

14TH WALTHAMSTOW SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales · Charity number 303866

Details

Other names	14TH WALTHAMSTOW GROUP OF BOY SCOUT, 14TH WALTHAMSTOW SCOUTGROUP
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1962-11-08
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Activities

Objects: PURPOSES OF THE 14TH WALTHAMSTOW GROUP OF BOY SCOUTS

Activities: Physical and spiritual development of young people.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Education/training, Amateur Sport, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** WALTHAMSTOW
- Waltham Forest

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£29,437	£25,929	-	-
2024-12-31	£49,487	£62,455	-	-
2023-12-31	£41,954	£31,961	-	-
2022-12-31	£14,775	£13,229	-	-
2021-12-31	£9,000	£7,906	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
David Hawes		
John Hawes		
Robert Howard		

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Accounts



Annual Report for 1st Jan 2025 to 31st December 2025

Charity No: 303866



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REFERENCE & ADMINISTRATION

Charity Name

14th Walthamstow Scout Group

Registration Number

303866

Principal Address

205A Wood Street, Walthamstow, London, E17 3NU

Charity Trustee Members for the period

Trustee Name	Position
David Hawes	Group Team Member
John Hawes	Group President
Robert Howard	Scout Team Member

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Group Leadership Team

The Group is led by the Group Lead Volunteer; the following roles are part of the 'Group Leadership Team'.

Name	Position	Dates acted
Gareth Wyatt	Group Lead Volunteer	
Chris Raby	Assistant Group Lead Volunteer	
Sam Raby	Cub Lead Volunteer	
George Nightingale	Scout Lead Volunteer	
Irene Raby	Beaver Lead Volunteer	
Lucy Nightingale	Group Secretary	
Joanna Mason	Group Treasurer	

Sections

There are 3 active sections within the group. Each section is managed by the Section Lead Volunteer who report directly to the Group Lead Volunteer (GLV). The Group also has a partnership with an Explorer unit that is run by the Explorer Lead Volunteer (ELV). The ELV reports directly to the District Lead Volunteer. Their finances are not consolidated with those of the Group.

Section	Meeting Time
Beavers	Friday night 18:15 to 19:30
Cubs	Thursday night 18:30 to 20:00
Scouts	Friday night 20:00 to 21:30
Explorers (Sloths ESU)	Biweekly Wednesday 18:00 to 21:00

Properties

The group owns one property. This comprises the main hall building, a garage and two outside storage buildings.

Name	Address	Notes
Main Hall	205A Wood Street Walthamstow, London, E17 3NU	Roof Replaced 2024
Garage		Storage Brick built, fibreglass roof.
Scout Shed		Storage Brick built, fibreglass roof.
Explorer Storage		Storage Wood walls, fibreglass roof.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE & MANAGEMENT

General

The 14th Walthamstow Scout Group is a registered charity operating under the umbrella of The Scouts. It functions within the framework and rules set out in the Policy, Organization and Rules (POR) of The Scouts.

The Group's governing documents are those of The Scouts, which consist of a Royal Charter that authorises the byelaws of the Association and the Policy, Organization and Rules documents.

The Group's Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organization and Rules of The Scouts.

Management

The 14th Walthamstow Scout Group is managed by its Group Leadership Team, of which three members are the Charity Trustees of the Group. As Charity Trustees, they are responsible for ensuring compliance with all relevant charity legislation, including registration, proper accounting, and submission of returns to the Charity Commission as required.

The Group Leadership Team normally includes the Group Chair, Group Treasurer, Group Scout Leader (GSL), Secretary, and Elected, Co-opted and Ex-Officio members. Meetings are normally held at least quarterly.

All members of the Group Leadership Team complete Essential Information for Trustee Board Members, GDPR, Safety and Safeguarding training within the first five months of joining the Group Leadership Team.

Responsibilities

The Group Leadership Team exists to support the Group's Leaders in delivering quality Scouting and in meeting their responsibilities. The Group Leadership Team is responsible for:

- The maintenance of the Group's property and equipment.
- The raising and administration of Group funds.
- Ensuring adequate insurance cover for people, property, and equipment.
- Supporting and promoting Group public occasions and events.
- Assisting in the recruitment and retention of adult volunteers and leaders.
- Appointing sub-committees or working groups as required.
- Appointing Group Administrators and Advisors other than those who are elected.

RISK & INTERNAL CONTROL

General

The Group has in place systems of internal control designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss. These include the requirement for two authorised signatories on all payments and maintaining comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

The Group Leadership Team has reviewed the major risks to which the Group is exposed and has established systems to mitigate them. The main areas of identified concern include:

Building & equipment risk

Damage to buildings, property, or equipment.

In such an event, the Group would seek temporary use of facilities and equipment from local partner organisations such as nearby Scout Groups, community centres, or churches. Reciprocal arrangements exist with several of these organisations.

The Group maintains sufficient building and contents insurance to mitigate against permanent loss.

Injuries to members

Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members.

The Group, through membership fees, contributes to The Scouts national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities. The Group has insurance for non-member adults helping with Group activities.

Reduced income

A reduction in income from fundraising or subscriptions could impact the Group's ability to deliver its programme and maintain its facilities.

The 14th Walthamstow Scout Group is primarily reliant on income from member subscriptions, renting the main hall to third parties, fundraising events, and donations.

The Group maintains a financial reserve to ensure the continuity of Scouting activities in the event of a significant drop in income. Should this situation arise, the Group Leadership Team could consider temporary or permanent measures such as increasing subscriptions, seeking additional fundraising opportunities, or applying for grants to stabilise income levels.

Reduction in leaders & adult volunteers

The Group is entirely reliant on volunteers to run and administer all sections and activities. A reduction in the number of adult volunteers or leaders would directly affect the ability to deliver a full Scouting program.

If the number of leaders in a section were to fall below a sustainable level, the Group may be required to merge sections, temporarily suspend activities, or, in the worst case, close a section.

Volunteer recruitment and retention are regularly monitored by the Group Lead Volunteer and the Group Leadership Team. The team provides support and encouragement to ensure all sections are adequately staffed and that new volunteers are welcomed and trained effectively.

Reduction in youth members

The Group provides Scouting opportunities for young people aged 6 to 14 through its Beaver, Cub, and Scout sections. A reduction in youth membership would impact the Group's financial stability and overall vibrancy. Should there be a sustained fall in membership in a particular section, the Group may need to consolidate or merge sections to maintain viability.

Membership numbers are reviewed regularly by section leaders and the Group Lead Volunteer, and efforts are made to promote Scouting within the local community, including outreach through schools, community events, and word-of-mouth recruitment.

Our mission

At the 14th Walthamstow Scout Group, we actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.

Through fun, challenge, and adventure, we help young people develop skills for life — supporting them to grow in confidence, resilience, and responsibility.

Values

As Scouts, we are guided by the following core values:

Care:

We support others and take care of the world in which we live.

Respect:

We have self-respect and show respect for others.

Integrity:

We act with honesty, trustworthiness, and loyalty.

Cooperation:

We make a positive difference by working together, helping others, and building friendships.

Belief:

We explore our own faiths, beliefs, and attitudes while respecting those of others.

Why is Scouting needed today?

- Scouting continues to play an essential role in the lives of young people and the wider community.
- Across divided communities, Scouting brings people together. At the 14th Walthamstow Scout Group, we offer shared experiences and a safe space for young people from all backgrounds to

meet, learn, and grow — promoting mutual understanding and lifelong friendships.

- In a time of uncertainty, Scouting provides stability and purpose. We help young people develop the values, confidence, and belief in themselves and others that equip them to become active, responsible citizens.
- We offer a place to belong, opportunities to learn skills for life, and an environment that encourages optimism for the future.

