

Trustees' Annual Report

For the period

From (start date) **01/03/2024**

to end date **31/08/2025**

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name

5th Stapleford Scout Group

Other names the charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

522429

HQ registration number

Charity's principal address

Wesleyan Chapel, Stapleford House

Wesley Place

Stapleford

Nottingham Postcode NG9 8DP

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

(These will be published in the annual report of the charity and the Charity Register if reporting for a Registered Charity with a charity regulator)

	Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1	Claire Porter	GLV	
2	Heather Bessant	Chair	
3	Philip McGowan	Treasurer	
4	Owen Hayward		
5	Ryan Mercer		20/06/24 - 31/08/25
6	David Evans		20/06/24 - 31/08/25
7	Bryony Webb		20/06/24 - 31/08/25
8	Daniel Hands		20/06/24 - 31/08/25
9	Kyrie Fulwood		20/06/24 - 31/08/25
10	Sue Cobb	Secretary	01/03/24 - 19/06/24
11	Rachel Hedley	Chair	01/03/24 - 19/06/24
12	John Crandley		01/03/24 - 19/06/24
13	Matt Foster		01/03/24 - 19/06/24
14	Helen Underwood		01/03/24 - 19/06/24
15	Chris Underwood		01/03/24 - 19/06/24
16	Anne Wilson		01/03/24 - 19/06/24

Names and addresses of advisers (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

(These will be published in the annual report of the charity)

Type of advisor	Name	Address

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document

The Group's governing documents are those of the The Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, which in turn gives authority to the Bye Laws of the Association and The Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.

(e.g. trust deed, constitution)

How the charity is constituted

The Group is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.

(e.g. trust, association, company)

Trustee selection methods

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.

(e.g. appointed by, elected by)

Additional governance issues (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:

The Group is managed by the Group Trustee Board, the members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' of the Scout Group which is an educational charity. As charity trustees they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities. This includes the registration, keeping proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate.

Policies and procedures adopted for:

- a) the induction and training of trustees;
- b) trustee' consideration of major risks and the systems and procedures to manage them

The Trustee Board consists of the Chair, Treasurer and 7 Trustees (including 1 Ex Officio Trustees) and meets every 3 months.

Members of the Trustee Board complete Being a Scouts Trustee learning within the first 6 months of joining the Board.

This Group Trustee Board exists to make sure the charity is well-managed, risks are assessed and mitigated, buildings and equipment are in good working order, and everyone follows legal requirements and the organisation's policies and rules. Their support helps other volunteers run high-quality and safe programmes that gives young people skills for life.

Risk and Internal Control

The group has in place systems of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss, these include 2 signatories for all payments and comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

Section C	Objectives and activities
Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document	<p>The Purpose of Scouting Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.</p> <p>The Values of Scouting As Scouts we are guided by these values: Integrity - We act with integrity; we are honest, trustworthy and loyal. Respect - We have self-respect and respect for others. Care - We support others and take care of the world in which we live. Belief - We explore our faiths, beliefs and attitudes. Co-operation - We make a positive difference; we co-operate with others and make friends.</p> <p>The Scout Method Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together based on the values of Scouting and: - enjoy what they are doing and have fun - take part in activities indoors and outdoors - learn by doing - share in spiritual reflection - take responsibility and make choices - undertake new and challenging activities - make and live by their Promise.</p>
Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects	By giving our members opportunities that they may not otherwise we encounter, we hope to foster our young people's confidence in themselves, enable them to respect others and to have fun.
Additional details of the objectives and activities	
<p>You may choose to include further statements, where relevant, about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • policy on grantmaking; • contribution made by volunteers; • policy on investments. 	We are grateful to the many people who give their time to support the young people who attend group meetings, in particular to the leaders of the various groups who regularly give up their evenings and weekends
Public benefit statement	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.
Section D	Achievements and performance
Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year	<p>We have ensured that each member of 5th Stapleford has the opportunity to go on a camp as part of their membership.</p> <p>A squirrel drey was set up during the period, and started meeting after the period end.</p>

Section E	Financial Review
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Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

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. The Group Trustee Board considers that the group should hold a sum equivalent to 4 months running costs, circa £5,000.

Quantify and explain any designations

The Group held reserves of approximately £16,492 against this at year end. This is above the minimum level required for operating expenses.

Details of any funds materially in deficit (circumstances plus steps to eliminate)

Further financial review details (optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives;

Investment Policy (Specimen 2)

The Group does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer term investments. The Group has therefore adopted a risk averse strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or building societies.

Section F	Other Optional Information
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Plans for future periods (details of any significant activities planned to achieve them)

Subsequent to the period end, we have started a squirrel drey which now meets regularly. We have also started meeting in a more suitable building.

Section G	Declaration
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The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Signed Electronically

Full name(s)

David Evans

Position (eg Secretary, Chair)

Trustee

Date

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	2024-2025	2023-2024
Income		
Bank Interest	165.90	82.03
Donation	5,500.00	0.00
Events	178.07	0.00
Events - Beavers	1,057.50	160.00
Events - Cubs	3,098.50	1,663.60
Events - Explorers	1,572.50	312.00
Events - Scouts	2,988.50	133.00
Fundraising	1,022.69	873.25
Gift Aid	7,034.56	0.00
Meetings	0.00	30.00
Membership Fees	17,933.45	6,763.94
Uniform	615.29	0.00
Expense		
Activity Equipment	1,828.80	439.32
Admin	1,795.89	881.52
Awards	184.93	0.00
Badges	5,384.36	1,701.29
Bank Fees	1,096.14	186.22
Camping Equipment	2,688.70	140.00
Events	2,897.76	620.65
Events - Beavers	970.83	60.00
Events - Cubs	3,661.80	1,708.39
Events - Explorers	781.69	658.70
Events - Scouts	3,281.89	506.22
Fundraising	475.35	493.85
Insurance	153.92	209.19
Meetings	43.98	99.90
Meetings - Beavers	97.19	133.79
Meetings - Cubs	118.70	384.41
Meetings - Explorers	44.10	189.19
Meetings - Scouts	199.66	72.60
Membership Costs	9,430.00	0.00
OSM	317.95	273.25
Uniform	1,310.35	503.29
Utilities	1,131.02	370.81
Venue Maintenance	715.37	678.93
Account balances		
Expense Account	553.96	309.03
5TH STAPLEFORD SCOUT GRP NO3 A	1,437.77	5,348.12
Savings	14,500.00	8,278.00
Summary		
Account balance brought forward	13,935.15	14,228.85
Total income	41,166.96	10,017.82
Total expenditure	38,610.38	10,311.52
Net income	2,556.58	-293.70
Account balance carried forward	16,491.73	13,935.15



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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

5th Stapleford Scout Group

**On accounts for the 18
month period ended**

31st August 2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

522429

Set out on pages

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**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the 18 month period ended 31/8/2025.

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 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.

Signed:

E. Kilkenny

Date:

4th February 2026

Name:

Elaine Kilkenny

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

Address:

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Bramcote

Nottingham NG9 3LR

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.