March 2023

Next Year		This Year	Previous Year
Budget £		£	£
0.00	MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS	10,545.00	7,710.00
0.00	less: Paid	6,890.00	5,768.00
0.00		3,655.00	1,942.00
	INVESTMENT INCOME RECEIVED		
0.00	Bank Interest	545.72	393.89
	Building Society Interest		
	The Scout Assoc'n Short Term Investment Service		
	Dividends and Interest		
	Property Rents		
0.00		545.72	393.89
0.00	DONATIONS / GRANTS	0.00	8,000.00
0.00		0.00	8,000.00
	ACTIVITIES		
	Camping, etc	3,170.00	30.00
	Other	125.00	
0.00		3,295.00	30.00
	FUND RAISING (gross)		
	Hut/Marque Hire	19,141.75	12,830.00
	Other	10.00	570.00
0.00		19,151.75	13,400.00
	OTHER INCOME		
	Income Tax recovered - on subscriptions and donations	1,680.00	420.51
	on dividends and interest		
0.00		1,680.00	420.51
	SUNDRY RECEIPTS		
	Other		
	Badge receipts	0.00	
	Loans received	0.00	
£0.00	TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR	£28,327.47	£24,186.40

Payments for the year ended 31st March 2023

Next Year		This Year	Previous Year
Budget £		£	£
PREMISES			
Rent			
Water rates		561.23	(20.68)
Light and Heat		1,834.14	1,561.07
Insurance		1,557.94	1,348.87
Repairs & Renewals		15,928.30	4,253.37
0.00		19,881.61	7,142.63
DONATIONS / GRANTS		419.12	
0.00		419.12	0.00
ACTIVITIES	Section Expenses	627.94	1,156.69
	Camping & activity expenses	7,359.27	4,431.81
0.00		7,987.21	5,588.50
FUND RAISING EXPENSES		0.00	0.00
		0.00	0.00
ADMIN/ESTABLISHMENT EXPENSES		1,113.65	991.80
0.00		1,113.65	991.80
TRUSTEES EXPENSES			
OTHER EXPENSES			
0.00		0.00	0.00
PURCHASE OF CAPITAL EQUIPMENT			
0.00		0.00	0.00
PURCHASE OF BADGES		1,149.10	1,146.50
SUNDRY PAYMENTS	subsidy on gang show tickets	424.00	0.00
£0.00	TOTAL PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	£30,974.69	£14,869.43

Statement of Assets & Liabilities for the year ended 31st March 2023

	This Year £	Previous Year £
MONETARY ASSETS		
Bank Current Account(s)	6,087.43	4,661.05
Bank Deposit Account(s)	26,644.27	38,612.35
Bank Term Deposit(s)	90,793.39	82,898.91
Building Society Account(s)		
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service		
Cash in hand		
	<u>£123,525.09</u>	<u>£126,172.31</u>
OTHER MONETARY ASSETS		
Tax Claim for Year ending		
Debts due to Group / District		
	<u>£0.00</u>	<u>£0.00</u>
INVESTMENT ASSETS		
Government Stocks at market value		
Other quoted securities at market value		
Other investments		
Property held for investment purposes		
	<u>£0.00</u>	<u>£0.00</u>
NON-MONETARY ASSETS Assets for Charity's own use		
Badge Secretary's stock		
Group/District shop stock		
Land and Buildings	£565,087	
Motor vehicles		
Scouting equipment, furniture, etc.	£32,082	
	<u>£0.00</u>	<u>£0.00</u>
LIABILITIES Those due within one year		
Accounts not yet paid		
Expenses incurred not yet invoiced		
Subscriptions not yet paid		
Other		
	<u>£0.00</u>	<u>£0.00</u>
LIABILITIES Those due after one year		
Loan (with details)		
Hire Purchase owing		
Leasing payments outstanding		
Other long term liabilities		
	<u>£0.00</u>	<u>£0.00</u>
CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND FUTURE OBLIGATIONS	£24575	
For vat zero rated building works completed 2013 - £10800 - liability expires 2023		
For vat 5% rated building works completed 2014 - £6000 - liability expires 2024		
For vat 5% rated building works completed 2017 - £2775 - liability expires 2027		
A donation of £5000 to the Scout Covid Recovery Fund		



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
1st St Albans Scout Group

On accounts for the year
ended

31st March 2023

Charity no
(if any)

302571

Set out on pages

C3, C4, C5, C6

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

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 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:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed: N Boardman

Date: 04/06/2023

Name: Mr N P Boardman

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qualification(s) or body
(if any):

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