

1ST FRAMWELLGATE MOOR SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 520693

Details

Other names 1ST FRAMWELLGATE MOOR BOY SCOUT GROUP

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1963-04-03

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: PURPOSES OF THE 1ST FRAMWELLGATE-MOOR SCOUT GROUP

Activities: Full range of Scouting activities for Beaver Scouts, Cub Scouts, Scouts and Young Leaders

Classification

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

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** FRAMWELLGATE MOOR
- Durham

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£105,319	£93,782	-	-
2024-03-31	£73,521	£77,083	-	-
2023-03-31	£62,808	£73,758	-	-
2022-03-31	£30,675	£38,196	-	-
2021-03-31	£40,778	£19,938	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
John Philp Collins	Chair	2023-07-09
Andrew Eric Page		2024-09-13
Leigh Callaghan		2023-09-01

1ST FRAMWELLGATE MOOR SCOUT GROUP

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Accounts

1st Framwellgate Moor Scout Group

Trustees Annual Report

Year ended 31 March 2025

Charity Number: 520693 (England & Wales)

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1. Reference and Administrative Information

- 1.1 **Status:** The Group was established in the early 1950's and was first registered with the Charities Commission on 3 April 1963 under the Charity Number 520693.
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- 1.4 **Bankers:**
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2. Structure, Governance and Management

- 2.1 1st Framwellgate Moor Scout Group is governed by the Policy, Organisation and Rules (P.O.R.) of the Scout Association, which provides the framework in which all U.K. Scouting operates. As a charity the Group is also governed by Charity Commission legislation.
- 2.2 Within the Group there are a number of adult leaders and supporters, who give their time and expertise voluntarily, without remuneration, to help the development of young people. The Group is led by the Group Lead Volunteer, whose role is to co-ordinate the Group's activities and to ensure continuity and development.
- 2.3 All leaders and trustees are subject to satisfactory DBS checks and are required to undergo training that is appropriate for their role. This includes ongoing refresher courses in safety and safeguarding every 5 years and, for leaders, first-aid every 3 years.

Executive Committee: The Group's Trustee Board consists of [9] members of which 4 who fulfil Principal Roles are also the formal trustees of the charity.

The Trustee Board consists of the Chair, Treasurer, Group Lead Volunteer (GLV), the parent representative of each of the Group's sections, the Leader of the Explorer Scout Unit that is linked with the Group, a Facilities lead and non-uniformed members who are appointed in accordance with the rules and guidance of the Scout Association. The Committee meets regularly to fulfil the duties listed below.

- 2.4 Members of the Trustee Board act collectively and some as charity trustees of the Scout Group, and in the best interests of its members to:
- 2.4.1 comply with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association;
 - 2.4.2 comply with Charity legislation (including the registration, keeping proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate);
 - 2.4.3 protect and maintain the property and equipment owned by and/or used by the Group;
 - 2.4.4 manage the Group's finances;
 - 2.4.5 arrange appropriate insurance for people, property and equipment;
 - 2.4.6 provide sufficient resources for Scouting to operate and thrive. This includes, but is not limited to, supporting recruitment, other adult support, and fundraising activities;
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 - 2.4.11 appoint Group advisers, other than those who are elected;
 - 2.4.12 ensure that Young People are meaningfully involved in decision making at all levels within the Group.

2.5 The following list indicates the current Trustees and those who served during the year ending 31 March 2025.

Name	Principal Role on the Committee	Appointed	Stood down
J Collins	Chair	9 th July 2023	
L Callaghan	GSL	1 st September 2023	
Andrew Page	Treasurer	13 th September 2024	
Malcolm Johnson	Secretary	2 nd October 2025	
Sam Redgate	Parent Rep / Grants	1 September 2024	
Aidan Wilkinson	Youth Rep	2 nd October 2025	
Nick Bucknall	Explorer Leader	1 st September 2024	
Richard Baker	New Build Manager	1 st January 2025	

2.6 **Objectives:** The objectives of the Group are as a unit of the Scout Association. The Aim of The Scout Association is:

2.6.1 “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 local national and international communities.”

2.7 The method of achieving the aim of the Association is by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law and guided by adult leadership.

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2.8.5 Co-operation: We make a positive difference; we co-operate with others and make friends.

2.9 **Public Benefit:** The Group meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.

3. Risk Assessment, Financial Review and Trustees Responsibilities'

3.1 **Financial Review:** Further information is given in the annual accounts, but a summary of receipts and payments for the year ending 31 March 2025 is:

	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total 2023/24	Total 2022/23
	£	£	£	£
Receipts	-	105,318.62	73,521	62,808
Payments	-	(93781.67)	(77,083)	(73,758)
Net Position	16133	11,536.95	(3,562)	(10,950)

3.2 **Reserves policy:** The Group's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the Group should income and fundraising activities fall short of running costs. The trustees consider that the Group should hold a sum equivalent to 6 months of running costs in the General Fund to cover imminent payments and urgent building repairs should they arise. At 31 March 2025 the un-restricted balance stood at £92,154.18 which satisfies this policy

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- 3.5 **Independent examiner of accounts:** It is intended that an independent scrutineer will be appointed to review these accounts and those prepared on an annual basis moving forwards. A professional, independent bookkeeping firm is employed to oversee financial transactions and produce annual accounts.
- 3.6 **Risk Assessment:** The Executive Committee has identified the major risks to which they believe the Group is exposed, these have been reviewed and systems have been established to mitigate against them. The main areas of concern that have been identified are:
- 3.6.1 **Damage to the building, property and equipment:** The Group has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss, and in the event of temporary loss would request the use of buildings, property and equipment from neighbouring organisations such as the church, community centre and other Scout Groups, as a short-term solution.
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4. Achievements and Performance and Plans for the coming year

Achievements: Over the past year all sections within 1st Framwellgate Moor have gone from strength to strength – numbers remain high in each section, with a good amount on the waiting list.

