

ST ANDREW'S (YEOVIL) SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales · Charity number 305645

Details

Other names	ST ANDREW'S (YEOVIL) SCOUTS, ST ANDREWS SCOUT GROUP
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1972-08-10
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Website www.standrewsscoutgroup.co.uk

Activities

Objects: TO PROMOTE THE DEVELOPMENT OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN ACHIEVING THEIR FULL PHYSICAL,INTELLECTUAL,SOCIAL AND SPIRITUAL POTENTIALS,AS INDIVIDUALS,AS RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS AND AS MEMBERS OF THEIR LOCAL,NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITIES

Activities: St. Andrew's Scout Group comprises 4 sections, Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs and Scouts. Each section meets one evening a week during school term times, with a number of weekend activities throughout the year, either for a few hours or for the whole weekend; camps for example. During these times the youngsters, boys and girls, work towards achieving badges for a diverse number of activities.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Environment/conservation/heritage
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies

Geography

- Somerset

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£26,726	£24,122	-	-
2024-03-31	£31,964	£35,778	-	-
2023-03-31	£26,679	£30,310	-	-
2022-03-31	£19,327	£20,102	-	-
2021-03-31	£27,158	£13,533	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
REBECCA BYRNE	Chair	
Amanda Farrell		2024-06-17
Brian Geary		2025-06-16
Carli Hobbs		2025-06-16
Gemma Wilkes		2024-06-17
Kirsty Lowe		2024-06-17
MATTHEW HURLEY		2017-05-08
Simon John Merrett		2007-07-30
Tricia Darley		2023-05-17
VICTORIA KING		2011-10-16

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Trustees' Annual Report

For the period

From (start date)

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Section A Reference and administration details

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<p>Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document</p>	<p>The Purpose of Scouting Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.</p> <p>The Values of Scouting As Scouts we are guided by these values: Integrity - We act with integrity; we are honest, trustworthy and loyal. Respect - We have self-respect and respect for others. Care - We support others and take care of the world in which we live. Belief - We explore our faiths, beliefs and attitudes. Co-operation - We make a positive difference; we co-operate with others and make friends.</p> <p>The Scout Method Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together based on the values of Scouting and: - enjoy what they are doing and have fun - take part in activities indoors and outdoors - learn by doing - share in spiritual reflection - take responsibility and make choices - undertake new and challenging activities - make and live by their Promise.</p>
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<p>Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects</p>	<p>Since the last AGM, we have set up the Viking Explorer Unit in conjunction with East Somerset District. The Squirrel Drey has gone from strength to strength with an additional leader which means we have been able to take more children on, reducing our waiting list. We have also amalgamated the two Scout troops into one. Fundraising efforts have been open to the public. As well as our autumn fair we are also seen in the community at the St George's Day Parade and the Remembrance Day Service at Ham Hill where our young members lay a wreath and we always have a smart turnout from the group.</p>
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Additional details of the objectives and activities (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

<p>You may choose to include further statements, where relevant, about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • policy on grantmaking; • contribution made by volunteers; • policy on investments. 	<p>We have also introduced a Hardship Policy which aims to assist families that are struggling with financial help towards subscription fees, the details of which are available to view upon request. We also run a second hand uniform scheme for families with donations from within the group.</p>
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<p>Public benefit statement</p>	<p>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.</p>
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Section D**Achievements and performance**

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The fundraising team were set a target of £4,500 per academic year and, whilst they did not quite meet that target in the year to August 2024, they have exceeded this already for the year to August 2025. Fundraising efforts have been open to the public and include 2 Big Breakfasts, 2 Bingos and an Autumn Fair as well as clothes collections twice a year and a recycling scheme for milk bottle tops. The group also benefit from money back on Easy Giving donations.

Section E**Financial Review**

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Reserves Policy

The Group's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the group should income and fundraising activities fall short. The Group Trustee Board considers that the group should hold the equivalent to a term's subscriptions to cover running costs.

The Group held reserves of approximately £2500 against this at year end. This is below the level required for operating expenses. However this can be explained by the fact we have recently increased our subscriptions and as yet have not increased the reserves,

Quantify and explain any designations

With 97 youth members on our census and with subscriptions set at £45 a term, we should hold in the region of £4365. This shortfall is being considered and we are looking to make steps to decrease this in the coming year by moving £1000 before 31 March 2026 and the balance the following year.

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

n/a

Further financial review details (optional information)

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

Investment Policy

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

The Group's Income and Expenditure is very small and as a consequence does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer-term investments such as stocks and shares. The Group 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 Group Trustee Board regularly monitors the levels of bank balances and the interest rates received to ensure the group obtains maximum value and income from its banking arrangements. Occasionally this may involve using an account that requires a period of notice before funds may be withdrawn, before doing so the Group Trustee Board considers the cash flow requirements.

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Section F Other Optional Information


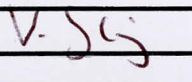
Plans for future periods (details of any significant activities planned to achieve them)

We are currently looking to upgrade the flooring in the hall which will take a significant amount of money. As well as the fundraising team's efforts, we are also looking into various grants including National Lottery as the cost will be in the region of £13k. We are also planning to hold a recruitment day for prospective young people mainly to encourage new members to the Cub and Scout sections as well as adult helpers and volunteers to support the back of house functions eg hall management, fundraising, stores, etc.

