

Lisburn and District Scout Council

Northern Ireland · Charity number 103868

Details

Known as	Lisburn and District Scouts
Status	Received
Registered	2015-10-14
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

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: 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	£55,892	£70,034	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Mr Andrew Stacey		
Mr Finn Hewitt		
Mr Gordon Burns		
Mr Laurence Hook		
Mr Leslie Lyness		
Mrs Audrey Morrow		
Philip		

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Accounts

CHARITY NUMBER 103868

LISBURN & DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL
ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH
2025

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Alan Thomas Jess

Date: 5th June 2025

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LISBURN & DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS YEAR ENDING MARCH 2025

Income & Endowments

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	Total FUNDS 2025	Total FUNDS 2024
	£	£	£	£
Subscriptions & Grants	44,041	0	44,041	29,711
Investment Income	0	0	0	0
Other Income	104	0	104	568
Woodland Project Grants/Income	<u>11,747</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>11,747</u>	<u>23,326</u>
Total	<u>55,892</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>55,892</u>	<u>53,605</u>

Expenditure on Charitable Activities

Grants	258	0	258	1,250
Capitation Fees	36,177	0	36,177	27,938
Woodland Project	30,879	0	30,879	36,788
General Expenditure	<u>2,687</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>2,720</u>	<u>5,377</u>
Total	<u>70,001</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>70,034</u>	<u>71,353</u>
Net for Year	-14,109	-33	-14,142	-17,748
Funds Brought Forward	<u>220,298</u>	<u>13,902</u>	<u>234,200</u>	<u>251,948</u>
Total Funds carried forward	<u>206,189</u>	<u>13,869</u>	<u>220,058</u>	<u>234,200</u>

LISBURN & DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

BALANCE SHEET AS AT MARCH 2025

	2025	2024
	£	£
<u>Fixed Assets</u>		
Woodland Project	185,652	185,652
<u>Current Assets</u>		
Debtors		1,725
Net Cash in Bank	34,406	46,823
Current Liabilities	0	0
Creditors	0	0
Net Current Assets	<u>34,406</u>	<u>48,548</u>
<u>Total Net Assets</u>	<u>220,058</u>	<u>234,200</u>
 <u>FUNDS OF CHARITY</u>		
Restricted Income Funds	13,869	13,902
Unrestricted Incomes Funds	<u>206,189</u>	<u>220,298</u>
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Income & Endowments

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	Total FUNDS 2024	Total FUNDS 2023
	£	£	£	£
Subscriptions & Grants	28,013	1,698	29,711	38,016
Investment Income	0	0	0	0
Other Income	568	0	568	1,924
Woodland Project Grants	<u>23,326</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>23,326</u>	<u>49,197</u>
Total	<u>51,907</u>	<u>1,698</u>	<u>53,605</u>	<u>89,137</u>

Expenditure on Charitable Activities

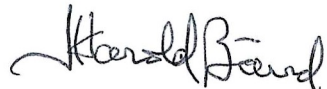

Grants	0	1,250	1,250	0
Capitation Fees	27,938	0	27,938	30,411
Woodland Project	36,788	0	36,788	12,007
General Expenditure	<u>5,343</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>5,377</u>	<u>5,843</u>
Total	<u>70,069</u>	<u>1,284</u>	<u>71,353</u>	<u>48,261</u>
Net for Year	-18,162	414	-17,748	40,876
Funds Brought Forward	<u>238,460</u>	<u>13,488</u>	<u>251,948</u>	<u>211,072</u>
Total Funds carried forward	<u>220,298</u>	<u>13,902</u>	<u>234,200</u>	<u>251,948</u>

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT MARCH 2024

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<u>Current Assets</u>		
Debtors	1,725	2,656
Net Cash in Bank	46,823	63,640
Current Liabilities	0	0
Creditors	0	0
Net Current Assets	<u>48,548</u>	<u>66,296</u>
<u>Total Net Assets</u>	<u>234,200</u>	<u>251,948</u>
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Annual report

Lisburn and District Scout Council
2024 Annual General Meeting
Harmony Hill Presbyterian Church Hall
Wednesday 28th August 2024 at 7.30pm

District Lead Volunteer Report

District Membership:

The membership of Lisburn District Scout Council for 2024 census was recorded as follows:

Squirrels -109

Beavers-175

Cubs-193

Scouts-239

Explorers (including young leaders) - 76

Network-19

Total youth members - 777, decrease of 62 from previous year

Total adult members - 249, decrease of 30 from previous year

We are continually receiving enquiries for membership through the Scout NI website & local social media platforms and hopefully our numbers will increase for the 2025 census.

