

# **Stevenage District Scout Council**

## **Report and Accounts**

**Y.E 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023**



### **Trustee Ex-Officio- Appointment**

District Commissioner	Mrs Kerry Hall
District Scout Network Commissioner	Vacant
District Explorer Scout Commissioner	Dr Steve Skittrall
District Chairman	Vacant
District Secretary	Dr Steve Skittrall
District Treasurer	Mrs Paula Phipps

### **Trustees Elected and Nominated**

Mr Jordan Dutt  
Mr Stephen Hall  
Mrs Maureen Nicholson  
Mr Roy Nicholson  
Mrs Pauline Shackell  
Mr Mick Edwards

**Yorkshire (Virgin Money) Northampton**

**Barclays Bank Stevenage**

**District Registration number with Scout Association 12216**

**Charity Registration number 302390**

**Custodian Trustees The Scout Association Gilwell Park, Chingford**

**Other Advisors Mr J.R. Baucutt FICB MCIPD independent Examiner**

**Contact Name and Address**

**Mrs P.A. Phipps 118 Hydean Way, Stevenage SG2 9XP**

## **District Treasurers Report**

**Y.E 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023**

District funds are healthy this year again in some part due to the 2020 Covid grants.

We are fortunate with our long term H.Q users – the nursery, dancing class and slimming world. The income from these make Nokeside and The Poplars self sufficient.

We are fortunate also that both buildings have not required any expensive repairs ( touch wood) recently.

It is a great joy to see The Canyon being enjoyed by more people at last. The Canyon as a site will always need money spending on it to keep it updated and for the usual safety requirements. We are at this moment starting to build an outside canopy to run across the front of the building making a sun and rain shelter which will be a great asset.

Sad news this year Andy Smith retired from his role as fund raiser for the District. The train has therefore also been retired and is up for sale, no one could be the “fat controller” like Andy. I have been reliably informed though that he still gets his fun riding around on the lawn mower in The Poplars garden.

Thanks Andy for building up reserves in the past years making it possible for us to never have to use membership monies to fund the Head Quarters. The Jamboree contingent have been lucky to have his guidance and help with their fund raising.

Pauline still continues to keep the shop an active part of our District, all groups spending money in the shop still receive their discounts taken off their membership money annually. Most groups paid on time again this year thanks to all group treasurers.

Kerry and I have visited the bank with the aim of taking us into the modern age and using internet banking. We don't want anymore embarrassing moments with cheques being damaged by banks and returned to us as happened with our membership money this year.

Unfortunately as I am finding banks move in very slow mysterious ways. I am still trying to “verify” the Lochearnhead account with them this process started in November and due to their unnecessary gobbledegook it is still ongoing.

**Paula Phipps**

**March 2023**

## **Stevenage District Scout Council**

### **Trustees Annual Report for Year Ended 31, March 2023**

**At the end of the year income reserves amounted to £170,189.47**

**The District's policy on reserves is to hold an amount to enable it to support Groups and sections within the Stevenage District, and to maintain the Districts Headquarters Buildings.**

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

**The accounts have been drawn up on the receipts and payments basis, which is consistent with the previous year.**

**Approved by the Trustees on September 4th 2023 and signed on their behalf**



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**District Commissioner Mrs Kerry Hall**

**Stevenage District Scout Council**

**Year Ended March 31, 2023**

**Receipts and Payments Account Summary      This Year      Previous Year**

**General Fund**

<b>Total Receipts for</b>	<b>77844.60</b>	<b>58982.10</b>
<b>Total Payments for Year</b>	<b>70658.92</b>	<b>51703.19</b>
<b>Net Receipts (payments) for year</b>	<b>7186.68</b>	<b>7278.91</b>
<b>Cash, Bank and similar funds brought forward</b>	<b>163002.79</b>	<b>155724.40</b>
<b>Cash Bank and similar funds carried forward</b>	<b>170189.47</b>	<b>163002.79</b>

