

1ST NORBRECK SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales · Charity number 521556

Details

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| Other names | 1ST NORBECK BOY SCOUT GROUP, 1ST NORBECK SCOUT GROUP |
| Status | Registered |
| Legal form | Trust |
| Registered | 1967-01-11 |
| Register | View on the Charity Commission register |

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Activities

Objects: SCOUT GROUP

Activities: Scout and Guide Group

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, Religious Activities, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport, Environment/conservation/heritage
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** BLACKPOOL
- Blackpool

Finances

| Period end | Income | Expenditure | Assets | Employees |
|------------|---------|-------------|--------|-----------|
| 2025-03-31 | £26,029 | £25,444 | - | - |
| 2024-03-31 | £21,190 | £27,651 | - | - |
| 2023-03-31 | £30,284 | £31,911 | - | - |
| 2022-03-31 | £24,323 | £17,911 | - | - |
| 2021-03-31 | £27,699 | £6,945 | - | - |

Trustees

| Name | Role | Appointed |
|---------------------------|------|------------|
| Anne Maria Rumley | | 2024-10-09 |
| Damian Howard Cartwright | | 2024-10-09 |
| Howard Christopher Hockey | | 2024-10-09 |
| Julie Elizabeth Sloman | | 2024-10-09 |
| LUCY FIONA MACNEILL | | 2024-10-09 |
| Michael John Watkinson | | 2024-10-09 |
| Peter Rumley | | 2017-09-02 |
| Richard Andrew Scott | | 2024-10-09 |
| Steven Geoffrey Platt | | 2024-10-09 |
| Valerie Anne Bradford | | 2024-10-09 |

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1ST Norbreck Scout Group Trustee Report 2024-2025

1ST Norbreck Scout Group Report for the Year ended 31ST March 2025

The Scout Group present their report for the year ended 31st March 2025. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with standard accounting practice and comply with the Charity's Trust Deed and applicable law.

Reference and Administrative details of the Charity, its Trustees and Advisers:

1st Norbreck Scout & Guide Group registered charity number 521556 is an independent charity owned by 1st Norbreck Scout Group. Members of the Trustee Board who have served during the year and since the year end are listed below.

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| Damian Cartwright | Peter Rumley | Richard Scott | Valerie Bradford |
| Anne Rumley | Steven Platt | Howard Hockey | Lucy McNeill |
| Michael watkinson | | | |

Address:

1st Norbreck Scout & Guide Group, Carr Road, Thornton Cleveleys, Lancashire, FY5 3AG

Composition of the Trustee Board:

The Chairman; The Treasurer; The Group Lead Volunteer and 6 appointed members.

Independent Examiner:

Paul Smedley

Structure, Governance and Management:

The Charity is governed by a trust deed and is operated by the Trustee Board incorporated as a body. Its property is held by the The Scout Association Trust Corporation on behalf of the Charity and 1st Norbreck Guide Company jointly and they are subject to covenants set out in The Scout and Guide Joint Trust Deed Of 1st October 1975. The Trustee Board acts as the Council of the Charity as defined in the said conveyance. The Trustee Board meet at least four times a year.

Objectives and Activities:

To maintain and operate on a day to day basis, the 1st Norbreck Scout & Guide HQ within the objectives of the Scout and Guide Associations concerned with the development of young people.

Public Benefit:

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Charity's aims and objectives and in planning future activities.

Achievements, Performance & Financial Review

The Scout Group has net income for the year of £26030.07, (2025 net expenditure £25445.27), as shown in the statement of financial activities in the attached accounts.

Annual Review

Once again the main focus this financial year has been one of improving the facilities the Scout and Guide Group use on a weekly basis so that the young people we have under our care may experience a safe, welcoming environment, conducive to the activities we undertake.

The group runs a comprehensive programme of activities making full use of the hut and grounds. Increased lettings have improved the income and once again rental income covered the running costs of the building.

The Group has been fortunate in having the support of our local ward councillor who provided a substantial sum from her ward budget specifically for the improvement of the building and its facilities. This benefits not only Scouting and Guiding but the local community as it is they who provide the rental income and benefit jointly from the improvements.

