

ASHFORD DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

England & Wales · Charity number 308138

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1973-03-06

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

Contact

Address 24 Towner Close
Charing
Ashford
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Activities

Objects: UNIT OF THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION.

Activities: Education of young people through activities. Co-ordination of scouting in the Ashford District.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources
- **What:** Education/training, Amateur Sport
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** ASHFORD
- Kent

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£85,475	£49,173	-	-
2024-03-31	£47,231	£32,808	-	-
2023-03-31	£65,049	£89,269	-	-
2022-03-31	£29,999	£39,124	-	-
2021-03-31	£44,304	£37,143	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Colin Ladley		2023-07-20
James Yeomans		2018-06-13
Karen Blackiston		2017-10-04
Lee Charles Sully		2025-06-25
Lisa Thornton		2024-06-05

ASHFORD DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

England & Wales - Charity number 308138

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Trustees' Annual Report

For the period

From (start date)

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to end date

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Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name	Ashford District Scout Council
Other names the charity is known by	
Registered charity number (if any)	3 0 8 1 3 8
HQ registration number	1 2 7 0 1
Charity's principal address	24 Towner Close Charing Postcode T N 2 7 0 B F

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

(These will be published in the annual report of the charity and the Charity Register if reporting for a Registered Charity with a charity regulator)

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2	James Yeomans	Trustee Chair	
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7			
	Lisa Thornton	Trustee Transformation and compliance	
8			
9	Ian Carey	Trustee District Development	
10	Kieran Lee	Trustee District Youth Leader	
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Names and addresses of advisers (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

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Type of advisor	Name	Address

Section B

Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document

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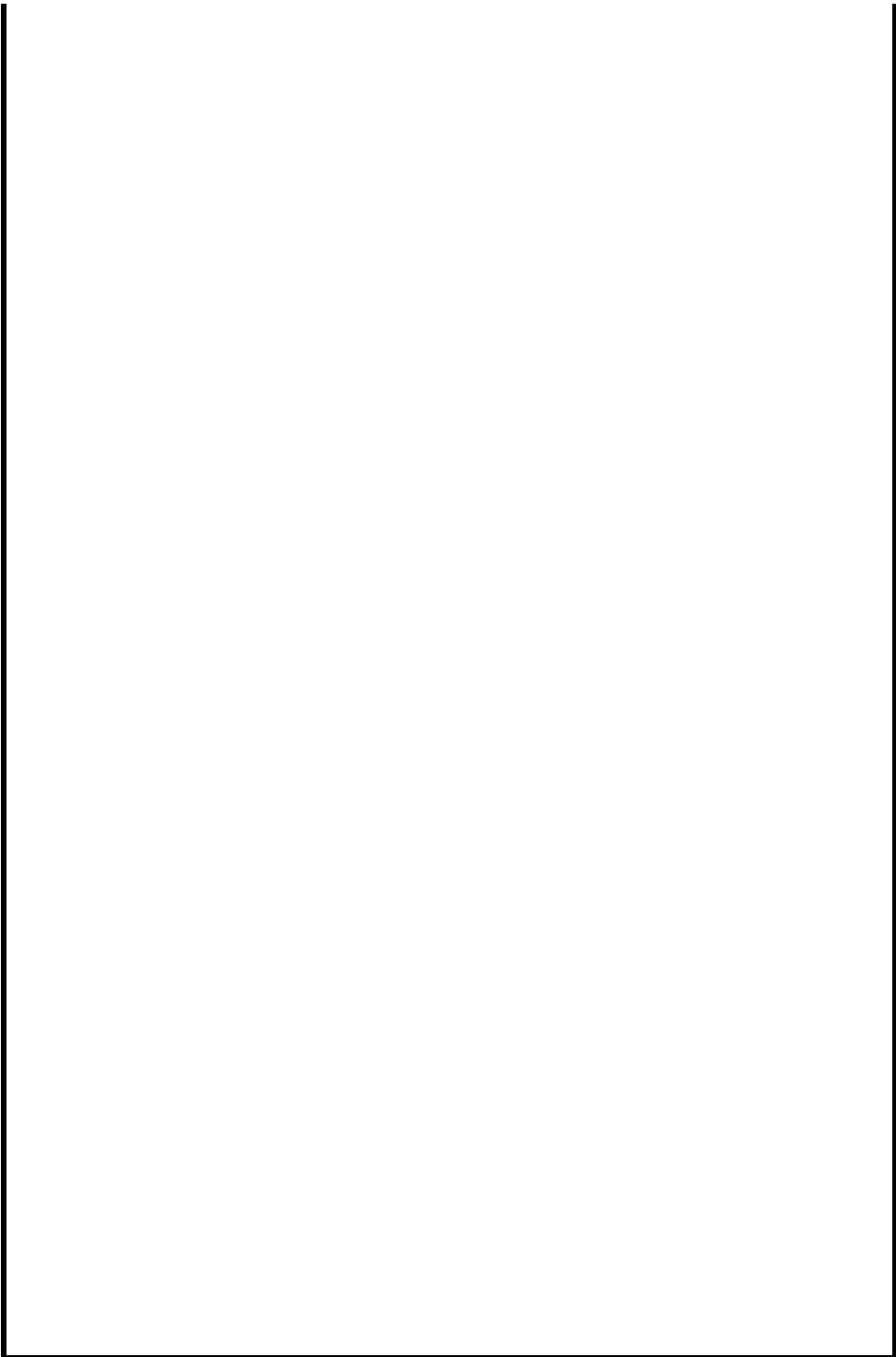
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Policies and procedures adopted for:
a) the induction and training of trustees;
b) trustee' consideration of major risks and the systems and procedures to manage them

