

## GSL Annual Report 2024

Good evening and welcome everyone. It is so good to be back here with you all after what has been a very challenging 18 months for me personally.

I'd like to thank the whole Leader team for holding everything together so brilliantly whilst I've been unwell, it is very much appreciated. The Leader team continue to provide fantastic opportunities for your children and Scouts of all ages to take part in amazing activities, events, sleepovers and camps. Let's give them a huge round of applause.

Particular thanks go to Caro and Andy my deputies and Liz and Holly who have recently joined the Group Leadership team. Their help and support have been immense and enabled the Group to continue as normal with little or no disruption during my enforced time away.

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.

We remain a hugely popular and oversubscribed Scout Group, Section details are as follows:

Harrock Squirrels – 24 Squirrels, led by Holly with assistance from Clare, Elena and Victoria and Young Leader Erin.

Hillbark Squirrels – 22 Squirrels, led by Jenny with assistance from Emma, Mel, Ivan and Young Leaders Ella and Finlay.

Ismay Beavers - 15 Beavers, led by Rachel with assistance from Rachel, Liz and Victoria and Young Leader India.

Royden Beavers - 22 Beavers, led by Caro with assistance from John, Helen and Laura and Young Leaders Frankie, Sadie and Scout Eli.

Thor Beavers - 22 Beavers, led by Jayne with assistance from Helen, Gregg, Ivan, Nia and Young Leader Jared.

Fletcher Cubs - 30 Cubs led by Phil with assistance from Jay, Jon, Gayle, Emma and Holly and Young Leaders Ben, Ben and Conrad.

Reed Cubs - 28 Cubs led by Paul, with assistance from Iain, Gaynor, Jenny, Chris and their admin Kimmy and Young Leaders Ptolemy and Freya.

Martin Scouts - 28 Scouts led by Andy with assistance from Alan, Andrew and Liz and Young Leader Dan.

Richardson Scouts - 20 Scouts led by Andrew with assistance from Alan, Liz, Andy, Rachel and Alex and Young Leader Nat. Vicky does the admin for both troops.

That sounds like a lot and the numbers are huge but with over 200 Youth members, 34 Adult Volunteers and 14

Young Leaders doesn't go very far! Fortunately, our Leader team are very flexible and cover for each other when we are short. We are very grateful to all the parents who attend and help when asked and needed.

We are always looking to increase our Volunteer Leader numbers and would welcome more help with open arms. We need more support in Hillbark Squirrels and Royden Beavers from the autumn term as neither Lead Volunteers can be there every week due to work commitments. Please consider helping us, it doesn't have to be every week and you don't need any special skills, we are all parents of children in the Group and are a friendly bunch who have a lot of fun along the way.

We have restructured our teams approach this year under HQ guidance. We now have three teams: The Group Leadership Team, The Section Teams and the Trustee Board. The main change to the Trustee Board is that it now focuses on ensuring good Governance rather than being involved in operations and this means moving functions like House and Grounds and Fundraising into Operations. We have some volunteers who are parents in these teams but can always use more help, please let us know if that could be you.

Many thanks to our Trustee Board for your ongoing support: Ivan, Russ (our outgoing treasurer) Helen, Wendy and Nick and those members Steve (House and Grounds) and Laura (Fundraising) who have moved into operations.

Welcome to the new Trustees Nigel, Marlou, Alan, Andrew, Phil and Mel who have joined the Board.

1<sup>st</sup> Thurstaston is a fantastic Scout Group made up of many components, the Scouts of all ages, the volunteer Adult Leader teams and Young Leaders, the volunteer Trustees and you the parents. Together we make Scouting happen here in Irby, week in week out, providing skills for life through Scouting activities.

Thank you

Sue Flush – Group Lead Volunteer

# 1st Thursaston Scout Group

Year  
31/03/2023

Year  
31/03/2024

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

	Unrestricted Funds £	Unrestricted Funds £
<b>Cash Funds</b>		
Bank current account (Treasurer plus activities)	7329	18033
Bank deposit account	10400.96	20488
The Scout Association Short Term Service	12185	0
Cash / Floats	1980	0
<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>31895</b>	<b>38521</b>
<b>Other Monetary assets</b>		
Tax claim (Gift Aid claim due)		
Debts due from the county/ area/ district group		
Insurance claims		
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Investment Assets</b>		
Investment property		
Quoted Investments		
Other investments		
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Non monetary assets for Groups own use</b>		
Badge stock	990	990
shop stock		
other stock		
Land and Buildings	180000	180000
Motor vehicles	4500	4000
Scouting equipment / furniture	6000	6000
other		
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>191490</b>	<b>190990</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>223384.96</b>	<b>229511</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Accounts not yet paid		
Expenses incurred but not invoiced		
Subscription not yet paid		
Loan details		
other liabilities		
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

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

And signed on behalf by:

Signature

Print name

Chair



N. HOBSON

Treasurer

## 1st Thursaston Scout Group

### Receipts and Payments

Year  
31/03/2023

Year  
31/03/2024

### 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  
**Sub total**

23267
11650
11617
98
7648
40770
60133

27416
11648
15768
106
46141
62015

### Grants

Maintenance Grant  
Other Grant (Covis 19)  
**Sub total**

0

0

### Fundraising Gross

General  
Scout Post  
Other fundraising activities (Easy Fundraising)  
**Sub total**

6263
6263

4216
4216

### Investment Income

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

167
32
199

87
87

**Total Gross Income**

66595
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66318
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**Total receipts**

66595
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66318
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## 1st Thursaston Scout Group

Year  
31/03/2023

Year  
31/01/2024

### Receipts and payments

#### Payments

Unrestricted Funds  
£

Unrestricted Funds  
£

#### Charitable Payments

Youth programme and activities  
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

54331
1000
387
2604
4858
7554
748
2043
631
1570
4915
80641

38733
1000
365
3854
5373
872
954
847
969
60
626
3069
56721

Sub total

#### Fundraising Expenses

General  
Other fundraising activities

0

2943
2943

Sub total

Total payments

80641
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59664
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Net of receipts / payments

-14046
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6654
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Cash funds last year

45913
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31867
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Cash funds this year end

31867
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38521
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# England & Wales

## Template 1: 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 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 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024.

### Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the 1<sup>st</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> Thurstaston Scout Council as required by section 130 of the Act.

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.

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Date: 20 Nov 2024