

# **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the**

## **1<sup>ST</sup> NEWTOWNARDS SCOUT GROUP**

I report on the accounts of the Group for the year ended 31<sup>ST</sup> March 2025, which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities and statement of assets and liabilities.

This report is made solely to the trustees in accordance with Section 65 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees for my examination work.

### **Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner**

The Group's/District's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 65 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 (the Charities Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

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 Charity Commission for Northern Ireland 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 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 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 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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Date: 1<sup>st</sup> June 2025