

# DERWENT AND DOVE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

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## Details

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Other names	MATLOCK AND DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL, MATLOCK DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL
Status	Registered
Legal form	Trust
Registered	1972-08-22
Register	<a href="#">View on the Charity Commission register</a>

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## Activities

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**Objects:** UNIT OF THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION

**Activities:** The aim of the Scout Council is to promote the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potentials, as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of their communities. The method of achieving this aim is by providing an enjoyable scheme of progressive training, based on the scout law & promise and guided by adult leadership.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** Children/young People

## Geography

- **Area of benefit:** MATLOCK
- Derbyshire

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£46,660	£49,391	-	-
2023-12-31	£30,288	£33,534	-	-
2022-12-31	£17,273	£17,172	-	-
2021-12-31	£8,411	£7,832	-	-
2020-12-31	£802	£5,002	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>GEOFFREY ERIC MICHAEL STEVENS MBE</b>	Chair	
Christopher David Bunton		2013-01-01
Deborah Steeples		2023-06-29
Ewan Robert Godfrey		2023-06-29
Gyles Phillip Alexander Wren		2023-06-29
Nigel Shaw		2024-07-03
PAUL ELLIOTT		2013-07-17
Sarah Ruth Stelfox		2024-07-03
Suzanne Vera Lester		2019-02-01

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# Accounts

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**Derwent & Dove District Scout Council  
Annual General Meeting**

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2025, 7:30pm**

**Venue: Darley Dale Scout Hall, Church Road, Churchtown, Darley Dale**

**AGENDA**

- 1. Introduction and Welcome**
- 2. Apologies for Absence**
- 3. To approve the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2024**
- 4. Governance Topics**
  - a. Adoption of the District Constitution as defined in Policy, Organisation and Rules – rule 5c.2**
  - b. Note the dates of the charity’s financial year**
  - c. Approving appointed and community members of the District Scout Council**
  - d. Agreeing the maximum number of members of the District Trustee Board**
  - e. Agreeing the quorum for future meetings of the District Scout Council**
- 5. Review of the previous year**
  - a. The District Chair’s report**
  - b. The District Lead Volunteer’s review of Scouting in Derwent & Dove District**
  - c. To receive and consider the Annual Report of the District Trustee Board including the annual Statement of Accounts, Treasurer’s report and the Chair’s report**
- 6. Making appointments**
  - a. Appointment of the Chair of the District Trustee Board**
  - b. Appointment of the Treasurer of the District Trustee Board**
  - c. Appointment of other members of the District Trustee Board**
  - d. Appointment of the independent examiner**
  - e. Appointment of two representatives of the District Scout Council to represent the District Scout Council at meeting of the County Scout Council**
- 7. Presentations**
- 8. Close**

# **Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Derwent & Dove District Scout Council for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024**

## **Objectives**

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## **Trustees**

<b>District Lead Volunteer</b>	<b>Paul Elliott</b>	
<b>Chair</b>	<b>Geoffrey Stevens MBE</b>	
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Christopher Bunton</b>	
	<b>Gyles Wren</b>	
	<b>Deborah Steeples</b>	
	<b>Suzanne Lester</b>	
	<b>Alistair Jones</b>	
	<b>Ewan Godfrey</b>	
	<b>Sarah Stelfox</b>	<b>From 03/07/2024</b>
	<b>Alison Mlot</b>	<b>From 03/07/2024</b>
	<b>Nigel Shaw</b>	<b>From 03/07/2024</b>

## **District Chair's Report**

I would like to start by welcoming you all to our AGM.

Last year we met at the Scout Headquarters at Matlock Green, as it was agreed that we should use Scout owned buildings, so that any financial benefits should remain in the Scouting Family.

This year we are visiting Darley Dale as our venue for the AGM and I would like to thank them for their hospitality.

Paul Elliott has continued as our District Lead Volunteer and has continued to undertake the role of Secretary. This is a matter which does need resolving and I would like to thank Paul for the efficient way he deals with this matter. If you feel you or anyone you know would be willing to undertake this role please let us know so that we can approach them.

