

# 5TH SKIPTON (PARISH CHURCH) GROUP - OF BOY SCOUTS

England & Wales · Charity number 524810

## Details

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**Other names** 5th Skipton (Parish Church) Group

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 1969-02-07

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

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## Activities

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**Objects:** UNIT OF THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION.

**Activities:** Provision of facilities for the benefit of a scout group

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Education/training, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People

## Geography

- **Area of benefit:** SKIPTON
- North Yorkshire

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£17,223	£20,378	-	-
2024-03-31	£14,893	£15,202	-	-
2023-03-31	£27,064	£42,188	-	-
2022-03-31	£32,865	£28,360	-	-
2021-03-31	£52,865	£45,654	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>James Spencer Cave</b>	Chair	2025-11-27
Catherine Mary Walton-Brown		2024-05-23
Euan David Hilton		2024-05-23
Helen Emily Illman		2026-01-27
Jonathan Stubbs		2020-04-01
Katherine Helen Sorsby		2024-05-23
Martin Williamson		2024-05-23
Mohammed Hossein Djavanroodi		2023-06-08

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# Chair's Report – 2024

This year has been a challenging year for 5<sup>th</sup> Skipton. We started the year with a new leadership team, and a transition from an Executive Committee to a Board of Trustees. The Scout's Association has been introducing changes to their Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR), which has necessitated changes to the management structures, and processes within the group.

With the sudden resignation of the previous GSL and AGSL, I would like to thank the team at 5<sup>th</sup> for making the transition to the new leadership team as smooth and painless as possible. I would particularly like to thank Catherine and Carol, both of whom have stepped up to plan and run all three sections, helping to make sure that Scouting at 5<sup>th</sup> hasn't stopped regardless of what's happening in the background.

I would also like to thank Euan for managing The Dump. Thanks to his continued efforts we have a safe and secure building, which not only benefits us as a group, but also the wider Scouting movement in Skipton and various other groups in the local area.

I also want to recognise Gary who has stepped in to the GSL role. I know he thought his Scouting days were behind him, but I'm happy to have him and his wealth of Scouting knowledge on the leadership team.

Finally, I want to recognise the resilience shown by all the young people during this transitional period. A lot has changed over the last 12 months, and they have all shown themselves to be a credit to 5<sup>th</sup> Skipton.

The leadership team at 5<sup>th</sup> is now in a much better position. My thanks go to Kate Sorsby who has stepped in to take on the role as secretary, although with the recent resignation of our group Treasurer there is still a vacant position to fill. We have made great strides in making sure that the group is represented both with our attendance at events around town, and with the launch of our new website. We are making every attempt to ensure the group is in a strong financial position making sure that we have a safe place for Scouting in Skipton.

Looking to the future, we have big plans for The Dump, with plans for the continued improvements to downstairs. We also plan to attend Skipton Gala, to make sure that 5<sup>th</sup> is front and centre for all things Scouting in Skipton.

In conclusion the story this year has been one of rebuilding. We have rebuilt the leadership team. We have rebuilt the processes for the leadership team. We have rebuilt relationships and built new links. Next, we're planning on rebuilding downstairs at The Dump.

Scouting is built on the time and dedication of volunteers, so my closing comment is to once again thank the team here at 5<sup>th</sup> Skipton for all that they do.

Mohammed Djavanroodi  
Chair of 5<sup>th</sup> Skipton Scouts

## 5th Skipton (Parish Church) Scout Group

### Reciepts and Payments Account

For the year from Thursday April 01 2022 to Thursday March 31 2023

Receipts and Payments		2022/23
		£
<b>Reciepts</b>		
<b>Donations, legacies and similar income</b>		
Membership subscriptions		9,055.00
Less:Membership subscrptions paid on		-
Net membership subscriptions retained		9,055.00
Donations		45.00
Gift Aid		-
Other Similar Income		-
<b>Sub Total</b>		<b>9,100.00</b>
<b>Grants</b>		
Foyle Foundation		5,000.00
<b>Sub Total</b>		<b>5,000.00</b>
<b>Fundraising (Gross)</b>		
Amazon Smile		5.00
Easy Fundraising		18.42
Bingo Night		244.83
<b>Sub Total</b>		<b>268.25</b>
<b>Investment Income</b>		
Property Rent Income		3,435.00
Other Investment Income		-
<b>Sub Total</b>		<b>3,435.00</b>
<b>Other Income</b>		
Uniform		301.10
Buiding Society Money		9,000.00
<b>Sub Total</b>		<b>9,301.10</b>
<b>Total Gross Income</b>		<b>27,104.35</b>
<b>Asset and Investment sales, etc</b>		
		-
<b>Total Receipts</b>		<b>27,104.35</b>
<b>Payments</b>		
Charitable Payments (Ukraine Appeal)		341.83
Youth Programme and Activities		490.97
Council Rates		-
Telephone		534.59
Water and Sewerage		225.53
Electricity and Gas		2,356.63
Bins		173.59
Servicing		582.00
Insurance		870.73
Uniform and Badges		626.63
Materials and Equipment		154.10
PHS Sanitary Bins		428.78
AGM and Trustee Expenses		-
Renovation Costs		26,100.00
Capitation 2022/23		-

