

# 1ST BILLINGSHURST GROUP SCOUTS

England & Wales · Charity number 305886

## Details

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**Other names** 1ST BILLINGSHURST GROUP BOY SCOUTS

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 1962-10-03

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

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** PURPOSES OF THE 1ST BILLINGSHURST GROUP BOY SCOUTS

**Activities:** As per Scout POR, 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.

## Classification

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- **How:** Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Education/training, Amateur Sport
- **Who:** Children/young People

## Geography

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- **Area of benefit:** BILLINGSHURST
- West Sussex

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£54,257	£45,451	-	-
2024-03-31	£59,656	£52,792	-	-
2023-03-31	£31,131	£33,296	-	-
2022-03-31	£34,854	£36,880	-	-
2021-03-31	£33,835	£16,039	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Jacqueline Laing		2025-07-12
Lucy Sexton		2023-09-08
Monicka Frisby		2023-09-08
Stuart Sexton		2023-09-08
ZOE JENKINS		2017-09-26

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# Accounts

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## **1<sup>st</sup> Billingshurst Scout Group & The Billingshurst Scouts & Guides Executive Management Committee**

### **Annual Report and Financial Statement For the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025**

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Lower Station Road  
Billingshurst  
West Susse  
RH14 9SU

*Chairman:* Glyn Pullen

*Independent* Sue Gatland

*Examiner:* Treasurer  
Billingshurst Family Church

*Bankers:* Barclays PLC

#### **Our Aims and Purpose:**

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As a member of Girl Guiding UK, the Guide Group shares its purpose of enabling girls and young women to fulfil their potential and to take an active and responsible role in society through its distinctive, stimulating, and enjoyable programme of activities delivered by trained volunteer leaders.

Group members meet regularly and enjoy a varied and structured programme of training, education and guided activities designed to meet this purpose. The Group welcomes members from all kinds of backgrounds. It is open to every boy, girl, young man, or woman, regardless of race, faith, or personal circumstance.

The trustees follow POR and Guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit. No trustee receives any financial reward other than the recovery of necessary expenses.

### **1<sup>st</sup> Billingshurst Group Structure**

The composition of the Scout Group encompasses Beaver Scouts, Cub Scouts and Scouts and the Guide Group encompasses Rainbows, Brownies, and Guides. Reliable performance in line with training programs are maintained and progress measured by the attainment of badges and awards.

Jointly we were able to work together for the benefit of our young people, with both **Petworth Park Camp weekend**, and **The Billingshurst Show and Carnival** being our main annual fundraising event, the proceeds of which are used for the benefit of our Group Scouts & Guides.

### **Financial Review:**

#### **1<sup>st</sup> Billingshurst Scout Group**

Total receipts £44,349.51 - Total payments £32,560.85

This resulted in a net surplus of £11,788.66

Bank statements and accounts reconciled across the group at year end = £44,939.77

#### **Billingshurst Scouts & guides joint group venture**

Total receipts £9,907.83 - Total payments £10,932.38

This resulted in net deficit of £2,982.12

Bank Statement and accounts reconciled at year end = £14,124.45

The trustees have not identified any major risks to which they believe the Group is exposed, please see reserves policy.

Systems are reviewed on an on-going basis to mitigate adverse financial exposure.

The accounts are drawn up on the receipts and payments basis, which remains consistent with previous years.

## Reserves Policy

It is the Scout & Guide Executive policy to maintain a balance equating to approximately 6 months' worth of payments as a contingency against any unforeseen situations.

## Structure, Governance and Management

The Group is a trust established under rules, which are consistent with all other Scout and Guide Groups.

Trustees appointed in accordance with POR.

There are no funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

## Reference and Administrative details

Charity Name: 1<sup>st</sup> Billingshurst Scout Group.  
Registered Charity Number 305886 Address:

1<sup>st</sup> Billingshurst Scout Head Quarters  
Lower Station Road  
Billingshurst  
RH14 9SU

Name	Office held (if any)	Dates of service (if not for full year)
Glyn Pullen Changing to Lucy Sexton	Chairman	
Clare Collyer Changing to vacant	Secretary	
Helen Pullen	Governance	
Lucy Sexton Changing to Monicka Frisby	Treasurer	
Monicka Frisby	Assistant Treasurer	
Sandy Duck Stepping down	Trustee	
Zoe Jenkins	Group Scout Leader	
Stuart Sexton	Trustee	

Approved by 1<sup>st</sup> Billingshurst Scout Group Trustees on: **11<sup>th</sup> July 2025**  
and signed on their behalf by :

Glyn Pullen  
**Chairman**

## 1st Billingshurst Scout Group Annual Summary Of Accounts 1st April 2024- 31st March 2025

### Balance Sheet

1st April 2023- 31st March 2024	1st April 2024- 31st March 2025
<b>Balance across the group B/F</b>	<b>Balance across the group B/F</b>
<u>£27,988.40</u>	<u>£33,151.11</u>
<b>Income</b>	
Subs received (all sections)	Subs received (all sections)
£12,551.50	£14,727.00
Gift Aid	Gift Aid
£3,048.08	£1,550.40
Donations / Grants	Donations / Grants
£2,793.00	£3,551.00
Fund Raising	Fund Raising
£1,200.00	£0.00
Easy Fundraising	Easy Fundraising
£92.91	£160.28
Activities & Trips	Activities & Trips
£3,554.50	£2,900.83
Camps & Sleepovers	Camps & Sleepovers
£14,950.00	£20,751.00
Badge Receipts	Badge Receipts
£34.40	£14.00
Sundry Receipts	Sundry Receipts
£2,062.50	£667.00
Misc.	Misc.
£0.00	£0.00
Uniform	Uniform
£536.50	£8.00
Equipment Hire	Equipment Hire
£0.00	£20.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>Total Income</b>
<u>£40,823.39</u>	<u>£44,349.51</u>
Gross Income inc balance b/fwd.	Gross Income inc balance b/fwd.
<u>£68,811.79</u>	<u>£77,500.62</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>	
Annual Membership (2023-24)	Annual Membership (2024-25)
£8,816.00	£0.00
Hut Levy	Hut Levy
£720.00	£720.00
Activities & Trips	Activities & Trips
£6,950.74	£6,276.70
Camping / Sleepovers	Camping / Sleepovers
£12,592.43	£18,887.94
Craft Materials	Craft Materials
£568.88	£297.49
Equipment	Equipment
£1,653.92	£2,915.04
Fund Raising	Admin
£51.43	£10.00
Donations and Gifts	Donations and Gifts
£1,000.00	£0.00
Uniform/ Scarves	Uniform/ Scarves
£849.89	£330.50
Training	Training
£31.68	£381.01
Badges	Badges
£1,877.41	£1,898.93
Sundry Payments	Sundry Payments
£170.88	£277.40
Website	Website
£258.92	£221.72
	Recruitment/Marketing
	£331.12
Gifts	Gifts
£118.50	£13.00
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>Total Expenditure</b>
<u>£35,660.68</u>	<u>£32,560.85</u>
<b>Bank statements and accounts reconciled across the group 31.03.2024</b>	<b>Bank statements and accounts reconciled across the group 31.03.2024</b>
<u>£33,151.11</u>	<u>£44,939.77</u>
Annual net surplus / deficit	Annual net surplus / deficit
<u>£5,162.71</u>	<u>£11,788.66</u>

<b>Bank Reconciliation</b>	
Balance c/f	£44,939.77
Cheques not cashed	£0.00
Income not paid into bank	£0.00
<b>Bank Reconciliation with all 7 Bank Accounts - 31.03.2024</b>	<b>£44,939.77</b>

\*\* Membership of £9636 went out in April after end of year

## Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

.....1ST BILLINGSHURST.....SCOUT GROUP/DISTRICT/COUNTY/AREA SCOUT COUNCIL

I report on the accounts of the Group/District/County/Area for the year ended 31 MARCH 2025.....  
which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and related notes set out on pages.....

This report is made solely to the trustees in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees for my examination work.

### Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Group's/District's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under Section 145 of the Charities Act);
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act); and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### Basis of Independent Examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Group/District and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

### Independent Examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than that disclosed below \*):

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Charities Act ;and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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

Name: Susan Gatland.  
Qualification: Treasurer, Billingshurst Family church.  
Address: 2 Frenches mead,  
Billingshurst, RH14 9LF.  
Date: 6/5/25

LT700006 (1<sup>st</sup> February 2017)

Income and Expenditure - Account Summary 1st April 2024 - 31st March 2025

1st April 2022 - 31st March 2024

1st April 2023 - 31st March 2025

	£15,405.1 <u>8</u>
<b>INCOME</b>	
<b>Fund Raising</b>	
Billingshurst Show 2022 income	£8,000.00
Fireworks - Refreshments ( Int Jamboree)	£187.28
Christmas Fayre	£179.60
Donations & Grants ( <i>Water Leak &amp; Centrica B/Gas</i> )	£7,550.00
Easy Fund raising	£253.60
Recycled Stamps	£66.75
Hire of Equipment	£0.00
	<u>£16,237.2</u> <u>3</u>
<b>Total Fundraising</b>	

Hire of Scout Hut	£1,210.00
Hut Levy	£1,080.00
Misc./Sundry	£17.98
Uniform / Scarves	£288.00
	<u>£18,833.2</u> <u>1</u>
<b>Total Income</b>	

Gross Income including balance b/fwd.	£34,238.3 <u>9</u>
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<b>Activity Costs</b>	
Fireworks	£37.00
Lottery Licence	£20.00
<b>Activities Total</b>	<u>£57.00</u>

<b>Hut Costs</b>	
Cleaning	£934.70
Electricity	£5,375.15
Equipment	£33.49
Buildings and Contents Ins	£1,368.24
Personal Act Ins Non Members	£52.00
Admin costs	£174.30
Maintenance	£3,882.56
Improvements	£2,383.49
Rates	£75.27
Water Rates	£1,393.84
Gas	£190.00
Wi-Fi (MI-Fi system)	£209.11
	<u>£16,072.1</u> <u>5</u>
<b>Hut Expenses Total</b>	

<b>General Expenses</b>	
Sundries( Remembrance Wreaths)	£265.48
Health & Safety	£0.00
Uniform / Scarves	£737.19
Donations & Gifts	£0.00
<b>General Expenses Total</b>	<u>£1,002.67</u>

	£0.00
	<u>£17,131.8</u> <u>2</u>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	

Closing balance 31.03.2023 c/fwd	£17,106.5 <u>7</u>
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<b>Annual surplus / deficit</b>	<b>£1,701.39</b>
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Balance B/F	£17,106.5 <u>7</u>
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<b>Fund Raising</b>	
Billingshurst Show 2023 income	£7,500.00
Fireworks - refreshments	£0.00
Christmas Fayre	£0.00
Donations & Grants	£0.00
WS Event 2025	£500.00
Easy Fund raising	£157.14
Recycled Stamps	£99.69
Hire of Equipment	£0.00
	<u>£8,256.83</u>
<b>Total Fundraising</b>	

Hire of Scout Hut	£195.00
Hut Levy	£1,200.00
Misc./Sundry	£0.00
Uniform / Scarves	£256.00
	<u>£9,907.83</u>
<b>Total Income</b>	

Gross Income including balance b/fwd.	£27,014.4 <u>0</u>
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<b>Activity Costs</b>	
Fireworks	£0.00
Lottery Licence	£20.00
<b>Activities Total</b>	<u>£20.00</u>

<b>Hut Costs</b>	
Cleaning	£954.12
Electricity	£3,008.78
Equipment	£1,449.20
Buildings and Contents Ins	£1,395.12
Personal Act Ins. Non Members	£85.60
Admin costs	£49.95
Maintenance	£698.89
Improvements	£2,557.50
Rates	£73.60
Water Rates	£289.32
Gas	£92.49
Wi-Fi (MI-Fi system)	£277.81
	<u>£10,932.3</u> <u>8</u>
<b>Hut Expenses Total</b>	

<b>General Expenses</b>	
Misc / Sundries inc Rem Wreaths	£256.00
Health & Safety	£42.36
Uniform / Scarves	£1,545.94
Donations / Gifts	£93.27
<b>General Expenses Total</b>	<u>£1,937.57</u>

	£0.00
	<u>£12,889.9</u> <u>5</u>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	

Closing balance 31.03.25	£14,124.4 <u>5</u>
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<b>Annual surplus / deficit</b>	<b>£2,982.12</b>
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<b>Bank Reconciliation</b>	
Balance c/f	£14,124.4 5
<b>Payments not processed through bank</b>	<b>£0.00</b>
Receipts not processed through bank	£0.00
<b>Agreed 31.03.2025</b>	<b>£14,124.4 5</b>

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# Accounts

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<i>Chairman:</i>	Glyn Pullen	
<i>Independent Examiner:</i>	Sue Gatland Treasurer Billingshurst Family Church	
<i>Bankers;</i>	Barclays PLC	

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### **Achievements and Performance**

Another fantastic year of Scouting at 1st Billingshurst! We now have over 150 young people participating in a variety of activities, events, and camps organized by more than 25 dedicated adult volunteer leaders. Our group continues to operate 2 Beaver Colonies, 2 Cub Packs, and 2 Scout Troops every weekday except Thursdays.

As the village grows, we unfortunately face a substantial waiting list, with over 170 young people eager to join. This includes 36 waiting to join Beavers, 30 for Cubs, and 20 hoping to join Scouts. The remaining 86 are younger than Beaver age (6 years).

Our Lead Volunteer team, including myself, Monicka Frisby, and Stuart Sexton, regularly reaches out to the parents of those on the waiting list to explore the possibility of volunteering. This initiative has successfully brought Simon, Johnny, Heather, and Charlie into our team this year.

I hope you enjoy reading about the activities and achievements of each of our sections over the past year.

*Zoë Jenkins*

*Group Lead Volunteer (Group Scout Leader) – 1<sup>st</sup> Billingshurst.*

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### **Beavers: Cedars Report by Carrie Tucker**

Cedars Beavers runs on a Tuesday evening 5.15pm - 6.30pm. As at the end of March 2024 we had 20 Beavers in the colony aged between 6 – 8 years.

Monicka Frisby stepped down as section leader in July 2023 and Cedars continues to be run by Carrie Tucker and Sharon Del Risco and Heather Ramiz who joined us in February 2024. We have no regular parent helper, but we have put a parent Rota in place which is working well. We have four young leaders Lucybelle Boswell, Jasmine Page, Evie Molla and Ben Simpson helping us out, Lucybelle and Jasmine took some time away to concentrate on their GCSEs but will join us again in September.

We have had another busy year at Cedars completing lots of badge work and getting outside as much as possible. We have got involved with the community with a visit to the Fire Station and a visit from the Police. We visited the residents in Osmond Court and had a lovely session singing Christmas carols with them. Other activities we have completed are pond dipping, cycling, campfire and wide games at Nowhurst Campsite.

We have also learnt all about Space, Diwali, Chinese New Year, Burns night, disabilities, first aid, money and health and fitness. We had a fun session at From the Ashes Forest School in Pulborough and the skills session where the Beavers got to iron and fold their scarves went down a storm. We also held a Halloween and Christmas party, Easter Egg hunt and Talk like a Pirate session.

We participated in the St George's Day Orienteering, Remembrance parade and Go Beavers which is always a fantastic day for the Beavers. They all embraced the activities and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The Billingshurst show brought us the opportunity to get the Beavers painting in preparation for the carnival and some of the Beavers came and helped on the stall.