Improvements continue to be made at the Tansley Activity Centre and our thanks go to everyone who has been involved.

The executors of the Late Sydney Smith of 5<sup>th</sup> Matlock Scouts forwarded us a cheque as requested by Sydney in his will. The sum of his bequest was £2,000 to be used for the refurbishment of the toilet block at the Tansley Activity Centre.

As with all well run organisations and this one is no exception you need a good and efficient Treasurer. I would like to thank Chris Bunton our Treasurer who makes sure that our accounts remain in a healthy position and keeps us all on our toes.

I was privileged on the 12<sup>th</sup> January along with the DLV to attend the centenary service for the 5<sup>th</sup> Matlock Scouts at All Saints Parish Church. Matlock Bank.

I was invited again on the 26<sup>th</sup> April to join them for their Centenary Afternoon Tea and Archive afternoon and to assist with the planting of a commemorative tree in the Church grounds.

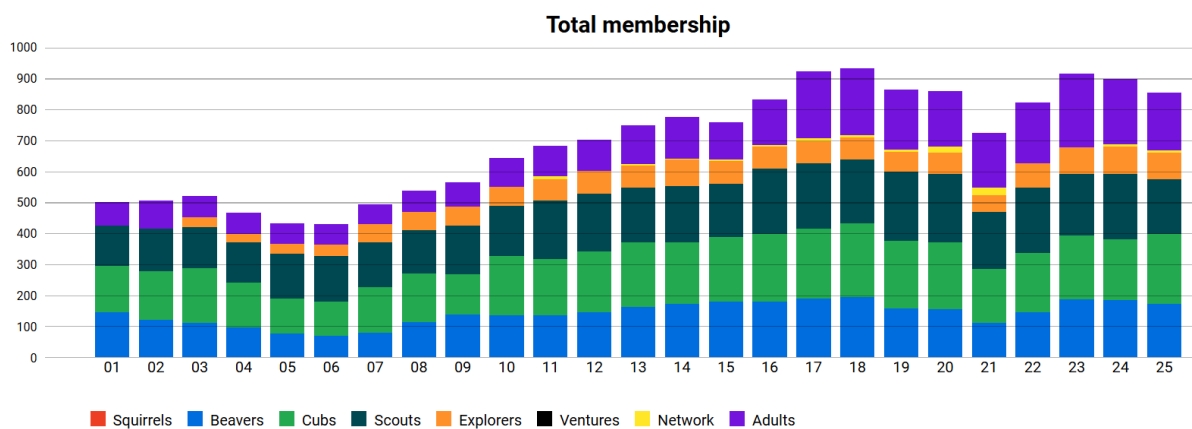
These two occasions were very special to me as I belonged to the Group as both a Cub and a Scout.

I would like to thank you all for attending this AGM, and my thanks go to all those who help to make the Derwent and Dove District so successful.

Geoff Stevens MBE  
District Chair

## District Lead Volunteer's Report

I would like to start by thanking all our volunteers in Derwent & Dove District who deliver Scouting every week and those who support the Groups by fund raising, maintaining assets and managing the operation of the Scout Groups. Without these volunteers Scouting would not happen and as always the Groups and District are searching for more volunteers. At the 2025 census there were 193 adult volunteers in the District which was a reduction of 25 since January 2024. The number of young people in January 2025 was 661, again a fall of 3% since 2024. This is despite there being waiting lists in many of the Groups in the District.



A big opportunity is the launching of a Squirrels section in the District. Several Groups would like to start a Squirrel Drey, but a lack of leaders is hampering the launch. We hope to open at least one Drey in 2025.

The District team is also depleted and therefore not many District events have been possible. In April 2024 the District held its St Georges Day event at Carsington Water and in April 2025, over 300 members of the District went to RAF Cosford to renew their Promise. In August 2024 two overseas expeditions took place with Quantum Unit going to Sweden and an expedition to Kandersteg was undertaken by a group consisting of Leopard and Falcon unit members led by our DESC Andy Cross.

