

1ST ALCESTER SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales · Charity number 524560

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 1970-05-13

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

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Activities

Objects: SCOUT GROUP

Activities: The scout group delivers a programme of stimulating and educational activities to the young people who comprise the membership

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** Education/training, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** ALCESTER
- Warwickshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£94,994	£54,037	-	-
2024-03-31	£55,151	£47,282	-	-
2023-03-31	£37,015	£42,598	-	-
2022-03-31	£36,354	£12,924	-	-
2021-03-31	£36,839	£13,134	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Jennifer McClellan	Chair	2023-09-23
Brett Jonathan Allard		2026-01-09
MICHAEL DEAN		
Mark Riddington		2021-09-06
STEPHEN BENNETT		
Timothy John Cronin		2022-11-07
Tom Crookson		2026-01-09

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Trustees' Annual Report

For the period

From (Start date)

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 to end date

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Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

1st Alcester Scout Group									
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Other names the charity is known by

n/a									
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Registered charity number (if any)

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HQ registration number

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Charity's principal address

Alcester Guide and Scout Centre											
Moorfield Road											
Alcester, Warwickshire											
Postcode					B	4	9		5	D	A

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	Mr Austin Tovey	Chair	Until - 28.09.24
2	Mrs Jennifer McClellan	Chair	Chair From – 28.09.24
3	Mr Mark Riddington	Treasurer	
4	Mr Michael Dean	Membership Secretary	
5	Mr Stephen Bennett		
6	Mr Timothy Cronin		
7	Mr Miroslaw Sztramski		Until - 30.06.25
8	Mrs Kelly Ronnenburg	Secretary	Until - 28.09.24
9	Mrs Jane Tovey		Until - 28.09.24
10	Mrs Sue Berry		Until - 28.09.24
11	Mr Mark Berry		Until - 28.09.24
12	Mrs Tina Bennett		Until - 28.09.24
13	Mr David Smith		Until - 28.09.24
14	Mr Richard Clark		Until - 28.09.24
15			

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

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Type of advisor	Name	Address

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document

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(e.g. trust deed, constitution)

How the charity is constituted

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Trustee selection methods

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

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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 4 Trustees (including 1 Ex Officio Trustee) 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

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Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

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Co-operation - We make a positive difference; we cooperate with others and make friends.

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.

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

The objectives of the Charity are achieved through a weekly programme of engaging activities, camps, charitable and community service activities throughout the year designed to further the young people's personal development

Additional details of the objectives and activities (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- contribution made by volunteers;
- policy on investments.

To support and subsidise activities within the Group an Activity Fund is in place where sections can draw down funds from it to help with the costs of the activities they run. The value of the fund for each section is based on £30 per member per year.

The Group invests in a combination of an instant access savings account and a 95 day notice savings account an amount of money to be agreed each year as a way of earning a return on the capital it holds

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

Opening of our first Squirrels Drey for 4-6 year olds
Dovetrek 2025 - District Scout Walking challenge
Beavers Hut Camp and Activity Day at Blackwell Adventure
France Camp 2024 for Panthers Cubs and Macleans Scouts
Back to Basics Camp – Macleans Scouts
Shooting Camp 2024
Youlbury Camp – Pumas Cubs and United Scouts
People's Postcode Lottery Grant of £10,000
Family Fun Day for the 2023-24 AGM

Section E

Financial Review

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 6 months running costs, circa £21,000 in addition to a long term reserve of at least £30,000 within a combination of an instant access savings account and a 95 day notice savings account.

Quantify and explain any designations

The Group held reserves of approximately £54,000 against this at year end. This is above the level required for operating expenses. However this can be explained by this also includes the £10,000 grant from the People's Postcode Lottery which is a restricted fund.

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

n/a

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);

Investment Policy

The Group's Income and Expenditure is very small and as a consequence does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer-term investments such as stocks and shares. The Group has therefore adopted a low risk strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or building societies.

- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives;

The Group Trustee Board regularly monitors the levels of bank balances and the interest rates received to ensure the group obtains maximum value and income from its banking arrangements. Occasionally this may involve using an account that requires a period of notice before funds may be withdrawn, before doing so the Group Trustee Board considers the cash flow requirements.

Section F Other Optional Information

Plans for future periods (details of any significant activities planned to achieve them)

In the 2025-26 financial year, the Group is holding a large international trip to Kandersteg jointly between the Alcester United Scouts and the West Warwickshire District Monkeys Fist Explorer Unit. This trip has resulted in a large amount of funds being received by the Group in the 2024-25 financial year in preparation for the trip. However, the bulk of the expenditure for the trip will be in the 2025-26 financial year.

Although a £10,000 grant from the People’s Postcode Lottery was received within the 2024-25 financial year, the majority of the money was unspent within the financial year, largely due to capacity of members of the Group to organise how to spend the money. Plans are now in place to spend this money within the first half of the 2025-26 financial year. We will also be receiving a further £10,000 grant from the People’s Postcode Lottery in the 2025-26 financial year as part of a staged £20,000 grant. Plans are also in place now for the spending of this second £10,000 as well.

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees’ report above

Signed on behalf of the charity’s trustees

Signature(s)

Full name(s)

Position (eg Secretary, Chair)

Date

1st Alcester Scout Group (Charity no. 524560)

Receipts and Payments Account

	Year start date		Year end date
For the year from	01.04.2024	To	31.03.2025

Receipts and payments

	2024/25			2023/24	
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Receipts					
Donations, legacies and similar income					
Membership subscriptions	16,830	-	-	16,830	14,970
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/Area/District)	-	-	-	-	-
Donations	8,352	10,000	-	18,352	100
Events	49,271	-	-	49,271	29,960
Legacies	-	-	-	-	-
Gift Aid	3,064	-	-	3,064	3,016
Admin (Payment in error, not reversed in same year)	79	-	-	79	-
Other similar income	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	77,597	10,000	-	87,597	48,046
Grants					
Maintenance grant	-	-	-	-	-
Other grants	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Fundraising events (gross)					
Academy Summer Bash (July 2023)	-	-	-	-	905
Street Market BBQ	1,386	-	-	1,386	1,201
Christmas Post	603	-	-	603	497
Santa Run	250	-	-	250	200
St Nicholas Night BBQ	1,013	-	-	1,013	1,290
France Trip (2024) Promise Auction	-	-	-	-	2,012
Terracycle	-	-	-	-	26
Easy Fundraising	-	-	-	-	-
Kandersteg Trip	1,626	-	-	1,626	-
Other fundraising activities	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	4,878	-	-	4,878	6,130
Scout hut income					
Hire of building	150	-	-	150	-
Hire of equipment	100	-	-	100	45
Other Scout hut income	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	250	-	-	250	45
Investment income					
Bank interest	2,269	-	-	2,269	930
Building Society interest	-	-	-	-	-
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	-	-	-	-	-
Other investment income	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	2,269	-	-	2,269	930
Total Gross Income	84,994	10,000	-	94,994	55,151
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	84,994	10,000	-	94,994	55,151