Our vision for 2025/26

As part of the national Scouting movement, the 14th Walthamstow Scout Group aims to prepare even more young people with skills for life — supported by dedicated volunteers who deliver an inspiring, inclusive, and adventurous program.

Our objectives

We want to...

- **...grow.**
We believe Scouting changes lives, and we want to ensure that every young person in our local community has the opportunity to join and experience the benefits of being part of Scouts.
- **...become more inclusive.**
Everyone, regardless of background, ability, or circumstance, should be able to access Scouting. We are committed to breaking down barriers and making our Group welcoming and accessible to all.
- **...be more youth-shaped.**
Young people should play an active role in shaping their Scouting experience. We aim to create more opportunities for our Beavers, Cubs, and Scouts to contribute ideas, take the lead, and develop their leadership potential.
- **...impact our community.**
Scouting isn't just about individual development — it's about making a difference. Through community projects and social action, we aim to have a positive impact on Walthamstow and the wider local area.

Within our Group we aim to:

- Ensure we remain a resilient and well-managed charity, able to respond effectively to changes and challenges in our environment;
- Build and maintain positive relationships with local partners, including schools, community organisations, and other Scout Groups;
- Provide strong support to our leaders and volunteers, helping them to deliver safe, high-quality, and engaging programs for young people;
- Offer Group-wide events and activities that bring all our sections together and complement their regular programs;
- Maintain and make effective use of our premises, equipment, and resources to support our programs delivery.

GROUP LEAD VOLUNTEERS ANNUAL REPORT

2025 has been another busy and productive year for the 14th Walthamstow Scout Group, marked by continued progress, exciting programme activities, and important steps towards securing the long-term future of our headquarters.

Building and Facilities

Although we could not deliver a full Group camp in 2025 as originally planned, we continued to focus on improving our facilities and strengthening the foundations for future development.

One of our main priorities in 2025 was the improvement of our internal spaces. We made significant progress in completing the renovation of the meeting room, including the installation of a large number of new cupboards. This has greatly increased our storage capacity and improved organisation, making it easier for leaders to run high-quality sessions and activities.

We also carried out substantial work on the hallway area, repainting and refreshing the space to make it brighter, more welcoming, and more suitable for members, parents, and visitors. These improvements have helped to enhance the overall appearance and usability of our headquarters.

While planned renovation works to the kitchen did not begin in 2025, we undertook detailed investigations and initial planning for the renewal of the end of the building where the kitchen and den are located. Unfortunately, emerging structural damage in this area has since made this project a higher priority. Addressing these issues will now be one of our most important objectives in 2026, ensuring the long-term safety and sustainability of the building.

Programme and Activities in 2025

Throughout 2025, our sections continued to deliver a varied, engaging, and adventurous programme for our young people.

The Scout section enjoyed a particularly successful year, including a week-long summer camp to the Isle of Wight. This provided valuable opportunities for independence, teamwork, and outdoor learning. In addition, Scouts took part in several night hikes and a visit to the Imperial War Museum in London, broadening their experiences and supporting badge work.

Our Cub section also had an outstanding year, with a wide range of adventurous and creative activities. These included climbing, laser tag, and a pirate-themed camp. One of the highlights was a unique behind-the-scenes visit to an airline facility at Stansted Airport, where Cubs were able to try flight simulators, learn about evacuation procedures, and see how aircraft are maintained. This was a memorable and inspiring experience for all involved.

The Beaver section continued to thrive, taking part in smaller hikes, visits from the fire brigade, and hands-on sessions with artefacts from mudlarking. They were also treated to a special visit from Safari Pete, who introduced the Beavers to a range of animals and insects, helping to build confidence and curiosity about the natural world.

These activities reflect the dedication of our leadership team and their commitment to providing safe, enjoyable, and meaningful Scouting experiences for all members.

Review of 2025 Objectives

While some planned objectives for 2025 were delayed, important groundwork was laid for future success. The postponement of the full Group camp and kitchen renovation allowed us to reassess priorities and focus on areas requiring urgent attention. The investigation and planning work carried out during the year has placed us in a stronger position to move forward in 2026 with clearer aims and improved understanding of our building's needs.

At the same time, the successful completion of the meeting room and hallway improvements demonstrates our ongoing commitment to investing in our facilities for the benefit of current and future members. From a financial perspective, while no major grants or fundraising campaigns took place during the year, the Group continued to benefit from a steady and reliable income stream through Gift Aid and Easyfundraising. This ongoing support plays an important role in helping to cover running costs and fund improvements to our facilities.

In terms of leadership and volunteering, we were pleased to welcome two new adult volunteers to the Beaver section and one new adult to the Cub section. Their involvement has strengthened our leadership team and helped to maintain high-quality provision across the Group. However, it is also important to note that our Scout Team Leader has announced their intention to step back from the role. As a result, recruiting additional adult support for the Scout section will be a key priority moving forward.

Membership levels have remained stable throughout 2025, with all sections operating at full capacity. We continue to maintain a very large waiting list, demonstrating strong local demand for Scouting. While we would like to offer places to more young people, limitations in space and adult volunteer numbers currently restrict our ability to expand further.

The hall has continued to be well used by external organisations, including Bongalong, a baby music group, and Shaolin Dao Lu, a martial arts school, both of which use the facilities on a regular basis. In addition, the hall has hosted a range of ad hoc events and small private parties. This community use provides a valuable and consistent source of income, helping to support both the Group's activities and ongoing building maintenance.

Plans and Priorities for 2026

Looking ahead, 2026 will be a crucial and exciting year for the Group.

Our primary focus will be the redevelopment and strengthening of the kitchen end of the building, including the kitchen and den areas. This work is essential to address structural concerns and to ensure that our headquarters remains safe, functional, and fit for purpose for many years to come. We will be seeking appropriate funding and professional support to deliver this project successfully.

We also plan to investigate and improve the external walkways around the hall, with the aim of laying new, level surface material across all areas. This will improve accessibility, safety, and ease of use, particularly in poor weather conditions.

In addition, we will continue work on completing and developing our training room and will make full use of this space for leader training, meetings, and skills development. This will support the continued growth and effectiveness of our volunteer team.

A major highlight for 2026 will be our planned Group camp. We have secured both a date and campsite, and

the event has been opened to Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, and Explorers. This camp will provide a valuable opportunity for all sections to come together, strengthen friendships, and celebrate Scouting across the Group.

Looking Forward

With the continued enthusiasm of our young people, the dedication of our adult volunteers, and the ongoing support of parents, supporters, and the wider community, the 14th Walthamstow Scout Group remains strong and forward-looking.

While challenges remain, particularly around building maintenance and development, we are confident that the progress made in 2025 and the plans in place for 2026 will enable the Group to continue providing high-quality Scouting for years to come.

We are extremely grateful to everyone who contributes their time, skills, and resources to support the Group. Together, we look forward to another successful and rewarding year ahead.

Gareth Wyatt
Group Lead Volunteer

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PUBLIC BENEFITS 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

Reserves Policy

The Group's policy is to keep £5k as a minimum in reserves that can be used to run and maintain the hall so that it can continue to be used to generate income. Any surplus reserves at the end of the financial year will be retained for future expenditure.

Investment Policy

The group does not maintain sufficient funds to consider any investment opportunity. In addition, the risk to funds is too great to outweigh the potential benefits. All funds are stored in charity-based business accounts with a reputable bank. Only our savings and extra account accrue interest.

Treasurers Report

The accounts below are for the period 1st January 2025 to 31st December 2025.

1: Accounting Policies

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The Financial Statements of the Group, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, has been prepared in accordance with the Charity SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting & Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK & Republic of Ireland (FRS 102). Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK & Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The Financial Statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The accounts have been prepared using an accrual accounting methodology to give a true and fair view of the Group's financial activities and financial position.