Bank Charges		154.70
Accountancy Costs		75.00
Sundries		-
Online Scout manager		51.50
Other (moving B/S money)		9,000.00
Fundraising Costs		21.00
<b>Sub Total</b>		<b>42,187.58</b>
<b>Total Gross Expenditure</b>		<b>42,187.58</b>
<b>Net of Receipts/(Payments)</b>	-	<b>15,083.23</b>
Cash Funds Last Year End		29,343.29
<b>Cash Funds This Year End</b>		<b>14,260.06</b>
Skipton Building Society		862.64
<b>Adjustment to balance to actual funds</b>		<b>10.45</b>
<b>Total Cash Funds</b>		<b>15,133.15</b>



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## Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees of 5<sup>th</sup> Skipton Scout Group

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the 5<sup>th</sup> Skipton Scout Group ('the Charity') for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

### Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the Trustees of the Charity 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 Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and, in carrying out my examination, I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145/5/b of the Act

### Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination and can confirm no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which would give me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act
- 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 for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached

Sarah Curran  
Member of the Association of Accounting Technicians (MAAT)

2<sup>nd</sup> May 2023

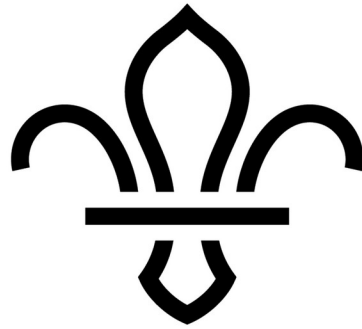
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# **Scouts**

## **5th Skipton**

**Annual General Meeting**  
**2022**

Wednesday 15th June

## **Agenda**

### Key Business

Presentation of awards to young people.

Introduction from GSL - Apologies for absence, key people, and group report.

Chair person's report.

Adopt minutes of last AGM.

Financial report.

Financial statement.

### Elections and appointments

Key personel stand down - Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary.

Election of Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary.

Appointment of independent examiner.

Election or co-opt of Executive Committee members - parent representatives etc.

## **5th Skipton Scout Group Report 2022**

Another unusual year for scouting at Fifth Skipton, we've got back to face to face scouting again, but have been subject to changing regulations for a lot of the year. Once again the team at 5<sup>th</sup> have done a remarkable job dealing with the challenges dealt to them, my thanks and appreciation to you all.

The day to day business of a modern scout group has continued. Leaders have planned and implemented a varied and interesting programme for the young people. The Executive committee, particularly Ruksana and Samm, have raised the funds that have allowed us to continue to both improve The Dump and deliver that programme.

There have been a number of improvements to The Dump this year. Most noticeably a new shutter linked to the fire alarm has been installed between the kitchen and the hall, and a new much more secure set of garage doors at the front of the building. In addition to this the building's security has been further improved with new CCTV cameras. Thanks to Euan and Jon for their work in implementing these projects and the general maintenance work keeping the building in shape.

We have big ambitions for the coming year, more work to improve the group's home, The Dump, and to augment our store of equipment so we can provide even more amazing experiences for our young members. Most pressing though is the need for a new roof, this will be a considerable expense and will likely tax Ruksana's and Samm's skills in fundraising to the limits. So I would appeal for anyone one with ideas or skills that they feel will help to come forward, we need all the help we can get.

Just as one side of the group is going so well we get the sad news that we are losing Assistant Scout Leader Ellen as she moves away from the area. We thank her for her hard work at the group and will miss her at Scout meetings. I'm sure everyone will join me in wishing her well for the future and hoping that she has enjoyed her time at 5<sup>th</sup> Skipton. If you ever come back within travelling distance then there is a warm welcome for you here.

In addition to this blow, our Scout Leader Euan is being forced by a work pressures to step back from his responsibilities of leading the Scout section to the role of Assistant leader. His contribution to the group recently has been immense and we thank him for his efforts. We wouldn't be in such a good position without his managing the renovations and maintenance skills.

With this double blow to the Scout section, without some new volunteers, we are faced with the very real possibility that the Scout Section may have to close. So I would appeal to anyone who can help, or knows someone who wants to help, to come forward, enable us keep this brilliant section going. The young people, your young people, deserve the chance to continue their scouting career. You can help them to reach their potential, to have further adventures, to live their best lives. You will join a team of dedicated, friendly, and helpful people. You too will live your best life and discover skills you never knew you had. So what are you waiting for?

As Group Scout Leader I have had the pleasure of assisting to lead all sections from time to time and regularly with our Squirrel and Beaver sections. It is very rewarding to see the young people bond as a group, to learn new skills and interact in a way that they possibly aren't able to within the school environment. They meet children from schools other than their own and I'd like to think that some form friendships that will last for life. It is a privilege to be a part of this period of someone's life and in some small way help them to become the amazing people they are meant to be. Scouting is a good experience for young people and without your help fewer children will get to experience it.

One of our proudest achievements this past year has been the groups response to the difficult situation in Ukraine. Led by the young people in the Scout Section we held a short sponsored walk and coffee morning in support of the Save The Children fund for Ukraine. The group raised around £1600, which goes to show what our young people are capable of. All they need is support from you and your children can fulfil their potential.

I am proud to be a small part of this team. Proud to know ever single member, both young and not so young. I thank you all for your efforts, without you The Dump is just another building. Fifth Skipton has always been about the people and building friendships. I know you can all rise to the challenge of another year and surpass what you have already achieved.

So once again my thanks to you all.

Colin Hunter.  
Group Scout Leader.

## **5<sup>th</sup> Skipton Scouts Chair's Report 2022**

This has been another interesting year as we returned to a more open society but still had to deal with restrictions, ever changing regulations and guidance to deal with Covid. During this time the Leaders across all Sections have risen to the challenge.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the Leaders, GSL and AGSL for all their hard work, time and commitment in programming meetings and activities for our young people.