The biggest outlay this financial year has been the purchase of new front reception doors replacing the UPVC ones with stronger aluminium. Also the external wooden kitchen door was replaced with UPVC. This work along with some other improvements has been undertaken by the father of one of the Cubs who has kindly provided his and his employees labour free of charge. In addition, working days have provided the opportunity to decorate the internal aspects of the building.

The Group increased rental charges this year by around 5% which meant there would be no increase in the subscriptions paid by the young people. Subscriptions are in line with other Scout & Guide Groups in the area and the Group Lead Volunteer (GLV) meets regularly with the GSL from our neighbouring Scout & Guide Group to discuss finance as well as operational matters.

Membership and attendance are both healthy though as happens in Scouting, membership per section tends to be a rollercoaster as young people reach their age limit for one section and move on, there is not always a cohort in the wings ready to replace them. This is particularly visible in Scouts though in recent months numbers have once again begun to grow. This year we started a Squirrel Drey for 4 to 6 year olds which now has a healthy membership and will hopefully act as a feeder to Beavers.

The rent review with the Local Authority is still underway and is now into its 2nd year. The lack of a lease is hindering the Groups ability to apply for grants which in turn has stalled the major project ideas members have.

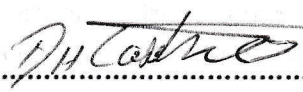
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The charity's policy on investments is to adopt a low-risk strategy based on maximising funds. The Charity currently has no investments.

The charity's policy on grants is to provide grants for training instruction for the activities we provide.

The Headquarters deeds are held by The Scout Association Trust Corporation, a charitable company limited by guarantee.

This report was approved, for and on behalf of the Trustee Board, and signed on its behalf by:-

Signed.......... Date.....9-9-25.....

Damian Cartwright - Chairman 1st Norbreck Scout Group Trustee Board

1ST NORBRECK SCOUT & GUIDE GROUP BUILDINGS ACCOUNT 1-4-2024 TO 31-3-2025

INCOME

| | |
|-----------------------------------|----------|
| X Hall Hire - Martial Arts | 60.00 |
| X Hall Hire - Waggys Dog Training | 4,000.00 |
| X Donations | 272.00 |
| X Hall Hire - K9 Dog Training | 865.00 |
| X Hall Hire - Craft n Chat | 980.00 |
| X Hall Hire - General Bookings | 235.00 |
| X Gang Show | 850.00 |
| X BBC Ward Councillor Grant | 2,383.04 |
| X Christmas Fayre | 597.55 |
| X Explorer rent | 120.00 |
| X PAT testing | 100.00 |

Uncashed Cheque

Total Income all sources **10,462.59**

B/F From 23/24 Bank Account **28,844.08**

£ 39306.67

EXPENDITURE

| | |
|------------------------|----------|
| Electric | 1,014.28 |
| Gas | 782.98 |
| Business Rates | 204.59 |
| Rent | 403.48 |
| Insurance | 2,473.88 |
| Water | 514.38 |
| Gas Servicing | 435.00 |
| Cleaning materials | 207.56 |
| General Maintenance | 477.78 |
| Fire Alarm & Equipment | 389.22 |
| Major Projects | 3,297.57 |
| Grounds Maintenance | 12.00 |
| Internet | 342.00 |
| 23/24 Late cheque | 250.00 |

Total Expenditure **10,804.72**

C/F to 24/25 Bank Account **28,501.95**

£ 39306.67

FOUND TO BE A TRUE AND ACCURATE RECORD

AUDITOR

DATE:

Paul Smedley PAUL SMEDLEY 9 JUN 25

1ST NORBRECK SCOUT GROUP ACCOUNT 1-4-2024 TO 31-3-2025

INCOME

| | |
|------------------|-----------|
| X Subscriptions | 7,154.50 |
| / Cubs Camp | 1,005.00 |
| / District Cubs | 35.00 |
| / Scouts Caving | 55.00 |
| X Clothing sales | 50.00 |
| / Cubs Gangshow | 116.00 |
| / Cubs LWM | 310.00 |
| / Cubs Aab | 777.00 |
| / Scout UCLAN | 3.50 |
| / Scouts C Rally | 55.00 |
| / Cub Sealife | 455.00 |
| / Cub Sleepover | 15.00 |
| Sub Total | 10,031.00 |