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Income

All income comes from membership subscriptions, hire of the main hall, and running section activities, and this year from government/local council grants.

Expenditure

Expenses are recognised and classified under headings that aggregate all costs relating to the category.

Taxation

The Group is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees. Restricted funds can only be used for restricted purposes within the objective of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for restricted purposes. No restricted funds were received in the year.

Going Concern

The Group has sufficient funds to meet its financial obligations for a period of at least 12 months from the date of approval of these Financial Statements.

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2: Financial Review

Receipts and payments

	2025	2024
RECEIPTS		
Donations ¹	789	16,919
Rental income	10,542	9,986
Membership Fees	9,377	7,933
Income from running events	7,699	7,140
Group Shop – clothing	0	801
Bank interest	118	342
Other income	912	-
TOTAL RECEIPTS	29,437	43,121
PAYMENTS		
Venue Maintenance ²	3,972	34,940
Expenses from running events	10,217	12,430
Group meetings and badges	3,873	2,371
Utilities	2,768	2,345
Group Shop	1,100	1,162
Insurance	1,038	955
Hall Consumables	578	880
Equipment	2,187	627
Admin	195	347
Other expense	0	32
TOTAL PAYMENTS	25,929	56,089
NET OF RECEIPTS	3,509	-12,968
CASH FUNDS LAST YEAR END	16,096	29,064
CASH FUNDS THIS YEAR END	19,604	16,096

Notes

1 – 2024 includes Gift Aid collected for 2020-2023

2 – 2024 includes the cost of repairs to the main hall's roof.

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Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

	2025	2024
CASH FUNDS		
14th Walthamstow Beavers	550	719
14th Walthamstow Cubs	275	333
14th Walthamstow Scouts	1,023	924
14th Walthamstow Scout Group	17,756	14,120
	19,604	16,096
ASSETS RETAINED FOR THE GROUP'S OWN USE		
Scout building – current value	647,884	629,625

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER REPORT

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of 14th Walthamstow Scout Group

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the 14th Walthamstow Scout Group for the year ended 31 December 2025.

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:



Name: *Jack Sharville ATT CTA*

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

Association of Tax Technicians and Chartered Institute of Taxation

Address: *c/o 205a Wood St, London E17 3NU*

Date: *28 February 2026*

EXEMPTION FROM DISCLOSURES

No Names have been withheld or omitted from the Trustees Annual Report

FUND HELD AS CUSTODIAN TRUSTEES ON BEHALF OF OTHERS

14th Walthamstow Scout group does not hold any funds as custodian trustees.

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Trustee's Annual Report(TAR) and accounts

[Charity reporting and accounts | Resource](#)

These requirements apply to unincorporated cl

Accounting Requirements
Register with Charity Commission
Type of Accounts
Scrutiny of Accounts
Trustees' Annual Report
Filing of Annual Report and Accounts
Annual Return

Instructions for completing

- Fill out the worksheets in this order following

- Once the Accounts - final page looks reasonable

Centre

Charities, including unincorporated associations and charitable trusts:

Gross income £25,000-£250,000
Yes
Receipts and payments. May choose accruals
Either independent examination of accounts or audit, unless specified in constitution.
See note 1A
Simplified annual report.
Prepare a charity trustees' annual report - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)
File with Charity Commission within 10 months
Complete return within 10 months of end of financial year

See the instructions on each page:

Bank Statements

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OSM output

Mapping

Accounts - workings

Accounts - final - this feeds through from "Accounts - workings". Sense check this.

able send this spreadsheet and the bank account statements and transactions (as per w

Notes for 14th Walthamstow

This has been done
We have chosen to report using payments and receipts
The accounts are independently examined (since FY2023)
Financial year end is 31 December so reporting deadline is 31 October of the following year

orksheet "Bank statements") to the independent examiner

14TH WALTHAMSTOW SCOUT GROUP - ACCOUNTS UP TO 31 DECEMBER 2025			
Financial year (FY)	FY25	FY24	
Year ending	31 December 2025	31 December 2024	Notes
Brought forward balances			
14th Walthamstow Scout Group	£14,120	£14,500	
14th Walthamstow Scouts	£924	£1,753	
14th Walthamstow Cubs	£333	£2,302	
14th Walthamstow Beavers	£719	£516	
Total	£16,096	£19,071	
Income			
Rental income	£10,542	£9,986	
Income from running events	£7,699	£7,140	
Membership Fees	£9,377	£7,933	
Donations	£789	£16,919	1
Group Shop - clothing	£912	£801	
Bank interest	£118	£342	2
Total	£29,437	£43,121	
Expenditure			
Venue Maintenance	-£3,972	-£34,940	3
Group events	-£10,217	-£12,430	
Group meetings and badges	-£3,873	-£2,371	
Utilities	-£2,768	-£2,345	
Group Shop	-£1,100	-£1,162	
Insurance	-£1,038	-£955	
Hall Consumables	-£578	-£880	
Equipment	-£2,187	-£627	4
Admin	-£195	-£347	
Training	£0	-£32	
Total	-£25,929	-£56,089	
Closing balances			
14th Walthamstow Scout Group	£17,756	£14,120	
14th Walthamstow Scouts	£1,023	£924	
14th Walthamstow Beavers	£550	£719	
14th Walthamstow Cubs	£275	£333	
Total	£19,604	£16,096	

Notes

1 FY24 - gift aid claimed for the period September 2020 to December 2023

2 Lower bank interest rates in FY25

3 FY24 - included £32.6k for a new roof for the Scout Hall

4 FY25 - camping equipment purchased

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2 – The large decrease this year was due to the repairs to the main hall's roof in 2024

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Instructions

Log on to OSM - Go to "Adults" - Section Admin - Accountancy Tools - Financials
 Click on relevant financial year for reporting - "View financial year"
 On left hand side click "Annual Report"
 Investigate and resolve any differences shown in red under "Bank account vs OSM"
 Click "Download" and copy report to Columns D-F below
 Update Column A as necessary according to the category sections on the OSM
 Drag down formulas in Columns B and C and I and L to ensure all lines of the report are covered
 The adjustment column (H and K) can be used to adjust categories or incorrect amounts

Update category	Formula	Mapping		
-				
Income	IncomeActivity Equipment	Equipment		0
Income	IncomeBank Interest	Bank interest		0
Income	IncomeDonation	Donations		0
Income	IncomeEvents	Income from running event		0
Income	IncomeEvents - Beavers	Income from running event		0
Income	IncomeEvents - Cubs	Income from running event		0
Income	IncomeEvents - Scouts	Income from running event		0
Income	IncomeGift Aid	Donations		0
Income	IncomeGroup Shop	Other income		0
Income	IncomeMeetings - Beaver	Group meetings and badges		0
Income	IncomeMembership Fees	Membership Fees		0
Income	IncomeRent	Rental income		0
Income	IncomeUtilities	Utilities		0
Income	Income		#N/A	#N/A
-				
Expense	ExpenseActivity Equipmer	Equipment		
Expense	ExpenseAdmin	Admin		
Expense	ExpenseBadges	Group meetings and badges		
Expense	ExpenseCamping Equipmer	Equipment		
Expense	ExpenseDonation	Donations		
Expense	ExpenseEvents	Expenses from running events		
Expense	ExpenseEvents - Beavers	Expenses from running events		
Expense	ExpenseEvents - Cubs	Expenses from running events		
Expense	ExpenseEvents - Explorers	Expenses from running events		
Expense	ExpenseEvents - Scouts	Expenses from running events		
Expense	ExpenseGroup Shop	Group Shop		
Expense	ExpenseHall Consumables	Hall Consumables		
Expense	ExpenseInsurance	Insurance		
Expense	ExpenseMeetings	Group meetings and badges		
Expense	ExpenseMeetings - Beaver	Group meetings and badges		
Expense	ExpenseMeetings - Cubs	Group meetings and badges		
Expense	ExpenseMeetings - Scouts	Group meetings and badges		
Expense	ExpenseMembership Cost	Membership Fees		
Expense	ExpenseRefund		#N/A	
Expense	ExpenseTraining	Training		