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Rebecca Byrne	Victoria King
Position (eg Secretary, Chair)	Group Chair	Group Treasurer
Date	2 2 0 5 2 5	

ST ANDREW'S SCOUT GROUP YEOVIL

YEAR END ACCOUNTS

31 MARCH 2025

St Andrews (Yeovil) Scout Group (Charity no. 305645)

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 £
Receipts		
Donations, legacies and similar income		
Membership subscriptions	£11,548.00	£10,888.00
Donations	£160.00	£639.84
Gift Aid	£2,247.24	£1,927.41
Miscellaneous and Tshirts	£534.50	£699.00
Camps and offsite activities	£6,373.78	£12,361.00
Sub total	£20,863.52	£26,515.25
Grants		
Maintenence grant	£0.00	£0.00
Other grants	£0.00	£0.00
Sub total	£0.00	£0.00
Fundraising events (gross)		
General Fundraising	£4,652.40	£3,819.28
Sub total	£4,652.40	£3,819.28
Scout hall income		
Gas refunds	£0.00	£100.76
Scout Shop rent and proportional charges	£792.20	£1,503.01
Rent from Viking Explorers	£390.00	£0.00
Sub total	£1,182.20	£1,603.77
Investment income		
Bank interest	£27.53	£25.01
Sub total	£27.53	£25.01
Total Gross Income	£26,725.65	£31,963.31
Asset and investment sales, etc.	£0.00	£0.00
Total receipts	£26,725.65	£31,963.31

St Andrews (Yeovil) Scout Group (Charity no. 305645)

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 £
Payments		
Charitable Payments		
Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/Area/District)	£6,159.50	£5,684.00
Youth programme and activities	£791.90	£1,265.90
Camps and offsite activities	£7,208.10	£13,552.23
Water and Sewerage	£132.91	£129.09
Electricity and Gas	£2,036.90	£2,396.40
Insurance	£1,162.63	£1,121.00
Tents and equipment	£0.00	£136.48
Stationery, printing and photocopying	£1,489.77	£1,460.98
Badges	£1,090.05	£1,103.46
Miscellaneous and tshirts	£804.34	£1,258.40
Hall running costs	£1,339.14	£1,400.78
Hall projects / large expenses	£344.00	£4,684.80
Donations	£100.00	£145.00
Sub total	£22,659.24	£34,338.52
Fundraising expenses		
General Fundraising	£1,462.28	£1,440.28
Sub total	£1,462.28	£1,440.28
Total Gross Expenditure	£24,121.52	£35,778.80
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	£0.00	£0.00
Total payments	£24,121.52	£35,778.80
Net of receipts/(payments)	£2,604.13	-£3,815.49
Cash funds last year end	£0.00	£0.00
Cash funds this year end	£2,604.13	-£3,815.49

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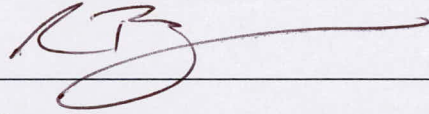
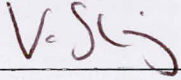
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Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	2024/25 Unrestricted funds £	2023/24 Unrestricted funds £
Cash funds		
Bank current account	£11,141.75	£5,546.03
Bank deposit account	£2,496.13	£2,468.60
Camp account	£831.42	£3,850.54
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	£0.00	£0.00
Cash/Floats	£0.00	£0.00
Total cash funds	£14,469.30	£11,865.17
Other monetary assets		
Tax claim	£0.00	£0.00
Debts due from the County/Area/District/Group	£0.00	£0.00
Insurance claim	£0.00	£0.00
Sub total	£0.00	£0.00
Investment assets		
Investment property - detail	£0.00	£0.00
Quoted investments	£0.00	£0.00
Other investments - detail	£0.00	£0.00
Sub total	£0.00	£0.00
Non monetary assets for charity's own use		
Badge stock	£0.00	£0.00
Shop stock	£0.00	£0.00
Other stock	£0.00	£0.00
Land and buildings	£0.00	£0.00
Motor vehicles	£0.00	£0.00
Scouting equipment, furniture etc	£0.00	£0.00
Other	£0.00	£0.00
Sub total	£0.00	£0.00
Liabilities		
Accounts not yet paid	£0.00	£0.00
Expenses incurred but not invoiced	£0.00	£0.00
Subscriptions not yet paid	£0.00	£0.00
Loan - detail	£0.00	£0.00
Other liabilities	£0.00	£0.00
Sub total	£0.00	£0.00
Total net assets	£14,469.30	£11,865.17

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on **NEED TO ADD DATE** (the date of the Trustee Board meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by

Signature

Print Name

REBECCA BYRNE Chair
VICTORIA KING Treasurer



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name
St Andrews Scout Group Yeovil

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 March 2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

305645

Set out on pages

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1-3(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2025.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

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

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

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

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

Signed:

Lavinia Watson

Date:

9/6/25

Name:

LAVINIA WATSON

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

Address:

*11A ST THOMAS STREET
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Section B

Disclosure

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

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

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<p>Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document</p>	<p>The Purpose of Scouting Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.</p> <p>The Values of Scouting As Scouts we are guided by these values: Integrity - We act with integrity; we are honest, trustworthy and loyal. Respect - We have self-respect and respect for others. Care - We support others and take care of the world in which we live. Belief - We explore our faiths, beliefs and attitudes. Co-operation - We make a positive difference; we co-operate with others and make friends.</p> <p>The Scout Method Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together based on the values of Scouting and: - enjoy what they are doing and have fun - take part in activities indoors and outdoors - learn by doing - share in spiritual reflection - take responsibility and make choices - undertake new and challenging activities make and live by their Promise</p>
<p>Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects</p>	<p>We have set up a Squirrel Drey and are in discussion with District to re-open our Viking Explorer Unit which closed during Covid - we will then have each section represented in our group / our fundraising efforts are open to members of the community eg autumn fair, Big Breakfasts and Bingos which receive good engagement / we attend the annual St George's Day Parade and the Remembrance Day Parade at Ham Hill where our young members lay a wreath and always have a smart turnout from the group.</p>
<p>Additional details of the objectives and activities (optional information but encouraged as best practice)</p>	
<p>You may choose to include further statements, where relevant, about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • policy on grantmaking; • contribution made by volunteers; • policy on investments. 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 140px;"></div>
<p>Public benefit statement</p>	<p>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.</p>
Section D	Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

We mentioned in last year's annual report that we would have to spend out on getting the car park resurfaced and this was our biggest spend for 2023/24. We opened a Squirrel Drey with a maximum of 12 squirrels at the moment. We have established contact with the new nursery that has set up in the church hall next door which could help feed our numbers moving forward and are looking to open up our Explorer Unit which closed during Covid.