Based on the Census the young people in the District gained the following number of awards in 2024:

Duke of Edinburgh Gold Awards = 2	Chief Scout's Bronze Award = 48
Duke of Edinburgh Silver Awards = 6	Chief Scout's Silver Award = 37
Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Awards = 18	Chief Scout's Gold Award = 27
Young Leader Belts = 4	Chief Scout's Diamond Award = 10
Explorer Belts = 1	Chief Scout's Platinum Award = 16

No King's Scout Awards recorded in 2024, perhaps there will be at least 1 in 2025.

Two of our Scout Groups have recently celebrated 100 years of Scouting. These are Crich Scout Group in September 2024 and 5<sup>th</sup> Matlock (All Saints ) in April 2025. Congratulations to you both. As part of the celebrations each Group organised an event to mark the occasion and invited old Scouts to come and reflect on their time in the Groups.

The District's main asset is Tansley Wood Activity Centre which is used by Scout groups in the District and beyond, Quantum Explorer Unit for their meetings and now also by Tansley School for their Forest School. Loved by many in the District, it only continues to exist due to the volunteers who help with bookings, cleaning and maintenance.

In order to keep it financially secure it is imperative that it is used regularly and costs are contained. Bookings are now being managed in OSM and there is more focus on ensuring bookings are paid on time by securing deposits before events take place.

In September 2024 a working weekend was held with the main objective to replace the roof of the main hall above the kitchen, leaders rooms and shower room. The project was led by Allan Rennie, supported by many trades people with some connection to Scouting. Amazingly the old roof was removed and replaced in one day with the second day spent replacing the guttering and other accessories. Many other tasks were also completed over the weekend including the cutting back of vegetation on the site and on the access road and installation of new doors.



Many thanks to Sue Lester, Graeme Slater and Debbie Steeples who spend many hours at Tansley making sure the site is fit for use.

In November 2024, the Scout Association introduced it's new Digital Tools and updated the training programme by introducing Growing Roots Learning and also requiring all out volunteers to update their Safety training. As with all new IT systems, there have been some teething problems with the system, but I am pleased to announce that in Derwent & Dove there appears to be an acceptance of the changes and nearly all our volunteers have refreshed their Safety Training.

Again I want to say thankyou to everyone who supports Scouting in Derwent & Dove, whether that is as a helper, Trustee, Team Member or Group Lead volunteer. Without you we would not succeed.

Paul Elliott  
District Lead Volunteer

## Finance Statement Overview 2024

Overall, it was a reasonably quiet year from a financial perspective. However, there are certain elements that require a few words of explanation:

- Money received from the hire of the Tansley Wood Activity Centre (TWAC) has historically constituted the bulk of the District's receipts. The amount received in 2024 was broadly in line with that in 2023, but the costs associated with the site rose significantly. In the main (but also see below), this reflects a programme of maintenance work that was undertaken during the year. Bookings remain high for 2025, and no further major work is anticipated.
- Early in 2024, a new electricity meter was installed at TWAC. As part of this, it transpired that the District had been overpaying for electricity for a number of years. The outcome was a credit of around £2.5k from EON, which resulted in the negative figure in the Statements.
- We also changed water suppliers during the year, with a new water meter being installed. A series of water leaks led to the new supplier to charge us far more than had historically been the case. Subsequent remedial work on site and negotiations with the supplier reduced the figure and we remain in credit.
- The big event in 2024 for the District was a trip to Kandersteg. The seeming difference between receipts and payments is accounted for by the payment in 2023 of the initial deposit. A small refund (included in the payments figure) was provided to all participants.
- Reimbursement to the District of the travel insurance premium for the 2023 trip to Sweden was received in January 2024.
- During their season, various Groups undertake litter picking at the Darley Moor race circuit. For administrative convenience, the circuit send a single payment to the District bank account. From there, the balances are distributed to the participating Groups. The payments in 2024 included certain balances relating to 2023.
- As in previous years, prompt payment from Groups to the District ensured that the annual Membership Fees were paid over to the County Treasurer by the specified date.

### **Group Accounts**

It is a requirement of the Scout Association rules that each Group provides a copy of their signed off accounts to the District Treasurer. On that basis, I would be grateful if the Lead Volunteer for each Group within the District could ensure that a copy is sent to me once these accounts have been formally approved at the Group's AGM.

