

1st Hillsborough Scout Group

Northern Ireland · Charity number 103838

Details

Status Received

Registered 2015-08-18

Register [View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register](#)

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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: Cross-border/cross-community, Cultural, Sport/recreation, Youth development

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

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£38,707	£48,722	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Michael Kennedy		
Miss Anne Thompson		
Mr Conor Lydon		
Mr Richard Mcaleer		
Mrs Natalie Wray		
Mrs Pamela Daniel		
Ms Joanne Rea		

1st Hillsborough Scout Group

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103838

Accounts

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01/04/2024	To	31/03/2025	
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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 £
A1 Receipts					
Donations & legacies	589	-	-	589	620
Grants	-	3,300	-	3,300	4,972
Fundraising activities	1,183	-	-	1,183	807
Interest on deposit account	117	-	-	117	100
Dividend on investments	-	-	-	-	-
Members' subscriptions	22,307	-	-	22,307	20,817
Gift Aid on members' subscriptions	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable trading receipts	-	-	-	-	-
Rents from land & buildings	-	-	-	-	-
Other charitable receipts	11,212	-	-	11,212	10,086
A1 Sub total (Gross income for the Annual Return)	35,407	3,300	-	38,707	37,403
A2 Asset and investment sales (see tables 1 and 2 in section 7 of the guidance).					
Proceeds from sale of fixed asset	-	-	-	-	-
Loan repayments received	-	-	-	-	11,267
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-	11,267
Total receipts	35,407	3,300	-	38,707	48,670
A3 Payments					
Cost of fundraising events	-	-	-	-	-
Gross trading payments	-	-	-	-	-
Investment management costs	-	-	-	-	-
Direct charitable activity	41,156	3,300	-	44,456	38,500
Grants & donations paid	602	-	-	602	-
Governance costs	-	-	-	-	-
Other costs	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
A3 Sub total	41,757	3,300	-	45,057	38,500
A4 Asset and investment purchases (see tables 1 and 2 in section 7 of the guidance)					
Purchase of investments	-	-	-	-	-
Purchase of fixed asset	3,665	-	-	3,665	-
Loans made	-	-	-	-	-
A4 Sub total	3,665	-	-	3,665	-
Total payments	45,422	3,300	-	48,722	38,500
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 10,015	-	-	- 10,015	10,170
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	31,737	23,385	-	55,123	44,953
Cash funds this year end	21,723	23,385	-	45,108	55,123

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 £
B1 Cash funds	Scout Group Current Account	13,329	23,385	-	36,715	39,952
	Explorer Scout Current Account	1,315	-	-	1,315	226
	Scout Troop Current Account	3,031	-	-	3,031	4,900
	Cub Scout Current Account and cash-in-hand	1,326	-	-	1,326	5,082
	Beaver Scout Current Account	2,086	-	-	2,086	3,646
	Squirrels Current Account	636	-	-	636	1,317
	Total cash funds		21,723	23,385	-	45,108
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £	Total funds to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Balance of loan made to Hillsborough Scout & Community Hall Group for construction of Hillsborough Scout & Community Hall (when above instalment paid).	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
				Total		

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)	Last year
B3 Investment assets			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
		Total			

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)	Last year
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Site occupied by Hillsborough Scout & Community Hall at 2a Ballynahinch	Unrestricted	80,000	80,000	80,000
	Store Building at 2a Ballynahinch Road, Hillsborough	Unrestricted	10,000	10,000	10,000
	Tents and other equipment (current depreciated value)	Unrestricted	49,680	19,203	19,364
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
		Total	139,680	109,203	109,364

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	When due (optional)	Amount due (optional)	Last year
B5 Liabilities				-	-
				-	-
				-	-
				-	-
				-	-
		Total			

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

Signature


Print Name
 Richard McAleer (Chair)
 Pamela Daniel (Treasurer)

Date of approval
 30/01/25
 30/01/26

Section C Notes to the Accounts

C1 Nature and purpose of funds (may be stated on analysis of funds worksheets)

All of the funds of 1st Hillsborough Scout Group are Unrestricted funds and are available for general purposes in accordance with the charity's purposes, with the following exceptions: (1) Youth Support grants and Any other Applied for Grants are restricted to categories of expenditure identified by the Grant Authority (2) loan instalments received from Hillsborough Scout & Community Hall Group since 31/3/2018 will be restricted to further development of the site at 2a Ballynahinch Street, Hillsborough BT26 6AR and held in the Hall Site Development Fund.