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Receipts and Payments Account

Year start date

Year end date

For the year from	01.04.2024	To	31.03.2025
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Receipts and payments

	2024/25			2023/24	
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Payments					
Charitable Payments					
Membership subscriptions paid on to District (Capitation)	7,544	-	-	7,544	6,548
Youth programme and activities	1,990	-	-	1,990	2,680
Events and Camps	32,771	-	-	32,771	26,522
Adult support and training	-	-	-	-	-
Rent	4,000	-	-	4,000	4,000
Water and Sewerage	-	-	-	-	-
Electricity and Gas	-	-	-	-	-
Broadband Internet	498	-	-	498	390
Insurance	-	-	-	-	-
Repairs and Renewals	-	-	-	-	-
Activity Equipment	805	-	-	805	1,877
Camping Equipment	2,471	-	-	2,471	949
Printing and photocopying	-	-	-	-	-
Contribution to camp costs	-	-	-	-	-
Badges	1,522	-	-	1,522	1,818
Uniforms	252	-	-	252	410
AGM and trustee expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Donations	265	-	-	265	100
Admin	60	-	-	60	100
Bank Fees	192	-	-	192	125
Theft	-	-	-	-	39
Venue Maintenance	488	-	-	488	61
Sub total	52,856	-	-	52,856	45,619
Fundraising expenses					
Academy Summer Bash (July 2023)	-	-	-	-	681
Street Market BBQ	574	-	-	574	546
Christmas Post	-	-	-	-	-
Santa Run	-	-	-	-	-
St Nicholas Night BBQ	418	-	-	418	436
France Trip (2024) Promise Auction	-	-	-	-	-
Terracycle	-	-	-	-	-
Easy Fundraising	-	-	-	-	-
Kandersteg Trip	189	-	-	189	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Detail 2	-	-	-	-	-
Detail 3	-	-	-	-	-
Other fundraising costs	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	1,181	-	-	1,181	1,664
Total Gross Expenditure	54,037	-	-	54,037	47,282
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	54,037	-	-	54,037	47,282
Net of receipts/(payments)	30,957	10,000	-	40,957	7,869
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds last year end	80,184	-	-	80,184	72,315
Cash funds this year end	111,141	10,000	-	121,141	80,184

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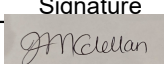
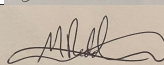
Receipts and Payments Account

Year start date		Year end date	
For the year from	01.04.2024	To	31.03.2025

Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	31st March 2025				31st March 2024
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Cash funds					
Group - Treasurers Account	1,965	-	-	1,965	4,806
Group - Membership Account	1,194	-	-	1,194	2,059
Cubs - Pumas (Belgium)	12,008	-	-	12,008	3,751
Cubs - Panthers (France)	3,560	-	-	3,560	11,959
Squirrels	401	-	-	401	500
Beavers	1,831	-	-	1,831	1,201
Cubs - Panthers	7,173	-	-	7,173	3,594
Cubs - Pumas	3,847	-	-	3,847	3,545
Scouts - Macleans	660	-	-	660	930
Scouts - United	3,194	-	-	3,194	3,579
OSM Expense Cards Account	2,637	-	-	2,637	1,478
Group - 95 Day Notice Account	34,415	10,000	-	44,415	10,069
Group - Instant Access Savings	9,723	-	-	9,723	12,712
Group - Fixed Term (6m) Deposit A/C (Feb-Aug 24)	-	-	-	-	20,000
Cash/Floats	69	-	-	69	-
Cubs - 95 Day Withdrawal (Kandersteg)	28,465	-	-	28,465	-
Total cash funds	111,141	10,000	-	121,141	80,184
(agree balances with receipts and payments a/c)	ok	ok	ok	ok	ok
Other monetary assets					
Interest in JV (Alcester Guide & Scout Centre)	26,903	-	-	26,903	27,460
Tax claim	-	-	-	-	-
Debts due from the County/Area/District/Group	-	-	-	-	-
Insurance claim	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	26,903	-	-	26,903	27,460
Investment assets					
Investment property - detail	-	-	-	-	-
Quoted investments	-	-	-	-	-
Other investments - detail	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Non monetary assets for charity's own use					
Badge stock	-	-	-	-	-
Shop stock	-	-	-	-	-
Other stock	-	-	-	-	-
Land and buildings	-	-	-	-	-
Motor vehicles	-	-	-	-	-
Scouting equipment, furniture etc	2,863	-	-	2,863	2,588
Other	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	2,863	-	-	2,863	2,588
Liabilities					
Accounts not yet paid	-	-	-	-	-
Expenses incurred but not invoiced	-	-	-	-	-
Subscriptions not yet paid	-	-	-	-	-
Loan - detail	-	-	-	-	-
Other liabilities	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total net assets	140,906	10,000	-	150,906	110,232

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 9th January 2026 (the date of the Trustee Board meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by:

Signature	Print Name
	Jennifer McClellan Chair
	Mark Riddington Treasurer

Unqualified report for a non-company charity preparing receipts and payments accounts with a gross income of £250,000 or less in the relevant financial year

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of 1st Alcester Scout Group

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the 1st Alcester Scout Group for the year ended 31st March 2025

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the 1st Alcester Scout Group, 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 1st Alcester Scout Group 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the 1st Alcester Scout Group as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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: 

Name: Alan Halidan

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies (if any): ACCA Advanced Diploma in Accounting and Business

Address: 112 Abbotswood Close, Winyates Green, Redditch, Worcestershire, B98 0QF

Date: 30.09.2025

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Section B**Structure, governance and management**

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The Committee consists of 3 independent representatives, Chair, Treasurer and Secretary together with the Group Lead Volunteers, individual section leaders (if opted to take on the responsibility) and parent's representation and meets every 2 months.

Members of the Group Board of Trustees complete '*Essential Information for Board of Trustee*' training within the first 5 months of joining the committee.