- 4.1 This year we opened up a new section, Squirrels, which caters for the 4-6yr olds
- 4.2 As with previous years, we have remained committed to helping and supporting the new Sacriston group to become firmly established in the area.

- 4.3 We continue to struggle to find more willing adult volunteers to help support the group and the young people within our sections. Thankfully with a new reinvigorated Trustee Board, we are able to take on the governance challenges.
- 4.4 A successful Group Camp was held at Hawkhirst with over 100 youth attending – the camp focussed on water activities, to ensure that youth were able to acquire their water activity badges.

We have held some highly successful key events in the year:

Beavers: Beaver Day Out, Climb When Ready and Beaver District Sleepover

Cubs: Cub Day Out (All Cub Packs). Pete Swinney Competition (All Cub packs), Cooper's Cup (All Cub packs) and Moor House Camp (Tue & Fri Cubs)

Scouts: County Rally 2024 (Wed Scouts in partnership with The First Glasgow and 2nd Penrith), Confido 2024 (All Scout Troops), Sub Zero 2024 (Wed Scouts in partnership with 1st Norbreck, Blackpool), Great Tower Summer Adventure Camp (Wed Scouts), Climb When Ready (All Scout Troops), Indoor Scouting competition (Friday Scouts), Outdoor Scouting and Cooking Competition (Fri Scouts).

- 4.5 Our key focus is to ensure that the events are value for money and that every young person gets the opportunity to participate in some way. The Group run a hardship fund which is open to all members and details can be found on our website.

Thank you to everyone who has made the last 12 months a success.

Plans for the Coming Year: We are in the initial stages of planning our Group Camp for May 2027.

- 4.6 Work is still ongoing supporting Sacriston with the growing of their own group, looking towards starting a Scout section to complement the Beavers and Cubs sections already established.

5. Declaration

5.1 The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustee's report above.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

... *John Collins*

J Collins (Chair)

1st Framwellgate Moor Scout Group

Receipts and Payments Accounts

For the year ended 31 March 2025

Receipts	£
Membership subscriptions	43,997.00
Activities income	6,339.50
Camp income	35,032.72
Gift Aid	19,482.17
Donations	17.45
Other income	82.00
Bank interest received	367.78
Total Receipts	105,318.62

Payments	£
Cost of goods sold	390.00
Badges and uniform	4,062.76
Capitation fee	14,994.00
Camps expenses	23,697.88
Activities expenses	23,624.44
Session expenses	614.50
Sacriston expenses	744.08
Audit & accountancy fees	1,857.81
Cleaning	10.89
Equipment	1,678.45
Finance costs	3,097.54
General expenses	6,895.56
Insurance	2,128.07
IT costs	268.79
Motor vehicle expenses	745.12
Printing & stationery	4.99
Professional fees	1,800.00
Repairs & maintenance	175.96
Telephone & internet	360.28
Training	40.00
Travel	2,532.20
Utilities	4,058.35
Total Payments	93,781.67

Excess of Receipts over Payments: £11,536.95

Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31 March 2025	
Assets	£
Cash at bank - Main account	29,932.28
Cash at bank - Trips account	78,354.90
Total cash at bank	108,287.18
Liabilities	£
Income account (creditor)	7,848.27
OSM expense cards (creditor)	464.68
VAT (creditor)	140.59
Total liabilities	8,172.36
Net assets	95,114.13

These accounts have been prepared on the Receipts and Payments basis.



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
1st Framwellgate Moor Scout Group

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 March 2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

520693

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 March 2025**

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity's trustees, 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 Trust's 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 (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Andrew Thomas

Date:

26/01/2026

Name:

Andrew Thomas

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

Address:

The Hub, New Century House, Crowther Road, Warrington, NE38 0AQ

Section B**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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England & Wales - Charity number 520693

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Trustees Annual Report
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M Bryden	GSL	21 Jan 2021	1 st September 2023
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Xialou Liu	Treasurer	23 rd Jan 2023	13 th September 2024
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5.1 The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustee's report above.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

... *John Collins*
J Collins (Chair)

1st Framwellgate Moor Scout Group

Annual Accounts 2024

1st Framwellgate Moor Scout Group
Receipts and Payments Accounts
For the year ended 31 March 2024

Receipts and Payments Accounts

For the year ended 31 March 2024

Receipts	£
Membership subscriptions	34,243
Activities income	7,049
Camp income	31,151
Training income	770
Donations	5
Hire of assets	279
Other income	24
Total Receipts	73,521

Payments	£
Badges and uniform	4,258
Capitation fee	14,355
Camps expenses	21,600
Activities expenses	22,880
Session expenses	2,763
Sacriston expenses	1,288
Leader training & safeguarding	1,484
Insurance	2,393
Equipment	866
Repairs & maintenance	321
Utilities	3,637
Travel & transport	1,224
IT, telephone & internet	480
Printing, stationery & postage	29
Professional & accountancy fees	2,684
General expenses	1,277
Motor vehicle expenses	980
Total Payments	77,083

Excess (Deficit) of Receipts over Payments: (£3,563)

Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31 March 2024	
Assets	£
Cash at bank - Main account	86,363
Cash at bank - Trips account	2,101
Cash at bank - Income account	96

Total Cash at bank	88,561
Liabilities	£
Creditors (current liabilities)	(17)
Net Assets	83,577

These accounts have been prepared on the Receipts and Payments basis as permitted for charities with income under £250,000.



