

Chairperson's Report

We are pleased to welcome you all to our 2023 Annual General Meeting. We have had a full year of face-to-face Scouting and we are delighted that the Group has survived the Covid 19 pandemic years of disruption, and has gone from strength to strength.

In October 2022 we were delighted to be in a position to start a Squirrels Section, one of only two in Don District and a limited number across the Country. Laura Simpson joined us as Squirrels Leader and has built a fantastic group of volunteer leaders, three of whom support the Squirrel's Section and three leaders who support another Section as well! We have 13 Squirrels on roll and a waiting list, this is an amazing achievement to start a new Section from scratch and testament to the volunteer leaders who have stepped up or joined us new – thank you.

We have record numbers in all our Sections; 27 Scouts, 40 Cubs with 4 on a waiting list, 20 Beavers with 7 on the waiting list, with the addition of the new Squirrels Section this has taken our numbers on roll over the 100 mark for the first time in the groups 98 year history!

All the Sections have thoroughly enjoyed getting out and about again and the Group has organised numerous outings and camps and the Sections have all participated in District events.

Many of you will not be aware that for many, many, many years the Group Executive has been looking for opportunities to replace the building we are sat in today. There have been numerous fund-raising activities over the years which have contributed to the Hut replacement fund but as you can imagine this was a big ask given the costs associated with this sort of project and we found it impossible to reach our goal internally.

Over the years we have explored different external funding pots, none of which have come to anything, until August 2022 when a fund entitled the Youth Investment Fund – a Department for Digital Culture, Media and Sport Funded grant scheme was released. We identified this has an opportunity which we felt we would fit the criteria and the work began to apply for funding!

We have progressed through the different stages but this did mean that we have had to expend a considerable amount of our own funding to engage different professional bodies to fulfil the application stages. In January 2023, at very short notice and with a very quick turn round we were asked to apply for a Pre-Construction Grant and we were absolutely delighted to receive over £50,000 to contribute to the associated costs. It was made clear that this grant did not mean we would get the full grant.

As you will be aware we have a planning application with Sheffield City Council for a design which we think will meet the needs of Scouting in High Green for many years to come. We are now waiting for news of the Grant application.

I do hope you enjoy reading the booklet and again delighted to see you all here tonight. This just leaves me to say, thank you again for your support of your young people and 105th Sheffield (High Green) Scout Group.

Rowena Morrissey
Group Chairperson

Statement of Financial Activities
Year Ending 31st March 2023

Funds on Hand

		1st Apr-22
Group	£	16,104.76
Scout Resources Charity	£	51,081.86

Income to 31st March 2023	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	2022
Building Hire		£ 11,103.50	£ 7,447.00
Camps & Events		£ 8,089.60	£ 1,074.95
Donations		£ 60.00	£ -
Equipment Hire		£ 2,738.10	£ 459.70
Fundraising		£ 1,111.31	£ -
Gift Aid		£ -	£ 1,072.89
Grants - YIF Pre-Construction	£ 52,306.00	£ -	£ 8,563.75
Interest		£ 1,254.66	£ 799.10
Other		£ 130.59	£ 545.06
Sections (Subs)		£ 15,255.95	£ 8,281.72
	£ 52,306.00	£ 39,743.71	£ 28,244.17
TOTAL INCOME		£ 92,049.71	£ 28,244.17

Expense to 31st March 2023	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	2022
Admin - OSM etc		£ 1,460.21	£ 139.33
Bank Charges		£ 85.00	£ -
BDP Pre-Construction Grant	£ 46,560.60	£ 12,147.60	£ -
Building Maintenance		£ 4,183.34	£ 427.12
Business Rates		£ 112.64	£ -
Camps, Trips, Events		£ 8,907.77	£ 2,941.54
Equipment		£ 453.70	£ 1,366.00
Equipment Hire Costs		£ 229.25	£ -
Insurance		£ 3,090.07	£ 3,065.95
Membership (District)		£ 4,898.50	£ 3,465.00
Other		£ 56.91	£ 1,094.84
Sections (Meetings)		£ 1,116.97	£ -
To Sections (Subs)		£ 2,709.56	£ 3,180.42
Utilities - Gas, Electric etc.		£ 4,887.86	£ 1,760.28
	£ 46,560.60	£ 44,339.38	£ 17,440.48
TOTAL EXPENSE		£ 90,899.98	£ 17,440.48

Funds on Hand

		1st Apr-23
Group	£	15,513.57
Building Development Project (BDP)	£	3,582.80
Sections' Expense Account	£	961.93
Scout Resources Charity	£	48,278.05

105th Sheffield (High Green) Scout Group
Charity Number 516163

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the 105th Sheffield
High Green Scout Group

Under the provisions of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act)

I report on the financial statements of the 105th Sheffield (High Green) Scout Group for the year ended 31 March 2023.

The respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner:

As the Charity's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the Financial Statements; you consider that the audit requirements as detailed in Section 144(2) of the Act do not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of the procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the Independent Examiner's Report:

My examination was carried out under Section 145 of the Act in accordance with the General Directions given by Section 145(5)(b) of the Act. An examination includes a review of the accounting records maintained by the Charity and a comparison of the Financial Statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures included in the Financial Statements and seeking explanation from the Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all of the evidence that would be required under an audit, and consequently I do not express an opinion on the truth and fairness of the Financial Statements.

Independent Examiner's Statement:

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any respect, the requirements:

- a) To keep accounting records, in accordance with Section 130 of the Act; and
- b) To prepare Financial Statements which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act 2011

have not been met, or to which, in my opinion, the attention of the Trustees or of the Members of the Society should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the Financial Statements to be reached.

Signed



Date

28.12.23

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