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THE 64th BIRMINGHAM SCOUT GROUP ANNUAL REPORT



Scouts
64th Birmingham

Charity number: 503482
TSA HQ Reg. No: 05684

Receipts and Payments Account

For the year from 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024

| Income | 2023/24 | 2022/23 | 2021/22 |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | £ | £ | £ |
| Donations and similar income | | | |
| Membership subscriptions | 6,976.55 | 7,662.39 | 6,132.07 |
| Gift Aid | 0.00 | 1,621.39 | 1,920.87 |
| Group income/Donations | 394.55 | 168.00 | 300.00 |
| Funds from 84th merger | | | 2,541.34 |
| Utility & shop refunds | 379.04 | 237.88 | 219.56 |
| Insurance payout | | | 1,315.00 |
| Award donations | | | 1,000.00 |
| Clem Dench letting income | 11,431.00 | 6,080.00 | 5,701.00 |
| Sub Total | 19,181.14 | 15,769.66 | 19,129.84 |
| Fundraising & Activities | | | |
| Covid Recovery Grants | | | 10,667.00 |
| Camp & activity income | 3,843.54 | 4,080.55 | 4,260.84 |
| Squirrel Grant | | 500.00 | |
| Gratham Trust Grant | | 4,000.00 | |
| Celebrating Communities Grant | | 6,236.50 | |
| Bear Grylls Hero Grant | | 500.00 | |
| Youth United Foundation Funding | | | 17,353.00 |
| Youth Investment Fund Grant | 35,859.00 | | |
| Refund from Art project | 600.00 | | |
| Kandersteg Fundraising | 2,432.38 | | |
| Jamboree Fundraising | 2,687.23 | 17,002.25 | 14,520.59 |
| Sub Total | 45,422.15 | 32,319.30 | 46,801.43 |
| Investment Income | | | |
| Investment Interest | 805.18 | 478.85 | |
| Savings Interest | 544.20 | 96.78 | 2.43 |
| Sub Total | 1,349.38 | 575.63 | 2.43 |
| Total Gross Income | 65,952.67 | 48,664.59 | 65,933.70 |
| Expenditure | 2023/24 | 2022/23 | 2021/22 |
| | £ | £ | £ |
| Charitable Payments | | | |
| Utilities | 4,576.10 | 2,511.66 | 1,813.67 |
| Insurances | 1,209.78 | 1,173.41 | 1,039.65 |
| Building maintenance | 739.68 | 2,273.05 | 1,787.93 |
| Building improvements (self funded) | 190.00 | 5,562.61 | |
| Building improvements (grant funded) | 36,621.00 | | |
| Building cleaning & gardening | 2,750.00 | 3,785.00 | 540.00 |
| Capitation (members subs paid on) | 4,508.00 | 4,048.00 | 4,257.00 |
| Group expenses | 1,117.26 | 2,832.23 | 111.45 |
| Sub Total | 51,711.82 | 22,185.96 | 9,549.70 |
| Activities & Donations | | | |
| Youth Programme & activities | 3,580.13 | 4,370.54 | 5,195.66 |
| Jamboree Fundraising | 7,660.33 | 18,942.08 | 8,905.69 |
| Kandersteg Fundraising | 1,370.09 | | |
| Camp expenditure | 5,755.60 | 5,094.59 | 4,769.95 |
| Community Artwork | 1,200.00 | 2,900.00 | 3,450.00 |
| Bear Grylls Hero Grant | | 500.00 | 500.00 |

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|---|------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Equipment purchases | 173.46 | 10,216.07 | 600.00 |
| Covid Recovery Refunds | | | 1,304.00 |
| Sub total | 19,739.61 | 42,023.28 | 24,725.30 |
| Total gross expenditure | 71,451.43 | 64,209.24 | 34,275.00 |
| Difference between income & expenditure (note 1) | -5,498.76 | -15,544.65 | 31,658.70 |

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Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

| | 31-Mar-24 £ | 31-Mar-23 £ | 31-Mar-22 £ |
|----------------------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Cash funds | | | |
| Bank current accounts | 17,920.33 | 23,963.29 | 59,604.72 |
| Bank deposit account | 51,650.43 | 51,106.23 | 51,009.45 |
| Investment account | 20,074.93 | 20,052.41 | |
| Total cash funds in bank | 89,645.69 | 95,121.93 | 110,614.17 |
| Restricted Funds (note 2) | 3,075.52 | 12,802.24 | 32,567.90 |
| General Funds | 86,570.17 | 82,319.69 | 78,046.27 |
| Total Group assets | 89,645.69 | 95,121.93 | 110,614.17 |

Note 1: Loss explanation

The £5,498.76 loss includes £4,973.10 of budgetted spend Jamboree spend and £1912.06 of agreed camp subsidies to enable members in financial difficulties to attend events.