### **Scrutiny of 2024 Financial Statements**

The 2024 Financial Statements are attached to this report. Mike Percival again undertook the role of Independent Scrutineer of the Financial Statements, and the District Trustee Board would like to thank him for his detailed and thorough work. Mike formally signed off the Financial Statements on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2025. These scrutinised documents were then formally presented to, and approved by, the District Trustee Board at its meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> June 2025; Geoff Stevens and I physically signed them off on behalf of the District Trustee Board on that date.

I am also pleased to report that Mike has agreed to undertake the role of the Independent Scrutineer for the 2025 Financial Statements.

### **Conclusion**

The District remains in a good financial position and retains a healthy cash balance.

**Chris Bunton**  
**DDDSC Treasurer**  
**15<sup>th</sup> July 2025.**

<b>DERWENT &amp; DOVE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL</b>						
<b>Receipts and Payments Account</b>						
<b>For the year 1st January 2024 to 31st December 2024</b>						
	Note	DDDSC	Leopard ESU	Quantum ESU	2024 Total Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
<b>Receipts</b>						
Annual Subscriptions		32592	2340	2777	37709	37287
less Subs paid to County		-31667	-1200	-1056	-33923	-32680
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		925	1140	1721	3786	4607
Donations / Grants / Gift Aid		1200	2231	5678	9109	2776
Bank Interest		246	88	0	334	156
SA Charity Account Interest	9	0	0	0	0	107
District Badge Sales		47	0	0	47	65
Net TWAC Income		3043	0	0	3043	3096
Misc Income (including Clothing)		0	0	642	642	379
Event / Activity Income	3	20230	8492	977	29699	5993
World Scout Jamboree		0	0	0	0	13109
Training		0	0	0	0	0
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<b>Total Receipts</b>		<b>25691</b>	<b>11951</b>	<b>9018</b>	<b>46660</b>	<b>30288</b>
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<b>Payments</b>						
TWAC - Electric		-1051	0	0	-1051	1155
TWAC - Water		3543	0	0	3543	1042
TWAC - Insurance		909	0	0	909	1137
TWAC - Phone/Internet		0	0	0	0	0
TWAC - F+F Additions		0	0	0	0	0
TWAC - Safety Systems		354	0	0	354	0
TWAC - Running Costs (incl Main't)		5501	0	0	5501	238
TWAC - Website		0	0	0	0	0
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		9256	0	0	9256	3572
District Badge Purchases		0	0	0	0	0
Training		1143	357	0	1500	677
Event / Activity Expenses	3	18141	8639	1208	27988	8103
World Scout Jamboree		0	0	0	0	15611
Administration (including Insurance)	4	448	666	0	1114	1643
Equipment / Materials		0	0	5325	5325	984
Clothing / Uniforms		0	323	924	1247	587
Misc Expenses		0	1070	91	1161	1162
Donations		1800		0	1800	1195
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<b>Total Payments</b>		<b>30788</b>	<b>11055</b>	<b>7548</b>	<b>49391</b>	<b>33534</b>
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<b>Surplus / Deficit for Year</b>		<b>-5097</b>	<b>896</b>	<b>1470</b>	<b>-2731</b>	<b>-3246</b>

<b>DERWENT &amp; DOVE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL</b>			
<b>Statement of Assets &amp; Liabilities at Year End</b>			
		<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Fixed Assets</b>			
TWAC - Land		50	50
TWAC - Buildings (Note 5)		47555	47555
TWAC - Fixtures & Fittings			
Value as at 31/12/2023		3276	3276
Additions during Year (at cost)		0	0
Other Equipment		43	43
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<b>Total</b>		<b>50924</b>	<b>50924</b>
<b>Investments</b>			
Scout Association Charity Account (Note 9)		0	0
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Badge Stock (at cost)		454	491
Bank & Cash (Note 6)		28779	31509
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Unpresented Cheques		0	-39
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<b>Net Assets</b>		<b>80157</b>	<b>82885</b>
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<p><b>The Receipts &amp; Payments Account and the Statement of Assets &amp; Liabilities were approved by the District on 15th May 2025 and signed on their behalf by:</b></p>			