This Executive Committee exists to support the District Commissioner in meeting the responsibilities of the appointment and is responsible for:
The maintenance of Group property;
The raising of funds and the administration of Group finance;
The insurance of persons, property and equipment;
Group public occasions;
Assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support;
Appointing any sub committees that may be required;
Appointing Group Administrators and Advisors other than those who are elected.

Section B	Structure, governance and management (continued)
	The district has in place systems of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss, these include 2 signatories for all payments and a comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered.



Section C	Objectives and activities
Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document	<p>The Purpose of Scouting Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.</p> <p>The Values of Scouting As Scouts we are guided by these values:</p> <p>Integrity - We act with integrity; we are honest, trustworthy and loyal. Respect - We have self-respect and respect for others. Care - We support others and take care of the world in which we live. Belief - We explore our faiths, beliefs and attitudes. Co-operation - We make a positive difference; we co-operate with others and make friends.</p>

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- enjoy what they are doing and have fun
- take part in activities indoors and outdoors
- learn by doing
- share in spiritual reflection
- take responsibility and make choices
- undertake new and challenging activities
- make and live by their Promise.

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

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

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

- policy on grantmaking;
- contribution made by volunteers;
- policy on investments.

Public benefit statement

The District meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.

Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Section E Financial Review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Reserves Policy

Quantify and explain any designations

The Group's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the group should income and fundraising activities fall short.

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

Further financial review details (optional information)

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

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);

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

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

- investment policy and objectives;

Section F

Other Optional Information

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

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

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Full name(s)

James Yeomans	
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Position (eg Secretary, Chair)

Chairman	
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Date

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Ashford District Scout Council Receipts and payments account