Note 2: Restricted Funds

| | | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|
| Refundable deposit Kumon | 200.00 | 200.00 | 200.00 |
| Refundable deposit Crossroads Care | | | 200.00 |
| Youth United Foundation Funding | | 1,621.75 | 13,903.00 |
| Peter Pinches Trust | 100.00 | 100.00 | 150.00 |
| Michael Richardson Trust | 450.00 | 450.00 | 500.00 |
| Activity Support Funds | 1,263.23 | 6,755.42 | 12,000.00 |
| Kandersteg Fundraising | 1,062.29 | | |
| Jamboree Fundraising | | 3,675.07 | 5,614.90 |
| Total | 3,075.52 | 12,802.24 | 32,567.90 |

Note 3: Contra payments

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64TH BIRMINGHAM SCOUT GROUP CHARITY STATEMENTS

The Purpose of 64th Birmingham Scout Group

The 64th Birmingham Scout Group provides a weekly Scouting provision across all Scouting Sections with volunteers actively engage & support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society through giving the young people we work with Skills For Life.

As Scouts we are guided by Scouting values

- **Integrity** We act with integrity; we are honest, trustworthy & loyal.
- **Respect** We have self-respect & respect for others.
- **Care** We support others & take care of the world in which we live.
- **Belief** We explore our faiths, beliefs & attitudes.
- **Co-operation** Make a positive difference; co-operate with others & make friends.

The Scouting Method means that Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together based on the values of Scouting & :-

- Enjoy what they are doing & have fun
- Take part in activities indoors & outdoors
- Learn by doing
- Share in spiritual reflection
- Take responsibility & make choices
- Undertake new & challenging activities
- Make & live by their Promise.

Public benefit statements

The 64th Birmingham Scout Group meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education & the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.

The Group has in place systems of risk & internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss, these include two signatories for all payments & a comprehensive insurance policy to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

Structure, governance & management

The Group is managed by the Group Executive Committee, the members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' of the Scout Group which is an educational charity. Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation & Rules of The Scout Association. As charity trustees they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities. This includes the registration, keeping proper accounts & making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate.

The Committee consists of independent representatives, Chair, Treasurer & Secretary together with elected, nominated & co-opted representation & meets regularly through the year. The Group Executive exists to support the Group Scout Leader in meeting the responsibilities of the appointments & is responsible for:

- The maintenance of Group property
- The raising of funds & the administration of District finance
- The insurance of persons, property & equipment
- Group public occasions
- Assisting the recruitment of leaders & other adult support
- Appointing any sub committees that may be required
- Appointing District administrators / advisors other than those who are elected

The Group's governing documents are those of The Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, which in turn gives authority to the Bye Laws of The Association & The Policy, Organisation & Rules of The Scout Association. The Scout Group is a trust established under its rules, which are common to all Scouts.

Reserves Policy

The Group's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the Group should income and fundraising activities fall short. The Group Executive Committee considers that the Group should hold a sum equivalent to 18 months running costs for the building and an £15k emergency building work fund, circa £35k.

The Group held reserves of approx £82k of General Funds against this at year-end. This is above the level required for operating expenses. However, this can be explained by on going building development projects, planned equipment purchases within the Group over the next 12 months and the Covid recovery plan.

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England & Wales

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

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of 64th Birmingham Scout Group

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the 64th Birmingham Scout for the year ended 31st March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the 64th Birmingham Scout Group you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the 64th Birmingham Scout Group accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the 64th Birmingham Scout Group as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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

Signed:



Name: David Allen

Address: 125 WhiteCrest, Great Barr, Birmingham, B43 6EX

Date: 1st September 2024