

# GILLINGHAM DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

England & Wales · Charity number 303387

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 1970-03-24

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE INSTRUCTION OF BOYS OF ALL CLASSES IN THE PRINCIPLES OF DISCIPLINE, LOYALTY AND GOOD CITIZENSHIP.

**Activities:** To provide activities and training for young people from the age of 6 years to 25 years of age.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** Education/training, Amateur Sport
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities

## Geography

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- **Area of benefit:** GILLINGHAM
- Medway

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£53,994	£36,391	-	-
2024-03-31	£22,653	£25,331	-	-
2023-03-31	£56,960	£43,641	-	-
2022-03-31	£62,353	£34,765	-	-
2021-03-31	£31,918	£10,852	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>DAVID JOHN AINSLEY</b>	Chair	
BARRY SPRASON		2016-04-17
DAVID LAWRENCE		2016-06-10
Dan McDonald		2025-06-10
Julie Sullivan		2024-06-11
<b>MARION JOAN ISAACS</b>		
Natalie Gooders		2025-11-18
Pauline Buckett		2025-06-10
Robert Matthew Gill		2020-11-18
Roger Edward Isaacs		2024-06-11

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# Accounts

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# Gillingham District Receipts and Payments Account

For the year from	1 April 2024	To	31 March 2025
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## Receipts and payments

	2024/25 Unrestricted funds £	2023/24 Unrestricted funds £
<b>Receipts</b>		
<b>Donations, legacies and similar income</b>		
Membership subscriptions	57,398	47,552
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/District)	40,397	39,935
Net membership subscriptions retained	17,001	7,617
Rent and Hire of District HQ	10,028	6,242
Income on Wynne Brooks Lodge (Buckmore Park)	1,542	2,275
Donation	-	-
Badge shop+District Scarves	507	367
Gift Aid	3,771	1,098
Youth Funds	-	-
Sale of activity equipment		2,000
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>32,849</b>	<b>19,599</b>
<b>Grants</b>		
YIF Grant for Toilet Refurb at HQ	19,344	-
Medway Council Grants	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>19,344</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Fundraising (gross)</b>		
World Jamboree 2023		334
Activity Equipment		50
St Georges Day		532
1st Gillingham repayment	1,505	
Fun Day		2,138
Other fundraising activities (Charity Fund for Dean)	296	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>1,801</b>	<b>3,054</b>
<b>Investment income</b>		
Bank interest		
Building Society interest		
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service		
Property Rent income		
Other investment income		
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total Gross Income</b>	<b>53,994</b>	<b>22,653</b>
<b>Asset and investment sales, etc.</b>		
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>53,994</b>	<b>22,653</b>

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For the year from	1 April 2024	To	31 March 2025
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### Receipts and payments

	2024/25 Unrestricted funds £	2023/24 Unrestricted funds £
<b>Payments</b>		
<b>Charitable Payments</b>		
Youth programme and other activities	593	979
Explorer Units programme and activities + GSAS	79	1,226
World Jamboree 2023	-	3,062
Adult support and training	753	279
Wynne Brooks Lodge Expenditure	505	3,499
District HQ - Refurbishment of toilets	27,275	-
Hiring of room for meetings	288	256
Fun Day	-	4,218
Insurance	1,088	1,081
Recruitment Campaign	-	-
Water/Elect/Services on New HQ	2,483	3,106
District HQ Maintenance	1,943	5,173
Charity Fund for Dean (to County)	296	-
Expenditure on Activity equipment (repairs and storage etc)	-	8
District Scarves	-	639
Postage /Printing/photocopying	87	73
Media and Development	301	288
St Georges Day	294	-
AGM	165	217
Hardship Fund (Supporting 1st Gillingham)	241	1,227
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>36,391</b>	<b>25,331</b>
<b>Fundraising expenses</b>		
Lottery Licence	-	-
Other fundraising costs	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total Gross Expenditure</b>	<b>36,391</b>	<b>25,331</b>
<b>Asset and investment purchases, etc.</b>		
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>36,391</b>	<b>25,331</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>17,603</b>	<b>- 2,678</b>
<b>Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>128,214</b>	<b>130,892</b>
<b>Funds this year end</b>	<b>145,817</b>	<b>128,214</b>

# Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	31 March 2025 Unrestricted funds	31 March 2024 Unrestricted funds
	£	£
<b>Cash funds</b>		
Bank current account (District, Badge, Explorer units and G.S.A.S)	144,477	127,419
Bank deposit account		
Building society account	-	-
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	-	-
Cash/Floats	1,340	1,065
<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>145,817</b>	<b>128,214</b>
<b>Other monetary assets</b>		
Tax claim		
Debts due from the Groups	870	-
Insurance claim		
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>870</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Investment assets</b>		
Investment property - detail		
Quoted investments		
Other investments - detail		
<b>Sub total</b>		
<b>Non monetary assets for charity's own use</b>		
Badge stock + District Scarves	720	1,130
Shop stock		
Other stock (Clothing with District Logo)	-	-
Land and buildings	331,320	296,000
Motor vehicles		
Scouting equipment, furniture etc	8,000	5,000
Other		
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>340,040</b>	<b>302,156</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Accounts not yet paid		
Expenses incurred but not invoiced		
Subscriptions not yet paid		
Loan - detail		
Other liabilities		
<b>Sub total</b>		

## Contingent liabilities and future obligations

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities approved 10th July 2025

Signature

Print Name

<i>David Ainsley</i>
<i>Maureen Billinghamurst</i>

MR DAVID AINSLEY	Chairperson
MRS MAUREEN BILLINGHURST	Treasurer

## Scrutineer's Report to the Trustees of Gillingham District Scout Council

I report on the accounts of the Group/District for the year ended 31st MARCH 2025

### Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Scrutineer

As the Group's/District's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that neither the audit nor independent examination requirements of the Charities Act 2011 apply. It is my responsibility without carrying out an audit or independent examination to scrutinise the accounts and to report to you.

### Basis of Scrutineer's Statement

In accordance with the directions given in the Group's/District's constitution, I have scrutinised the records and the accounts set out on pages ..... to .....

### Scrutineer's Statement

In my opinion the accounts are in accordance with the records produced to me and comply with the constitution.

Name: DAVID GILLES allyh (ACIB)

Address: 100 LONG CATHIC ROAD

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Date: 6th JANUARY 2026



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You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:

Policies and procedures adopted for:  
a) the induction and training of trustees; b) trustee' consideration of major risks and the systems and procedures to manage them

The District is managed by the District Trustees Committee, the members of which are the ' Charity Trustees' of the Scout District 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 Chairperson, Treasurer and Secretary together with Section Leaders and other representatives meet every 2 months.

The District Trustee Committee exists to support the District in meeting the responsibilities of all Groups and is responsible for:

- The administration of District Finances;
- The insurance of persons, property, and District equipment;
- District public occasions;
- Supporting all Groups in the District;
- Appointing any sub committees that may be required;

Appointing District Administrators and Advisors other than those who are elected.

**Section B**

**Structure, governance and management (continued)**

**Risk and Internal Control**

The District Trustee Committee has identified the major risks to which they believe the District 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;

With regard to damage to buildings, property and equipment. The District would request the use of any buildings, property and equipment from neighbouring organisations such as the church, community centre and other Scout Groups. Similar reciprocal arrangements exist with these organisations. The District ensures that Groups have sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss.

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**Risk and Internal Control (Specimen 2)**

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

Section C	Objectives and activities
Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document	<p>The objectives of the group are as a unit of the Scout Association.</p> <p>The Aim of The Scout Association is 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. The method of achieving the Aim of the Association is by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law and guided by adult leadership.</p>

Additional details of the objectives and activities (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

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**Section D****Achievements and performance**

summary of the main achievements of  
the charity during the year

Gillingham District Membership has now dropped slightly to 797. We have 10 groups and 6 Explorer Units. We also have "Squirrels" a new younger section for 4 year olds. The District Headquarters is now being used more and some income is now coming in from outside sources . We were also fortunate to receive a grant from the Youth Investment Fund of £19,344 to help with an upgrade on the toilets at the District HQ at the end of the last financial year. This work has been carried out and is now complete, the total cost being £27,275 Our other major project is the Wynne-Brookes lodge at Buckmore Park, this is now being used on a regular basis and work parties meet up to keep the building maintained and the area around building tidy.