This Group Board of Trustees exists to support the Group Lead Volunteers in meeting the responsibilities of the appointments and is responsible for:

The maintenance of Group property;

The raising of funds and the administration of Group finance;

The insurance of persons, property and equipment;
Group public occasions;

Assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support;

Appointing any sub committees that may be required;

Appointing Group Administrators and Advisors other than those who are elected.

Section B**Structure, governance and management (continued)****Risk and Internal Control**

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Section D	Achievements and performance
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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year	<p>Cornwall Camp 2023 - Cubs and Scouts Camp</p> <p>Shooting Camp - Scout Camp</p> <p>Beaudesert Camp 2023 - Cub and Scout Camp</p> <p>Beavers Hut Camp and Activity Day at Blackwell Adventure</p> <p>Dovetrek 2024 - District Scout Walking challenge</p> <p>Planning to open our first Squirrels Drey for 4-6 year olds</p>
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Section E	Financial Review
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Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	<p>Reserves Policy</p> <p>resources to continue the charitable activities of the group should income and fundraising activities fall short. The Group Board of Trustees considers that the group should hold a sum equivalent to 6 months running costs, circa £21,000, in addition to a long term reserve of at least £30,000 within a combination of a fixed term account and 95 day notice savings account.</p> <p>The Group held reserves of approximately £19,600 within the main Group accounts, in addition to the £30,100 in long term reserve, as well as approximately £30,500 in the various Section accounts for the day to day operation of the Section's activities at year end. This is at the desired level</p>
Quantify and explain any designations	

Details of any funds materially in deficit (circumstances plus steps to eliminate)	n/a
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Further financial review details (optional information)

<p>You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising); • how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity; • investment policy and objectives; 	<p>Investment Policy</p> <p>The Group's Income and Expenditure is relatively small and as a consequence does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer-term investments such as stocks and shares. The Group has therefore adopted a low risk strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or building societies or The Scout Association's Short Term Investment Service.</p> <p>The Group Board of Trustees regularly monitors the levels of bank balances and the interest rates received to ensure the group obtains maximum value and income from its banking arrangements. Occasionally this may involve using an account that requires a period of notice before funds may be withdrawn, before doing so the Group Board of Trustees considers the cash flow requirements.</p>
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Section F	Other Optional Information
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Plans for future periods (details of any significant activities planned to achieve them)

A new Squirrels Drey is to be opened at the start of the 2024-25 year for 4-6 year olds. This will expand the group from 6 to 7 youth sections

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)	<i>Austin Tovey</i>	<i>Mark Riddington</i>
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Full name(s)	Austin Tovey	Mark Riddington
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Position (eg Secretary, Chair)	Chair	Treasurer
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1st Alcester Scout Group (Charity no. 524560)

Receipts and payments account

Year start date

Year end date

For the year from	01.04.2023	To	31.03.2024
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Receipts and payments

	2023/24	2022/23
	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	£	£
Receipts		
Donations, legacies and similar income		
Membership subscriptions	14,970	14,700
Donations	100	1,170
Events	29,960	16,200
Legacies	-	-
Gift Aid	3,016	2,827
Other similar income	-	-
Sub total	48,046	34,897
Grants		
Maintenence grant	-	-
Other grants	-	-
Sub total	-	-
Fundraising events (gross)		
Academy Summer Bash (July 2023)	905	-
Street Market BBQ	1,201	1,318
Christmas Post	497	481
Santa Run	200	-
St Nicholas Night BBQ	1,290	-
France Trip (2024) Promise Auction	2,012	-
Terracycle	26	256
Easy Fundraising	-	63
Hire of Gas BBQ	45	-
Other fundraising activities	-	-
Sub total	6,175	2,118
Scout hut income		
Hire of building	-	-
Hire of equipment	-	-
Other Scout hut income	-	-
Sub total	-	-
Investment income		
Bank interest	930	-
Building Society interest	-	-
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	-	-
Other investment income	-	-
Sub total	930	-
Total Gross Income	55,151	37,015
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-
Total receipts	55,151	37,015

1st Alcester Scout Group (Charity no. 524560)

Receipts and payments account

Year start date

Year end date

For the year from	01.04.2023	To	31.03.2024
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Receipts and payments

	2023/24	2022/23
	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	£	£
Payments		
Charitable Payments		
Membership subscriptions paid on to District	6,548	5,627
Youth weekly programme and activities	2,680	1,854
Events and Camps	26,522	26,455
Adult support and training	-	-
Rent	4,000	4,000
Water and Sewerage	-	-
Electricity and Gas	-	-
Broadband Internet	390	465
Insurance	-	74
Repairs and Renewals	-	-
Activity Equipment	1,877	-
Camping Equipment	949	1,636
Printing and photocopying	-	-
Contribution to camp costs	-	-
Badges	1,818	1,793
Uniforms	410	46
AGM and trustee expenses	-	-
Donations	100	100
Admin	100	223
Bank Fees	125	-
Theft	39	-
Venue Maintenance	61	-
Other costs detail 3	-	-
Sub total	45,619	42,275
Fundraising expenses		
Academy Summer Bash (July 2023)	681	-
Street Market BBQ	546	323
Christmas Post	-	-
Santa Run	-	-
St Nicholas Night BBQ	436	-
France Trip (2024) Promise Auction	-	-
Terracycle	-	-
Easy Fundraising	-	-
Hire of Gas BBQ	-	-
Other fundraising activities	-	-
Sub total	1,664	323
Total Gross Expenditure	47,282	42,598
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	-	-
Total payments	47,282	42,598
Net of receipts/(payments)	7,869	5,583
Cash funds last year end	72,315	77,898
Cash funds this year end	80,184	72,315

1st Alcester Scout Group (Charity no. 524560)