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cashbook anomaly" - this won't show up if there are no differences

VI report

OSM report have the formulas in the columns.

ct bookings on OSM, where required

Output from OSM			Adjustments - current year	Adjustments - prior year
	2025	2024	2025	
Income				
Activity Equipment	21.98	20.00	-21.98	0.00
Bank Interest	118.14	341.91		118.14
Donation	789.10	8,997.10		789.10
Events	0.00	2,016.68		0.00
Events - Beavers	304.77	190.00		304.77
Events - Cubs	3,559.94	690.00		3,559.94
Events - Scouts	3,834.18	4,243.01		3,834.18
Gift Aid	0.00	10,408.91		0.00
Group Shop	912.36	801.16		912.36
Meetings - Beavers	0.00	6.99		0.00
Membership Fees	13,783.85	11,704.52		13,783.85
Rent	10,541.56	9,985.78		10,541.56
Utilities	0.00	81.02		0.00
				0.00
Expense				0.00
Activity Equipment	1,091.78	276.77	21.98	-1,069.80
Admin	195.43	346.72		-195.43
Badges	879.08	213.55		-879.08
Camping Equipment	1,117.21	370.59		-1,117.21
Donation	0.00	2,486.98		0.00
Events	0.00	2,038.41		0.00
Events - Beavers	553.96	296.62		-553.96
Events - Cubs	4,832.24	1,959.71	-51.00	-4,883.24
Events - Explorers	0.00	1,473.63		0.00
Events - Scouts	4,780.05	6,661.65		-4,780.05
Group Shop	1,099.77	1,161.82		-1,099.77
Hall Consumables	578.42	879.63		-578.42
Insurance	1,038.17	955.46		-1,038.17
Meetings	500.43	427.40		-500.43
Meetings - Beavers	1,483.37	797.43		-1,483.37
Meetings - Cubs	644.50	731.35		-644.50
Meetings - Scouts	365.39	208.22		-365.39
Membership Costs	4,406.42	3,771.40		-4,406.42
Refund	51.00	0.00	51.00	0.00
Training	0.00	32.33		0.00

Utilities	2,768.27	2,425.94	-2,768.27
Venue Maintenance	3,971.85	34,939.67	-3,971.85
			0.00
Account balances			0.00
14th Walthamstow Beavers	550.05	719.31	550.05
14th Walthamstow Cubs	274.83	332.52	274.83
14th Walthamstow Scouts	1,023.12	924.20	1,023.12
14th Walthamstow Scout Group	7,493.78	5,801.46	7,493.78
14th Walthamstow Extra	4,128.73	3,203.08	4,128.73
14th Walthamstow Savings	6,133.56	5,114.96	6,133.56
			0.00
Summary			0.00
Account balance brought forward	16,095.53	29,063.73	16,095.53
Total income	33,865.88	49,487.08	33,865.88
Total expenditure	30,357.34	62,455.28	30,357.34
Net income	3,508.54	-12,968.20	3,508.54
Account balance carried forward	19,604.07	16,095.53	19,604.07
			0.00
			0.00

2024

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Insurance docs

2025 2024 2023

Scout building

647,884	629,625	613,670
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Instructions

In the absence of a valuation, use the value of the Scout Hut as per the annual in

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PART A - COMMERCIAL COMBINED

Section 1 - Property Damage All Risks

The Property Insured

Item	Description
A	Buildings Tenants Improvements
B	Contents Computer Equipment
C	Stock in Trade
D	Rent Payable
E	Personal Effects of Service Users

Section 1 Special Extensions applicable

Special Extension 1 - Day One Basis (Non-Adjustable) Extension
Special Extension 2 - Subsidence
Special Extension 3 - Index-Linking
Special Extension 4 - Waiver of Average

Section 1 - Excess Applicable (Each and every loss)

Buildings
Standard Section Excess
Standard Excess in respect of Subsidence
(Unless separately specified under the Premises in the Schedule of Locations or by sepa

Also included in your Policy:

Unless amended above, or endorsed to the contrary, Clauses 1 to 7 and Extensions 1 to

policy wording for full details

Clauses 1 to 7 include:

7 - Floating Sums Insured - Where *Sums Insured* are stated within Section 1 Property De as applying specifically to any one or more *Premises*, such *Sums Insured* are deemed to

Guidance doc

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Assets and liabilities A statement listing assets and liabilities is required in receipts and payments accounts (in place of a balance sheet required for accruals accounts). **However, no asset valuations are required, unless a valuation is essential to a meaningful description of the asset - such as cash or deposit account balances.** Valuations (even approximate ones) may be provided if trustees wish. Notes to the accounts **Notes are seldom necessary**, although if notes would help the reader to understand the accounts better, they should be added. Examples of notes that may be included are:

- information about significant non-monetary resources, for example donated goods and services;
- a brief note on transactions with related parties and trustees;
- details of any remuneration or expenses paid to any trustee or related party; and
- details of the movement on particular restricted funds (where this may be useful to donors who stipulated how money was to be spent).

These matters may alternatively be included in the Trustees' Annual Report if separate notes to the accounts are not prepared. However, CIOs must make the relevant note disclosures to the statement of assets and liabilities where these apply to them.

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Sums Insured	
	£ 647,884
Not Insured	
	£ 20,300
Not Insured	
Not Insured	
Not Insured	
	£ 3,045
Included (25% Uplift)	
See Schedule of Locations	
Applicable	
Included	
	£ 250
	£ 250
	£ 1,000
rate endorsement)	
53 apply. Please refer to your	

Schedule of Locations

The Policy *Sums Insured* in Part A state the total *Sums Insured* insured hereunder and for the *Sums Insured* shown hereunder *total Sums Insured* stated in Part A.

Number of Premises: 1

Premises 1: Scout Association
205a Wood Street
London
Greater London
E17 3NU

The Property Insured

Item	Description
A	Building(s)

Section 1 Special Extension 2 Subsidence

Special Extension 2- Subsidence

Section 4 - Terrorism

Property Damage All Risks and Specified Business Equipment
Business Interruption

Security at this Location

Intruder Alarm Type
Subject to Survey

Endorsements specific to this Location

Damage All Risks, and not identified
be floating *Sums Insured*

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nsured for all Premises. The following Premises are deemed to be under, such Sums Insured being part of (and not in addition to) the

Sums Insured

£ 629,625

Not Applicable

ment All Risks

Not Applicable

Not Applicable

Not Specified

No

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MAPPING - OSM and Annual accounts

Purpose

The purpose of this worksheet is to map categories and descriptions used on OSM to those used on the Accc This is useful for combining some of the OSM categories where they are similar for the purposes of reporting For example, on OSM there are four categories for "events" for each section but on the Annual Accounts this

Explanation of columns

Category - as per OSM report	Item descriptions - as per OSM report	Formula
<i>This is manually input depending on which category the item is under</i>	<i>This is taken directly from OSM report</i>	<i>Formula to combine category and description</i>

Instructions

If there are new items for a new reporting year they should be added to Column C and Columns B, D and E sl