In some sections we have waiting list for joining which will be addressed.

All our youth members are continually achieving top awards in their sections which deserves great credit to the youth & their leaders.

With regard to recruiting, Scout Headquarters held a recruitment roadshow last September, this was a great opportunity for us to sell ourselves to the public & young people. I would like to thank Finn who is our District Youth Lead Volunteer for the effort he is putting in trying to recruit more members & also helping organize youth training events.

Mandatory Training:

Our noncompliance level for mandatory Access NI, Safeguarding & Safety is continually monitored, our outstanding training at the start of August was as follows:

- Safety - 3No
- Safe Guarding - 3No
- First Aid - 19No
- Suspensions due to no Access NI -3No

Ballinderry Scout Group (New Group)

Most of you are probably aware that a Ballinderry Scout Group has been formed.

An open day/ promotional event was held in March which proved very successful. The event had a BBQ & activity bases organized by district leaders & Explorer scouts.

The group has been registered with HQ and at the last count the total number of new members joining at present is 7No leaders & approx. 46 children. They will be split into Squirrels, Beavers & Cubs.

This is a great addition to our district and I would ask my ADCs to provide as much help and support as they can

District Events:

We have had numerous district events throughout the year for each of the sections which will be detailed in my ADC reports to follow. This would be a good time to thank all my ADCs, without them the various district events would not have happened.

Squirrels- Sat 27th April -Experiments fun day at Hillhall Presbyterian Church, thanks to Rachel for organising

Beavers - Adam Duff appointed into vacant role of ADC Beavers and in the process of organising events for the start of the new scouting year

Cubs -Northern Ireland Cub quiz- 1st Hillsborough 3rd and 1st Ballymacash 4th
District Flag competition-Friday 1st March at Hillhall
Football competition- 10th May at Football Factory Moira Road
District Camp - Lisburn Woodlands on the 1st - 2nd June
Hillsborough, Derriaghy Lambeg Ballymacash and Hilden attended
Well done Gordy ADC Cubs for his organising

Young Leaders Training weekend - 8th -10th March at Ardnalvalley - organised by Hillsborough Young Leaders & supported by Finn our Youth Commissioner.

Young Leaders 1st Response being held on Saturday 18th May, thank you to Finn & Andrew Stacey for organising trainers.

Scouts - District Krypton Factor Night, District Quiz & District 5-a-side.
Thanks to John ADC Scouts for organising

Explorer Scouts - District Survival night at our woodlands with the help of the army
Thanks to Phil ADC Explorers

Some events were better attended than others, I would ask that all section leaders please at least inform the event ADCs if you can or cannot attend.

St Georges Oay Parade and Service

Hosted by 1st Ballymacash at St Marks Church on Sunday 28th April. The parade went well, good weather helps, attendance could have been better, 2No groups had no representation, this is a subject that needs to be looked at next year!!!

Lisburn Council Half Marathon/ Fun Run

Lisburn district as usual helped out at the event by manning the various watering points along the route.

This is another great advert for scouting in the Lisburn district

Woodlands

We had the pleasure of hosting our Mayor, his wife & children at the woodland in early summer, I would have to say all were very impressed, they are a Boys Brigade type family but I think we may have new converts!!

Our Woodlands continue to be used more & more regularly by all sections within the district, many using it for their weekly meeting weather permitting.

The woodlands are continually being developed by our woodland team, we have recently got an NIE supply, created a new clearing for an air soft range & archery, made additional clearing for camp sites etc.

Leaders Long Service Presentations:

Throughout the year many long service awards were presented as well as wood beads & 1No Medals of Merit.

Thankyous:

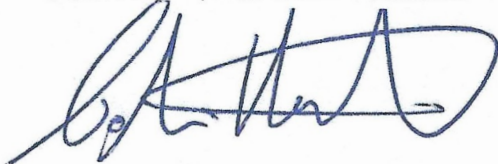
As District Commissioner/ Lead Volunteer I wish to thank all leaders in the District for their time, effort and dedication to Scouting in Lisburn District without leaders we don't have scouting.

