

GSL Annual Report 2023

Firstly, my apologies that I can't be with you tonight and many thanks to Caro my deputy for reading out my annual report. This is the first AGM and awards I have missed in my 22-year membership of the Group and I am sad not to be here, all being well I will be back next year.

Each Section does its own annual overview of all the exciting things they have been up to over the last twelve months, we will send those out to everyone soon and load them onto our Group website for you.

It's been another full-on year for 1st T, with continued growth, new leader team members and fantastic opportunities for your children and Scouts of all ages to take part in some amazing activities, events, sleepovers and camps again.

An overview across all the Sections shows we have 228 Youth members, 18 Young Leaders and 36 Adult Leaders, with a further 8 parents serving on the Group Executive.

The Section details are as follows:

Harrock Squirrels – 24 Squirrels, Leader Team – Holly, Ellie, Pippa and Tom – YL

Hillbark Squirrels – 21 Squirrels, Leader team - Jenny, Rachel, Claire (admin) and Ella & Isla - YLs

Ismay Beavers – 22 Beavers, Leader team - Rich, Gemma, Rachel with India and Freya – Yls

Royden Beavers – 22 Beavers, Leader team - Jay, Mel, Lynne, John, Laura with Sadie and Frankie - YLs and Eli (Scout acting YL)

Thor Beavers – 23 Beavers, Leader team – Jayne, Helen and Gregg with Nia and Sam, Gabe and Joe - YLs

Fletcher Cubs – 36 Cubs, Leader team – Phil, Holly, Jon, Emma and Gayle with Dan, Ben G, Ben W, Conrad and Bradley - YL's

Reed Cubs – 31 Cubs, Leader team – Paul, Gaynor, Iain, Jenny, Chris, Mike and Kimmy (Admin) with Alice - YL

Martin Scouts – 25 Scouts, Leader team – Andy, Alan and Ian, India and Dan – YL's. Vicky who does admin for both Scout Troops

Richardson Scouts – 20 Scouts, Leader team – Andrew, Liz, Alex and Dan and Nat – YL's

Saying Thank you, supporting and encouraging our adult and young leader team are the most important parts of my role. To the entire Adult Leader team, Young Leader team and our Group Executive thank you so much for everything you all do for the Group.

Caro and Andy have been so supportive in recent times and had to take the lead in the Group during my recent illness and continue to provide an enormous amount of support on a daily basis. Thank you both sincerely.

We opened another new Squirrel Drey last September and this was recognised when we won the Squirrel Drey of the

Year jointly for both Harrock and Hillbark, very well done Jenny and Holly our Squirrel Leaders, their teams and to Caro for the support, encouragement and commitment to make them both as successful as they are.

Caro has continued to recruit new leaders across the team, as well as supporting the Beaver Colonies and Cub Packs. Andy as ever has supported us both in the Deputy GSL role, thanks again to you both.

Very recently some of our team were recognised by the Chief Scout with Good Service as follows

Andy Costall, Liz Hughes & Jayne Oliver - Chief Scout Award for Merit

Alan Parr, John McBain and Vicky McGurk - Chief Scout Commendation for Good Service Award

Each and every leader (younger and older) are a massive asset to our Group and make it what it is today, a hugely successful, welcoming, inclusive and fun place to be each week. They put on amazing activities and events for the Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts. Thank you for volunteering, thank you for everything you do for the Group, we wouldn't be here without you. Please give them a massive round of applause.

Thanks also to our Group Executive who run the Group behind the scenes and support our fundraising. Earle our outgoing Chair, Ivan our new incoming Chair, Russ our Treasurer, Helen who has taken over as Secretary, Wendy,

Steve, Laura and Nick. We are always on the lookout for new members to join the team.

Earle and Vicky have provided fantastic service to our Group over the years and we thank them and wish them well (Gift for Earle) Vicky is continuing to do the admin for both Scout Troops much to the relief of the Scout Leader team.