**Section E**

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

**Reserves Policy**

The District's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the District should income and fundraising activities fall short. This has been set by the Executive Committee to be £29,000. (£20,000 for District and

Quantify and explain any designations

Details of any funds materially in deficit (circumstances plus steps to eliminate)

Further financial review details (optional information)

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- the charity's principal sources of funds

**Investment Policy (Specimen 1)**

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**Other Optional Information**

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

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**Section G**

**Declaration**

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	David Ainsley	Maureen Billinghamurst				
Full name(s)	David Ainsley	Maureen Billinghamurst				
Chair	Chairperson	Treasurer				
Date	1	0	0	6	2	5

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Full name(s)

David Ainsley

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Chair

Chairperson

Treasurer

Date

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# Gillingham District Receipts and Payments Account

For the year from	1 April 2022	To	31 March 2023
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## Receipts and payments

	2022/23 Unrestricted funds £	2021/22 Unrestricted funds £
<b>Receipts</b>		
<b>Donations, legacies and similar income</b>		
Membership subscriptions	62,411	28,575
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/District)	37,479	27,213
Net membership subscriptions retained	24,932	1,362
Rent and Hire of District HQ	4,255	3,305
Income on Wynne Brooks Lodge (Buckmore Park)	-	540
Donation	6,000	-
Badge shop+District Scarves	722	815
Gift Aid	1,897	433
Youth Funds	612	2,189
Sale of activity equipment	-	2,600
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>38,418</b>	<b>11,244</b>
<b>Grants</b>		
BBC/Children in Need Grant	-	34,146
Medway Council Grants	-	12,842
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>46,988</b>
<b>Fundraising (gross)</b>		
World Jamboree 2023	18,542	3,445
Activity Equipment	-	270
EUROJAM20 Fundraising	-	-
EUROJAM refund from County (due to Cancellation)	-	406
Wynne Brooks Lodge - sponsored walk	-	-
Other fundraising activities	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>18,542</b>	<b>4,121</b>
<b>Investment income</b>		
Bank interest		
Building Society interest		
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service		
Property Rent income		
Other investment income		
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total Gross Income</b>	<b>56,960</b>	<b>62,353</b>
<b>Asset and investment sales, etc.</b>		
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>56,960</b>	<b>62,353</b>

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### Receipts and payments

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<b>Payments</b>		
<b>Charitable Payments</b>		
Youth programme and other activities	-	811
Explorer Units programme and activities + GSAS	2,729	-
World Jamboree 2023	18,250	2,483
Adult support and training	159	-
Wynne Brooks Lodge Expenditure	535	2,197
District HQ ungrading from BBC / CIN grant	13,986	20,951
Hiring of room for meetings	340	210
Fun Day	58	0
Insurance	1,274	1,793
Recruitment Campaign	-	1,278
Water/Elect/Services on New HQ	2,080	1,446
Refurbishing District HQ	1,550	2,135
Materials and other District equipment	1,497	-
Expenditure on Activity equipment (repairs and storage etc)	375	435
District Scarves	-	634
Postage /Printing/photocopying	109	83
Media and Development	192	168
St Georges Day	416	29
AGM	91	112
Hardship Fund	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>43,641</b>	<b>34,765</b>
<b>Fundraising expenses</b>		
Lottery Licence	-	-
Other fundraising costs	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total Gross Expenditure</b>	<b>43,641</b>	<b>34,765</b>
<b>Asset and investment purchases, etc.</b>		
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>43,641</b>	<b>34,765</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>13,319</b>	<b>27,588</b>
<b>Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>117,573</b>	<b>89,985</b>
<b>Funds this year end</b>	<b>130,892</b>	<b>117,573</b>

# Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	31 March 2023	31 March 2022
	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	£	£
<b>Cash funds</b>		
Bank current account (District,Badge,Explorer units and G.S.A.S)	130,421	116,887
Bank deposit account		
Building society account	-	-
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	-	-
Cash/Floats	471	686
<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>130,892</b>	<b>117,573</b>
<b>Other monetary assets</b>		
Tax claim		
Debts due from the Groups	-	-
Insurance claim		
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Investment assets</b>		
Investment property - detail		
Quoted investments		
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Badge stock + District Scarves	742	1,231
Shop stock		
Other stock (Clothing with District Logo)	-	-
Land and buildings	270,000	270,000
Motor vehicles		
Scouting equipment, furniture etc	12,000	14,000
Other		
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>282,742</b>	<b>285,231</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Accounts not yet paid		
Expenses incurred but not invoiced		
Subscriptions not yet paid		
Loan - detail		
Other liabilities		
<b>Sub total</b>		

## Contingent liabilities and future obligations

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees of the District Executive Committee on 27th June 2023

Signature

Print Name

David Ainsley
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**Section B****Structure, governance and management**

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The District is managed by the District Executive Committee, the members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' of the Scout District 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.