As a Group we are in a strong and financially healthy position with a waiting list of young people wanting to join our Group, but we need more leaders across all our Sections. We are saying goodbye to our Assistant Scout Leader Ellen as she is moving away from the area, we wish her the best. Our Scout leader Euan is stepping down to Assistant Scout Leader due to work commitments and if we do not get more volunteers, we will have to close our Scout section. A huge thank you to Euan who alongside the role of Scout Leader has been managing our renovation programme.

During the year we have continued with our renovations to the building, installing the kitchen shutters and new garage doors.

Although we have a healthy balance sheet, we do need to replace the roof this year. The cost is approximately £30,000, our Treasurer has been working hard and applying for some grants to help towards the cost, but we still have a significant amount to raise. If anyone can help with fundraising, please get in touch.

Finally, I would like to reiterate the need for volunteers as Leaders and members of the Executive Committee to help the Group to continue to deliver the Scouting programme to our young people.

Ruksana Mahmood  
Chairperson 5<sup>th</sup> Skipton Scout Group

## **Minutes from previous AGM meetings in 2021**

### **AGM minutes 16 June 2021. 7.30pm**

**Present:** Imogen Swale, Colin Hunter, Ruksana Mahmood, Euan Hunter, Di Clayton, Samm Thompson, Pauline Pickles, Catherine Walton-Brown

**Remote:** Debbie Crofts, Caroline Williamson.

**Apologies:** John Stubbs

GSL – Colin opens the meeting by thanking all for joining. He confirms the difficulties met this year and says that everyone has worked hard. It has also been difficult to meet the financial needs along with keeping the young people involved. The movement is not to rest on its laurels but to meet the challenges ahead. He then hands over to the Chair.

Ruksana – Thanks all, especially the leader for delivery of online sessions. She also takes the opportunity to thanks parents.

A pack from last year's AGM is provided. It is agreed that the minutes from the AGM of 2020 are an accurate recording. Proposed by Imogen. Seconded by Samm.

Samm then provides a brief summary of the year's financial activities and provides a report. Samm thanks the parents for continuing to pay subs during Covid. There are no new members therefore payments are down, although the building has continued to run. Capitation for 2019/2020 was £2809 – This sum was paid in 20/21. Payment was delayed due to Covid. There is a delay in the payment of the 20/21 capitation however the sum of £3000 is covered. We have had no rental income. The renovations that are complete have been paid for. At the year end the balance in our account stands at £15,838.31. We have raised zero in fundraising this year. Thanks were given to all those companies supplying a grant. Samm confirmed that we are now in a position to let the building.

Samm confirms that the accounts are to be audited this week.

### **Nomination of Officers**

The Exec Committee stand down.

All the previous members are willing to continue for a further year. There are no other offers.

Chair person – Ruksana. Proposed by Imogen. Seconded by Samm

Treasurer – Samm. Proposed by Catherine. Seconded by Euan.

Secretary – Alison. Proposed by Di. Seconded by Colin.

### **Parent Reps**

Di confirms she is happy to continue as Scout rep.

Caroline confirms she will be Cub rep.

Pauline will continue as Beaver rep.

Hedgehogs – to be arranged.

### **Agenda concluded.**

AGSL, Imogen thanks GSL, Colin for everything he has done this year. Co-ordination and responsibility is a huge task.

**No other business.**

**Meeting closed 7.43pm**

## Financial Report and Accounts 2021-22

A brief summary of the key points of the group's finances over the twelve months of April 2021 to March 2022, followed by details of the accounts at the end of the financial year.

**Subscriptions:** Now fully up and running after a turbulent couple of years, the difficult decision was taken to raise the membership subscriptions in order to cover the cost of Capitation and the running of the sections.

The vast majority of existing members and all new members are now paying the new rate.

We thank those paying their membership subscriptions as this means we have sufficient funds moving forward to pay for Capitation and the running of the groups.

**Capitation:** This is the annual charge levied by the Scout Association on every uniformed person in the Scout movement. It covers the support and structures at District, County and National level, including the significant levels of insurance required for youth work today.

The Capitation for 2020/21 of £1928 was paid in this tax year 2021/22.

The Capitation for 2021/22 of £3600 was also paid in this tax year 2021/22, meaning that we are up to date with all capitation payments.

While we have £3000 put to one side in Skipton Building Society to cover the capitation costs as a contingency, there are sufficient funds building up in the account for the upcoming year ahead.

**Rental Income:** With the reopening of the building we have been able to lease the space out to a number of community groups during the daytime, bringing an income of £2725 for this year, helping to cover the maintenance and running costs of the building.

**Renovations:** With the fitting of the roller shutter on the kitchen hatch, the upper floor renovations were completed. A new, more secure set of doors were fitted to the outer ground floor. Our spend on these renovations came to £6671.04.

While thoughts turn to plans for the renovation for the ground floor, our immediate attention is needed to raise funds to replace the ailing roof, estimated to cost in the region of £25,000 - £30,000.

**Covid19:** The group received Covid support and Omicron grants to the value of £10,667, helping towards the continued costs of making the build Covid safe and towards the loss of income from not being able to fully function previously.

**Bank Accounts:** With the continued difficulties faced with banking through the Yorkshire Bank, the decision was taken to open a NatWest account. All funds with the exception of those raised from subscriptions this financial year were moved to this new account, with the Yorkshire Bank account being left to collect subscriptions and to pay for group activities.

