



47th Doncaster (Edenthorpe) Scout Group

Trustees Annual Report for the financial year to 31 March 2024

1 Reference and Administration Details

Charity Name:	47 th Doncaster (Edenthorpe) <i>Scout Group as listed with Charity Commission</i>
Charity Number:	524734 as listed on Charity Commission register
Scout registration	10012874
Principal Address:	The Fred Gee Centre, Marian Road, Edenthorpe, Doncaster, DN3 2PT

1.1 Trustees

Paul Bailey,	Group Chair
Rebecca Wonham	Group Secretary
Zoe Sunshine	Group Treasurer
Colin Tidmarsh	Group Scout Leader

2 Structure, Governance and Management

2.1 Governing Document

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 and the Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR) of the Scout Association.

2.2 Group Scout Council

The Group Scout Council is the electoral body to which the Group Executive Committee is accountable. Membership of the Group Scout Council is open to:

- Scouters
- Colony Pack and Troop Assistants
- Skills Instructors
- Administrators
- Advisers
- Patrol Leaders
- All Parents of Beavers, Cubs and Scouts
- Any other supporters, including former Scouts and their parents, admitted by the Group Scout Leader, the Group Executive Committee or the Group Scout Council
- Explorer Scout Leaders (if stated in a Partnership Agreement)
- the District Commissioner and District Chair are ex-officio members of the Group Scout Council.

2.3 Constitution

The Group is a trust established under the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.



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It has a constitution agreed by the Group Scout Council, but which is subservient to its governing documents.

2.4 Trustee Selection

The trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association and the Group's constitution.

2.5 Group Executive Committee

The Group is led by a Group Scout Leader and managed by a Group Executive Committee. They are accountable to the Group Scout Council for the satisfactory running of the Group.

The Executive Committee exists to support the Group Scout Leader in meeting the responsibilities of their appointment.

Members of the Executive Committee must act collectively as charity Trustees of the Scout Group, and in the best interests of its members to:

- Comply with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association
- Protect and maintain any property and equipment owned by and/or used by the Group
- Manage the Group finances.
- Provide insurance for people, property and equipment.
- Provide sufficient resources for Scouting to operate. This includes, but is not limited to, supporting recruitment, other adult support, and fund-raising activities.
- Promote and support the development of Scouting in the local area.
- Manage and implement the Safety Policy locally
- Ensure that a positive image of Scouting exists in the local community.
- Appoint and manage the operation of any sub-Committees, including appointing a Chair to lead the sub-Committees
- Ensure that Young People are meaningfully involved in decision making at all levels within the Group
- The opening, closure and amalgamation of sections as necessary.
- And all other duties as set out in Policy, Organisation and Rules.

2.6 Risk and Internal Control

The Group Executive Committee has identified the major risks to which they believe the Group is exposed which are:

2.6.1 Injury to Leaders, Helpers, Supporters or Members

The Group supports compliance with the Safety Policy and ensures appropriate risk assessment; elimination, reduction and control measures are taken to reduce the likelihood of any injuries.

In addition, through membership fees, the Group contributes to the Scout Association's national accident insurance policy.



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2.6.2 Damage to Buildings, Property or Equipment

The Group would request the use of buildings, property and equipment from neighbouring organisations.

The Group has sufficient contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss.

2.6.3 Reduced Income from Subscriptions and Fund Raising

The Group is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fund-raising. The Group holds adequate reserves to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income. The committee could also raise the value of subscriptions to increase the Group income either temporarily or permanently.

2.6.4 Reduction or Loss of Leaders

The Group is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the Group. If there were a reduction in the number of volunteers to an unacceptable level, then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of activities or sections.

2.6.5 Reduction or Loss of Members

If there were a reduction in membership of a particular section or the Group as a whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section.

3 Objectives and Activities

The primary objective of the Group is that of the Scout Association generally, namely:

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

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 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:



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- 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.

The activities of the Group are:

- The provision of the Scouting programme for 6–14 year old members

4 Achievements and Performance

The Group as a whole and the sections individually have delivered a broad range of evening, day, weekend and week-long activities and camps.