To finish the summer term, we went aboard the Supeta yacht in Shoreham which was a fantastic day and all the Bevers took a turn to steer the yacht.

We continue to hold 2 sleepovers a year during the Spring and Autumn terms. At our Autumn sleepover we completed lots of activities towards their challenge badges including twig rafts, leaf painting, soft mini hawks and archery, hike to the woods, den making and science experiments. The Beavers all helped to put up tents, cooked their own pitta pizzas and toasted marshmallows over the campfire and sang some campfire songs.

Between April 2023 and March 2024 5 Beavers were awarded their Chief Scout Bronze award. We have awarded 153 activity / stage badges and 47 Challenge badges. We plan our programme around the Beavers earning badges and ultimately towards earning their Chief Scout Bronze award.

#### **Beavers: Oaklands Report by Tracey Parker Oaklands**

Beavers have maintained membership of 20 for the past year. Most of the year April 23-March 24 under leadership of Nicky still, supported by Tracey, Laura and Angela, with Connor and Martha as young leaders.

Throughout the year the colony supported Group and County events: Go Beavers, the Billingshurst Show, Remembrance Parade, the Carol Service, as well as organising sleepovers in May and October, plus offering a varied programme to a lively group of 6–8-year-olds!

In the summer term we tried to get outdoors as much as possible. We held a sports evening with Wisborough Green Beavers, working towards the Health and Fitness Badge. We did problem solving, held a games night, went on a scavenger hunt and cycled at Jubilee Fields. Nala ran a Talent Show evening working towards the Creative Badge. Our end of term meeting was supposed to have been ice creams with Moo Scoops, but they unfortunately were unable to attend so we ran Nala Scoops instead! A fun and tasty evening.

At the start of the autumn term, we went for a hike around Wisborough Green – gave the Beavers a chance to walk in a different area. The evening ended at the swings! Border Force came to visit us giving us an interesting insight as to what happens behind the scenes at Gatwick Airport security. We went to the Beacon Hill Campsite near Horsham for an evening in their indoor caving system. A different adventurous activity and great fun was had by all. World Food Day fell on one of our meetings, so we devoted it to Biscuits! We did the Pawprint Biscuit Challenge Badge which included collecting as many biscuits as possible to take to a food bank. This was well supported by all members and in all the packets we gathered, over 700 biscuits were taken to the local food bank.

After half term we went to Hollywood Bowl in Crawley and as well as having an exciting evening we took part in the national scout bowling competition. Remembrance crafts, Disability Awareness, Diwali and Gingerbread finished off the term before our Christmas party evening.

The spring term saw us working on Experiment and Money Skills badges. We did our own Escape Room activity – luckily no-one had to be left 'locked in' the hut overnight – they all cracked the code to open the padlock. We ate pancakes, spent an evening playing games with different types of balls, celebrated World Book Day and took advantage of using the indoor tunnels built by Allan for the Scouts. We had hoped to have an outdoor meeting and campfire at Nowhurst but due to the extremely wet weather we finished the term with a campfire and toasting marshmallows round the fire pit at the HQ.

Throughout the year by joining in, being helpful, being friends and accepting challenges, Beavers gained 52 Challenge Badges, as well as a variety of Activity (127) and Staged Badges (22). We were also proud to have presented 7 Bronze Awards. These members then continued their scouting journey by swimming up to Cubs.

We are looking forward to another year of fun and friendship in Oaklands Beaver Colony.

#### **Cubs: Dauxwood Report by Mark Tucker**

Dauxwood Cubs have had a great year of strong numbers of Cubs and getting some names off the waiting

list whenever possible. There have been some brilliant activities, lots of learning of new life skills and our always enjoyable camps. As well as our Christmas Sleepover at the hut, the older cubs survived “Survival Camp” where sleeping under a structure made by the Cubs and all food cooked on open fires!

Our meetings have been varied and always outside when the Great British weather allowed. 2 fabulous hikes, outdoor cooking, green finger gardening, canoeing at Southwater were just a few personal favorites of mine but we have done/accomplished so much more. Litter picking, Remembrance Sunday, Christmas Carol service and the Billingshurst show were all fantastic events showing the community just what we are about and how professional we can be!

A cheeky trip to “Ninja Warrior” and “Clip and climb” were end of term treats for the kids where they didn’t have to listen to my boring stories.

In regard to accomplishments, 6 Chief Scout Silver Awards were handed out which is the highest award a Cub can receive. This really was the tip of the iceberg when 362 additional badges were well earned by all the Cub Scouts in total - a fantastic feat!

We are planning for an even better next year and the best team in the world (slightly biased) are going to ensure the Cubs continue to learn, push themselves and most importantly have fun.

### **Cubs: Parbrook Report by Sam Waters**

Parbrook Cubs have enjoyed another fun year of activities and learning new skills.

We started the year with a camp at the Horsham District Campsite at Colgate. We had a team entered into the Supreme Box Kart Championships at Goodwood Racecourse; we even had an inter-District ace against Bury Cubs (which they won). This was a great day out which all the Cubs who took part loved.

We had a team entered the Supreme Box Kart Championships again this last weekend so maybe by the time of the AGM we might have had a rematch. This year we have our own Kart, kindly made by Matt over the last few months.

Almost all our Cubs attended the Remembrance Sunday Parade, then on the following Tuesday we continued the Parbrook Cubs tradition of inviting the Royal British Legion along to our meeting to help with counting the Poppy Appeal money for the Billingshurst area. We also very much enjoyed the Scout and Guide Christmas Carols at St Marys Church.

Just some of our activities we have done this year have included hikes, Archery, Shooting, Orienteering, a Scavenger Hunt round Billingshurst, Indoor Tunnelling and loads more to cover various bits of badge work.

We also won the best float in the Carnival Procession for the Billingshurst Show. The theme was “Our Colourful Countryside” and we had a mobile Cub camp with a tent on the roof of Akela’s car.

We are very proud leaders to have several of our Cubs achieve their Chief Scout Silver Award this year, this is the highest award that a Cub can gain. Well done to all our Cubs who have achieved their Chief Scout Silver Award this year.

Parbrook Cubs meet every Tuesday evening throughout School term time and currently have 30 Cubs.

### **Scouts: Arun Report by Stuart Sexton**

We’ve had another strong and successful 12 month at Arun Troop since the last AGM.

Firstly, we’ve maintained our strong position in terms of numbers, and currently have 34 Scouts on the books, with an expectation of staying at around this figure for the coming year.

Our leadership team has been consolidated, and we have grown collectively allowing us to provide a rounded and expansive experience for the Scouts, with Stuart, Peter and Alex Morris forming the core of the leadership team. Alex Message has continued to join us regularly as an occasional helper (though has no desire to become any more than this), and Laura Parker has also continued to support evenings and events where requested. We have also seen some involvement with other adults with particular vocations in the community, who have allowed us to provide further variation in the programme. Stuart, Peter and Alex have all obtained Nights Away Permits, and Alex and Stuart have also obtained shooting qualifications.

Unfortunately, Alex Morris has chosen to step back at the end of the period – we would like to reiterate our thanks for the substantial contribution that he has made to Arun Scouts in the past few years. Fortunately, he has been replaced by Lucy Garrett, who has previous experience of running Arun Troop, and already has a camp permit and experience of being a Scout Leader so we are very pleased to welcome her. We are actively looking to recruit a fourth leader in the coming period. Last summer we had our second full week-long camp in succession – a fantastic week in Bannau Brycheiniog (the Brecon Beacons), at Dolygaer Scout Camp site. We managed to fit in some onsite activities, such as pioneering, backwoods cooking, stargazing and several campfires. We also squeezed in a trip to the Big Pit, two great hikes (including a hike to the top of Pen-Y-Fan for the most experienced Scouts), a trip on the Brecon Mountain Railway, canoeing, real caving and a trip to a local castle. Next year we will be off to Youlbury Scout Adventures site near Oxford.

In addition to this, we've managed to squeeze in a further five nights away events within the last 12 months – the Monopoly Run was attended by 30 Scouts with an overnight stay in the hut, a two-night Winter Camp at Small Dole near Henfield, another Petworth Park camp attended by 29 Scouts, where we met Tim Peake and expanded our Campfire to be a full Subcamp activity due to its previous popularity, a two day Autumn camp to the National Air Rifle Championships at Bisley for 12 Scouts (plus a few Explorers), and finally a set of overnight expeditions (some walking, some cycling) for 12 of our oldest Scouts unaccompanied (but supervised!) to Nowhurst Guide site.

Other events in the last 12 months (in addition to all the group activities) have included an all-day Cycle along the South Downs, several rifle shooting sessions, Halloween Hike, and the very challenging Downsman Hike (in which all three teams finished – a first for Arun Scouts).

Our Programme has been eclectic throughout the year, including Nordic braiding, woggle making, tent pitching, rafting, wide games, orienteering, cake baking & decorating, indoor caving, climbing, shooting, archery, fire lighting, assault course, crazy golf, tomahawks, world food tasting, bottle boats, microbits, den building, campfire cooking, first aid, crystal maze challenges and lots of hikes to cover just some of the activities which we have planned and carried out.

Finally in terms of badge progress, I am really pleased to be able to confirm that we have celebrated five Scouts achieving their Chief Scouts Gold Awards so far this year (our best number to date), with hopefully a couple more to come in the remainder of 2024!

### **Scouts: Downlands Report by Allan Brown**

The start of the summer term 23 saw 14 Downlands scouts attended Petworth Park Camp 2023, which was an amazing weekend with lots of adventurous activities. Troop nights consisted of a troop forum, problem solving challenges, first aid, shooting, crossbow, tomahawk throwing, bike maintenance, orienteering, geocaching in Loxwood, athletics and rafting. The term ended with a BBQ and the launching of tennis balls from home-made Pringle cannons.

Other events this term also included a JOTT hike, which involved getting the train down to Pulborough and then hiking back to Billingshurst. Two of the older scouts took part in a canoe trip with overnight stay on the Medway with Plaistow Guides. We also had a summer camp at Mazegarden. Activities included a hike to Chichester marina, canoeing on the Chichester canal, mini golf and a trip to the RNLI lifeboat station at Selsey. It wouldn't have been a maze camp without the maze which everyone enjoyed playing in both in the daylight and at night.

Autumn term 23 consisted of a scavenger hunt, tomahawk throwing, indoor pioneering (making floating flag poles), rafting and cooking (rocky road and Mexican chicken). As well as a tabletop rally which involved using clues and grid references to plot routes on maps and a night hike near Loxwood to help practice map reading and navigation skills in preparation for the Halloween Hike. We had a fire and ice night, which involved a fire lighting challenge, curling using blocks of ice and ice cream making. During Parliament week we pretended we were in the House of Commons and held some lively debates on topics such as 'Children under 16 are restricted to 2 hours of gaming a day' and 'Limit households to 1 car'. We then voted on whether the new laws should be passed or not.

We planted hyacinth bulbs, checking them regularly and watering when needed. We then decorated the pots so that they could be given as Christmas presents to family or friends.

Our survivor challenge night was great fun with lots of determination and perseverance on display. This term some of the scouts took part in volunteering by helping with the car parking and de-tagging at the Barn Green Marathon. Two teams of scouts took part in the annual Halloween Hike working together to complete the challenges and navigate around the route. We also attended the Billingshurst Remembrance Parade and the Scout and Guide Carol Service.

Spring term 24 saw us start with a back-to-basics night focusing on rolling scarves and the flag, talking about the history of scouts and learning scout law and how to tie various knots. We then had a fitness night to kick-start our 6-week fitness challenge to go towards our Skills Challenge badge. We learnt camp skills, made pocket pizzas and pancakes, completed activities about fire safety, made Mother's Day cards and had fun in cardboard tunnels. We ended the term with an exciting science night.

During the term the older scouts started planning their expedition and several scouts took part in the district shooting and archery competition. 9 scouts took part in a drop hike which involved sleeping at the hut then waking early and being split into teams that were dropped off on the South Downs as the sun rose. They then had to work out where they were and plot their own route to the finish location. Both teams worked well and got to the finish location in really good time. 3 teams (14 scouts) also spent a day running around London taking part in the Scout and Guide Monopoly run which is always great fun.

### **1<sup>st</sup> Billingshurst Group Structure**

The composition of the Scout Group encompasses Beaver Scouts, Cub Scouts and Scouts and the Guide Group encompasses Rainbows, Brownies, and Guides. Reliable performance in line with training programs are maintained and progress measured by the attainment of badges and awards.

Jointly we were able to work together for the benefit of our young people, with both **Petworth Park Camp weekend**, and **The Billingshurst Show and Carnival** being our main annual fundraising event, the proceeds of which are used for the benefit of our Group Scouts & Guides.

### **Financial Review:**

#### **1<sup>st</sup> Billingshurst Scout Group**

Total receipts £40,823.39 - Total payments £35,660.68

This resulted in a net surplus of £5,182.71

Bank statements and accounts reconciled across the group at year end = £27,988.40

#### **Billingshurst Scouts & guides joint group venture**

Total receipts £18,833.21 - Total payments £17,131.82

This resulted in net surplus of £1,701.39

Bank Statement and accounts reconciled at year end = £15,405.18

The trustees have not identified any major risks to which they believe the Group is exposed, please see reserves policy.

Systems are reviewed on an on-going basis to mitigate adverse financial exposure.

The accounts are drawn up on the receipts and payments basis, which remains consistent with previous years.

**Reserves Policy**

It is the Scout & Guide Executive policy to maintain a balance equating to approximately 6 months' worth of payments as a contingency against any unforeseen situations.

**Structure, Governance and Management**

The Group is a trust established under rules, which are consistent with all other Scout and Guide Groups.

Trustees appointed in accordance with POR.

