



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1 April 2022 To 31 March 2023

Charity name: 1st Tarporley Scout Group

Charity registration number: 520259

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>Scouting in the UK is organised through The Scout Association. The Scout Association has a clear purpose: '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 Scout Association's method of meeting the purpose of Scouting is through a balanced programme.</p> <p>1st Tarporley Scout Group is an autonomous organisation holding its property and equipment and admitting young people to membership of 1st Tarporley Scout Group subject to the policy and rules of The Scout Association.</p> <p>The aim of 1st Tarporley Scout Group is to providing Scouting to boys and girls aged 4 to 14 years in the proximity of Tarporley. 1st Tarporley Scout Group also actively supports Maverick Explorers in providing Scouting to their young members aged 14 to 18 years.</p>
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together based on the values of Scouting and:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance	Para 1.18	<p>The Trustees have considered the guidance in the Charities SORP (FRS 102, 2nd Edition, October 2019), and the Public</p>

issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit		<p>Benefit Requirements (PB1, September 2013). Public benefit entity is defined in FRS 102 as: ‘an entity whose primary objective is to provide goods or services for the general public, community or social benefit and where any equity is provided with a view to supporting the entity’s primary objectives rather than with a view to providing a financial return to equity providers, shareholders or members’.</p> <p>The aim and activities of 1st Tarporley Scout Group are for public benefit. There are currently approximately 130 young people benefitting from the activities of 1st Tarporley Scout Group on a regular basis. As well as benefitting members of the scout group directly, the group also benefits the wider community by activities such as volunteering for local food bank, litter picking and organising community events such as fireworks night.</p>
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	N/A
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/A
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	<p>The Group Trustees Board is a team of volunteers who work together, as charity Trustees, to make sure the Scout Group is run safely and legally. At the heart of their role is a focus on strategy, performance and assurance.</p> <p>Effective Trustee support helps other volunteers run the Scout programme that gives young people skills for life.</p> <p>Members of the Group Trustees Board must act collectively as charity trustees of their charity, and in the best interests of the charity’s members.</p> <p>In addition to the Trustees, all activity of 1st Tarporley Scout Group is delivered through volunteers including the Group Scout Leader, Section Leaders, Assistant Section Leaders, Section Assistants, and Group Advisors.</p>
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>The broad range of Scouting activities undertaken for the benefit of the young people are reported to the Group Scout Council at the Annual General Meeting by the Group Scout Leader and Section Leaders. The sections all meet weekly during school term times, and additionally undertake some weekend and holiday time activities such as camps, parades and inter-group competitions.</p> <p>The Trustees do not want subs to be a barrier to any Beaver, Cub, Scout, or Explorer being a member, and Subs are waived (confidentially) in such cases.</p> <p>A full report of the achievements over the year is available in the minutes of the AGM.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The charity was in a strong financial position at the end of the financial year, with monetary assets of £37,570, an increase of £4,355 over the year.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The current account is used for normal running expenses and typical holds £10,000 - £15,000. A minimum of £18,000 is held in an Investment account to cover emergency expenses, e.g. minibus, new roof, heating system.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Monetary assets as of 31/3/2023: Current account £10,296 Investment account £26,184 Subs account £1090 Total monetary assets £37,570
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The principal sources of funding over the year have been: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subscriptions ("subs") paid termly by Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers • Sale of bedding plants • Bonfire and fireworks night
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/A
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The primary long term risk for any group which is reliant on volunteers for delivery of its activities, is a shortage of volunteers in leadership and delivery positions. 1 st Tarporley Scout Group continues to work to develop its existing volunteers with training, and to seek to recruit new volunteers.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document	Para 1.25	Constitution A new Constitution following the Scouts Association guidance was adopted at the AGM in September 2023.
How is the charity constituted?	Para 1.25	Unincorporated association
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	The new constitution sets out the election process

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	1 st Tarporley Scout Group
Other name the charity uses	-
Registered charity number	520259
Charity's principal address	c/o Kate Riley The Cottage High Street Clotton CW6 0EG

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Nick Oates	Group Scout Leader		Group Scout Council
2	John Egan	Chair		Group Scout Council
3	Kate Riley	Treasurer		Group Scout Council
4	Jane Read	Secretary	01/04/2022 – 28/03/2023	Group Scout Council
5	Lynda Briody	Secretary	From 29/03/2023	Group Scout Council
6	Kevin Streck	Communications	From 29/03/2023	Group Scout Council
7	Penny Watson	Deputy Group Scout Leader		Group Scout Council
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
N/A		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
N/A		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
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N/A		

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	John Egan	
Position (e.g. Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair of Trustees	

Date	22 December 2023
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Income Statement Year Ending 31st March 2023