By splitting the funds, it is more transparent as to which funds are available for running the groups and which funds are available to maintain and run the building.

With the subsequent closure of the branch of the Yorkshire Bank in Keighley, we are now in the process of opening a second NatWest account to replace the Yorkshire Bank account.

**Year End:** We ended 2021/22 with a balance between the two accounts of £20,343.29, with £12,000.00 having been raised so far through grants for the new roof.

Covid19 has still been a challenge us through 2021/22, with fundraising opportunities still being limited. We thank the companies that were able to provide us with grants for their generosity, as it means that we have been able to purchase equipment and put money towards replacing the roof.

Going forward we will continue to rent out the building to groups in the wider community, which goes a long way towards the continued running costs, and we hope to find more fundraising opportunities within the community once again, so that we can start to build up funds for the renovations of the lower floor of the building, and replace the roof.

Samantha Thompson  
Treasurer 5<sup>th</sup> Skipton Scout Group

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### Receipts and Payments Account

For the year from Thursday April 01 2021 to Thursday March 31 2022

Receipts and Payments	2021/22
	£
<b>Receipts</b>	
<b>Donations, legacies and similar income</b>	
Membership subscriptions	6,435.00
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on	-
Net membership subscriptions retained	6,435.00
Donations	14.39
Gift Aid	-
Other Similar Income	-
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>6,449.39</b>
<b>Grants</b>	
Covid Support	8,000.00
NYCC	1,150.00
Lottery	10,000.00
Omicron	2,667.00
Tesco	500.00
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>22,317.00</b>
<b>Fundraising (Gross)</b>	
Smarties Tube Collection	21.50
Halloween Event	144.30
Ukraine Appeal	341.83
Easy Fundraising	74.40
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>582.03</b>
<b>Investment Income</b>	
Property Rent Income	2,725.00
Other Investment Income	-
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>2,725.00</b>
<b>Other Income</b>	
Utility Refund	94.76
Camp Deposit Refund	100.00
Uniform	575.55
Amazon Refund	21.56
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>791.87</b>
<b>Total Gross Income</b>	<b>32,865.29</b>
<b>Asset and Investment sales, etc</b>	-
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>32,865.29</b>
<b>Payments</b>	
<b>Charitable Payments</b>	
Youth Programme and Activities	131.37
Council Rates	328.68
Telephone	322.49
Water and Sewerage	222.69
Electricity and Gas	2,119.71
Bins	196.64
Servicing	1,353.57
Insurance	805.44
Uniform and Badges	1,415.29
Materials and Equipment	8,948.84
Printing and Photocopying	-

Contribution to Camp Costs (Refunds)		70.00
AGM and Trustee Expenses		-
Renovation Costs		6,671.04
Capitation 2020/21		1,928.00
Capitation 2021/22		3,600.00
Accountancy Costs		50.00
Sundries		72.46
Online Scout manager		54.00
Maintenance		31.77
Fundraising Costs		38.32
<b>Sub Total</b>		<b>28,360.31</b>
<b>Total Gross Expenditure</b>		<b>28,360.31</b>
<b>Net of Reciepts/(Payments)</b>		<b>4,504.98</b>
Cash Funds Last Year End		15,838.31
<b>Cash Funds This Year End</b>		<b>20,343.29</b>
Skipton Building Society Contingency Fund		9,000.00
<b>Total Cash Funds</b>		<b>29,343.29</b>

# SCOUTS

## 5<sup>th</sup> Skipton Scouts Section Annual Report 2021-22

Scouting at 5th has got back on track following the turbulent past few years. It has at times, been a challenge to deliver this with outbreaks of the virus popping up and decimating attendance figures. But we keep plodding forward.

We have managed to achieve a nights away with the scouts having a sleepover (no sleep) at The Dump with a special festive meal (including Halal Turkey).

A great achievement was the Hike for Ukraine which all the scouts got involved in the planning of the route etc. The grand total raised for the event was £1600.

Other focuses have been on map reading, situational and hazard awardness, First Aid and also showing off their skills. The Scouts have now secured a stall on Skipton Sheep Day which they will be showcasing their talents whilst trying to recruit new volunteers into the group.

It is with great sadness that we shall be bidding farewell to our Assistant Leader, who is moving away from the area and securing a teaching post. Good luck Ellen for the future.

I will be stepping down from the role of Leader to Assistant Leader as my new work role means that I have less time to give to planning sessions and leading them with times when I might have to disappear quickly if called out. If anybody knows of somebody that could fill the role of leader, then please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Euan Hilton  
Scout Leader (Departing)  
5<sup>th</sup> Skipton (Parish Church) Scouts



## 5th Skipton Cub Scouts Annual Report 2021-22

I would like to start my report by thanking my assistant leaders Carol and Debbie as without their help I would not be able to plan and deliver an exciting and varied programme for the cubs. I'd also like to thank Colin as GSL, Imogen as AGSL and Steve Gower as without them we would not have managed to offer camps and sleepovers.

It is great to return to face to face scouting. We've had a real push at up-skilling the cubs to help develop those skills missed due to online learning.

We have run a sleepover at the Dump where 14 cubs joined us for a range of activities including Kelly kettles, knife skills, knots and indoor archery. 12 cubs are also attending a Jubilee themed camp the Playaway, Eshton Grange at the end of May.

Cubs have also enjoyed a visit to Skipton fire station, helped plant seedlings with Incredible Edible, taken part in some emergency aid sessions and completed a treasure hunt around Skipton. We took part in the group Hike for Ukraine, Remembrance Day Parade and St. George's Day.

