

# 1st Gilford Scout Group

Northern Ireland · Charity number 108902

## Details

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**Status** Received

**Registered** 2022-07-25

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

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Purposes:** The purpose is to promote development of young people in order to aid them to achieve their full potential in every way as an individual, as responsible citizens and also as a full member of the worldwide community.

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

**How the charity works:** Volunteer development, Youth development

**Who the charity helps:** Children (5-13 year olds)

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£1,915	£2,139	£0	0

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
Miss Leanna Blevins		
Mr Colin Mcelroy		
Mr Paul Mccoy		
Mrs Angela Dawson		
Mrs Sarah Mccoy		

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# Accounts

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1st Gilford SG Annual Accounts FY2425

Name of Charity as registered with CCNI	1st Gilford Scout Group
Charity Registration Number	108902
Year Start Date	01/04/2024
Year End Date	31/03/2025

Receipts (Details)	Receipts Amount £
Membership Subscriptions	£1,585.00
Charitable Donations	£100.00
Lurgaboy End of Year Outing	£230.00
Receipts Total	£1,915.00

Payments (Details)	Payments Amount £
Badges and Scarves	£148.86
Equipment	£54.40
Admin Costs	£37.33
Lurgaboy	£466.15
Activity Supplies	£202.26
Christmas and Easter Treats	£82.15
Scout HQ Membership Fees	£1,092.00
Indoor Camp	£55.81
Payments Total	£2,138.96

Surplus or deficit for the year **£223.96**

Balances brought forward:	£1,237.09
Bank & Name of Account	
Barclays Community Account 20-51-08 XXXX5560	£1,160.17
Cash	£76.92

Balances at year end:	£1,013.13
Bank & Name of Account	
Barclays Community Account 20-51-08 XXXX5560	£767.17
Cash	£245.96

Prepared by (name)	Angela Dawson	Treasurer
Signature & Date	<i>ADawson</i>	19/01/2026

Reviewer's Certificate. The above statements agree with the records and vouchers of:

Name of Registered Charity	1st Gilford Scout Group
For the year ended (date)	31/03/2025
Reviewed by (name)	<i>LISA BICKER</i>
Signature & Date	<i>Lisa Bicker 23/01/2026</i>
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# Accounts

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1st Gilford SG Annual Accounts FY2324

Name of Charity as registered with CCNI	1st Gilford Scout Group
Charity Registration Number	108902
Year Start Date	01/04/2023
Year End Date	31/03/2024

Receipts (Details)	Receipts Amount £
Membership Subscriptions	£1,650.00
Charitable Donations	£250.00
Sale of Old Equipment	£221.87
Craft Fair	£73.08
Annual Camp Fees	£225.00
<b>Receipts Total</b>	<b>£2,419.95</b>

Payments (Details)	Payments Amount £
Badges and Scarves	£145.92
Equipment	£164.13
Admin Costs	£54.40
Annual Camp	£196.97
Activity Supplies	£96.00
Christmas and Easter Treats	£82.69
Scout HQ Membership Fees	£1,183.00
Donation	£20.00
<b>Payments Total</b>	<b>£1,943.11</b>

Surplus or deficit for the year	£476.84
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Balances brought forward:	£760.25
Bank & Name of Account	
Barclays Community Account 20-51-08 XXXX5560	£618.17
Cash	£142.08

Balances at year end:	£1,237.09
Bank & Name of Account	
Barclays Community Account 20-51-08 XXXX5560	£1,160.17
Cash	£76.92

Prepared by (name)	Angela Dawson	Treasurer
Signature & Date	<i>Angela Dawson</i> 20/01/2025	

Reviewer's Certificate. The above statements agree with the records and vouchers of:

Name of Registered Charity	1st Gilford Scout Group
For the year ended (date)	31/03/2023
Reviewed by (name)	LISA BICKER
Signature & Date	<i>Lisa Bicker</i> 26-01-2025
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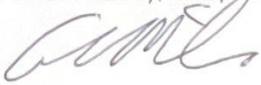
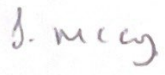
# Annual report

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## Board of Trustees Annual Report