Section E	Financial Review
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Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Reserves Policy

The Group's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the group should income and fundraising activities fall short. The Group Trustee Board considers that the group should hold a sum equivalent to a term's subscriptions to cover running costs, circa £4,410 based on our census of 98 youth members and subs of £135 per year.

The Group held reserves of approximately £2,468.60 against this at year end. This is below the level required and is due to the fact we raised our subscription level at the beginning of the 2023/24 academic year to take into account rising operating costs and this has yet to fully filter through into our reserves.

Quantify and explain any designations

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

n/a

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);

Investment Policy

The Group's Income and Expenditure is very small and as a consequence does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer-term investments such as stocks and shares. The Group 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 or The Scout Association's Short Term Investment Service.

- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives;

The Group Trustee Board regularly monitors the levels of bank balances and the interest rates received to ensure the group obtains maximum value and income from its banking arrangements. Occasionally this may involve using an account that requires a period of notice before funds may be withdrawn, before doing so the Group Trustee Board considers the cash flow requirements.

Investment Policy
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Section F Other Optional Information


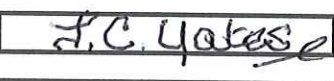
Plans for future periods (details of any significant activities planned to achieve them)

Following the AGM in 2023, we formed a fundraising team who were targetted with raising £4,500 across the autumn term, spring term and summer term and at the end of the financial year, were just short of that target by £758. An excellent effort by all involved.

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Rebecca Byrne	Janet Yates
Position (eg Secretary, Chair)	Group Chair	Group Secretary
Date	12/06/24	

St Andrews (Yeovil) Scout Group (Charity no. 305645)

Receipts and payments account

For the year from	1 April 2023	To	31 March 2024
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Receipts and payments

	2023/24 Unrestricted funds £	2022/23 Unrestricted funds £
Receipts		
Donations, legacies and similar income		
Membership subscriptions	£10,888.00	£8,505.00
Donations	£639.84	£0.00
Gift Aid	£1,927.41	£1,696.09
Miscellaneous and Tshirts	£699.00	£1,112.20
Camps and offsite activities	£12,361.00	£13,162.83
Sub total	£26,515.25	£24,476.12
Grants		
Maintenence grant	£0.00	£0.00
Other grants	£0.00	£0.00
Sub total	£0.00	£0.00
Fundraising events (gross)		
General Fundraising	£2,908.81	£1,565.44
Autumn Fair	£910.47	£0.00
Sub total	£3,819.28	£1,565.44
Scout hut income		
Gas refunds	£100.76	£13.76
Scout Shop rent and proportional charges	£1,503.01	£619.11
Sub total	£1,603.77	£632.87
Investment income		
Bank interest	£26.01	£4.61
Sub total	£26.01	£4.61
Total Gross Income	£31,964.31	£26,679.04
Asset and investment sales, etc.	£0.00	£0.00
Total receipts	£31,964.31	£26,679.04

St Andrews (Yeovil) Scout Group (Charity no. 305645)

Receipts and payments account

For the year from	1 April 2023	To	31 March 2024
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Receipts and payments

	2023/24 Unrestricted funds £	2022/23 Unrestricted funds £
Payments		
Charitable Payments		
Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/Area/District)	£5,684.00	£5,060.00
Youth programme and activities	£1,265.90	£787.06
Camps and offsite activities	£13,552.23	£11,736.44
Water and Sewerage	£129.09	£126.22
Electricity and Gas	£2,396.40	£5,170.13
Insurance	£1,121.00	£1,052.24
Tents and equipment	£136.48	£144.23
Stationery, printing and photocopying	£1,460.98	£1,599.45
Badges	£1,103.46	£1,017.28
Miscellaneous and tshirts	£1,258.40	£1,386.01
Hall running costs	£1,400.78	£1,323.03
Hall projects	£4,684.80	£405.60
Donations	£145.00	£0.00
Sub total	£34,338.52	£29,807.69
Fundraising expenses		
General Fundraising	£1,014.70	£502.51
Autumn Fair	£425.58	£0.00
Sub total	£1,440.28	£502.51
Total Gross Expenditure	£35,778.80	£30,310.20
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	£0.00	£0.00
Total payments	£35,778.80	£30,310.20
Net of receipts/(payments)	-£3,814.49	-£3,631.16
Cash funds last year end	£0.00	£0.00
Cash funds this year end	-£3,814.49	-£3,631.16