Receipts and payments account

Year start date

Year end date

For the year from	01.04.2023	To	31.03.2024
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Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	2023/24 Unrestricted funds £	2022/23 Unrestricted funds £
Cash funds		
Group - Treasurers Account	4,806	2,610
Group - Membership Account	2,059	18,758
Cubs - Pumas (Belgium)	3,751	3,761
Cubs - Panthers (France)	11,959	1,783
Squirrels	500	-
Beavers	1,201	1,458
Cubs - Panthers	3,594	5,323
Cubs - Pumas	3,545	4,196
Scouts - Macleans	930	922
Scouts - United	3,579	3,504
Group - Fixed Term (12m) Deposit A/C (Jan 23-24)	-	30,000
OSM Expense Cards Account	1,478	-
Group - 95 Day Notice Account	10,069	-
Group - Instant Access Savings	12,712	-
Group - Fixed Term (6m) Deposit A/C (Feb-Aug 24)	20,000	-
Cash/Floats	-	-
Total cash funds	80,184	72,315
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account)	ok
Other monetary assets		
Interest in JV (Share of Alcester Guide and Scout Centre)	27,460	30,021
Tax claim	-	-
Debts due from the County/Area/District/Group	-	-
Insurance claim	-	-
Sub total	27,460	30,021
Investment assets		
Investment property - detail	-	-
Quoted investments	-	-
Other investments - detail	-	-
Sub total	-	-
Non monetary assets for charity's own use		
Badge stock	-	-
Shop stock	-	-
Other stock	-	-
Land and buildings	-	-
Motor vehicles	-	-
Scouting equipment, furniture etc	2,588	717
Other	-	-
Sub total	2,588	717
Liabilities		
Accounts not yet paid	-	-
Expenses incurred but not invoiced	-	-
Subscriptions not yet paid	-	-
Loan - detail	-	-
Other liabilities	-	-
Sub total	-	-
Total net assets	110,232	103,054

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 28th September 2024 (the date of the Board of Trustees meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by

Signature

Print Name

Austin Tovey
Mark Riddington

Austin Tovey
Chair
Mark Riddington
Treasurer

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of 1st Alcester Scout Group.

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the 1st Alcester Scout Group for the year ended 31st March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the 1st Alcester Scout Group 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 1st Alcester Scout Group 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the 1st Alcester Scout Group as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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Signed:



Name: Rebecca Barrett

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies (if any): AAT

Address: 20 Ward Avenue, Alcester B49 5FQ

Date: 24/09/2024

1ST ALCESTER SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 524560

Accounts

Trustees' Annual Report

For the period

From (start date) to end date

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names the charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

HQ registration number

Charity's principal address

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	Mr Austin Tovey	Chair	
2	Mr Mark Riddington	Treasurer	
3	Mrs Kelly Ronnenburg	Secretary	
4	Mr Michael Dean	Membership Secretary	
5	Mr Richard Clark		
6	Mr Stephen Bennett		
7	Mr Timothy Cronin		
8	Mrs Jane Tovey		
9	Mrs Sue Berry		
10	Mr Mark Berry		
11	Mrs Tina Bennett		
12	Mr David Smith		
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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

Section B**Structure, governance and management**

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document

(e.g. trust deed, constitution)

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.

How the charity is constituted

(e.g. trust, association, company)

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

Trustee selection methods

(e.g. appointed by, elected by)

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

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 Executive Committee, 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 Committee consists of 3 independent representatives, Chair, Treasurer and Secretary together with the Group Scout Leaders, individual section leaders (if opted to take on the responsibility) and parent's representation and meets every 2 months.

Members of the Executive Committee complete '*Essential Information for Executive Committee*' training within the first 5 months of joining the committee.

This Group Executive Committee exists to support the Group Scout Leader in meeting the responsibilities of the appointments and is responsible for:

The maintenance of Group property;

The raising of funds and the administration of Group finance;

The insurance of persons, property and equipment;

Group public occasions;

Assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support;

Appointing any sub committees that may be required;

Appointing Group Administrators and Advisors other than those who are elected.

Section B**Structure, governance and management (continued)****Risk and Internal Control**

The Group 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:

Damage to the building, property and equipment. The Group would request the use of buildings, property and equipment from neighbouring organisations such as the church, community centre and other Scout Groups. Similar reciprocal arrangements exist with these organisations. The Group has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss.

Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members. The Group through the capitation fees contributes to the Scout Associations national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities.

Reduced income from fund raising. The Group is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. The group does hold a reserve to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income. The Committee could raise the value of subscriptions to increase the income to the group on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently.

Reduction or loss of leaders. The group is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the group. If there was a reduction in the number of leaders to an unacceptable level in a particular section or the group as a whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section. In the worst case scenario the complete closure of the Group.

Reduction or loss of members. The Group provides activities for all young people aged 6 to 18. If there was a reduction in membership in a particular section or the group as a whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section. In the worst case scenario the complete closure of the Group.

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	The objectives of the Charity are achieved through a weekly programme of engaging activities, camps, charitable and community service activities throughout the year designed to further the young people's personal development
Additional details of the objectives and activities (optional information but encouraged as best practice)	
You may choose to include further statements, where relevant, about: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • policy on grantmaking; • contribution made by volunteers; • policy on investments. 	<p>To support and subsidise activities within the Group an Activity Fund is in place where sections can draw down funds from it to help with the costs of the activities they run. The value of the fund for each section is based on £30 per member per year.</p> <p>The Group invests in a fixed term desposit account an amount of money to be agreed each year as a way of earning a return on the capital it holds</p>
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

Get In 2022 - County Camp
 London Camp 2022 - Cubs and Scouts Camp
 Shooting Camp - Scout Camp
 Beaudesert Camp 2022 - Cub and Scout Camp
 Beavers Hut Camp
 Dovetrek 2023 - District Scout Walking challenge

Section E**Financial Review**

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 Executive Committee considers that the group should hold a sum equivalent to 6 months running costs, circa £21,000, in addition to a long term reserve of £30,000 within a 12 month fixed term deposit account.

The Group held reserves of approximately £21,000 within the main Group accounts, in addition to the £30,000 in long term reserve, as well as approximately £21,000 in the various Section accounts for the day to day operation of the Section's activities at year end. This is at the desired level

Quantify and explain any designations

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

n/a

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);

Investment Policy

The Group's Income and Expenditure is relatively small and as a consequence does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer-term investments such as stocks and shares. The Group has therefore adopted a low risk strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or building societies or The Scout Association's Short Term Investment Service.

- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;

The Group Executive regularly monitors the levels of bank balances and the interest rates received to ensure the group obtains maximum value and income from its banking arrangements. Occasionally this may involve using an account that requires a period of notice before funds may be withdrawn, before doing so the Group Executive considers the cash flow requirements.

