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LEWISHAM DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

In the light of current government restrictions, the Annual General Meeting will be held on-line via 'Zoom' at 7.30pm on Monday 12 July 2021.

AGENDA

INTRODUCTION

1. Address of welcome by the District Chair
2. Apologies for absence
3. To receive & consider the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 24 June 2019

THE PAST YEAR – REPORT ON THE WORK OF THE SCOUT COUNCIL

4. To receive & consider the Annual Report of the District Executive Committee (including the Annual Statement of Accounts)

THE YEAR AHEAD

5. Approval of the District Commissioner's nomination of District Chair
6. Election of additional members of the District Scout Council
7. Election of officers:
 - District Secretary
 - District Treasurer
8. Election of members of the District Executive Committee
9. Confirmation of the District Commissioner's nominations of members of the District Executive Committee
10. Election of a Group Scouter to represent the District on the County Scout Council (the County AGM)
11. Appointment of an Independent Examiner for 2020/2021
12. Amendment to District Constitution

LEWISHAM DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

Minutes of the 10th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING held on 22 July 2020 via Zoom

1 ADDRESS OF WELCOME BY THE DISTRICT CHAIR

The Chair opened the meeting by welcoming everyone to the 10th AGM of Lewisham District Scout Council. He introduced himself as District Chair and welcomed: Darren Lodge – County Commissioner and Lesley Hine - District Secretary.

He then moved a motion that the District's Constitution should be amended to allow for meetings of the District Scout Council, The DEC and the DMT to be held virtually if circumstances at the time did not permit face-to-face meetings. *Approved*

The Chair outlined the purpose of the AGM and reminded the meeting who was eligible to vote. He thanked everyone for attending in difficult times and looked forward to the day when Scouting and life generally returned to something like normal.

He invited those who wished to make a contribution to the meeting to do so at the appropriate time and not wait until the end of the meeting, but pointed out that, on this occasion, he would appreciate questions to be urgent or time-limited in nature.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Chair explained that the District Commissioner was unable to attend the AGM as she was recovering from a major operation and he wished her well for a full and speedy recovery. The County Commissioner has kindly agreed to act on her behalf during the meeting.

Apologies for absence had been received from Jennifer McCullough DC; Philip Matthews DT; Bill Compton; John Goodwin; Graham Simmons; Roy Court; Gillian Hodgkin; Wendy Hutcheson and Fr Edward Perera; Caroline Britchford.

3. RECEPTION AND CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 24 JUNE 2019

The Chair confirmed that the Minutes had already been approved by the District Executive Committee as Trustees and asked the meeting to receive and consider them.

4. RECEPTION AND CONSIDERATION OF THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (INCLUDING THE ANNUAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS)

The Chair confirmed that the Annual Report (including the Annual Statement of Accounts) had already been approved by the District Executive Committee as Trustees and asked the meeting to receive and consider them. The meeting was asked to note that the Trustees Report and the Statement of Accounts form part of the Annual Report & Accounts available at the meeting and previously circulated by email. The Chair stated that the Annual Report contained a general thanks to those who have made Lewisham a successful District. He thanked Phil Matthews and Lesley Hine for supporting the Chairman in their roles respectively of District Treasurer and District Secretary. He then confirmed that he was standing down as Chair after 15 enjoyable years in office and thanked all District Trustees and others who had supported him during that time.

The governance-related matters worthy of note on which the Chair made comment are as follows:

Covid-19

The effect that the virus has had on Scouting in Lewisham was set out in the Annual Report and was well known on an individual Group and Explorer Scout Unit basis by all those involved. He thanked Trustees for their speedy and decisive decision making over the last few months; the Government for the support provided by the Employee Furlough Scheme and by the Retail, Hospitality and Leisure Grants; and the staff at Frylands Wood for their patience and help in ensuring that the Centre remained secure during lockdown and ready to reopen as soon as permitted.

Frylands Wood

The Centre was in the process of re-opening with a detailed Covid-19 risk assessment in place approved by District Trustees and the County Commissioner. Not all activities would be available immediately, but more than enough to provide an enjoyable and outdoor experience. All Groups and Units were encouraged to support the District's Outdoor Centre as soon as practically possible.

