

33rd Ayrshire Scout Group

**Annual Report & Financial Statements
for the**

Year ended 31st March 2026

Registered Charity Number SC043258

33rd Ayrshire Scout Group

SC 043258

Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name: 33rd Ayrshire Scout Group
Charity Registration Number: SC 043258
Contact Address: Scout Hall
29 Main Street
Dalmellington
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Trustees

The Trustees serving at any time during the year and up to the date of signing of the accounts were as follows;

L Dempsey	Chairman
W McCann F.C.C.A	Treasurer
F McHugh B.E.M.	Assistant GSL
L Eccles	
K Ramage	
D Parker	

Independent Examiner

Miss Carol Anne Dunlop FMAAT AATQB
Balminnoch Cottage
Balminnoch Farm
Straiton
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Bankers

Royal Bank of Scotland
30 Sandgate
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Trustees' Annual Report

Year ended 31st March 2026

Structure, Governance and Management

Structure, government and management

The Groups governing documents are those of The Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, which in turn gives authority to the Bye Laws of the Association and The Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

The Group is a Trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts. The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.

The Group is managed by the Trustee Board, the members of which are the "Charity Trustees" of the Scout Group which is an educational charity. As charity trustees they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities. This includes registration, keeping proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate.

All Trustees complete The Scout Association trustee and mandatory learning within the first six months of joining the Trustee Board, they also complete other Scout Association mandatory learning as required. The Trustee Board consists of Chair, Treasurer and Trustees who meet monthly. The Trustee Board exists to support the Leadership Teams in meeting the responsibilities of their appointments and in supporting them to run high quality and safe programs that give young people skills for life. The Trustee Board maintain appropriate governance policies and oversight.

The Trustee Board is responsible for carrying out its purposes for public benefit, complying with the charity's governing document and the law, and managing the charity's resources responsibly.

The Trustee Board is responsible for ensuring the charity is well managed, risks are assessed and mitigated, buildings and equipment are in good order and everyone follows legal requirements and Scout Association Policy, Organisation and Rules.

This includes responsibility for:

- Promoting a positive image of Scouting in the community, as well as its development;

- Developing, maintaining and regularly updating a risk register, including putting in place appropriate mitigations;

- Ensuring that the finances are properly managed, and there are sufficient resources (and reserves) to deliver high quality Scouting;

- Ensuring a system of internal controls is in place that is designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss;

- Ensuring that property is appropriately managed;

- Maintaining appropriate insurance of persons, property and equipment;

- Assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support;

- Having an open and transparent selection process for the recruitment of Trustees;

- Appointing Advisors as required;

- Ensuring effective administration is in place to support the Trustee Board;

- Ensuring compliance with applicable governance and charity regulations, including in respect to safety and safeguarding;

- Ensuring incidents are appropriately reported in line with regulation and policy;

- Ensuring applicable policies and regulations are regularly reviewed and changes implemented as appropriate;

- Ensuring transparency of operations, including in the preparation of accounts and holding an AGM;

- Ensuring compliance with Data Protection legislation;

Risk and Internal Control

The Group has in place systems of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss, these include 2 signatories for all payments and a comprehensive insurance policy to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

Objectives and Activities

Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.

As Scouts we are guided by the values:

Integrity - we act with integrity; we are honest, trustworthy and loyal

Respect - we have self-respect and respect for others

Care - we support others and take care of the world in which we live

Belief - we explore our faiths, beliefs and attitudes

Co-operation - we make a positive difference; we co-operate with others and make friends.

Achievements and Performance

This year has seen the group thrive with membership remaining high and we are delighted with the large number of young adult leaders we now have within the group, they have been an invaluable part of our group.

We have 2 of our members qualify for the 2026 Blair Atholl Jamborette and we are delighted to be able to support them both physically and financially to help them make the most of this wonderful opportunity.

