

CHARITY NUMBER: 524509



Burton-on-Trent and District Scout Council

Receipts and Payments accounts
(Incorporating the Trustees' Annual Report)

Year ended 31 March 2024

Independently examined by Thomas Haslehurst of Haslehursts Chartered Accountants

BURTON UPON TRENT DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT 2023/4

Section 1	Legal and Administrative Information	
Charity name	Burton Upon Trent District Scout Council	
Charity Commission registered number	524509	
Financial year beginning	01/04/2023	
Financial year ending	31/03/2024	
Charity's principal address		
Description of the charity's trusts:		
Governing document	The District's governing documents are those of 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.	
Objects of the charity	The Mission of the Scout Association is "Scouting actively engages and supports young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society". 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 See the Mission & Values statement	
Specific investment powers	None	
Professional advisers:		
Bankers	Lloyd's Bank, High Street, Burton upon Trent	
Section 2	Trustees and Governance	
Trustee Changes		
Paul Creaser resigned as acting District Commissioner.		
Richard Williams (County Commissioner) became acting District Commissioner.		
Name of Trustee	Post held, and dates during which named trustees acted, if not for whole period of this report	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint any charity trustee
Nigel Evans	District Chair	District Commissioner
Richard Williams	District Commissioner (acting)	The County Commissioner
Nigel Saunders	District Treasurer	District Scout Council
Angela Burns	Deputy DC	District Commissioner
Chris Harlow	Deputy DC	District Commissioner
Jeanne Fairfield	Appointment Panel Member	District Scout Council

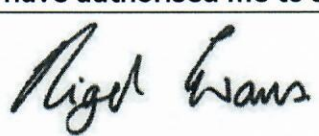
Beverly Ashcroft	Local Councillor	District Scout Council
Graham Jacks	Adult Member Volunteer	District Scout Council
Alex Hall	Adult Member Volunteer (14-25 Lead)	District Commissioner
Rob Leadbeater	Adult Member Volunteer	District Scout Council
Section 3	Activities and Achievements	
Membership	<p>A full account of the activities and achievements of the District is given in the District Lead Volunteer's Annual Report, available on request. The highlights for this year were as follows:</p> <p>It has been a tough year for Burton District. Several groups have decreased in size, and we had to temporarily close 21st Burton due to low numbers and also the recently opened Squirrel Drey. Numbers are currently at 831 young people which is 55 lower than last year and adult members are at 239 which is 26 down from last year. Despite this there is a positive outlook with a growth plan agreed to slowly re-open 21st Burton with support from 11th Burton, and to grow 22nd Burton with the addition of a squirrel drey and an Explorer unit.</p>	
Activities	<p>There are lots of amazing activities run across the District. Lots of camping and residential activities are happening in many different places by all groups. The District supported and ran activities throughout for all groups including skills days and camps which were well attended and enjoyed by all. The District now has a District Youth Team who led St Georges day activities as part of them having more impact going forwards. We are well prepared for the forthcoming transformation of scouting with AGMs adopting new practicing and our data being in good shape for the new adult membership system including all our compliance training.</p>	
Charity Fund-raising	<p>We continually promote actively engaging and supporting young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society. This is achieved through the adults working in partnership with young people in a fun, learning environment which promotes our core values, Integrity; Respect; Care; Belief and Co-operation.</p>	
Facilities	<p>There has been no specific charity fund-raising exercise this year. The payment process from the Scouts fundraising and payments goes through the Scout District.</p>	
Leadership	<p>Facilities at the Rangemore Scout Centre District HQ and Campsite have continued to be utilized by young people and adults throughout the year. We are now almost at to pre-pandemic usage. Plans are in place for a major</p>	

	<p>refurbishment of the toilet and showering facilities and new plans are afoot for a second site entrance/exit to improve safety.</p> <p>The District structure is managed through a District Lead Volunteer (District Commissioner (acting)); with a reviewed structure to reflect our youth movement. We are focused on being Youth Shaped in accordance with the Vision 2018 of the Scout Association and to prepare better futures through the Skills for Life strategy of The Scout Association (The Scouts).</p> <p>The Scout Association's Transformation process is well underway and has started to show itself locally here in Burton.</p> <p>Transitioning from Executive Committees to Trustee Boards and Management Teams will clarify the requirements of governance and operational control thus ensuring individuals are better focused on delivery of quality programmes within the rules and guidelines of the Scout Association. The next scheduled Annual General Meeting of the District and Groups is where the transformation from Executives to Trustees Boards should be ratified. We are expecting this will take a further 12 months to iron out implementation issues.</p>
Section 4	Policies
Reserves policy	<p>The District's current policy on financial reserves is to retain a balance equal to the annual membership fee, some £41,301, and this has been achieved this year.</p> <p>The Scout Association's Short Term Investment Account facility has been withdrawn so we have moved our investment to a savings account at our local bank. This accounts now holds £60,371 to be used for the provision and development of the campsite and Burton scouting in general.</p> <p>We will review the future needs and the reserves policy annually in accordance with good practise, recommendations from The Scout Association and development expectations for Scouting throughout the Burton Upon Trent District.</p>
Grant-making policy	The Trustees do not make grants to outside organisations
Investment selection policy	The Scout Association's Policy, Organisation & Rules set out the manner in which the funds of the District may be invested.
Review of major risks	<p>Financial – risks managed by retention of reserves as outlined above.</p> <p>Property – risks managed by adequate insurance of buildings and facilities.</p> <p>People – risks managed by application of the Scout Associations policies on Adventurous Activities / Emergencies/ Safeguarding and Bullying and GDPR</p> <p>Trustees – All Trustees are expected to complete mandatory training after appointment, and this will continue after Transformation. The risk may reduce</p>

