

Three Spires Scout Group

Northern Ireland · Charity number 104077

Details

Status Overdue

Registered 2015-10-13

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: Arts, Community development, Cross-border/cross-community, Cultural, Disability, Education/training, Environment/sustainable development/conservation, General charitable purposes, Rural development, Sport/recreation, Volunteer development, Youth development

Who the charity helps: Adult training, Children (5-13 year olds), Community safety/crime prevention, General public, Language community, Learning disabilities, Mental health, Parents, Preschool (0-5 year olds), Sensory disabilities, Travellers, Unemployed/low income, Voluntary and community sector, Volunteers, Women, Youth (14-25 year olds)

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-03-31	£16,880	£2,229	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Dr.Claire Robb		
Miss Lynn Donaghy		
Miss Shannon O'neill		
Mrs Amanda Gourley		
Mrs Jill Brown Hawthorne		

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Name of Charity as registered with the CCNI	Three Spires Scout Group
Charity Registration number	104077
Year Start Date	1st April 2022
Year End Date	31st March 2023
Receipts (Details)	Receipts Amount £
B&M Stores 05/04/22-18/11/22	£43.02
The Range 03/01/23	£36.77
Spar 01/08/22 - 22/03/23	£30.42
Wyse Byse 18/08/22	£9.51
The Card Factory 21/04/22-17/10/22	£5.96
Lidl's N.I. Ltd.	£68.26
Membership Fees	1,597.50
Discover Outdoors 11/05/22-23/01/23	£549.50
Go Outdoors (Belfast) 27/07/22	£35.00
Home Bargains 17/10/22-02/03/23	£108.90
N.I Scout Council NISC (HQ) 09/01/23-24/03/23	£46.00
Asda 01/08/22-13/10/22	£101.00
Tesco Stores 06/04/22-22/02/23	£161.12
Sainsbury's 25/07/22-13/10/22	£40.65
The Works 29/09/22-10/03/23	£26.95
Poundland Ltd. 05/09/22-29/03/23	£95.90
Euro Spar 29/03/23	£55.94
PoundStretcher 29/04/22-15/03/23	£7.10
CHQ'S 364,7,8,9,370,1,2,3,4,	£3,049.73
Woven Labels for Uniform	£16.50
National Trust 31/05/22	£12.00
New Pickie Park 02/08/22	£57.00
Woodlands Café 02/08/22	£21.80
J.C. Stewarts 22/09/22-17/10/22	£8.00
Halford's (Gas for Cookers) 16/09/22	£96.14
Hillmount Garden Centre 04/07/22	£8.19
Antrim Shop 20/05/22	£10.40
Graham's Shop 28/11/22	£16.80
Kenny's Shop 09/11/22	£3.30
Crawford's 01/03/22	£12.49
Lennox 17/10/22	£34.95
The Jungle Activities Fees / Camping 17/06/22	£2,362.80
Insurance Fees 01/10/22-14/11/22	£1,202.00
We are vertigo Fees 10/06/22-13/06/22	£200.00
Walsh's Hotel / Meeting / Leaders - Helpers Dinner 19/12/22 /	£86.35
Slims / Meeting / Leaders Dinner 17/06/22	£44.44
Our Little Globe Educational	£54.45
Membership Fees 03/03/23	£1,387.00
Craft Materials for the whole Group - Temu	

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Bank Fees	£21.95
CHEQUE (CHQ) wee Buns festival 20/05/22 no:	£125.95
Beaver Rally Day 22/05/22	£72.00
Exploris Activity Centre 20/05/22	£119.00
Three Spires Scout Group Equipment 28/07/22	£463.50
Scout Group Equipment 27/07/22	£361.00
Bus Fees - Pumpkin Patch 27/02/22	£335.00
Three Spires Scout Group 07/02/23	£4,767.30
ATM Consumables	£680.99
Total Expenditure	£18,650.53
Bank as of 1st Apr2022	£24,233.98
STRIPE Grant 25/04/22 - 09/05/22	£130.50
Camp Fees Cubs / Scouts 15/06/22 - 01/10/22	£700
Scout mem subs	£1,387.00
BGC 000000 30/06/22 - 24/10/22	£964.65
EA Grant 08/07/22	£1,400.00
Bank Interest 30/09/22 - 30/12/22	£14.66
Refund from Scout HQ 24/10/22	£17.50
Membership fees	£1,202.00
Total Income	£30,050.29
Bank as of 31st Mar 2023	£11,165.30
Cash in hand	£234.46



8th August 2024

This is a true and accurate record of the accounts for Three Spires Scout Group

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“All Trustees named in the document are aware of the Commission’s Public Benefit Requirement and Statutory Guidance”.