There are no funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

**Reference and Administrative details**

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Registered Charity Number 305886 Address:

1<sup>st</sup> Billingshurst Scout Head Quarters  
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Billingshurst  
RH14 9SU

<b>Name</b>	<b>Office held (if any)</b>	<b>Dates of service (if not for full year)</b>
Glyn Pullen	Charman	
Clare Collyer	Secretary	
Helen Pullen	Governance	
Sandra Duck	Treasurer	
Lucy Sexton	Assistant Treasurer	
Monicka Frisby	Assistant Treasurer	
Zoe Jenkins	Group Scout Leader	
Stuart Sexton	Trustee	

Approved by 1<sup>st</sup> Billingshurst Scout Group Trustees on: **16<sup>th</sup> September 2024**  
and signed on their behalf by :

Glyn Pullen  
**Chairman**



**1st Billingshurst Scout Group Annual Summary Of Accounts 1st April 2023- 31st March 2024**  
**Balance Sheet**

**1st April 2022 - 31st March 2023**

**1st April 2023 - 31st March 2024**

**Balance across the group b/fwd. £ 24,990.42**      **Balance across the group B/F £ 22,825.69**

		<b>Income</b>	
Subs received (all sections)	£ 12,562.00	Subs received (all sections)	£ 12,551.50
Gift Aid	£ 1,316.88	Gift Aid	£ 3,048.08
Donations / Grants	£ 225.00	Donations / Grants	£ 2,793.00
Fundraising activities		Fund Raising	£ 1,200.00
Easy Fundraising	£ 233.20	Easy Fundraising	£ 92.91
Activities & Trips	£ 3,674.48	Activities & Trips	£ 3,554.50
Camps & Sleepovers	£ 12,256.06	Camps & Sleepovers	£ 14,950.00
Badge Receipts	£ 13.10	Badge Receipts	£ 34.40
Sundry Receipts	£ 815.43	Sundry Receipts	£ 2,062.50
Misc.	£ -	Misc.	£ -
Uniform	£ 25.20	Uniform	£ 536.50
Equipment Hire	£ 10.00	Equipment Hire	£ -
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£ 31,131.35</b>	<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£ 40,823.39</b>

**Gross Income including balance b/f £ 56,121.77**      **Gross Income including balance b/fw £ 63,649.08**

**Expenditure**

Annual Membership (capitation) (2023)	£ 7,380.00	Annual Membership (capitation) (2024)	£ 8,816.00
Hut Levy	£ 720.00	Hut Levy	£ 720.00
Activities & Trips	£ 8,241.03	Activities & Trips	£ 6,950.74
Camping / Sleepovers	£ 11,735.41	Camping / Sleepovers	£ 12,592.43
Craft Materials	£ 349.02	Craft Materials	£ 568.88
Equipment	£ 1,311.94	Equipment	£ 1,653.92
Fund raising	£ 41.16	Fund Raising	£ 51.43
Donations and Gifts	£ 81.70	Donations and Gifts	£ 1,000.00
Uniform/ Scarves	£ 287.55	Uniform/ Scarves	£ 849.89
Training	£ 448.63	Training	£ 31.68
Badges	£ 1,469.90	Badges	£ 1,877.41
Sundry Payments	£ 970.84	Sundry Payments	£ 170.88
Website	£ 258.90	Website	£ 258.92
Gifts	£ -	Gifts	£ 118.50
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>£ 33,296.08</b>	<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>£ 35,660.68</b>

**Bank statements and accounts reconciled across the group £ 22,825.69**      **Bank statements and accounts reconciled across the group £ 27,988.40**

**Annual net surplus / deficit -£ 2,164.73**      **Annual net surplus / deficit £ 5,162.71**

<b>Bank Reconciliation</b>	
Balance c/f	£ 27,988.40
Cheques not cashed	£ -
Income not paid into bank	£ -
<b>Bank Reconciliation with all 7 Bank Accounts - Agreed 31.03.2023</b>	<b>£ 27,988.40</b>

Income and Expenditure - Account Summary 1st April 2023 - 31st March 2024

1st April 2022 - 31st March 2023

1st April 2023 - 31st March 2024

	£ 15,221.20			£ 15,405.18
		<b>INCOME</b>		
<b>Fund Raising</b>			<b>Fund Raising</b>	
Fireworks - Refreshments ( Int Jamboree)	£ -		Fireworks - refreshments	£ 187.28
Donations & Grants	£ -		Donations/Grants PC (Water Leak)	£ 1,500.00
Christmas Fayre	£ 94.50		Christmas Fayre	£ 179.60
Billingshurst Show 2022 income	£ 7,500.00		Billingshurst Show 2023 income	£ 8,000.00
Easy Fund raising	£ 232.20		Easy Fund raising	£ 253.60
Recycled Stamps	£ 88.88		Recycled Stamps	£ 66.75
Hire of Equipment	£ -		Hire of Equipment	£ -
<b>Total Fundraising</b>	<b>£ 7,915.58</b>		<b>Total Fundraising</b>	<b>£ 10,187.23</b>
Hire of Scout Hut	£ 1,430.00		Hire of Scout Hut	£ 1,210.00
Hut Levy	£ 1,285.00		Hut Levy	£ 1,080.00
Donations	£ 2,005.00		Donations	£ 6,050.00
Misc./Sundry	£ -		Misc./Sundry	£ 17.98
Uniform / Scarves	£ 356.00		Uniform / Scarves	£ 288.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£ 12,991.58</b>		<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£ 18,833.21</b>
Gross Income including balance b/fwd	£ 28,212.78		Gross Income including balance b/fwd	£ 34,238.39
		<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
<b>Activity Costs</b>			<b>Activity Costs</b>	
Fireworks	£ -		Fireworks	£ 37.00
Prizes for 50 Club	£ 65.00		Prizes for 50 club - (No longer operating)	£ -
Lottery Licence	£ 20.00		Lottery Licence	£ 20.00
<b>Activities Total</b>	<b>£ 85.00</b>		<b>Activities Total</b>	<b>£ 57.00</b>
<b>Hut Costs</b>			<b>Hut Costs</b>	
Cleaning	£ 954.16		Cleaning	£ 934.70
Electricity	£ 3,334.31		Electricity	£ 5,375.15
Equipment	£ 1,413.35		Equipment	£ 168.48
Buildings and Contents Ins	£ 1,223.74		Buildings and Contents Ins	£ 1,368.24
Personal Act Ins Non Members	£ 52.00		Personal Act Ins. Non Members	£ 52.00
Admin costs	£ 413.94		Admin costs	£ 174.30
Hut Repairs & Maintenance	£ 228.57		Maintenance, repairs and improvements	£ 6,131.06
Rates	£ 146.10		Rates	£ 75.27
Water Rates	£ 1,346.04		Water Rates	£ 1,393.84
Gas	£ 199.96		Gas	£ 190.00
Wi-Fi (MI-Fi system)	£ 187.46		Wi-Fi (MI-Fi system)	£ 209.11
<b>Hut Expenses Total</b>	<b>£ 9,499.63</b>		<b>Hut Expenses Total</b>	<b>£ 16,072.15</b>
<b>General Expenses</b>			<b>General Expenses</b>	
Sundries( Remembrance Wreaths)	£ 273.99		Misc / Sundries inc Rem Wreaths	£ 265.48
Transport (camps etc.)	£ 3.98		Health & Safety (First Aid Supplies)	£ -
Uniform / Scarves	£ 164.00		Uniform / Scarves	£ 737.19
Donations & Gifts	£ 1,600.00		Donations / Gifts	£ -
<b>General Expenses Total</b>	<b>£ 2,041.97</b>		<b>General Expenses Total</b>	<b>£ 1,002.67</b>
Hut Improvements	£ 1,181.00		Hut Improvements	£ -
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>£ 12,807.60</b>		<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>£ 17,131.82</b>
Closing balance 31.03.2023 c/wd	£ 15,405.18		Closing balance 31.03.24	£ 17,106.57
Annual surplus / deficit	£ 183.98		Annual surplus / deficit	£ 1,701.39

Bank Reconciliation	
Balance c/f	£ 17,106.57
Payments not processed through bank	£ -
Receipts not processed through bank	£ -
Agreed - Agreed 31.03.24	£ 17,106.57

## Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

### 1<sup>st</sup> Billingshurst Scout Group

I report on the accounts of the Group/ for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024

which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and related notes set out on pages.....

This report is made solely to the trustees in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees for my examination work.

#### Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Group's/District's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under Section 145 of the Charities Act);
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act); and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### Basis of Independent Examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Group/District and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

#### Independent Examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (~~other than that disclosed below~~ \*):

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Charities Act ;and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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

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Date: 19/5/24.

## Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

### Billingshurst Scouts & Guides Accounts ( Fund Raising and Hut Maintenance Team)

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**1ST BILLINGSHURST GROUP SCOUTS**

England & Wales - Charity number 305886

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# Accounts

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## 1<sup>st</sup> Billingshurst Scout Group & The Billingshurst Scouts & Guides Executive Management Committee

### Annual Report and Financial Statement For the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

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<i>Address:</i>	Billingshurst Scout & Headquarters Lower Station Road Billingshurst West Sussex RH14 9SU	
<i>Chairman:</i>	Glyn Pullen	
<i>Independent Examiner:</i>	Sue Gatland Treasurer Billingshurst Family Church	
<i>Bankers;</i>	Barclays	

#### **Our Aims and purposes:**

Scouts actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society. In partnership with adults, young people take part in fun indoor and outdoor activities. They learn by doing, by sharing in spiritual reflection and by taking responsibility. They make choices, undertake new and challenging activities, and they live their Scout Promise. Scouts'

#### **Objectives and Activities:**

The Group operates within a partnership agreement between Scouts and Guides to facilitate sharing of premises and equipment plus joint activities as appropriate.

As such the purpose of the Group is to make available full Scout and Guide programs for young people in the Billingshurst area in accordance with the Scout Association Policy Organisation and rules (POR) and the Girl Guiding UK POR.

As a member of the Scout Association the Scout Group shares its purpose of promoting the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social, and spiritual potentials, as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of their local, national, and international communities. The Scout Method provides an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law, which is guided by trained volunteer leaders.

As a member of Girl Guiding UK, the Guide Group shares its purpose of enabling girls and young women to fulfill their potential and to take an active and responsible role in society through its distinctive, stimulating, and enjoyable programme of activities delivered by trained volunteer leaders.

Group members meet regularly and enjoy a varied and structured programme of training, education and guided activities designed to meet this purpose. The Group welcomes members from all kinds of backgrounds. It is open to every boy, girl, young man, or woman, regardless of race, faith, or personal circumstance.

The trustees follow POR and Guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit. No trustee receives any financial reward other than recovery of necessary expenses.

### **Achievements and Performance**

The composition of the Scout Group encompasses Beaver Scouts, Cub Scouts and Scouts and the Guide Group encompasses Rainbows, Brownies, and Guides. Reliable performance in line with training programs are maintained and progress measured by the attainment of badges and awards.

Jointly we were able to work together for the benefit of our young people, with both Petworth Park Camp weekend, and The Billingshurst Show& Carnival being our main annual fund raiser. Everyone enjoyed getting back to our normal events following 2 years of the COVID Pandemic.

### **Financial Review:**

#### **1<sup>st</sup> Billingshurst Scout Group**

Total receipts £31,131.35 - Total payments £33,296.08

This resulted in a net payment over receipts of (£2,164.73)

Funds held in the bank at year end = £22,825.69

#### **Billingshurst Scouts & guides joint group venture**

Total receipts £12,991.58 - Total payments £12,807.60

This resulted in net income over payments of £183.98.

Total funds held in the bank at year end £15,405.18.

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The accounts are drawn up on the receipts and payments basis, which remains consistent with previous years.

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### **Structure, Governance and Management**

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Trustees appointed in accordance with POR.

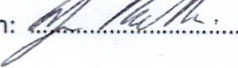
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Glyn Pullen	Charman	
Clare Collyer	Secretary	
Sandra Duck	Treasurer	
Zoe Jenkins	Group Scout Leader	
Natalie Evans	Guide Leader	
Linda Lyons	Trustee	
Allan Brown	Trustee	
Pat Homer	Trustee	
Carinna Brown	Trustee	
Alexander Morris	Trustee	

Approved by Scout & Guide Executive (Trustees) on:  .....  
and signed on their behalf by:

08.09.2023.

Glyn Pullen  
Chairman



**1st Billingshurst Scout Group Annual Summary Of Accounts 2022-2023  
Balance Sheet**

1st April 2021- 31st March 2022		1st April 2022 - 31st March 2023	
Balance across the group b/fwd.	<u>£ 20,982.79</u>	Balance across the group B/F	<u>£ 24,990.42</u>
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Subs received (all sections)	£ 12,866.00	Subs received (all sections)	£ 12,562.00
Gift Aid	£ 2,616.89	Gift Aid	£ 1,316.88
Donations / Grants	£ 444.24	Donations / Grants	£ 458.20
Fund raising	£ -	Fund raising	£ -
Activities & Trips	£ 4,091.50	Activities & Trips	£ 3,674.48
Camps & Sleepovers	£ 10,747.30	Camps & Sleepovers	£ 12,256.06
Badge Receipts	£ 19.50	Badge Receipts	£ 13.10
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Misc.	£ -	Misc.	£ -
Uniform	£ 97.50	Uniform	£ 25.20
		Equipment Hire	£ 10.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<u><b>£ 31,026.43</b></u>	<b>Total Income</b>	<u><b>£ 31,131.35</b></u>
Gross Income including balance b/fwd	<u><b>£ 52,009.22</b></u>	Gross Income including balance b/fwd	<u><b>£ 56,121.77</b></u>
<b>Expenditure</b>			
Annual Membership (capitation) (2021-22)	£ 7,198.00	Annual Membership (capitation) (2022/23)	£ 7,380.00
Hut Levy	£ 630.00	Hut Levy	£ 720.00
Activities & Trips	£ 6,848.93	Activities & Trips	£ 8,241.03
Camping / Sleepovers	£ 7,949.28	Camping / Sleepovers	£ 11,735.41
Craft Materials	£ 404.24	Craft Materials	£ 349.02
Equipment	£ 1,418.75	Equipment	£ 1,311.94
Fund raising	£ -	Fund Raising	£ 41.16
Donations and Gifts	£ 39.99	Donations and Gifts	£ 81.70
Uniform/ Scarves	£ 365.80	Uniform/ Scarves	£ 287.55
Training	£ 50.00	Training	£ 448.63
Badges	£ 1,488.71	Badges	£ 1,469.90
Sundry Payments	£ 390.02	Sundry Payments	£ 970.84
Website	£ 287.58	Website	£ 258.90
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<u><b>£ 27,071.30</b></u>	<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<u><b>£ 33,296.08</b></u>
<b>Bank statements and accounts reconciled across the group 31.03.2022</b>	<b>£ 24,990.42</b>	<b>Bank statements and accounts reconciled across the group 31.03.2023</b>	<b>£ 22,825.69</b>
Annual net surplus / deficit	<u><b>£ 3,955.13</b></u>	Annual net surplus / deficit	<u><b>-£ 2,164.73</b></u>

<b>Bank Reconciliation</b>	
Balance c/f	£ 22,825.69
Cheques not cashed	£ -
Income not paid into bank	£ -
<b>Bank Reconciliation with all 7 Bank Accounts - Agreed 31.03.2023</b>	<b>£ 22,825.69</b>

Notes to the accounts,

**Sundry receipts and payments - Arun Scouts financed activities for other sections initially and then refunded back to them.**

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I report on the accounts of the Group/ for the year ended .31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

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## Income and Expenditure Account Summary 1st April 2022 -31st March 2023

1st April 2021- 31st March 2022

	£ 21,202.74
<b>Fund Raising</b>	
50 Club	£ 150.00
Bag Packing (Gift Aid)	£ -
Christmas Post 2021-22	£ 121.90
Fireworks - Refreshments	£ -
HDC COVID Grants X 2	£ -
Christmas Fayre	£ -
Billingshurst Show 2019 income	£ -
Easy Fund raising	£ 186.88
Recycled Stamps	£ 53.85
Hire of Equipment	£ -
<b>Total Fundraising</b>	<b>£ 512.63</b>

<b>Other Income</b>	
Hire of Scout Hut	£ 2,132.50
Hut Levy	£ 945.00
Misc./Sundry	£ -
Uniform / Scarves	£ 238.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£ 3,828.13</b>

 Gross Income including balance b/fwd. **£ 25,030.87**
**Activity Costs**

Fireworks	£ -
Prizes for 50 Club	£ 130.00
Lottery Licence	£ 20.00
Xmas Fayre	£ -
<b>Activities Total</b>	<b>£ 150.00</b>

**Hut Costs**

COVID PPE and Cleaning	£ 100.48	
Cleaning	£ 961.38	
Electricity	£ 1,330.00	
Equipment	£ 229.99	
Buildings and Contents Ins	£ 1,068.99	
Personal Act Ins Non Members	£ 42.00	
Admin costs	£ 37.99	
Hut Repairs & Maintenance	£ 1,207.83	including cost of bench
Rates	£ 49.00	
Water Rates	£ 181.77	
Gas	£ 49.99	
Wi-Fi (Mi-Fi system)	£ 186.75	