## DERWENT & DOVE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

### Notes to the Accounts

1	<b>Accounting Policies</b>			
	The accounts have been prepared on a cash basis.			
	Following the change of accounting policy agreed by the Trustees in January 2014, depreciation is no longer charged.			
2	<b>Leopard and Quantum Explorer Scout Units</b>			
	Both Leopard and Quantun ESUs maintain their own set of accounts, including individual bank accounts.			
	Their accounts are consolidated into the District accounts as, unlike other ESUs within the District, neither is affiliated to a specific Group.			
3	<b>DDDSC Events / Activities</b>			
		<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Payments</u>	<u>Surplus/Deficit</u>
	Chilly Challenge	0	28	-28
	Sweden Trip 2023	760	0	760
	Kandersteg 2024	19470	18113	1357
		-----	-----	-----
	Totals	20230	18141	2089
4	<b>DDDSC Administration Expenses</b>			
	Venue Hire	45		
	Personal Accident Insurance	52		
	District MPLC Licence	351		
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	Total	448		
5	<b>Tansley Wood Activity Centre - Buildings</b>			
	The Trustees have placed a value on the property of £47555.			
	This value is the brought forward figure at the beginning of 2018 (£30615) plus the costs of the major refurbishment of the toilet block (£16940) undertaken in 2018.			
	The value of the other assets is maintained by a programme of annual maintenance.			
6	<b>Bank &amp; Cash Funds at Year End</b>			
	DDDSC Current Account	2049		
	DDDSC Deposit Account	15306		
	Leopard ESU Current Account	5049		
	Quantum ESU Current Account	5533		
	Quantum ESU Cash in Hand	842		
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		28779		
7	<b>Restricted Funds</b>			
	The District holds Restricted Funds, which consist of the following:			
	New Building Fund	1000		
	2nd Hulland	276		
	Derbyshire County SC Explorer Scouts	153		
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	Total	1429		
8	<b>DDDSC Current Account Cash Reconciliation at 31st December 2024</b>			
	Balance B/fwd @ 01/01/24	5392		
	Prior Year Cheques Cashed	0		
	Current Year Unpresented Cheques	0		
	Current Year Deficit	-5343		
	Transfer from Deposit Account	2000		
		-----		
	Balance C/fwd @ 31/12/24	2049		
	NB: The £246 difference between the Current Year Deficit Figure above of -£5343 and the figure in the Receipts & Payments section of -£5097 is the interest received on the Deposit Bank Account.			
9	<b>Scout Association Charity Account</b>			
	In April 2023, the Scout Association announced that it was closing its interest-bearing Charity Deposit Account and would be refunding all balances held in this account. DDDSC received the original deposit of £5500, plus interest accrued, in August 2023.			

**DERWENT & DOVE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL**

**Scrutineer's Report to the Trustees of Derwent & Dove District Scout Council**

I report on the accounts of the Derwent & Dove District Scout Council for the year ended 31st December 2024.

**Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Scrutineer**

As the District's Trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts.

You consider that neither the audit nor independent examination requirements of the Charities Act 2011 apply.

It is my responsibility, without carrying out an audit nor independent examination, to scrutinise the accounts and report to you.

**Basis of Scrutineer's Statement**

In accordance with the directions given in the District's constitution, I have scrutinised the records and the Receipts & Payments Account and the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

**Scrutineer's Statement**

In my opinion, the accounts are in accordance with the records produced to me and comply with the constitution.

Name: Michael J. L. Percival

Address: 4 Ednaston Court  
Ednaston  
Ashbourne  
Derbyshire  
DE6 3BA.