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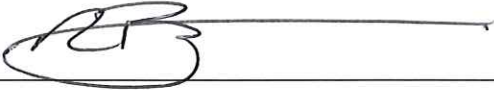
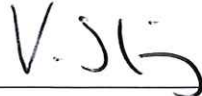
Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	2023/24 Unrestricted funds £	2022/23 Unrestricted funds £
Cash funds		
Bank current account	£5,546.03	£5,480.32
Bank deposit account	£2,468.60	£2,442.59
Camp account	£3,850.54	£7,756.75
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	£0.00	£0.00
Cash/Floats	£0.00	£0.00
Total cash funds	£11,865.17	£15,679.66
Other monetary assets		
Tax claim	£0.00	£0.00
Debts due from the County/Area/District/Group	£0.00	£0.00
Insurance claim	£0.00	£0.00
Sub total	£0.00	£0.00
Investment assets		
Investment property - detail	£0.00	£0.00
Quoted investments	£0.00	£0.00
Other investments - detail	£0.00	£0.00
Sub total	£0.00	£0.00
Non monetary assets for charity's own use		
Badge stock	£0.00	£0.00
Shop stock	£0.00	£0.00
Other stock	£0.00	£0.00
Land and buildings	£0.00	£0.00
Motor vehicles	£0.00	£0.00
Scouting equipment, furniture etc	£0.00	£0.00
Other	£0.00	£0.00
Sub total	£0.00	£0.00
Liabilities		
Accounts not yet paid	£0.00	£0.00
Expenses incurred but not invoiced	£0.00	£0.00
Subscriptions not yet paid	£0.00	£0.00
Loan - detail	£0.00	£0.00
Other liabilities	£0.00	£0.00
Sub total	£0.00	£0.00
Total net assets	£11,865.17	£15,679.66

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 23 May 2024 (the date of the Trustee Board meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by

Signature

Print Name

REBECCA BYRNE Chair
VICTORIA KING Treasurer

England & Wales

Template 1: Unqualified report for a non-company charity preparing receipts and payments accounts with a gross income of £250,000 or less in the relevant financial year

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of St Andrews (Yeovil) Scout Group

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the St Andrews (Yeovil) Scout Group for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the St Andrews (Yeovil) Scout Group 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 St Andrews (Yeovil) Scout Group 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 St Andrews (Yeovil) Scout Group 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: Lavinia Watson

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

Address: 11a St Thomas Street, Wells, Somerset, BA5 2UU

Date: 13 June 2024

ST ANDREW'S (YEOVIL) SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 305645

Accounts

ST. ANDREW'S GROUP SCOUT COUNCIL

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, 17TH MAY 2023

Present: Simon Merrett (GSL), Trish Darley (AGSL & Woden Cubs), Ken Yates (Mercury Scouts), Tony Langdon (Mercury Scouts), James Wright (Mercury Scouts), Mandy Merrett (Thor Cubs), Sue Kinder (Woden Cubs), Jenny Jones (Beavers), Yasmin King (Beavers), Olivia King (Beavers), Rebecca Byrne (Chair), Vicky King (Treasurer), Jan Yates (Secretary), Matt Hurley (Trustee), Claire Rowswell (Trustee), Pippa Wannell (Trustee), John Myers (Administrator)

Introduction and Welcome

Apologies for absence: Ian Harley (Pegasus Scouts), Megan Buller (Pegasus Scouts), Mike Kerr (Thor Cubs), Steph Mellors (Thor Cubs), Heather Pitts (District Commissioner, Camelot, East Somerset)

Minutes of AGM held 14th May 2022 approved by Rebecca Byrne and seconded by Vicky King.

Governance Topics

Rebecca noted to the Group Scout Council members present that this part of the meeting is necessary to make sure that the charity's foundations are in good order.

Rebecca: In line with the recommendation from Scout Headquarters, I propose that we adopt the model constitution from Chapter 5 of Policy, Organisation and Rules. A copy of this was available for review and inspection prior to this meeting, and copies are also available at the meeting.

Seconder: Trish Darley

Rebecca: Members of the Group Scout Council are asked to note that our charity's financial year is 1st April to 31st March.

Rebecca: The Group Scout Council must agree at its AGM the number of people that can be elected to the Trustee Board. The recommendation from the outgoing Trustee Board is that 12 people can be elected. I propose that the Group Scout Council approves that recommendation.

Seconder: Trish Darley

Rebecca: The Group Scout Council must agree at its AGM the quorum – the minimum number of Group Scout Council members that must be present at a meeting of the Group Scout Council. The recommendation from the outgoing Trustee Board is that the quorum should be set at 15 persons. The Group Scout Council is asked to approve that recommendation.

Secunder: Claire Rowswell

Rebecca: The Group Scout Council must agree at its AGM the quorum for Trustee Board meetings, and any sub-committee meetings. The Charity Commission statement of good practice is that the Trustee Board quorum should be set at one third of Trustee Board members plus one and that the sub-committee quorum should be set at one third of Trustee Board members plus one. The recommendation from the outgoing Trustee Board is that the quorum should be set as the Charity Commission good practice statement. The Group Scout Council is asked to approve that recommendation.

Secunder: Simon Merrett

Review of the previous year

Group Scout Leader's Review of Scouting

Leader wise, the Group has lost Sharyn Rosewell and Rory Burrows from Woden Cubs. Trish Darley has become Woden Cub's Leader. Woden lost Sam as a Young Leader, but have gained him as a section assistant. Thor Cubs, Danielle Shead has recently had a baby, and is still to return to Scouting, and Katarzyna (Kazia) has joined their team. Beavers have a new Young Leader, Tegan Hurley, with their team. Mercury Scouts have been joined by James Wright, who was invested during the summer camp trip last year to Brownsea Island. Alex Merrett is also a member of Mercury Scouts when he is back home and available. Membership figures for the current census remain about the same as the last census.

In the past, each section has presented their own report, but the new system requires the report to be done by myself. I messaged the Leaders for their individual section reports, asking for some bullet points, but it appears all sections have been so busy, I have hopefully not missed anything out, and apologies if I have.