**Hut Expenses Total** **£ 5,446.17**
**General Costs**

Sundries (Remembrance Wreaths)	£ 153.75
Transport (camps etc.)	£ -
Uniform / Scarves	£ 383.75
Donations & Gifts	£ 28.00
<b>General Expenses Total</b>	<b>£ 565.50</b>

 Hut Improvements **£ 3,648.00**
**Total Expenses** **£ 9,809.67**

 Closing balance 31.03.2022 c/wd **£ 15,221.20**

 Annual surplus / deficit **-£ 5,981.54**
**Notes to the accounts**

Hut Improvements Designated Funds	£ 352.00	
General Funds for S & G's	£ 14,869.20	
<b>Total Funds agreed with bank 31.03.2022</b>	<b>£ 15,221.20</b>	<b>Year End</b>

1st April 2022 - 31st March 2023

Balance B/F	£ 15,221.20
<b>Fund Raising</b>	
50 Club	£ -
Bag Packing (Gift Aid)	£ -
Christmas Post 2022-23	£ -
Fireworks - refreshments	£ -
Donations & Grants	£ 2,005.00
Christmas Fayre	£ 94.50
Billingshurst Show 2022 income	£ 7,500.00
Easy Fund raising	£ 232.20
Recycled Stamps	£ 88.88
Hire of Equipment	£ -
<b>Total Fundraising</b>	<b>£ 9,920.58</b>

<b>Other Income</b>	
Hire of Scout Hut	£ 1,430.00
Hut Levy	£ 1,285.00
Misc./Sundry	£ -
Uniform / Scarves	£ 356.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£ 12,991.58</b>

 Gross Income including balance b/fwd. **£ 28,212.78**
**Activity Costs**

Fireworks	£ -
Prizes for 50 Club	£ 65.00
Lottery Licence	£ 20.00
Xmas Fayre	£ -
<b>Activities Total</b>	<b>£ 85.00</b>

**Hut Costs**

COVID PPE and Cleaning	£ -
Cleaning	£ 954.16
Electricity	£ 3,334.31
Equipment	£ 1,413.35
Buildings and Contents Ins	£ 1,223.74
Personal Act Ins. Non Members	£ 52.00
Admin costs	£ 413.94
Maintenance, repairs and improvements	£ 228.57
Rates	£ 146.10
Water Rates	£ 1,346.04
Gas	£ 199.96
Wi-Fi (Mi-Fi system)	£ 187.46

**Hut Expenses Total** **£ 9,499.63**
**General Costs**

Sundries (Remembrance Wreaths)	£ 273.99
Health & Safety (First Aid Supplies)	£ 3.98
Uniform / Scarves	£ 164.00
Donations / Gifts	£ 1,600.00
<b>General Expenses Total</b>	<b>£ 2,041.97</b>

 Hut Improvements **£ 1,181.00**
**Total Expenses** **£ 12,807.60**

 Closing balance 31.03.23 c/fwd. **£ 15,405.18**

 Annual surplus / deficit **£ 183.98**
**Notes to the accounts**

Hut Improvements Designated Funds	£ -	
General Funds for S & G's	£ 15,405.18	
<b>Total Funds available in bank at - 31.03.23</b>	<b>£ 15,405.18</b>	<b>Year End</b>

<b>Bank Reconciliation</b>	
Balance c/f	£ 15,405.18
Payment not processed through bank	£ -
	£ -
Receipt no processed through bank	£ -
<b>agreed - 31.03.23 - Financial Year End</b>	<b>£ 15,405.18</b>

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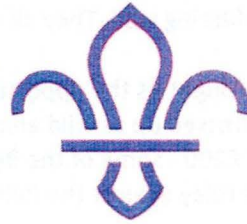
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# Scouts

## 1st Billingshurst



As a group, this year, we have welcomed new leaders, and hope to continue to allow more young people of the ever-increasing village to join Scouting.

There are currently have over 140 young people within the group, with a further 20 on the waiting list for Beavers, 22 waiting to join Cubs and 10 who'd like to join Scouts.

*Zoë Jenkins*

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### Beavers: Cedars Report by Carrie Tucker

Cedars Beavers runs on a Tuesday evening 5pm - 6.15pm. As at the end of March we had 17 Beavers aged between 6 – 8 years.

Monicka continues as Section Leader and Carrie continues as Assistant Leader. We have a regular parent helper Angela for the majority of the year, and we have now been joined by Sharon who was previously a Beaver Leader. Parents are also stepping up to help out when we need it. We have four young leaders Lucybelle, Jasmine, Zach and Ben helping us out who are doing an excellent job and are an asset to the colony. Monicka will be stepping down as Beaver Leader at the end of the summer term and a new leader will need to be found to assist Carrie.

We have had a busy year at Cedars with lots of activities which not only educate the Beavers but help them work towards their badges.

During the Summer we were able to get outside as much as possible. We had a mini sports day and the Beavers learnt all about Health and Fitness. We were lucky enough to have the police come to visit us who told us all about the work they do, we did fingerprints, and the Beavers all got to sit in the police car and hear the siren. We also had a visit from the Billingshurst warden who told us all about the work they do around the community. We visited the elderly residents of Osmond Court; the Beavers were amazing and chatted away to the residents before we played some bird bingo and sang them a song. We had a cycling session where the Beavers all brought their bikes along and learnt about bike safety. We spent some time in Station Gardens with Stuart Sexton learning all about the different trees and plants in the garden. The Beavers all made bug hotels and we finished the term with a mini hike / mini beast hunt and a campfire at Nowhurst.

7 of our Beavers attended the St George's Day event at Parham Park where they represented Cedars Beavers amazingly. They all enjoyed the activity afternoon after the ceremony. We also had our sleep over in May - we did lots of fun activities including gardening, mini hike for the Explorer badge, archery, crafts, knots and lots of games. The Beavers helped set up all the tents and had a movie evening before heading to their tents after a jam-packed day. We have another sleepover planned for October.

7 of our Beavers attended Go Beavers 2022, we had an amazing day which they absolutely loved. The Beavers got to participate in a variety of activities including bungee trampoline, cave bus, circus skills, grass sledging, tunnels, low ropes, nightline and bouldering wall. They all embraced the activities and thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

The Billingshurst show brought us the opportunity to get the Beavers painting in preparation for the carnival. We made a safari jeep and dressed up as wild animals for the parade through Billingshurst. Cedars ran the teddy tombola stall and raised £200 - some of the Beavers came and helped on the stall and did a fantastic job. We also took part in the obstacle relay against the Rainbows.

We also had the opportunity to do some canoeing at Moor Farm in Petworth. A fantastic time was had by all and even some of the brave ones jumped in the lake. To finish the term, we went aboard the Supeta yacht in Shoreham which was a fantastic day and all the Beavers took a turn to steer the yacht.

During the Autumn term we did some pond dipping, the fire engine came to visit, and we completed another hike. The young leaders ran a science session, and the Beavers earned their experiment badge completing different experiments set by the Young Leaders. We had a great Halloween session where we did some Halloween crafts, made slime and decorated Halloween biscuits. Our amazing animal world came to visit and brought in a few of the animals they have rescued, the Beavers learn all about the great work they do and got to hold some of the animals. We attended the remembrance parade and service, and the Beavers were amazing during the parade. We went back to Osmond Court again and presented the residents with the poppy crafts the Beavers had made. The Beavers brought their teddies in to help them complete their first aid badge and we completed the Communicator badge by learning morse code. We finished the Autumn term with Clip and Climb and a Christmas party.

In the Spring term we completed the international badge, the Beavers learnt about Scouting in other countries, how to say hello and goodbye in other languages and tried some international food. For Chinese New Year we learnt about the Chinese zodiac and performed a dragon dance. To earn the photography badge, we asked the Beavers to take 10 photos at home and we all looked at them on the big screen. We worked towards the cook badge by making pancakes on Pancake Day and also learnt about a balanced diet and health and safety in the kitchen. We ran a Beavers go talent session where the Beavers showcased some of their talents. The Beavers earned their Air Activity level 1 badge in a session organised by the Young Leaders. The Beavers completed a sponsored hike and raised £300 for the Guide Dogs for the blind and the following week we were visited by John and his guide dog Miles, the Beavers learnt what it is like to be visually impaired and how Miles helps John. To finish the Spring term, we had a party with Magic Steve following a log chew and the Beavers coming up with some ideas on what they wanted to do during the term.

7 of our Beavers came to the sleepover at the hut in the Spring term where the Beavers did lots of activities towards their challenge badges including knots, hike, den making, archery, bug hotels, crafts and lots of teamwork games. They all helped to put up tents and took turns to do the washing and drying up.

As our older Beavers move up to cubs, we have seen more young Beavers joining the colony and we have a good split of girls and boys.

We have worked very hard as a colony this year and lots of badges have been earned. We plan our programme around the Beavers earning badges and ultimately towards earning their Chief Scout Bronze award.

Between April 2022 and March 2023 8 Beavers were awarded their Chief Scout Bronze award. We have awarded 203 activity / stage badges and 44 Challenge badges.

It's been another fun jam-packed year so far and we look forward to the summer term.

## Beavers: Oaklands Report by Nicky Greenfield

Oaklands Beavers meet on a Monday evening 5.15pm until 6.30pm. The Colony has 20 Beavers age 6-8 attending. We have a strong leadership team with 4 Leaders (Laura Parker, Tracey Parker, Nicky Greenfield and Angela Marks). We also have a regular DBS parent Helper (Lewis Doe) and 2 Young Leaders (Martha Hollis and Connor Marks). The support of a large Leadership team enables the Leaders to divide up the planning of the weekly meetings with the Young Leaders also taking an active role in organising activities for the Beavers.

We have had a busy year with lots of varied activities inside and outside the Hut. The Beavers had 2 Sleepovers at the Hut, attended Go Beavers and St Georges Day. We took part in the Billingshurst Show procession and the Beavers all helped run the stall.

The Beavers have worked towards quite a few different badges, including their air Activities level 1 and learning about travelling on an aeroplane with a member of Cabin Crew coming to talk to us. We were also lucky enough to have a visit from a Police Dog Handler who brought 2 Sniffer Dogs to show us their skills. The Beavers went and learnt about Gardening too.

We have also been out and visited the local Fire station, Clip and Climb, and a local Church for the Faith Badge. 11 Beavers were awarded their Bronze Chief Scout Award, and a total of 264 badges were awarded between April 2022 and March 2023.

In the Summer Term of 2023, we have continued to have a varied programme with Cycling at Jubilee Fields, being creative making Ice cream Sundaes, and earning their Safety Badge. We have also had joint meetings with the Billingshurst Rainbows and Wisborough Green Beavers, who also joined us for our sleepover this year.

Thanks to all the Leadership team and Leaders from other sections that have helped us out over the year providing fun activities for our Colony.

## Cubs: Dauxwood Report by Tracy Evans

Dauxwood Cubs have enjoyed another fun year of activities, and learning new skills. We have had various camps including sixer survival camp, where the Cubs make their own shelters and sleep in them, our annual Christmas sleepover, where our lovely parents cooked us a full Christmas dinner, and our back to basics camp near Lancing College (aka Hogwarts!), where Cubs cooked all meals on open fires, and we went up to Lancing College Farm and learnt about the animals, plant life, and even saw the annual bird tracking survey people who showed us how they track various birds in the area.

We as leaders, try to produce a balanced programme of traditional Scouting and new experiences. So we have done everything from backwards cooking, knots and pioneering, fire lighting, and wide games, to water sports, making ice cream Sundaes with Moo Scoops, and visiting Ninja Warrior for our Easter treat. We also very much enjoyed the Scout and Guide Christmas Carols at St Marys Church.

A number of our Cubs (past and present) were involved with our biannual Gangshow held at the conference and Community centre in February. They started rehearsing in October, so this involved a lot of commitment and learning new things. It was a great show, and we are looking forward to the next one already!

We are very proud leaders to have around 95% of our Cubs achieve their Chief Scout Silver Award, which is the highest award that a Cub can gain. Well done to all of our Cubs who have achieved theirs this year.

We have also recruited 2 new leaders, Mark and Gayle, who are already very much involved with all the planning and fun of Cub life. We are looking forward to what the future brings.

Dauxwood Cubs meet every Wednesday evening throughout School term time.

## Cubs: Parbrook Report by Sam Waters

This year we have welcomed Ruan Groenewald to the Leadership team, with Monicka Frisby stepping down after 4 years of volunteering with Parbrook Cubs. We have now increased to 28 Cubs which makes for a very full-on evening.

Activities this year have included our now traditional visit from the Billingshurst Branch of the Royal British Legion where we help count the Poppy Appeal money from the local area, this year's total was again well over £1,000. We've had a series of evenings where the Cubs rotated round Shooting, Archery and Cooking activities each week, we've also been Raft Building and Orienteering. We've had evenings covering Deaf Awareness Week, Purim, British Science Week, Fire Safety, Road Safety and Safer Internet Day.

We came second in this year's Carnival procession at the Billingshurst Show by turning Akela's car into a Space Shuttle. We've just had a two-night Camp at Beacon Hill in Colgate.

In September, we will have a team entered into the Supreme Box Kart Championships at Goodwood, one of only two teams from West Sussex.

## Scouts: Arun Report by Stuart Sexton

We've had another strong and successful 12 months at Arun Troop since the last AGM.

Firstly, we've maintained our strong position in terms of numbers, and currently have 34 Scouts on the books, with an expectation of staying at around this figure for the coming year, and unfortunately unable to accept any more Scouts for now since we are at capacity.

Our leadership team has been consolidated, and we have grown collectively allowing us to provide a rounded and expansive experience for the Scouts, with Stuart, Peter and Alex forming the core of the leadership team. Alex Message has continued to join us regularly as an occasional helper (though has no desire to become any more than this), and

Laura has also continued to support evenings and events where requested. We have also seen some involvement with other adults with particular vocations in the community, who have allowed us to provide further variation in the programme. Stuart, Peter and Alex have all obtained Nights Away Permits, and Alex and Stuart have also obtained shooting qualifications.

Last summer we had our first full week-long camp in over five years – a fantastic week in the New Forest at Ferny Crofts Scout Camp site. We managed to fit in a huge amount of onsite activities, including tomahawks, cave bus, climbing, abseiling, go-karts, pioneering, pizza making, volleyball, crazy golf, orienteering, quizzes, archery, and lots of campfires. We also squeezed in a trip to Beaulieu, a hike and a swim. Everyone had an amazing week, and we will definitely be going back again at some point!

Following on from this, we've managed to squeeze in a further six nights away events within the last 12 months – the Monopoly Run was attended by 30 Scouts with an overnight stay in the hut, a two-night Winter Camp at Small Dole near Henfield, another Petworth Park camp attended by 29 Scouts, where we made ourselves known to the entire site with our Campfires and Scones, a two day Autumn camp to the National Air Rifle Championships at Bisley for 12 Scouts (plus a few Explorers), an overnight yachting experience on the Supeta Yacht in Shoreham for 9 Scouts, and finally a set of overnight expeditions (some walking, some cycling) for 12 of our oldest Scouts unaccompanied (but supervised!) to Nowhurst Guide site.

Other events in the last 12 months have included rifle shooting, a day out to Portsmouth Historic Dockyard, a Summer Cookout (for 44 people!), a fantastic visit to Scouts the Musical, bulb planting at the Weald and the very challenging Downsman Hike (in which we almost got a team to finish this year... maybe next year!).