Policies and procedures adopted for:  
a) the induction and training of trustees; b) trustee' consideration of major risks and the systems and procedures to manage them

The Chairperson, Treasurer and Secretary together with Section Leaders and other representatives meet every 2 months.

The District Executive Committee exists to support the District in meeting the responsibilities of all Groups and is responsible for:

The administration of District Finances;  
The insurance of persons, property, and District equipment;  
District public occasions;  
Supporting all Groups in the District;  
Appointing any sub committees that may be required;

Appointing District Administrators and Advisors other than those who are elected.

**Section B****Structure, governance and management (continued)****Risk and Internal Control**

The District Executive Committee has identified the major risks to which they believe the District 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;

With regard to damage to buildings, property and equipment. The District would request the use of any buildings, property and equipment from neighbouring organisations such as the church, community centre and other Scout Groups. Similar reciprocal arrangements exist with these organisations. The District ensures that Groups have sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss.

Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members. The District through the membership fees contributes to the Scout Associations national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities.

The District is primarily reliant upon income from annual membership fees, fundraising, the occasional grant and donations. The District does hold a reserve to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income.

Reduction or loss of leaders. The District is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the District.

Reduction or loss of members. The District provides activities for all young people aged 6 to 18. If there was a reduction in membership in a particular section or group as whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section. In the worst case scenario the complete closure of that particular Group.

**Risk and Internal Control (Specimen 2)**

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

Section C	Objectives and activities
Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document	<p>The objectives of the group are as a unit of the Scout Association.</p> <p>The Aim of The Scout Association is 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. The method of achieving the Aim of the Association is by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law and guided by adult leadership.</p>

Additional details of the objectives and activities (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- contribution made by volunteers.

**Section D**

**Achievements and performance**

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Gillingham District Membership has now increased since the COVID pandemic as Groups are now able to meet face to face again . The number of young people has gradually increased to 798, now that lockdown has been lifted. We have 10 groups and 5 Explorer Units. We also have "Squirrels" a new younger section for 4 year olds. The District Headquarters is now being used again and some income is now coming in. The Government stepped in once again and announced that another grant would be available to cover running costs which was a great help. We were also fortunate to receive a BBC Children in Need Grant of £34,056 to help with a major upgrade on the HQ for windows, security doors, fencing and storage container. We had a very short time to get contractors in place to cover the criteria set out by Children in Need. Our other major project is the Wynne-Brookes lodge at Buckmore Park. This facility was also shut down and not used due to Covid, but is now once again being used. The next World Jamboree in 2023 will be in South Korea. We have 6 candidates selected to attend and at the moment are busy fundraising to pay the total of £24,000 for the trip. Scouting is beginning to get back with face to face meetings and hopefully normality is back.

**Section E**

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

**Reserves Policy**  
The District's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the District should income and fundraising activities fall short. This has been set by the Executive Committee to be £10,000.

Quantify and explain any designations

Details of any funds materially in deficit (circumstances plus steps to eliminate)

Further financial review details (optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives

**Investment Policy (Specimen 1)**

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

The District Executive regularly looks at the levels of bank balances and the interest rates received to ensure the district obtains maximum value and income from its banking arrangements.

**Investment Policy (Specimen 2)**

The District does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer term investments. The District has therefore adopted a risk averse strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or building societies.