Beavers have taken part in many activities: cooking marshmallows, sports evening, mask making, keyrings, a hike around Nine Springs, enjoying two sleep overs, knot tying, putting up tents, and a visit from the Air Ambulance. After the sad passing of the Queen, the Beavers designed and wrote cards to the new King. We were very proud when they received a reply from the Palace saying that the cards were a comfort to the Royal Family. The current section number is 19, with a small waiting list.

Cubs: Have continued this last year with a very active programme, taking part in District Camp at Hornblotton, summer camp at Ferny Crofts including a visit to Brownsea Island. Using the local camp at Windmill Farm, learning basic skills, and the sleepover for new Cubs in March this year. Cubs are now getting ready for District Camp again, where the theme for dressing up is 'Frozen.' Both Woden and Thor have been kayaking at Sutton Bingham and have enjoyed hikes around Martock. Cubs are currently working towards their International, Global Issues, Communicator, Gardener, and Naturalist badges. Woden currently have 20 Cubs, 4 Leaders and 3 Young Leaders. Thor have 21 Cubs, 5 Leaders and 2 Young Leaders.

Scouts: Attended Summer Camp 2022 at Ferny Crofts, with a visit to Brownsea Island, where one of their latest team members, James, was invested. They have attended two District Day Hikes, Letterboxing on Dartmoor, County Challenge, and kayaking sessions at Sutton Bingham. Patrol leaders and assistant patrol leaders from Mercury attended a training weekend, and are now full of ideas. Several joint evenings have been held, fire lighting and food cooked, also a hike around Yeovil using 'what 3 words' to solve puzzles. Both troops (Mercury & Pegasus) have held rifle shooting sessions, knot work, map work, cooking pancakes, making bath bombs and candles, and have held Coronation themed activities.

A massive well done to William Pitcher for achieving Scouts highest award, Chief Scouts Gold. And to Toby Mitchell, who through lots of hard work has achieved his Master at Arms and Physical Recreation badges. He also recently, after only a year of attending the scout archery sessions, attended the National Scout Archery competition in London, winning the Under-14s bare-bow competition.

Mercury currently has 16 Scouts, with another 3 just starting to attend, and Pegasus has 15 Scouts.

Annual Report of the Group Trustee Board – Chair

The current Executive Committee have continued to focus on projects to help improve the hall and surroundings this year and I will start by thanking Jan and Ken for regularly keeping an eye on the hall and being available for all sorts of annual checks and call outs to make sure our systems at the hall are working properly. Thank you.

Last year, we reported that we had successfully fenced in the back area of the hall.

This year, thanks to Bradfords, we were able to replace the fencing from the Scout Shop to the bottom of the car park, and thanks to those who lent a hand with this project.

Last year, we reported that we had to rebuild the pillar at the gate end of the wall, due to someone knocking it over. This year, we had to rebuild the pillar at the other end after a van hit it. Not only did we have to rebuild it, but unfortunately, it had to be done twice. We found that when the last fence panel was fixed in, the whole pillar moved from the ground. It, therefore, had to come down, be rebuilt again with a steel tube going through the centre of it.

We also reported last year that the car park needed repair due to it sinking in places. This has only recently been done, so the cost does not feature in the annual accounts for 2022/23 but will show up next year. This does mean that our financial reserves have been hit somewhat recently.

We did not hold our Autumn Fair last year, which is usually a good earner for us, but we have plans for this in September. Since last May, we no longer let the hall out for elections, so have lost that small income.

We have had two Big Breakfasts in the last financial year, along with a Christmas Bingo, and funds coming in from two Bag2School collections, Amazon Smile, Easy Fundraising and Gift Aid.

A recent report from Yeovil Town Council indicated that the defibrillator, installed last year at our premises, has been used three times. A good asset for the community that surrounds us, and it is hoped that those who required its use are in good health.

A reminder that we still have the second-hand uniform facility available. Please contact Claire Rowsell for information.

Another busy year in all.

Moving ahead, I mentioned in my communication about the AGM the topic of transformation. However, the biggest impact is the change from an Executive Committee to a Board of Trustees. In the simplest terms, it will be like a school having a Board of Governors and a PTA. These changes must happen in line with Charity Commission Policy.

Executive meetings used to cover governance, fundraising, building and equipment maintenance, etc. These topics are now needing to be split between two boards.

We have had a very supportive number of parents on the Executive. However, with the new structure, we are realistically looking for additional help, when splitting out some of the tasks.

Ideally, we would be looking for one or two parents per section (5 or 10) in total that have a particular interest e.g.:

Helping to organize fundraising events;

People that have handyman skills that we could call on to help with hall maintenance or decorating;

People that might be interested in helping Ian out with our equipment stores;

And other tasks like that.

Because being a Board Trustee is not for everyone.

As I have previously said, our financial reserves have been hit with a couple of big spends this year, so we do need to fundraise if we are to keep on top of our building obligations – as we own our own premises.

If any parent feels they can help in any way at all, it will take pressure off the leadership team so they can focus on the fun activities for your children.

I will now hand over to our Treasurer, Vicky King, for an update on the year end accounts.

Treasurer's Report – including Annual Statement of Accounts

The accounts presented represent a full and varied year of scouting with fundraisers, camps, sleepovers, and time away from the hall taking place alongside the regular hall-based section meetings. They cover the year to 31st March 2023.

