



**Huddersfield North
District Scout Council
Annual Report & Accounts 2021**



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Huddersfield North District Scout Council 2021

Section A: Reference and administration details

Charity Name:	Huddersfield North District Scouts
Registered Charity Number:	524747
District registration number:	10001837
Charity's principal address:	47a Sherwood Avenue, Bradley, Huddersfield HD2 1RQ

Name of the Charity Trustees who manage the Charity:

Steve Nattress	District Chair
Jason Robbins	District Treasurer
Rachel Jinks	District Secretary
Helen Roy	District Commissioner
Chris Stephens	Member
Steve Holland	Member
Mike Oldridge	Member
Darren Wood	Member
Graham Earnshaw	Member
Steven Ainley	Deputy District Commissioner (Programme) (Ex officio member)
Damian Butterworth	District Explorer Scout Commissioner (Ex officio member)
Ed Wilson	District Scout Network Commissioner (Ex officio member)
Yousuf Sajjad	District Youth Commissioner (Ex officio member)

Auditor: John Wilson

Section B: Structure, Governance and Management

Type of 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.
How the charity is constituted	The District is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts
Trustee selection methods	The trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association

The District is managed by the District Executive Committee the members of which are the charity trustees' of the District 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.

The Committee consists of 3 independent representatives, Chair, Treasurer and Secretary together with the District Commissioner, additionally, the District Youth Commissioner; the District Explorer Scout Commissioner and the District Scout Network Commissioner are ex-officio members and meets every 2 months.

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

The District Executive Committee exists to support the District Commissioner in meeting the responsibilities of the appointment and is responsible for:

- Protecting and maintaining any property and equipment owned by and/or used by the District Manage the District finances.
- Providing insurance for people, property and equipment.
- Providing sufficient resources for Scouting to operate. This includes, but is not limited to, supporting recruitment, other adult support, and fundraising activities.
- Complying with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association
- Promoting and supporting the development of Scouting in the local area.
- Managing and implementing the Safety Policy locally
- Ensuring that a positive image of Scouting exists in the local community.
- Appointing and managing the operation of any sub-Committees, including appointing Chairmen to lead the sub-Committees
- Ensuring that Young People are meaningfully involved in decision making at all levels within the District
- The opening, closure and amalgamation of Groups, Explorer Scout Units, Scout Network and Scout Active Support Units in the District as necessary.
- Appointing and managing the operation of an Appointments Advisory Committee, including appointing an Appointments Committee Chair to lead it.
- Supervising the administration of Groups, particularly in relation to finance and the trusteeship of property.

The Executive Committee must also:

- Appoint Administrators, Advisers, and Co-opted members of the Executive Committee
- Approve the Annual Report and Annual Accounts after their examination by an appropriate auditor, independent examiner or scrutineer

Risk and internal Control

The District Executive Committee has identified the major risks to which they believe the District 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 property and equipment. The District would request the use of buildings, property and equipment from neighbouring organisation such as the Church, Community Centre and other Scout parts of the Scout County. 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 District members are insured through the capitation fees and contribute to the Scout Association national accident insurance policy. Risk assessments are undertaken before all activities.

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

Section C: Objectives and Activities

Summary of the objectives of the charity set out in its governing document .

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

The Value of Scouting

As Scouts we are guided by these values:

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| 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 |

Public benefit statement

The District 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 are included in this report

Section E: Financial Review

Reserves Policy

The District's policy on reserves is to hold bank balances and the interest rates received to ensure the District obtains maximum value and income from its banking arrangements. sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the District should income and fundraising fall short. The District Executive Committee considers that the District should hold a sum equivalent to 12 months running costs.

The District Executive regularly monitors the levels of bank balances and the interest rates received to ensure the District obtains maximum value and income from its banking arrangements.

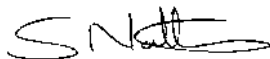
Receipts and Payments Accounts for the past year are included in this Annual Report.

Section F: Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above (and attached)

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature:



Full Name: Steve Nattress

Position: District Chair

Date: 13/7/2021

TRUSTEES' REPORT

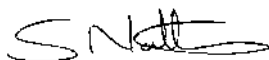
To say this has been a trying year in scouting would be an understatement. The pandemic has brought significant challenges for those involved in organising scouting for our young members, not least in terms of safety, funding, recruitment and maintaining contact with those members.

The district personnel, led by DC Helen Roy, have worked hard to support the scout groups within Huddersfield North and, as we emerge into an environment as close to normal as we can foreseeably expect, the groups are in a good position to capitalise on a renewed vigour amongst young people to enjoy the opportunities that being a scout member can bring. On behalf of the Executive Committee I would like to express our sincere thanks to all of those uniformed leaders that have worked so hard in extraordinary circumstances and have made this possible.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Executive Committee for their hard work and significant contribution over the past twelve months. I have witnessed first-hand their dedication and ingenuity to steer through the challenges during the period, and I'm privileged to have had the opportunity to do so.