Our Programme has been eclectic throughout the year, including tomahawks, tent pitching, rafting, wide games, tennis ball trebuchets, talent shows, bag designing, swimming, indoor caving, shooting, archery, ecology & climate impact, assault course, ice cream sundae making, WWI display, campfire cooking, first aid, and lots of hikes to cover just some of the activities which we have planned and carried out.

Finally in terms of badge progress, I am really pleased to be able to confirm that we have celebrated two more Scouts achieving their Chief Scouts Gold Awards so far this year, with hopefully a few more to come in the remainder of 2023!

## **Scouts:** Downlands Report by Allan Brown

What a fantastic 12 months we've had at Downlands Scout Troop since the last AGM.

Summer term 22 saw Downlands attending PPC 2022 which was an amazing weekend with lots of adventurous activities. We had a Mechanics evening over at PD motors, where they showed us how to change lights check fluid levels, replace a wheel, completing the mechanics badge.

Drugs and alcohol awareness have also been taught by Ali and how they affect us. We also had a visit by 2 police dogs who demonstrated their searching and restraining techniques. This was really enjoyed by the Scouts. We have also been learning how to read maps, learning about local knowledge of the area and learning how What 3 Words can be used for helping people who are lost and assisting the emergency services in finding them. We practised First aid in the hut with some of the scouts doing mock ups of accident scenarios, we had a little quiz to see what they knew and the process of calling 999/112 in emergencies depending on location. We have also been getting practice with shooting and archery and the older Scouts had a go with the cross bow. Baking cookies and making chocolate campfires went down well.

Autumn term 22 started with a quiz run by a couple of Scouts who were leaving for Explorers. The patrol leaders planned and ran a camp at Crawley district site. The Scouts went on a rescue mission to track and find a fake body and return it to the Scout hut on a stretcher. They did a challenge night in preparation for the Halloween hike. We went climbing at Midhurst.

Spring term 23 saw us invest 4 new Scouts into Downlands at the start of the term and 5 at the end of term. 4 of the Scouts took part in rehearsals and then performed at the Billingshurst Gang show. We have been cooking, practicing our pioneering, worked on the artist badge and created cars from recycling and raced them in the hut. Monopoly Run was attended by 9 scouts and was a great day out for scouts and leaders alike, it was finished with a meal in London.

1 of our Scouts has achieved their Chief Scout Gold Award after a lot of hard work. We have had quite a few new scouts join the troop meaning our numbers have risen to 18 Scouts.



## **RAINBOWS REPORT March 2022 – March 2023**

This year has been another busy year with lots of visits including Clip & Climb, always a favourite with our girls, Warnham Nature Reserve for Pond Dipping, a District World Thinking Day Event, and a visit by Reptylers, where the girls got to learn about and hold various reptiles.

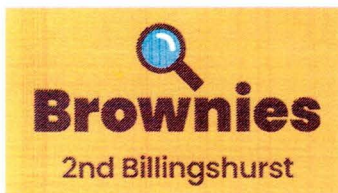
We have focused on our community this year with a visit from the Community Wardens who helped us with some litter picking at Station Road Gardens. We also had our annual Carol Singing at Osmund Court with the Brownies. This is a lovely afternoon where the girls have a chance to chat to the residents while providing some Christmas merriment. The girls also attended the annual Remembrance Parade for which, as leaders we are always so proud. We also raised some money for Children in Need with the girls decorating and cakes to their family and friends.

We have done a lot of Program work this year and we have 3 girls who have achieved their silver awards and all 3 are now hoping to complete their Gold award in the next term. Some of the Rainbows were also involved in the Gang Show which was a great success.

Sadly, we struggled with volunteers this year and at one point had to go down to fortnightly meetings and reduced our numbers to 16. We were helped by the Beavers who kindly ran a joint evening for us which was greatly enjoyed by all. Luckily, we have now recruited a further 2 leaders and are back to 22 girls and 4 leaders.

We also said goodbye to Vi Davies in March this year after she stepped down from Rainbows after numerous years of service, she continues with Brownies so we still get to see her.

We are looking forward to the year ahead with excitement now we are fully supported and have some sleepovers and an exciting program planned for the Autumn/Winter term.



## AGM Report April 2022 to March 2023

We have been doing a lot of UMA'S and Skill Builder's during this year 2022 / 2023. This is so the girls work toward getting their Theam awards, also bronze, silver and gold badges. The girls also work on badges at home which also goes towards these badges. The girls bring in for us all to admire.

We understand that craft isn't for every, so we try to make this as much fun as possible. Using junk materials, the girls made a Monster.

We took the Brownies to learn rules of playing cricket at Jubilee Fields. They all had a great time with a few girls signing up for the course.

We had a party for the Queens Jubilee we all wore some thing red, white and blue.

Kia arranged swimming at Horsham Pavilions, this was part of her Adult Leadership.

We attended a District BBQ at Champs Hill joined with Rainbows and Guides. The Brownies all had a great time joining with younger and older girls in other units.

Rainbows joint Brownies at Osmond Court for Carol singing as we do every year residents also join in. We get drinks and a kit-kat. There is the opportunity for the girls to meet some of the lovely residents. A few of the Trefoil Gilde also join us.

Our Christmas party also goes down well with games chosen by the girls. Kia dresses up as Mother Christmas.

We had Brick Bus in Brownies. It is all about Lego. The Brownies made Lego cars then they pushed their cars down a ramp which the Lego man has made If it didn't go that far they add more or take pieces off. The object was to see who's went the furthest. Leaders also took part. There was a prise for the car that went the furthest. Everyone was given a bag of Lego to take home. They had a choose of two.

As I mentioned earlier Kia is working towards her Adult Leadership, she hopes to finish this year by September. She is a valued leader already; she does all our emails out to parents also the termly programs.

Kia lets parents know the badges that they need to work on at home, so their daughter get the badge they need.

I also must give a huge thank you to all other leaders who give up their valuable time.

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Leader

**1ST BILLINGSHURST GROUP SCOUTS**

England & Wales - Charity number 305886

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# Accounts

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**1st Billingshurst Scout Group Annual Summary Of Accounts 2021- 2022  
Balance Sheet**

**1st April 2019- 31st March 20**

**1st April 2020 - 31st March 2022**

**Balance across the group £ 13,460.67**

**Balance across the group | £ 20,982.79**

		<b>Income</b>	
Subs received ( all sections	£	8,951.50	
Gift Aid	£	3,705.86	
Donations / Grants	£	4,432.00	
Fund raising	£	396.13	
Activities & Trips	£	125.00	
Camps & Sleepovers	£	455.00	
Badge Receipts	£	41.94	
Sundry Receipts	£	120.00	
Misc	£	-	
Uniform	£	236.00	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>18,463.43</b>	
	<b>£</b>	<b>31,924.10</b>	

Subs received ( all sections)	£	12,866.00	
Gift Aid	£	2,616.89	
Donations / Grants	£	444.24	
Fund raising	£	-	
Activities	£	4,091.50	
Camps & Sleepovers	£	10,747.30	
Badge Receipts	£	19.50	
Sundry Receipts	£	143.50	
Misc	£	-	
Uniform	£	97.50	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>31,026.43</b>	
	<b>£</b>	<b>52,009.22</b>	

**Expenditure**

Annual Membership (capita	£	6,180.00	
Hut Levy	£	630.00	
Activities & Trips	£	758.70	
Camping / Sleepovers	-£	109.00	refunds
Craft Materials	£	113.76	
Equipment	£	505.42	
General Expenses including	£	388.39	
Fund raising	£	-	
Donations and Gifts	£	239.01	
Uniform/ Scarves	£	602.00	
Training	£	27.50	
Badges	£	1,482.06	
Sundry Payments	£	123.47	
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>10,941.31</b>	

Annual Membership (capita	£	7,198.00	
Hut Levy	£	630.00	
Activities & Trips	£	6,848.93	
Camping / Sleepovers	£	7,949.28	
Craft Materials	£	404.24	
Equipment	£	1,418.75	
General Expenses including	£	-	
Donations and Gifts	£	39.99	
Uniform/ Scarves	£	365.80	
Training	£	50.00	
Badges	£	1,488.71	
Sundry Payments	£	390.02	
Website	£	287.58	
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>27,071.30</b>	

**Bank statements and accounts reconciled across the group 31.03.2020**

**£ 20,982.79**

**£ 31,924.10**

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**£ 24,937.92**

**£ 52,009.22**

**Balance as at 31st March £ 20,982.79**

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**Bank Reconciliation**

Balance c/f	£	24,937.92
Cheques not cashed 2021-22 Oaklands Beavers	£	50.00
Income not paid into bank 21-22	£	-
<b>Bank Reconciliation with all 7 Bank Accounts - Agr</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>24,987.92</b>

1st Billingshurst Scout Group Accounts - 1st April 2021 - 31st March 2022

Year End Summary of Accounts	All sections + Scout account
Name of Person Preparing Accounts	Sandy Duck
Contact Telephone Number:	

RECEIPTS

	Cedars	Oaklands	Dauxwood	Parbrook	Arun	Downlands	out Central A	Totals
Badge Receipts	£ -					£19.50		£ 19.50
Camping/Sleepovers	£ 96.00	£ 287.00	£ 1,261.00	£ 245.00	£ 5,132.50	£3,725.80		£ 10,747.30
Donations/Grants						£150.00	£ 294.24	£ 444.24
Equipment Hire								
Fund Raising (Gross)								
Gift Aid							£ 2,616.89	£ 2,616.89
Scarves/Uniform						£97.50		£97.50
Subs	£ 1,745.00	£ 1,767.50	£ 2,415.00	£ 2,135.00	£ 2,485.00	£2,318.50		£ 12,866.00
Sundry Receipts			£ 3.00	£ 2.00	£ 138.50			£ 143.50
Trips & Activities	£ 191.00	£ 408.00	£ 433.50		£ 2,618.00	£441.00		£ 4,091.50
<b>Membership transferred from sections</b>								
Cedars							£ 1,050.00	
Oaklands							£ 1,060.50	
Dauxwood							£ 1,470.00	
Parbrook							£ 1,290.00	
Downlands							£ 1,449.00	
Arun							£ 1,470.00	
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>£ 2,032.00</b>	<b>£ 2,462.50</b>	<b>£ 4,112.50</b>	<b>£ 2,382.00</b>	<b>£ 10,374.00</b>	<b>£6,752.30</b>	<b>£ 10,700.63</b>	<b>£ 31,057.11</b>

PAYMENTS

Activities	£ 548.80	£ 45.68	£ 1,054.84	£ 454.16	£ 361.99	£1,071.42	£ 104.00	£ 3,640.89
Badges	£ 189.63	£ 253.18	£ 489.45	£ 267.86	£ 168.73	£119.86	£ -	£ 1,488.71
Camping/Sleepovers	£ 67.90	£ 190.36	£ 994.10	£ 85.00	£ 3,240.33	£3,371.59		£ 7,949.28
Craft Materials	£ 93.07	£ 179.55	£ 63.35			£68.27		£ 404.24
Donations								£ -
Equipment		£ 13.00		£ 14.99	£ 149.90		£ 1,240.86	£ 1,418.75
Fund Raising Expenses	£ -							
Gifts		£ 39.99						£ 39.99
Hut Levy	£ 105.00	£ 105.00	£ 105.00	£ 105.00	£ 105.00	£105.00		£ 630.00
<b>Membership transferred to sections</b>	<b>£ 1,050.00</b>	<b>£ 1,060.50</b>	<b>£ 1,470.00</b>	<b>£ 1,290.00</b>	<b>£ 1,470.00</b>	<b>£1,449.00</b>		<b>£ -</b>
<b>Membership paid to District</b>							£ 7,198.00	£ 7,198.00
Admin Expenses (COVID)								£ -
Sundry Payments		£ 26.63	£ 225.87		£ 70.82		£ 66.70	£ 390.02
Training							£ 50.00	£ 50.00
Trips	£ -	£ 668.50			£ 2,539.54			£ 3,208.04
Uniform /scarves		£ 2.00	£ 6.30	£ 20.00	£ 15.00	£174.50	£ 148.00	£ 365.80
WebSite							£ 287.58	£ 287.58
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>£ 2,054.40</b>	<b>£ 2,584.39</b>	<b>£ 4,408.91</b>	<b>£ 2,237.01</b>	<b>£ 8,121.31</b>	<b>£6,359.64</b>	<b>£ 9,095.14</b>	<b>£ 27,071.30</b>

Cash on 1 April 2021	£ -	£ 6.86					£ -	£ 6.86
Deposit Account on 1st April 2021	£ -	£ -					£ -	
Current Account on 1st April 2021	£ 1,664.13	£ 544.70	£ 2,555.21	£ 3,878.45	£ 1,984.61	£2,333.05	£ 8,015.78	£ 20,975.93
<b>Total on 1st April 2021</b>	<b>£ 1,664.13</b>	<b>£ 551.56</b>	<b>£ 2,555.21</b>	<b>£ 3,878.45</b>	<b>£ 1,984.61</b>	<b>£2,333.05</b>	<b>£ 8,015.78</b>	<b>£ 20,982.79</b>

Cash on 31st March 2022		£ 80.28					£ -	£ 80.28
Deposit Account on 31st March 2022	£ -	£ -						
Current Account on 31st March 2022	£ 1,641.73	£ 399.39	£ 2,258.80	£ 4,023.44	£ 4,237.30	£ 2,725.71	£ 9,621.27	£ 24,907.64
<b>Total on 31st March 2022</b>	<b>£ 1,641.73</b>	<b>£ 479.67</b>	<b>£ 2,258.80</b>	<b>£ 4,023.44</b>	<b>£ 4,237.30</b>	<b>£ 2,725.71</b>	<b>£ 9,621.27</b>	<b>£ 24,987.92</b>
uncleared chq		£ 50.00						
<b>Bank statements 31.03.22</b>	<b>£ 1,641.73</b>	<b>£ 399.39</b>	<b>£ 2,258.80</b>	<b>£ 4,023.44</b>	<b>£ 4,237.30</b>	<b>£2,725.71</b>	<b>£ 9,621.27</b>	<b>£ 24,907.64</b>