	<p>somewhat as Trustees are now allowed to spend longer on the Board before re-appointment.</p> <p>The Scout District and the Groups within are all operated following the information and guidelines in the Policy Organisation and Rules as amended regularly by The Scout Association</p>
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Section 5	Signature and Declaration
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Declaration	I declare, in my capacity as charity trustee, that:
	the trustees have approved the report above; and
	have authorised me to sign on their behalf.
Signature	
Full Name	Nigel John Evans
Position	District Chair
Date	21/05/2024

Mission statement

Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.

Vision

We will continue to prepare more young people with skills for life, supported by amazing leaders who deliver an inspiring programme.

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.

Strategic Priorities

The following Strategic Priorities are People Programme and Perception.

People: More well trained better supported and motivated adult volunteers, and more young people from diverse backgrounds.

Programme: A fun, high-quality programme consistently delivered and supported by simple digital tools.

Perception: Scouting is understood, more visible, trusted, respected and widely seen as playing a key role in society today.

Our Objectives are: We want to Grow; Become more Inclusive; Be More Youth Shaped and Impact our communities.

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.

Diversity & Inclusion

Scouting should reflect the societies in which it exists and actively work to welcome all individuals without distinction. This diversity should not only be reflected in the membership, but also the methods and programmes used within the Movement.

Social Impact

Every Scout should be involved in community service and share their experiences to inspire others. Through activities and projects, Scouts contribute to their communities and become leaders of positive change. Burton upon Trent Scout District aims to develop Scouting through the full application of the UK Scout Association Policy and programme

Preparing better futures #SkillsforLife



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

Charity Name
Burton-on-Trent District Scout Council

No (if any)
524509

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
01/04/2023


To

Period end date
31/03/2024

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Membership subscriptions	44,301	0	0	44,301	41,381
Less: membership paid on	(38,226)	0	0	(38,226)	(38,907)
Donations and grants	190	0	0	190	1,600
Beavers section income	2,819			2,819	1,577
Cub section income	5,015	0	0	5,015	2,336
Scout section income	3,147			3,147	2,940
Explorer section income	17,385			17,385	15,083
World Scout Jamboree	794			794	7,752
Campsite income	18,459	0	0	18,459	19,775
Shop income	196	0	0	196	934
Investment income	1,019	0	0	1,019	297
Miscellaneous income	30	0	0	30	924
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	55,129	-	-	55,129	55,692
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Loan repayment from 22nd	1,800	-	-	1,800	7,950
Loan repayment from 24th	6,000	-	-	6,000	-
Sub total	7,800	-	-	7,800	7,950
Total receipts	62,929	-	-	62,929	63,642
A3 Payments					
Support and training	40	-	-	40	1,079
Insurance	1,903	-	-	1,903	1,669
Printing, photocopying and postage	1,083	-	-	1,083	336
St George's Day	716			716	843
Other District payments	750			750	479
Development grant				-	-
Beaver section expenditure	2,887			2,887	2,777
Cub section expenditure	6,619	-	-	6,619	3,830
Scout section expenditure	4,429	-	-	4,429	3,597
Explorer section expenditure	17,565	-	-	17,565	14,230
Campsite running costs	12,462	-	-	12,462	18,243
Shop expenditure		-	-	-	740
World Scout Jamboree	2,350	-	-	2,350	10,796
Sub total	50,804	-	-	50,804	58,619
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
		-	-	-	7,451
Sub total	-	-	-	-	7,451
Total payments	50,804	-	-	50,804	66,070
Net of receipts/(payments)	12,125	-	-	12,125	- 2,428
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	99,387	-	-	99,387	101,815
Cash funds this year end	111,512	-	-	111,512	99,387

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	District current accounts	15,304	-	-
	Deposit account	55,371		
	Section accounts	7,349		
	Shop and campsite accounts	33,338	-	-
	Cash floats	150	-	-
	Total cash funds		111,512	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))		OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
	Campsite tuck shop stock	905	-	-
			-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Loan to 22nd due < 1 year	Unrestricted	1,600	1,600
	Loan to 22nd due > 1 year	Unrestricted	-	-
	Loan to 24th due < 1 year	Unrestricted	6,000	6,000
	Loan to 24th due > 1 year	Unrestricted	32,000	32,000
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Fixed assets (building, equipment etc)	Unrestricted	436,549	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Nigel SAUNDERS	25/7/24	



CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	Charity Name Burton-on-Trent and District Scout Council		
On accounts for the year ended	31 March 2024	Charity no (if any)	524509
Set out on pages	7 to 8 <small>(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)</small>		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

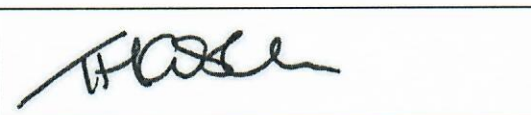
I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn 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:



Date:

25/07/2024

Name:

Thomas Haslehurst

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

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Address:

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Sutton Coldfield, B75 5BE

Section B	Disclosure
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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight 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.