Section A

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Signed:

Date:

29 Aug 2025

Name:

Andrew Thomas

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AAT

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Payments	(180)	(73,578)	(73,758)	(49,196)
Net Position	(180)	3,299	(10,950)	(7,521)

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4. Achievements and Performance and Plans for the coming year

Achievements: Over the past year all sections within 1st Framwellgate Moor have gone from strength to strength – numbers remain high in each section, with a good amount on the waiting list.

- 4.1 As with previous years, we remained committed to helping and supporting the new Sacriston Group to become firmly established in the area.
- 4.2 We continue to struggle to find more willing adult volunteers to help support the group and the young people within our sections. Thankfully with a new reinvigorated Executive, we are able to take on the governance challenges.

We have held some highly successful key events in the year:

Beavers: Beaver Day Out, Climb When Ready and Beaver District Sleepover

Cubs: Cub Day Out (All Cub Packs). Pete Swinney Competition (All Cub packs), Cooper's Cup (All Cub packs) and Moor House Camp (Tue & Fri Cubs)

4.3 Scouts: County Rally 2022 (Wed Scouts in partnership with The First Glasgow and 2nd Penrith), Confido 2022 (All Scout Troops), Sub Zero 2022 (Wed Scouts in partnership with 1st Norbreck, Blackpool), Great Tower Summer Adventure Camp (Wed Scouts), Climb When Ready (All Scout Troops), Vaux Ambulance Shield (Fri Scouts), Dryburn Camping Competition (Fri Scouts).

- 4.4 Our key focus is to ensure that the events are value for money and that every young person gets the opportunity to participate in some way. The Group run a hardship fund which is open to all members and details can be found on our website.

Thank you to everyone who has made the last 12 months a success.

Plans for the Coming Year: We are planning our Group Camp for May 2024 at Hawkhirst. The Group is currently seeking planning permission to extend the Scout Hut, in a smaller way that first envisioned to enable us to have a better facility for cooking for the young people.

4.5 Work is ongoing supporting Sacriston with the growing of their own group, looking towards starting a Scout section to complement the Beavers and Cubs sections already established.

5. Declaration

5.1 The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustee's report above.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

... *John Collins*
J Collins (Chair)

Approved at the EGM held on [22/01/2023].



1st Framwellgate Moor Scout Group

Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023

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**Receipts and Payments Account
For the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

	Restrict ed Funds	Unrestrict ed Funds	2023 Total Funds	2022 Total Funds
	£	£	£	£
	Note 5	Note 4		
Receipts				
Subscriptions	-	35,610	35,610	33,618
Activities	-	2,387	2,387	449
Camps	-	23,514	23,514	4,395
Insurance Refund	-	-	-	-
Sanctuary	-	369	369	-
Donations	-	494	494	46
Grants (Note 2)	-			(7,833)
Uniform	-	-	-	-
Minibus Hire	-			-
Gift Aid	-	-	-	-
Other Income	-	434	434	-
Total Receipts	-	62,808	62,808	30,675
Payments				
Activities	-	15,315	15,315	7,346
Camps	-	25,377	25,377	2,222
Sessions	-	2,960	2,960	2,532
Sanctuary	-	-	-	-
Sacrison		659	659	75
Capitation Fee	-	13,872	13,872	13,250
Premises	180	1,219	1,399	2,809
Equipment	-	1,480	1,480	1,674
Badges and Uniform	-	2,921	2,921	2,872
Insurance	-	1,749	1,749	1,287
Utilities	-	1,481	1,481	653
Telephone/Internet	-	363	363	347
PPS	-	25	25	79
IT Costs	-	113	113	113
Vehicle/Travel Costs	-	1,384	1,384	375
Finance Charges	-			665
Professional Fees	-	446	446	416
Training	-	3,486	3,486	869
General	-	728	728	612
Total Expenditure	180	73,578	73,758	38,196
(Decrease) in Funds	(180)	(10,770)	(10,950)	(7,521)

Statement of Assets and Liabilities
For the Year Ended 31 March 2023

	Notes	Restrict ed Funds	Unrestrict ed Funds	2023	2022
				Total Funds	Total Funds
		£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	Note 3	-	-	-	-
Other debtors < 1 year		-	434	434	101
Cash Funds					
Lloyds		16,133	76,008	92,141	105,595
Unity Trust		-	-	-	-
		16,133	76,442	92,141	102,696
Creditors < 1 year		-	(1,000)	(1,000)	(171)
Total Assets		16,133	75,442	91,575	102,525
Restricted funds				16,133	16,313
Unrestrict ed funds				75,442	86,212
Total				91,575	102,525

The notes on pages 3 to 4 form part of these accounts.

The above accounts were approved by the Trustees on [DATE] and signed on their behalf by:

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 Chair

John Collins

..... Lily Liu
 Treasurer

Notes to the accounts

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting: These accounts have been prepared on an Accruals Basis.

2. Grants

	2023	2022
	£	£
Covid Support	-	2,667
Durham AAP	-	(11,000)
Durham Neighbourhood	-	200
Fram Parish Council	-	300
	-	(7,833)

3. Fixed Assets

The Group own their own land and buildings which was gifted to them in 1959.