C2 Grants

Type of activity or project supported	Individual / Institution	Number of grants made	£
Education Authority Grant	Institution	1	2,800
All State Grant	Institution	1	500
		Total	3,300

C3 Trustee remuneration - details

Authority under which paid	£
	0
	0
	0
	0
	0

C4 Trustee expenses - details

	Number of trustees	£
	0	0
	0	0
	0	0
	0	0
	0	0

C5 Transactions with trustees and connected persons

Nature of relationship	Nature of transaction	Transaction amount (£)	Balance outstanding at period end (£)
		0	0
		0	0
		0	0
		0	0
		0	0

C6 Other information

The remaining £11,267 of capital was repaid by Hillsborough Scout & Community Hall Group to 1st Hillsborough Scout Group in the prior year for a loan made for the purpose of building Hillsborough Scout & Community Hall. 1st Hillsborough Scout Group has cleared its debt from a separate loan with The Scout Association. The loan repayments received from Hillsborough Scout & Community Hall Group in the prior year will be spent by 1st Hillsborough Scout Group on further development of Hillsborough Scout & Community Hall, specifically for the benefit of scouting but also for general use of the hall by the local community.

Additional analysis (1)

Analysis of receipts and payments

1 Donations

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Donations	589	-	-	-	589	620
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	589	-	-	-	589	620
	OK	OK	OK		OK	OK

2 Grants

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Education Authority Grant	-	2,800	2,800	4,472
All State Grant	-	500	500	-
LCCC Grant	-	-	-	500
	-	-	-	-
Total	-	3,300	3,300	4,972
	OK	OK	OK	OK

3 Gross receipts from other charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Events / Activities Income/Camp Income	11,199	-	-	-	11,199	10,086
Badges and Uniforms	13	-	-	-	13	-
Training Income	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	11,212	-	-	-	11,212	10,086
	OK	OK	OK		OK	OK

4 Payments relating directly to charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Badges & Uniforms	4,893	-	-	-	4,893	4,460
Bank Fees	232	-	-	-	232	339
Capitation - payable to Lisburn & District Scouts	10,583	-	-	-	10,583	8,813
Events/Activities/Camp Expenditure	16,530	500	-	-	17,030	9,787
Consumables Purchase	1,005	-	-	-	1,005	2,955
Equipment Purchase	758	-	-	-	758	3,536
Hall Hire	4,642	2,173	-	-	6,815	5,500
Insurance: Property & Equipment	-	627	-	-	627	962
Insurance: Personal Accident	77	-	-	-	77	77
Insurance: Overseas Travel	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	364	-	-	-	364	233
Football shirts	-	-	-	-	-	620
Recognition & Gifts	1,227	-	-	-	1,227	1,139
Training Expenditure	846	-	-	-	846	80
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	41,156	3,300	-	-	44,456	38,500
	OK	OK	OK		OK	OK

Additional analysis (2)

5 Breakdown of restricted funds

	Restricted fund 1 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 2 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 3 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 4 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 5 - enter name of fund below	Total restricted funds	Total restricted funds last period
	Education Authority Grant	Hall Site Development Fund	LCCC Grant	All State Grant	Football Shirt Donation		
Receipts							
Donations	-	-	-	-	-	-	620
Legacies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grants	2,800	-	-	500	-	3,300	4,972
Receipts from fundraising activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gross trading receipts	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Income from investments other than land and buildings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rents from land & buildings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gross receipts from other charitable activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	2,800	-	-	500	-	3,300	5,592
						OK	
Receipts from asset & investment sales							
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	11,267
Loan repayments received	-	-	-	-	-	-	11,267
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
						OK	
Total receipts	2,800	-	-	500	-	3,300	16,859
						OK	
Payments							
Expenses for fundraising activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gross trading payments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment management costs	-	-	-	-	-	3,300	8,092
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	2,800	-	-	500	-	-	-
Grants and donations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Governance costs:							
Audit / independent examination	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Preparation of annual accounts	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Legal costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	2,800	-	-	500	-	3,300	8,092
						OK	
Payments relating to asset and investment movements							
Purchases of fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Purchase of investments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
						OK	
Total payments	2,800	-	-	500	-	3,300	8,092
						OK	
Net receipts / (payments)	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,767
						OK	
Transfers to / (from) funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Surplus / (deficit) for year	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,767
						OK	

Nature and purpose of funds

Property	Current value (31/3/25)
Group Site	£ 80,000
Group Store Building	£ 10,000

Equipment	Cost to buy new	Current value at 31/3/25	% depreciated at 31/3/25	Value at 31/3/24	Depreciati on in the year to 31/3/25
Cubs	£ 10,151	£ 1,943	81%	£ 1,571	£ 527
Scouts	£ 5,740	£ 360	94%	£ 450	£ 90
Explorers	£ 16,984	£ 6,125	64%	£ 7,840	£ 1,715
Group	£ 16,805	£ 10,775	36%	£ 9,503	£ 1,493
Total	£ 49,680	£ 19,203	61%	£ 19,364	£ 3,826