For the year from	01-Apr-24	To	31/03/2025
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Receipts and payments				
	2024/25			2023/24
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Whole year total funds
	£	£	£	£
Receipts				
Membership subscriptions	55,461	-	55,461	44,942
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County)	(44,903)	-	(44,903)	(40,245)
Net membership subscriptions retained	10,558	-	10,558	4,697
District program and activities	23,882	-	23,882	9,169
World Scout Jamboree 2023	-	-	-	3,105
South Africa 2025		21,620	21,620	13,940
KIJ 2025		7,697	7,697	
Recognise explorer funds	4,113	-	4,113	-
Shop sales	12,953	-	12,953	12,188
Third party fundraising	215	-	215	102
Donations	470	-	470	1,435
Forge Lane contribution	-	-	-	-
Gift Aid	3,257	-	3,257	-
Other	557	-	557	2,473
Sub total	56,005	29,317	85,322	47,109
Investment income				
Bank interest	153	-	153	122
Sub total	153	-	153	122
Total receipts	56,158	29,317	85,475	47,231

Ashford District Scout Council Receipts and payments account

For the year from	01-Apr-24	To	31/03/2025
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Receipts and payments

	2024/25			Total funds £	2023/24 Whole year total funds £
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	-		
Payments					
Charitable Payments					
District programme and activities	24,385	-	-	24,385	12,143
District exec costs	1,012	-	-	1,012	1,792
Forge Lane utilities	2,112	-	-	2,112	2,170
Insurance	1,501	-	-	1,501	2,176
World Scout Jamboree 2023	-	-	-	-	2,500
South Africa 2025	-	700	-	700	-
KIJ 2025	-	7,350	-	7,350	-
Contributions to local groups	833	-	-	833	-
Donations	500	-	-	500	500
Shop purchases	10,052	-	-	10,052	9,723
Other	728	-	-	728	1,804
Sub total	41,123	8,050	-	49,173	32,808
Net of receipts/(payments)	15,035	21,267	-	36,302	14,423
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds last year end	61,612	14,067	-	75,679	61,256
Adjustment	-	-	-	-	-
Current cash funds	76,647	35,334	-	111,981	75,679

Statement of assets and liabilities

				31/03/2025	30-Mar-24
	£	£	£	Total funds £	Total funds £
Cash funds					
Bank current account	18,051	25,334	-	43,385	18,722
Bank deposit account	383	10,000	-	10,383	10,231
AKAS account	52	-	-	52	553
Shop account	34,216	-	-	34,216	31,396
Explorers Accounts	23,021	-	-	23,021	13,696
RoostersActive Support account	924	-	-	924	1,081
Total cash funds	76,647	35,334	-	111,981	75,679

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

ASHFORD DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Ashford District Scout Council for the year ended 31 March 2025 which comprise the Statement of Receipts and Payments and Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Ashford District Scout Council you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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

Independent Examiner's statement

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

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Ashford District Scout Council as required by section 130 of the Act, or
2. The accounts do not accord with those records.

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

Signed: 

Name: LOUISE KAMES

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

Address: LITTLE SMARDEN HOUSE,
THE STREET SMARDEN, KENT, TN27 8N3.