The re-instatement value insured is £386,000.

4. Unrestricted Funds

The General Fund is an unrestricted fund, available for the general purposes of the charity.

	Bal B/f	Receipts	Payments	Bal C/f
	£	£	£	£
General	86,212	62,808	(73,578)	75,442

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5. Restricted Funds

Restricted Funds are only available to be used for the specific designated purpose.

	Bal B/f	Receipts	Payments	Surrendered	Bal C/f
	£	£	£	£	£
The Hut Extension	15,883	-	-	-	15,883
Other	250	-	-	-	250
Fencing and Gate	180	-	(180)	-	-
Total	16,313	-	(180)	-	16,133

The Hut restricted funds relate to grants and donations received in relation to a project to refurbish and extend the premises. Planning approval for this project was granted on 13 August 2018. The project has restarted in December 2023.

Other restricted funds relate to an amount held on account relating to the Sacriston section.

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of 1st Framwellgate Moor Scout Group, charity number 520963 (England & Wales)

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2023.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this period (under Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is required.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statements below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act; and

- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 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.

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized initial 'S' followed by a long, sweeping horizontal line that ends in a small upward flick.

Mr S Alderson BA (Hons) Dunelm, MA (Hons) Dunlem, FMAAT
The Old Police House
Dipton
Stanley
County Durham
DH9 9EB

11th January 2024

1ST FRAMWELLGATE MOOR SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 520693

Accounts

1st Framwellgate Moor Scout Group

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Receipts				
Subscriptions	-	33,618	33,618	20,545
Activities	-	449	449	959
Camps	-	4,395	4,395	3,587
Insurance Refund	-	-	-	-
Sanctuary	-	-	-	-
Donations	-	46	46	250
Grants (Note 2)	(10,500)	2,667	(7,833)	10,000
Uniform	-	-	-	-
Minibus Hire	-	-	-	-
Gift Aid	-	-	-	5,142
Other Income	-	-	-	295
Total Receipts	(10,500)	41,175	30,675	40,778
Payments				
Activities	-	7,346	7,346	941
Camps	-	2,222	2,222	3,564
Sessions	-	2,532	2,532	594
Sanctuary	-	-	-	-
Sacriston	-	75	75	-
Capitation Fee	-	13,250	13,250	9,900
Premises	320	2,489	2,809	660
Equipment	-	1,674	1,674	-
Badges and Uniform	-	2,872	2,872	867
Insurance	-	1,287	1,287	1,056
Utilities	-	653	653	1,454
Telephone/Internet	-	347	347	433
PPS	-	79	79	121
IT Costs	-	113	113	86
Vehicle/Travel Costs	-	375	375	-
Finance Charges	-	665	665	70
Professional Fees	-	416	416	158
Training	-	869	869	-
General	-	612	612	34
Total Expenditure	320	37,876	38,196	19,938
(Decrease)/Increase in Funds	(10,820)	3,299	(7,521)	20,838

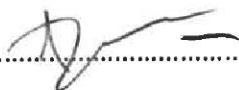
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Cash Funds					
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Creditors < 1 year		-	(171)	(171)	(200)
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Sarah Judson

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In addition, £500 was received to repair the gates and fencing at the Scout Hut that was damaged in the storms.



1st Framwellgate Moor Scout Group

Trustees Annual Report
Year ended 31 March 2022

Charity Number: 520693 (England & Wales)

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1. Reference and Administrative Information

- 1.1 **Status:** The Group was established in the early 1950's and was first registered with the Charities Commission on 3 April 1963 under the Charity Number 520693.
- 1.2 The Charity is part of the Scout Association and the District Reference Number is 11665.
- 1.3 **Principal Address:** The Hut, 24 North Terrace, Durham DH1 5EG
- 1.4 **Bankers:**
 - 1.4.1 Lloyds Bank, Durham Market Place, 19, Durham DH1 3NL

2. Structure, Governance and Management

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4. Achievements and Performance and Plans for the coming year

- 4.1 We are a large 'district size Group 'operating from a small hut in Framwellgate Moor. In 2021/22 had around 250 Scouts on our books with 4 Beaver Colonies, 3 Cub Pack, 3 Scout Troops and 1 Explorer Unit. We have now added a second Explorer unit during the current financial year due to the closure of Elvet Explorers and the need to accommodate our own Scouts as they moved upward.
- 4.2 The hut has a large foyer, large main hall with kitchen space, a garage for storage and an upstairs conference room. We also have a small garden area. It is available to hire.

Year 2021/22

- 4.3 We have a constant struggle to recruit, train and retain Leaders, despite this, no unit closed and in fact we expanded.
- 4.4 Our waiting list was full, and we stopped taking on out of area applicants. During this period due to the pandemic, we were forced to operate in hybrid manner with many online sessions being delivered and face to face meetings when rules permitted. Since, the return to pre-pandemic rules the number of Scouts increased to our capacity.
- 4.5 During the pandemic thanks to a team of volunteers lead by Iain Wood, Nick Bucknall & Clair Longworth to name but a few gave the hut a significant refresh and improvement. Thank you and well done.
- 4.6 Unfortunately, the hut redevelopment has not currently progressed as we would have hoped. A decision was taken to expend funds on improving the hut internally and plans have been drawn up to achieve this. The lack of progress has been mainly due to the lack of bandwidth within the Executive Committee to drive the improvement works forward.
- 4.7 With the help of Jayne Gibson and Tom Kitchen we ran a Young Leader (YL) training session out of the hut for the District and now we are seeing the dividends as the YL we trained are now supporting our sections and gained key life skills. The cost for the course run by Moorhouse was £55 per person and we ran it at a fraction of the cost (£5 per person) saving ourselves significant cost. (As a Group we usually pay for the YL training, and we had almost 20 young people on the course)
- 4.8 Parking concerns and issues with our neighbours have been a distraction and disappointment in this period.