We have been active within the district and region with attendance at Scouts Millport Monopoly, Cubs bounce Station sleepover at Kilmarnock, Beaver funday at Kilmarnock. Cubs are attending the district Cub Camp in May and Cubs and Beavers are attending the Science Centre Sleepover later in the year.

All sections enjoyed a trip to Loch Ken activity centre taking part in water sports and archery.

Trustees' Annual Report (continued)

Year ended 31st March 2026

Financial Review

We present the financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2026.

Total incoming resources for 2026 amounted to £23,964 (2025 £17,017). Resources expended totalled £22,716 (2025 £21,105). The net incoming resources of 2026 were £1,248 (2025 outgoing £4,088)

As at 31st March 2026, the group has total funds of £13,107 (2025 £11,859). Of which £4,975 were restricted and £8,132 were unrestricted.

The Trustees consider the results of the year to be satisfactory and they leave the group in a good financial position for the future successful operation of its charitable activities.

Reserves Policy

The Trustees believe that around 6 months of annual expenditure is an appropriate level of reserves in expenditure. The Group held reserves of £13,107 which is above this level which we think is appropriate in these uncertain times.

Investment Policy

The Groups Income and Expenditure is very small and as a consequence does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer term investments such as stocks and shares. The Group has therefore adopted a low risk strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks.

Approved by the Group Executive Committee on^{S.S.26} and signed on their behalf by:

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L Dempsey
Chair Person



33rd Ayrshire Scout Group
SC 043258
Independent Examiner's Report
Year ended 31st March 2026

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the 33rd Ayrshire Scout Group

I report on the accounts of the 33rd Ayrshire Scout Group ("the group") for the year ended 31st March 2026 which are set out on pages 6 to 9.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Group's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 ("the regulations"). The Group's Trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1)(d) does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44 (1)© 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 the regulations. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Group 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

In connection with my examination for the year ended 31st March 2026, no matter has come to my attention

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with the regulations and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the Regulationshave not been met, or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Carol Anne Dunlop FMAAT AATQB

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Date: 27/5/26

33rd Ayrshire Scout Group
Receipts and Payments Account
Year ended 31st March 2026

	Note	Restricted Funds 2026 £	Unrestricted Funds 2026 £	Total 2026 £	Total 2025 £
<u>Receipts</u>					
Voluntary Income					
Subscriptions	3	-	1,533	1,533	807
Donations		-	2,548	2,548	1,761
Fund-Raising Activities	4	-	7,591	7,591	7,681
Grant Funding for Group Activities	5	11,326	966	12,292	6,768
<u>Total Receipts</u>		<u>11,326</u>	<u>12,638</u>	<u>23,964</u>	<u>17,017</u>
<u>Payments</u>					
Cost of Fundraising	6	-	1,851	1,851	1,812
Group Activities				-	-
Programme Activities		1,800	1,950	3,750	5,028
Badges & Uniform		90	567	657	871
Premises	7	8,874	6,951	15,825	9,862
Training		-	360	360	-
Management & Administration Costs		-	273	273	3,532
<u>Total Payments</u>		<u>10,764</u>	<u>11,952</u>	<u>22,716</u>	<u>21,105</u>
<u>Surplus/(Deficit) for year</u>		<u>562</u>	<u>686</u>	<u>1,248</u>	<u>(4,088)</u>

33rd Ayrshire Scout Group **Statement of Balances**

At 31st March 2026

	Restricted Funds 2026 £	Unrestricted Funds 2026 £	Total 2026 £	Total 2025 £
<u>Cash, Bank & Deposit Balances</u>				
Balances as at 31st March 2025	4,413	7,446	11,859	15,947
Movement in year:				
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	562	686	1,248	(4,088)
Balance as at 31st March 2026	<u>4,975</u>	<u>8,132</u>	<u>13,107</u>	<u>11,859</u>
Bank Treasury Account at 31st March 2026		3,286	3,286	3,615
Bank Current Account at 31st March 2026	4,975	4169	9,144	7,205
Bank Current Account at 31st March 2026	-	21	21	21
Cash in Hand at 31st March 2026	-	656	656	1,018
	<u>4,975</u>	<u>8,132</u>	<u>13,107</u>	<u>11,859</u>

The Group owns the Scout Hall at 29 Main Street, Dalmellington. The title is held in the name of 33rd Ayrshire Scout Group with title deeds being held for safekeeping by our Treasurer Wilma McCann.