“There was no harm flowing from the Charities purposes and there was no private benefit”.

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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: Mrs Jessica Caskey

Relevant professional qualification or body: Branch Manager (Santander)

Address: 9 Rainey Street. Magherafelt. Co. Londonderry. BT45 5DA

Date: 8th August 2024

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**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

INCOME	<i>Unrestricted funds</i>	<i>Restricted funds</i>	<i>Total</i>
Fee income	£ 4,252.35	0.00	4,252.35
Fundraising/donations	£ -	0.00	0.00
Interest	£ 20.02	0.00	20.02
Grants	0.00	8,575.00	8,575.00
Other	80.80		80.80
Total Income	4,353.17	8,575.00	12,928.17

PAYMENTS

Insurance costs	£ -	0.00	0.00
Equipment	£ -	0.00	0.00
Rent	£ -	0.00	0.00
Bank charges	£ 7.29		7.29
Activities	£ 1,614.83	£ 3,415.84	5,030.67
Professional fees			
Total payments	£ 1,622.12	£ 3,415.84	£ 5,037.96
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	£ 2,731.05	£ 5,159.16	£ 7,890.21

Reconciliation 31 March 2022

Cash at bank and in hand 31 March 2021	£ 16,343.77
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	<u>£ 24,233.98</u>
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Three Spires Scout Group, Magherafelt

Report: 2021-2022

Background and Administration

Three Spires Scout Group is a Charity which has management responsibility for all young people and volunteers involved in Squirrel, Beaver, Cub and Scouts within the Group. Three Spires Scout Group consists of approximately 40 young people between the ages of 4 and 14 years old.

The current trustees of the Charity are:

Joanne Martin
Amanda Gourley
Lynn Donaghy
Julie-Ann Mannis
Donna Ross

Finance

The main income of the Three Spires Scout Group in the reporting period has been through subscriptions from parents and grants gained from the Education Authority.

The major areas of performance that the trustees highlight for the reporting period are as follows:

1. Grants gained from the Education Authority enabled the Group to undertake activities and programmes that enhanced the learning and development experience for all the young people.
2. No external fundraising was undertaken as a response to the leaders and committee's awareness of the financial challenges facing members, their families and the wider community.
3. Subscriptions from parents are key as they enable the leaders to provide high quality, stimulating and responsive activities in a safe and secure environment. Subscriptions also enable the leaders to purchase materials, plan future programmes, camps etc. without waiting for fundraising to be secured.

Summary of highlights

2021-2022 was another busy year for all four groups and we were delighted to welcome the Squirrels into the Scout Group.

Squirrels

During Covid and in the imminent time after the Squirrel leaders kept parents up to date through WhatsApp and a pack was put together appropriate to the age group and sent to each Squirrel parent for each child. They were to follow the instructions which were inside the pack and as Squirrels are much younger mum, dad, brother or sisters were to help where possible. This was all explained within each part of what to do. They were given parts of badges which we had started in the Squirrel Drey meetings pre hand to complete at home and send me the evidence, via what's app pictures when each one complete badge was finished. This was done very successfully. The badges earned were: Year 1 and Year 2 Badges were earned, All Together Badge, Be Active Activity Badge, Squirrel Scout Explorer Outdoors, All adventure Challenge Award, Squirrel

Appreciation Day Badge. Well Done Badge for fun. Anything the Squirrels were allowed to take part in when the online tools came and the online zoom calls came, they did so. If reordered and sent to me, as evidence, they got rewarded for this too. I'm a Squirrel Badge, Squirrel Scout Exciting Badge, Go Wild Activity, Feel Good Activity, Smile Badge, My First Adventure, Local Superhero Activity Badge and All About Me Award Badge.

When restrictions eased we encourage the Squirrels to attend for face to face outdoor activities and then moved inside. Track and trace and covid monitoring was continuous.

Beavers

Similar to the Squirrels a pack appropriate for the age group and badge work was created and sent to each Beaver. The Badges we had started in our Beaver meetings, they were told to carry on and get them completed. The Pack also contained a letter outlining the need for supervision and support particularly when undertaking more demanding or risky tasks. Parents/carers sent pics via Whatsapp to show progress and completion.

The Beaver Colony also used Zoom to build that personal communication and sense of team. Parents were always present and further tasks were undertaken, evidenced and badges gained along the way. The Beavers also took part in UK wide activities, e.g. walking with Sir Tom – beavers were encouraged to go walking, when it was Sir Tom's Birthday got them to make a birthday cards, send the Beaver leader and these were sent to London to Sir Tom's. We also supported the NHS and made lots of rainbows and put them up all over the place, in windows, doors and send some to other places to put up also.