Date: 10th April 2025

Signature:

**DERWENT AND DOVE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL**

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# Accounts

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## **Derwent and Dove District Scout Council**

### **Annual General Meeting**

7.30pm, Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2024

15<sup>th</sup> Matlock Scout & Guide Hall, Matlock Green

### **AGENDA**

1. Introduction and welcome
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3. To approve the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> June 2023
4. **Governance Topics**
  - a. Adopt the model District Constitution from Policy, Organisation and Rules – rule 5.5
  - b. Noting the dates of the charity's financial year
  - c. Approving appointed and community members of the District Scout Council
  - d. Agreeing the maximum number of members of the District Trustee Board
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  - c. Appointment other members of the District Trustee Board
  - d. Appointment the independent examiner
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## **District Chair's Report**

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There has been a change of Venue this year to the Scout Headquarters at Matlock Green, as it was felt that we should use Scout owned buildings, so that any financial benefits should remain in the Scouting Family. Visiting Matlock Green is a return to the past for some of us, as this venue was used by the Old Matlock District as a venue for its AGM's.

It is also very appropriate that this year we are meeting at Matlock Green after the unexpected death of Glyn Beeson which I am sure was a great shock to us all. I think that Mary must have thought at times it was his second home although we all know she has been very involved with Glyn in many of his Scouting involvements.

It was very fitting that so many from the Scouting Movement were present at his service of Thanksgiving which truly was a celebration of his full and active life and it reflected his special relationship with scouting, his Church and of course we must not forget football.

On a personal note over the years as your chairman and as a previous neighbour I got to know Glynn very well and have always respected his sensible advice. He will be greatly missed not only in the Scouting movement, but in the wider Matlock Community.

Last year we welcomed Paul Elliott as our new District Commissioner, and of course Paul is not a stranger to so many in our District, so the change to his new role has been seamless.

Paul has also had to undertake the role of Secretary, which is a matter which does need resolving, so if you feel you or anyone you know would be willing to undertake this role could you let us know so that an approach can be made.

Susanne Lester has continued in her role as Head Warden at the Tansley Activity Centre and our thanks go to her and the members of the Tansley Activity Centre Sub Committee for their plans for improvements to the centre during the coming year.

As with all well run organisations and this one is no exception you need a good and efficient Treasurer. We are very fortunate to have Chris Bunton as our Treasurer who makes sure that our accounts remain in a healthy position.

I would like to thank you all for attending this AGM, and my thanks go to all those who help to make this District function so successfully.

I do not under estimate the amount of hard work that is being done by so many as we step into a new era on how the organisation is to be administered.

Geoff Stevens MBE

District Chair

<b>DERWENT &amp; DOVE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL</b>						
<b>Receipts and Payments Account</b>						
<b>For the year 1st January 2023 to 31st December 2023</b>						
	Note	DDDSC	Leopard ESU	Quantum ESU	2023 Total Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
<b>Receipts</b>						
Annual Subscriptions		32800	2250	2237	37287	32033
less Subs paid to County		-30794	-920	-966	-32680	-29133
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		2006	1330	1271	4607	2900
Donations / Grants		1200	1230	346	2776	5795
Bank Interest		90	66	0	156	28
SA Charity Account Interest		107	0	0	107	10
District Badge Sales		65	0	0	65	105
Net TWSC Income		3096	0	0	3096	2955
Misc Income (including Clothing)		3	0	376	379	0
Event / Activity Income	3	2573	2214	1206	5993	5480
World Scout Jamboree		12554	0	555	13109	19585
Training		0	0	0	0	0
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<b>Total Receipts</b>		<b>21694</b>	<b>4840</b>	<b>3754</b>	<b>30288</b>	<b>36858</b>
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<b>Payments</b>						
TWSC - Electric		1155	0	0	1155	996
TWSC - Water		1042	0	0	1042	372
TWSC - Insurance		1137	0	0	1137	1015
TWSC - Phone/Internet		0	0	0	0	0
TWSC - F+F Additions		0	0	0	0	0
TWSC - Safety Systems Service		0	0	0	0	0
TWSC - General Repairs / Main't		238	0	0	238	1526
TWSC - Website		0	0	0	0	0
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		3572	0	0	3572	3909
District Badge Purchases		0	0	0	0	138
Training		97	580	0	677	256
Event / Activity Expenses	3	4763	2234	1106	8103	6358
World Scout Jamboree		15604	0	7	15611	18785
Administration (including Insurance)	4	528	1115	0	1643	1336
Equipment / Materials		0	63	921	984	2250
Clothing / Uniforms		0	328	259	587	1194
Misc Expenses		0	1123	39	1162	1231
Donations		0	1195	0	1195	500
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<b>Total Payments</b>		<b>24564</b>	<b>6638</b>	<b>2332</b>	<b>33534</b>	<b>35957</b>
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<b>Surplus / Deficit for Year</b>		<b>-2870</b>	<b>-1798</b>	<b>1422</b>	<b>-3246</b>	<b>901</b>