Year 2021/22

- 4.9 One highlight of the Year was Group Camp (much postponed) where we had an excellent turnout with over 150 Beaver plus parents, Cubs, Scouts, and Explorers on site. We were in Snowball Plantation near York where we were able to visit Eden Camp, York Railway Museum, Clifford Tower, undertake a Treasure Hunt, Ghost walk for the older ones along with many other traditional Scouting activities.
- 4.10 Since the lifting of Covid restrictions we have seen a return to meetings in the hut, camping, DofE, Expeditions, Cubberie & Confido and many more activities to challenge our young people. The picture of the Explorers clambering around a quarry in the Lake District looked spectacular!
- 4.11 We are progressing with our Chief Scouts awards in all Sections (Bronze, Silver and Gold).
- 4.12 In 2023 have opened a satellite Cub section in Sacriston to take the Beavers as they move on. This should aid us in making Sacriston an independent unit as it grows. Sadly, due to leadership issues in January 2023 at Fram site we took the difficult decision to temporarily close the Monday Beaver Colony and the Wednesday Cub pack. All Beaver's and Cub's were offered an alternative night. This has put further pressure on our waiting list.
- 4.13 We will be participating and supporting a district wide initiative to recruit more leaders as well as running our own campaign. It will take time for brand new leaders to gain the necessary experience and skills before we can consider using them in a section leaders' role, but we must take this first step to guarantee our future success.
- 4.14 Nick Bucknall recently completed a train the trainer first aid course for both indoor and outdoor setting. As this is a training requirement for all our leaders to undertake it is hoped in time, we can recoup the cost by training our own leaders for free and charge external attendees. The first course was run in early January 2023 and we had 5 internal attendees and one external at £35 per head per it won't take too long!
- 4.15 Sarah Judson announced her resignation as Treasurer she has done a fabulous job getting us back on track as she didn't inherit a 'few issues.' We welcome our new treasurer, Lily Liu, and thank her for taking on this important role.
- 4.16 We must also thank Andrew our chairman has also tendered his resignation due to changing personal and professional circumstances. He guided us successfully through the pandemic. So, we are actively looking for a volunteer to come forward for this crucial role. I am sure Andrew will happy talk somebody through the duties.

Beavers

- 4.17 There have been Camp at Homes hosted by County happening, which have meant that our young people have been able to get their Nights away badges, when we haven't been able to host sleepovers. All Beavers programmes have been planned and delivered to ensure that all regular attendees can achieve their Bronze Award.

Cubs

- 4.18. Who can believe that we started back after lockdown in April 2021 – meeting in two separate groups over two weeks and distancing from each other with hand-gel at the ready. Since then, the Packs have just got stronger and stronger, although we didn't lose any Cubs during the lock down phase, we met every week on zoom and had numerous weekend activities such as cooking, treasure hunts and camp at homes to keep the Cubs busy – there's nothing

like seeing each other face to face and the enthusiasm that radiates from everyone involved – Cubs, Leaders and Parents alike.

- 4.19 To make the most of being back doing face to face scouting again, we made the most of the lovely summer evenings, Low Burnhall for orienteering, Moorhouse for our backwoods cooking and fire lighting, chippie hikes and adventurous activities such as snowtubing, crate stacking and a bike ride.
- 4.20 Within Cub Scouts, the Chief Scout Silver award is the highest award a Cub can achieve through team work, team leading, challenges, world issues, being adventurous, and we had 12 Cubs achieve this even through the challenges of the lock down period, due to various circumstances we haven't been able to celebrate with a county event, but we look forward to doing this in Feb 2023.
- 4.21 A particular highlight was a visit from Crazy Creatures who visited all 3 cub packs with their spiders, wonderful snakes and other reptiles. We also did activities within the local community to promote ourselves to all around us, we did litter picking and took part in a tour of the local fire station.
- 4.22 We started looking at opening a new Cubs section at Sacriston, and have secured this to be opened in January 2023 so our Beavers can continue to Cubs within their own location

SCOUTS

- 4.23 2 of our 3 sections are still struggling for leaders on a weekly basis but that hasn't stopped all sections from getting well stuck into a full programme of activities and adventures. Alistair is stepping down from Thursday Scouts and has identified Andy Richardson as his replacement, a very warm welcome back into the Fram fold.
- 4.24 Some of the activities we have undertaken are North East Themed Night with local musician and regional fayre, very good to hear the scouts in full singing voices with the Lambton Worm and Blaydon Races.
- 4.25 Laser Tag taking place in Birtley with very kind donation of public transport by Go North East Campfire Cooking at Elemore Hall School, using their outside woodland camp area is always a firm favourite, we were very lucky to be able to stage an overnight camp with Scouts over the summer. Chip Shop Hikes, of which there have been several. Ranging from Chester le Street back to Fram or from Pitlington into the City centre, they always get a good turnout, a great excuse for a walk and a catch up and luckily, we have had decent weather every time.
- 4.26 Air Rifle Target Practice was very well received and coupled with a night at Moor House undertaking some archery and crossbows, scouts were able to gain the Master at Arms badges.
- 4.27 2022 saw the resumption of the Dryburn Cup a fantastic opportunity to compete against and share experiences with other groups. 1st Fram won the Vaux Ambulance shield that takes place over the same weekend.
- 4.28 Several sections of the group went to South Shields Surfing and Paddleboarding for a great change of pace and some much craved time on the water.