Bank Balances agreed total funds

50% Scouts

Statement of Financial Activities 1st April 2021 - 31st March 2022

1st April 2020 - 31st March 2021

1st April 2021 - 31st March 2022

	£ 11,373.50		£ 21,202.74
		<b>Income</b>	
<b>Fund Raising</b>		<b>Fund Raising</b>	
50 Club	£ 210.00	50 Club	£ 150.00
Bag Packing (Gift Aid)	£ 217.65	Bag Packing (Gift Aid)	£ -
Christmas Post 2018/19	£ 5.00	Christmas Post 2019 /20	£ 121.90
Fireworks - Refreshments	£ -	Fireworks - refreshments	£ -
HDC COVID Grants X 2	£ 13,000.00	Donations & Grants	£ -
Christmas Fayre	£ -	Christmas Fayre	£ -
Billingshurst Show 2019 income	£ -	Billingshurst Show 2020 income	£ -
Easy Fund raising	£ 255.85	Easy Fund raising	£ 186.88
Recycled Stamps	£ 28.38	Recycled Stamps	£ 53.85
Hire of Equipment	£ -	Hire of Equipment	£ -
<b>Total Fundraising</b>	<b>£ 13,716.88</b>	<b>Total Fundraising</b>	<b>£ 512.63</b>
Hire of Scout Hut	£ 25.00	Hire of Scout Hut	£ 2,132.50
Hut Levy	£ 945.00	Hut Levy	£ 945.00
Donations	£ -	Donations	£ -
Misc./Sundry	£ -	Misc./Sundry	£ -
Uniform / Scarves	£ 240.00	Uniform / Scarves	£ 238.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£ 14,926.88</b>	<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£ 3,828.13</b>
	<b>£ 26,300.38</b>		<b>£ 25,030.87</b>
		<b>Expenditure</b>	
<b>Activity Costs</b>		<b>Activity Costs</b>	
Fireworks	£ -	Fireworks	£ -
Prizes for 50 Club	£ 155.00	Prizes for 50 Club	£ 130.00
Lottery Licence	£ 20.00	Lottery Licence	£ 20.00
Xmas Fayre	£ -	Xmas Fayre	£ -
<b>Activities Total</b>	<b>£ 175.00</b>	<b>Activities Total</b>	<b>£ 150.00</b>
<b>Hut Costs</b>		<b>Hut Costs</b>	
COVID PPE and Cleaning	£ 528.22	COVID PPE and Cleaning	£ 100.48
Cleaning	£ 1,000.00	Cleaning	£ 961.38
Electricity	£ 917.07	Electricity	£ 1,330.00
Equipment	£ -	Equipment	£ 229.99
Buildings and Contents Ins	£ 1,065.97	Buildings and Contents Ins	£ 1,068.99
Personal Act Ins Non Members	£ 84.00	Personal Act Ins. Non Members	£ 42.00
Admin costs	£ 106.00	Admin costs	£ 37.99
Hut Repairs & Maintenance	£ 181.81	Maintenance, repairs and improvements	£ 1,207.83
Rates	£ -	Rates	£ 49.00
Water Rates	£ 411.25	Water Rates	£ 181.77
Gas	£ 15.37	Gas	£ 49.99
Wi-Fi (MI-Fi system)	£ 153.70	Wi-Fi (MI-Fi system)	£ 186.75
<b>Hut Expenses Total</b>	<b>£ 4,463.39</b>	<b>Hut Expenses Total</b>	<b>£ 5,446.17</b>
Sundries( Remembrance Wreaths)	£ 175.50	Sundries	£ 153.75
Transport (camps etc.)	£ -		£ -
Uniform / Scarves	£ 255.75	Uniform / Scarves	£ 383.75
Donations & Gifts	£ 28.00	Donations / Gifts	£ 28.00
<b>General Expenses Total</b>	<b>£ 459.25</b>	<b>General Expenses Total</b>	<b>£ 565.50</b>
<b>Hut Improvements</b>	<b>£ -</b>	<b>Hut Improvements</b>	<b>£ 3,648.00</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>£ 5,097.64</b>	<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>£ 9,809.67</b>
<b>Closing balance 31.03.2021 c/wd</b>	<b>£ 21,202.74</b>	<b>Closing balance 31.03.22</b>	<b>£ 15,221.20</b>
Notes to the accounts		Notes to the accounts	
Hut Improvements Designated Funds	£ 4,000.00	Hut Improvements Designated Funds (balanc	£ 352.00
General Funds for S & G's	£ 17,202.74	General Funds for S & G's	£ 14,869.20
<b>Total Funds agreed with bank 31.03.21</b>	<b>£ 21,202.74</b>	<b>Total Funds available in bank at - 31.03.22</b>	<b>£ 15,221.20</b>

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uncleared chq		£ 50.00						
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1st April 2020 - 31st March 2021

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Christmas Fayre	£ -	Christmas Fayre	£ -
Billingshurst Show 2019 income	£ -	Billingshurst Show 2020 income	£ -
Easy Fund raising	£ 255.85	Easy Fund raising	£ 186.88
Recycled Stamps	£ 28.38	Recycled Stamps	£ 53.85
Hire of Equipment	£ -	Hire of Equipment	£ -
<b>Total Fundraising</b>	<b>£ 13,716.88</b>	<b>Total Fundraising</b>	<b>£ 512.63</b>
Hire of Scout Hut	£ 25.00	Hire of Scout Hut	£ 2,132.50
Hut Levy	£ 945.00	Hut Levy	£ 945.00
Donations	£ -	Donations	£ -
Misc./Sundry	£ -	Misc./Sundry	£ -
Uniform / Scarves	£ 240.00	Uniform / Scarves	£ 238.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£ 14,926.88</b>	<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£ 3,828.13</b>
	<b>£ 26,300.38</b>		<b>£ 25,030.87</b>
		<b>Expenditure</b>	
<b>Activity Costs</b>		<b>Activity Costs</b>	
Fireworks	£ -	Fireworks	£ -
Prizes for 50 Club	£ 155.00	Prizes for 50 Club	£ 130.00
Lottery Licence	£ 20.00	Lottery Licence	£ 20.00
Xmas Fayre	£ -	Xmas Fayre	£ -
<b>Activities Total</b>	<b>£ 175.00</b>	<b>Activities Total</b>	<b>£ 150.00</b>
<b>Hut Costs</b>		<b>Hut Costs</b>	
COVID PPE and Cleaning	£ 528.22	COVID PPE and Cleaning	£ 100.48
Cleaning	£ 1,000.00	Cleaning	£ 961.38
Electricity	£ 917.07	Electricity	£ 1,330.00
Equipment	£ -	Equipment	£ 229.99
Buildings and Contents Ins	£ 1,065.97	Buildings and Contents Ins	£ 1,068.99
Personal Act Ins Non Members	£ 84.00	Personal Act Ins. Non Members	£ 42.00
Admin costs	£ 106.00	Admin costs	£ 37.99
Hut Repairs & Maintenance	£ 181.81	Maintenance, repairs and improvements	£ 1,207.83
Rates	£ -	Rates	£ 49.00
Water Rates	£ 411.25	Water Rates	£ 181.77
Gas	£ 15.37	Gas	£ 49.99
Wi-Fi (MI-Fi system)	£ 153.70	Wi-Fi (MI-Fi system)	£ 186.75
<b>Hut Expenses Total</b>	<b>£ 4,463.39</b>	<b>Hut Expenses Total</b>	<b>£ 5,446.17</b>
Sundries( Remembrance Wreaths)	£ 175.50	Sundries	£ 153.75
Transport (camps etc.)	£ -		£ -
Uniform / Scarves	£ 255.75	Uniform / Scarves	£ 383.75
Donations & Gifts	£ 28.00	Donations / Gifts	£ 28.00
<b>General Expenses Total</b>	<b>£ 459.25</b>	<b>General Expenses Total</b>	<b>£ 565.50</b>
<b>Hut Improvements</b>	<b>£ -</b>	<b>Hut Improvements</b>	<b>£ 3,648.00</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>£ 5,097.64</b>	<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>£ 9,809.67</b>
<b>Closing balance 31.03.2021 c/wd</b>	<b>£ 21,202.74</b>	<b>Closing balance 31.03.22</b>	<b>£ 15,221.20</b>
Notes to the accounts		Notes to the accounts	
Hut Improvements Designated Funds	£ 4,000.00	Hut Improvements Designated Funds (balanc	£ 352.00
General Funds for S & G's	£ 17,202.74	General Funds for S & G's	£ 14,869.20
<b>Total Funds agreed with bank 31.03.21</b>	<b>£ 21,202.74</b>	<b>Total Funds available in bank at - 31.03.22</b>	<b>£ 15,221.20</b>

# Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

## 1<sup>st</sup> Billingshurst Scout Group & Billingshurst Scout & Guide Association

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

which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and related notes set out on pages.....

This report is made solely to the trustees in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees for my examination work.

### Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Group's/District's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under Section 145 of the Charities Act);
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act); and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### Basis of Independent Examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Group/District and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

### Independent Examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (~~other than that disclosed below~~).

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Charities Act ;and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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

Name: Sue Gatland

Qualification:

Billingshurst Family Church Treasurer.

Address:

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Billingshurst, RH14 9LF.

Date:

22/5/22

S. Gatland.

**1ST BILLINGSHURST GROUP SCOUTS**

England & Wales - Charity number 305886

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# Accounts

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## The Billingshurst Scouts & Guides Executive Management Committee

### Annual Report and Financial Statement For the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021

Contents:	Annual Report
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Address:	Billingshurst Scouts & Guides Headquarters Lower Station Road Billingshurst, West Sussex, RH14 9SU
Chairman:	Graeme Acraman
Independent	Sue Gatland
Examiner:	Treasurer - Billingshurst Family Church
Bankers;	Barclays

#### **Our Aims and purposes:**

Scouts actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society. In partnership with adults, young people take part in fun indoor and outdoor activities. They learn by doing, by sharing in spiritual reflection and by taking responsibility. They make choices, undertake new and challenging activities, and they live their Scout Promise. Scouts'

#### **Objectives and Activities:**

The Group operates within a partnership agreement between Scouts and Guides to facilitate sharing of premises and equipment plus joint activities as appropriate.

As such the purpose of the Group is to make available full Scout and Guide programs for young people in the Billingshurst area in accordance with the Scout Association Policy Organisation and rules (POR) and the Girl Guiding UK POR.

As a member of the Scout Association the Scout Group shares its purpose of promoting the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potentials, as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of their local, national and international communities. The Scout Method provides an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law, which is guided by trained volunteer leaders.

As a member of Girl Guiding UK, the Guide Group shares its purpose of enabling girls and young women to fulfil their potential and to take an active and responsible role in society through its distinctive, stimulating and enjoyable programme of activities delivered by trained volunteer leaders.

Group members meet regularly and enjoy a varied and structured programme of training, education and guided activities designed to meet this purpose. The Group welcomes members from all kinds of backgrounds. It is open to every boy, girl, young man or woman, regardless of

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race, faith or personal circumstance.

The trustees follow POR and Guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit. No trustee receives any financial reward other than recovery of necessary expenses.

### **Achievements and Performance**

The composition of the Scout Group encompasses Beaver Scouts, Cub Scouts and Scouts and the Guide Group encompasses Rainbows, Brownies and Guides. Good performance in line with training programs is maintained and progress is measured by the attainment of badges and awards.

Our ability to offer normal physical activities were severely impacted by the two COVID-19 national lockdown periods which forced us to close the building, opening between times complying with government and Scout Association guidelines.

In spite of the suspension of face-to-face meetings, and against all odds, Scouting itself didn't stop. Our group leaders have shown great initiative in setting up online meetings with some amazing results with the way they have supported and helped our young people through this time.

### **The Impact of COVID:**

These are undoubtedly, hugely challenging times, not just for Scouts & Guides but for everybody. In March face-to-face Scout & Guide meetings were suspended in the UK. That included several events scheduled to take place in the spring and summer.

The premises were made COVID safe, following Scout Association regulations / guidance in readiness for our return to

The financial impact was also felt, with the cancellation of the scheduled fund raising events, and loss of income from the hiring of the Scout & Guide Headquarters to outside bodies which had to be cancelled, and the cost of the essential COVID supplies.

However due to this, we were awarded grant money from the Horsham District Council.

### **Financial Review:**

Total receipts £14,926.88 - Total payments £ 5,097.64

Total funds held in the bank at year end £21,202.74

This exceeds annual expenditure and a sum has been designated within the accounts for future improvements and upgrade of the facilities.

The trustees have identified the major risks to which they believe the Group is exposed.

Systems are reviewed on an on-going basis to mitigate adverse financial exposure.

The accounts have been drawn up on the receipts and payments basis, which remains consistent with previous years.

### **Reserves Policy**

It is the Scout & Guide Executive policy to maintain a balance equating to approximately 6 months' worth of payments as a contingency against any unforeseen situations.

### **Structure, Governance and Management**

The Group is a trust established under rules, which are consistent with all other Scout and Guide Groups.

Trustees are appointed in accordance with POR.

There are no funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

# Scouts



## 1st Billingshurst

Well, what a year it has been since our last AGM! Throughout the very unsettling past 12 months, the 1<sup>st</sup> Billingshurst Scout Leaders have gone above and beyond for the young people of the group. Every section stepped up to challenge of running their sections virtually, via Zoom, Facebook, at home challenges, and so much more – I have never been so proud as a GSL to see how the leaders didn't let COVID-19 stop Scouting in Billingshurst.

The COVID-19 regulations we had to follow to start up face-to-face were challenging and involved many late nights of creating risk assessments and response policies, which had to be approved by our District team and Scouts HQ before we could start. The support from my leadership team has been fantastic, which meant we were one of the first groups in the Petworth & Pulborough district to be able to open back up (when restrictions were lifted).

We hope to continue to be able to keep offering face-to-face Scouting, but we are now also well adapted to going virtual if the need arises (fingers crossed it doesn't)

There are currently have 133 young people within the group, with a further 26 on the waiting list for Beavers, 13 waiting to join Cubs and 2 who'd like to join Scouts.

*Zoë Jenkins*  
Group Scout Leader – 1<sup>st</sup> Billingshurst  
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### Beavers: Cedars Report by Monicka Frisby & Emily Cooper

Cedars Beavers have had a busy year with a mix of both virtual and face to face meetings. Our virtual programme consisted of fun activities such as scavenger hunts, quizzes, taskmaster and beaver badge bingo, whilst also covering badge work activities including navigation, pioneering, building, a beanstalk challenge, knots, disability awareness and various cooking activities - mug cakes being the absolute favourite! We also had some great virtual experiences from external parties such as the Wild Roadshow where the Beavers learnt about various reptiles and arachnids, a virtual Fire Station tour and Q & A, and a fantastic Theatre Workshop which got all of us up dancing!

Where possible we made sure we met face to face, with some sessions being run in the autumn term including bug hunts, field games and pebble poppy painting. The majority of our face-to-face meetings have been the summer term, where we have covered athletics, art inspired by nature and a hike. We were also very fortunate to have been able to take part in gardening activities in Station Road Gardens, with thanks to Stuart, a campfire and smores with thanks to Allan, and a very scorching tennis session with the Tennis Club.

We also have some more adventurous activities lined up to see us through to the summer holidays including cycling, health and fitness, and a trip to 'From The Ashes' Forest School.

Wider Scouting activities undertaken over the past year include a number of our Beavers camping at home for the virtual Petworth Park Camp in 2020, and some taking part in the District Virtual Camp in February 2021. Our Beavers stood proudly in uniform to honour St Georges day, and

Remembrance Sunday from their homes. Two from Cedars Beavers completed the 'District Challenge' as part of badges at home.

The Beaver within the colony itself have almost completely changed over the past year as we swam nearly all older Beavers up to their Cub packs, and we have welcomed in and invested 14 new Beavers. Over the past year three of our Beavers have been awarded the Chief Scouts Bronze award, 18 challenge badges have been awarded along with countless other staged and activity badges. At the time of writing 128 badges have been awarded since September 2020 which is testament to how hard our small colony works, and how much fun they have in the process.

Our former Section Leader and Section Assistant have moved on; however, we are thrilled to have three new Occasional Helpers join us this term and a Young Leader. We have also benefited from the support of a D of E student doing his volunteering placement with us. Monicka, who came on board from Parbrook Cubs at the end of last year to 'lend a hand', will be taking over as Section Leader, and Emily will be moving to another colony in the southwest after the summer.

## Beavers: Oaklands Report by Tracey Parker

Seems a long time since I have had to write one of these. What a rollercoaster the last couple of years have been – for all of our lives in general as well as Scouting.

The end of 2019 finished with a range of activities in our weekly programme from meeting hedgehogs, a visit from the police to Remembrance activities and preparations for Christmas. We took part in the Remembrance Parade, had a stall at the Christmas Fayre and attended the District Party. November 2019 also saw us join in the celebrations of the 90th Birthday of Billingshurst Group. We held a sleepover in October and went to the Carol Service in December – what a busy time we had.