Date: 08/01/26

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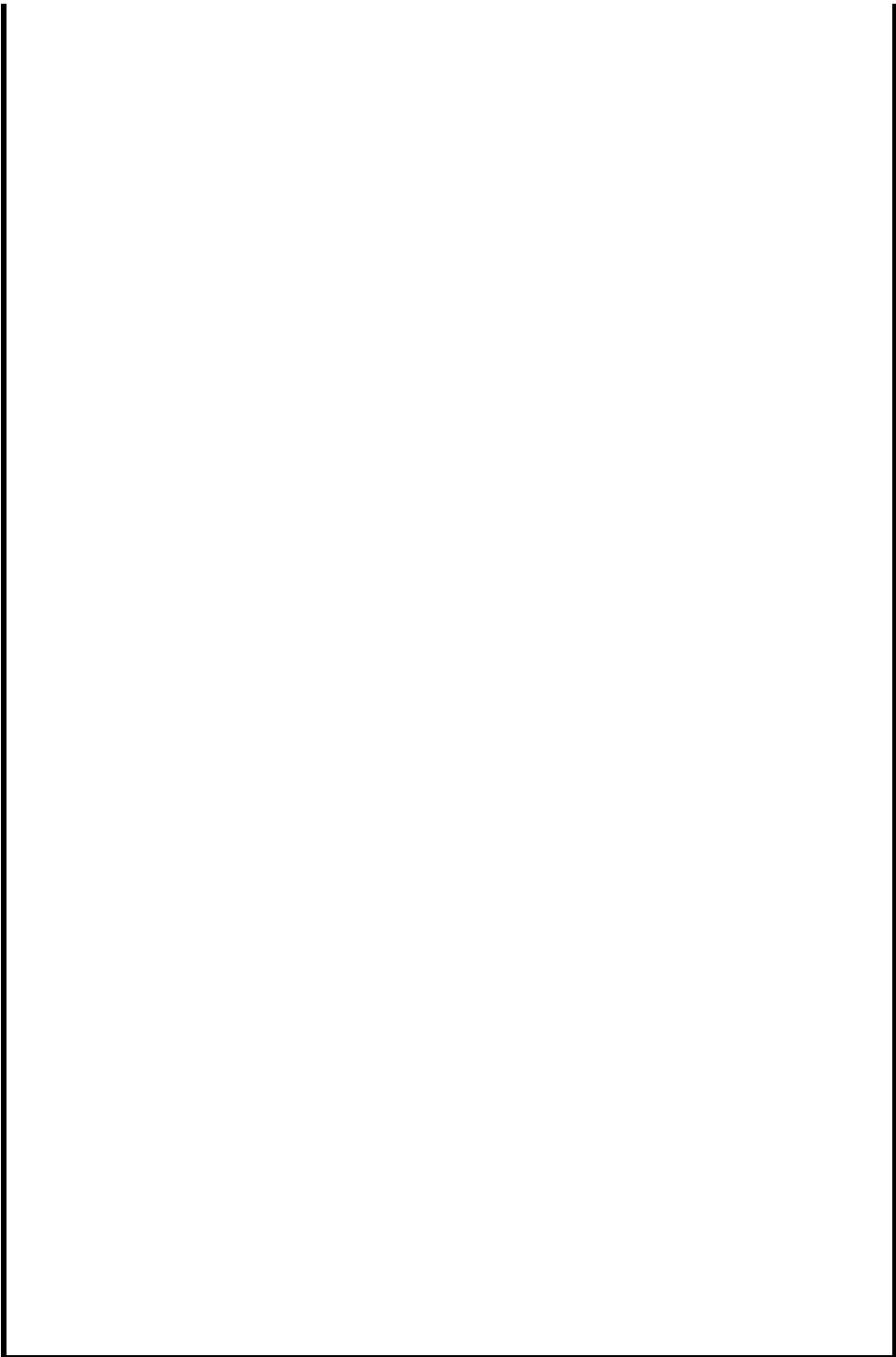
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Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

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Full name(s)

James Yeomans	
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Position (eg Secretary, Chair)

Chairman	
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Date

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I report on the accounts of the District for the year ended 31 March 2024 which comprise the Statement of Receipts and Payments and Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

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.

Name:Martyn Crawley.....

Qualification:FCA.....

Address:C/o The Goods Shed, Jubilee Way, Faversham Kent.....

Date:20.1.25.....

Ashford District Scout Council Receipts and payments account

For the year from	01-Apr-23	To	31/03/2024
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Receipts and payments

	2023/24			2022/23	
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Whole year total funds	
	£	£	£	£	£
Receipts					
Membership subscriptions	44,942	-	-	44,942	49,891
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County)	(40,245)	-	-	(40,245)	(38,843)
Net membership subscriptions retained	4,697	-	-	4,697	11,048
District program and activities	9,169	-	-	9,169	9,013
World Scout Jamboree 2023	605	2,500	-	3,105	10,988
South Africa 2025		13,940		13,940	-
South Africa 2022		-		-	19,478
Shop sales	12,188	-		12,188	12,806
Third party fundraising	102	-		102	52
Donations	1,435			1,435	-
Forge Lane contribution	-			-	-
Gift Aid	-			-	-
Other	2,473			2,473	1,641
Sub total	30,669	16,440	-	47,109	65,026
Investment income					
Bank interest	122		-	122	22
Sub total	122	-	-	122	22
Total receipts	30,791	16,440	-	47,231	65,048