<b>DERWENT &amp; DOVE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL</b>				
<b>Statement of Assets &amp; Liabilities at Year End</b>				
			<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
			<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Fixed Assets</b>				
TWSC - Land			50	50
TWSC - Buildings (Note 5)			47555	47555
TWSC - Fixtures & Fittings				
Value as at 31/12/2022			3276	2368
Additions during Year (at cost)			0	908
Other Equipment			43	43
<b>Total</b>			----- 50924	----- 50924
<b>Investments</b>				
Scout Association Charity Account (Note 9)			0	5500
<b>Current Assets</b>				
Badge Stock (at cost)			491	515
Bank & Cash (Note 6)			31509	30287
<b>Current Liabilities</b>				
Unpresented Cheque @31/12/23			-39	-1070
<b>Net Assets</b>			----- 82885	----- 86156
<p><b>The Receipts &amp; Payments Account and the Statement of Assets &amp; Liabilities were approved by the District's Trustees on 16th May 2024 and signed on their behalf by:</b></p>				
Geoff Stevens - DDDSC Chair				
Chris Bunton - DDDSC Treasurer				

<b>DERWENT &amp; DOVE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL</b>			
<b>Notes to the Accounts</b>			
<b>1</b>	<b>Accounting Policies</b>		
	The accounts have been prepared on a cash basis.		
	Following the change of accounting policy agreed by the Trustees in January 2014, depreciation is no longer charged.		
<b>2</b>	<b>Leopard and Quantum Explorer Scout Units</b>		
	Both Leopard and Quantun ESUs maintain their own set of accounts, including individual bank accounts.		
	Their accounts are consolidated into the District accounts as, unlike other ESUs within the District, neither is affiliated to a specific Group.		
<b>3</b>	<b>DDDSC Events / Activities</b>		
		<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Payments</u>
			<u>Surplus/Deficit</u>
	Chilly Challenge	613	594
	County Cooking Competition	0	10
	Sweden Trip	0	760
	Kandersteg 2024 Deposit	0	1341
	Gullivers Kingdom Sleepover	1960	2058
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	<b>Totals</b>	<b>2573</b>	<b>4763</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>DDDSC Administration Expenses</b>		
	Venue Hire	156	
	Personal Accident Insurance	52	
	District MPLC Licence	320	
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	<b>Total</b>	<b>528</b>	
<b>5</b>	<b>Tansley Wood Scout Centre - Buildings</b>		
	The Trustees have placed a value on the property of £47555.		
	This value is the brought forward figure at the beginning of 2018 (£30615) plus the costs of the major refurbishment of the toilet block (£16940) undertaken in 2018.		
	The value of the other assets is maintained by a programme of annual maintenance.		
<b>6</b>	<b>Bank &amp; Cash Funds at Year End</b>		
	DDDSC Current Account	5392	
	DDDSC Deposit Account	17060	
	Leopard ESU Current Account	4152	
	Quantum ESU Current Account	4905	
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		<b>31509</b>	
<b>7</b>	<b>Restricted Funds</b>		
	The District holds Restricted Funds, which consist of the following:		
	New Building Fund	1000	
	2nd Hulland	276	
	Derbyshire County SC Explorer Scouts	153	
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	<b>Total</b>	<b>1429</b>	
<b>8</b>	<b>DDDSC Current Account Cash Reconciliation at 31st December 2023</b>		
	Balance B/fwd @ 01/01/23	13883	
	Prior Year Cheques Cashed	-1070	
	Current Year Unpresented Cheques	39	
	Current Year Deficit	-2960	
	Transfer to Deposit Account	-10000	
	SA Charity Deposit Account Refund	5500	
		-----	
	Balance C/fwd @ 31/12/23	5392	
	NB: The £90 difference between the Current Year Deficit Figure above of -£2960 and the figure in the Receipts & Payments section of -£2870 is the interest received on the Deposit Bank Account.		
<b>9</b>	<b>Scout Association Charity Account</b>		
	In April 2023, the Scout Association announced that it was closing its interest-bearing Charity Deposit Account and would be refunding all balances held in this account. DDDSC received the original deposit of £5500, plus interest accrued, in August 2023.		