	Income	Formula
Income	Activity Equipment	IncomeActivity Equipment
Income	Bank Interest	IncomeBank Interest
Income	Donation	IncomeDonation
Income	Events	IncomeEvents
Income	Events - Beavers	IncomeEvents - Beavers
Income	Events - Cubs	IncomeEvents - Cubs
Income	Events - Scouts	IncomeEvents - Scouts
Income	Gift Aid	IncomeGift Aid
Income	Group Shop	IncomeGroup Shop
Income	Initial Transfers	IncomeInitial Transfers
Income	Meetings - Beavers	IncomeMeetings - Beavers
Income	Membership Fees	IncomeMembership Fees
Income	Rent	IncomeRent
Income	Utilities	IncomeUtilities
	Expense	Expense
Expense	Activity Equipment	ExpenseActivity Equipment
Expense	Admin	ExpenseAdmin
Expense	Badges	ExpenseBadges
Expense	Bank Fees	ExpenseBank Fees
Expense	Camping Equipment	ExpenseCamping Equipment
Expense	Donation	ExpenseDonation
Expense	Events	ExpenseEvents
Expense	Events - Beavers	ExpenseEvents - Beavers
Expense	Events - Cubs	ExpenseEvents - Cubs
Expense	Events - Explorers	ExpenseEvents - Explorers
Expense	Events - Scouts	ExpenseEvents - Scouts
Expense	Group Shop	ExpenseGroup Shop
Expense	Hall Consumables	ExpenseHall Consumables
Expense	Insurance	ExpenseInsurance

Expense	Meetings	ExpenseMeetings
Expense	Meetings - Beavers	ExpenseMeetings - Beavers
Expense	Meetings - Cubs	ExpenseMeetings - Cubs
Expense	Meetings - Scouts	ExpenseMeetings - Scouts
Expense	Membership Costs	ExpenseMembership Costs
Expense	Rent	ExpenseRent
Expense	Training	ExpenseTraining
Expense	Utilities	ExpenseUtilities
Expense	Venue Maintenance	ExpenseVenue Maintenance
	Account balances	Account balances
	14th Walthamstow Beavers	14th Walthamstow Beavers
	14th Walthamstow Cubs	14th Walthamstow Cubs
	14th Walthamstow Scouts	14th Walthamstow Scouts
	14th Walthamstow Scout Group	14th Walthamstow Scout Group
	14th Walthamstow Extra	14th Walthamstow Extra
	14th Walthamstow Savings	14th Walthamstow Savings
	Summary	Summary
	Account balance brought forward	Account balance brought forward
Income	Total income	IncomeTotal income
	Total expenditure	Total expenditure
	Net income	Net income
	Account balance carried forward	Account balance carried forward

ounts

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is presented as one category

This is the categories used in the Annual Accounts

If additional categories are needed then these can be added below and added to the Annual Accounts template (Accounts - Working/Final worksheets)

ould be updated as necessary depending on the nature of the item in Column C

Accounts category

Equipment

Bank interest

Donations

Income from running events

Income from running events

Income from running events

Income from running events

Donations

Group Shop - clothing

Other income

Group meetings and badges

Membership Fees

Rental income

Utilities

Equipment

Admin

Group meetings and badges

Bank fees

Equipment

Donations

Group events

Group events

Group events

Group events

Group events

Group Shop

Hall Consumables

Insurance

Group meetings and badges
Group meetings and badges
Group meetings and badges
Group meetings and badges
Membership Fees
Rental income
Training
Utilities
Venue Maintenance

14th Walthamstow Beavers
14th Walthamstow Cubs
14th Walthamstow Scouts
14th Walthamstow Scout Group
14th Walthamstow Scout Group
14th Walthamstow Scout Group

A6 Cash funds last year end
Total income
Total expenditure

Cash funds this year end

Bank statements and transactions needed to back up accounts

To be shared with independent examiner

Need: Transactions for year

Log on to each of the six bank accounts on Co-op

Go to "Search transactions"

Date range - put in the dates for the full calendar year e.g. 31 January 20xx to 31 Dece

Copy the transactions to the Annual report "All transactions and opening and closing b

Confirmation of balance at end of year

Log on to each of the six bank accounts on Co-op

Go to "Accounts" - "View statements and reports"

Select "Statement"

Select account (even if only one account, need to select it otherwise you can only sear

Select statement "Last three months"

Select the statement for the period that covers 31 December

Download to pdf then take a screen shot and save to the

Confirmation of balance at end of previous year

Go to the previous year's folder and copy over the screen shot of the closing balance f

mber 20xx

balance 31Jan20xx-31Dec20xx" spreadsheet

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rom last year

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of 14th Walthamstow Scout Group

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the 14th Walthamstow Scout Group for the year ended 31 December 2025.

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: 

Name: *Jack Sharville ATT CTA*

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies (if any):
Association of Tax Technicians and Chartered Institute of Taxation

Address: *c/o 205a Wood St, London E17 3NU*

Date: 28 February 2026

14TH WALTHAMSTOW SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 303866

Accounts



Annual Report for 1st Jan 2024 to 31st December 2024

Charity No: 303866



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REFERENCE & ADMINISTRATION

Charity Name

14th Walthamstow Scout Group

Registration Number

303866

Principal Address

205A Wood Street, Walthamstow, London, E17 3NU

Charity Trustee Members for the period

Trustee Name	Position
David Hawes	Group Team Member
John Hawes	Group President
Robert Howard	Scout Team Member

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Group Leadership Team

The Group is led by the Group Lead Volunteer; the following roles are part of the 'Group Leadership Team'.

Name	Position	Dates acted
Gareth Wyatt	Group Lead Volunteer	
Chris Raby	Assistant Group Lead Volunteer	
Sam Raby	Cub Lead Volunteer	
George Nightingale	Scout Lead Volunteer	
Irene Raby	Beaver Lead Volunteer	
Lucy Nightingale	Group Secretary	
Joanna Mason	Group Treasurer	

Sections

There are 3 active sections within the group. Each section is managed by the Section Lead Volunteer who report directly to the Group Lead Volunteer (GLV). The Group also has a partnership with an Explorer unit that is run by the Explorer Lead Volunteer (ELV). The ELV reports directly to the District Lead Volunteer. Their finances are not consolidated with those of the Group.

Section	Meeting Time
Beavers	Friday night 18:15 to 19:30
Cubs	Thursday night 18:30 to 20:00
Scouts	Friday night 20:00 to 21:30
Explorers (Sloths ESU)	Biweekly Wednesday 18:00 to 21:00

Properties

The group owns one property. This comprises the main hall building, a garage and two outside storage buildings.

Name	Address	Notes
Main Hall	205A Wood Street Walthamstow, London, E17 3NU	Roof Replaced 2024
Garage		Storage Brick built, fibreglass roof.
Scout Shed		Storage Brick built, fibreglass roof.
Explorer Storage		Storage Wood walls, fibreglass roof.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE & MANAGEMENT

General

The 14th Walthamstow Scout Group is a registered charity operating under the umbrella of The Scouts. It functions within the framework and rules set out in the Policy, Organization and Rules (POR) of The Scouts.

The Group's governing documents are those of The Scouts, which consist of a Royal Charter that authorises the byelaws of the Association and the Policy, Organization and Rules documents.

The Group's Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organization and Rules of The Scouts.

Management

The 14th Walthamstow Scout Group is managed by its Group Leadership Team, of which three members are the Charity Trustees of the Group. As Charity Trustees, they are responsible for ensuring compliance with all relevant charity legislation, including registration, proper accounting, and submission of returns to the Charity Commission as required.

The Group Leadership Team normally includes the Group Chair, Group Treasurer, Group Scout Leader (GSL), Secretary, and Elected, Co-opted and Ex-Officio members. Meetings are normally held at least quarterly.

All members of the Group Leadership Team complete Essential Information for Trustee Board Members, GDPR, Safety and Safeguarding training within the first five months of joining the Group Leadership Team.