EXPENDITURE

| | |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Beaver Activities | 689.37 |
| Cub Activities | 2,751.94 |
| Scout Activities | 376.00 |
| Quartermaster | 342.21 |
| Group Badges/Activities | 339.97 |
| Scouts Petty cash | 400.00 |
| Courses | 165.00 |
| Capitation | 3,050.00 |
| AGM | 62.65 |
| Refund | 693.00 |
| Squirrels | 179.11 |
| Sub Total | 9,049.25 |

Uncashed Cheques Year 2024-2025 68.48

Cheques 101101&101102 23/24 30.00

Scout Section Income 5,468.00

Scout Section Expenditure 5,561.30

Total Income all sources 15,567.48

Total Expenditure 14,640.55

B/F From 23/24 Group Bank Account **19,666.17**

C/F to 25/26 Group Bank Account **20,686.40**

B/F From 23/24 Scout Section Account **1,283.62**

C/F to 25/26 Scout Section Account **1,190.32**

£ 36,517.27

£ 36,517.27

FOUND TO BE A TRUE AND ACCURATE RECORD

AUDITOR

DATE:

Paul Smedley

PAUL SMEDLEY

9 JUN 25

1st Norbreck Scout & Guide Group
Trustee Report 2024-2025
INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE 1st NORBRECK SCOUT & GUIDE GROUP

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31st March 2025, which are attached.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE SCOUT & GUIDE GROUP AND EXAMINER

The Trustee Board are responsible for the preparation of the accounts and they consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. 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 specific matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF 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 and a 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 statement below.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

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 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.

Signed: Paul Smalley

Date: 9 Jul 25

1ST NORBRECK SCOUT GROUP

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1ST Norbreck Scout & Guide Group

Trustee Report 2022-2023

1ST Norbreck Scout & Guide Group Report for the Year ended 31ST March 2023

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Reference and Administrative details of the Charity, it's Trustees and Advisers:

1st Norbreck Scout & Guide Group registered charity number 521556 is an independent charity jointly owned by 1st Norbreck Guiding & 1st Norbreck Scout Group. Members of the Group Executive who have served during the year and since the year end are listed below.

Address:

1st Norbreck Scout & Guide Group, Carr Road, Thornton Cleveleys, Lancashire, FY5 3AG

Composition of the Group Executive:

The Chairman; The Treasurer; The Group Scout Leader; The Secretary; An elected Section Representative.

Independent Examiner:

Paul Smedley

Structure, Governance and Management:

The Charity is governed by a trust deed and is operated by the Group Executive incorporated as a body. Its property is held by the Group Executive on behalf of the Charity and they are subject to covenants set out in the Guide Association Trust Deed of 1993. The Group Executive also acts as the Council of the Charity as defined in the said conveyance. The Group Executive meet at least four times a year.

Objectives and Activities:

To maintain and operate on a day to day basis, the 1st Norbreck Scout & Guide HQ within the objectives of the Scout and Guide Associations concerned with the development of young people.

Public Benefit:

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Charity's aims and objectives and in planning future activities.

Achievements, Performance & Financial Review

The Scout & Guide Group has net income for the year of £29407.87, (2023 net expenditure £31912.63), as shown in the statement of financial activities in the attached accounts.

Annual Review

This financial year has once again been a challenging one for 1st Norbreck Scout & Guide Group albeit for differing reasons to the past two years.

With Covid restrictions ending the group has been able to return to a comprehensive programme of activities making full use of the hut and grounds. Lettings slowly returned to pre-pandemic levels and although existing lessees reduced their delivery time, new lettings have been sourced to fill the gaps. The biggest challenge has been budgeting for utilities with gas and Electric prices rising substantially. We are on a fixed deal for electric but not so gas and it is the latter that has seen the biggest increases. At the commencement of the Financial year the Group chose to increase rental charges as they had not risen for over 4 years. Consultation with the other local Scout & Guide Group who also let out their premises was undertaken to not adversely affect each other's lettings due to undercutting or over charging. The group were approached by a couple with the request to hire the premises for a wedding blessing and reception. The transformation of the two halls was phenomenal and the couple had a fantastic day.

Membership and attendance are both healthy with new joiners every month especially in Beavers and Cubs. Chasing nonpayment of membership fees from Scouting members has been beneficial in that income from this source has increased this year.