Account Balances

- We started the year with bank account totals of £19,310.82 split across the 3 accounts. The current account is our main account with unreserved funds available for use. The deposit account holds our cash reserves and represents approximately one term's worth of subs, this being the amount recommended by the Charity Commission. The final account, the camp account, holds funds received in advance for camps, sleepovers, and other offsite activities and, therefore, are ringfenced funds.
- Total income which also includes camp fees and offsite activities was up this year on the previous year at £26,679.04 against £19,410.24.
- Total expenditure which again includes camp fees and offsite activities was also up at £30,310.20 against £20,185.98.
- We ended the year with bank account totals of £15,679.66, split across the same 3 accounts.

INCOME REPORTING

Our subs income of £8,505.00 was topped up with a gift aid claim of £1,696.09 which was back up to the normal level again following a dip the previous year due to our decision to reduce subs during lockdown to just cover the capitation fee per child.

Despite opting for a "recruitment drive" in September to boost numbers, instead of our usual fundraising Autumn Fair, we still saw a good amount of fundraising with payments from Amazon Smile and Easy Fundraising, two Bag2School collections, two Big Breakfasts and a Christmas Bingo.

We did not receive any grants in this financial year.

The Scout Shop was charged £60 rent, as in previous years and a cross charge was made to cover the electricity it used.

EXPENDITURE REPORTING

Like all businesses and homes, we have been hit hard by the increase in energy prices. We have seen our gas soar to £2,420.43 from £1,343.82 the previous year. Our electricity costs have gone the same way at £2,749.70 from £1,282.09 the previous year. Our water bill has also increased but fortunately by a much smaller amount.

The only hall project we had done was a rebuild of the pillar at the front of the car park after it had been knocked and damaged, at a cost of £405.60.

The capitation charge per child has also increased from £53 to £55. This means that from your child's subs of £90 an academic year, the Group passes £55 to District/County/HQ and keeps £35 for week night activities and running costs, which incidentally does not include any payments to the leaders as their work is purely voluntary.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

With all the above in mind, it has been agreed that subscriptions for the 2023/24 academic year be increased to £45 per term, with the option to pay this in one lump sum of £135 in September.

We have been able to keep subscriptions at the same rate for many years, due to the Group being able to absorb increasing costs through successful fundraising and budgeting. However, due to taking no income into the Group through lockdown, the exponential increase in energy costs over the last 12 months and the year-on-year increases in capitation and other general running costs we do now have to apply this increase in order to keep the Group running.

I have liaised with another Group in Yeovil, and they are in the same position that we are in; they have kept subscriptions static for a good number of years at £35, but this year they too are needing to increase by a similar amount.

Making Appointments:

To approve the GSL's nomination of the Group Chair – Simon Merrett proposed Rebecca Byrne as Group Chair and asked for a show of hands as approval.

Election of Group Secretary – Jan Yates. The Group Secretary is an elected appointment. Show of hands to approve Jan's election. _

Election of Group Treasurer – Vicky King. The Group Treasurer is an elected appointment. Show of hands to approve Vicky's election.

Election of persons to the Trustee Board – Matt Hurley, Claire Rowswell, Pippa Wannell. Show of hands to approve their election.

Approval of GSL's Nominations to the Trustee Board – John Myers (Administrator), Ian Harley (Quartermaster), Trish Darley (AGSL)

Thanks to all Trustees for their work during the past year, and thanks to Katy Mickler and Adrian Read, who have stepped down, for all their help and support during their time on the committee.

Appointment of Scrutineer/Independent Examiner/Auditor – Treasurer, Vicky King proposed Lavinia Watson, Old Mill, Wells, who is qualified for the role. Show of hands to approve Lavinia's nomination.

District Address: John Myers spoke in Heather Pitts' absence. On behalf of District, I am to pass on how pleasing it is to see St Andrew's bounce back after Covid, when several groups have not. Thanks to Trish, who has ensured that the Group's data on Compass is fully updated when so many groups across the district (75%) have no necessary information listed on Compass. The governance of the Group is in good hands. Heather appreciates the amount of work that goes on with the young people, and Simon's report bore evidence to that. John added his thanks to Heather's too.

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ST ANDREWS SCOUT GROUP YEOVIL

YEAR END ACCOUNTS

Friday, March 31, 2023

Opening balance as at 01.04.22		
Current Account	£ 10,047.93	
Deposit Account	£ 2,437.98	
Camp Account	£ 6,824.91	
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less chqs not cleared 21/22	<hr/>	
	£ 19,310.82	
add cash not banked 21/22	<hr/>	
	£ 19,310.82	
Add Income	£ 26,679.04	
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	£ 45,989.86	
Less Expenditure	£ 30,310.20	
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	£ 15,679.66	
Less cash not banked by 31.03.23	<hr/>	
	£ 15,679.66	
Add chqs written but not cleared by 31.03.23	<hr/>	
	£ 15,679.66	
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Total funds available		15679.66
Current Account balance as at 31.03.23	£ 5,480.32	
Deposit Account balance as at 31.03.23	£ 2,442.59	
Camp Account balance as at 31.03.23	£ 7,756.75	
Cash in hand	£ -	
		15679.66

Accounts Reviewed By:

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INCOME

Membership fees	£8,505.00
Misc items & T Shirts	£952.20
Interest earned on Deposit Account	£4.61
Gift Aid	£1,696.09
Gas	£13.76
Electric	£559.11
Grants/Donations	£0.00
General Fundraising	£1,565.44
Scout Shop	£60.00
Rifle Club	160.00
Summer Camp 2023	£4,558.00
Summer Camp 2022	£5,712.05
Other Camps/Off Site Activities	£2,892.78
	<u>£26,679.04</u>

EXPENDITURE

Membership fees	£5,060.00
Misc items & T Shirts	£1,386.01
Stationery/Postage	£1,599.45
Hall Maintenance	£1,323.03
Hall Projects	£405.60
Gas	£2,420.43
Electric	£2,749.70
Water	£126.22
Insurance	£1,052.24
Badges	£1,017.28
Tents/Equipment	£144.23
General Fundraising	£502.51
Week night activities	£787.06
Summer Camp 2023	£60.00
Summer Camp 2022	£9,419.08
Other Camps/Off Site Activities	£2,257.36
	<u>£30,310.20</u>

England & Wales

Unqualified report for a non-company charity preparing receipts and payments accounts with a gross income of £250,000 or less in the relevant financial year

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of St Andrews Scout Council

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Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the St Andrews Scout Group 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 St Andrews Scout Group 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 St Andrews Scout Group 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:  DE48002309A34D3...