1st Hillsborough Scout Group

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103838

Accounts

1st Hillsborough Scout Group	NIC103838	
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01/04/2023	To	31/03/2024	
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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 £
A1 Receipts					
Donations & legacies	-	620	-	620	-
Grants	-	4 972	-	4 972	4 960
Fundraising activities	807	-	-	807	284
Interest on deposit account	100	-	-	100	100
Dividend on investments	-	-	-	-	-
Members' subscriptions	20 817	-	-	20 817	17 828
Gift Aid on members' subscriptions	-	-	-	-	3 823
Charitable trading receipts	-	-	-	-	-
Rents from land & buildings	-	-	-	-	-
Other charitable receipts	10 086	-	-	10 086	8 115
A1 Sub total (Gross income for the Annual Return)	31 811	5 592	-	37 403	35 109
A2 Asset and investment sales (see tables 1 and 2 in section 7 of the guidance).					
Proceeds from sale of fixed asset	-	-	-	-	-
Loan repayments received	-	11 267	-	11 267	5 634
A2 Sub total	-	11 267	-	11 267	5 634
Total receipts	31 811	16 859	-	48 670	40 742
A3 Payments					
Cost of fundraising events	-	-	-	-	-
Gross trading payments	-	-	-	-	-
Investment management costs	-	-	-	-	-
Direct charitable activity	30 408	8 092	-	38 500	32 583
Grants & donations paid	-	-	-	-	-
Governance costs	-	-	-	-	-
Other costs	-	-	-	-	-
A3 Sub total	30 408	8 092	-	38 500	32 583
A4 Asset and investment purchases (see tables 1 and 2 in section 7 of the guidance)					
Purchase of investments	-	-	-	-	-
Purchase of fixed asset	-	-	-	-	7 874
Loans made	-	-	-	-	-
A4 Sub total	-	-	-	-	7 874
Total payments	30 408	8 092	-	38 500	40 457
Net of receipts/(payments)	1 403	8 767	-	10 170	285
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	30 335	14 618	-	44 953	44 668
Cash funds this year end	31 737	23 385	-	55 123	44 953

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 £
B1 Cash funds	Scout Group Current Account	16 567	23 385	-	39 952	31 066
	Explorer Scout Current Account	226	-	-	226	1 207
	Scout Troop Current Account	4 900	-	-	4 900	4 331
	Qub Scout Current Account and cash-in-hand	5 082	-	-	5 082	3 559
	Beaver Scout Current Account	3 646	-	-	3 646	3 618
	Squirrels Current Account	1 317	-	-	1 317	1 172
	Total cash funds	31 737	23 385	-	55 123	44 953
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK

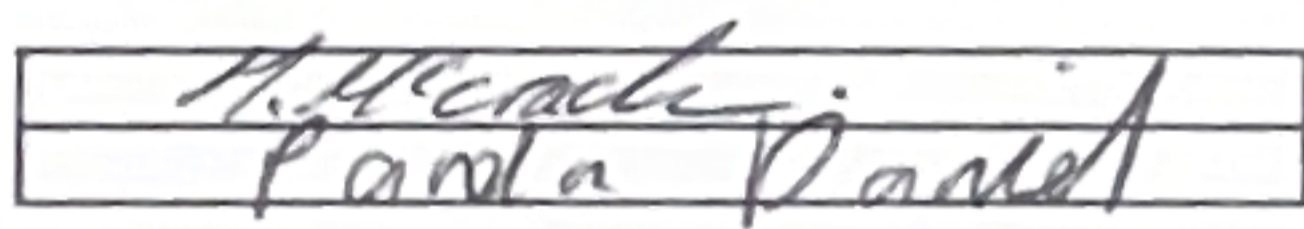
Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £	Total funds to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Balance of loan made to Hillsborough Scout & Community Hall Group for construction of Hillsborough Scout & Community Hall (when above instalment paid).	-	-	-	-	11 267
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
	Total	-	-	-	-	11 267

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)	Last year
B3 Investment assets			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
	Total	-	-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)	Last year
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Site occupied by Hillsborough Scout & Community Hall at 2a Ballynahinch Road,	Unrestricted	80 000	80 000	80 000
	Store Building at 2a Ballynahinch Road, Hillsborough	Unrestricted	10 000	10 000	10 000
	Tents and other equipment (current depreciated value)	Unrestricted	46 015	19 364	23 060
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
	Total	136 015	109 364	113 060	

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	When due (optional)	Amount due (optional)	Last year
B5 Liabilities				-	-
				-	-
				-	-
				-	-
	Total	-	-	-	-

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

Signature


Print Name
 Mike McCracken (Chair)
 Pamela Daniel (Treasurer)