Responsibilities

The Group Leadership Team exists to support the Group's Leaders in delivering quality Scouting and in meeting their responsibilities. The Group Leadership Team is responsible for:

- The maintenance of the Group's property and equipment.
- The raising and administration of Group funds.
- Ensuring adequate insurance cover for people, property, and equipment.
- Supporting and promoting Group public occasions and events.
- Assisting in the recruitment and retention of adult volunteers and leaders.
- Appointing sub-committees or working groups as required.
- Appointing Group Administrators and Advisors other than those who are elected.

RISK & INTERNAL CONTROL

General

The Group has in place systems of internal control designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss. These include the requirement for two authorised signatories on all payments and maintaining comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

The Group Leadership Team has reviewed the major risks to which the Group is exposed and has established systems to mitigate them. The main areas of identified concern include:

Building & equipment risk

Damage to buildings, property, or equipment.

In such an event, the Group would seek temporary use of facilities and equipment from local partner organisations such as nearby Scout Groups, community centres, or churches. Reciprocal arrangements exist with several of these organisations.

The Group maintains sufficient building and contents insurance to mitigate against permanent loss.

Injuries to members

Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members.

The Group, through membership fees, contributes to The Scouts national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities. The Group has insurance for non-member adults helping with Group activities.

Reduced income

A reduction in income from fundraising or subscriptions could impact the Group's ability to deliver its programme and maintain its facilities.

The 14th Walthamstow Scout Group is primarily reliant on income from member subscriptions, renting the main hall to third parties, fundraising events, and donations.

The Group maintains a financial reserve to ensure the continuity of Scouting activities in the event of a significant drop in income. Should this situation arise, the Group Leadership Team could consider temporary or permanent measures such as increasing subscriptions, seeking additional fundraising opportunities, or applying for grants to stabilise income levels.

Reduction in leaders & adult volunteers

The Group is entirely reliant on volunteers to run and administer all sections and activities. A reduction in the number of adult volunteers or leaders would directly affect the ability to deliver a full Scouting program.

If the number of leaders in a section were to fall below a sustainable level, the Group may be required

to merge sections, temporarily suspend activities, or, in the worst case, close a section.

Volunteer recruitment and retention are regularly monitored by the Group Lead Volunteer and the Group Leadership Team. The team provides support and encouragement to ensure all sections are adequately staffed and that new volunteers are welcomed and trained effectively.

Reduction in youth members

The Group provides Scouting opportunities for young people aged 6 to 14 through its Beaver, Cub, and Scout sections. A reduction in youth membership would impact the Group's financial stability and overall vibrancy. Should there be a sustained fall in membership in a particular section, the Group may need to consolidate or merge sections to maintain viability.

Membership numbers are reviewed regularly by section leaders and the Group Lead Volunteer, and efforts are made to promote Scouting within the local community, including outreach through schools, community events, and word-of-mouth recruitment.

Our mission

At the 14th Walthamstow Scout Group, we actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.

Through fun, challenge, and adventure, we help young people develop skills for life — supporting them to grow in confidence, resilience, and responsibility.

Values

As Scouts, we are guided by the following core values:

Care:

We support others and take care of the world in which we live.

Respect:

We have self-respect and show respect for others.

Integrity:

We act with honesty, trustworthiness, and loyalty.

Cooperation:

We make a positive difference by working together, helping others, and building friendships.

Belief:

We explore our own faiths, beliefs, and attitudes while respecting those of others.

Why is Scouting needed today?

- Scouting continues to play an essential role in the lives of young people and the wider community.
- Across divided communities, Scouting brings people together. At the 14th Walthamstow Scout Group, we offer shared experiences and a safe space for young people from all backgrounds to meet, learn, and grow — promoting mutual understanding and lifelong friendships.

- In a time of uncertainty, Scouting provides stability and purpose. We help young people develop the values, confidence, and belief in themselves and others that equip them to become active, responsible citizens.
- We offer a place to belong, opportunities to learn skills for life, and an environment that encourages optimism for the future.

Our vision for 2025/26

As part of the national Scouting movement, the 14th Walthamstow Scout Group aims to prepare even more young people with skills for life — supported by dedicated volunteers who deliver an inspiring, inclusive, and adventurous program.

Our objectives

We want to...

- **...grow.**
We believe Scouting changes lives, and we want to ensure that every young person in our local community has the opportunity to join and experience the benefits of being part of Scouts.
- **...become more inclusive.**
Everyone, regardless of background, ability, or circumstance, should be able to access Scouting. We are committed to breaking down barriers and making our Group welcoming and accessible to all.
- **...be more youth-shaped.**
Young people should play an active role in shaping their Scouting experience. We aim to create more opportunities for our Beavers, Cubs, and Scouts to contribute ideas, take the lead, and develop their leadership potential.
- **...impact our community.**
Scouting isn't just about individual development — it's about making a difference. Through community projects and social action, we aim to have a positive impact on Walthamstow and the wider local area.

Within our Group we aim to:

- Ensure we remain a resilient and well-managed charity, able to respond effectively to changes and challenges in our environment;
- Build and maintain positive relationships with local partners, including schools, community organisations, and other Scout Groups;
- Provide strong support to our leaders and volunteers, helping them to deliver safe, high-quality, and engaging programs for young people;
- Offer Group-wide events and activities that bring all our sections together and complement their regular programs;
- Maintain and make effective use of our premises, equipment, and resources to support our programs delivery;
- Strengthen our financial position by increasing fundraising, and grants — ensuring we can continue to meet the needs of young people for years to come.

GROUP LEAD VOLUNTEERS ANNUAL REPORT

2024 has been another busy and successful year for the 14th Walthamstow Scout Group. One of our biggest achievements this year was the replacement of the roof of the Group's main hall— a major project costing over £30,000. This essential work has ensured the long-term safety and sustainability of our building, protecting it from weather damage and creating a warm, dry, and welcoming space for all our members.

This ambitious project was made possible thanks to the incredible support of numerous grant providers, local organisations, and community fundraising efforts. It was truly a Group and community achievement, demonstrating what can be accomplished when we all pull together in support of local Scouting.

Our programme highlights included a large, week-long summer camp to Bournemouth, bringing together both the Scouts and the Explorer Unit. It was a fantastic experience that gave our young people the chance to develop independence, teamwork, and outdoor skills while enjoying a memorable adventure on the south coast.

We also organised a whole-Group trip to the Imperial War Museum Duxford, involving Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, and Explorers. It was inspiring to see all sections coming together, learning, and sharing the experience as one group — a real celebration of what Scouting is about.

This year we have also expanded our Explorer Unit, welcoming more young people and offering a wider range of activities and challenges. Alongside this, we have seen an increase in the number of adult volunteers across the group, strengthening our leadership team and allowing us to deliver an even richer and more consistent program.

Plans for 2025

Looking ahead, 2025 promises to be another exciting and ambitious year. Our main event will be a full Group camp, bringing together all sections and leaders for a shared weekend of adventure, challenge, and fun.

We are also planning to renew and expand the kitchen area at our main hall, allowing for improved catering and food preparation facilities. As part of this renovation, we will consolidate the existing den and office space into a smaller, more efficient admin area. This will free up valuable floor space and create a more flexible environment for activities, events, and community use.

In addition, we hope to continue the ongoing renovation works within the hall, including the completion of the hall ceiling and further improvements to ensure our HQ remains a safe, functional, and welcoming space for all who use it.

With continued enthusiasm from our young people, the dedication of our leaders, and the support of parents, friends, and the wider community, the 14th Walthamstow Scout Group continues to grow stronger each year.

Gareth Wyatt
Group Lead Volunteer

PUBLIC BENEFITS 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

Reserves Policy

The Group's policy is to keep £5k as a minimum in reserves that can be used to run and maintain the hall so that it can continue to be used to generate income. Any surplus reserves at the end of the financial year will be retained for future expenditure.