**DERWENT & DOVE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL**

**Scrutineer's Report to the Trustees of Derwent & Dove District Scout Council**

I report on the accounts of the Derwent & Dove District Scout Council for the year ended 31st December 2023.

**Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Scrutineer**

As the District's Trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts.

You consider that neither the audit nor independent examination requirements of the Charities Act 2011 apply.

It is my responsibility, without carrying out an audit nor independent examination, to scrutinise the accounts and report to you.

**Basis of Scrutineer's Statement**

In accordance with the directions given in the District's constitution, I have scrutinised the records and the Receipts & Payments Account and the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

**Scrutineer's Statement**

In my opinion, the accounts are in accordance with the records produced to me and comply with the constitution.

Name: Michael J. L. Percival

Address: 4 Ednaston Court  
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Ashbourne  
Derbyshire  
DE6 3BA.

Date: 15th May 2024

## **District Treasurer's Report**

In April 2023, the Scout Association announced that it was closing its interest-bearing Charity Deposit Account and would be refunding all balances held therein. For a number of years, the District had held £5500 in the account, receiving interest twice a year. The interest payments were automatically paid into the District's Current Account and were treated as additional income. The District received the original deposit, plus interest accrued to that date, in August 2023. The refund is reflected in the Statement of Assets & Liabilities at Year End and in Notes 8 and 9 of the Financial Statements. It should be noted that the refund has been transferred to the District's Reserve Account, which is also interest-bearing.

Other elements from the Financial Statements that I would like to highlight are:

- Money received from the hire of the Tansley Wood Scout Centre (TWSC) has historically constituted the bulk of the District's receipts. The amount received in 2023 was broadly in line with that in 2022, while the costs associated with the site (insurance, utilities, repairs and maintenance) fell slightly. There is significant work on-going at the site and so it is not anticipated that a surplus will be recorded in 2024, despite the high level of bookings.
- As noted at last year's AGM, the financial position regarding the 2023 World Scout Jamboree resolved itself during the year to the satisfaction of all parties.
- The big event in 2024 for the District is a trip to Kandersteg. The initial deposit was required in 2023, although the bulk of the costs – plus the money to cover these costs from the young people and leaders – will be recorded in the 2024 Financial Statements.
- Travel insurance for the trip to Sweden was initially paid by the District. Due to an oversight, the re-imburement of this did not take place until early in 2024.
- I would like to thank all the Groups for their prompt payment to ensure that the annual Membership Fees were paid over to the County Treasurer by the specified date.

### **Group Accounts**

It is a requirement of the Scout Association rules that each Group provides a copy of their signed off accounts to the District Treasurer. On that basis, I would be grateful if the Lead Volunteer for each Group within the District could ensure that a copy is sent to me once these accounts have been formally approved at the Group's AGM.

### **Scrutiny of 2023 Financial Statements**

The 2023 Financial Statements are attached to this report. Mike Percival again undertook the role of Independent Scrutineer of the Financial Statements, and the District Trustee Board would like to thank him for his detailed and thorough work. Following resolution of a small number of queries, he formally signed off the Financial Statements on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2024. These scrutinised documents were then formally approved by the District Trustee Board at its meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2024; Geoff Stevens and I physically signed them off on behalf of the District Trustee Board on 13<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

I am also pleased to report that Mike has agreed to undertake the role of the Independent Scrutineer for the 2024 Financial Statements.

### **Conclusion**

The District remains in a good financial position and retains a healthy cash balance.

**Chris Bunton**

**DDDSC Treasurer**