Date of approval
 18/11/24
 18/11/24

Additional analysis (1)

Analysis of receipts and payments

1 Donations

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Football shirt donation	-	620	-	-	620	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	620	-	-	620	-
	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK

2 Grants

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Education Authority Grant	-	4 472	4 472	3 000
LCCC Grant	-	500	500	1 960
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Total	-	4 972	4 972	4 960
	OK	OK	OK	OK

3 Gross receipts from other charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Events / Activities Income/Camp Income	10 086	-	-	-	10 086	7 647
Badges and Uniforms	-	-	-	-	-	468
Training Income	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	10 086	-	-	-	10 086	8 115
	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK

4 Payments relating directly to charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Badges & Uniforms	4 460	-	-	-	4 460	3 204
Bank Fees	339	-	-	-	339	379
Capitation - payable to Lisburn & District Scouts	8 813	-	-	-	8 813	8 730
Events/Activities/Camp Expenditure	9 787	-	-	-	9 787	7 478
Consumables Purchase	2 955	-	-	-	2 955	1 709
Equipment Purchase	536	3 000	-	-	3 536	2 911
Hall Hire	1 990	3 510	-	-	5 500	5 300
Insurance: Property & Equipment	-	962	-	-	962	877
Insurance: Personal Accident	77	-	-	-	77	77
Insurance: Overseas Travel	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	233	-	-	-	233	626
Football shirts	-	620	-	-	620	-
Recognition & Gifts	1 139	-	-	-	1 139	468
Training Expenditure	80	-	-	-	80	825
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	30 408	8 092	-	-	38 500	32 583
	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK

Additional analysis (2)

5 Breakdown of restricted funds

	Restricted fund 1 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 2 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 3 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 4 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 5 - enter name of fund below	Total restricted funds	Total restricted funds last period
	Education Authority Grant	Hall Site Development Fund	LCCC Grant	Community Fund Trailer Grant	Football Shirt Donation		
Receipts							
Donations	-	-	-	-	620	620	-
Legacies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grants	4 472	-	500	-	-	4 972	4 960
Receipts from fundraising activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gross trading receipts	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Income from investments other than land and buildings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rents from land & buildings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gross receipts from other charitable activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	4 472	-	500	-	620	5 592	4 960
						OK	
Receipts from asset & investment sales							
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loan repayments received	-	11 267	-	-	-	11 267	5 634
Sub total	-	11 267	-	-	-	11 267	5 634
						OK	
Total receipts	4 472	11 267	500	-	620	16 859	10 594
						OK	
Payments							
Expenses for fundraising activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gross trading payments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment management costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	4 472	2 500	500	-	620	8 092	5 024
Grants and donations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Governance costs:							
Audit / independent examination	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Preparation of annual accounts	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Legal costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	4 472	2 500	500	-	620	8 092	5 024
						OK	
Payments relating to asset and investment movements							
Purchases of fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	7 874
Purchase of investments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-	7 874
						OK	
Total payments	4 472	2 500	500	-	-	8 092	12 898
						OK	
Net receipts / (payments)	-	8 767	-	-	-	8 767	(2 304)
						OK	
Transfers to / (from) funds							
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Surplus / (deficit) for year	-	8 767	-	-	-	8 767	(2 304)
						OK	

Nature and purpose of funds

Property	Current value (31/3/24)
Group Site	£ 90 000
Store Building	£ 10 000

Equipment	Cost to buy new	Current value at 31/3/24	% depreciated at 31/3/24	Value at 31/3/23	Depreciati on in the year to 31/3/24
Cubs	£ 9 251	£ 1 571	83%	£ 1 868	£ 542
Scouts	£ 5 740	£ 450	92%	£ 540	£ 90
Explorers	£ 16 984	£ 7 840	54%	£ 9 655	£ 1 815
Group	£ 14 040	£ 9 503	32%	£ 10 997	£ 1 493
Total	£ 46 015	£ 19 364	58%	£ 23 060	£ 3 941

1st Hillsborough Scout Group

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103838

Annual report

Trustees' Annual Report

For the period

From (start date) to end date

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names the charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

HQ registration number

Charity's principal address

2a Ballynahinch Road
Hillsborough
Co. Down
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Names of the charity trustees who managed the charity during this reporting period

	Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1	Mark Mckeag	Group Scout Leader	
2	Vanessa Ribeiro	Secretary	
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8	Georgina Huston		
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Names and addresses of advisers (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

Type of advisor	Name	Address
Legal	Thompson Mitchell Solicitors	9 The Square, Hillsborough BT26 6AG
Independent Examiner	Iain Gillespie FCA	75 Waterloo Road, Lisburn BT27 5NW

Our internet sites

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Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document

(e.g. trust deed, constitution)

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(e.g. trust, association, company)

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1st Hillsborough Group is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.