**Section F Other Optional Information**

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

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**Section G Declaration**

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	David Ainsley	Maureen Billinghamurst
Full name(s)	David Ainsley	Maureen Billinghamurst
Chair	Chairperson	Treasurer
Date	2 1 0 6 2 2	

# Gillingham District Receipts and Payments Account

For the year from	1 April 2021	To	31 March 2022
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## Receipts and payments

	2021/22 Unrestricted funds £	2020/21 Unrestricted funds £
<b>Receipts</b>		
<b>Donations, legacies and similar income</b>		
Membership subscriptions	28,575	41,713
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/District)	27,213	35,114
Net membership subscriptions retained	1,362	6,599
Rent and Hire of District HQ	3,305	-
Income on Wynne Brooks Lodge (Buckmore Park)	540	-
Donation	-	-
Badge shop/ District Scarves	815	174
Gift Aid	433	3,339
Explorer Funds +GSAS	2,189	1,464
St Georges Day refund	-	300
Sale of activity equipment	2,600	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>11,244</b>	<b>11,876</b>
<b>Grants</b>		
BBC/Children in Need Grant	34,146	
Medway Council Grants	12,842	10,000
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>46,988</b>	<b>10,000</b>
<b>Fundraising (gross)</b>		
World Jamboree 2023	3,445	-
Activity Equipment	270	-
EUROJAM20 Fundraising	-	660
EUROJAM refund from County (due to Cancellation)	406	9,371
Wynne Brooks Lodge - sponsored walk	-	-
Other fundraising activities	-	11
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>4,121</b>	<b>10,042</b>
<b>Investment income</b>		
Bank interest		-
Building Society interest		-
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	-	-
Property Rent income		
Other investment income		
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total Gross Income</b>	<b>62,353</b>	<b>31,918</b>
<b>Asset and investment sales, etc.</b>		
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>62,353</b>	<b>31,918</b>

## Gillingham District Receipts and Payments Account

For the year from	1 April 2021	To	31 March 2022
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### Receipts and payments

	2021/22 Unrestricted funds £	2020/21 Unrestricted funds £
<b>Payments</b>		
<b>Charitable Payments</b>		
Youth programme and other activities	811	60
Explorer Units programme and activities + GSAS	-	50
World Jamboree 2023	2,483	-
Adult support and training	-	29
New Buiding Expenditure (WBL) inc. surfacing car park	2,197	154
District HQ ungrading from BBC / CIN grant	20,951	-
Hiring of room for meetings	210	-
EUROJAM20	-	6,204
Insurance	1,793	2,052
Recruitment Campaign	1,278	-
Water/Elect/Services on New HQ	1,446	834
Refurbishing District HQ	2,135	858
Materials and other District equipment	-	-
Expenditure on Activity equipment (repairs and storage etc)	435	300
District Scarves	634	-
Postage /Printing/photocopying	83	82
Media and Development	168	229
St Georges Day	29	-
AGM	112	-
Hardship Fund	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>34,765</b>	<b>10,852</b>
<b>Fundraising expenses</b>		
Lottery Licence	-	-
Other fundraising costs	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total Gross Expenditure</b>	<b>34,765</b>	<b>10,852</b>
<b>Asset and investment purchases, etc.</b>		
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>34,765</b>	<b>10,852</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>27,588</b>	<b>21,066</b>
<b>Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>89,985</b>	<b>68,919</b>
<b>Funds this year end</b>	<b>117,573</b>	<b>89,985</b>

# Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	31 March 2022 Unrestricted funds	31 March 2021 Unrestricted funds
	£	£
<b>Cash funds</b>		
Bank current account (District, Badge, Explorer units and G.S.A.S)	116,887	87,870
Bank deposit account		
Building society account	-	858
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	-	-
Cash/Floats	686	1,257
<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>117,573</b>	<b>89,985</b>
<b>Other monetary assets</b>		
Tax claim		
Debts due from the Groups	-	-
Insurance claim		
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Investment assets</b>		
Investment property - detail		
Quoted investments		
Other investments - detail		
<b>Sub total</b>		
<b>Non monetary assets for charity's own use</b>		
Badge stock + District Scarves	1,231	948
Shop stock		
Other stock (Clothing with District Logo)	-	-
Land and buildings	270,000	270,000
Motor vehicles		
Scouting equipment, furniture etc	14,000	17,000
Other		
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>285,231</b>	<b>287,948</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Accounts not yet paid		
Expenses incurred but not invoiced		
Subscriptions not yet paid		
Loan - detail		
Other liabilities		
<b>Sub total</b>		

## Contingent liabilities and future obligations

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees of the District Executive Committee on 21st June 2022

Signature

Print Name

<i>David Ainsley</i>
<i>Maureen Billinghamurst</i>

MR DAVID AINSLEY	Chairperson
MRS MAUREEN BILLINGHURST	Treasurer

## Scrutineer’s Report to the Trustees of the Gillingham District Scout Council

I report on the accounts of the Group/District for the year ended ..... 31st March 2022 .....

### Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Scrutineer

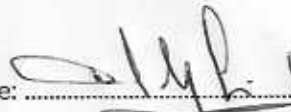
As the Group’s/District’s trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that neither the audit nor independent examination requirements of the Charities Act 2011 apply. It is my responsibility without carrying out an audit or independent examination to scrutinise the accounts and to report to you.

### Basis of Scrutineer’s Statement

In accordance with the directions given in the Group’s/District’s constitution, I have scrutinised the records and the accounts set out on pages ..... to .....

### Scrutineer’s Statement

In my opinion the accounts are in accordance with the records produced to me and comply with the constitution.

Name:  (ACIS) David Piles  
 Address: 100 HONG PATHS ROAD  
GILLINGHAM  
KENT  
ME8 9TH  
 Date: 8/1/23

**GILLINGHAM DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL**

England & Wales - Charity number 303387

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# Accounts

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**Section B**

**Structure, governance and management**

The District 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 of The Scout Association.

The District 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.

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**Section B**

**Structure, governance and management (continued)**

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Additional details of the objectives and activities (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- contribution made by volunteers.

## Section D

## Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Emmington District membership has been reduced due to the COVID pandemic as Groups were unable to meet face to face only via zoom. The number of young people has been reduced to 626, a drop of 26%, but should return as lockdown eases. We have 11 groups and 4 Explorer Units. The District Headquarters was being used by two of the Scout Groups in the District, but now face to face scouting is not happening there has been no income. The Government stepped in and announced that Grants would be available, one was applied for and Medway Council paid us £10,000 to cover running costs which was a great help. Our other major project is the Wynne-Brookes lodge at Buckmore Park. This facility has also been shut down and not used. The nine young people fundraising to attend Eurojam20, were very disappointed when the date was moved to 2021 and then completely cancelled as travel was not permitted during this pandemic. All money for Eurojam paid to County was returned to the District, which has been ringfenced for the nine young people to use for another scouting event of their choice in accordance with the Charity Commission rules. Hopefully scouting will start face to face shortly and normality will be back.

## Section E

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

### Reserves Policy

The District's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the District should income and fundraising activities fall short. This has been set by the Executive Committee to be £10,000.

Quantify and explain any designations

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Further financial review details (optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds

**Investment Policy (Specimen 1)**

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- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;

The District Executive regularly looks at the levels of bank balances and the interest rates received to ensure the district obtains maximum value and income from its banking arrangements.

- investment policy and objectives

**Investment Policy (Specimen 2)**

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**Section F Other Optional Information**

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

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**Section G Declaration**

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	David Ainsley	Maureen Billinghamurst
Full name(s)	David Ainsley	Maureen Billinghamurst
Chair	Chairperson	Treasurer
Date	1 5 0 9 2 1	

# Gillingham District Receipts and Payments Account

For the year from	1 April 2020	To	31 March 2021
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## Receipts and payments

	2020/21 Unrestricted funds £	2019/20 Unrestricted funds £
<b>Receipts</b>		
<b>Donations, legacies and similar income</b>		
Membership subscriptions	41,713	45,496
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/District)	35,114	33,891
Net membership subscriptions retained	6,599	11,605
Rent and Hire of District HQ	-	4,657
Income on Wynne Brooks Lodge (Buckmore Park)	-	880
Donation for WBL building	-	1,000
Donation	-	30
Badge shop/ District Scarves	174	646
Gift Aid	3,339	1,283
Explorer Funds +GSAS	1,464	-
St Georges Day refund	300	-
Calendars	-	75
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>11,876</b>	<b>20,176</b>
<b>Grants</b>		
Medway Council Covid Grant	10,000	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Fundraising (gross)</b>		
World Jamboree 2019	-	252
Activity Equipment	-	805
EUROJAM20 Fundraising	660	12,501
EUROJAM refund from County (due to Cancellation)	9,371	-
Wynne Brooks Lodge - sponsored walk	-	655
Other fundraising activities	11	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>10,042</b>	<b>14,213</b>
<b>Investment income</b>		
Bank interest		-
Building Society interest		
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	-	-
Property Rent income		
Other investment income		
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total Gross Income</b>	<b>31,918</b>	<b>34,389</b>
<b>Asset and investment sales, etc.</b>		
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>31,918</b>	<b>34,389</b>