Ashford District Scout Council Receipts and payments account

For the year from	01-Apr-23	To	31/03/2024
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Receipts and payments

	2023/24			Total funds	2022/23
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	-		Whole year total funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Payments					
Charitable Payments					
District programme and activities	12,143	-	-	12,143	11,806
District exec costs	1,792	-	-	1,792	704
Forge Lane utilities	2,170	-	-	2,170	1,774
Insurance	2,176	-	-	2,176	1,960
World Scout Jamboree 2023	-	2,500	-	2,500	15,500
South Africa 2022	-	-	-	-	46,722
Donations	500	-	-	500	-
Shop purchases	9,723	-	-	9,723	9,981
Other	1,804	-	-	1,804	823
Sub total	30,308	2,500	-	32,808	89,270
Net of receipts/(payments)	483	13,940	-	14,423	- 24,222
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds last year end	61,129	127	-	61,256	85,478
Adjustment					
Current cash funds	61,612	14,067	-	75,679	61,256

Statement of assets and liabilities

				31/03/2024	31-Mar-23
	£	£	£	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Cash funds					
Bank current account	4,655	14,067	-	18,722	7,821
Bank deposit account	10,231	-	-	10,231	10,109
AKAS account	553	-	-	553	462
Shop account	31,396	-	-	31,396	28,563
Explorers Accounts	13,696	-	-	13,696	13,546
RoostersActive Support account	1,081	-	-	1,081	755
Total cash funds	61,612	14,067	-	75,679	61,256

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Accounts

Ashford District Scout Council Receipts and payments account

For the year from	01-Apr-22	To	31/03/2023
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Receipts and payments

	2022/23			2021/22	
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Whole year total funds	
	£	£	£	£	£
Receipts					
Membership subscriptions	49,892	-	-	49,892	54,915
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County)	(38,843)	-	-	(38,843)	(78,582)
Net membership subscriptions retained	11,049	-	-	11,049	23,667
District program and activities	9,013	-	-	9,013	6,953
World Scout Jamboree 2023	-	10,988	-	10,988	-
					-
South Africa 2022		19,478		19,478	24,504
Shop sales	12,806	-		12,806	15,571
Third party fundraising	52	-		52	116
					-
Forge Lane contribution	-			-	-
Gift Aid	-			-	1,904
Other	1,641			1,641	4,618
Sub total	34,561	30,466	-	65,027	29,999
Investment income					
Bank interest	22		-	22	1
Sub total	22	-	-	22	1
Total receipts	34,583	30,466	-	65,049	30,000

Ashford District Scout Council Receipts and payments account

For the year from	01-Apr-22	To	31/03/2023
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Receipts and payments

	2022/23			2021/22	
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	- £	Total funds £	Whole year total funds £
Payments					
Charitable Payments					
District programme and activities	11,806	-	-	11,806	11,894
District exec costs	704	-	-	704	744
Forge Lane utilities	1,774	-	-	1,774	1,043
Insurance	1,960	-	-	1,960	1,835
World Scout Jamboree 2023	4,512	10,988	-	15,500	2,000
South Africa 2022	-	46,722	-	46,722	2,160
Donations	-	-	-	-	1,867
Shop purchases	9,981	-	-	9,981	17,033
Other	822	-	-	822	549
Sub total	31,559	57,710	-	89,269	39,125
Net of receipts/(payments)	3,024	(27,244)	-	24,220	9,125
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds last year end	58,106	27,371	-	85,477	94,602
Adjustment	-	-	-	-	-
Current cash funds	61,130	127	-	61,257	85,477