Additional governance issues (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

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Policies and procedures adopted for:

- the induction and training of trustees;
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This Group Executive Committee exists to support the Group Scout Leader in meeting the responsibilities of the appointments and is responsible for:

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

Risk and Internal Control

The Group Executive Committee 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:

Damage to buildings, property and equipment. The Group would request the use of buildings, property and equipment from neighbouring organisations, churches, community centre and other Scout Groups. Similar reciprocal arrangements exist with these organisations. The Group periodically checks that Hillsborough Scout & Community Hall has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss. The Group also has sufficient equipment insurance to cover permanent loss of its equipment.

Section B	Structure, governance and management (continued)
	<p>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.</p> <p>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 Committee could raise the value of subscriptions to increase the income to the group on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Reduction or loss of members. The Group provides activities for all young people aged 4 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. This risk is currently very low as there are waiting lists.</p>
Section C	Objectives and activities
<p>Summary of the objects of the charity setout in its governing document</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>The Scout Method Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together based on the values of Scouting and: - enjoy what they are doing and have fun - take part in activities indoors and outdoors - learn by doing - share in spiritual reflection - take responsibility and make choices - undertake new and challenging activities make and live by their Promise.</p>

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

-Badgework covering multiple strands of activity.
 -Outdoor activities at camps, a local forest and other adventure/culture centres.
 -Teamworking activities.
 -Outreach through fundraising for other charities.
 -Participation in The Scout Association "You Shape" and "A Million Hands" initiatives.
 -Operates as a 'whole community' organisation.

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Additional details of the objectives and activities (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

You may choose to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- contribution made by volunteers;
- policy on investments.

1st Hillsborough Scout Group wishes to acknowledge the contribution made by uniformed leaders and occasional helpers who without their time and dedication no Scouting Activities would happen.

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.


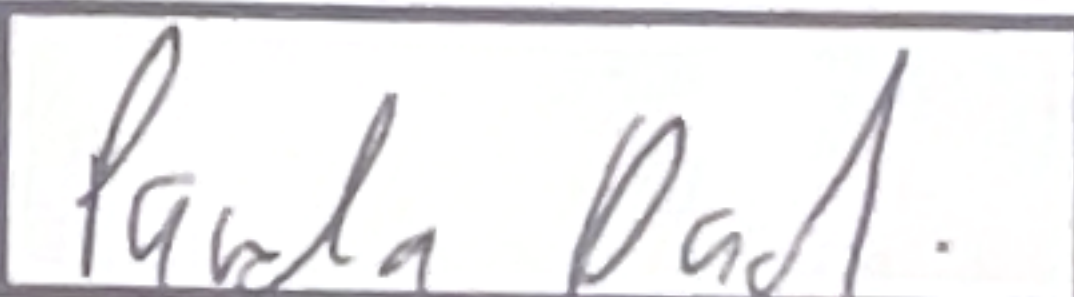
Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year	Delivered a quality, structured programme of activities using the framework of The Scout Association, leading to Chief Scout's Awards and Duke of Edinburgh's Awards. Youth membership increased from 221 to 234. We have continued to enjoy the return to post covid normality with various camps, rallies and district events attended in addition to our weekly gatherings.
Section E Financial Review	
Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	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 Group Executive Committee considers that the group should hold a sum equivalent to 4 months running costs, circa £5,000.
Quantify and explain any designations	The Group held unrestricted reserves (excluding section funds) of approximately £16,567 against this at year end. This is above the level required for operating expenses.
Details of any funds materially in deficit (circumstances plus steps to eliminate)	No funds were in deficit at year end
Further financial review details (optional information)	
You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);	Membership subscriptions totalled £20,817. The Group would like to acknowledge ongoing financial support from the Education Authority amounting to £4,472 for general use, and from Lisburn and Castlereagh City Council amounting to £500, towards a King's coronation commemorative planting scheme within the rear garden of Hillsborough Scout & Community Hall. Two loan repayment instalments of £5,633.50 each were received from Hillsborough Scout & Community Hall Group this year which means that there is no longer an outstanding balance. 1st Hillsborough Scout Group intends to use these payments to further develop facilities at Hillsborough Scout & Community Hall specifically for the benefit of scouting but also for general use by the local community.
how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity	The major categories of expenditure this year were: -Capitation of £8,813