I have awarded a range of activity and challenge badges and 3 cubs achieved their Chief Scout Silver Award before moving onto scouts.

The cub leader team has lots of exciting things planned for the next 12 months. However we do need more people to step up and volunteer their time to enable us to continue to offer an exciting and varied programme.

Catherine Walton-Brown  
Cub Leader  
5<sup>th</sup> Skipton (Parish Church) Scouts



## 5<sup>th</sup> Skipton Beavers Annual Report 2021-22

Beavers returned to face to face meetings socially distanced after Easter 2021, Catherine worked hard to bring some normality back for the children. The weeks were mixed with times where meetings had to go back online again unfortunately. Many members stuck with it throughout and they are to be commended for putting up with endless Zoom meetings. A huge thank you goes out to Catherine and Carol for all their hard work with Beavers and especially for all the exciting adventures. Late in the summer it was agreed that they would both move up to run Cubs instead.

Colin and I took over in September, back to where we started. We've had many exciting adventures including a trip to Skinnerground Wood and a brilliant Beaver activity day. We've worked towards a lot of badges including fitness, safety, musician 1 and we've also joined up with Incredible Edible to work on the gardening badge. Members attended both the Remembrance and St George's Day parades.

Over the coming term we have had to request extra help from parents to ensure we can offer more outdoor activities with the children. It is our intention to request more help over the coming months whilst we try to attract more adult members.

Imogen Swales  
Assistant Group Scout Leader  
5<sup>th</sup> Skipton (Parish Church) Scouts



## 5<sup>th</sup> Skipton Squirrels Annual Report 2021-22

After the successful Hedgehog Pilot scheme ended in July 2021 5<sup>th</sup> Skipton transferred to the Squirrel program, still following the family model as this is being trialled until December 2022. All but 1 of our Hedgehogs transferred to Beavers and the remaining member moved to Squirrels. Squirrels continued to run in the Saturday morning slot until March 2022 when it had to move to fortnightly meetings due to leader commitments.

12 Squirrels and their parents have been invested although regular attending numbers are much lower at around 6. We have enjoyed many activities and completed the Super Cook, Emergency Aid 1, Let's Celebrate and Explore badges to name just a few. We have been to Bog Wood and enjoyed a campfire along with a range of other outdoor activities. We've done a huge range of other activities including baking, gardening and story telling.

I would like to thank Colin for his continued assistance with this Section as without him it wouldn't happen.

Imogen Swales  
Assistant Group Scout Leader  
5<sup>th</sup> Skipton (Parish Church) Scouts

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Donations	14.39
Gift Aid	-
Other Similar Income	-
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>6,449.39</b>
<b>Grants</b>	
Covid Support	8,000.00
NYCC	1,150.00
Lottery	10,000.00
Omicron	2,667.00
Tesco	500.00
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>22,317.00</b>
<b>Fundraising (Gross)</b>	
Smarties Tube Collection	21.50
Halloween Event	144.30
Ukraine Appeal	341.83
Easy Fundraising	74.40
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>582.03</b>
<b>Investment Income</b>	
Property Rent Income	2,725.00
Other Investment Income	-
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>2,725.00</b>
<b>Other Income</b>	
Utility Refund	94.76
Camp Deposit Refund	100.00
Uniform	575.55
Amazon Refund	21.56
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>791.87</b>
<b>Total Gross Income</b>	<b>32,865.29</b>
<b>Asset and Investment sales, etc</b>	-
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>32,865.29</b>
<b>Payments</b>	
<b>Charitable Payments</b>	
Youth Programme and Activities	131.37
Council Rates	328.68
Telephone	322.49
Water and Sewerage	222.69
Electricity and Gas	2,119.71
Bins	196.64
Servicing	1,353.57
Insurance	805.44
Uniform and Badges	1,415.29
Materials and Equipment	8,948.84
Printing and Photocopying	-

Contribution to Camp Costs (Refunds)		70.00
AGM and Trustee Expenses		-
Renovation Costs		6,671.04
Capitation 2020/21		1,928.00
Capitation 2021/22		3,600.00
Accountancy Costs		50.00
Sundries		72.46
Online Scout manager		54.00
Maintenance		31.77
Fundraising Costs		38.32
<b>Sub Total</b>		<b>28,360.31</b>
<b>Total Gross Expenditure</b>		<b>28,360.31</b>
<b>Net of Reciepts/(Payments)</b>		<b>4,504.98</b>
<b>Cash Funds Last Year End</b>		<b>15,838.31</b>
<b>Cash Funds This Year End</b>		<b>20,343.29</b>
<b>Skipton Building Society Contingency Fund</b>		<b>9,000.00</b>
<b>Total Cash Funds</b>		<b>29,343.29</b>



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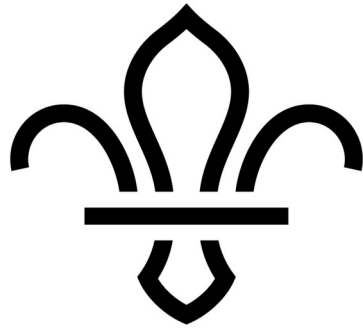
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# Accounts

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# **Scouts**

## **5th Skipton**

**Annual General Meeting**  
**2021**

Wednesday 16th June

## **Agenda**

### Key Business

Introduction from GSL - Apologies for absence, key people, and group report.

Chair person's report.

