

19th North Leeds (St Chad's) Scout Group

Annual Report - 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025

This was another busy year of scouting at St Chad's.

As well as a weekly programme of varied indoor and outdoor activities our young people took part in several County, District and Group organised events this year including the District Cycling event in April, Junior Warrior in June, Festive Fundays, District Scout Frosty camp, the County Cub pantomime trip and our annual group trip to Leeds Playhouse in January and Group camp in June. These events provide valuable opportunities for interaction with scouting members from other Groups and Districts, and the chance to take part in activities a single group cannot provide. We are grateful to the District and County teams who have given their time and skills to provide the varied programme of events.

Other highlights of the year include:

Squirrels

- 3 Squirrels achieving their Acorn Award
- Earning a total of 167 badges

Beavers

- 16 Beavers achieving their Chief Scout Bronze award
- Earning a total of 277 badges

Cubs

- Olympic themed camp at Snowball Plantation campsite in September
- Science themed indoor weekend at Fanwood campsite in March
- 18 Cubs achieving their Chief Scout Silver award
- Earning a total of 1037 badges

Scouts

- 6-night camp at Waddecarr Scout campsite in July and a hostel weekend at Curly Hill campsite in March
- 2 teams competing in the 6 Dales Walk with one team winning the Junior Novice trophy
- Earning a total of 263 badges

Group Trustees

The Scout Group has increased its membership and maintained an acceptable financial position this year. The Group is supported by a Board of Trustees: Neville Fell (Chairman), Andy Cooper (Treasurer), Rachel Fogg, Lesley Connor, Manjit McKenzie and Zoe Hinchliffe.

Nick Russell (former treasurer) and Paul Cammegh stood down as trustees after the last AGM. The Group is grateful for the many years they contributed to the Executive Committee and Board of Trustees.

Group section volunteers

We welcomed several new adult volunteers during the year – Michelle McCabe in Squirrels, Dipti Desai and James Murphy in Beavers, Kartik Prabhu and Helen Slater in Cubs.

We were sad to say 'Goodbye' to Niall Copeland, Liz Jenkins and Adam Bell who moved away from Leeds.

Details of the regular leader team during the year can be found in the table on the next page.

We also have a pool of adult volunteers who can't regularly help with weekly meetings but can support on camps and other events when they are able to. Our thanks go to Adam Bell, Alex Pearson, Susan Milestone, Shamine Harding, Oliver and Charlotte Harding-Jeans, Jamie Hayter, David Dewhurst and Matthew Simpson.

All sections rely on parents and Young Leaders helping at the weekly meetings and we are very grateful for their continued help and support. We are also lucky to have a group of DBS checked parents who help more regularly and provide additional adult supervision on trips and camps.

We are very short of regular volunteer leaders in all sections. To comply with the required adult to young person ratios and to ensure safety during weekly meetings and other activities we will be focussing on adult recruitment over the next few months.

The Group would again like to thank our vicar, Hannah, the PCC, the Parish Centre Management Committee and the caretaker John for their continued help and support.

The regular volunteer team during this period was:

Section			Leaders	Young members
	Group	Group Lead Volunteer	Caroline Bedford	
		Young Leaders	Alex Hudson Anabel Hinchliffe Caoimhe Hinchliffe Rhiannon Sprenger Tabea Drew Toby Simpson Luke Simms Martha McWilliam George Bellamy Lottie Vann Eddie Gough Bella Page	
	Squirrels age 4-6	Squirrel Team Leader	Katie Fabri	12
		Assistant leader Section Assistants	Lizzy Pawson Sarah Cawthra Rob Underwood Michelle McCabe	
	Beavers age 6-8	Beaver Team Leader	Melissa Simpkins	21
		Beaver Team Members	Andrea Vann Marc Fabri Dipti Desai James Murphy	
	Cubs age 8-10½	Cub Team Leader	Carrie Shotton	43
		Cub Team Members	Roz Halliwell Matthew Laurillard Sarah Abenbrook Kartik Prabhu Helen Slater	
	Scouts age 10-14½	Scout Team Leader	Vacant	57
		Scout Team Members	Andy Wood Simon Bottrell Andy Neal Jack Burgess David Grindrod	

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE INVOLVED IN SUPPORTING SCOUTING AT ST CHAD'S

19th North Leeds (St Chad's) Scouts

Statement of Accounts for the Year Ended 31st March 2025

2023/24	INCOME	2024/25	2023/24	EXPENDITURE	2024/25
10,583.00	Subscriptions	11,783.00	6,794.50	Capitation Fees	7,780.50
15,671.15	Camps	11,506.81	16,860.74	Camps	14,377.26
250.00	Fundraising/Donations	0.00	1,392.00	Parish Centre (Rent/Fees)	1,740.00
5,628.34	Trips and Activities	6,772.10	376.35	Badges and Handbooks	1,832.53
156.00	Sale of Uniform	149.50	0.00	Insurance	341.03
1,392.89	HMRC Gift Aid	2,171.20	7,765.99	Trips and Activiries	9,002.99
0.00	Sundry Income	84.00	515.00	Uniforms	656.56
			550.00	Equipment	346.27
			0.01	Sundries/Training	404.72
			200.00	Donations/Gifts	200.00
33,681.38	Total Income	32,466.61	34,454.59	Total Expenditure	36,681.86
773.21	Excess Expenditure	4,215.25			
34,454.59		36,681.86	34,454.59		36,681.86
	Bank Balance B/Fwd 1st April 2024	10,503.29		Excess Expenditure/Income	4,215.25
				Bank Balance C/Fwd 31st March 2025	6,288.04



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name

19th North Leeds (St Chads) Scout Group

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31:03:2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

524776

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 31 / 03 / 2025.

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 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:

N J Russell

Date:

15:09:2025

Name:

N J Russell

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

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.