The volunteers that help run the headquarters, though small in number, were active throughout the year maintaining the fabric of the building and ensuring compliance with statutory obligations. A grant from the local Councillors ward budget is to be used to replace our ageing boiler that supplies heating and hot water. The works will entail some building work so the schedule is to do this in summer when the hut is less used as there will be no hot water for the duration. Decorating of the toilets was to be undertaken as part of the District Network teams community project but things have gone a little quiet on this.

A rent review is currently underway as the current lease with Blackpool Borough Council comes to an end 31st December 2023.

The charity's policy on reserves is to try and maintain unrestricted liquid funds of £15,000 in order to cover the running costs of the Group HQ over a year.

The charity's policy on investments is to adopt a low-risk strategy based on maximising funds. The Charity currently has no investments.

The charity's policy on grants is to provide grants for training instruction for the activities we provide.

The Headquarters deeds are held jointly by The Scout Association Trust Corporation and The Guide Association Trust Corporation, both charitable companies limited by guarantee.

This report was approved, for and on behalf of the Management Committee, and signed on its behalf by:-

Signed.......... Date.....16-7-23.....

Damian Cartwright
Chairman 1st Norbreck Scout & Guide Group

1ST NORBRECK SCOUT GROUP ACCOUNT 1-4-2022 TO 31-3-2023

INCOME

| | |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Subscriptions | 6,412.00 |
| Cubs Bank account close | 136.68 |
| Red Rose | 150.00 |
| Paddlesports | 33.00 |
| Cub Trip LWM | 180.00 |
| Cubs CNY Camp | 180.00 |
| Link Camp | 760.00 |
| Neckers | 95.00 |
| Bingo Fundraiser | 28.00 |
| Gang Show | 18.00 |
| Cubs Knowsley Trip | 80.00 |

Sub Total 8,072.68

Uncashed Cheques 877.75

Scout Section Income 8,650.45

Total Income all sources 17600.88

B/F From 21/22 Group Bank Account **17932.69**

B/F From 21/22 Scout Section Account **5,864.31**

£ 41397.88

EXPENDITURE

| | |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Beaver Activities | 357.79 |
| Cub Activities | 1,048.70 |
| Scout Activities | 229.51 |
| Quartermaster | 4,027.92 |
| Scout Petty Cash Top Up | 400.00 |
| Group Badges | 264.75 |
| Donations | 125.00 |
| Camps | 1,169.00 |
| Insurance | 42.00 |
| Capitation | 2,072.00 |

Sub Total 9,736.67

Scout Section Expenditure 12,593.10

Total Expenditure 22329.77

C/F to 23/24 Group Bank Account **17146.45**

C/F to 23/24 Scout Section Account **1921.66**

£ 41397.88

FOUND TO BE A TRUE AND ACCURATE RECORD

AUDITOR

DATE:

Paul Smedley

PAUL SMEDEY

13/23

1ST NORBRECK SCOUT & GUIDE GROUP BUILDINGS ACCOUNT 1-4-2022 TO 31-3-2023

INCOME

EXPENDITURE

| | |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| Hall Hire - Martial Arts | 1,510.00 |
| Hall Hire - Waggys Dog Training | 4,305.00 |
| Hall Hire - Band | 540.00 |
| Grounds Hire - Dog Walking | 90.00 |
| Hall Hire - K9 Dog Training | 102.50 |
| Hall Hire - Crufts Training | 95.00 |
| Hall Hire - General Bookings | 927.00 |
| Gang Show | 750.00 |
| BBC Ward Councillor Grant | 4,365.24 |

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| Electric | 506.04 |
| Gas | 1,486.23 |
| Business Rates | 384.00 |
| Rent | 403.48 |
| Insurance | 2,598.28 |
| Water | 611.36 |
| Gas Servicing | 425.00 |
| Cleaning materials | 104.90 |
| General Maintenance | 322.97 |
| Fire Alarm & Equipment | 296.64 |
| Stationery | 5.70 |
| Thursday Club | 19.73 |
| Grass Cutting | 125.00 |
| First Aid | 43.53 |
| Gang Show | 555.00 |
| Heating Repairs | 1,105.00 |
| Floor Repairs | 390.00 |
| Wedding Bond Refund | 200.00 |

Total Income all sources **12,684.74**

Total Expenditure **9,582.86**

B/F From 20/21 Bank Account **33,805.88**

C/F to 22/23 Bank Account **36,907.76**

£ 46490.62

£ 46490.62

FOUND TO BE A TRUE AND ACCURATE RECORD

AUDITOR

DATE:

Paul Smedley

PAUL SMEDLEY

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**1ST Norbreck Scout & Guide Group
Trustee Report 2022-2023**

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE 1ST NORBRECK SCOUT & GUIDE GROUP

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Signed.....*Paul Smedley*..... Date.....*13 Jun 23*.....