Adopt minutes of last AGM.

Financial report.

Financial statement.

### Elections and appointments

Key personnel stand down - Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary.

Election of Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary.

Appointment of independent examiner.

Election or co-opt of Executive Committee members - parent representatives etc.

*Once again in view of the AGM being sparsely attended due to the ongoing Covid-19 situation the Executive committee have allowed for extra time for the election of members of the committee such as parent representatives etc. If it is not possible to complete this process it will take place according to the groups governing document as soon as is possible.*

## **5th Skipton Scout Group Report 2021**

It's been another difficult year for scouting at Fifth Skipton, due to Covid we have spent another big portion of the year online. Always a tricky time for what is traditionally an after school activity. More screen time is the last thing that young people, who have spent all day online, need. My appreciation and thanks to the leaders that did a remarkable job keeping the Scouts from all sections engaged so that we had some members left to get back to face to face Scouting. You made online scouting not only interesting, but fun too. Having taken part in a number of these meetings, my overwhelming memory of them is the young people smiling and in the best Scouting tradition – doing their best.

While online scouting was trying our patience work continued on our home, The Dump. We managed to secure funding for and the installation of a commercial grade kitchen. Ruksana and Samm again worked their magic to find the money and Euan and Jon oversaw the installation. This and a myriad of other jobs seem to have taken up a great deal of the teams time. The Dump is being dragged into the 21st century and is increasingly a venue that the young people deserve. We have a computer and telephone system that wouldn't disgrace any office, a CCTV system and security lighting that are equal to the job of protecting a home that the Group is increasingly proud of, and remote access to the environmental and alarm systems. Who would have thought it, internet at The Dump! Euan and Jon have undertaken the bulk of this work and "Thank You" seems a poor reward for their efforts.

The Dump is now beginning to earn it's keep too. It is a venue that is in a fit state to market and Jon needs to be thanked for not only implementing, but also managing the booking system.

This is only a small part of the work that has been undertaken to make sure the group not only survives, but thrives this year. A lot of work has gone on behind the scenes.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the whole team who have made it all possible. The Exec committee for their assistance in steering the group and the Leader team for keeping the young people engaged enough to stay with us. Samm and Ruksana for their remarkable ability to provide the money to pay for what we want to achieve, Jon and Euan for building management and maintenance, Imogen and Jon for their administrative assistance, and Alison for the under valued task of keeping the records of what we decide to do.

Now we are getting back to face to face scouting the Leaders are doing an amazing job. Despite the difficult restrictions placed upon us we are almost back at a normal scouting experience. I have attended a great many sessions and I think a lot of people both young and older have rediscovered something inside themselves. It is always a pleasure to watch people grow.

The Dump itself seems to have regained it's heart. Previously it was like an empty school, just a little too quiet. Now it is, once again, filled with the excited shouts and laughter of young people learning new skills while having a lot of fun.

Along with the young people being back it has been great to see new leaders come onboard. New volunteers enhancing the group, bringing new experiences, and finding their level. We've also said farewell to some and we wish them all the best in the future. With their departure we are looking for new volunteers to fill the spaces they have left. If you have any interest at all I would recommend you speak to us. It is an immensely rewarding thing to do, you will become a part of a dedicated team, learn new skills, and play an increased role in the development of a better society. As Baden Powell himself said – "leave the world a little better than you found it."

Looking to the future we have to maintain our focus on delivering the best Scouting experience we can to the current group of young people and setting the foundation for generations to come. We have made an excellent start, but need to stay reactive and not get set in our ways. The world is dynamic, things change, new ideas are essential to keep the group relevant. We have to adapt to meet new challenges.

If the last couple of years have taught me anything it is that Fifth Skipton Scout Group is more than capable of meeting any challenge it faces. No problem is seemingly too great. I'm proud to be a small part of the group, proud to know every single member both adult and young person, I thank you all for your contributions and look forward to many more Scouting adventures in the future.

Colin Hunter.  
Group Scout Leader.

## **Chair's Report**

This has been an extraordinary year bringing many challenges and difficulties for everyone. I would therefore like to thank everyone associated with the Group leaders, helpers, executive members for all their hardwork in keeping the Group functioning and delivering scouting to our young people in whatever form restrictions allowed.

Thank you also to all the parents who were able to support the group financially by continuing to pay their subscriptions to help ensure the Group could cover its core costs.

The first floor of the building has now been renovated and is being used by the Group. It is also being rented by the local community helping to raise funds to support the Group. However, the renovations and need for further fundraising has not stopped. We need to replace our leaky roof and finish the renovations on the ground floor. We therefore need to continue raising funds through events and grants. Anyone who can help please get in touch.

Finally I hope we can soon start delivering scouting in it's fullest sense and offering our young people the outdoor experiences they desperately need after such a difficult year.

Ruksana Mahmood  
Chairperson 5<sup>th</sup> Skipton Scout Group

## **Minutes from previous AGM held on 19 October 2020**

**Present:** Imogen Swales, Colin Hunter, Ruksana Mahmood, Samm Thompson, Di Clayton, Catherine Walton-Brown, Euan Hilton, Alison Conn, Dan Sealey and attending remotely, Marc Gear and Jonny Stubbs.

**Apologies:** Andy Stronach and Gary Sorsby

Colin opens the meeting by thanking all who have been involved with the current renovations especially Euan, Ruksana, Samm and Jonny.

Colin hands over to Ruksana who thanks Euan for his project management.