- investment policy and objectives;

Section F Other Optional Information

Plans for future periods (details of any significant activities planned to achieve them)

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Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

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Full name(s)

Austin Tovey	Mark Riddington
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Position (eg Secretary, Chair)

Chair	Treasurer
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Section F Other Optional Information

Plans for future periods (details of any significant activities planned to achieve them)

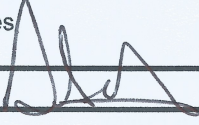
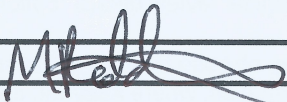
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Austin Tovey	Mark Riddington
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Position (eg Secretary, Chair)

Chair	Treasurer
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Date

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1st Alcester Scout Group (Charity no. 524560)

Receipts and payments account

	Year start date		Year end date
For the year from	01.04.2022	To	31.03.2023

Receipts and payments

	2022/23	2021/22
	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	£	£
Receipts		
Donations, legacies and similar income		
Membership subscriptions	14,700	12,530
Donations	1,170	953
Events	16,200	13,996
Legacies	-	-
Gift Aid	2,827	2,936
Other similar income	-	110
Sub total	34,897	30,525
Grants		
Maintenence grant	-	-
Other grants	-	-
Sub total	-	-
Fundraising events (gross)		
Street Market BBQ	1,318	-
Christmas Post	481	494
Terracycle	256	-
Easy Fundraising	63	-
Other fundraising activities	-	-
Sub total	2,118	494
Scout hut income		
Hire of building	-	-
Hire of equipment	-	-
Other Scout hut income	-	-
Sub total	-	-
Investment income		
Bank interest	-	2
Building Society interest	-	-
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	-	-
Other investment income	-	-
Sub total	-	2
Total Gross Income	37,015	31,021
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-
Total receipts	37,015	31,021

1st Alcester Scout Group (Charity no. 524560)

Receipts and payments account

	Year start date		Year end date
For the year from	01.04.2022	To	31.03.2023

Receipts and payments

	2022/23	2021/22
	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	£	£
Payments		
Charitable Payments		
Membership subscriptions paid on to District	5,627	4,888
Youth weekly programme and activities	1,854	2,599
Events and Camps	26,455	2,366
Adult support and training	-	-
Rent	4,000	1,000
Water and Sewerage	-	-
Electricity and Gas	-	-
Broadband Internet	465	441
Insurance	74	-
Repairs and Renewals	-	-
Activity Equipment	-	-
Camping Equipment	1,636	353
Printing and photocopying	-	-
Contribution to camp costs	-	-
Badges	1,793	745
Uniforms	46	413
AGM and trustee expenses	-	-
Donations	100	120
Admin	223	-
Other costs detail 3	-	-
Sub total	42,275	12,925
Fundraising expenses		
Street Market BBQ	323	-
Christmas Post	-	-
Terracycle	-	-
Easy Fundraising	-	-
Other fundraising costs	-	-
Sub total	323	-
Total Gross Expenditure	42,598	12,925
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	-	-
Total payments	42,598	12,925
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 5,583	18,096
Cash funds last year end	77,898	59,815
Cash funds this year end	72,315	77,898

1st Alcester Scout Group (Charity no. 524560)

Receipts and payments account

	Year start date		Year end date
For the year from	01.04.2022	To	31.03.2023

Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	2022/23 Unrestricted funds	2021/22 Unrestricted funds
	£	£
Cash funds		
Group - Treasurers Account	2,610	1,131
Group - Membership Account	18,758	35,335
Cubs - Pumas (Belgium)	3,761	3,761
Cubs - Panthers (France)	1,783	783
Beavers - Monday	-	744
Beavers - Tuesday	1,458	2,289
Cubs - Panthers	5,323	8,104
Cubs - Pumas	4,196	3,474
Scouts - Macleans	922	1,744
Scouts - United	3,504	5,551
Group - NS&I Savings A/C	-	14,984
Group - Fixed Term Deposit A/C	30,000	-
OSM Expense Cards Account	-	-
Cash/Floats	-	-
Total cash funds	72,315	77,898
<small>(agree balances with receipts and payments account)</small>	<small>ok</small>	<small>ok</small>
Other monetary assets		
Interest in JV (Share of Alcester Guide and Scout Centre)	30,021	31,260
Tax claim	-	-
Debts due from the County/Area/District/Group	-	-
Insurance claim	-	-
Sub total	30,021	31,260
Investment assets		
Investment property - detail	-	-
Quoted investments	-	-
Other investments - detail	-	-
Sub total	-	-
Non monetary assets for charity's own use		
Badge stock	-	-
Shop stock	-	-
Other stock	-	-
Land and buildings	-	-
Motor vehicles	-	-
Scouting equipment, furniture etc	717	-
Other	-	-
Sub total	717	-
Liabilities		
Accounts not yet paid	-	-
Expenses incurred but not invoiced	-	-
Subscriptions not yet paid	-	-
Loan - detail	-	-
Other liabilities	-	20
Sub total	-	20
Total net assets	103,054	109,179

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 23rd September 2023 (the date of the Executive Committee meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by

Signature

Print Name

Austin Tovey	Chair
Mark Riddington	Treasurer

1st Alcester Scout Group (Charity no. 524560)

Receipts and payments account

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Sub total	-	-
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Other stock	-	-
Land and buildings	-	-
Motor vehicles	-	-
Scouting equipment, furniture etc	717	-
Other	-	-
Sub total	717	-
Liabilities		
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Expenses incurred but not invoiced	-	-
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Mark Riddington	Treasurer

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of 1st Alcester Scout Group Scout Council

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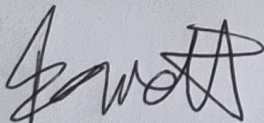
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Signed:



Name: Rebecca Barrett

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies (if any): AAT

Address: 5 Kinwarton Close, Alcester, Warwickshire B49 6FE

Date: 18/09/2023

1ST ALCESTER SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 524560

Accounts

Trustees' annual report for the period

From	1 st April 2021	To	31 st March 2022
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Charity name	1 st ALCESTER SCOUT GROUP
Registered charity number (if any)	524560
Charity's principal address	C/O Mr Mark Riddington
	56 Gerard Road, Alcester
	Warwickshire
	Postcode B49 6QQ

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee
1	Mr Austin Tovey	Chairman		
2	Mr Michael Dean	Membership secretary		
3	Mr Jonathan Billington	Treasurer	01.04.21 - 06.09.21	
4	Mr Mark Riddington	Treasurer	06.09.21 - 31.03.22	1st Alcester Scout Group Exec Committee
5	Mrs Kelly Ronnenburg	Secretary		
6	Mr Richard Clark			
7	Mr Stephen Bennett			

