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Trustees' Annual Report for the period							
Period start date				Period end date			
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
From	1 <sup>st</sup>	April	2024	To	31 <sup>st</sup>	March	2025

Reference and administration details

Charity name	Falkirk District Scout Council
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number	SC038590
Charity's principal address	Mr D Foggo
	7 Greenhorn's Well Avenue
	Falkirk
	Stirlingshire
	Postcode: FK1 5HL

Names of the charity trustees on date of approval of Trustees' Annual Report

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1		Chair		
2		District Administrator		
3		Treasurer		
4		District Lead Volunteer		
5		District Lead Volunteer		
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10			Since 19 Sep. 2024	
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## Reference and administration details

Names of all other charity trustees during the period, if any, (for example, those who resigned part way through the financial period)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
	To 19 September 2024
	To 19 September 2024
	To 19 September 2024

## Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document

The constitution of Falkirk District Scout Council in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR) of the Scout Association.

Trustee recruitment and appointment

Trustees are all members of Falkirk District Scout Council who are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR) of the Scout Association

## Objectives and activities

Charitable purposes

To provide Scouting by enabling appropriate resources and support for Scout Groups, Explorer Scout Units, Network and Young Leaders within Falkirk District

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

Provide a safe and appropriate environment, with sufficient trained leaders, to implement development plans. Ensure there is appropriate equipment / resources and training for young people, on a weekly basis, in Scoutcraft and the development of skills in indoor, outdoor and camping activities

## Achievements and performance

### Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the financial period

#### Activities

Twenty-four of our young people attended the international jamboree at Blair Atholl in July.

There was a good mix of district activities for all sections during the year, including:

For Explorers: watersports at Inverrossachs, Blackpool trip, and a trip to Flip-Out Glasgow.

Scouts engaged in Easter activities, and a "Hunted" camp.

Cubs, Beavers and Squirrels attended the panto at Dobbie Hall, Larbert.

There were two sleepover events – Cubs and Scouts at Glasgow Science Centre and Beavers at Dynamic Earth.

These activities supplemented the usual week by week badge work.

#### Membership

The census shows an increase in membership across the District to 1038 young persons. All Groups and Units paid their membership fees by the District's deadline.

#### District Levy

This remained at £6. The funds raised were used to support District Activities across all sections, support participants in the World Scout Jamboree [£1,000 reserved per annum], provide basic OSM licences for all groups, units and sections, and support JMASC running costs.

#### Grants

The District received a CFSLA grant from CFSLA and Arnold Clark for £700 for camping equipment.

Antonine Explorers received a total of £1,900 in grants, which they spent on camping equipment.

The District provided Squirrel Drey start-up grants of £600, and passed on £1,400 from the Region for Drey startups from this and last year. The District also provided grants for leader permit training (£200), and to support the Glasgow Science Centre and Dynamic Earth sleepover events (£882)

#### Carronshore Hall Trust Fund

At the start of the year the above fund was wound up, and the remaining funds of £21,245.88 were transferred into FDSC. This does give us a healthier reserve, but also enables us to use this fund more effectively for supporting scouting throughout Falkirk District.

#### Bank Charges and Interest

Many banks are closing "treasurer" accounts, and converting these charity accounts to business accounts. This means we now incur a monthly charge, as well as transaction charges above a certain number of transactions. Total bank charges since this started in February 2025 amount to £57.70. These charges will probably be around £400 for a full year of charges.

However, mainly through the use of our new 30 day notice account, and large deposits for Explorer Belt, we received interest amounting to £749.56.

#### Jim McKellar Scout Centre

The insurance, cleaning, maintenance and ground rent costs came to £3,279. Gas and electricity costs were £1,399, less than half on the previous year, mainly due to a new gas contract.

Donations for the use of the JMASC were £1,440.

## Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The reserves are subject to ongoing review to ensure that sufficient funds are available to maintain the efficient running of the District. Funds are available to assist all Sections as required. This includes equipment purchase, property maintenance, leader training, start-up grants [as required] and up-front payment for activities / events. The trustees are of the opinion that sufficient funds are available to meet the obligations of Falkirk Scout Council

### Details of any deficit

We are not in deficit this year.

### Donated facilities and services (if any)

None

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## Other optional information

### Trustee Remuneration

The Trustees did not receive any remuneration during the reporting period

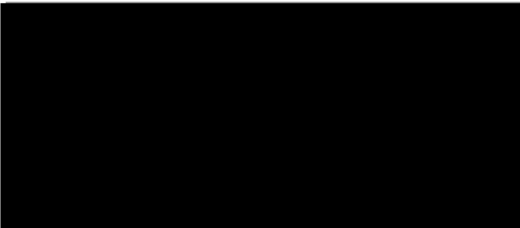
### Optional Information

The District has one hall [Jim McKellar Scout Centre] with an insurance value of £960,000. Should this facility become surplus to requirement it will revert to Denny Westpark Church [Church of Scotland].

## Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b> <i>OSCR will accept digital or typed signatures</i>		
<b>Full name(s)</b>		
<b>Position (e.g. Chair)</b>	District Treasurer and Trustee	
<b>Date</b>	25 August 2025	

**OSCR Return**

**Falkirk District Scout Council**  
**Statement of Receipts and Payments**  
**1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025**

<b><u>Receipts</u></b>	<b><u>Unrestricted</u></b>	<b><u>Restricted</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>	<b><u>2023-24</u></b>
Membership & Subs	18071		18071	19740
Capitation Fees from Groups/Exp Units	55014		55014	45529
Donations	1660		1660	4511
Grants	7363		7363	500
Gift Aid from HMRC	3363		3363	0
Fundraising	30		30	0
Loan repayments (from Scout Groups)	2986		2986	0
Carronshore Hall Trust Fund closure (one-off)	21246		21246	0
Activities	58873	60826	119699	44437
Training	200		200	0
Uniform and Badges	8694		8694	7370
Equipment	3037		3037	104
Bank Interest	801		801	101
Sundry Receipts	208		208	1387
<b>Total</b>	<b>181546</b>	<b>60826</b>	<b>242372</b>	<b>123679</b>

<b><u>Payments</u></b>				
Capitation fees	36074		36074	46475
Grants	5563		5563	2288
Loans (Falkirk District Scout Groups only)				7786
Activities	75824	9089	84913	49178
Training, Development and Support	755		755	441
Uniform and Badges	9549		9549	8919
Equipment, Maintenance and Repairs	8161		8161	1946
JMSC (Hall) Running Costs	4678		4678	6464
Administration and ICT	2516		2516	2938
Bank Charges	58		58	
Sundry Payments	988		988	1187
<b>Total</b>	<b>144166</b>	<b>9089</b>	<b>153255</b>	<b>127622</b>

Surplus / Deficit for Year	<b>37380</b>	<b>51737</b>	<b>89117</b>	<b>-3943</b>
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**NOTES:**

The large surplus under "Unrestricted" funds for 2024/25 is due mainly to two factors:

1. A one-off receipt of £21,246 into the charity from the closure of Carronshore Hall Trust Fund;
2. £18,786 of our capitation fee was not paid out this year, therefore shows as a liability.

The large surplus under "restricted" funds is parental payments held by us for a planned international event in July 2025.

The surplus equals parental receipts to date minus related expenditure to date.

**Statement of Balances****1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025**

<b>Cash Funds (to nearest £)</b>	<b><u>Unrestricted</u></b>	<b><u>Restricted</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>	<b><u>2023-24</u></b>
Balance at April 1st 2024	37005		37005	40483
Suprlus / Deficit for Year	37380	51737	89117	-3943
Unposted assets from 2022/23				465
Balance at March 31 2025	74385	51737	126122	37005

<b>Other Assets (to nearest £)</b>	<b><u>Unrestricted</u></b>	<b><u>Restricted</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>	<b><u>2023-24</u></b>
Stock of Current Badges	3984		3984	5530
Stock of out-of-date badges	601		601	
Kayak Equipment	5732		5732	7642
Water Equipment	1125		1125	1500
Archery Equipment	125		125	
Fencing Equipment	56		56	75
First Aid Equipment	752		752	832
IT and Communication Equipment	377		377	502
Camping Equipment	4223		4223	2122
Loan to 89th Group (repaid over 5 years)	4800		4800	7786
<b>Total</b>	<b>21775</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>21775</b>	<b>25989</b>

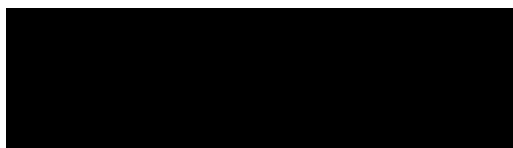
<b>Liabilities (to nearest £)</b>	<b><u>Unrestricted</u></b>	<b><u>Restricted</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>	<b><u>2023-24</u></b>
Capitation fees due to Forth Region	18786		18786	0
Deposits for Major International Events		51737	51737	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>18786</b>	<b>51737</b>	<b>70523</b>	<b>0</b>

Signed on behalf of the trustees

Signature

Print Name

David Foggo



Date of Approval 25 August 2025

# APPENDIX 3



		Independent examiner's report on the accounts						v2	
Report to the trustees/members of	Charity name	Falkirk District Scout Council							
	Registered charity number	SC038590							
On the accounts of the charity for the period	Period start date				Period end date				
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year		
	1 <sup>st</sup>	April	2024	to	31 <sup>st</sup>	March	2025		
Set out on pages							(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)		
Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner	The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) 2005 Act and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.								
Basis of independent examiner's statement	My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.								
Independent examiner's statement	<p>In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention.</p> <p>1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>to keep accounting records in accordance with section 44(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and</li> <li>to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations</li> </ul> <p>have not been met, or</p> <p>2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.</p>								
Signed**:					Date:	23/08/2025			
Name:									
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):									
Address:									