Adopting minutes of AGM 2019 – There are 2 amendments to be made to the minutes. They are:

1. Imogen Swales has taken the post of Assistant Group Scout Leader
2. The most improved beaver's name is Solly Cooper-Riley

The amendments having now been noted the minutes are accepted as an accurate representation of the meeting. The minutes are proposed and seconded.

Treasurer, Samm confirms a bank balance of £8627. This sum will be spent to cover some of the cost of the kitchen. Samm thanks those parents who have continued to pay subs whilst the building has been closed to normal meetings.

The independent accountant to verify the accounts is Sarah Curran of Pinnacle Book keeping

Key personnel stand down

### **Nomination of officers**

Chair – Ruksana Mahmood. Proposed by Di Clayton, Seconded by Marc Gear

Treasurer – Samm Thompson. Proposed by Jonny Stubbs. Seconded by Marc Gear.

Secretary – Alison Conn. Proposed by Samm Thompson. Seconded by Di Clayton.

## **Parent Representatives**

Scouts – Di Clayton. Proposed by Ruksana Mahmood

Cubs/Beavers – it is thought that Pauline Pickles will stand as parent rep for one of the sections. The other will have no nomination.

Official Business is closed.

No further business

Meeting closed.

## Financial Report and Accounts 2020-21

A brief summary of the key points of the group's finances over the twelve months of April 2020 to March 2021, followed by details of the accounts at the end of the financial year.

**Subscriptions:** While we continued to collect subscriptions by standing order, these did drop owing to being closed for Covid19 and not taking in any new members. We thank those who were able to continue paying their membership subscriptions as this has helped greatly in keeping the building running.

**Capitation:** This is the annual charge levied by the Scout Association on every uniformed person in the Scout movement. It covers the support and structures at District, County and National level, including the significant levels of insurance required for youth work today.

The capitation for 2019/20 of £2809 was paid in this tax year 2020/21.

We have £3000 put to one side in Skipton Building Society to cover the capitation costs for 2020/21, which are yet to be paid.

**Rental Income:** There was no rental income this financial year owing to the building being closed under Covid19 regulations.

**Renovations:** These were completed in the early part of this financial year and all works have now been paid for.

**Covid19:** The group received Covid support grants to the value of £19,431.00 which meant that the running costs of the building could be met, and all the necessary Covid safety measures could be installed to make the building Covid compliant for going back to face to face meetings.

**Year End:** We ended 2020/21 with a balance of £15,838.31

Covid19 continued to challenge us through 2020/21, meaning that fundraising opportunities were non-existent in their usual form. We thank the companies that were able to provide us with grants for their generosity, as it has meant that the upper part of the building has been able to be completed ready for the welcome return of face to face scouting.

Going forward we are now in a position to rent out the building to groups in the wider community which will go a long way towards the continued running costs, and we hope

with the further lifting of Covid restrictions that fundraising opportunities within the community may once again start to present themselves.

Samantha Thompson  
Treasurer 5<sup>th</sup> Skipton Scout Group

## 5th Skipton (Parish Church) Scout Group

### Reciepts and Payments Account

For the year from Wednesday April 01 2020 to Thursday March 31 2021

Receipts and Payments		2020/21
		£
<b>Reciepts</b>		
<b>Donations, legacies and similar income</b>		
Membership subscriptions		3,370.00
Less:Membership subscrptions paid on		
Net membership subscriptions retained		3,370.00
Donations		40.49
Gift Aid		-
Other Similar Income		-
<b>Sub Total</b>		<b>3,410.49</b>
<b>Grants</b>		
Covid Support		19,431.00
NYCC		3,500.00
Garfield Weston		20,000.00
Skipton Mechanics Institute		1,500.00
LSCT		1,000.00
<b>Sub Total</b>		<b>45,431.00</b>
<b>Fundraising (Gross)</b>		
Smarties Tube Collection		136.75
Paypal		2.50
20 pence collection		13.00
<b>Sub Total</b>		<b>152.25</b>
<b>Investment Income</b>		
Property Rent Income		
Other Investment Income		-
<b>Sub Total</b>		<b>-</b>
<b>Other Income</b>		
Utility Refund		3,621.46
Camp Deposit Refund		50.00
Refurbishment Refunds		200.00
<b>Sub Total</b>		<b>3,871.46</b>
<b>Total Gross Income</b>		<b>52,865.20</b>
<b>Asset and Investment sales, etc</b>		
		-
<b>Total Receipts</b>		<b>52,865.20</b>
<b>Payments</b>		
<b>Charitable Payments</b>		
Youth Programme and Activities		-
Council Rates		-
Telephone		336.29
Water and Sewerage		221.56
Electricity and Gas		1,121.08
Bins		118.17
Servicing		50.00
Insurance		1,050.59
Uniform and Badges		139.74
Materials and Equipment		695.62
Printing and Photocopying		-
Contribution to Camp Costs (Refunds)		780.00
AGM and Trustee Expenses		-

Renovation Costs		29,007.21	
Capitation 2019/20		2,809.60	
Accountancy Costs		100.00	
Sundries		128.26	
Repayment to Building Society		6,000.00	
Funds aside for 2020/21 Capitation (SBS)		3,000.00	
Fundraising Costs		96.00	
<b>Sub Total</b>		<b>45,654.12</b>	
<b>Total Gross Expenditure</b>		<b>45,654.12</b>	
<b>Net of Reciepts/(Payments)</b>		<b>7,211.08</b>	
<b>Cash Funds Last Year End</b>		<b>8,627.23</b>	
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# SCOUTS

## 5<sup>th</sup> Skipton Scouts Section 2020-21

Well, what a second year as the Leader of the scout section. I thought the first year was a trying one, but the second has proved to be another challenging and different time.