Investment Policy

The group does not maintain sufficient funds to consider any investment opportunity. In addition, the risk to funds is too great to outweigh the potential benefits. All funds are stored in charity-based business accounts with a reputable bank. Only our savings and extra account accrue interest.

Treasurers Report

The accounts below are for the period 1st January 2024 to 31st December 2024.

1: Accounting Policies

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The Financial Statements of the Group, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, has been prepared in accordance with the Charity SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting & Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK & Republic of Ireland (FRS 102). Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK & Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The Financial Statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The accounts have been prepared using an accrual accounting methodology to give a true and fair view of the Group's financial activities and financial position.

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Income

All income comes from membership subscriptions, hire of the main hall, and running section activities, and this year from government/local council grants.

Expenditure

Expenses are recognised and classified under headings that aggregate all costs relating to the category.

Taxation

The Group is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees. Restricted funds can only be used for restricted purposes within the objective of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for restricted purposes. No restricted funds were received in the year.

Going Concern

The Group has sufficient funds to meet its financial obligations for a period of at least 12 months from the date of approval of these Financial Statements.

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2: Financial Review

Receipts and payments

	2024	2023
RECEIPTS		
Donations ¹	16,919	1,692
Rental income	9,986	13,572
Membership Fees	7,933	9,576
Income from running events	7,140	12,411
Group Shop - clothing	801	1,262
Bank interest	342	73
Other income	-	677
TOTAL RECEIPTS	43,121	39,263
PAYMENTS		
Venue Maintenance ²	34,940	4,300
Expenses from running events	12,430	10,223
Group meetings and badges	2,371	2,284
Utilities	2,345	2,737
Group Shop	1,162	2,389
Insurance	955	695
Hall Consumables	880	273
Equipment	627	5,414
Admin	347	166
Other expense	32	789
TOTAL PAYMENTS	56,089	29,270
NET OF RECEIPTS	(12,968)	9,993
CASH FUNDS LAST YEAR END	29,064	19,071
CASH FUNDS THIS YEAR END	16,096	29,064

Notes

1 – Includes Gift Aid and an unrestricted grant of £3k

2 – The large increase this year was due to the repairs to the main hall's roof.

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Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

	2024	2023
CASH FUNDS		
14th Walthamstow Beavers	719	1,737
14th Walthamstow Cubs	333	2,103
14th Walthamstow Scouts	924	4,903
14th Walthamstow Scout Group	14,120	20,321
	16,096	29,064
ASSETS RETAINED FOR THE GROUP'S OWN USE		
Scout building – current value	629,625	613,670

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER REPORT

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Signed: 

Name: Jack Sharville ATT CTA

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies (if any):
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Address: c/o 205a Wood St, London E17 3NU

Date: 15 October 2025

EXEMPTION FROM DISCLOSURES

No Names have been withheld or omitted from the Trustees Annual Report

FUND HELD AS CUSTODIAN TRUSTEES ON BEHALF OF OTHERS

14th Walthamstow Scout group does not hold any funds as custodian trustees.

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	2024	2023
Income		
Activity Equipment	20.00	8.03
Bank Interest	341.91	72.83
Donation	8,997.10	2,250.65
Events	2,016.68	8,245.35
Events - Beavers	190.00	0.00
Events - Cubs	690.00	1,059.78
Events - Scouts	4,243.01	3,106.00
Gift Aid	10,408.91	0.00
Group Shop	801.16	1,262.03
Initial Transfers	0.00	669.00
Meetings - Beavers	6.99	0.00
Membership Fees	11,704.52	9,576.00
Rent	9,985.78	13,572.49
Utilities	81.02	0.00
Expense		
Venue Maintenance	34,939.67	4,299.74
Events - Scouts	6,661.65	204.78
Membership Costs	3,771.40	0.00
Donation	2,486.98	558.50
Utilities	2,425.94	2,737.04
Events	2,038.41	8,463.09
Events - Cubs	1,959.71	1,555.01
Events - Explorers	1,473.63	0.00
Group Shop	1,161.82	2,389.23
Insurance	955.46	694.92
Hall Consumables	879.63	272.83
Meetings - Beavers	797.43	902.92
Meetings - Cubs	731.35	295.67
Meetings	427.40	0.00
Camping Equipment	370.59	3,288.99
Admin	346.72	165.64
Events - Beavers	296.62	0.00
Activity Equipment	276.77	2,124.75
Badges	213.55	861.66
Meetings - Scouts	208.22	223.37
Training	32.33	50.00
Bank Fees	0.00	723.95
Rent	0.00	17.00
Account balances		
14th Walthamstow Beavers	719.31	1,737.00
14th Walthamstow Cubs	332.52	2,103.46
14th Walthamstow Scouts	924.20	4,902.65
14th Walthamstow Scout Group	5,801.46	2,837.79
14th Walthamstow Extra	3,203.08	2,306.07
14th Walthamstow Savings	5,114.96	15,176.76

Summary

Account balance brought forward	29,063.73	19,070.66
Total income	49,487.08	39,822.16
Total expenditure	62,455.28	29,829.09
Net income	-12,968.20	9,993.07
Account balance carried forward	16,095.53	29,063.73

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14TH WALTHAMSTOW SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 303866

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date			Period end date				
From	01	January	2023	To	31	December	2023

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	David Hawes			
2	John Hawes			
3	Robert Howard			
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document <i>(eg. trust deed, constitution)</i>	The Group's governing documents are those of The Scouts. They consist of a Royal Charter, which in turn gives authority to the Bye Laws of the Association and The Policy, Organisation and Rules document.
How the charity is constituted <i>(eg. trust, association, company)</i>	As per above the charity is constituted by The Scout Association Policy, Organisation and Rules document.
Trustee selection methods <i>(eg. appointed by, elected by)</i>	Elected by volunteers at the AGM.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

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

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

The trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association (POR). The group is managed by an elected board of trustees, comprising a Group Chairperson, Group Scout Leader, Group Treasurer and Group Secretary along with individual section leaders, parent's representatives and others nominated onto the committee for their knowledge or skills. The Trustee Board meets every two months on average.

Section C Objectives and activities

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

The objectives of the group are as part of the wider Scout Association. The purpose of the Scout Association is "to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society." This is achieved through the Scout Method which states that "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; • and make and live by their Promise." We are guided by the

Values of Scouting which are: • 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. In line with the Scout Association, our goals to 2025 are based around achieving: • Growth; enabling more young people and adult volunteers to benefit from scouting and the skills it gives them. • Inclusivity; ensuring barriers to inclusion are removed and working to build tolerance. • Community impact; making a difference in our local and global community. • Youth-shaped; ensuring our young people get a voice in scouting, share their experiences and take on leadership roles.

In line with the objectives of the Scout Association, our group has actively engaged in various activities that promote the personal development of young people, while empowering them to contribute positively to society. The trustees have ensured that all activities undertaken adhere to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Main Activities:

Youth Empowerment and Development: We have provided numerous opportunities for young people to develop essential life skills through the Scout Method, which emphasizes learning by doing, shared decision-making, and taking responsibility. Activities have included a mix of indoor and outdoor events, designed to be both enjoyable and challenging, allowing young people to explore new experiences and build confidence.

Spiritual Reflection and Values-Based Learning: Our programs encourage participants to engage in spiritual reflection and make meaningful contributions based on the core values of Scouting, which include integrity, respect, care, belief, and cooperation. These values guide the behavior and development of the young people we serve.

Inclusivity and Community Impact: We continue to make Scouting accessible to all, by removing barriers to participation and fostering an inclusive environment that welcomes individuals from diverse backgrounds. We have also contributed positively to our local and global community through service projects and other community-based initiatives that align with our goal of making a tangible impact.