Statement of assets and liabilities

				31/03/2023	31-Mar-22
	£	£	£	Total funds £	Total funds £
Cash funds					
Bank current account	7,694	127	-	7,821	38,497
Bank deposit account	10,109	-	-	10,109	10,087
AKAS account	462	-	-	462	431
Shop account	28,563	-	-	28,563	25,376
Explorers Accounts	13,546	-	-	13,546	10,186
RoostersActive Support account	755	-	-	755	900
Total cash funds	61,130	127	-	61,257	85,477

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Trustees' Annual Report

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3		District Commissioner	retired in year
4	Colin Ladley	District Commissioner	appointed in year
5	Karen Blackiston	Treasurer	
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7	Nick O'Callaghan	Explorers	
8	Jan White	Secretary	
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Names and addresses of advisers (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

(These will be published in the annual report of the charity)

Type of advisor	Name	Address

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document

(e.g. trust deed, constitution)

The District's governing documents are those of the The Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, which in turn gives authority to the Bye Laws of the Association and The Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.

How the charity is constituted

(e.g. trust, association, company)

The District is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.

Trustee selection methods

(e.g. appointed by, elected by)

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.

Additional governance issues (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

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

The District is managed by the Executive Committee, the members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' of the District which is an educational charity. As charity trustees they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities. This includes the registration, keeping proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate.

Policies and procedures adopted for:

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

This Executive Committee exists to support the District Commissioner in meeting the responsibilities of the appointment and is responsible for:
 The maintenance of Group property;
 The raising of funds and the administration of Group finance;
 The insurance of persons, property and equipment;
 Group public occasions;
 Assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support;
 Appointing any sub committees that may be required;
 Appointing Group Administrators and Advisors other than those who are elected.

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

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



Section C	Objectives and activities
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Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The Purpose of Scouting
Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.

The Values of Scouting
As Scouts we are guided by these values:
Integrity - We act with integrity; we are honest, trustworthy and loyal.
Respect - We have self-respect and respect for others.
Care - We support others and take care of the world in which we live.
Belief - We explore our faiths, beliefs and attitudes.
Co-operation - We make a positive difference; we co-operate with others and make friends.

The Scout Method
Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together based on the values of Scouting and:

- enjoy what they are doing and have fun
- take part in activities indoors and outdoors
- learn by doing
- share in spiritual reflection
- take responsibility and make choices
- undertake new and challenging activities
- make and live by their Promise.

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects



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

You **may choose** to include further



statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- contribution made by volunteers;
- policy on investments.

Public benefit statement

The District meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Section E

Financial Review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Reserves Policy

The Group's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the group should income and fundraising activities fall short.

Quantify and explain any designations

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



Further financial review details (optional information)

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

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

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

Section F

Other Optional Information

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

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Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

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Full name(s)

James Yeomans	
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Position (eg Secretary, Chair)

Chairman	
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Date

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Ashford District Scout Council Receipts and payments account

For the year from	01-Apr-21	To	31/03/2022
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Receipts and payments

	2021/22			2020/21	
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Whole year total funds	
	£	£	£	£	£
Receipts					
Membership subscriptions	54,915	-	-	54,915	31,550
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County)	(78,582)	-	-	(78,582)	540
Net membership subscriptions retained	23,667	-	-	23,667	32,090
District program and activities	6,953	-	-	6,953	1,799
World Scout Jamboree 2019	-	-	-	-	-
South Africa 2022	-	-	-	-	-
Eurojam 2020	-	-	-	-	200
South Africa 2022	-	24,504	24,504	24,504	4,900
Shop sales	15,571	-	15,571	15,571	1,002
Third party fundraising	116	-	116	116	127
Loan repayment	-	-	-	-	-
Forge Lane contribution	-	-	-	-	-
Gift Aid	1,904	-	1,904	1,904	770
Other	4,618	-	4,618	4,618	3,811
Sub total	5,494	24,504	-	29,998	44,299
Investment income					
Bank interest	1	-	-	1	5
Sub total	1	-	-	1	5
Total receipts	5,495	24,504	-	29,999	44,304