Firstly, I would like to welcome Ellen as the Assistant leader for the scouts. I would also like to thank those who have assisted me this year. Ellen, Harry, Jonny, Samm (treasurer), Colin and Imogen have all assisted where they can which has meant we could try and deliver a varied programme for the scouts.

I am also sad that we lost 6 of our experienced scouts as they had reached the 14-year-old status! Unfortunately, due to covid and other pressures only two have carried on their scouting careers with Explorers.

Online scouting brought its challenges with microphones, cameras and random backgrounds. It was difficult especially with everybody being "Zoomed Out" but there was some great engagement.

We did manage to get one Face to Face meeting just before Christmas and it was great to see the scouts.

Since we managed to meet face to face this year the scouts have engaged really well even though we have so many restrictions including the wearing of face covering and social distancing (which does make some activities impossible). The afternoon in Bog Wood was a memorable time as it showed how much information they had remembered and that they had a genuine enthusiasm for learning and scouting.

Looking forward I am feeling really positive that we can thrive with our group and we can find new ways of learning whilst still keeping that great scouting focus.

Euan Hilton  
Scout Leader  
5<sup>th</sup> Skipton (Parish Church) Scouts



## 5th Skipton Cub Scouts Annual Report 2020-21

The year started during COVID-19 restrictions, meetings online meant working very differently with the Cubs. Initially meetings were run by the Senior Leaders as Dan found his feet, we covered the chef badge by learning how to make chicken kebabs and apple crumbles, we learnt about safety in the home and healthy eating too. Dan helped us all to achieve the Astronomer badge by learning about and identifying some constellations in the night sky and finding out about our Scout Ambassador Tim Peake. We then became creative decorating glass jars for Christmas and then learning how to draw a landscape with a special guest Rachael.

We returned to face to face after the Easter holidays and invested both Dan and Debbie as Leaders. The Cubs adapted well to the new routines and outdoor investitures began so that parents could watch. We finally caught up with investing all the Cubs who moved up either before or during lockdown and gave out about 200 badges! Our proudest achievement this year has been helping both James and Joseph to achieve their Chief Scout Silver Awards (and parents for facilitating additional work at home due to the restrictions) .... Congratulations lads you've worked so hard!

Running the sessions with a split section has caused us challenges this term, but with social distancing it has been the only way to help meet restrictions to keep everyone safe, hopefully in September we can return as a full section (restrictions permitting).

Dan has stepped down as Section Leader due to other commitments so currently Cubs have 3 Assistant Leaders and 2 Section Assistants, Senior Leaders are planning and supporting these Leaders to run the section. I would like to take this opportunity to thank them all for their continued support at Cubs and look forward to trips out and camps with them all soon.

Imogen Swales  
Assistant Group Scout Leader



## 5<sup>th</sup> Skipton Beavers Annual Report 2020-21

After some initial trepidation and the recognition that the prospect of any face to face beavers was still a long way off we started to run weekly zoom meetings in October with 2/3 of the group joining in every week. These sessions enabled us to complete lots of badge work. We had fun making mug cakes, designing our own pizzas, making bug hotels, planting seeds, looking at the solar system and the stars to name a few activities we covered. A number of beavers took part in the online Ripon District Sleepover and all enjoyed sleeping in the dens they had made.

After 13 months of remote beavers, we were all really pleased to return to the Dump and face to face meetings in April. We invested 6 new beavers as part of our return to face to face meetings.

Since returning to face to face meetings we have had fun with some science experiments, had a go at tying knots, played games in the park and completed a treasure hunt around Skipton.

A large proportion of the group moved to cubs during closure, 5 of these were awarded their bronze award and another 5 beavers have received their bronze award since returning to face to face meetings.

Carol and I are looking forward to planning lots more scouting adventures during the next 12 months; however this will only be possible if I have some reliable adult volunteers.

Catherine Walton-Brown  
Beaver Leader

## 5<sup>th</sup> Skipton Hedgehogs Annual Report 2020-21

The year started during COVID-19 restrictions, meetings online meant working very differently with the Hedgehogs and their parents. We kept to our Saturday morning meeting slot online via Teams and enjoyed lots of activities including cooking and baking, lots of creativity and learning about other cultures and faiths. We celebrated Diwali by making puja lamp holders and celebrated Chinese New Year with our own Chinese buffets. We were able to meet face to face for one meeting before Christmas with a Christmas party... it was amazing to finally have some children in the new building and to hear them giggling and having fun.... Something which the building has really lacked!

Since returning to face to face meetings the children have adapted brilliantly to the spots and the new routine, we've baked and played lots of games... we all loved our games day playing with the new parachute! Colin helped us all to learn some early map skills creating coordinate pictures... we couldn't believe it when one was a hedgehog! Our most challenging session was making fruit pizzas using proper kitchen knives... very proud that we didn't need any plasters! The highlight of this half term was a brilliant day at Bog Wood where we cooked on a fire, built a huge den, explored and created some wild art.

Looking forward almost all of our Hedgehogs are scurrying up to Beavers this summer and Hedgehogs are going to be transformed into Squirrels, more information on this over the coming months.

I would like to thank Colin Hunter for being an excellent side kick during the Pilot scheme and for believing that we could create such a fun section to work with.

Imogen Swales  
Hedgehog Leader

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