- 4.29 An annual Camp took place in August for 2 of the sections, based out of Great Tower in Lake District. Again, blessed with good weather and a fantastic location and activities such as Kayaking, Raft building, canoeing, as well as rock climbing and challenge tasks. So well received that this year a return to Great Tower is in the planning stages.
- 4.30 The end of 2022 was taken up with the much-anticipated return of CONFIDO at Moor House. had a very strong showing and all that attended had a Very good time indeed. There has been a good emphasis from all sections to help undertake community projects, whether it has been litter picking whilst on a hike or making crafts or staffing the kitchens for Remembrance Day it has been good to see.

2023 is shaping up to be a positive year with plenty of skills to be learned through adventurous activities.

5. Declaration

- 5.1 The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustee's report above.
- 5.2 Signed on behalf of the Trustees:


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A Cawkwell (Chair)

- 5.3 Approved at the AGM held on ~~DATE~~  23rd January 2023.

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of 1st Framwellgate Moor Scout Group, charity number 520963 (England & Wales)

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2022.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'S Alderson', written in a cursive style.

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10th November 2022

1ST FRAMWELLGATE MOOR SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 520693

Accounts



1st Framwellgate Moor Scout Group

Trustees Annual Report Year ended 31 March 2021

Charity Number: 520693 (England & Wales)

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1. Reference and Administrative Information

- 1.1 **Status:** The Group was established in the early 1950's and was first registered with the Charities Commission on 3 April 1963 under the Charity Number 520693.
- 1.2 The Charity is part of the Scout Association and the District Reference Number is 11665.
- 1.3 **Principal Address:** The Hut, 24 North Terrace, Durham DH1 5EG
- 1.4 **Bankers:**
 - 1.4.1 Lloyds Bank, Durham Market Place, 19, Durham DH1 3NL
- 1.5 The Unity Trust bank account was closed on in March 2021.

2. Structure, Governance and Management

- 2.1 1st Framwellgate Moor Scout Group is governed by the Policy, Organisation and Rules (P.O.R.) of the Scout Association, which provides the framework in which all U.K. Scouting operates. As a charity the Group is also governed by Charity Commission legislation.
- 2.2 Within the Group there are a number of adult leaders and supporters, who give their time and expertise voluntarily, without remuneration, to help the development of young people. The Group is led by the Group Scout Leader, whose role is to co-ordinate the Group's activities and to ensure continuity and development.
- 2.3 All leaders and trustees are subject to satisfactory DBS checks and are required to undergo training that is appropriate for their role. This includes ongoing refresher courses in safety and safeguarding every 5 years and, for leaders, first-aid every 3 years.
- 2.4 **Executive Committee:** The Group's Executive Committee consists of several committed and active members of which 4 formally fulfil Principal Roles are also the formal trustees of the charity. The Executive Committee formally consists of the Chair, Treasurer, Secretary, Group Scout Leader (GSL), the parent representative of each of the Group's sections, the Leader of the Explorer Scout Unit that is linked with the Group, a Facilities lead and non-uniformed members who are appointed in accordance with the rules and guidance of the Scout Association. The Committee meets regularly to fulfil the duties listed below. The Secretary role is currently vacant following J. Williams standing down. It is proposed that Faye Ward formally be appointed as Secretary at the forthcoming AGM. Faye Ward has been approved to be put forward for the appointment at the forthcoming AGM by the Executive Committee.
- 2.5 Members of the Executive Committee act collectively and some as charity trustees of the Scout Group, and in the best interests of its members to:
 - 2.5.1 comply with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association;
 - 2.5.2 comply with Charity legislation (including the registration, keeping proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate);
 - 2.5.3 protect and maintain the property and equipment owned by and/or used by the Group;

- 2.5.4 manage the Group's finances;
- 2.5.5 arrange appropriate insurance for people, property and equipment;
- 2.5.6 provide sufficient resources for Scouting to operate and thrive. This includes, but is not limited to, supporting recruitment, other adult support, and fundraising activities;
- 2.5.7 promote and support the development of Scouting in the local area;
- 2.5.8 manage and implement the Safety Policy locally;
- 2.5.9 ensure that a positive image of Scouting exists in the local community;
- 2.5.10 appoint and manage the operation of any sub-committees, including appointing Chairpersons to lead the sub-committees;
- 2.5.11 appoint Group advisers, other than those who are elected;
- 2.5.12 ensure that Young People are meaningfully involved in decision making at all levels within the Group.

2.6 The following list indicates the current Trustees and those who served during the year ending 31 March 2021.

Name	Principal Role on the Committee	Appointed	Stood down
S Burns	Treasurer	30 Jul 2012	5 Oct 2020
A Flower	Cashier	-	5 Oct 2020
Dr J Little	GSL	30 Jul 2012	5 Oct 2020
J Collins		30 Jul 2012	5 Oct 2020
S Scott		1 Sept 2019	5 Oct 2020
P Dumbledam	Chair	1 Sept 2019	5 Oct 2020
J Teasdale	Secretary	1 Sept 2019	5 Oct 2020
A Cawkwell	Chair	5 Oct 2020	
S Judson	Treasurer	5 Oct 2020	
J Williams	Secretary	5 Oct 2020	13 Jan 2022
M Bryden	GSL	14 Dec 2020	

2.7 **Objectives:** The objectives of the Group are as a unit of the Scout Association. The Aim of The Scout Association is:

2.7.1 "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 local national and international communities."

