



Trustees Annual Report

Presented at: AGM, Tithe Barn, Nether Poppleton, York

Overview

During 2023 to 2024, there were a range of events, attending Poppleton Children's Sports Day, a successful apple day and bonfire night was the biggest fundraiser.

The group took on-board a fundraising officer, which has made a real impact and great steps forward in fundraising.

Group camp had approximately 100 people attending and was a great success.

The group opened up new sections, increasing each by one, with one extra Scout section, one extra Cub section, one extra Beaver section and also started an explorers section. We now have 150 people in scouts, which has doubled in size; around 36 leaders, with people training, and lots of volunteers helping.

Lots of adventurous activities taking place, attracting a lot of interest and still lots of people on the waiting list.

Beaver section

Another successful year for the section included;

- Visit to Holgate windmill
- Experiments with balloons
- Bouldering wall and balance activities
- Community police visit
- Money skills – spending £1
- Experiencing disability
- Learning about access to water and clean water and raised money with sponsorship to twin our toilets to others around the world
- An excellent camp

Cub section

The cub section had another successful year with now two sections of cubs in place, with 29 and 30 cubs respectively, which are large groups. Activities included;

- Fire activities
- Pizza ovens used
- Cooking – curries from around the world
- Lots of focus on silver awards

- Activities around hut and at the Millennium Green
- Also a Ghost walk, on the train into York
- Emergency services day

Scouts section

The scouts now have two sections, meeting on Thursday, with 32 scouts and on Wednesday with 22 scouts. Activities this year have included;

- Knife skills – whittling woggles
- Ways to light a fire
- Cooking – carbonara
- First aid training, including stretcher races
- Remembrance Day
- Cooking pheasants
- Night hike
- Ghost walk
- Electronic kits
- Whistle carving
- Made bat boxes
- Making tinder boxes
- Bulb planting on the Green
- Made boats to race on the stream
- Geocaching
- Group camp
- Election fever – voting for idea at scouts
- Competition with whittling and fire making
- Slip and slide

Explorers section

The Explorers section is new and the first year has been a great success with the young people very committed. There are currently 16 young people, but this will be increasing. They have been involved in;

- Fells marathon, with camping out in gale force winds
- Joint cooking night with Holgate scouts
- Group camp to Redmire station, including hiking plans
- Fundraising for international jamboree for Denmark 2026

Financial overview

As at the 31st March 24 there was £22,013 cash in the bank. This compares to £11,368 as at March 23, which is a surplus of £10.6k.

In the year we received 2 grants of £3.5k each to set up both a second Scout unit and a brand new Explorer Group. Of this £7k, £1.5k was spent during this period on Explorer set up packs and much needed camping equipment, which has already been put to use. The remaining £5.5k will be spent in 2024 to support the additional members in the group. £300 was also received from the Unknown Donors to contribute towards new tents.

The 2023 Group Camp was very successfully run - and only required a minor subsidy of £100 from the Group.

From Summer 2023, we increased our subscriptions from £30 a term to a monthly cost of £10.50. This has led to session costs and increased rent being covered by the subscription income in 2024.

We raised £5k in fundraising and also received a grant from the Coop of £1k.
The main expenditure was the purchase of a trailer.

Trustee board is considering restricting some of the reserves held in the bank for the scout hut building fund to deal with any building maintenance and emergency repairs, particularly for roof repairs. The Group camp will also be funded this year (2024/25).

The Independent examiner, Graham Taylor, was confirmed for next year's accounts.

All volunteers, leaders and helpers were thanked for all their support and help, leading to another successful year for 1st (York) Poppleton Scouts.

