

# 1st Monkstown Scout Group

Northern Ireland · Charity number 103827

## Details

Status	Received
Registered	2015-09-10
Register	<a href="#">View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register</a>

## Contact

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## Activities

**Purposes:** Promoting the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potentials, as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of their local, national and international communities.

**What the charity does:** The advancement of education, The advancement of citizenship or community development

**How the charity works:** Youth development

**Who the charity helps:** Children (5-13 year olds), Youth (14-25 year olds)

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-08-31	£67,919	£64,427	£0	0

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
Chris Goodfellow		
Mr David McClure		
Mr Jack Close		
Mr John Campbell		
Mr Michael Morrison		
Mrs Laura Hutchinson		
Ms Deborah Blair		
Ms Erin Ferguson		
Roy Donald		

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# Accounts

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Charity Name

Charity No.

1st Monkstown Scouts

Charity No.

103827

## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	04-01-23	To	08-31-24	
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### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Fees	33,315	-	-	33,315	2,528
Grants	22,744	-	-	22,744	13,400
Events		-	-	-	15,602
Fundraising	9,361	-	-	9,361	587
Uniform	606	-	-	606	277
Bank Interest earned	31	-	-	31	-
Refunds	1,862	-	-	1,862	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A1 Sub total</b> (Gross income for the Annual Return)	<b>67,919</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>67,919</b>	<b>32,394</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales</b> (see tables 1 and 2 in section 7 of the guidance).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A2 Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>67,919</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>67,919</b>	<b>32,394</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Bank Fees	81	-	-	81	21
Equipment	13,770	-	-	13,770	10,047
Supplies	2,767	-	-	2,767	2,164
Uniform	2,868	-	-	2,868	800
Events	37,565	-	-	37,565	7,776
Capitation Fees	5,022	-	-	5,022	5,346
Hall Rental	955	-	-	955	750
Running Costs	155	-	-	155	275
Training	-	-	-	-	260
Grant debt	400	-	-	400	
Refunds (paid out)	744	-	-	744	
Sundries	100	-	-	100	
<b>A3 Sub total</b>	<b>64,427</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>64,427</b>	<b>27,439</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases</b> (see tables 1 and 2 in section 7 of the guidance)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A4 Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>64,427</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>64,427</b>	<b>27,439</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>3,492</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,492</b>	<b>4,955</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>2,841</b> #			<b>2,841</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>10,355</b> #			<b>10,355</b>	<b>10,355</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>16,688</b> #	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>16,688</b>	

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Period end date: 31/08/2024

**Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period**

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £	Total funds to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	-	-	-	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	<b>Funds error</b>	<b>OK</b>	<b>OK</b>	<b>Funds error</b>	<b>OK</b>

*Make sure that Cash Balances match the Cash Funds in Section A*

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £	Total funds to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
			<b>Total</b>	-	-	

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)	Last year
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
		<b>Total</b>	-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)	Last year
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			<b>Total</b>	-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	When due (optional)	Amount due (optional)	Last year
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>				-	-
				-	-
				-	-
				-	-
			<b>Total</b>	-	-

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval

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# Accounts

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<b>Charity Name</b>	<b>Charity No.</b>
1st Monkstown Scouts	Charity No.

## Receipts and payments accounts

<b>For the period from</b>	01/04/2022	<b>To</b>	31/03/2023	
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### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Fees	2,528	-	-	2,528	-
Grants	13,400	-	-	13,400	-
Events	15,602	-	-	15,602	-
Fundraising	587	-	-	587	-
Uniform	277	-	-	277	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A1 Sub total</b> (Gross income for the Annual Return)	<b>32,394</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>32,394</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales</b> (see tables 1 and 2 in section 7 of the guidance).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A2 Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>32,394</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>32,394</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Bank Fees	21	-	-	21	-