Receipts	2022/23 £	2022/23 £	2021/22 £	2021/22 £	Expenditures	2022/23 £	2022/23 £	2021/22 £	2021/22 £
Membership income					Premises				
Membership Subscriptions	18,135		17,167		Gas and electricity	1,358		1,038	
Less Capitation fee	(7,260)		(6,254)		Water and sewerage	558		400	
		10,875		10,913	Internet	28			
					Insurance	2,630		2,461	
					Repairs	1,131		2,447	
					Cleaning	769		867	
					OSM & commission	0		14	
							6,474		7,228
					Vehicle Costs	2,076		1,767	
							2,076		1,767
Investment income									
Nat West Bank	0		0						
The Scout Assoc Short Term Inv A/c	224		31						
		224		31					
Donations / Grants									
Use of Equipment Grants (hall & Buses)	2,611		2,448		Use of Equipment Explorers	0		0	
Use of Equipment Explorers	150		16						
Income from Gift Aid	2,863		707		Donations /Grants	0		66	
Other Grants/ Donations	450		250				0		66
		6,074		3,421					
Activities					Activities expenses				
Gang Show	0		0		Gang Show	0		0	
Scout Camp	0		0		Scout Camp	0		0	
Other Camps	0		0		Other Camps	0		0	
Beavers	0		0		Expenditures by Packs	8,291		6,189	
Cubs	0		0						
Scouts	0		0						
		0		0			8,291		6,189
Fundraising					Fundraising Expenses				
Plants	2,284		3,062		Plants	1,641		1,740	
Fireworks	9,758		0		Fireworks	4,251		0	
Other	0		0		Other	0		0	
		12,042		3,062			5,892		1,740
Sale of Equipment					Purchase of Equipment				
Small camp cooker	27		0		Huxley cubs flag, benches	376		200	
		27		0			376		200
Other income					Other expenses				
Uniform/badges	99.00		114		Training	276			
Sundry	47				Uniform/Badges	797		440	
		146		114	Sundry Payments				
					Sundry	851		430	
							1,924		870
Total Income		29,388		17,541	Total Expenditure		25,033		18,060
Excess of Income over Expenditure		4,355		(519)					

FIRST TARPORLEY SCOUT GROUP

FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2023

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2023

<u>MONETARY ASSETS</u>	<u>31ST MARCH</u>	<u>31ST MARCH</u>
	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
2 CURRENT BANK ACCOUNT	10,296	2,373
SCOUT ASSOCIATION SHORT TERM INVESTMENT ACCOUNT	26,184	25,960
Subs Account	1,090	4,882
CASH	0	0
TOTAL MONETARY ASSETS	37,570	33,215
<u>NON-MONETARY ASSETS</u>		
3 LAND AND BUILDINGS	350,865	350,865
MOTOR VEHICLES	5,600	5,600
OTHER EQUIPMENT	39,121	39,121
TOTAL NON-MONETARY ASSETS	395,586	395,586
TOTAL NET ASSETS	433,156	428,801

NOTE All assets are stated at Insured value

CASH AND BANK BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD	33,215	33,735
TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR	40,439	23,795
NET PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	36,084	24,315
EXCESS/(SHORTFALL) OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE	4,355	(520)
CASH AND BANK BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD	37,570	33,215
	0	
Check P&L Difference	4,355	0

Notes to the accounts for the Year Ending 31st March 2023

The Accounts are on a cash received / cash paid basis

Asset Statement

Current Assets

The current account is held at NatWest, Nantwich

The investment account is held at the Scout Association Investment account - this is an interest bearing account

A statement of investment account balance and interest was received 2/5/23. Investment account balance at 31/3/23 was used.

Balance from subs account was not transferred to current account, therefore this has been added as a separate line to the Accounts to enable to Balance Sheet to balance.

Fixed Assets

The fixed asset are represented at the insurance valuation

An Asset valuation exercise was undertaken in 2018, thus the value has increased however the premium has reduced due security improvements

Income Statement

Membership Subscriptions are the gross amount of subs collected from individuals. These are collected 3 times per year via OSM and GoCardless

Capitation is the amount paid to Cheshire Scouts a proportion of which is paid to Scouts HQ. Capitation is paid in arrears, i.e. the payment made in March 2023 covered 2022/23 membership.

Donations

The group receive donations from individuals and other scout groups for the use of the Hut & Minibus.

Subs

Beavers, Cubs, Scouts Subs:

Subs are collected via OSM. 1/3 of the subs is passed to each group to spend on individual activities.

Explorers Subs:

Explorers are part of Chester & Discounts Explorer group but are hosted in Tarporley as such they contribute to the upkeep of the hut and equipment

25% of their subs collected is donated to the group

Tarporley group assist with the collection of the subs via OSM, as Explorers are a much valued part of our community and contribute to fundraising the group cover the cost of OSM

Other Grants

A grant of £450 was received from the Arthur Meredith Memorial Charity. This will be used to install and fund Broadband at the scout hut.

£500 was given by Lloyds Bank Foundation Matched Giving Scheme to Explorers.

Gift Aid - £2863 was collected this year via gift aid as we are a registered charity. OSM also facilitates this task

Activities

The Group did not hold activities such as gang show and camps.

Fundraising

The plant sale raised a surplus of £643.

Bonfire and fireworks night raised £5506

Sundry

Sundry costs included:

- Wreaths for remembrance Sunday (£75)
- Tree and plaque in commemoration of platinum jubilee (£68)
- Gifts to celebrate the 80th birthdays of two of our long-standing volunteers.
- Set-up costs for new Huxley cub pack (£300)
- General expenses for scout hit, e.g. cleaning materials, first aid supplies
- Website

Training costs were for Hill walking course for 2 leaders, and contribution to Young Leaders training weekend

Uniform/badges includes uniforms for new Huxley cub leaders, badges and neckers.

Equipment

This includes a flag for the new Huxley cubs pack, and two stacking benches for the scout hut.

Payroll

Every person involved in the group is a volunteer thus there are no payroll costs

Subsequent Events

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
1st Tarporley Scout Group

I report on the accounts of the Group for the year ended 31st March 2023 showing monetary assets of £37,570.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charities trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of Section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act) does 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 43(7)(b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioner's. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items of 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

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 material respect the requirements
- . to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 41 of the Act and
 - . to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and
 - . to comply with the accounting requirements of the 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 *G. M. PARKER*

Qualification *F. C. A.*

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Date *3/7/23*

G. M. Parker