Ashford District Scout Council Receipts and payments account

For the year from	01-Apr-21	To	31/03/2022
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Receipts and payments

	2021/22			Total funds £	2020/21 Whole year total funds £
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	-		
Payments					
Charitable Payments					
District programme and activities	11,894	-	-	11,894	56
District exec costs	744	-	-	744	95
Forge Lane utilities	1,043	-	-	1,043	1,994
Insurance	1,835	-	-	1,835	1,775
World Scout Jamboree 2023	2,000	-	-	2,000	-
South Africa 2022	-	2,160	-	2,160	-
Eurojam 2020	-	-	-	-	-
Donations	1,867	-	-	1,867	1,500
Shop purchases	17,033	-	-	17,033	1,716
Other	547	-	-	547	137
Sub total	36,964	2,160	-	39,124	7,161
Net of receipts/(payments)	(31,469)	22,344	-	9,125	37,143
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds last year end	89,575	5,027	-	94,602	57,459
Adjustment	-	-	-	-	-
Current cash funds	58,106	27,371	-	85,477	94,602

Statement of assets and liabilities

	31/03/2022			31-Mar-21	
	£	£	£	Total funds £	Total funds £
Cash funds					
Bank current account	11,126	27,371	-	38,497	49,635
Bank deposit account	10,087	-	-	10,087	10,086
AKAS account	431	-	-	431	689
Shop account	25,376	-	-	25,376	25,168
Explorers Accounts	10,186	-	-	10,186	8,124
Active Support account	900	-	-	900	900
Total cash funds	58,106	27,371	-	85,477	94,602

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

ASHFORD DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

I report on the accounts of the District for the year ended 31 March 2022 which comprise the Statement of Receipts and Payments and Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

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.

Name:Iain Morris.....

Qualification:FCA.....

Address:2 Jubilee Way, Faversham Kent.....

Date:15 January 2023.....

ASHFORD DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

England & Wales - Charity number 308138

Accounts

Trustees' Annual Report

For the period

From (start date)

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Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Ashford District Scout Council																																																											
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Other names the charity is known by

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Registered charity number (if any)

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HQ registration number

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Charity's principal address

24 Towner Close																																																											
Charing																																																											
Postcode															T	N	2	7	0	B	F																																						

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity
(These will be published in the annual report of the charity and the Charity Register if reporting for a Registered Charity with a charity regulator)

	Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1			
2	James Yeomans	Chairman	
3	Jack Young	District Commissioner	retired in year
4	Lisa Thornton	District Commissioner	appointed in year
5	Karen Blackiston	Treasurer	
6			
7	Nick O'Callaghan	Explorers	
8	Terry Lister	Training	
9	Ken Beach	Records	
10	Morag Sharp	Shop	
11	John Sheret		
12	Kevin Manns		
13			
14			
15			

Names and addresses of advisers (optional information but encouraged as best practice)
(These will be published in the annual report of the charity)

Type of advisor	Name	Address

Section B**Structure, governance and management**

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document

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- The maintenance of Group property;
- The raising of funds and the administration of Group finance;
- The insurance of persons, property and equipment;
- Group public occasions;
- Assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support;
- Appointing any sub committees that may be required;
- Appointing Group Administrators and Advisors other than those who are elected.

