

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of 24th Burton upon Trent/1st Rolleston Scout Group

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Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 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 charity 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.

David Meadows FCA

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30 January 2024

24th Burton upon Trent/1st Rolleston Scout Group (Charity Number 513164)

Trustees Annual report for the period 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023

Address

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Station Road
Rolleston on Dove
DE13 9AB

Trustees who have served during the year

Graham Jacks (Group Scout Leader)
Jason Wyatt (Chair)
Michael Wells (Treasurer)
Charlotte Ellis (Secretary)
Philip Venables
Martin O'Farrell

Helen Barnett
Louise Fowkes
Deborah Hathaway
Rachel Watson
Michelle Holmes

Governing Document

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Notes

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Rolleston Scouts will uphold financial prudence by maintaining a minimum reserve of £50k, enough to cover a full year's operating costs. This will safeguard the group against any constraints in fundraising event operations, thereby ensuring that Scouting activities can proceed without disruption.

The accounts, comprising the income and expenditure statement and the statement of assets and liabilities, were ratified by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf:

Signature .. 

NameJason Wyatt.....

PositionChairman.....


Date29th January 2024.....

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NameMichael Wells.....

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STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES		
Income		
Carnival	8,406	0
Rollestonbury	29,065	4,472
Bonfire	15,812	7,952
Hire & Lettings:	15,434	13,022
Buyabrick	564	2,350
Movie Night	612	
Other	1,321	330
Let Loose	0	5,301
Caravans	4,627	1,966
Donations & Grants	9,653	55,093
Subscriptions	29,178	19,341
Bank Interest less Charges	43	5
Total Income	114,715	109,832
Expenditure		
HQ Costs	20,729	17,075
Repairs & Maintenance	4,309	4,071
Grounds Maintenance	2,250	922
Insurance	4,707	4,562
Cleaning	1,530	1,656
Electricity/Gas	5,529	3,813
Water	722	527
Waste Disposal	1,681	1,524
Capitation to District	9,055	8,037
Donations		
Sundry Expenses	11,677	7,202
Trips & Transport	1,202	1,278
Capital items	69,773	141,909
Total Expenditure	112,435	175,501
Excess Income over Expenditure	2,280	-65,669

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<u>BALANCE SHEET</u>		
Current Account Lloyds TSB	23,839	13,164
Deposit Account	9,708	27,771
Card Account	927	1,156
Paypal	4,581	2,169
Held by Sections	7,847	4,862
Bar Stock	1,078	578
	47,981	49,701
LIABILITIES		
Loans	-47,000	-51,000
Net Assets	981	-1,299
Retained Earnings bfwd	-1,299	64,370
Current Year earnings	2,280	-65,669
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	Opening		Closing		Movement
	Cash	Bank	Cash	Bank	
Beavers	21.75	194.95	124.48	441.39	349.17
Cubs	-	-	-	1,136.57	1,136.57
Scouts					
Gr Wednesday	59.23	2,109.85	29.67	3,047.19	907.78
Friday	91.60	1,039.41	1.63	3,065.87	1,936.49
Camp A/C	-	1,345.30	-	-	- 1,345.30
	172.58	4,689.51	155.78	7,691.02	2,984.71
Reflected in Balance Sheet		<u>4,862.09</u>		<u>7,846.80</u>	

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