

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

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Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name

2nd Acomb (St Stephen's) Scout Group

Other names the charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

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HQ registration number

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Charity's principal address

Behind Acomb Church Hall
Front Street
Acomb, YORK
Postcode Y O 2 4 3 B X

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

(These will be published in the annual report of the charity and the Charity Register if reporting for a Registered Charity with a charity regulator)

	Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1	Robert Dickenson	Chair	
2	Lisa West	Secretary	
3	Paul Gregson	Treasurer	
4	Rebecca Lincoln	Group Scout Leader	
5	Nik Owen	Deputy GSL	
6	Janet McPherson	Deputy GSL	
7	Richard White	Redmire Trustee	
8	Anne Barker	PCC St Stephen's	
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Names and addresses of advisers (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

(These will be published in the annual report of the charity)

Type of advisor	Name	Address
Bank	Barclays Bank plc	1-3 Parliament Street, York. YO1 8SE
Bank	Lloyds Bank plc	2 Pavement, York. YO1 9UP
Insurer	Unity Insurance	Suite 8, The Quadrant, Business Park, 60 Marlborough Road, Lancing BN15 8UW

Scouts



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Section B

Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document

The Group's governing documents are those of the 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 Group 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.

Additional governance issues

The Group is managed by the Group Trustee Board, the members of which are the 'Charity. Trustees' of the Scout Group 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 Group Scout Leaders, individual section leaders (if opted to take on the responsibility) and parent's representation and meets every 3 months.

Members of the Trustee Board complete 'Essential Information for Trustee Board' training within the first 5 months of joining the Board.

This Group Trustee Board exists to support the Group Scout Leader in meeting the responsibilities of the appointments and is responsible for:

- a) The maintenance of Group property;
- b) The raising of funds and the administration of Group finance;
- c) The insurance of persons, property and equipment;
- d) Group public occasions;
- e) Assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support;
- f) Appointing any sub committees that may be required;
- g) Appointing Group Administrators and Advisors other than those who are elected.

Since 1988 the Group have owned Redmire Station House and this property is owned under a Declaration of Trust with 4 Trustees (2 Group Trustees and 2 Redmire Trustees)

A Subcommittee including the Group Chairman and Group Scout Leader and some co-opted individuals are responsible for the day to day running, maintenance, financing and hiring of the property.



Section B Structure, governance and management (continued)

Risk and Internal Control

The Group Trustee Board has identified the major risks to which they believe the Group 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:

- a) Damage to the building, property and equipment. The Group would request the use of buildings, property and equipment from neighbouring organisations such as the church, community centre and other Scout Groups. Similar reciprocal arrangements exist with these organisations. The Group has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss
- b) Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members. The Group through the capitation fees contributes to the Scout Associations national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities.
- c) Reduced income from fund raising. The Group is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. The group does hold a reserve to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income. The Board could raise the value of subscriptions to increase the income to the group on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently.
- d) Reduction or loss of leaders. The group is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the group. If there was a reduction in the number of leaders to an unacceptable level in a particular section or the group as a whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section. In the worst case scenario the complete closure of the Group.
- e) Reduction or loss of members. The Group provides activities for all young people aged 6 to 18. If there was a reduction in membership in a particular section or the group as a whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section. In the worst case scenario the complete closure of the Group.

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Section C

Objectives and activities

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 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 co-operate with others and make friends.

The range of activities provided for the children is now back to pre-Coronavirus outbreak levels. We have increased the Group by two new sections, which have smoothly integrated into the Group and all sections continue to be well supported and the level of leadership is good.

The Scout Method

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

- a) enjoy what they are doing and have fun
- b) take part in activities indoors and outdoors
- c) learn by doing
- d) share in spiritual reflection
- e) take responsibility and make choices
- f) undertake new and challenging activities
- g) make and live by their Promise.

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.

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Section D

Achievements and performance

The Scout Group has expanded its individual sections by opening up a second Scout Troop. This followed a full year of our Squirrel Drey (ages 4-6), otherwise the Group enjoyed celebrating its 90th anniversary with a Group camp and a fun celebration with lots of memorabilia.