Name: Lavinia watson

Address: 11A St Thomas Street, wells, BA5 3UU

Date: 16.05.23

ST ANDREW'S (YEOVIL) SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 305645

Accounts

St. Andrews Scout Group
Annual General Meeting
Friday, 25th June 2021
(via Zoom due to Coronavirus restrictions)

Present: Rebecca Byrne (Chair), Jan Yates (Secretary), Vicky King (Treasurer),

Committee: Sarah Cooley, Katy Mickler, Adrian Read, Claire Rowswell,

Pippa Wannell, John Myers (Administrator),
Simon Merrett (GSL), Ken Yates (Mercury Scouts),
Megan Buller (Pegasus Scouts), Tricia Darley (AGSL & Woden Cubs),
Carole Williams (Woden Cubs), Mandy Merrett (Thor Cubs),
Jenny Jones (Beavers), Yasmin King (Beavers), Olivia King (Beavers),
Sharon Read

Apologies: Sharyn Rosewell (Woden Cubs), Ian Harley (QM/Pegasus Scouts),

Matt Hurley (Committee), Tony Langdon (Mercury Scouts),
Steph Mellors (Thor Cubs)

Minutes of last AGM:

Proposed: Simon Merrett Seconded: Sarah Cooley

Chair's Report:

This report will be short this year as I appreciate it was only back in November when we held our 2019/20 AGM late due to Covid and lockdown, but as a Group we have not let the pandemic affect the level of Scouting we offer. We have soldiered on regardless. You will hear from the Leaders shortly on what the different sections have been up to.

As far as the Committee is concerned, we have continued with our bi-monthly meetings via Zoom keeping the team up to date on what has been happening and the work that we have been able to do or planning to do. Thank you to the team for your continued support. I would also like to thank Louis Purchase, who is stepping down from the Committee due to work commitments. Thank you for your input and support, and we are glad that you will be staying with the Group, due to your sons being in the Cubs, and one not far off joining the Beavers.

I would like to pay particular thanks to Jan, Ken and Vicky. To Jan and Ken who have been down to the hall, once or twice a week, to check on the premises, run the taps, flush the toilets, test the alarms, check the security of the building, and generally keep the place clean and tidy both

inside and out during lockdown. Also meeting with various companies regarding different issues.

And to Vicky, our Treasurer, who has kept the bills paid, and has done a sterling job liaising with the local government re grants to make sure we could cover our costs while we were unable to meet and unable to do any fundraising.

And finally, I would like to congratulate Jan on recently receiving her 25-year service award. Under normal circumstances, this would have been presented at the AGM, but had to be posted. Well done, Jan.

Treasurer's Report:

You should have all received by email a set of the Group's accounts for the year ending 31 March 2021. These accounts were prepared by myself and signed off by Lavinia Watson (our elected Independent Examiner) as a true reflection of the Group's financial records. This is all in accordance with the Charities Act 2011, and they will be formally submitted alongside the Charities Return upon completion of this AGM.

Although the last AGM only took place a little over 7 months ago, in November 2020, these accounts are for the whole year 1 April 2020 through to 31st March 2021.

As such, these accounts represent a year where very little face to face Scouting took place, a year without camps or sleepovers, and a year with next to no fundraising.

Due to this, it is very hard to draw any comparisons against previous years, so I will just comment on the overall position and a few of the headline figures.

The balance on our current and deposit accounts shows that, as we head into the next academic year of Scouting, we are extremely fortunate that we are in a very good position financially. At the end of the accounting year, we held a healthy current account balance of £17,433 and reserves in the deposit account of just under £2,500 which is equivalent to almost a term's full subs, this being the recommended amount set out by the Scout Association and Charities Commission.

Our subs income was down this year, due to the fact that, as a committee, we made the decision to reduce subs to £54 for the year to cover just the children's Scouting Association fees and nothing towards the running of the Group. This decision was made to not only relieve some financial burden, but also to acknowledge that we were not holding face to face meetings.

The subs reduction was made possible by the fact that we were able to access 5 grants from SSDC for business continuity. We received our first payment in May being a one-off grant of £10,000. As we then went back into lockdown later in the year, we received 4 further grants, totalling around £9,000 during February and March. These were paid on a rolling basis, and represented each 2 further weeks of lockdown.

As mentioned, fundraising was unable to take place in the main, and the only funds received were from two Bag2School collections and the online Easy Fundraising that the Group are signed up for.

Turning now to expenditure. As you can see, since Scouting was not taking place face to face, there were no payments made for offsite activities, and only a very small amount was spent on week night activities. These were the ones that took place in that short period of the Autumn Term. The Summer Camp payments are the refunds that were made to parents in respect of the cancellation of the 2020 camp.

Although Scouting was not taking place face to face, our hall still had to be maintained and HQ subs paid. Such examples of hall maintenance are water boiler service, fire extinguisher service, gas safety check, fire alarm service and PAT Testing. We also had to have a section of the fence down the side of the building repaired after one of the concrete posts was hit, damaging it and the tarmac surround.