Equipment	10,047	-	-	10,047	-
Supplies	2,164	-	-	2,164	-
Uniform	800	-	-	800	-
Events	7,776	-	-	7,776	-
Capitation Fees	5,346	-	-	5,346	-
Hall Rental	750	-	-	750	-
Running Costs	275	-	-	275	-
Training	260	-	-	260	-
<b>A3 Sub total</b>	<b>27,439</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>27,439</b>	<b>-</b>

<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases</b> (see tables 1 and 2 in section 7 of the guidance)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A4 Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

<b>Total payments</b>	<b>27,439</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>27,439</b>	<b>-</b>
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<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>4,955</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,955</b>	<b>-</b>
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	5,400	-	-	Funds error	-
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>10,355</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>Funds error</b>	<b>-</b>

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# Annual report

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**April 2022**

The main event for April was our Easter Camp which saw about 50 young people from Beavers through to Explorers out camping over what is possibly the coldest weekend so far, with temperatures dropping at night to -2°C. Fantastic camp all round with nearly 70 people in total away. Hats off to the new leaders that all stepped up to the mark on their first camp and to the “older” or “longer-serving” leaders who really pulled it out of the bag this time. At the end of the month the Beavers also received an invite to go down to the 112th in North Belfast for a petting farm experience which was very well attended, and everyone loved it!

**May 2022**

This month began with the Explorers going on an expedition to the Antrim Hills as part of their Platinum Chief Scout Award. It was also great to be joined by a couple of members from the GB who were out for their DofE Bronze award. Although the weather was pretty much completely against them from the start, all the young people did incredibly well and there are plans already being made for running the next one during the summer months.

**June 2022**

June is the wind down month for the group with most sections finishing up their outstanding badgework and wrapping up the year with an end-of-year party. This year was also special as we celebrated with a Jubilee party sponsored by a Council grant.

**July 2022**

The group was inactive during this period, but the leader volunteers were working away in the background preparing for another large Summer Camp.

**August 2022**

Summer Camp. This year was the largest Summer Camp to date with over 100 members attending for the duration of the camp and a further 20 or so Squirrels joining for a fun day on the Sunday which included parents and guardians coming down to try out different activities around Crawfordsburn. This year’s camp was funded mostly through a grant from the National Lottery. This meant on the Saturday we were able to take the younger members to a day at We Are Vertigo and the older members to an action-packed day at Let’s Go Hydro.

**September 2022**

We were back with a bang and at registration evening we welcomed many new faces to the group including both young people and leaders. All sections got back to action right away, and the Beavers led the way by starting up with a nature walk around Belfast Castle. The Explorers attended the Northern Ireland survival weekend, joining in with 100 Explorers from across the country in army led team building activities.

### **October 2022**

In October we hosted our annual Night Hike. This year it was held around Woodburn Forest again, with a BBQ at the end. This was a very well attended event with many of the parents joining alongside. The Scout section took their older members away for some leadership training with a PL/APL training camp held at Lorne house. The Beavers had a brilliant day with a trip to Carrick Castle.

### **November 2022**

With the weather in November being less than ideal, there was very little activity outside for the group during November. Instead, there was plenty of work put in with badgework and improving scouting skills.

### **December 2022**

Stranmillis Panto. District Quiz. Ballyearl theatre panto.

December is a super busy month for the group. As per tradition around this time of year the group heads off for some laughs and entertainment with a good old panto! The younger sections headed off the Ballyearl Panto and the older sections attended the Stranmillis Panto. The Scouts and Explorers also welcomed a number of other groups from around the District for our annual Christmas quiz.

### **January 2023**

We started slightly later in January this year due to the dates of the Christmas holidays. The Cubs and the Scouts however had already made plans to visit the Glengormley Fire Station which was a great couple of nights entertainment for everyone that attended.

### **February 2023**

February was a short month with attention again being turned to badgework for all sections.

### **March 2023**

Beaver District Bowling. Cub back to basics camp with Jordanstown YLT.

March was another busy one for most sections. Beavers attended the District Bowling event at Glengormley sports bowl and was well attended. The Cubs and Scouts ran a back-to-basics camp and brought another local group's cub pack along with them. Some of our Explorers completed the Young Leader Scheme Training hosted by the District Explorer Leaders.