We started 2020 full of excitement with lots of ideas and plans in place. We did the Communicator badge, learnt about recycling and joined the Rainbows at their meeting. A sleepover was planned for the end of March. Then – Covid-19 was upon us. The country went into lockdown and all face-to-face activity was cancelled. As all good Scouts do, we adapted and rose to the occasion. After what would have been the Easter holiday we returned to Beavers, but this time over the computer! Initially we planned meetings that could be done at home and the Beavers reported into us via Programmes at Home on OSM. It was a challenge to come up with ideas, but we kept going. The Beavers conducted experiments, took part in a Quiz and we even had an evening 'Ten Pin Bowling'! Unfortunately, not all the young people could cope with meeting but not seeing their friends, so a few decided to leave. Others remained as members but did not join in the meetings. We kept in touch with them via their parents and tried to do what we could to help them. During this initial lockdown, we would not have kept going without the support of the parents (they had to find time to sit with the Beavers rather than dropping them off and going home) and Laura. At this stage no-one thought it would go on for so long.

At the beginning of the Autumn term, we were still working from home but by now Zoom had been introduced. It was still meeting online but now we could see each other. Again, not all could cope with this, but we did everything we could to support the young people at home. Activities had to be adapted still and for some meetings Starfish and Dougal had a long walk around Billingshurst delivering craft materials. All in bags that had not been touched for 72 hours!! Again, it was great to see some of them on the doorstep. During this time, we kept numbers slightly lower than normal – we did start some new members but usually if they were siblings of past/present members. The parents at least knew who we were and what was involved. Members were invested over Zoom and continued with badgework. Again, walks around the village with sealed plastic bags ensured the Beavers still felt they were achieving by receiving their badges. A short respite in lockdown saw us return to meetings in the HQ for a few weeks. Further adaptation to cope with no touching and

social distancing but we coped. It was so good to actually see the Beavers. Back to lockdown for a few weeks but returned to HQ meetings for the last few of the term.

All large events and gatherings were cancelled – Go Beavers, Petworth Park Camp, The Billingshurst Show, Remembrance Day Parade. Many different on-line ‘at

home’ camps were organised. Our members were encouraged to join in with these and had great fun doing so. Dens to sleep in, fire lighting in the garden and all sorts of challenges were tackled. The Scout District also set challenges for all sections to work on and the Colony joined in with this too. Remembrance Day saw us outside our houses in uniform showing support for the British Legion. The photos submitted were made into a wonderful collage picture.

The start of another year – 2021. Who would have thought we would still be wearing masks, social distancing from each other and continuing to meet over Zoom. This term saw us doing the Community Impact level 1 – Starfish organised this excellently over Zoom as part of her CSA Diamond. The chosen area to look into and support was Mind, the mental health charity. This is particularly relevant at the moment with people of all ages struggling to cope with the effects of lockdowns. We were joined for one meeting by Louisa from the local branch of Mind. The District also organised a series of meetings for each section and since the Beaver ones were on a Monday, we joined in a couple of them too. Variety for the Beavers and a rest for us! At the end of March, we were allowed out again! For our final meeting of the term, we met face to face outdoors. We played games and Starfish, assisted by Tweety, managed to film a video for the final part of Community Impact.

Finally, our current term in 2021. We have continued to meet and tried to use the outdoors as much as possible. Much easier than keeping 16 young people 2m apart indoors! Still have to keep apart as much as possible, but better outdoors. We have played team games, made kites, and spent an evening gardening in Station Road. Very lucky with the weather – Beavers had a fine, bright evening but by the time the Scouts started it was raining. In order to achieve one of the challenge badges the young people need to do 2 adventurous activities – Chris Evans ran an evening of rafting to enable them to do one. Another fantastic evening of fun. Again, despite the threat of rain both Beaver sessions took part in the fine weather. The Scouts that followed were not so lucky again – they got wetter from the rain than the canal!

We were not able to run our usual Sleepovers for the 7+ members but when we were able to have day activities, we organised a ‘Day Over’ – this took place over a weekend in the HQ – similar activities as a sleepover but they just went home to sleep! We pitched our small tents, learnt Emergency Aid, Allan ran an archery session, we did craft, lit fires to cook our dinner and tied knots.

Throughout all of this we have endeavoured to ensure the Beavers achieve badges and their Bronze Award. In total 15 Bronze Awards have been gained and a total of 356 badges! This is from August 2019 to current. A great range of activity badges have been achieved – some as a colony, others as individuals.

None of the above would have been possible without support from the leader team – Starfish, Yogi, Stitch, Fox and Tweety. It was not so easy when working online but everyone did as much as they could. A very special thank you to Starfish. She has coped with me panicking about technology and risk assessments, as well as organising several meetings. A special mention to the parents too – they have supported us by joining in the camps/challenges from home, sitting with them

Beaver during Zoom meetings and then going through the Covid-19 policy to ensure we could return face to face. Some of them have enjoyed taking part too as families.

Zoe has held the Group together through the strange and difficult times enabling us to offer the young people of Billingshurst Scout Group an interesting and varied programme.

May the restrictions soon be lifted so we can return to 'normal' activities but in a continued safe environment for us all.

## Cubs: Dauxwood Report by Tracy Evans

This past year has been another like no other. Here at Dauxwood Cubs we have tried to carry on and keep up the meetings and activities as 'normally' as we possibly could. Since the last AGM, zoom remained a firm friend. We had hikes from home, a District virtual camp, and even had a west end performer teach us a dance from the musical Matilda, which was great fun!

After Easter, we have been back meeting face to face outside as much as we can. Coming up with activities and games under covid rules has definitely tested us to the max. The Cubs have been amazing at trying their best to keep to the rules, even though a big proportion of our pack are in the same class bubble at school and do not have to distance. Activities which have been favourites and worked well were fire lighting, making, and cooking dampers, camp craft, hiking, rope making with toilet roll (and then having a tug of war with Shere Khan with them), and completing the cyclist badge and learning how to look after bicycles. For the rest of this term, we have kayaking and an end of term campfire to look forward to, along with our very own carnival!

Numbers have remained constant at around 27 Cubs per session, with quite a few obtaining their Chief Scout Silver Award.

We look forward very much so to hopefully getting back to a bit more normality, and to being able to camp once again!

## Cubs: Parbrook Report by Sam Waters

Well, 2020 got off to a good start with plans in place for our first camp after taking on Parbrook Cubs, it was meant to be a weekend at Bentley Copse with loads of activities planned ... then 4 days before we were due to go, Scouting was suspended, and Lockdown 1 began. As with everyone else, we hoped it would only be a few weeks before we were back to Cubs again, how wrong we were!!

After the Easter Holidays, once it became clear this was going to be for the long haul, we took Cubs online via Zoom. It wasn't the same and coming up with activities to do at home through a laptop or tablet screen wasn't easy, but the parents were all amazing in making it happen each week, getting things ready and even helping with Virtual Investitures.

Most of the Zoom sessions were games and fun activities at home with a bit of work on a few Activity Badges and their Navigator Staged Activity Badge. We got back to face to face Cubs in September, welcoming some new Cubs from the Beaver Colonies before Lockdown 2 came along... back to Zoom again for 4 weeks.

This time we made Pizzas, tin can lanterns and were joined by the RNLI to learn about water safety. We then got back to face to face meetings again just before Christmas for the Stars of Billingshurst Hike round the village.

2021, and Lockdown 3! This term was all on Zoom and again we covered the theory-based Activity Badges: Environmental Conservation, Home Safety, Book Reader, Fire Safety (with a live Zoom visit to Billingshurst Fire Station), Road Safety as well as their Chef and Scientist Badges. To end the term, we were joined by Ben to lead a Theatre Workshop ... this was a fantastic final Zoom session and Ben said that some of the Cubs were potential West End standard!

We eased the Cubs (and Leaders!) back into face-to-face sessions for the first couple of weeks of September before having the whole pack back together face to face for the first time in over a year.

We have been outside every week but 1 with activities including Athletics, Cycle Maintenance, Yoga, building miniature rafts, Gardening at Station Road Gardens and Tennis at the Tennis Club.

The Leaders have taken advantage of the training modules being taken online and have done a bit of a tour of the country via Zoom, completing training courses with Cambridgeshire, Warwickshire, and North Yorkshire Scouts amongst others. We've also recently welcomed Matt Warren and Jack Mitchell to the team as an Adult Helper and Young Leader.

Now that things are opening up a bit more and getting back nearer to "normal" we have Orienteering and an evening at From The Ashes in Fittleworth planned to finish off the term. Fingers crossed we're back to normal from September and can finally have that first Parbrook Cubs Camp.

I just want to finish off with a massive thank you to all the Cubs and the parents too, you've all been fantastic over the last year and helped make it happen with getting involved in all the activities!

## Scouts: Arun Report by Stuart Sexton

In spite of the obvious challenges afforded by the global pandemic, Arun Scout Troop has grown steadily throughout the last 12 months, and currently stands at 25 members, with nobody due to leave for at least another year.

We've benefitted from the considerable experience and enthusiasm of a new Leader, Peter, who has brought an additional dimension to the programme and enabled the troop to achieve a great deal more as a result.

The troop took a decision last Autumn that whenever we were permitted to meet in accordance with the COVID rules, we would do so outside, regardless of the temperature or weather conditions. We have met through cold, dark, and some seriously stormy evenings... including at the end of June!

During lockdown sessions, our programme activities have remained diverse, including Mechanics badge with the Army, cooking both international foods (Maultaschen ... look them up!) and cakes, Science experiments, Escape Rooms, Engineering challenges, mapping challenges... and even an Among Us evening!

Through the Autumn, and since Easter, we have focussed on getting out an about wherever possible, with a total of four hikes, including a full day one, an all-day cycle ride, backwoods cooking, shelter building, and more recently a bit of rafting and pioneering.

We have been lucky to get support from an Army instructor on survival skills, and the P&P SESU unit (Thanks Chris Evans!). Thanks also to Allan, Alan, Alex, Laura, and Zoe who have all stepped in to help with various activities through the year when we've been a bit short on the leader front.

We've also managed to squeeze in some Community service at Station Road gardens (that was a long week!), some bike maintenance, and are finishing off the year with dry slope skiing and crazy golf.... an eclectic programme in spite of the pandemic!

We've managed a few virtual camps through the year, with the Scouts camping out in their gardens in some cases. We're really looking forward to getting under canvas for the first time in almost two years with a weekend camp near Box Hill at the end of July (big thanks to Tracy Evans for supporting).

It's been a good year in spite of the pandemic, and I think a solid base has been built to really progress and expand the programme in the coming 12 months and aim for a few Chief Scouts Gold Awards by this time next year.

## Scouts: Downlands Report by Allan Brown

Downlands Scouts now have 23 Scouts, with 2 cubs due to join us at the end of term. We have also had 3 Scouts move up to Explorers.

Due to Covid 19 we have had to adapt our way of Scouting, but it didn't stop us. We managed to convert our troop nights onto Zoom and managed to maintain good attendance at troop nights.

Zoom gave us the ability to welcome guests from all over the country to talk to the Scouts. These included The Army flying museum, LR Photography, James Clark's talk about Scout Pride, Spectacular Science show, The Forensic Experience and Mark Thompson Astronomy.

Over Zoom we managed to do Cooking, Escape rooms, battleships, and Scavenger hunts. We also covered lots of badge work with the Scouts achieving over 150 badges.

Being stuck at home we even managed 5 camps. The Scouts took part in VE day camp, which replaced the annual Petworth Park camp. This had various activities based around VE day with the Scouts camping in their gardens.

We had the Scouts national Camp at Home where Scouts HQ provided loads of activities to try from their website. Scout HQ then ran a winter camp in January which was a lot more interactive than their first camp.

Marcus organised a district Camp at Home with over 40 different activities to choose from and several Zoom meetings throughout the 2 days for Scouts to interact with.

Then the Petworth Park team put together a Virtual Petworth Park camp as we still weren't allowed face 2 face camping.

In October during our return to face-to-face Scouting we even went Skiing at Aldershot ski slope. We had all abilities, and the session was split to cater for all, the Scouts all had an amazing time.

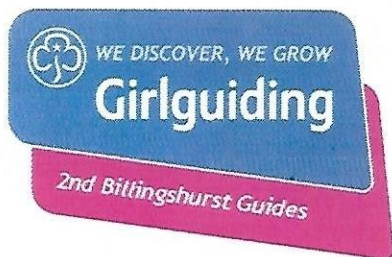
Thankfully, we are now back to face-to-face Scouting but that comes with its challenges, finding socially distanced activities has been a struggle but thanks to various Facebook pages with amazing ideas we have found a way through.

On the 1st May we took part in the Scouts trash the trash day, where we walked around the village armed with litter pickers and collected many bags of rubbish which was then sorted into recycling and rubbish.

9th May we took part in JOTT (Jamboree on the trail), this was an 8-mile hike around the village, and it was great to get the Scouts into the countryside and enjoying each other's company and away from computer screens.

Thanks to Stuart (Arun Troop) for organising a mammoth week of gardening activities at Station Road gardens for all sections with Downlands completing the week on the Friday.

The Downlands leaders have been amazing this year with so many personal, family and schooling issues to deal with and still they continued supporting the troop.



## March 2020 to July 2021- Annual Report

2<sup>nd</sup> Billingshurst Guides have had an eventful 16 months along with the rest of the world! After a short break when the first lockdown came we took to zoom with an adapted programme. Girlguiding kindly provided zoom access so we could run uninterrupted sessions.

We are currently a unit with 23 girls, which, considering 90% of our guiding has been on line is a fantastic achievement. We have gained new guides, who we have now finally met in person, but zoom isn't for everyone and we have sadly lost a few too!

We have adapted some of the UMA's and skills builders to make them work on zoom and Girlguiding have modified the requirements to achieve the awards to reflect the change of circumstances which has been really beneficial as awards are being achieved. We have seen some amazing badge work throughout lockdown, the upcycling badge proved to be popular with an amazing range of projects...strawberry planters, snuffle mat and bags.

We have had several virtual camps, where activities were set to complete at home and sleep somewhere other than a bed.

Cooking has been one of the favourite activities on zoom, we've done pizza, gingerbread, pretzels and tatty scones. Whats even better is no washing up for the leader team.

We have done a couple of escape rooms, which the guides have really enjoyed, one of them being based in the scout hut thanks to Allan. These were another particular favourite.

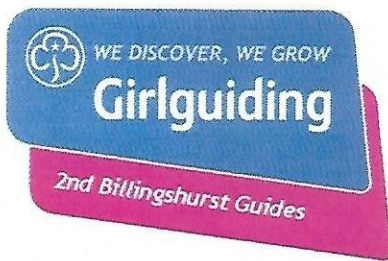
Kahoots and quiz evenings have been a great success, especially when the guides could make their own round...who knew you could do a whole quiz round about rats?!

We have been very lucky and had a few guests on zoom, we had a lovely evening hosting Andrea from the Wild Roadshow, where we learnt about and met a snake, geko, milliped, bearded dragon and tarantula. We had the lovely Emily who led us through an evening of yoga, with the option to turn our cameras off thankfully, that wouldn't have been pretty! We were led through an eco-friendly evening by one of the guides, Ella, who showed us how to make bees wax wraps.

In July the unit had 5 minutes of fame when Nat was interviewed on BBC Sussex radio to talk about carrying on with Guiding during the pandemic.