2.8 The method of achieving the aim of the Association is by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law and guided by adult leadership.

2.9 As Scouts we are guided by these values:

2.9.1 Integrity: We act with integrity; we are honest, trustworthy and loyal.

- 2.9.2 Respect: We have self-respect and respect for others.
 - 2.9.3 Care: We support others and take care of the world in which we live.
 - 2.9.4 Belief: We explore our faiths, beliefs and attitudes.
 - 2.9.5 Co-operation: We make a positive difference; we co-operate with others and make friends.
- 2.10 **Public Benefit:** The Group meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.

3. Risk Assessment, Financial Review and Trustees Responsibilities'

- 3.1 **Financial Review:** Further information is given in the annual accounts, but a summary of receipts and payments for the year ending 31 March 2021 is:

	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total 2020/21	Total 2019/20
	£	£	£	£
Receipts	40,528	250	40,778	96,460
Payments	(19,938)	-	(19,938)	(52,002)
Net Position	20,588	250	20,838	44,458

- 3.2 **Reserves policy:** The Group's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the Group should income and fundraising activities fall short of running costs. The trustees consider that the Group should hold a sum equivalent to 6 months of running costs in the General Fund to cover imminent payments and urgent building repairs should they arise. At 31 March 2021 the balance stood at a figure which satisfies this policy
- 3.3 **Investment policy:** The Group adopts a low-risk strategy to investment, keeping funds in mainstream banks. Throughout most of the period it ensured that its funds do not exceed the £85,000 Government Guarantee in any one institution. However, shortly before the year end, to allow expediency of payments for the anticipated building works it transferred all of its funds into Lloyds.
- 3.4 **Signatories to bank accounts:** Payments or withdrawals from the Group's bank accounts require authorisation by two of the following people:
- 3.4.1 Treasurer, Chairman and Assistant Group Scout Leader.
- 3.5 **Independent examiner of accounts:** It is intended that an independent scrutineer will be appointed to review these accounts and those prepared on an annual basis moving forwards.
- 3.6 **Risk Assessment:** The Executive Committee has identified the major risks to which they believe the Group is exposed, these have been reviewed and systems have been established to mitigate against them. The main areas of concern that have been identified are:
- 3.6.1 **Damage to the building, property and equipment:** The Group has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss, and in the event

of temporary loss would request the use of buildings, property and equipment from neighbouring organisations such as the church, community centre and other Scout Groups, as a short-term solution.

- 3.6.2 Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members: The Group through the membership fees contributes to the Scout Associations national accident insurance policy, and also has additional cover in place. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities.
- 3.6.3 Reduction or loss of volunteers: The Group is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the District. If there were a reduction in the number of volunteers to an unacceptable level in a particular area, discipline or as a whole, then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation of activities or closure of parts of the operations.
- 3.7 **Coronavirus (Covid-19) impact:** On Tuesday 17 March 2020 all face-to-face Scouting activities were suspended owing to the pandemic and, on the advice of the national Scout Association, we reduced the usual membership subscriptions to £4. These were raised again in September 2020 to the normal £14 and remained at this level to the year end.
- 3.8 Shortly after the year-end we received a £10,000 Local Authority Retail, Hospitality and Leisure business rates grant, which will both help to cover lost income and pay for necessary alterations to the premises in order to make them more Covid-secure should we return to Face-to-Face Scouting.
- 3.9 All the Group's sections have continued successful programmes remotely, using video conferencing and social media. Parents and young people have expressed great appreciation of this but some members have been lost as this method of delivery is not for everyone.
- 4. Achievements and Performance and Plans for the coming year**
- 4.1 **Achievements:** 1st Framwellgate has had a relatively successful past 12 months notwithstanding Covid restrictions. We have not lost many members which demonstrates that our adult leaders have continued to deliver high quality and engaging programmes to our young people remotely for the most part.
- 4.2 As with many things in 2020 – 2021, COVID-19 has put paid to many of the District and County events that were planned for all Sections.
- 4.3 However, there have been some camps over the internet planned by County and widely joined by many Beavers, Cubs and Scouts – enabling some to get their nights away badges that are so dearly needed for Chief Scout Awards.
- 4.4 Throughout the pandemic, Sections have still been able to exist, through Zoom – fun things such as Cooking, Scavenger hunts, and lots of badge work as well have been carried out.
- 4.5 In addition, we have remained committed to helping and supporting the new Sacriston Group to become established in the area. Whilst there have been some personnel challenges in this regard which led to the closure of the cubs section, we are pleased to report that the Beavers section is still functioning.