This year one of our Scouts will be attending the World Scout Jamboree in Korea.

We have strong links with the community and are regularly involved in community activities, such as the Remembrance Day parade and service

4.1 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.

5 Financial Review

5.1 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 12 months running costs.

The Group held reserves of approximately £11,299 against this at year end.

5.2 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



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6 Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signature:

Date:

Full Name: Colin Tidmarsh

Position: Group Scout Leader

Signature:

Date:

Full Name: Paul Bailey

Position: Group Chair

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Income and Expenditure Account
for 12 months ending 31 March 24

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(12 months to)
31 March 2024

(12 months)
31 March 2023

INCOME	Revenue	Revenue
	£	£
Subscriptions	9,052	7,720
Major camps	6,729	8,150
Thornthwaite summer camp 07/23	2,631	
Family Camp 06/23	1,275	
Scout No camp 11/23	635	
Ramble camp 04/23	463	
Beaver Sq Wood camp 05/23	525	
Cub camp 03/2024	1,200	
Deferred Income - Korea 2023	6,608	
Other Camps and Activities	3,811	3,964
Bank Interest/fees	102	4
Gift Aid	2,715	1,873
Fundraising	1,109	0
Donations	4,334	2,939
	<u>34,460</u>	<u>24,649</u>
Less:		
EXPENDITURE		
Section expenditure (general)	2,896	2,709
Major Camps	7,394	7,742
Thornthwaite 07/23	2,769	
Family camp 06/23	1,810	
Scout NO camp 11/23	625	
Ramble camp 04/23	477	
Beaver camp 05/23	598	
Cub Camp 03/2024	1114	
Pre-payments re Jamboree (Korea 2023)	7,409	
Activity based payments (Camps and other Activities)	3,643	4,750
Minibus General Expenditure	1,795	2,941
Capitation	4,198	3,526
Rent	2,144	2,016
Insurance	1,109	252
Finance fees	431	388
Leader Uniform	350	296
Leader training	120	240
New equipment	360	447
Software Licencing	140	72
Sundry Expenses	434	173
	32,423	25,554
NET SURPLUS / DEFICIT FOR THE YEAR	<u>2,037</u>	<u>-905</u>
FUND BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD	9,262	10,167
FUND BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD	<u>11,299</u>	<u>9,262</u>

BALANCE SHEET
for 12 months ending 31 March 24

(12 months to)
31 March 2024
£

(12 months)
31 March 2023
£

TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Equipment (See Note)

CURRENT ASSETS

Co-op bank current account	3,669	1,073
Co-op bank Deposit account	11,955	7,804
Cash in hand (leader's cash float)	0	44
Camp deposits in advance	0	570
Pre-payments re Jamboree (Korea 2023)		6,409
	<u>15,625</u>	<u>15,900</u>

CURRENT LIABILITIES

Net income in advance:	4,327	6,638
Ramble camp 04/23		30
Cub May camp 2024	1502	
Holland summer camp 2024	2730	
B2B Scout camp April 2024	95	
Deferred Income - Korea 2023		6,608

NET CURRENT ASSETS

	<u>11,299</u>	<u>9,262</u>
FUND BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD	<u>11,299</u>	<u>9,262</u>

Financed by:

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Charity number: 524734

Independent Examiner's report

I have examined the accounts of the 68th Doncaster (Edenthorpe) Scout Group for the period 1/4/2023 to 31/3/2024. With income below £250,000 they are eligible for an independent examination rather than an audit. I have followed the directions in the 2008 Regulations.

Having studied a sample of the receipts and examined the expenditure based the bank statements, I can see that the group have worked hard to construct and present a set of accounts derived from those bank statements.

Material expenditure is in line with the group's aims and objectives. I am not aware of any matter that I believe indicates any concerns.

Examiner: Mr Ian Harmer FCCA, 3 Pinfold Court, Barnby Dun, Doncaster , DN31RQ

Dated: 28 May 2024