<b>Name of Charity</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Gilford Scout Group</b>
<b>Charity Registration Number</b>	<b>108902</b>
<b>Year Start Date</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> April 2023</b>
<b>Year End Date</b>	<b>31<sup>st</sup> March 2024</b>
<b>The Purpose of your Charity</b>	All Scouts NI Charities are governed by the Royal Charter and Bye-Laws. Purpose – Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.
<b>The principal address of the Charity</b>	37 Burn Brae Court, Banbridge, Co Down, BT32 4GD
<b>The names of all Charity Trustees</b>	Mr Paul McCoy ~ Chairperson Mr Colin McElory ~ Group Lead Volunteer Mrs Sarah McCoy ~ Secretary Mrs Angela Dawson ~ Treasurer Miss Leanna Blevins ~ Assistant Leader
<b>The financial year the report relates to</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> April 2023 – 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2024
<b>A summary of the Charity's main activities and achievements in the year</b>	<p>These are the main activities undertaken by this charity to further its charitable purposes for the public benefit of its beneficiaries:</p> <p>Active Sections: Beavers (Age 6-8) and Cubs (Age 8 to 10.5). Section meetings take place on a weekly basis during term time on Thursday evenings; Beavers 6pm to 6.45pm and Cubs 7pm to 8pm. All activities follow a structured programme of age related games and activities to meet our charitable purpose. The group has had a successful year with a late Summer Camp taking place at the start of September. To better facilitate this activity we sold some of our larger, more complicated tentage which allowed us to purchase some smaller tents that younger members could erect with minimal adult help. This, combined with an overnight stay at Gosford Forest Park, gave all children an opportunity to demonstrate independence, leadership, teamwork, backwoods cooking skills and mental resilience.</p>

	<p>In October we were able to raise some extra funds by selling donated items at a local craft fair, which also helped us raise the profile of the group.</p> <p><b>Beavers:</b> Beavers worked towards and completed Our Adventure Challenge, Space, Creative Builder, Sports, Gardening and Teamwork Challenge badges. At the start of the year we had a great trip to Armagh Planetarium. It was a great day out and we all thoroughly enjoyed it. There were lots of demonstrations and shows and we were able to complete our Space badge. In February we hosted the Guide Dogs for the Blind. We held our annual sports evening which is a joint session with our Cubs and is a favourite for the children. The competition for 1st Beaver and 1st Cub is always very high! This year all our meetings have taken place in St. Pauls Church Hall. The church kindly donated money for our vegetable and wildflower patch. We were able to extend our patch and are growing, peas, potatoes, runner beans, carrots, radishes, wildflowers and sunflowers.</p> <p><b>Cubs:</b> We started this Scouting year with an overnight camp in Gosford Forest Park at the beginning of September where most members completed the day activities and 5 camped overnight. During the year our Cubs have completed the following badgework; Astronomer, Disability Awareness, Global Issues, Stage 1 Musicians, Teamwork Challenge and Our Skills Challenge. We were visited by Guide Dogs NI and we will finish this term with a visit to Lurgaboy Activity Centre. The Scout Group were also gifted an area of garden from St Paul's Church in the grounds of the church hall where we are planning to build a fire pit area and grow some fruit and vegetables. By the end of this year we are on track to present our first ever Chief Scout Silver awards to 2 of the Cubs who are due to leave us.</p> <p>Funds are allocated to activities and events that are both enjoyable and encourage the young people to become more independent and self-reliant, developing teamwork and skills for life.</p>
<p><b>A statement that the Trustees have had with regard to the Commission's Public Benefit requirement statutory guidance</b></p>	<p>All trustees named above are aware of the Charity Commission of Northern Ireland's public benefit requirement and statutory guidance. There was no harm flowing from the charity's purposes and there was no private benefit.</p>

<p><b>A review of the Charity's financial position at the end of the year</b></p>	<p>Total funds at start of period: £760.25          Total receipts for period: £2,419.95          Total payments for period: £1,943.11          Total loss/gain for period: £476.84 (gain)          Total funds at end of period: £1,237.09</p> <p>The charity's policy on reserve funds is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the group for a short period should income and fundraising activities be curtailed (e.g. Covid 19 scenario) or falls short. The Group Executive Committee considers the charity should hold between £500 to £1,000 to cover this. Any additional funds held over this amount will be used to offset the cost of an end of Scouting year activity.</p>
<p><b>Details of any funds held by the Charity that was materially in deficit at the end of the year and steps taken by the Charity Trustees to eliminate the deficit</b></p>	<p>There are no funds held by the charity that are materially in deficit.</p>
<p><b>One or more of the Charity Trustees must sign and date this box.</b></p>	<p>Mr Collie McElroy, Group Lead Volunteer   22/1/25.</p> <p>Mrs Sarah McCoy, Secretary   22/1/25</p>

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# Annual return

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**Independent Examiner's Report to the Charity Trustees  
of 1<sup>st</sup> Gilford Scout Group**

I report on the Receipts and Payments Account and the Annual Account Balance Sheet of the Trust for the year ended **31<sup>st</sup> March 2024**

**Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner**

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

It is the independent examiner's responsibility to:

- examine the accounts as provided for in Section 65 (2) of the Charities Act
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission NI (CCNI) 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 CCNI 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 including bank statements and other transaction documentation. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from 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 CCNI, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mrs Lisa Bicker".

Name: Mrs Lisa Bicker, Business Manager, A One Tyres, Dromore

Address: 9 Locard Park, Tullylish, BT63 6EH

Date: 26<sup>th</sup> January 2025