Thank you to all our Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Young Leaders and Adult Leaders and all the parents for your enthusiasm and commitment to Scouting. Together we are an amazing Group and team and provide skills for life through Scouting, long may it continue.

Thanks

Sue Flush - GSL

1st Thursaston Scout Group

Receipts and Payments

Year
31/03/2022

Year
31/03/2023

Receipts

Unrestricted Funds
£

Unrestricted Funds
£

Donations, Legacies and similar income

Members Subscriptions
Less: Membership Subscriptions paid to District
Net membership subscription retained
Donations
Legacies
Gift Aid
Other similar income, Activities

18,333
10,192
8,141
67
19,264
27,472

23,267
11,650
11,617
98
7,648
40,770
60,133

Sub total

Grants
Maintenance Grant
Other Grant (Covid 19)

10,514
10,514

Sub total

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Fundraising Gross

General
Scout Post
Other fundraising activities (Easy Fundraising)

553
113
666

Sub total

6,263
6,263

Investment Income

Bank Interest
Building Society interest
The Scout Associations Short Term investment
Other investment income

1
94
95

Sub total

167
80
156

Total Gross Income

38,747

66,555

Total receipts

38,747

66,555

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Receipts and payments

Payments

Charitable Payments

Youth programme and activities (incl trf)
 Adult support and training
 Rent
 Water and sewage
 Electricity and gas
 Insurance
 Repairs and Renewables
 Materials and Equipment
 Admin, Printing and photocopying
 Contribution to camp costs
 Uniforms and kit
 AGM and Trustee expenses
 Transport
 Badges

Sub total

Fundraising Expenses

General

Other fundraising activities

Sub total

Total payments

Net of receipts / payments

Cash funds last year

Cash funds this year end

Year
31/03/2022

Unrestricted Funds
£

	21,734
	330
	1,000
	234
	2,604
	4,429
	4,829
	3,069
	175
	1,387
	1,233
	1,802
	992
	43,818

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	5,071
	50,983
	45,912

Year
31/03/2023

Unrestricted Funds
£

	54,331
	1,000
	387
	2,604
	4,858
	7,554
	748
	2,043
	631
	1,570
	4,915
	80,640

	49,180
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	14,045
	45,911
	31,867

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Year
31/03/2022

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31/03/2023

Statement of the assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	Unrestricted Funds £	Unrestricted Funds £
Cash Funds		
Bank current account (Treasurer plus activities)	23,553	7,829
Bank deposit account	10,341	10,373
The Scout Association Short Term Service	12,018	12,165
Cash / Floats		1,980
Total cash funds	45,912	31,367
Other Monetary assets		
Tax claim (Gift Aid claim due)	4,700	0
Debts due from the county/ area/ district group		
Insurance claims		
Sub total	4,700	0
Investment Assets		
Investment property		
Quoted investments		
Other investments		
Sub total	0	0
Non monetary assets for Groups own use		
Badge stock	990	990
Shed stock		
Other stock		
Land and Buildings	180,000	180,000
Motor vehicles	5,000	4,500
Scouting equipment / furniture	8,000	8,000
Other		
Sub total	193,990	191,490
Total Assets	244,602	223,857
Liabilities		
Accounts not yet paid		
Expenses incurred but not invoiced		
Subscription not yet paid		
Loan details		
Other liabilities		
Total liabilities	0	0

The above receipts and payments account and statements of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on
16.6.23 (The date of the Executive Committee Meeting that approved the accounts)
And signed on behalf by:

Signature



Print name

IVAN KENNEDY

Chair



RUSSEL WILLIAMS

Treasurer



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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of 1st Thurstaston Scout Council

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the 1st Thurstaston Scout Council for the year ended 31st March 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the 1st Thurstaston 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 1st Thurstaston 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 1st Thurstaston 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 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: Richard Glegg Turner

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies (if any): A.C.I.B.

Address: Thurstaston Hall, Thurstaston, Wirral. CH61 0HL

Date: 23rd January 2024.

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