Also thanks to the Len our now retired County Commissioner for his support throughout the year, members of all committees: Appointments Committee, Training and Nights Away Advisors, Bothy Committee, Woodland Team ; Executive Committee & my ADC Team.

I also wish to thank my top table Harold, Len & Les they keep me hopefully in the right direction with their much valued advice.

A couple of other special thanks go to Audrey with her help as past DC and to Janet who has been on the team now for about 12 months and now starting to understand slightly about the "in & outs" of scouting, we do have some good conversations over the phone.

Colin Hewitt, DC/ Lead Volunteer



Audrey Morrow, District Secretary



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Annual return

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Scouts – ~~239~~

Explorers (including young leaders) – 85

Network – 19

Total Youth Membership – 839

Total Adult Membership - 279

We are continually receiving enquiries for membership through the Scout NI website & local social media platforms and very hopeful our numbers will increase for the 2024 census. In some sections we have waiting list for joining which will be addressed.

All our youth members are continually achieving top awards in their sections which deserves great credit to the youth & their leaders, the following awards have been recorded on the census:

Squirrels Acorn – 2

Beavers Bronze Award – 23

Cubs Silver Award – ~~21~~

~~Scouts Gold Award – 17~~

Explorers DOE Bronze – 7

With regard to recruiting, Scout Headquarters through Vicky Flannigan is holding a recruitment roadshow at Tesco's Bentrin Road on Saturday 23rd September between 2-4pm, this is a great opportunity for us to sell ourselves to the public & hopefully young people. I am hoping our district youth commissioner will be present, please also feel free to send available young leaders as well.

District Events:

We held our annual St Georges Day parade at Hillhall, our first since covid which was well attended & during the service a new scout flag was dedicated by our Chaplin and will now form part of future parades.

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Our district woodlands are used continually by each section & also for district events.

Many of our leaders have undertaken & completed the tomahawk course which was run at the woodlands.

I would like to thank the on-going efforts of Phil Trimble, the Woodland Team and the support of the executive in the continuing improvements to the woodlands. I am certain that this asset can only help with scouting in the district and the wider Lisburn Community and at some stage also scouting outside our district.

It is intended to hold a full district event for all sections in the near future including a district overnight camp for scouts & explorers.

Lisburn District was represented at the Queens lying in state & we were also represented at the Kings Coronation, well done to all those that took part.

Lisburn was represented at the recent World Jamboree which unfortunately made the news headlines for the wrong reasons, I am not sure if they were just as poor as portrayed but hopefully we will be given more detailed information about the jamboree by our own representatives at some stage soon.

Mandatory Training:

Our noncompliance level for mandatory Safeguarding & Safety is continually monitored and in some periods of the year has reached unsatisfactory levels which is being addressed by our County Commissioner, GSLs, Janet & myself.

I received our latest district figures from headquarters yesterday and presently we have approximately 35 leaders who need to update their 1st Response or Safety or Safeguarding which is a good improvement, I would ask all leaders to please check on compass their own details.

We have to date held 4 No 1st response courses with another being held on Saturday 23rd September here in Harmony Hill, I think we have approx. 8 spaces left, if you wish to avail of a place please email Janet or myself.

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District Commissioner Colin Hewitt

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District Secretary Len Wilson

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Date 4th September 2023

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LISBURN & DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

**ACCOUNTS
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**Ernest Reddick
CMC Accounts (NI) Ltd
Date 12 June 2023**

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Lisburn BT28 2SN**

LISBURN AND DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS


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	£	£	£	£
Subscriptions & Grants	33,366	4,650	38,016	22,735
Investment Income	0	0	0	21
Other Income	1,924		1,924	441
Woodland Project Grants	49,197		49,197	90,185
	<u>84,487</u>	<u>4,650</u>	<u>89,137</u>	<u>113,382</u>
Expenditure on Charitable Activities				
Grants	250	0	250	0
Capitation Fees	30,411		30,411	27,352
Woodland project	12,007		12,007	114,260
General Expenses	5,561	282	5,843	3,204
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Net For Year	36,508	4,368	40,876	-31,434
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Current Liabilities		
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CMC Accounts (NI) Ltd
Date 12 June 2023**

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