Paul Smedley
Independent Examiner

1ST NORBRECK SCOUT GROUP

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1ST Norbreck Scout & Guide Group

Trustee Report 2020-2021

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Independent Examiner:

Kerri Duckworth

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Public Benefit:

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1ST Norbreck Scout & Guide Group
Trustee Report 2020-2021

1ST Norbreck Scout & Guide Group Report for the year ended 31ST March 2021

Achievements, Performance & Financial Review

The activity centre has net income for the year of £27,299, (2021 net expenditure £6,945), as shown in the statement of financial activities in the attached accounts.

Annual Review

This financial year has been a challenging one for 1ST Norbreck Scout & Guide Group.

At the commencement of the Financial year the Group, in line with all other Youth Organisations in the Country, were instructed to avoid all face-to-face meetings due to the pandemic. So that the sections did not lose their membership, delivery of sessions continued in an online format using Zoom. Although the leaders made sterling efforts to prepare and deliver a programme of activities, the restrictions of no in-person meetings inevitably led to a drop off in attendance and a massive restriction on a normal Scout & Guide balanced programme.

At various points throughout the financial year, National advice moved between the states of Amber, Yellow and red which meant that at times some face-to-face meetings could be held albeit outdoors. During the period of enforced closure, the volunteers that help run the headquarters have been active. They have maintained the fabric of the building and although financial income from lettings has been curtailed, the provision of Covid grants via the Local Authority have enabled more major refurbishment projects to be planned and started.

As things stand at present, the closure of the headquarters will run into the ensuing financial year as it is appearing more likely that there will be no easing of the lockdown restrictions on youth organisations in the foreseeable future.


The charity's policy on reserves is to try and maintain unrestricted liquid funds of £10,000 in order to cover the running costs of the centre over a year.

The charity's policy on investments is to adopt a low-risk strategy based on maximising funds. The Charity currently has no investments.

The charity's policy on grants is to provide grants for training instructors for the activities we provide.

The Headquarters deeds are held jointly by The Scout Association Trust Corporation and The Guide Association Trust Corporation, both charitable companies limited by guarantee

This report was approved, for and on behalf of the Management Committee, and signed on its behalf by:-

Signed.....  Date..... 20/6/2022

Jennifer Hill
Chairman 1ST Norbreck Scout & Guide Group

**1ST Norbreck Scout & Guide Group
Trustee Report 2020-2021**

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE 1ST NORBRECK SCOUT & GUIDE GROUP

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2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed.......... Date..... 20/6/2022

Kerri Duckworth
Independent Examiner

| 1ST NORBRECK BUILDINGS ACCOUNT 1ST APRIL 2020 TO 31ST MARCH 2021 | | | |
|---|--|------------------|--|
| Income | | | |
| Hall Hire | | 400.00 | |
| Grants received BBC | | 21,237.00 | |
| TOTAL | | 21,637.00 | |
| Expenditure | | | |
| Council Tax and land rent | | 1,603.79 | |
| Electric | | 671.80 | |
| Gas | | 809.52 | |
| Water | | 618.26 | |
| Insurance of HQ | | 2,426.86 | |
| PRS Lic | | 87.12 | |
| TOTAL | | 6,217.35 | |
| Balance B/f 1.4.20 | | 16,951.11 | |
| Income | | 21,637.00 | |
| Expenditure | | -6,217.35 | |
| Balance C/F 31.3.21 | | 32,370.76 | |

Auditors report.

From the books, papers and explanations given to me,
 I am satisfied that these accounts represent a
 true and proper record.

