

2nd Sutton Coldfield (1st Wylde Green) Scouts Group (Reg no: 524608)

Trustees Report for year ended December 2021

The Trustees present their annual report together with the Income and Expenditure Accounts for the year ended December 2021 together with the Independent Examiner's report on the accounts.

We continue to provide a Scouting provision on a weekly basis across all sections where volunteers actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society through giving them Skills for Life

As Scouts we are guided by the Scouting values of;

Integrity We act with integrity; we are honest, trustworthy & loyal.

Respect We have self-respect & respect for others.

Care We support others & take care of the world in which we live.

Belief We explore our faiths, beliefs & attitudes.

Co-operation Make a positive difference; co-operate with others & make friends.

Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together based on the values of Scouting and they:

Enjoy what they are doing & have fun

Take part in activities indoors & outdoors

Learn by doing

Work in groups

Share in spiritual reflection

Take increasing responsibility for others & make choices

Participate in varied and progressive activities

Make & live out their Promise.

Public benefit statement

2nd Sutton Coldfield Scouts meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education & the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.

We have in place systems of risk & internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss, these include two signatories for all payments & a comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

The Group'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 & the Policy, Organisation & Rules of the Scout Association.

Structure, governance & management

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

The Committee consists of independent representatives, Chair, Treasurer & Secretary together with elected, nominated & co-opted representation & meets every 3 months, where policies & procedures are adopted for:-

The raising of funds & the administration of District finance.

The insurance of persons, property & equipment.

District public occasions.

Consideration of major risks & the systems & procedures to manage them.

The Group's Executive Committee exists to support the Group's Leaders in meeting the responsibilities of the appointments & is responsible for:-

Assisting the recruitment of leaders & other adult support.

Appointing any sub committees that may be required.

Appointing District administrators / advisors other than those who are elected.

Reserves Policy

The Group's reserves policy is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the Group should income and fundraising activities fall short.

Report on 2021

The Group consists of approximately 90 Beavers, Cubs, Scouts plus 40 Explorers covering children from aged 6 to 18

At the start of the year we were operating under Covid restrictions so all activities had to take place online over Zoom. Following Scout Association guidelines the meetings moved to face to face at our HQ in May but only

outdoors and normal evening meetings indoors recommenced after the summer holidays in September.

Despite all the restrictions we maintained our membership and all our children and young people (and their parents) were very appreciative of the efforts made by our leaders and supporters to try and maintain a “business as usual” approach to the weekly meetings whether on line or in person.

During the year we received Covid grants facilitated by Birmingham City Council totaling £19737 which we used to improve our facilities at our HQ.

These projects included putting down hardcore and paving on part of the field in order to erect two permanent gazebos so that we have all-weather capabilities for outdoor activities. We replaced the kitchen in the hut and carried out electrical work including replacing the outdoor lighting. In addition we purchased some outdoor equipment for use by the Group including firepits and outdoor games.

The Group could not operate so successfully without our uniformed leaders and our many supporters and helpers and we were very pleased to see both Judy Jones and Janet Sutton awarded the Silver Wolf-the highest award made by the Scout Association for “services of the most exceptional character”

At the end of the year it was decided to open a new section of Squirrels for children aged 4 and 5 years old in January 2022 which has been very positively welcomed and supported by parents.

2ND SUTTON COLDFIELD WEST SCOUT GROUP
(1ST WYLDE GREEN - 163RD BIRMINGHAM)

Registered Charity 524608

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS FOR
12 MONTHS ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2021

		£
Balance as at 1 st January 2021		21493.29
To which has been added during the period	£	
Subscriptions		5972.59
Donations:		
Charities Trust	500.00	
Arnold Clark Community Grant	1000.00	
Use of Mini Bus	210.00	
Birmingham City Council Covid Grants		19737.07
HMRC Gift Aid 2020/21		1824.94
Use of HQ - Explorers		912.00
Sales of Group Hoodies	563.00	
Trips	223.00	
Total Receipts		30965.20
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Total Carried Over		52458.49

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Total Carried Forward		52458.49
From which has been paid out	£	
Hut Insurance		
2372.91		
Utilities		2432.92
Council Tax	52.92	
Scout Association Insurances	167.00	
Mini Bus Expenses (including Insurance)	1849.31	
Purchase of Hoodies/Neckers/Badges	689.38	
Trips & Visits		392.24
Total HQ Expenses inc Repairs & Maintenance	22529.63	
Online Scout Management Fee		106.00
Camping & Games Equipment		545.53
Craft Materials	89.57	
Miscellaneous Expenses		11.00
Section Operational Expenses		244.59
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Total Expenses		31483.00
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Balance as at 31st December 2021 carried forward		£20975.49


Section A
Independent Examiner's Report
**Report to the trustees/
members of**

 2nd Sutton Coldfield (1st Wylde Green) Scout Group

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 December 2021

**Charity no
(if any)**

524608

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 December 2021**.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination 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:
Date:

11 MAY 2022

Name:

Samuel D Webb FCA

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

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