## Gillingham District Receipts and Payments Account

For the year from	1 April 2020	To	31 March 2021
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### Receipts and payments

	2020/21 Unrestricted funds £	2019/20 Unrestricted funds £
<b>Payments</b>		
<b>Charitable Payments</b>		
Youth programme and other activities	60	716
Explorer Units programme and activities + GSAS	50	609
World Jamboree 2019	-	4,975
Adult support and training	29	173
New Buiding Expenditure (Wynne Brooks Lodge)	154	2,854
Hiring of room for meetings	-	567
EUROJAM20	6,204	8,844
Insurance	2,052	2019
District HQ - repayment of loan	-	12,000
Water/Elect/Services on New HQ	834	1,827
Refurbishing District HQ	858	2,734
Materials and other District equipment	-	-
Expenditure on Activity equipment (repairs and storage etc)	300	379
Badge shop	-	-
Postage /Printing/photocopying and calendars	82	290
Media and Development	229	288
St Georges Day	-	347
AGM	-	108
2020 Challenge	-	339
Hardship Fund	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>10,852</b>	<b>39,069</b>
<b>Fundraising expenses</b>		
Lottery Licence	-	-
Big Quiz Refund of Donation to Medway District	-	-
Other fundraising costs	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total Gross Expenditure</b>	<b>10,852</b>	<b>39,069</b>
<b>Asset and investment purchases, etc.</b>		
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>10,852</b>	<b>39,069</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>21,066</b>	<b>- 4,680</b>
<b>Cash funds last year end</b>		
<b>Funds this year end</b>	<b>89,985</b>	<b>68,919</b>

# Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	31 March 2021 Unrestricted funds	31 March 2020 Unrestricted funds
	£	£
<b>Cash funds</b>		
Bank current account (District, Badge, Explorer units and G.S.A.S)	87,870	66,486
Bank deposit account		
Building society account	858	858
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	-	-
Cash/Floats	1,257	1,575
<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>89,985</b>	<b>68,919</b>
<b>Other monetary assets</b>		
Tax claim		
Debts due from the Groups	-	-
Insurance claim		
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Investment assets</b>		
Investment property - detail		
Quoted investments		
Other investments - detail		
<b>Sub total</b>		
<b>Non monetary assets for charity's own use</b>		
Badge stock + District Scarves	948	970
Shop stock		
Other stock (Clothing with District Logo)	-	-
Land and buildings	270,000	270,000
Motor vehicles		
Scouting equipment, furniture etc	17,000	17,000
Other		
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>287,948</b>	<b>287,970</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Accounts not yet paid		
Expenses incurred but not invoiced		
Subscriptions not yet paid		
Loan - detail		
Other liabilities		
<b>Sub total</b>		

## Contingent liabilities and future obligations

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees of the District Executive Committee 15th September 2021

Signature

Print Name


MR DAVID AINSLEY	Chairperson
MRS MAUREEN BILLINGHURST	Treasurer

## Scrutineer's Report to the Trustees of the Gillingham District Scout Council

I report on the accounts of the Group/District for the year ended 31st March 2021

### Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Scrutineer

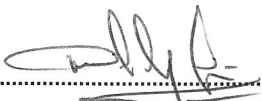
As the Group's/District's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that neither the audit nor independent examination requirements of the Charities Act 2011 apply. It is my responsibility without carrying out an audit or independent examination to scrutinise the accounts and to report to you.

### Basis of Scrutineer's Statement

In accordance with the directions given in the Group's/District's constitution, I have scrutinised the records and the accounts set out on pages ..... to .....

### Scrutineer's Statement

In my opinion the accounts are in accordance with the records produced to me and comply with the constitution.

Name:  (DAVID GILES ACIB)

Address: 100 LONG CATHIS ROAD

GILLINGHAM

MK8 9TH

Date: 25/1/2022