**The above account and accompanying statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the trustees on September 4<sup>th</sup> 2023**

**and signed on their behalf by**

**Mrs Kerry Hall District Commissioner**

**Stevenage District Scout Council  
Year Ended March 31, 2023**



Activities	3007.20	33.00
Shutter Repair Donation		1206.00
Donation	605.00	
Refunds (BT)	330.60	

### **Explorers**

Subs/membership	2908 .00	2159.00
Gift Aid		1109.59
Activity/sundry income	910.00	53.00
D.O.E.		260.00

Donations	95.00	
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<b><u>District Camp</u></b>	7825.00	
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Refund	100.00	
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District Wear	125.50	
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<b><u>Totals for Year</u></b>	<b>77844.60</b>	<b>58982.10</b>
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<u>Payments for Year</u>	<u>This Year</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<b><u>Poplars</u></b>		
Water,heat and light	5405.51	1776.19
BT etc	363.61	334.93
Insurances	2000.00	1919.92
Cleaning/maint/repairs	4907.55	4244.88
Fire and alarm	1037.11	1196.79
Equipment/hire and training	1605.62	2312.50
Garden/Lawnmower rep	489.62	654.55
Fundraising	325.00	100.00
Licenses	282.75	276.81
Garage rents	854.40	
Garage Clearance		100.00
Stationary/Admin	155.40	662.62
CCTV		1300.00
Laptops	279.99	959.00
Hall Lights		1650.00
Remb. Day	70.00	235.20
St. Georges Day		240.00
Bank Charges /ret cheque	169.20	56.00
Independent Examiner	170.00	150.00
AGM	66.30	
Shop	3610.59	5157.96
Scouts	2072.16	854.46
Mini Bus	1364.31	1567.89
Membership Refunds	375.63	197.34
Jamboree	8325.00	1350.00
Jamboree Fund Raising		



<u>Assets and Liabilities</u> <u>Year</u>	<u>This Year</u>	<u>Previous</u>
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<b>Monetary Assets</b>	<b>170,189.47</b>	<b>162383.52</b>
<b>BankAccounts</b>		

<b>Cash to hand</b>	<b>249.42</b>	<b>619.27</b>
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<b>Other monetary Assets</b>	<b>1224.56</b>	<b>4449.38</b>
<b>(Debts due to District)</b>		

<b>Badge and shop stock</b>	<b>4425.95</b>	<b>3762.46</b>
<b>Mini Bus (Insured value)</b>	<b>5000.00</b>	<b>5500.00</b>

<b>Train and carriages</b>	<b>2000.00</b>	<b>5000.00</b>
<b>(Insured value)</b>		

<b>Trailer</b>	<b>1000.00</b>	<b>1500.00</b>
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<b>New Box Trailer</b>	<b>2000.00</b>	<b>2000.00</b>
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<b>Poplars furniture and</b>		
<b>Equipment (Insured value)</b>	<b>30,000.00</b>	<b>30,000.00</b>

<b>Canyon Equipment (Insured Value)</b>	<b>60,000.00</b>	<b>19000.00</b>
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<b>Liabilities those due within one year</b>	<b>3414.99</b>	
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**Contingent Liabilities**

<b>Canyon Activities</b>	<b>10000.00</b>
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<b>Canyon - Kitchen update</b>	<b>2000.00</b>
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**Poplars Stage 3**

**Stevenage District Scout Council**

**Year Ended March 31,2023**

# Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

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SCOUT GROUP/DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

I report on the accounts of the Group/District for the year ended March 31st 2023  
which are set out on pages 3 to .....

## Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of Section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under Section 43(7)(b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

## Basis of examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

## Independent Examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 41 of the Act and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and
  - to comply with the accounting requirements of the Acthave not been met, or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached,
3. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the accounting rules of the Group's/ District's constitution have not been met.

Name: JR BANCHE

Qualification: FICB CHARTERED HICPD

Address: 6 GRACE WAY

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Date: June 20th 2023