Growth and Youth-Led Initiatives: We have focused on increasing membership and participation, enabling more young people and volunteers to benefit from the positive impact of Scouting. Furthermore, we ensure that the voices of young people are heard, and they are given leadership roles and responsibilities within the organization, fostering a youth-shaped environment.

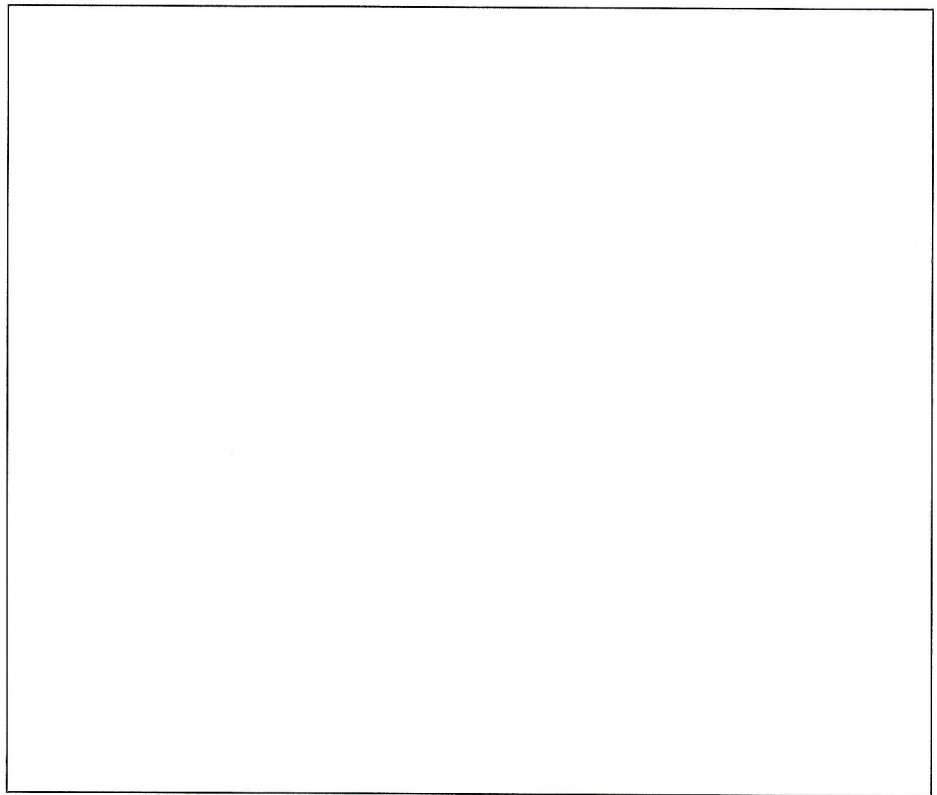
The trustees confirm that in carrying out these activities, they have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and continue to prioritize the interests and development of young people in the community.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

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

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.



Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

2023 has been a remarkably successful and productive year for the 14th Walthamstow Scout Group. Our membership has consistently remained at full capacity, a testament to the growing interest in our activities and the strength of our programs. We have also focused on engaging the local community by actively encouraging more adults to volunteer. This crucial support from volunteers has allowed us to extend opportunities for even more young people to experience the benefits of scouting.

A significant collaboration with our partner explorer section has seen the successful launch of several events aimed at raising funds for our much-needed hall roof replacement project. These efforts have brought us closer to our financial goal while building a stronger connection between the younger members and the wider community.

Key to our progress this year was the appointment of a Grants Manager, whose efforts are already showing promise. They have begun the complex but vital task of identifying and applying for grants, ensuring that we can secure additional funding for the roof repair project.

We were also fortunate to appoint a new treasurer, Joanna Mason, whose diligent work has been pivotal in streamlining and improving our financial systems. Thanks to her leadership, we have been able to achieve greater transparency and organization in managing the group's funds, positioning us well for future growth.

This year saw our entire group, alongside the explorers, participate in a highly successful district camp. With 111 adults and young people in attendance, the event was a fantastic opportunity to strengthen bonds, develop new skills, and create lasting memories.

In addition to the camp, we organized a full day out for over 100 young people at Colchester Zoo, offering them a chance to experience wildlife and engage in educational and fun activities outside the regular scouting environment.

Our commitment to maintaining and improving our facilities was also a key focus this year. We completed significant work on our hall's lobby, including the installation of a new ceiling, updated lighting, and freshly boarded and painted walls, creating a much more welcoming entrance. The main hall also received a complete repaint, refreshing the space for the many events and activities we host.

Finally, we installed a new alarm system and security cameras, ensuring that our building remains safe and secure for the benefit of all members and visitors. These upgrades reflect our dedication to providing a safe and welcoming environment for our community.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Group's policy is to keep £5k as a minimum in reserves that can be used to run and maintain the hall so that it can continue to be used to generate income. Any surplus reserves will be retained for future expenditure on the repairs to the roof which will be necessary in the next five years.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

NA

Further financial review details (Optional information)

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

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Investment policy: All funds are held in cash in a mainstream bank.

Section F

Other optional information

Brought forward cash reserves are £13k higher than the cash reserves on the submitted accounts for the financial year ending 31 December 2022. In 2023 an exercise was undertaken to consolidate all banking and reporting responsibilities for all the sections within the Scout Group. This resulted in additional bank accounts being recognised and included in the accounts for the first time in financial year ending 31 December 2023.

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

D. Hawes

Full name(s)

DAVID CHARLES HAWES.

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

TRUSTEE

Date

29.10.24.

Charity Name 14TH WALTHAMSTOW SCOUT GROUP	No (if any) 303866
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01/01/2023	To	31/12/2023
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restrict ed funds to the nearest £	Endowme nt funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Rental income	13,572.49			13,572.49	2,147.00
Income from running events	12,411.13			12,411.13	-
Membership Fees	9,576.00			9,576.00	-
Donations	1,692.15			1,692.15	2,319.68
Group Shop - clothing	1,262.03			1,262.03	-
Other income	677.03			677.03	-
Bank interest	72.83			72.83	-
Income from grants	-			-	10,309.00
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	39,263.66			39,263.66	14,775.68
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Sub total					
Total receipts	39,263.66	-	-	39,263.66	14,775.68
A3 Payments					
Admin	165.64			165.64	-
Bank fees	723.95			723.95	-
Donation	-			-	-
Equipment	5,413.74			5,413.74	-
Group events	10,222.88			10,222.88	-
Group meetings and badges	2,283.62			2,283.62	-
Group Shop	2,389.23			2,389.23	-
Hall Consumables	272.83			272.83	-
Insurance	694.92			694.92	-
Miscellaneous expenses	17.00			17.00	-
Training	50.00			50.00	-
Utilities	2,737.04			2,737.04	2,051.13
Venue Maintenance	4,299.74			4,299.74	11,178.46
Sub total	29,270.59	0	0	29,270.59	13,229.59
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Sub total					
Total payments	29,270.59	-	-	29,271	13,229.59
Net of receipts/(payments)	9,993.07	-	-	9,993	1,546.09
A5 Transfers between funds					
A6 Cash funds last year end	19,070.66			19,071	- 8,795.39
Cash funds this year end	29,063.73			29,064	19,070.66

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestrict ed funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	14th Walthamstow Beavers	1,737.00	-	-
	14th Walthamstow Cubs	2,103.46		
	14th Walthamstow Scouts	4,902.65		
	14th Walthamstow Scout Group	20,320.62	-	-
	Total cash funds <small>(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))</small>	29,064	-	-
		OK	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestrict ed funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Scout building		-	613,670
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval

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