8	Mrs Jane Tovey			
9	Mrs Sue Berry			
10	Mr Mark Berry			
11	Mrs Tina Bennett			
12	Mr David Smith			

Bankers	
Lloyds Bank plc	22 Bridge Street, Stratford upon Avon, CV37 6AG

Structure, governance and management	
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.
How the charity is constituted	The Group is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scout Groups
Trustee selection methods	Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association

Objectives and activities	
Summary of the objects of the charity	The objects of the Group are to deliver a programme of stimulating and educational activities to the young people that are its members


Achievements and performance

<p>Major activities and achievements of the charity during the year.</p>	<p>With the lifting of the Covid-19 restrictions and lockdown requirements, the events of the year were able to start to return to normal, with sections meeting again in person for the weekly programme of activities and some camps being able to be held again. Initial payments were made for the Get In 2022 County Camp to be held in 2022-23.</p> <p>The membership of the group was 118 young people in March 2022, which is down on 138 at the end of the previous year, but the numbers are starting to rise again.</p>
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<p>Financial review</p>	
<p>Policy on reserves</p>	<p>The policy of the Group regarding reserves is to hold sufficient to meet any unforeseen expenditure that may occur. The trustees currently set the reserve at £15,000. The trustees identify and review the major risks to which they believe the Group is exposed and have established procedures to mitigate them. There are no funds in deficit.</p>

<p>Further financial review details:</p>
<p>A joint committee, including representatives from the executive committee of the Group, manages the Headquarters building and the Group's interest in this joint venture is shown in the statement of financial activities. The other party in the joint venture is the local Girl Guides association.</p> <p>As agreed at the 1st Alcester Scout Group Exec meeting on 11th July 2022, from this financial year onwards, there has been a change in accounting policy for the representation of the share of the Leasehold, Land and Building value. In previous years a depreciating share of the original building construction costs was shown in the Leasehold, Land and Buildings entry. However as the land is owned by the Moorfield Trust with a lease granted to the Guides Association, with no ability to sublet the land, there is no value to 1st Alcester Scouts Group in the Land or Lease. Additionally, although the building had a cost to construct, it has no value because at the end of the lease it will be taken over by the Moorfields Trust.</p>

<p>Declaration</p>
<p>The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above. Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees</p>

Signature			
Full name	Austin Tovey		
Position	Chairman	Date	31st October 2022



1st Alcester Scout Group				Charity No	524560
Annual accounts for the period					
From	01-Apr-21	To	31-Mar-22		

Section A Statement of financial activities

Recommended categories by activity	Details of own analysis	Unrestricted funds £	Interest in joint venture £	Restricted income funds £	Endowment funds £	Total this year £	Total last year £
Incoming resources (Note 1)							
Incoming resources from generated funds		-		-	-	-	-
Voluntary income	Donations	953		-	-	953	1,100
Activities for generating funds	Events, activities & camps	14,600	-	-	-	14,600	5,002
Investment income	Bank interest	2	-	-	-	2	107
Incoming resources from charitable activities	Subscriptions	15,466	-	-	-	15,466	17,688
Other incoming resources	Grants & refunds		5,334	-	-	5,334	12,943
Total incoming resources		31,021	5,334	-	-	36,354	36,839
Share of gross incoming resources from joint venture						(5,334)	(13,568)
Group incoming resources						31,021	23,271
Resources expended (Note 2)							
Costs of Generating Funds		-		-	-	-	-
Costs of generating voluntary income		-		-	-	-	-
Fundraising trading costs		-		-	-	-	-
Investment management costs		-		-	-	-	-
Charitable activities		8,037		-	-	8,037	7,194
Governance costs	Capitation	4,888		-	-	4,888	5,940
Other resources expended		-		-	-	-	-
Total resources expended		12,924		-	-	12,924	13,134
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers		18,097		-	-	18,097	10,137
Gross transfers between funds		-		-	-	-	-
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before other recognised gains/(losses)		18,096.62		-	-	18,097	10,137
Other recognised gains/(losses)							
Net interest in the results for the year of joint ventures			(50,328)			(50,328)	(294)
Gains and losses on revaluation of fixed assets for the charity's own use		-		-	-	-	-
Gains and losses on investment assets		-		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		18,097	(50,328)	-	-	(32,231)	9,843
Total funds brought forward		59,815	81,588	-	-	141,403	131,559
Total funds carried forward		77,911	31,260	-	-	109,171	141,403

Section B Balance sheet

	Unrestricted funds £	Interest in joint venture £	Restricted income funds £	Endowment funds £	Total this year £	Total last year £
Fixed assets						
Tangible assets (Note 3)	-		-	-	-	1
Investments (Note 4)	-	31,260	-	-	31,260	81,589
Total fixed assets	-	31,260	-	-	31,260	81,590
Current assets						
Stock and work in progress	-		-	-	-	-
Debtors (Note 5)	-		-	-	-	-
(Short term) investments	14,975		-	-	14,975	14,974
Cash at bank and in hand	62,955		-	-	62,955	45,064
Total current assets	77,930		-	-	77,930	60,038
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year (Note 6)	20		-	-	20	224
Net current assets/(liabilities)	77,910		-	-	77,910	59,814
Total assets less current liabilities	77,910	31,260	-	-	109,171	141,403
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year	-		-	-	-	-
Provisions for liabilities and charges	-		-	-	-	-
Net assets	77,910	31,260	-	-	109,171	141,403
Funds of the Charity						
Unrestricted funds	77,911				77,911	59,815
Interest in joint ventures	-	31,260			31,260	81,589
Restricted income funds			-		-	-
Endowment funds				-	-	-
Total funds	77,911	31,260	-	-	109,172	141,403

Signed by one of the trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
<i>M Riddington</i>	Mark Riddington	03/11/2022

Section C**Notes to the accounts****Note 1****Analysis of incoming resources**

		This year £	Last year £
Analysis			
Voluntary income	Donations	953	475
	Total	953	475
Activities for generating funds	Christmas post	494	690
	Camps and trips	13,996	4,142
	other	110	170
	Total	14,600	5,002
Investment income	bank interest	2	107
	Post office account interest	-	-
	Total	2	107
Incoming resources from charitable activities	Subscriptions	12,530	14,220
	Gift aid on subscriptions	2,936	3,468
	Total	15,466	17,688

Note 2**Analysis of resources expended**

		This year £	Last year £
Analysis			
Charitable activities	Premises	1,000	400
	Camps	2,366	-
	Equipment, uniforms	766	3,176
	Activities	3,344	3,395
	Donations	120	328
	Internet access	441	462
	Depreciation	-	-
	Total	8,037	7,194
Governance costs	Capitation to Scouts Association	4,888	5,940
	Total	4,888	5,940