Steve Nattress

District Chair



DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS REPORT

This year has been, strange and sometimes difficult, but definitely very different to that of a normal year in the life of scouting. It would be easy to define the year by the cancelled events or adaptations we have had to make, but every year there are one-off events and innovation, this year has simply accelerated that and we have seen incredible examples of imagination and ingenuity throughout the year.

Many of us have missed the human interaction that Scouting offers, the friendship and camaraderie, challenges and adventures. As restrictions on

activities are eased, I truly believe that Scouting is more important now than ever before, to give people a sense of connection and belonging, to give hope to a generation and to continue to develop skills for life.

My extreme admiration goes to all Leaders for their hard work in continuing to bring scouting to many of our members during the last 12 months. I would also like to extend my thanks to all members across the District, Executive Committees, Scout Active Support Members and the District Team, for your continued collaboration with the uniformed leadership teams in providing the much needed support and encouragement we have all needed over the last 12 months. As someone still relatively new to the DC role it gives me great confidence to see such a strong support structure, all focused on ensuring our young people receive the best scouting they possibly can.

At the annual census in January 2020 our number of young people and adult volunteers across the District was down by 20% on the previous year. These numbers are rising as we return to face to face Scouting but a number of our leaders are overstretched, often taking several roles within their groups and running sections with minimal Leaders. We need to find a way of supporting those who need it while attracting a new generation of adult volunteers to help us progress. If we can take care of our leaders, giving them the life opportunities they value, they will ensure an even greater number of young people acquire the unique skills for life that scouting offers. I am still searching for a Deputy DC to focus on strengthening our volunteer support across the District.

As we all personally begin to recover from the last 12 months of restrictions and limitations, things are starting to return, the sound of chatter and smell of wood smoke starting to fill the air again. Next year marks the 50th anniversary of the District and I look forward to celebrating in style. I wish you all every success and pledge any support we can offer, please remember we are only a phone call or an email away.

Helen Roy
District Commissioner

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Helen". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first letter 'H' being particularly large and stylized.

What did we do in 20/21.....



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We relaunched
Huddersfield North's Scout
Network in January 2021.

St George's Day was marked by a
Doorstep promise renewal.



BEAVERS

January 2021 also saw District
members participate in and watch
the County Virtual Gangshow



We appointed a brand new
District Youth Team, Yousuf
our District Youth
Commissioner with Josh and
Georgia as his deputies.



In November we launched our new
District merchandise!



EXPLORERS

We hunted around the
District for Snowmen and
made our own, for the County
challenge.

We took part in a
doorstep reflection for
Remembrance day in
November 2020



network

We held 2 District Social Quiz nights on Zoom whilst we couldn't meet face to face.



We launched our new District Website to make it easier for people to get involved in Scouting and support our members better.

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In November we launched our new District merchandise!



We held a virtual HN Goes District Camp—HN Goes out of Bed which saw members across the District take part in different challenges and sleeping in a tent/den.

SCOUTS

We joined other Scouts across the Country in walking to the moon!



We took on the Necker Flip Challenge!

ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

Receipts & Payments Account summary for the year ended 31st March 2021

		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2020/2021 Total Funds £	2019/2020 Total Funds £
Receipts	Note				
Membership Subscriptions		21,080	0	21,080	24,208
less subscriptions paid on to County		19,840	0	19,840	21,868
Net membership subscriptions retained		1,240	0	1,240	2,340
Investment income		177	0	177	109
Donations/grants		3,750	0	3,750	160
Gift aided receipts		2,396	0	2,396	1,659
Activities	1	6,418	21,798	28,216	110,891
Fundraising		1,185	0	1,185	4,109
Other Income	2	3,706	0	3,706	9,768
TOTAL RECEIPTS		18,872	21,798	40,670	129,036
Payments					
Premises/equipment	3	4,929	0	4,929	9,833
Training		0	0	0	10
Activities	4	3,649	64,427	68,076	55,605
Administration expenses		188	0	188	371
General expenses	5	26	0	26	947
TOTAL PAYMENTS		8,792	64,427	73,219	66,766
Net of receipts/(payments)		10,080	(42,629)	(32,549)	62,270
Cash funds last year end		68,143	82,452	150,595	88,325
Cash, bank and similar funds as 31st March 2021		78,223	39,823	118,046	150,595

The above account and accompanying statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on Tuesday 13th July and signed on their behalf by the Chair of the Trustees



Receipts & Payments Account for the year ended 31st March 2021

Notes to the accounts

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2020/2021 Total Funds	2019/2020 Total Funds
	£	£	£	£
1 Activities				
Beavers	0	0	0	1,735
Cub Scouts	0	0	0	1,286
Scouts	0	0	0	3,957
Explorers	6,374	0	6,374	20,474
The Rig SAS	0	0	0	648
BART SAS	44	0	44	0
District events	0	0	0	1,150
International Camp	0	0	0	303
Jamboree	0	0	0	2,376
Four District Event - Marsden 3 Peaks	0	0	0	1,536
International Projects	0	21,798	21,798	77,426
	<u>6,418</u>	<u>78,962</u>	<u>28,216</u>	<u>110,891</u>
2 Other Income				
Sundry	105	0	105	1
Badge receipts	6	0	6	273
Cowcliffe Scout Group loan repayment	1,500	0	1,500	0
Woodhouse Lodge	2,095	0	2,095	9,494
	<u>3,706</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,706</u>	<u>9,768</u>
3 Premises/Equipment				
Woodhouse Lodge expenses	1,202	0	1,202	1,399
Woodhouse Lodge refurbishment	0	0	0	171
District Resource Centre	2,166	0	2,166	4,645
District Resource Centre running expenses	1,231	0	1,231	2,733
Insurance - DRC & equipment	249	0	249	473
Equipment repairs & renewal	81	0	81	412
	<u>4,929</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>4,929</u>	<u>9,833</u>