The hall project work of just over £1,000 was payment for the new emergency lighting we had fitted in July, replacing the very old and outdated system.

Should anyone have any questions, I will do my best to answer them now or investigate and come back to you.

Accounts Proposed: John Myers

Seconded: Claire Rowswell

GSL's Report:

Thank you to all the Leaders for keeping it going through Zoom and face to face Scouting during the pandemic; next step will be to organise some camps!

There have been plenty of enquiries for youngsters to join the Group in all sections, so the concerns of last year that the numbers of children would drop has not happened.

Lastly, welcome to Danielle Shead, who has now joined the Group as a Section Assistant with Thor Cubs.

All training is up to date.

Section Reports:

Scouts (Mercury & Pegasus) given by Ken Yates SL

Cubs (Woden & Thor) given by Mandy Merrett CSL

Beavers given by Jenny Jones BSL - Jenny mentioned that she had received her 20 years' service award in the post, and was congratulated by Rebecca on behalf of the Group.

Copies of these 3 reports are attached to the file copy of these minutes, held by the Group Secretary.

District Address:

Apologies from Paul Bentley & Heather Pitts who were not available to attend the AGM, but have asked John Myers to deputise on their behalf. District thanks the leader team at St Andrew's for their hard work and continuous efforts to support Scouting at such a difficult time. St. Andrew's should be very proud of their leaders with the efforts on Zoom meetings, and the number of children that have stayed involved. During the pandemic lockdowns across the county there are some Groups that have folded, but St. Andrew's have kept going.

Rebecca had resigned from the District Executive, and to mark her time and commitment as a member of that team, John had a specially engraved pen and case, which he would ensure was delivered to her. John thanked her on behalf of the District.

Election of Officers:

Chair: Rebecca Byrne

Treasurer: Vicky King Proposed: Megan Buller Seconded: Jenny Jones

Independent Examiner: Lavinia Watson Proposed: Jan Yates

Seconded: Megan Buller

Secretary: Jan Yates Proposed: Pippa Wannell Seconded: Adrian Read

Committee: Sarah Cooley, Matt Hurley, Katy Mickler, Adrian Read, Claire Rowswell,

Pippa Wannell, John Myers

Proposed: Rebecca Byrne Seconded: Mandy

Merrett

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Mandy Merrett: Has received an email from Buddens, with information relating to the idea of an activity day, which the committee had agreed to subsidise, with parents paying a booking fee. Rebecca would, on receipt of this email, send it out to the committee. _____

ST ANDREWS SCOUT GROUP YEOVIL

YEAR END ACCOUNTS

31 March 2021

Opening balance as at 01.04.20			
Current Account		£ 1,324.27	
Deposit Account		£ 2,437.10	
Camp Account		£ 2,663.65	
		<u>£ 6,425.02</u>	
less chqs not cleared 18/19	19/20		
		<u>£ 6,425.02</u>	
add cash not banked 18/19	19/20	£ 37.35	
		<u>£ 6,462.37</u>	
Add Income		£ 27,158.18	
		<u>£ 33,620.55</u>	
Less Expenditure		£ 13,533.99	
		<u>£ 20,086.56</u>	
Less cash not banked by 31.03.21			
		<u>£ 20,086.56</u>	
Add chqs written but not cleared by 31.03.21		£	
		<u>£ 20,086.56</u>	
Total funds available			<u>20086.56</u>

Current Account balance as at	31.03.21	£ 17,433.81	
Deposit Account balance as at	31.03.21	£ 2,437.74	
Camp Account balance as at	31.03.21	£ 215.01	
Cash in hand		£ -	
			<u>20086.56</u>

Accounts Reviewed By:

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Lavinia Watson
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Date: 22 June 2021 | 14:07 BST

	YE 31.03.21	YE 31.03.20
<u>INCOME</u>		
Membership fees	£3,291.00	£8,173.00
Misc items & T Shirts	£1,121.29	£933.00
Interest earned on Deposit Account	£0.64	£2.84
Gift Aid	£1,702.55	£1,642.19
Electric	£475.04	£333.45
Grants/Donations	£20,233.67	£2,198.79
General Fundraising	£233.99	£2,600.91
Autumn Fayre	£0.00	£1,183.17
Scout Shop	£60.00	£60.00
Summer Camp 2019	£0.00	£5,546.80
Summer Camp 2020	£40.00	£2,740.00
EXPLORER ACCOUNT	£0.00	£592.00
Other Camps/Off Site Activities	£0.00	£5,880.20
	<u>£27,158.18</u>	<u>£31,886.35</u>
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		
Membership fees	£3,552.00	£4,037.00
Misc items & T Shirts	£162.95	£1,500.42
Stationery/Postage	£1,438.42	£1,426.66
Hall Maintenance	£1,401.53	£391.69
Hall Projects	£1,142.36	£4,085.80
Gas	£737.11	£518.59
Electric	£851.33	£885.28
Water	£19.72	£160.00
Insurance	£1,020.57	£986.57
Badges	£235.57	£913.53
Rifle Club	£0.00	£3,259.91
Tents/Equipment	£0.00	£3,001.44
Donations	£0.00	£474.79
General Fundraising	£0.00	£418.65
Autumn Fayre	£0.00	£308.50
Week night activities	£192.43	£622.75
Summer Camp 2019	£0.00	£7,887.74
Summer Camp 2020 (this yr refunds)	£2,780.00	£840.00
EXPLORER ACCOUNT	£0.00	£592.00
Other Camps/Off Site Activities	£0.00	£6,545.43
	<u>£13,533.99</u>	<u>£38,856.75</u>

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