- 4.6 We continue to find it difficult to engage enough adult volunteers to not only support our young people but to also support the governance and financial management of the organisation. This threatened the Group's ability to continue. Fortunately, we have been able to appoint a new Executive and have been able to recruit and train new adult volunteers to ensure that all Sections can continue to operate. In addition, a new Group Scout Leader (Michael Brydon) was appointed on 14 December 2020.
- 4.7 Leader numbers hang in the balance and we just able to keep the 10 section we support going. (plus occasional support to the two Explorer units based out of Framwellgate) (New unit Tuesday Evening). Any initiative to bring more leaders on-board will be welcome.
- 4.8 Our key focus is to ensure that delivery of the scouting programme represents value for money and that every young person gets the opportunity to participate in some way. The Group run a hardship fund which is open to all members and details can be found on our website.
- 4.9 Thank you to everyone who has made the last 12 months a success in these ongoing difficult times.
- 4.10 **Plans for the Coming Year:** It is anticipated that the coming year will bring a return to a level of normality for the Group and allow us to return to Face to Face scouting (indoor and outdoor) once restrictions are fully lifted. It is also hoped that we will be able to hold some camps. We will continue to keep in touch with members using social media and our Facebook pages and e-newsletters
- 4.11 The Group has also spent some time refreshing the hut internally and thanks and recognition go to our fantastic volunteers who gave up their valuable time and put in substantial effort to allow us to have premises which we can begin to feel proud of once again. The ongoing maintenance and refurbishment of an old building is very challenging but we aspire to continue to improve and develop the premises further. We will report on this further in due course.
- 4.12 We have also set up a fundraising sub-group and hope to hold more events throughout the year to raise funds towards Phase 2 of the works as well as replacement items of kit.
- 4.13 Finally, it is the present intention of the Group to work with District to pass back operation of the Explorers Unit and also the disability section run out of Trinity School.
- 4.14 It is also the current intention of the Group to support the Beavers group of the Sacriston Section to establish as a Group in its own right.
- 4.15 Since the return to face to face Scouting the numbers have now returned to pre-pandemic levels. So, much so we have had to close the waiting list to only residents of our catchment area.
- 4.16 We are looking forward to Group Camp which has been postponed numerous times to go ahead in the new financial year.

5. Declaration

- 5.1 The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustee's report above.
- 5.2 Signed on behalf of the Trustees:


.....
A Cawkwell (Chair)

5.3 Approved at the AGM held on 27th January 2022.

1st Framwellgate Moor Scout Group

Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021

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1st Framwellgate Moor Scout Group
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Receipts and Payments Account

For the Year Ended 31 March 2021

	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	2021 Total Funds	2020 Total Funds
	£	£	£	£
	Note 5	Note 4		
Receipts				
Subscriptions	-	20,545	20,545	32,132
Activities	-	959	959	3,098
Camps	-	3,587	3,587	17,051
Insurance Refund	-	-	-	7,114
Sanctuary	-	-	-	3,299
Donations	250	-	250	467
Grants (Note 2)	-	10,000	10,000	26,400
Uniform	-	-	-	266
Minibus Hire	-	-	-	494
Gift Aid	-	5,142	5,142	6,139
Other Income	-	295	295	-
Total Receipts	250	40,528	40,778	96,460
Payments				
Activities	-	941	941	9,991
Camps	-	3,564	3,564	21,278
Sessions	-	594	594	-
Sanctuary	-	-	-	1,681
Sacriston	-	-	-	195
Capitation Fee	-	9,900	9,900	10,545
Premises	-	660	660	1,272
Equipment	-	-	-	58
Badges and Uniform	-	867	867	2,192
Insurance	-	1,056	1,056	1,190
Utilities	-	1,454	1,454	921
Telephone/Internet	-	433	433	342
PPS	-	121	121	129
Subscriptions	-	86	86	-
Vehicle Costs	-	-	-	1,783
Finance Charges	-	70	70	324
Professional Fees	-	158	158	-
Training	-	-	-	101
General	-	34	34	-
Total Expenditure	-	19,938	19,938	52,002
Increase in Funds	250	10,588	20,838	44,458

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

For the Year Ended 31 March 2021

	Notes	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	2021	2020
		£	£	Total Funds	Total Funds
				£	£
Fixed Assets	Note 3	-	-	-	-
Cash Funds					
Lloyds		27,133	83,113	110,246	80,523
Unity Trust		-	-	-	8,685
		27,133	83,113	110,246	89,208
Creditors < 1 year		-	(200)	(200)	-
Total Assets		27,133	82,913	110,046	89,208

The notes on pages 3 to 4 form part of these accounts.

The above accounts were approved by the Trustees on 27th January 2022 and signed on their behalf by:

 A. Cawkwell

Andrew Cawkwell

Chair



Sarah Judson

Treasurer

Notes to the accounts

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting: These accounts have been prepared on an Accruals Basis.

2. Grants

	2021	2020
	£	£
Covid BR	10,000	-
Garfield Weston	-	10,000
Durham AAP		5,000
Sir James Knott Trust		5,000
Durham Neighbourhood		6,000
	10,000	26,400

3. Fixed Assets

The Group own their own land and buildings which was gifted to them in 1959.

The re-instatement value insured is £386,000.

4. Unrestricted Funds

The General Fund is an unrestricted fund, available for the general purposes of the charity.

	Bal B/f	Receipts	Payments	Bal C/f
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General	62,323	40,528	(19,938)	82,913

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5. Restricted Funds

Restricted Funds are only available to be used for the specific designated purpose.

	Bal B/f	Receipts	Payments	Bal C/f
	£	£	£	£
The Hut Extension	26,883	-	-	26,883
Other	-	250	-	,250
Total	26,883	250	-	27,133

The Hut restricted funds relate to grants and donations received in relation to a project to refurbish and extend the premises. Planning approval for this project was granted on 13 August 2018.

£5,000 has also been pledged by the Bernard Sunley Trust and is payable to the Group when the outstanding funds for the project have been secured and the project has commenced.

Other restricted funds relate to an amount held on account relating to the Sacriston section.

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