22 September 2024

1st York (Poppleton) Scout Group Receipts and Payments Account

	Year start date		Year end date
For the year from	4/1/2023	To	3/31/2024

Receipts and payments

	2023/24			2022/23
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£
Receipts				
Donations, legacies and similar income				
Membership subscriptions	14,256	-	-	14,256
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/Area/District) <small>enter figures with a minus sign</small>	- 8,340	-	-	- 8,340
Net membership subscriptions retained	5,916	-	-	5,916
Donations			-	-
Camps and Activities	7,854	-	-	7,854
Gift Aid	1,200	-	-	1,200
Other similar income	-	-	-	-
Sub total	14,969	-	-	14,969
Grants				
Maintenance grant	-	-	-	-
Other grants	1,036	7,300	-	8,336
Sub total	1,036	7,300	-	8,336
Fundraising (gross)				
Village Children's Sports Day	1,490	-	-	1,490
Bonfire Night	3,437	-	-	3,437
Other fundraising activities	990	-	-	990
Sub total	5,917	-	-	5,917
Investment income				
Bank interest	106	-	-	106
Building Society interest	-	-	-	-
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	-	-	-	-
Property Rent income	-	-	-	-
Other investment income	-	-	-	-
Sub total	106	-	-	106
Total Gross Income	22,028	7,300	-	29,328
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-	-	-
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Payments				
Charitable Payments				
Activities and contribution to camp costs	9,020	192	-	9,212
Rent	4,348	-	-	4,348
Administration costs	1,320	-	-	1,320
Uniforms and badges	525	52	-	577
AGM and trustee expenses	148	-	-	148
Millenium Green		-	-	-
Transfer of Grant to Scout & Guide Hut		-	-	-
Donation to Scout & Guides Hut		-	-	-
Sub total	15,361	244	-	15,605
Fundraising expenses				
Children's Sports Day	715	-	-	715
Bonfire Night	91	-	-	91
Other	22	-	-	22
Other fundraising costs	-	-	-	-
Sub total	828	-	-	828
Total Gross Expenditure	16,189	244	-	16,433
Asset and investment purchases, materials and equipment etc.				
	1,041	1,210	-	2,250
Total payments	17,230	1,454	-	18,684
Net of receipts/(payments)	4,798	5,846	-	10,644
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
Cash funds last year end	11,368	-	-	11,368
Cash funds this year end	16,167	5,846	-	22,013

Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	31st March 2024			31st March 2023	
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Cash funds					
Bank current account	6,125	5,846	-	11,971	1,433
Bank deposit account	10,041		-	10,041	9,935
Building society account	-	-	-	-	-
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	-	-	-	-	-
Cash/Floats	-	-	-	-	-
Total cash funds	16,167	5,846	-	22,013	11,368
Other monetary assets					
Tax claim	-	-	-	-	-
Debts due from the County/Area/District/Group	-	-	-	-	-
Insurance claim	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Investment assets					
Investment property - detail	-	-	-	-	-
Quoted investments	-	-	-	-	-
Premium Bond	5	-	-	5	5
Sub total	5	-	-	5	5
Liabilities					
Accounts not yet paid	-	-	-	-	-
Expenses incurred but not invoiced	-	-	-	-	-
Subscriptions not yet paid	-	-	-	-	-
Loan - detail	-	-	-	-	-
Other liabilities	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-

Contingent liabilities and future obligations

Notes to the accounts

Note 1: 1st York (Poppleton) Scout Group has an interest in an asset which is held jointly with Poppleton Guides, being the Poppleton Scout & Guide Headquarters. The termly contribution made to the joint asset meets the outgoings for the premises.

Note 2: All materials and equipment purchased are treated as being fully depreciated in the year of acquisition.

Note 3: Restricted funds relate to the £7k grants for the set up of the new Explorer and Scout Groups and £300 Unknown Donors contribution towards camping equipment.

1st York (Poppleton) Scout Group's registration number with the Scout Association

8021

1st York (Poppleton) Scout Group's registration number with the Charity Commission

700986

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on DATE and signed on their behalf by

Signature	Print Name
	Chair
	Treasurer

The accounts have been scrutinised independently.

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

1st POPPLETON.Scout GROUP

I report on the accounts of the Group for the year ended 31st March 2024 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and related notes.

This report is made solely to the trustees in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees for my examination work.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Group's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They 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 Commissioners (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 the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Group 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.

Signed: Graeme Taylor

Name: Graeme Taylor

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Date: 6TH May 2024