Our lovely international link in Japan has kept in touch and have even asked for our zoom ideas that they can use for their meetings!





Sadly, we have been unable to do our normal fundraising, but we have kept the village fully aware that we are still meeting with articles in the village Tweet almost every issue.

The Halloween Hike became virtual as well and encouraged families to get involved and join their guide(s) on a selection of different routes.

We were lucky that we were able to lay a wreath at the memorial for remembrance day, when a brief relax of restrictions. We squeezed in a few meetings and even managed to do some pottery painting.

Now that we have been able to meet face to face again we have done archery, which was a first for a few guides. We have done fire lighting, preparing them for when we can camp again. We had a lovely evening at Station Road Gardens last week with Stuart learning about trees, herbs and flowers. On the downside there is no more doing guides in my pj's!

I would like to thank the girls for being fantastic throughout the year; they are a complete credit to the association! I would like to thank the team, as it's a combination of everyone's time and resources that make the evenings and events happen. From running the evenings to delivering resources to be used for the activities. Looking forward to another successful and productive year, returning to camping and bigger organised events.

Sally MacPherson - Leader  
July 2021





## **Annual Report 2021**

2020 was a strange year where we did zoom from September. We had a good response from the Brownies of 13 most weeks. After Christmas Pulborough Brownies joined us with 3 of their girls, a Leader and a unit helper. We did lots of baking, played games, scavenger hunt, eye spy and other activities.

The Brownies finished the First Aid badge on zoom that we started before lock down with The St John's Ambulance. The Brownies got their U M A. The girls did other U M A's.

We took part in a Magic show on zoom. We needed a pack on cards to do a trick although not sure if any one managed to work it out. The magic man was very good. It would be good to see it all face to face.

We invited Reptiles on zoom. We saw Snakes, Toad, Bearded Dragon, Crested Gecko and more. The Brownies ask lots of interesting questions.

Before lock down beginning of March we went to St Mary's room where the girls worked for their dance badge. They had to research a dance of their choice from another country and perform it to everyone they all did very well. (All got their badge)

The last Brownie meeting before lock down was at Clip and Climb. The girls had a fantastic time and want to go again when possible.

Vi Davis

## **Rainbow Annual Report July 2021**

Rainbows have had an active year although a quite different one. We have continued with Zoom meetings with a science evening and a reptile evening which was greatly enjoyed by the girls. We had our first Gold award, two Silvers and a Bronze all achieved throughout the Pandemic. It has been fantastic to be back face to face with the girls and they have enjoyed badge work involving bark rubbing, bug identification and most recently Irish Dancing.

We are incredibly grateful for the support we have had from our District members without which we would have struggled to continue.

Shelley and Beth

**Reference and Administrative details**

Charity Name: 1<sup>st</sup> Billingshurst Scout Group, also known as Billingshurst Scout and Guide Group.  
Registered Charity Number 305886 Address:

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Lower Station Road  
Billingshurst  
RH14 9SU

Name	Office held (if any)	Dates of service (if not for whole year)
Graeme Acraman	Charman	
Clare Collyer	Secretary	
Sandra Duck	Treasurer	
Zoe Jenkins	Group Scout Leader	
Natalie Evans	Guide Leader	
Pauline Lowe	Trustee	
Linda Lyons	Trustee	
Paul Starkey	Trustee	
Allan Brown	Trustee	
Pat Homer	Trustee	
Carinna Brown	Trustee	
Shelley Hobart	Trustee	
Tracy Parker	Trustee	
Alexander Morris	Trustee	

Approved by Scout & Guide Executive (Trustees) on **13th July 2021** and signed on their behalf by:



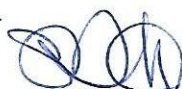
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Graeme Acraman  
Chairman

## Receipts & Payments for the year 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020 – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021

A/C's	2020-2021	2019-2020
	Total Funds B?FWD	Total funds
Scout Bank Account	No1 £13,460.67	£16,210.06
Scout & Guide Joint Bank Account	No2 £11,373.50	£19,150.26
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>£24,834.17</b>	<b>£35,360.32</b>
<b>INCOME</b>		
<b>SCOUT SUBSCRIPTIONS</b>	Scout £8,951.50	£12,190.50
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>£8,951.50</b>	<b>£12,190.50</b>
<b>DONATIONS / GRANTS</b>	Scout £4,432.00	£313.29
	S & G £13,000.00	£80,952.00 S106 HUT EXTENSION
<b>ACTIVITIES</b>	Scout £580.00	£9,865.51
<b>FUNDRAISING</b>	Scout £396.13	
	S & G £501.33	£7,963.65
<b>OTHER INCOME (Gift AID)</b>	Scout £3,705.86	
	S & G £217.65	
<b>SUNDRY RECEIPTS</b>	Scout £161.94	£40.10
	S & G	£45.00
<b>UNIFORM</b>	Scout £236.00	
	S & G £240.00	£232.50
<b>HUT HIRE / LEVY &amp; EQUIPMENT</b>	£970.00	
	S & G	£2,381.50
<b>TOTAL INCOME:</b>	<b>£33,392.41</b>	<b>£113,984.05</b>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>		
<b>SCOUT MEMBERSHIP TO DISTRICT PREMISES</b>	Scout £6,180.00	£7,581.00
<b>HUT HIRE EXPENSES</b>	Scout £630.00	£630.00
<b>HUT EXTENSION</b>	S & G	£92,880.69 S106 Grant
<b>RATES</b>	S & G £0.00	£189.00
<b>WATER RATES</b>	S & G £411.25	£287.41
<b>ELECTRICITY</b>	S & G £917.07	£1,082.36
<b>GAS</b>	S & G £15.37	£165.96
<b>INSURANCE</b>	S & G £1,149.97	£1,107.74
<b>WIFI</b>	S & G £153.70	£180.00
<b>MAINTENANCE / CLEANING</b>	S & G £1,181.81	£1,435.57
<b>ACTIVITIES / &amp; TRIPS</b>	Scout £872.46	£4,072.84
	S & G £175.00	£212.54
<b>CAMPING SLEEPOVERS REFUND</b>	Scout £109.00	£8,348.29
		£540.00
<b>FUNDRAISING EXPENSES</b>	Scout £0.00	£219.17
<b>ADMIN</b>	S & G £106.00	£174.01
<b>EQUIPMENT</b>	Scout £505.42	£1,678.70
		£173.79
<b>TRAINING</b>	Scout £27.50	£220.00
<b>BADGES</b>	Scout £1,482.06	£1,310.07
<b>SUNDRY PAYMENTS (+COVID)</b>	Scout £511.86	£676.16
	S & G £703.72	£140.25
<b>UNIFORM</b>	Scout £602.00	£327.26
	S & G £255.75	£782.09
<b>DONATIONS AND GIFTS</b>	Scout £239.01	£95.30
	S & G £28.00	
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>£16,038.95</b>	<b>£124,510.20</b>
<b>Scout Account Bank</b>	£20,982.79	£13,460.67
<b>S &amp; G Bank</b>	£21,202.74	£11,373.50
<b>Total Funds as at 31st March 2021</b>	<b>£42,185.53 c/fwd</b>	<b>£24,834.17 c/fwd</b>
<b>MONETARY ASSETS</b>	£0.00	£0.00
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Scout equipment ( insurance Value)	£15,000.00	£15,000.00
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	£0.00	£0.00
	£15,000.00	£15,000.00

Prepared by the Sandra Duck - Treasurer for AGM 13.7.21 and accepted.



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1st Billingshurst Scout Group Annual Summary Of Accounts 2020-2021  
Balance Sheet

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1st April 2019- 31st March 2020		1st April 2020 - 31st March 2021	
Balance across the group b/fwd	£ 15,210.06	Balance across the group B/F	£ 13,460.67
<b>Income</b>			
Subs received ( all sections)	£ 12,190.50	Subs received ( all sections)	£ 8,951.50
Gift Aid	£ -	Gift Aid	£ 3,705.86
Donations / Grants	£ 313.29	Donations / Grants	£ 4,432.00
Fund raising	£ -	Fund raising	£ 395.13
Activities & Trips	£ 1,713.35	Activities	£ 125.00
Camps & Sleepovers	£ 8,152.16	Camps & Sleepovers	£ 455.00
Badge Receipts	£ -	Badge Receipts	£ 41.94
Sundry Receipts	£ 40.10	Sundry Receipts	£ 120.00
Misc	£ -	Misc	£ -
Uniform	£ -	Uniform	£ 236.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£ 22,409.40</b>	<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£ 18,463.43</b>
	<b>£ 38,619.46</b>		<b>£ 31,924.10</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>			
Annual Membership (capitation) (2020-21)	£ 7,581.00	Annual Membership (capitation) (2020-21)	£ 6,180.00
Hut Levy	£ 630.00	Hut Levy	£ 630.00
Activities & Trips	£ 3,819.18	Activities & Trips	£ 758.70
Camping / Sleepovers	£ 8,348.29	Camping / Sleepovers	£ 109.00 refunds
Craft Materials	£ 253.66	Craft Materials	£ 113.76
Equipment	£ 1,678.70	Equipment	£ 505.42
General Expenses including	£ 194.52	General Expenses including (COVID)	£ 388.39
Fund raising	£ 24.65	Fund raising	£ -
Donations and Gifts	£ 95.30	Donations and Gifts	£ 239.01
Uniform/ Scarves	£ 327.26	Uniform/ Scarves	£ 602.00
Training	£ 220.00	Training	£ 27.50
Badges	£ 1,310.07	Badges	£ 1,482.06
Sundry Payments	£ 676.16	Sundry Payments	£ 123.47
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>£ 25,158.79</b>	<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>£ 10,941.31</b>
Bank statements and accounts reconciled across the group 31.03.2020	£ 13,460.67	Bank statements and accounts reconciled across the group 31.03.2020	£ 20,982.79
	<b>£ 38,619.46</b>		<b>£ 31,924.10</b>
Balance as at 31st March 2020	£ 13,460.67	Balance as at 31.03.21	£ 20,982.79

Bank Reconciliation	
Balance c/f	£ 20,982.79
Cheques not cashed 2020-21	£ -
Income not paid into bank 20-21	£ -
<b>Bank Reconciliation with all 7 Bank Accounts - Agreed 31.03.21</b>	<b>£ 20,982.79</b>

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Income and Expenditure Account Summary 1st April 2020 -31st March 2021

1st April 2019 - 31st Mar 2020

1st April 2020 - 31st March 2021

	£ 19,150.26	
		<b>Income</b>
<b>Fund Raising</b>		
50 Club	£ 200.00	
Bag Packing	£ 868.25	
Christmas Post 2018/19	£ 411.72	
Fireworks - Refreshments	£ 258.75	
S 106 Money (Hut extension)	£ 80,952.00	2019-20
Christmas Fayre	£ 1,005.00	
Billingshurst Show 2019 income	£ 5,000.00	
Easy Fund raising	£ 144.93	
Recycled Stamps	£ 75.00	
Hire of Equipment	£ 104.00	
<b>Total Fundraising</b>	<b>£ 89,019.65</b>	
Net Fundraising	<b>£ 8,067.65</b>	
Hire of Scout Hut	£ 1,122.50	
Hut Levy	£ 1,155.00	
Donations	£ 45.00	
Misc./Sundry	£ -	
Uniform / Scarves	£ 232.50	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£ 99,642.30</b>	
	<b>£ 110,724.91</b>	

	£ 11,373.50
	<b>Balance B/F</b>
<b>Fund Raising</b>	
50 Club	£ 210.00
Bag Packing (Gift Aid)	£ 217.65
Christmas Post 2019 /20	£ 5.00
Fireworks - refreshments	£ -
HDC grant x 2	£ 13,000.00
Christmas Fayre	£ -
Billingshurst Show 2020 income	£ -
Easy Fund raising	£ 255.85
Recycled Stamps	£ 28.38
Hire of Equipment	£ -
<b>Total Fundraising</b>	<b>£ 13,716.88</b>
Hire of Scout Hut	£ 25.00
Hut Levy	£ 945.00
Donations	£ -
Misc./Sundry	£ -
Uniform / Scarves	£ 240.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£ 14,926.88</b>
	<b>£ 26,300.38</b>

		<b>Expenditure</b>
<b>Activity Costs</b>		
Fireworks	£ 4.34	
Prizes for 50 Club	£ 95.00	
Lottery Licence	£ 20.00	
Xmas Fayre	£ 93.20	
<b>Activities Total</b>	<b>£ 212.54</b>	
<b>Hut Expenses</b>		
Caretaker	£ 650.00	
Cleaning Materials	£ 139.47	
Electricity	£ 1,081.36	
Equipment	£ 173.79	
Buildings and Contents Ins	£ 1,107.74	
Personal Act Ins Non Members	£ -	
Admin costs	£ 174.01	
Hut Maintenance	£ 646.10	
Rates	£ 189.00	
Water Rates	£ 287.41	
Gas	£ 165.96	
Wi-Fi (MI-Fi system)	£ 180.00	
<b>Hut Expenses Total</b>	<b>£ 4,794.84</b>	
Misc./Sundry	£ 140.25	
Transport (camps etc.)	£ 540.00	
Uniform / Scarves	£ 783.09	
Donations & Gifts	£ -	
<b>General Expenses Total</b>	<b>£ 1,463.34</b>	

<b>Activity Costs</b>	
Fireworks	£ -
Prizes for 50 Club	£ 155.00
Lottery Licence	£ 20.00
Xmas Fayre	£ -
<b>Activities Total</b>	<b>£ 175.00</b>
<b>Hut Expenses</b>	
<b>COVID costs</b>	£ 528.22
Cleaning	£ 1,000.00
Cleaning Materials	£ -
Electricity	£ 917.07
Equipment	£ -
Buildings and Contents Ins	£ 1,065.97
Personal Act Ins. Non Members	£ 84.00
Admin costs	£ 106.00
Hut Maintenance ( servicing )	£ 181.81
Rates	£ -
Water Rates	£ 411.25
Gas	£ 153.70
Wi-Fi (MI-Fi system)	£ 153.70
<b>Hut Expenses Total</b>	<b>£ 4,463.39</b>
Misc. / Sundry	£ 175.50
Transport (camps etc.)	£ -
Uniform / Scarves	£ 255.75
Donations / Gifts	£ 28.00
<b>General Expenses Total</b>	<b>£ 459.25</b>

Hut Extension	£ 92,880.69	2019-20 £ 14,610.00
		£ 2,724.75
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>£ 99,351.41</b>	£17,334.75
Closing balance 31.03.2020 c/wd	£ 11,373.50	agreed w
General Funds	£ 7,373.50	
Designated funds (Hut Improve)	£ 4,000.00	
	<b>£ 11,373.50</b>	

Hut Extension	£ -
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>£ 5,097.64</b>
Closing balance 31.3.21 c/fwd	£ 21,202.74
General Funds	£17,202.74
Designated funds (Hut improvements)	£4,000.00
<b>Total Funds held in Bank</b>	<b>£21,202.74</b>

<b>Bank Reconciliation</b>	
Balance c/f	£ 21,202.74
Chq not cashed	£ -
Chq not paid in vet	£ -
<b>agreed as at 31.03.21</b>	<b>£ 21,202.74</b>

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Graeme Acraman  
(Chair of the Trustees)

Date: 13th July 2021

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TREASURER.

## Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

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I report on the accounts of the Group/ for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021

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#### Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Group's/District's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

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#### Basis of Independent Examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Group/District and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

#### Independent Examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (~~other than that disclosed below~~):

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