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# Annual return

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## Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of 1<sup>st</sup> Monkstown Scout Group

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023, which are set out in the attached document.

### Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. It is my responsibility to:

Examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act, follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Commission under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act and state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### Basis of independent examiner's report

I have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act.

My examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

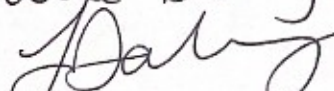
My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

### Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

Name: Julie Daly

Signature: 

Relevant professional qualification or body: N/A (under £250k)

Address: 46 St Annes Crescent, Glengormley BT36 5JZ

Date:

29/1/24

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# Annual report

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### **Up to September 2021**

We had a few weeks around June/July when we were able to get the group back together for the likes of games out on the green. Then in August we decided to go with our first ever Summer Group Camp. This saw around 50 Young People (YP) and Adults camping down in Ardnally Scout Centre for a weekend of fun, activities and great food. This was the largest camp the group had ever undertaken and was largely only possible to special funding received from the Education Authority and from the kindness and generosity of local business and their sponsorship.

### **September 2021**

September started with what can only be described as a flood of new members. In recent years the group has had around 30-35 members across 4 sections (Beavers, Cubs, Scouts & Explorers). This year we opened the Squirrel section (4-6 year olds) with the anticipation of getting around another 10 new members from that and from initial interest we had hoped for another 10 new members across the rest of the sections, fingers crossed we prepared for 50 members being signed up. In fact we ended up with over 100 sign ups. Squirrels, Beavers and Cubs all maxed out their limit and waiting lists had to be started. To support this growth, new leaders were found and the leader count is now around 25, up from 10.

### **October 2021**

With numbers being so large and Covid still a real threat the decision was made to move the Beavers over to the Community centre to give everyone some breathing room, literally, and to help with the one way system for entering and exiting the building. The Scouts and Explorers enjoyed getting back to their usual Halloween camp. The Cubs held their annual night hike and were joined by members of the GB, which was great to do the joint activity with them.

### **November 2021**

The usual programme for most sections, however, the Beaver's had their "day camp". This was a fantastic day put on in the church for the section that saw them doing all sorts including pitching "wig-wam" tents, having a "camp-fire" and of course good food.

### **December 2021**

In late December we decided to end on the 16th due to the following week being too close to Christmas. That night we had a visit from Santa which went down really well with the whole group, young and old alike, especially since he brought selection boxes!

### **January 2022**

January saw the group back and ready to go again. January is an important month for Scouts as we prepare our annual census returns. As mentioned earlier our numbers were up quite drastically and we are happy to announce that there was very little drop-off across any of the sections and we returned 97x 4-18 year olds.

### **February 2022**

The month kicked off with the Explorers off to Crawfordsburn to do some tree planting in relation to their ICV tasks for their Chief Scout Awards. The following weekend the Cubs held their second hike of the year with this one going from Loughshore up to the church where we finished off with some hot dogs and sticky archery.

### **March 2022**

March started off with the Scouts and Explorers having a fun night with games and pizza which was well attended and gave the leaders time to get chatting with the kids and find out what all they would like to do for the rest of the year. There was also an aid drop night organised for Ukraine thanks to one of the parents. This was extremely successful and thank you to everyone from the church who also donated.

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# Annual return

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE CHARITY TRUSTEES OF 1<sup>st</sup> Monkstown Scout Group**

I report on the accounts of the above Charity organisation for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 which are set out in the attached document.

Respective Responsibilities of Charity Trustees and Examiner

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

It is my responsibility to:

Examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act; follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Commission under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

I have examined your charity accounts as specified and required under the aforementioned Directions determined by the Charity Commission.

My examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**Independent Examiner's Statement**

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

<b>NAME:</b> Mrs Mary Gibson
<b>Signature:</b> <i>Mary Gibson</i>
<b>ADDRESS:</b> 3 The Brae Ballygowan BT23 5TH
<b>DATE:</b> <i>30th May 2022.</i>