	<p>-Hall hire £5,500 -Camps/events and activities of £9,787 -Badges and uniforms of £4,460; and -£2,500 spent on sanding and recoating the main Scout hall floor including new court lines added, using the funds reserved for the development of the scout hall facilities.</p> <p>See 1st Hillsborough Scout Group 2023-2024 Payments & Receipts Accounts for further details.</p>
investment policy and objectives	Investment Policy
	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 or building societies.
Section F	Other Optional Information
Plans for future periods (details of any significant activities planned to achieve them)	<p>The leaders held a planning evening in February 2018 to identify priorities for improving facilities and activities. These included (1) constructing an outdoor play surface at Hillsborough Scout & Community Hall (2) providing better access to group transport for off-site events (3) gaining easier access to the adjacent forest park.</p> <p>Leader recruitment will continue for all sections of the Group, with the aims of (1) improving the quality of programme provided (2) reducing the workload on individual leaders.</p> <p>These aims are still ones we work towards.</p>
Section G	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)	Mike McCracken	Pamela Daniel
Position (eg Secretary, Chair)	Chair	Treasurer
Date	18/08/24	

1st Hillsborough Scout Group

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103838

Annual return

Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of 1st Hillsborough Scout Group – NIC103838

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 March 2024.

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
- 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.



Iain Gillespie FCA
Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland
75 Waterioo Road,
Lisburn,
BT27 5NW
8th October 2024

1st Hillsborough Scout Group

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103838

Accounts

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01/04/2022	To	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 £
A1 Receipts					
Donations & legacies	-	-	-	-	-
Grants	-	4,960	-	4,960	14,491
Fundraising activities	284	-	-	284	325
Interest received	100	-	-	100	70
Dividend on investments	-	-	-	-	-
Members' subscriptions	17,828	-	-	17,828	17,899
Gift Aid on members' subscriptions	3,823	-	-	3,823	5,058
Charitable trading receipts	-	-	-	-	-
Rents from land & buildings	-	-	-	-	-
Other charitable receipts [see Additional Analysis(1) for detail]	8,115	-	-	8,115	4,388
A1 Sub total (Gross income for the Annual Return)	30,149	4,960	-	35,109	42,231
A2 Asset and investment sales (see tables 1 and 2 in section 7 of the guidance).					
Proceeds from sale of fixed asset	-	-	-	-	-
Loan repayments received	-	5,634	-	5,634	5,634
A2 Sub total	-	5,634	-	5,634	5,634
Total receipts	30,149	10,594	-	40,742	47,865
A3 Payments					
Cost of fundraising events	-	-	-	-	-
Gross trading payments	-	-	-	-	-
Investment management costs	-	-	-	-	-
Direct charitable activity [see Additional Analysis(1) for detail]	27,559	5,024	-	32,583	36,112
Grants & donations paid	-	-	-	-	-
Governance costs	-	-	-	-	-
Unrecoverable credit written off	-	-	-	-	-
Other costs	-	-	-	-	-
A3 Sub total	27,559	5,024	-	32,583	36,112
A4 Asset and investment purchases (see tables 1 and 2 in section 7 of the guidance)					
Purchase of investments	-	-	-	-	-
Purchase of fixed asset	-	7,874	-	7,874	-
Loans made	-	-	-	-	-
A4 Sub total	-	7,874	-	7,874	-
Total payments	27,559	12,898	-	40,457	36,112
Net of receipts/(payments)	2,590	- 2,304	-	285	11,753
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	27,745	16,923	-	44,668	32,915
Cash funds this year end	30,335	14,618	-	44,953	44,668

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 £
B1 Cash funds	Scout Group Current Account	16,448	14,618	-	31,066	32,999
	Explorer Scout Current Account	1,207	-	-	1,207	571
	Scout Troop Current Account	4,331	-	-	4,331	3,044
	Cub Scout Current Account and cash-in-hand	3,559	-	-	3,559	3,759
	Beaver Scout Current Account	3,618	-	-	3,618	3,462
	Squirrels (Amalgamated with Scouts last year)	1,172	-	-	1,172	834
	Total cash funds	30,335	14,618	-	44,953	44,668

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

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Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £	Total funds to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Balance of loan made to Hillsborough Scout & Community	-	11,267	-	11,267	16,859
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
	Total	-	11,267	-	11,267	16,859

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

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)	Last year
	Site occupied by Hillsborough Scout & Community Hall at 2a Ballynahinch Road,	Unrestricted	80,000	80,000	80,000
	Store Building at 2a Ballynahinch Road, Hillsborough	Unrestricted	10,000	10,000	10,000
	Tents and other equipment (current depreciated value)	Unrestricted	23,060	23,060	28,422
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
	Total		113,060	113,060	118,422

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

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

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval



Mike McCracken (Chair)
Pamela Daniel (Treasurer)

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Additional analysis (1)

Analysis of receipts and payments

1 Donations

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Expendable endowment funds	Permanent endowment funds	Total current period	Total last period
	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-
	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK

2 Grants

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total current period	Total last period
	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
Education Authority Grant	-	3,000	3,000	2,000
LCCC Grant	-	1,960	1,960	-
EA Camping Grant	-	-	-	2,491
Community Fund Trailer Grant	-	-	-	10,000
Total	-	4,960	4,960	14,491
	OK	OK	OK	OK

3 Gross receipts from other charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Expendable endowment funds	Permanent endowment funds	Total current period	Total last period
	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
Events / Activities Income/Camp Income	7,647	-	-	-	7,647	4,302
Badges and Uniforms	468	-	-	-	468	86
Training Income	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	8,115	-	-	-	8,115	4,388
	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK

4 Payments relating directly to charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Expendable endowment funds	Permanent endowment funds	Total current period	Total last period
	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
Badges & Uniforms	3,204	-	-	-	3,204	1,971
Bank Fees	379	-	-	-	379	288
Capitation - payable to Lisburn & District Scouts	8,730	-	-	-	8,730	7,742
Events/Activities/Camp Expenditure	7,478	-	-	-	7,478	7,435
Consumables Purchase	1,709	-	-	-	1,709	503
Equipment Purchase	886	2,024	-	-	2,911	12,938
Hall Hire	3,254	2,046	-	-	5,300	3,419
Insurance: Property & Equipment	-	877	-	-	877	623
Insurance: Personal Accident	-	77	-	-	77	67
Insurance: Overseas Travel	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	626	-	-	-	626	591
Recognition & Gifts	488	-	-	-	488	384
Training Expenditure	825	-	-	-	825	150
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	27,559	5,024	-	-	32,583	36,112
	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK

Additional analysis (2)

5 Breakdown of restricted funds

	Restricted fund 1 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 2 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 3 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 4 - enter name of fund below	Total restricted funds	Total restricted funds last period
	Education Authority Grant	Hall Site Development Fund	LCCC Grant	Community Fund Trailer Grant		
Receipts						
Donations	-	-	-	-	-	-
Legacies	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grants	3,000	-	1,960	-	4,960	14,491
Receipts from fundraising activities	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gross trading receipts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Income from investments other than land and buildings	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rents from land & buildings	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gross receipts from other charitable activities	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	3,000	-	1,960	-	4,960	14,491
					OK	
Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loan repayments received	-	5,634	-	-	5,634	5,634
Sub total	-	5,634	-	-	5,634	5,634
					OK	
Total receipts	3,000	5,634	1,960	-	10,594	20,125
					OK	
Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gross trading payments	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment management costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	3,000	-	1,960	64	5,024	14,427
Grants and donations	-	-	-	-	-	-
Governance costs:						
Audit / independent examination	-	-	-	-	-	-
Preparation of annual accounts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Legal costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	3,000	-	1,960	64	5,024	14,427
					OK	
Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets	-	7,874	-	-	7,874	-
Purchase of investments	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	7,874	-	-	7,874	-
					OK	
Total payments	3,000	7,874	1,960	64	12,898	14,427
					OK	
Net receipts / (payments)	-	(2,240)	-	(64)	(2,304)	5,698
					OK	
Transfers to / (from) funds						
	-	-	-	-	-	-
Surplus / (deficit) for year	-	(2,240)	-	(64)	(2,304)	5,698
					OK	

Nature and purpose of funds

The Education Authority Grant represents an annual grant from the Education Authority Youth Service, restricted to certain categories of spend.
The Hall Site Development Fund holds funds reserved for further development of the site at 2a Ballynahinch Road, Hillsborough BT26 6AR.
The Lisburn and Castlereagh City Council grant was used to buy Camping Equipment.

Property Group	Current value (31/3/23)
	£ 90,000

Equipment	Cost to buy new	Current value at 31/3/23	% depreciated at 31/3/23	Value at 31/3/22	Depreciated on in the year to 31/3/23
Cubs	£ 9,006	£ 1,868	79%	£ 1,647	£ 475
Scouts	£ 5,740	£ 540	91%	£ 630	£ 90
Explorers	£ 16,984	£ 9,655	43%	£ 11,471	£ 1,815
Group	£ 14,040	£ 10,997	22%	£ 10,688	£ 1,276
Total	£ 45,770	£ 23,060	50%	£ 24,436	£ 3,656

1st Hillsborough Scout Group

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103838

Annual report

Trustees' Annual Report

For the period

From (start date)

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 to end date

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Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	1st Hillsborough Scout Group							
Other names the charity is known by								
Registered charity number (if any)	1 0 3 8 3 8							
HQ registration number	1 0 0 1 2 0 8 1							
Charity's principal address	2a Ballynahinch Road Hillsborough Co. Down Postcode <table border="1" style="display: inline-table; border-collapse: collapse;"><tr><td>B</td><td>T</td><td>2</td><td>6</td><td>6</td><td>A</td><td>R</td></tr></table>	B	T	2	6	6	A	R
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Damage to buildings, property and equipment. The Group would request the use of buildings, property and equipment from neighbouring organisations, churches, community centre and other Scout Groups. Similar reciprocal arrangements exist with these organisations. The Group periodically checks that Hillsborough Scout & Community Hall has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss. The Group also has sufficient equipment insurance to cover permanent loss of its equipment.