4 **Activities**

Beavers	0	0	0	1,407
Cub Scouts	0	0	0	1,266
Scouts	0	0	0	1,896
Explorers	3,046	0	3,046	20,072
The Rig SAS	69	0	69	2,693
BART SAS	372	0	372	566
District events	162	0	162	391
International Camp	0	0	0	0
Jamboree	0	0	0	6,393
Four District Event - Marsden 3 Peaks	0	0	0	659
International Projects	0	64,427	64,427	20,262
	<u>3,649</u>	<u>64,427</u>	<u>68,076</u>	<u>55,605</u>

5 **General Expenses**

Sundry	26	0	26	0
Honorarium	0	0	0	250
District Scouters expenses	0	0	0	77
District Badge purchase	0	0	0	620
	<u>26</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>947</u>

Statement of Assets & Liabilities at 31st March 2021

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2020/2021 Total Funds	2019/2020 Total Funds
	£	£	£	£
Monetary assets - Cash, bank and similar funds				
Bank Current Accounts	51,206	39,823	91,028	124,223
Bank Deposit Accounts	238	0	238	238
Scout Association Charity Deposit Account	26,038	0	26,038	25,861
Cash in hand	639	0	639	273
Non-GBP cash in hand	102	0	102	0
	<u>78,223</u>	<u>39,823</u>	<u>118,046</u>	<u>150,595</u>
Other Monetary assets				
Tax claim for year ended 5 April 2020	0	0	0	2,480
Tax claim for year ended 31 March 2021	588	0	588	0
Loan to Cowcliffe Scout Group	100	0	100	1,600
Interest on SA Charity Deposit Account	5	0	5	
Sundry debtors	1,491	0	1,491	0
	<u>2,184</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,184</u>	<u>4,080</u>
Non-monetary assets				
Badge Stock (cost)	636	0	636	620
Woodhouse Lodge (insurance valuation)	174,711	0	174,711	174,711
DRC land (cost)	93,551	0	93,551	93,551
District Resource Centre (insurance valuation)	110,869	0	110,869	110,869
General scouting equip (insurance valuation)	39,354	0	39,354	39,354
Cambodunum ESU equip (Trustees valuation)	600	0	600	0
Sedecim ESu equip (Trustees valuation)	730	0	730	0
BART SAS equipment (Trustees' valuation)	27,500	0	27,500	27,500
The Rig SAS equipment (Trustees' valuation)	58,000	0	58,000	58,000
	<u>505,951</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>505,951</u>	<u>504,605</u>
Liabilities (due within one year)				
Sundry creditors	2,411	0	2,411	354
	<u>2,411</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,411</u>	<u>354</u>

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF HUDDERSFIELD NORTH DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

I report on the attached accounts of the District for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements: · to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and · to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



John Wilson FCA

29 July 2021

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Huddersfield North Scouts

DISTRICT CENSUS - January 31st 2021

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
District	132	161	164	181	206	237	250	219	212
25th Salendine Nook	54	51	43	58	68	58	51	55	42
15th Cowcliffe	44	52	58	44	59	63	64	62	48
36th Oakes	71	65	66	50	52	58	59	56	51
31st Birchenclyffe	63	79	88	75	84	77	74	84	71
41st Bradley	49	56	54	56	53	65	63	51	37
16th Lindley	114	94	100	105	89	91	91	94	88
11th Outlane	92	91	77	70	79	80	74	74	60
26th Birkby	20	34	29	34	29	31	26	28	17
3rd New Horizons							56	88	60
21st Bees								98	54
	639	683	679	673	719	760	808	909	740

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Beaver Scouts	119	131	127	114	126	133	138	158	104
Cub Scouts	150	146	137	132	139	126	152	186	154
Scouts	150	152	162	149	125	138	124	172	156
Explorer Scouts	88	109	102	100	99	116	110	100	82
Scout Network				16	9	27	34	41	33
Adults in Groups	106	93	111	111	143	158	186	188	170
Adults at District	39	52	40	51	78	62	64	64	41
	639	683	679	673	719	760	808	909	740

Bees Birchcliffe Birkby Bradley Cowcliffe
Lindley New Horizons Oakes Outlane Salendine Nook
Bradley Wood ESU Cambodunum ESU
Cliff Tykes ESU
Northern Star ESU Sedcim ESU

Network

The RIG SAS Programme Support SAS BART SAS
Whitley Beaumont Woodhouse Lodge
District Resources Centre



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