The Group has now updated their methodology of collecting Gift Aid payments from HMRC after gap period where a volunteer left the Group. We are applying on a quarterly basis.

Section E

Financial Review

Finance statement

The Financial Accounts have been adjusted along the lines of the required format by the Scout Association and Charity Commission with an adjustment for grossing up of money paid (£7k) for member subscriptions payable to Ebor District, North Yorkshire County and UK Scouts.

Receipts have increased from £45k to £48k supported in the main by an increase in membership subscriptions along with associated Gift Aid less Government Grants received. Group Income from camps and events has increased and we enjoyed our 90th year celebrations.

Expenditure increased by £11k. Our HQ cost of utilities has increased by £2.5k but much of this is in dispute with our Gas & Electric supplier. Since the lift in COVID restrictions our leaders have been busy in creating events for the children leading to increase in badge work as well as badges for the late Queen's jubilee and passing plus the newly crowned King.

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 Redmire Sub-Committee considers that they should hold a sum equivalent to 12 months running costs. The amount of Reserves to be held is reviewed by the Trustee Board annually at each AGM.

The Group does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer term investments. The Group has therefore adopted a risk averse strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks.

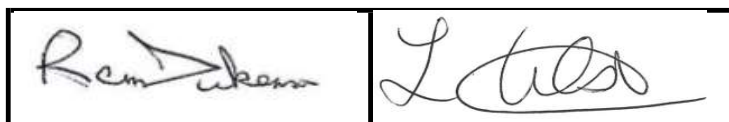
Section F

Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' report above

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

Robert Dickenson

Lisa West

Position (eg Secretary, Chair)

CHAIR

SECRETARY

Date

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2nd Acomb (St Stephen's) Scout Group (Charity no. 524830)

Receipts and Payments Account

For the year from	1st April 2022	To	31st March 2023
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Receipts and payments

	2022/23			2021/22
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £
Receipts				
Donations, legacies and similar income				
Membership subscriptions	16,074.85	-	-	16,074.85
Donations	226.32	-	-	226.32
Charities Trust	-	-	-	-
Gift Aid	4,070.09	-	-	4,070.09
Other similar income	295.56	-	-	295.56
Sub total	20,666.82	-	-	20,666.82
Grants				
Ward Grant	-	-	-	-
Other grants	216.00	-	-	216.00
Sub total	216.00	-	-	216.00
Fundraising events (gross)				
Just Giving	1,095.50	95.00	-	1,190.50
Amazon	30.47	-	-	30.47
Supermarket	-	-	-	-
Bags for Schools	28.00	-	-	28.00
Group Socials	63.52	-	-	63.52
Scouting Activities - in Year	11,177.16	-	-	11,177.16
Scout Activities - Future	3,070.00	-	-	3,070.00
Scout Activities - Refunds	(400.00)	-	-	(400.00)
Sub total	15,064.65	95.00	-	15,159.65
Scout hut income				
Hire of building	10,429.00	-	-	10,429.00
Hire of vehicle	415.00	-	-	415.00
Other Scout hut income	-	-	-	-
Sub total	10,844.00	-	-	10,844.00
Investment income				
Bank interest	56.59	-	-	56.59
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	1.55	-	-	1.55
Other investment income	-	-	-	-
Sub total	58.14	-	-	58.14
Total Gross Income	46,849.61	95.00	-	46,944.61
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	1,000.00	-	1,000.00
Total receipts	46,849.61	1,095.00	-	47,944.61

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2nd Acomb (St Stephen's) Scout Group (Charity no. 524830) Receipts and Payments Account