18/4/21 Kessi Duckworth

| 1ST NORBRECK BEAVERS, CUBS AND SCOUTS ACCOUNTS | |
|--|------------------|
| 1ST April 2020 to 31st March 2021 | |
| Income | |
| Subs | 6,062.00 |
| TOTAL | 6,062.00 |
| Expenditure | |
| Petty Cash | 321.50 |
| equipment bought | 236.32 |
| Leader expenses | 38.50 |
| refund of subs | 132.00 |
| TOTAL | 728.32 |
| Balance 1.4.2020 | 12,411.32 |
| Income | 6,062.00 |
| Expenditure | -728.32 |
| Balance 31.3.2021 | 17,745.00 |

Auditors report.

From the books, papers and explanations given to me,

I am satisfied that these accounts represent a true and proper record.

18/4/21 Kerri Duckworth

1ST Norbreck Scout & Guide Group

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1st Norbreck Scout & Guide Group Report for the Year ended 31st March 2021

The Scout & Guide Group present their report for the year ended 31st March 2021. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with standard accounting practice and comply with the Charity's Trust Deed and applicable law.

Reference and Administrative details of the Charity, it's Trustees and Advisers:

1st Norbreck Scout & Guide Group registered charity number 521556 is an independent charity jointly owned by 1st Norbreck Guiding & 1st Norbreck Scout Group. Members of the Group Executive who have served during the year and since the year end are listed below.

Address:

1st Norbreck Scout & Guide Group, Carr Road, Thornton Cleveleys, Lancashire, FY5 3AG

Composition of the Group Executive:

The Chairman; The Treasurer; The Group Scout Leader; The Secretary; An elected Section Representative.

Independent Examiner:

Kerri Duckworth

Structure, Governance and Management:

The Charity is governed by a trust deed and is operated by the Group Executive incorporated as a body. Its property is held by the Group Executive on behalf of the Charity and they are subject to covenants set out in the Guide Association Trust Deed of 1993. The Group Executive also acts as the Council of the Charity as defined in the said conveyance. The Group Executive meet at least four times a year.

Objectives and Activities:

To maintain and operate, on a day to day basis, the 1st Norbreck Scout & Guide HQ within the objectives of the Scout and Guide Associations concerned with the development of young people.

Public Benefit:

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Charity's aims and objectives and in planning future activities.

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Achievements, Performance & Financial Review

The activity centre has net income for the year of £27,299, (2021 net expenditure £6,945), as shown in the statement of financial activities in the attached accounts.

Annual Review

This financial year has been a challenging one for 1ST Norbreck Scout & Guide Group.

At the commencement of the Financial year the Group, in line with all other Youth Organisations in the Country, were instructed to avoid all face-to-face meetings due to the pandemic. So that the sections did not lose their membership, delivery of sessions continued in an online format using Zoom. Although the leaders made sterling efforts to prepare and deliver a programme of activities, the restrictions of no in-person meetings inevitably led to a drop off in attendance and a massive restriction on a normal Scout & Guide balanced programme.

At various points throughout the financial year, National advice moved between the states of Amber, Yellow and red which meant that at times some face-to-face meetings could be held albeit outdoors. During the period of enforced closure, the volunteers that help run the headquarters have been active. They have maintained the fabric of the building and although financial income from lettings has been curtailed, the provision of Covid grants via the Local Authority have enabled more major refurbishment projects to be planned and started.

As things stand at present, the closure of the headquarters will run into the ensuing financial year as it is appearing more likely that there will be no easing of the lockdown restrictions on youth organisations in the foreseeable future.


The charity's policy on reserves is to try and maintain unrestricted liquid funds of £10,000 in order to cover the running costs of the centre over a year.

The charity's policy on investments is to adopt a low-risk strategy based on maximising funds. The Charity currently has no investments.

The charity's policy on grants is to provide grants for training instructors for the activities we provide.

The Headquarters deeds are held jointly by The Scout Association Trust Corporation and The Guide Association Trust Corporation, both charitable companies limited by guarantee

This report was approved, for and on behalf of the Management Committee, and signed on its behalf by:-

Signed.....  Date..... 20/6/2022

Jennifer Hill
Chairman 1ST Norbreck Scout & Guide Group

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE 1ST NORBRECK SCOUT & GUIDE GROUP

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31st March 2021, which are attached.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE SCOUT & GUIDE GROUP AND EXAMINER

The Group Executive are responsible for the preparation of the accounts and they consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. 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 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 and a 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 statement below.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

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 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.

Signed.......... Date..... 20/6/2022

Kerri Duckworth
Independent Examiner