Similar to the Kindness Post Boxes the Beavers drew some lovely coloured pictures, wrote letters etc and then these were distributed to the various care homes around the area, in particular 3 that we would have visited in the past. They wrote what their picture was about on the back along with their name. The managers got in touch with me to say what a great idea, that all homes were so delighted to get these.

Beavers also got the opportunity to take part in Camps@Home for the 2nd year and these were well received by Beavers and their families. Beavers had Beaver Rally Day at Home on the 15th May 2021 which went on all day to 8 pm bed time. All Beavers and some Squirrels joined in also and did a number of activities to help to make it a good Rally Day and enjoy all the activities there was on offer and to gain the badges they wanted too.

Badge work achieved:

Well done badges for fun, Year 1 and Year 2 were gained by some, Creative Badges, Book Reader Badges, Cyclist Badges, Personal Challenge Badges, Beaver Activity Gardener, Camp @ Home 1 and 11 badges, Science Badges, Air Activities, Hobbies Badges, Cook Badges, Camp Craft Badges, Explorer Badges, adapted with family, Safety Badges, Hike 1 Badges, Space Badges and 3 Bronze Awards were gained

Cubs and Scouts

Cubs and Scouts were the main groups to be adversely affected by covid and its impact on their social connections. Due to our numbers we joined the 2 groups together. We used Zoom for online meetings but found these to be ineffective in enabling all the young people to engage however we did work with cubs and scouts to undertake a number of key areas of scouting which included the development of key skills and learning. A group of 6 cubs and scouts researched various countries and compiled a short video of their chosen nation. The cubs and scouts really enjoyed finding out about the food, culture, language and something different to share and then through working with The Nerve Centre they put together fantastic little videos to share with the rest of the members. When covid restrictions eased and we were able to meet outdoors we did lots of fun and challenging tasks, including tree art, a nature trail, a litter pick in the local community, stone painting and planning for our post covid world.

Like the Beavers the Cubs and Scouts took part in Camp@Home and worked on key badges that included their digital badge, community badge, arts and crafts and the world around us. The Cub and Scout year finished with day trips to three places that none of them had been to before: Marble Arch Caves, Exploris Aquarium and The Lakes at Craigavon.

As a Scout Group we supported the Australian Scout Association and the bush fires which decimated their local communities by buying fundraising badges. This not only raised awareness of the environmental challenges but also demonstrated our world wide community in scouting.

Our Public Benefit

Three Spires Scout Group is committed to ensuring that the Scouts grow intellectually and spiritually; that they make a positive difference within their local community and are integral to it; and that all activities are undertaken in a safe and secure environment. We achieve this in a number of ways: Programmes for all units are developed in line with Scouting guidance and activities are planned so that they young people have the ability to achieve badges, accreditation and recognition as they progress throughout the Group. Each group encourages the young people to take responsibility for their achievements and will divide the young people into packs/patrols giving leadership responsibility, goals and aspirations for the year ahead. Young people are encouraged and supported to not only provide leadership but also peer support, friendship and guidance to all members within their unit. Scouts, irrespective of their age, are also reminded of their Scouting promise which includes the commitment of spiritual growth and community love. Young people are also encouraged to self-reflect particularly as they move up the units so that they can take part in the planning of programmes but also evaluate how they have been achieved. Leaders also share experiences with each other so that the young people are individually supported as they grow and develop throughout the Scouting community. All leaders are very conscious of the scouting role within the wider local community. Many activities will bring in local people to share their skills, experiences, and talents so that they young people have a wider experience and understanding of the world around them. All units within the Scout Group are committed to supporting the local community and all young people made the rainbows to support the NHS which were displayed proudly in their homes; they also wrote regularly or drew pictures to older family members who were living alone or to members in the local residential centres who had no or few visitors. Involvement in Scouting also supports the educational attainment and personal development of young people. Through participation in learning activities Scouts of all ages have a wider understanding of key issues such as global warming, other countries; they learn practical skills, and as they become more independent, confident and self-assured they reach out of their comfort zones and friendship groups to achieve tasks. We have seen them they encourage and support each other to undertake challenges and they learn to win and lose through games and competitions. There are a number of beneficiaries throughout the year namely the young people who are committed to and involved in Scouting. Their parents and family members also benefit as they can see a positive impact on their children but also the wider community as young, educated, passionate and interested young people engage in other roles and environments taking their skills, knowledge and attributes with them.

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Independent Examiner's Report to the charity trustees of
Three Spires Scout Group

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended
2022 March 31st

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

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Name: Jay Grell
Address: c/o Danske Bank, 14 Broad Street Magherafelt.
Date: 17 February 2023. BTFS 6EA

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Auditor Jay Greer
17 Feb 2023.