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Receipts and payments

	2022/23			2021/22
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £
Payments				
Charitable Payments				
Membership subscriptions paid on	6,900.00	-	-	6,900.00
Youth programme and activities	-	-	-	-
Adult support and training	-	-	-	-
Rent	110.00	-	-	110.00
Water and Sewerage	515.25	-	-	515.25
Electricity and Gas	7,927.83	-	-	7,927.83
Insurance	2,353.94	-	-	2,353.94
Rates & Rubbish Collection	324.24	-	-	324.24
Cleaning	4,260.00	-	-	4,260.00
Fire Prevention Costs	1,157.50	-	-	1,157.50
Repairs and Renewals	3,240.33	-	-	3,240.33
Materials and equipment	742.98	-	-	742.98
Transport - Insurance & Licence	1,680.25	-	-	1,680.25
Transport - Fuel	1,619.38	-	-	1,619.38
Transport - Repairs	1,042.46	-	-	1,042.46
Printing and photocopying	150.64	-	-	150.64
Contribution to camp costs	720.00	-	-	720.00
Badges	2,032.13	-	-	2,032.13
Uniforms	1,136.19	-	-	1,136.19
AGM and trustee expenses	42.00	-	-	42.00
Go Card, OSM & other costs	1,678.16	2.61	-	1,680.77
Miscellaneous	33.12	-	-	33.12
Other costs detail 3	-	-	-	-
Sub total	37,666.40	2.61	-	37,669.01
Fundraising expenses				
Contribution to camp costs - This Year	12,918.29	-	-	12,918.29
Contribution to camp costs - Future Year	660.00	-	-	660.00
Group Socials	40.00	-	-	40.00
Other fundraising costs	-	-	-	-
Sub total	13,618.29	-	-	13,618.29
Total Gross Expenditure	51,284.69	2.61	-	51,287.30
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	-	-	-	-
Total payments	51,284.69	2.61	-	51,287.30
Net of receipts/(payments)	(4,435.08)	1,092.39	-	(3,342.69)
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
Cash funds last year end	37,092.58	-	-	37,092.58
Cash funds this year end	32,657.50	1,092.39	-	33,749.89



2nd Acomb (St Stephen's) Scout Group (Charity no. 524830) Receipts and Payments Account

For the year from	1st April 2022	To	31st March 2023
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Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	31st March 2023				31st March 2022
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Cash funds					
Bank current account	6,594.55	1,092.39	-	7,686.94	7,483.34
Bank deposit account	29,011.07	-	-	29,011.07	33,010.91
Advances	(3,357.00)	-	-	(3,357.00)	(3,809.00)
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	408.88	-	-	408.88	407.33
Cash/Floats	-	-	-	-	-
Total cash funds	32,657.50	1,092.39	-	33,749.89	37,092.58
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Other monetary assets					
Tax claim	-	-	-	-	-
Debts due from the District	-	-	-	-	-
Insurance claim	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Investment assets					
Investment property - detail	-	-	-	-	-
Quoted investments	-	-	-	-	-
Other investments - detail	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Non monetary assets for charity's own use					
Badge stock	-	-	-	-	-
Land and buildings	459,000.00	-	-	459,000.00	459,000.00
Motor vehicles & Trailers	3,300.00	-	-	3,300.00	3,800.00
Scouting equipment, furniture etc	7,600.00	-	-	7,600.00	9,600.00
Trophies	100.00	-	-	100.00	100.00
Sub total	470,000.00	-	-	470,000.00	472,500.00
Liabilities					
Accounts not yet paid	-	-	-	-	-
Expenses incurred but not invoiced	-	-	-	-	-
Subscriptions not yet paid	-	-	-	-	-
Other liabilities	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total net assets	502,657.50	1,092.39	-	503,749.89	509,592.58

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 29th June 2023 and signed on their behalf by

Signature

Name

Robert Dickenson	Chairman
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEE BOARD OF

2ND ACOMB (ST. STEPHEN'S) SCOUT GROUP

I report on the Accounts of the Group for the year ended 31st March 2023.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Group's Trustee Board is responsible for the preparation of the Accounts and consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) and that an independent examination is required.

It is my responsibility to:

- 1) Examine the Accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- 2) To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charities Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act;
- 3) To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of accounting records kept by the Group and a comparison of the Accounts with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the Financial Statements, and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning 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.

- a) to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- b) to prepare Financial Statements which accord with the accounting records; and
- c) to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 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 Financial Statements to be reached.

Signed

Name;

Mr R Turpin

Qualification:

ATT Qualified and CIMA Student

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29/01/2024

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