Section B	Structure, governance and management (continued)
	<p>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.</p> <p>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 Committee could raise the value of subscriptions to increase the income to the group on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Reduction or loss of members. The Group provides activities for all young people aged 4 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. This risk is currently very low as there are waiting lists.</p>

Section C	Objectives and activities
<p>Summary of the objects of the charity setout in its governing document</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>The Scout Method Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together based on the values of Scouting and: - enjoy what they are doing and have fun - take part in activities indoors and outdoors - learn by doing - share in spiritual reflection - take responsibility and make choices - undertake new and challenging activities make and live by their Promise.</p>

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

Badgerwork covering multiple strands of activity. Outdoor activities at camps, a local forest and other adventure/culture centres. Teamworking activities. Outreach through fundraising for other charities. Participation in The Scout Association "You Shape" and "A Million Hands" initiatives. Operates as a 'whole community' organisation. See <https://www.facebook.com/1sthillsboroughscoutgroup/> and <https://1sthillsboroughscouts.org/>

Additional details of the objectives and activities (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- contribution made by volunteers;
- policy on investments.

1st Hillsborough Scout Group wishes to acknowledge the contribution made by uniformed leaders and occasional helpers who without their time and dedication no Scouting Activities would happen.

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.

Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year	Delivered a quality, structured programme of activities using the framework of The Scout Association, leading to Chief Scout's Awards and Duke of Edinburgh's Awards Youth membership Increased- from 212 to 221, which includes Squirrels as they were incorporated into Scouts last year. We have enjoyed the return to post covid normality with various camps, rallies and district events attended in addition to our weekly gatherings.
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Section E Financial Review


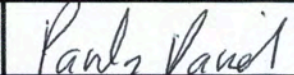
Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	Reserves Policy The Group's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the group should income and fundraising activities fall short. The Group Executive Committee considers that the group should hold a sum equivalent to 4 months running costs, circa £5000.
Quantify and explain any designations	The Group held unrestricted reserves (excluding section funds) of approximately £16447.89 against this at year end. This is above the level required for operating expenses.
Details of any funds materially in deficit (circumstances plus steps to eliminate)	No funds were in deficit at year end
Further financial review details (optional information)	
You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);	Membership subscriptions totalled £17827.79 which is in line with last year. We were able to claim Gift Aid again this year of which £3822.50 was recovered. The Group would like to acknowledge ongoing financial support from the Education Authority amounting to £3000 for general use and from Lisburn and Castlereagh City Council amounting to £1960.28 towards Camping Equipment which was an amazing help with our summer camps. £5633.50 Loan repayment instalment was received from Hillsborough Scout & Community Hall Group this year. This leaves an outstanding capital balance of £11267 to be repaid over the next 2 years. 1st Hillsborough Scout Group intends to use these future payments to further develop facilities at Hillsborough Scout & Community Hall specifically for the benefit of scouting but also for general use by the local community
how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity	The major categories of expenditure this year were: Capitation of £8729.50 Hall hire £5300

	<p>Camps/Events and Activities (which reflects the post covid return to normal activities) of £7,477.93 Badges and uniforms of £3203.79; and Purchase of a portacabin for £7873.80 using the funds reserved for the development of the scout hall facilities.</p> <p>See 1st Hillsborough Scout Group 2022-2023 Payments & Receipts Accounts for further details.</p>
investment policy and objectives	Investment Policy
	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 or building societies.
Section F	
Other Optional Information	
Plans for future periods (details of any significant activities planned to achieve them)	<p>The leaders held a planning evening in February 2018 to identify priorities for improving facilities and activities. These included (1) constructing an outdoor play surface at Hillsborough Scout & Community Hall (2) providing better access to group transport for off-site events (3) gaining easier access to the adjacent forest park.</p> <p>Leader recruitment will continue for all sections of the Group, with the aims of (1) improving the quality of programme provided (2) reducing the workload on individual leaders.</p> <p>These aims are still ones we work towards.</p>
Section G	
Declaration	

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

	
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Full name(s)

Mike McCracken	Pamela Daniel
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Position (eg Secretary, Chair)

Chair	Treasurer
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Date

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1st Hillsborough Scout Group

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103838

Annual return

Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of 1st Hillsborough Scout Group – NIC103838

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 March 2023.

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
- 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.



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26th January 2024