The Group also owns a quantity of camping equipment and other equipment which has been acquired over a number of years.

Liabilities

The Group has no material liabilities or obligations at 31st March 2026

The Notes on Page 8 and 9 form an integral part of these Accounts.

Approved by the Group Executive Committee on *5.5.26*
and signed on its behalf by:

L Dempsey
L Dempsey
Chairman

Wilma McCann
Wilma McCann FCCA
Treasurer

33rd Ayrshire Scout Group
Notes to the Accounts
Year Ended 31st March 2026

1. Funds

The Group maintains 3 undesignated general funds for all its financial transactions.

2. Trustee Remuneration and Related Party Transactions

No Trustees received any remuneration during the year

There were no related party transactions during the year.

3. Subscription Income

	Restricted Funds 2026 £	Unrestricted Funds 2026 £	Total 2026 £	Total 2025 £
Received from members	-	3,202	3,202	2,715
Less: Paid to Scout Headquarters	-	(1,669)	(1,669)	1,908
Total donations	-	1,533	1,533	4,623

4. Fundraising Income

	Restricted Funds 2026 £	Unrestricted Funds 2026 £	Total 2026 £	Total 2025 £
Coffee Morning - Summer	-	949	949	908
Coffee Morning - Christmas	-	860	860	879
Duck Race	-	650	650	790
Christmas Card Delivery	-	410	410	369
Green Treasure Hunt	-	37	37	-
Burns Supper	-	453	453	516
Ladies Day	-	3,350	3,350	2,839
Kiltwalk	-	117	117	728
Lamp Raffle	-	192	192	-
Bingo	-	573	573	-
Sponsored Walk	-	-	-	652
	-	7,591	7,591	7,681

5. Grants Received

	Restricted Funds 2026 £	Unrestricted Funds 2026 £	Total 2026 £	Total 2025 £
ARIA	5,178	-	5,178	4,500
Boots	-	466	466	768
EAC Cost of Living heating grant	-	-	-	1,500
Scout Scotland	1,800	-	1,800	-
Patna Action Group	998	-	998	-
Shire Housing	300	-	300	-
Dalmellington Parish Development Trust	2,450	-	2,450	-
Scottish Mining Welfare Trust	600	-	600	-
Co Op Community Fund	-	500	500	-
	11,326	966	12,292	6,768

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Notes to the Accounts (continued)
Year Ended 31st March 2026

6. Cost of Fundraising

	Restricted Funds 2026 £	Unrestricted Funds 2026 £	Total 2026 £	Total 2025 £
Coffee Morning - Summer	-	186	186	160
Coffee Morning - Christmas	-	239	239	232
Duck Race Prizes	-	100	100	100
Ladies Day	-	1,042	1,042	1320
Green Treasure Hunt	-	18	18	-
Lamp Raffle	-	160	160	-
Bingo	-	60	60	-
Burns Supper	-	46	46	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>1,851</u>	<u>1,851</u>	<u>1812</u>

7. Premises

	Restricted Funds 2026 £	Unrestricted Funds 2026 £	Total 2026 £	Total 2025 £
Cleaning	-	116	116	26
Heating and Lighting	-	2,409	2,409	3,131
Insurance	-	2,464	2,464	2,344
Repairs and Maintenance	8,874	1,962	10,836	4,361
	<u>8,874</u>	<u>6,951</u>	<u>15,825</u>	<u>9,862</u>