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

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

Section C	Objectives and activities
<p>Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document</p>	<p>The Purpose of Scouting Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.</p> <p>The Values of Scouting As Scouts we are guided by these values: Integrity - We act with integrity; we are honest, trustworthy and loyal. Respect - We have self-respect and respect for others. Care - We support others and take care of the world in which we live. Belief - We explore our faiths, beliefs and attitudes. Co-operation - We make a positive difference; we co-operate with others and make friends.</p> <p>The Scout Method Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together based on the values of Scouting and: - enjoy what they are doing and have fun - take part in activities indoors and outdoors - learn by doing - share in spiritual reflection - take responsibility and make choices - undertake new and challenging activities - make and live by their Promise.</p>
<p>Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects</p>	
<p>Additional details of the objectives and activities (optional information but encouraged as best practice)</p>	
<p>You may choose to include further statements, where relevant, about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • policy on grantmaking; • contribution made by volunteers; • policy on investments. 	
<p>Public benefit statement</p>	<p>The District meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.</p>

Section D**Achievements and performance**

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

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Section E**Financial Review**

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Reserves Policy

The Group's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the group should income and fundraising activities fall short.

Quantify and explain any designations

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

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Further financial review details (optional information)

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

- investment policy and objectives;

Section F

Other Optional Information

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

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

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Full name(s)

James Yeomans	
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Position (eg Secretary, Chair)

Chairman	
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Date

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Ashford District Scout Council Receipts and payments account

For the year from	01-Apr-20	To	31/03/2021
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Receipts and payments

	2020/21			Total funds £	2019/20 Whole year total funds £
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	£		
Receipts					
Membership subscriptions	31,550	-	-	31,550	46,760
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County)	540	-	-	540	(43,215)
Net membership subscriptions retained	32,090	-	-	32,090	3,545
District program and activities	1,799	-	-	1,799	12,266
World Scout Jamboree 2019	-	-	-	-	4,775
South Africa 2019	-	-	-	-	7,623
Eurojam 2020	-	200	-	200	2,100
South Africa 2022	-	4,900	-	4,900	-
Shop sales	1,002	-	-	1,002	14,805
Third party fundraising	-	127	-	127	155
Loan repayment	-	-	-	-	232
Forge Lane contribution	-	-	-	-	4,459
Gift Aid	770	-	-	770	463
Other	3,811	-	-	3,811	-
Sub total	39,472	4,827	-	44,299	50,423
Investment income					
Bank interest	5	-	-	5	20
Sub total	5	-	-	5	20
Total receipts	39,477	4,827	-	44,304	50,443

Ashford District Scout Council Receipts and payments account

For the year from	01-Apr-20	To	31/03/2021
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Receipts and payments

	2020/21			Total funds £	2019/20 Whole year total funds £
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	-		
Payments					
Charitable Payments					
District programme and activities	56	-	-	56	20,339
District exec costs	95	-	-	95	290
Forge Lane utilities	1,994	-	-	1,994	1,701
Insurance	1,775	-	-	1,775	1,697
World Scout Jamboree 2019	-	-	-	-	4,865
South Africa 2019	-	-	-	-	29,184
Eurojam 2020	-	-	-	-	1,900
Donations	1,500	-	-	1,500	250
Shop purchases	1,716	-	-	1,716	12,959
Other	137	-	-	137	138
Sub total	7,161	-	-	7,161	73,323
Net of receipts/(payments)	32,316	4,827	-	37,143	- 22,880
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds last year end	57,259	200	-	57,459	80,339
Adjustment	-	-	-	-	-
Current cash funds	89,575	5,027	-	94,602	57,459

Statement of assets and liabilities

	31/03/2021			31-Mar-20	
	£	£	£	Total funds £	Total funds £
Cash funds					
Bank current account	44,608	5,027	-	49,635	11,828
Bank deposit account	10,086	-	-	10,086	10,082
AKAS account	689	-	-	689	689
Shop account	25,168	-	-	25,168	26,255
Explorers Account	8,124	-	-	8,124	7,507
Active Support account	900	-	-	900	1,098
Total cash funds	89,575	5,027	-	94,602	57,459

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Name:Iain Morris.....

Qualification:FCA.....

Address:2 Jubilee Way, Faversham Kent.....

Date:15 November 2021.....