Note 3 Tangible fixed assets**3.1 Cost or valuation**

	Freehold land & buildings	Other land & buildings	Plant, machinery and motor vehicles	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Payments on account and assets under construction	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Balance brought forward	-	-	-	5,687	-	5,687
Additions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Revaluations	-	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance carried forward	-	-	-	5,687	-	5,687

3.2 Accumulated depreciation and impairment provisions

Basis				Straight line		
Rate				3 years		
Balance brought forward	-	-	-	5,687	-	5,687
Depreciation charge for year	-	-	-	-	-	-
Impairment provisions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Revaluations	-	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers*	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance carried forward	-	-	-	5,687	-	5,687

3.3 Net book value

Brought forward	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carried forward	-	-	-	-	-	-

3.4 Revaluation

No assets have been re-valued during the year, but old fully depreciated assets have been written off

Note 4 Interest in joint venture**Assets**

	This year £	This year £	last year £	last year £
Leasehold land and buildings		-		52,851
Cash & bank	31,260	-	28,738	-
Prepayments and accrued income	-	-	-	-
	31,260		28,738	
Creditors	-		-	
Net current assets		31,260		28,738
Long term loan from the Scouts Association		-		-
		31,260		81,589

The joint venture is the Alcester Guides and Scouts Centre, which is managed by a committee on behalf of the Guides and Scouts, each of which has a half share of the assets and equal representation on the committee.

As agreed at the 1st Alcester Scout Group Exec meeting on 11th July 2022, from this financial year onwards, there has been a change in accounting policy for the representation of the share of the Leasehold, Land and Building value. In previous years a depreciating share of the original building construction costs was shown in the Leasehold, Land and Buildings enter. However as the land is owned by the Moorfield Trust with a lease granted to the Guides Association, with no ability to sublet the land, there is no value to 1st Alcester Scouts Group in the Land or Lease. Additionally, although the building had a cost to construct, it has no value because at the end of the lease it will be taken over by the Moorfields Trust.

Note 5 Debtors and prepayments

Analysis of debtors	Amounts falling due within one year		Amounts falling due after more than one year	
	This year	Last year	This year	Last year
	£	£	£	£
Trade debtors	-	-	-	-
Amounts due from subsidiary and associated undertakings	-	-	-	-
Other debtors	-	-	-	-
Prepayments and accrued income	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-

Note 6 Creditors and accruals

6.1 Analysis of creditors	Amounts falling due within one year		Amounts falling due after more than one year	
	This year	Last year	This year	Last year
	£	£	£	£
Loans and overdrafts	-	-	-	-
Trade creditors	-	-	-	-
Amounts due to subsidiary and associated undertakings	-	-	-	-
Other creditors	-	113	-	-
Accruals and deferred income	20	112	-	-
Total	20	224	-	-

6.2 Security over assets

No loan, overdraft or other creditor holds a charge or other security over any assets of the charity

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of 1st Alcester Scout Group Scout Council

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the 1st Alcester Scout Group for the year ended 31st March 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the 1st Alcester Scout Group 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 1st Alcester Scout Group 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.

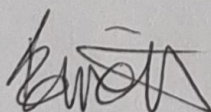
Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the 1st Alcester Scout Group as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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:



Name: Rebecca Barrett

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies (if any): AAT

Address: 5 Kinwarton Close, Alcester, Warwickshire B49 6FE

Date: 08/09/2022

1ST ALCESTER SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 524560

Accounts

Trustees' annual report for the period

From 1st April 2020

To 31st March 2021

Charity name	1 st ALCESTER SCOUT GROUP
Registered charity number (if any)	524560
Charity's principal address	C/O Mr Jonathan Billington
	28 Captains Hill, Alcester
	Warwickshire
	Postcode B49 6QW

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee
1	Mr Michael Dean	Membership secretary		
2	Mr Austin Tovey	Chairman		
4	Mr Jonathan Billington	Treasurer		
6	Mrs Kelly Ronnenburg	Secretary		
6	Mr Richard Clark			
7	Mr Stephen Bennett			
8	Mrs Jane Tovey			
9	Mrs Sue Berry			
10	Mrs Val Bradley			

Bankers

Lloyds Bank plc | 22 Bridge Street, Stratford upon Avon, CV37 6AG

Structure, governance and management

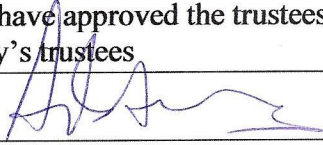
Type of governing document	The governing document is an assignment dated 26 th August 1969 upon the trusts of the Scout Association Trust Deed 1955
How the charity is constituted	The Group is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scout Groups
Trustee selection methods	Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association

Objectives and activities	
Summary of the objects of the charity	The objects of the Group are to deliver a programme of stimulating and educational activities to the young people that are its members

Achievements and performance	
Major activities and achievements of the charity during the year.	In common with many other organisations the programme for the year was severely disrupted by Covid and the subsequent lockdown of activities. In particular the summer camps planned for 2020 were cancelled and refunds made to members who had subscribed for them. Some groups were able to maintain a restricted range of activities using the internet. The membership of the group was 137 young people in February 2021.

Financial review	
Policy on reserves	The policy of the Group regarding reserves is to hold sufficient to meet any unforeseen expenditure that may occur. The trustees currently set the reserve at £15,000. The trustees identify and review the major risks to which they believe the Group is exposed and have established procedures to mitigate them. There are no funds in deficit.

Further financial review details:
A joint committee, including representatives from the executive committee of the Group, manages the Headquarters building and the Group's interest in this joint venture is shown in the statement of financial activities. The other party in the joint venture is the local Girl Guides association.

