

1ST COWBRIDGE SCOUT GROUP

Presentation of annual accounts

Accounts are prepared for the financial year ended 31st December 2024.

Receipts and payments account

It should be noted that these are prepared on a receipts and payments basis as opposed to a profit and loss basis so related income and expenditure are not necessarily reflected in the same period. This is in accordance with Scout rules.

Of significant note are:

- An amount of £2,500 paid in 2024 to the National Association of Scouts being their share of the 'wing walk' fundraiser undertaken by Gill Clay in 2023. Thank you Gill.
- A further £2,000 received in 'wing walk' sponsorship and jumble sale funds raised of £2,723
- An apparent overspend on camps: This is due to some relevant funds for the Iceland camp being received in 2023 and thus not reflected here.

Fixed assets

The Scout Hall was held on a long lease from the Vale of Glamorgan Council, commencing in 1984. The term was 25 years with an option to renew for a further 25 years on its expiry. The Council have provisionally agreed to extend the lease on the same terms for the 25 years but paper work is not complete due to the ongoing but uncertain development of the Cattle Market site; the situation is continuing on a year-to-year basis but we have been assured the lease will be formally renewed. Ground rent is £75 per annum.

The hall is maintained in a good condition and external rental income was £7,790 in 2024. Other fixed assets are in use but have only residual book value.

Cash position

The Group's cash position at 31st December 2024 was £40,348 (2023 - £40,747).

Outlook

Demand for Scouting continues to be strong in Cowbridge but we are STRUGGLING to deliver due to a shortage of adult volunteers: both as committed leaders and to fulfil other roles on the Group committee which do not require the same time commitment. We have waiting lists for both the Beaver and Cub sections. Parents and other interested parties are encouraged to join the Committee which currently has too few volunteers trying to do too much. If this continues Scouting in Cowbridge will inevitably suffer.

We have lost 2 significant hall tenants in 2025 which means a significant drop in rental income but we will continue to promote the hall as available for hire; particularly in the daytime when it is not normally in use for Scouting activities.

As noted above, the existing Committee NEEDS further involvement of parents as Committee members, uniformed leaders or in fund-raising activities.

Jean Downing
Group Treasurer

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Report & Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024

Trustees, ex-officio:

Group Scout Leader	Mr Gethin Charles
Chairman	Mr Peter Gardner
Secretary	Mrs Samantha Tanguay
Treasurer	Mrs Jean Downing

Section Leaders:

Mrs Christine Mallett, (Impala Cubs)
Mr Piers Hallihan (Scouts)
Mrs Katherine White (Beavers. Appointed 18 July 2023)

Elected members:

None

Bankers	Lloyds Bank plc
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Group registration number with The Scout Association	39267
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Charity Registration Number	701412
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Address for correspondence	Mr Gethin Charles 19 Vale Park Bridgend CF31 5EA
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Scrutineer's Report to the Trustees of 1 Cowbridge Scout Group

I report on the accounts of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2024

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Scrutineer

As the Group's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that neither an audit nor independent examination requirements of the Charities Act 2011 apply. It is my responsibility without carrying out an audit or independent examination to scrutinise the accounts and to report to you.

Basis of Scrutineer's Statement

In accordance with the directions given in the Group's constitution I have scrutinised the records and accounts set out on pages 4 to 7.

Scrutineer's Statement

In my opinion the accounts are in accordance with the records produced to me and comply with the constitution.



Signed: _____

Name: David Wyn Davies

Date: 23 May 2025

Address: 49 Hillside Drive
Cowbridge
CF71 7EA

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Receipts & Payments Account Summary for year ending 31 December 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
Total receipts for the year	39,280	43,783
Total payments for the year	-39,679	-28,898
Net receipts/payments for the year	<u>-399</u>	<u>14,885</u>
Cash and bank 1 January	40,747	25,862
Cash and bank 31 December	<u><u>40,348</u></u>	<u><u>40,747</u></u>

The above accounts and accompanying statement of assets and liabilities were approved
by the Trustees on May 2025 and signed on their behalf by;

Gethin Charles

Group Scout Leader

Jean Downing

Treasurer

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Receipts for year ending 31 December 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
Membership subscriptions	8,880	8,255
Less paid out (Capitation)	-5,330	-4,118
	<u>3,550</u>	<u>4,137</u>
 Investment income received		
 Scout Hall lettings	<u>7,790</u>	<u>7,554</u>
	<u>7,790</u>	<u>5,154</u>
 Grants, donations & Gift Aid		
Gift Aid reclaims	1,348	1,057
Grants & donations received	<u>40</u>	<u>28</u>
	<u>1,388</u>	<u>1,085</u>
 Activities		
Sales, handbooks, uniforms & sweatshirts	20	29
 Section events including camps	<u>16,429</u>	<u>19,250</u>
	<u>16,449</u>	<u>19,279</u>
 Fundraising		
Jumble sale/street stall	2,723	3,115
Wing walk	2,000	4,495
	<u>4,723</u>	<u>7,610</u>
 Other		
Bank compensation	<u>50</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>50</u>	<u>0</u>
 RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR	<u><u>33,950</u></u>	<u><u>39,665</u></u>

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Payments (Outgoings) for year ending 31 December 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
Premises		
Ground rent	75	75
Utilities & broadband	1,521	1,224
Insurance	1,326	1,391
Music license	162	155
Improvements, maintenance, repairs	953	952
Cleaning & gardening	1,746	1,959
	<u>5,783</u>	<u>5,756</u>
 Activities		
Section events including camps	24,092	14,441
	<u>24,092</u>	<u>14,441</u>
 Other Costs		
Scarves/Badges/Sweatshirts	1,255	834
Equipment	12	1,208
Admin supplies/services (e.g. Printing etc)	70	189
Fundraising costs – jumble sale	0	230
Fundraising wing walk donation to National Scouting	2,500	439
Poppy Wreath	30	30
Meeting expenses	147	146
Go Cardless fees & bank charges	444	487
Silver Wolf celebration	0	939
Sundry expenses and leaving gifts	16	81
	<u>4,474</u>	<u>4,583</u>
 PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	<u><u>34,349</u></u>	<u><u>24,780</u></u>

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities as of 31 December 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
Monetary assets		
Bank current accounts	40,348	40,747
Cash	0	0
	<u>40,348</u>	<u>40,747</u>
 Non-monetary assets at Trustee Valuation		
Stock – uniform tops, scarves, badges etc	150	150
HQ land & building	75,000	75,000
Equipment	150	150
	<u>75,300</u>	<u>75,300</u>
 Liabilities		
Income for future camps	0	--4,967
Fundraising for National Scouts	0	-1,500
	<u>0</u>	<u>-4,967</u>
 NET ASSETS	<u><u>115,648</u></u>	<u><u>111,080</u></u>