Declaration			
The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above. Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees			
Signature			
Full name	AUSTIN TOVEY		
Position	CHAIR	Date	10 th /SEPT/2021



1st Alcester Scout Group		Charity No	524560
Annual accounts for the period			
From	01-Apr-20	To	31-Mar-21

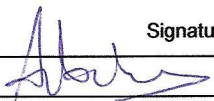
Section A Statement of financial activities

Recommended categories by activity	Details of own analysis	Unrestricted funds	Interest in joint venture	Restricted income funds	Endowment funds	Total this year	Total last year
		£	£	£	£	£	£
Incoming resources (Note 1)							
incoming resources from generated funds		-		-		-	-
Voluntary income	Donations	475	625	-		1,100	3,237
Activities for generating funds	Events, activities & camps	5,002		-		5,002	34,807
Investment income	Bank interest	107		-		107	118
Incoming resources from charitable activities	Subscriptions	17,688		-		17,688	25,704
Other incoming resources	Grants & refunds		12,943	-		12,943	-
Total incoming resources		23,271	13,568	-		36,839	63,866
Share of gross incoming resources from joint venture						(13,568)	(5,951)
Group incoming resources						23,271	57,915
Resources expended (Note 2)							
Costs of Generating Funds		-		-		-	-
Costs of generating voluntary income		-		-		-	-
Fundraising trading costs		-		-		-	-
Investment management costs		-		-		-	-
Charitable activities		7,194		-		7,194	47,040
Governance costs	Capitation	5,940		-		5,940	5,814
Other resources expended		-		-		-	-
Total resources expended		13,134		-		13,134	52,854
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers						10,137	5,061
Gross transfers between funds						-	-
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before other recognised gains/(losses)						10,137	5,061
Other recognised gains/(losses)							
Net interest in the results for the year of joint ventures			(294)			(294)	(4,287)
Gains and losses on revaluation of fixed assets for the charity's own use		-		-		-	-
Gains and losses on investment assets		-		-		-	-
Net movement in funds						10,137	774
Total funds brought forward						49,677	130,785
Total funds carried forward						59,815	131,559

Section B Balance sheet

	Unrestricted funds	Interest in joint venture	Restricted income funds	Endowment funds	Total this year	Total last year
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets						
Tangible assets (Note 3)	1		-	-	1	-
Investments (Note 4)	-	81,589	-	-	81,589	81,882
Total fixed assets	1	81,589	-	-	81,590	81,882
Current assets						
Stock and work in progress	-		-	-	-	-
Debtors (Note 5)	-		-	-	-	400
(Short term) investments	14,974		-	-	14,974	14,867
Cash at bank and in hand	45,064		-	-	45,064	60,044
Total current assets	60,038		-	-	60,038	75,311
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year (Note 6)	224		-	-	224	25,635
Net current assets/(liabilities)	59,814		-	-	59,814	49,676
Total assets less current liabilities	59,815	81,589	-	-	141,403	131,558
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year	-		-	-	-	-
Provisions for liabilities and charges	-		-	-	-	-
Net assets	59,815	81,589	-	-	141,403	131,558
Funds of the Charity						
Unrestricted funds	59,815				59,815	49,677
Interest in joint ventures	-	81,589			81,589	81,882
Restricted income funds			-		-	-
Endowment funds				-	-	-
Total funds	59,815	81,589	-	-	141,403	131,559

Signed by one of the trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	AUSTIN TOVEY	10/9/2021

Section C

Notes to the accounts

Note 1

Analysis of incoming resources

	Analysis	This year £	Last year £
Voluntary income	Donations	475	2,962
	Total	475	2,962
Activities for generating funds	Christmas post	690	690
	Camps and trips	4,142	32,402
	other	170	1,117
	Total	5,002	34,209
Investment income	bank interest	107	118
	Post office account interest	-	-
	Total	107	118
Incoming resources from charitable activities	Subscriptions	14,220	17,040
	Gift aid on subscriptions	3,468	3,586
	Total	17,688	20,626

Note 2

Analysis of resources expended

	Analysis	This year £	Last year £
Charitable activities	Premises	400	4,850
	Camps	-	27,872
	Equipment, uniforms	3,176	3,195
	Activities	3,395	10,477
	Donations	328	111
	Internet access	462	374
	Depreciation	-	161
	Total	7,194	47,040
Governance costs	Capitation to Scouts Association	5,940	5,814
	Total	5,940	5,814

Note 3 Tangible fixed assets**3.1 Cost or valuation**

	Freehold land & buildings	Other land & buildings	Plant, machinery and motor vehicles	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Payments on account and assets under construction	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Balance brought forward	-	-	-	10,007	-	10,007
Additions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Revaluations	-	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	4,320	-	4,320
Transfers	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance carried forward	-	-	-	5,687	-	5,687

3.2 Accumulated depreciation and impairment provisions

Basis				Straight line
Rate				3 years

Balance brought forward	-	-	-	10,007	-	10,007
Depreciation charge for year	-	-	-	-	-	-
Impairment provisions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Revaluations	-	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	4,321	-	4,321
Transfers*	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance carried forward	-	-	-	5,686	-	5,686

3.3 Net book value

Brought forward	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carried forward	-	-	-	1	-	1

3.4 Revaluation No assets have been re-valued during the year, but old fully depreciated assets have been written

Note 4 Interest in joint venture

Assets	This year £	This year £	last year £	last year £
Leasehold land and buildings		52,851		57,945
Cash & bank	28,738	-	23,937	-
Prepayments and accrued income	-	-	-	-
	28,738		23,937	
Creditors	-		-	
Net current assets		28,738		23,937
Long term loan from the Scouts Association		-		-
		81,589		81,882

The joint venture is the Alcester Guides and Scouts Centre, which is managed by a committee on behalf of the Guides and Scouts, each of which has a half share of the assets and equal representation on the committee.

Note 5 Debtors and prepayments

Analysis of debtors	Amounts falling due within one year		Amounts falling due after more than one year	
	This year £	Last year £	This year £	Last year £
Trade debtors	-	-	-	-
Amounts due from subsidiary and associated undertakings	-	-	-	-
Other debtors	-	-	-	-
Prepayments and accrued income	-	400	-	-
Total	-	400	-	-

Note 6 Creditors and accruals

6.1 Analysis of creditors

	Amounts falling due within one year		Amounts falling due after more than one year	
	This year £	Last year £	This year £	Last year £
Loans and overdrafts	-	-	-	-
Trade creditors	-	-	-	-
Amounts due to subsidiary and associated undertakings	-	-	-	-
Other creditors	113	87	-	-
Accruals and deferred income	112	25,548	-	-
Total	224	25,635	-	-

6.2 Security over assets

No loan, overdraft or other creditor holds a charge or other security over any assets of the charity



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name: 1st ALCESTER SCOUT GROUP

On accounts for the year ended

31st MARCH 2021

Charity no (if any)

524560

Set out on pages

(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 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: R.L. Cox

Date: 19/07/2021

Name: RONALD LESLIE COX

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

CIMA - RETIRED

Address:

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