Negotiations with The Scout Association for a new 40 year lease have stalled since lock-down began, and had slowed beforehand because of land registration and land ownership issues. However, the District Chair remained very optimistic that there would be a satisfactory outcome in the months to come.

He thanked the Centre Manager and all the staff and volunteers at Frylands Wood for all their hard work keeping the Centre in good order and ready to re-open.

Finance:

With the inclusion of depreciation of fixed assets and net stock movement during the year, the District as a whole recorded a deficit of £19,229; but, with those two elements taken out of the equation, the total cash deficit for the year for the District was £11,569. The deficit for Frylands Wood Scout Outdoor Centre alone (and without the depreciation and net stock movement elements) amounted to £18,972. The reasons for the Centre's deficit are outlined in the Annual Report and include unforeseen but necessary maintenance expenditure, and Covid-19 related loss of income during the last month of the financial year.

The District is still in a fairly healthy financial position thanks to the build-up of Reserves over the last 10 years, and having reduced expenditure to a bare minimum since the Covid-19 outbreak.

5. APPROVAL OF THE DISTRICT COMMISSIONER'S NOMINATION OF DISTRICT CHAIR

Darren Lodge (County Commissioner) nominated Mike Jackson as District Chairman. Approved

It was confirmed that, with the consent of the incoming District Chair, Lawrie Smith would chair the meeting to its conclusion.

6. ELECTION OF ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OF THE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

The District Executive Committee had recommended the election of the following additional members of the District Scout Council for 2020/2021:

Don Coombe, Lesley Dann and Roger Dann. Approved

Richard Morrison proposed the election of Richard Leach to the District Scout Council. Seconded by Mark Thompson. Approved

7. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The District Secretary: Lesley Hine was nominated by Peter James and seconded by Josie James.
Approved

The District Treasurer: Philip Matthews was nominated by Richard Morrison and seconded by David Wallis. Approved

8.ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

| | Nominated by | Seconded by |
|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Alan Britchford | Nick Smith | Richard Morrison |
| Chris Ellinson | Richard Morrison | Lesley Hine |
| Richard Morrison | Kevin Murphy | Philip Wall |
| Kevin Murphy | David Wallis | Lindsey Smith |
| Michael Wall | Mandy Pywell | Ray Wickenden |
| David Wallis | Barry Goswell | Penny Goswell |

Approved

9. CONFIRMATION OF THE DISTRICT COMMISSIONER'S NOMINATIONS OF MEMBERS OF THE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The District's constitution allows for 6 people to be nominated. The District Commissioner nominated: Victoria Armitage; Roy Court; Joe McEvilly; John Goodwin and Graham Simmons
Approved

It was proposed that the District Commissioner's nomination of up to one further candidate over the coming year be approved by the District Executive Committee. Approved

10. ELECTION OF A GROUP SCOUTER TO REPRESENT THE DISTRICT ON THE COUNTY SCOUT COUNCIL (THE COUNTY AGM)

Joe McEvilly has previously volunteered for the role, and has again this year.
Approved

11. APPOINTMENT OF AN INDEPENDENT EXAMINER FOR 2020/2021

The Chairman nominated John Lambourne FCA of Latham Lambourne Ltd.
Approved

12. THE COUNTY COMMISSIONER PRESENTED A REPORT ON BEHALF OF THE DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

The District Commissioner apologised for being unable to attend the meeting due to her recent operation. She acknowledged the many achievements of Lawrie Smith over the year that he had been District Chairman and Frylands Wood Chairman and thanked him for all the work he had done.

She stated that the Section Report for 2019/2020 was slightly different this year due to the pandemic but prior to that many activities were being undertaken by the young people in our District and she thanked all the volunteers who have supported our young people. She reminded everyone to ensure that they kept within the scouting guidelines that have been issued and asked all GSLs to ensure their teams were up to date with their compliance training and DBS Clearance so

that they can get back to face to face Scouting and hit the ground running. She congratulated Richard Morrison on being awarded the Silver Wolf for his dedication to Scouting in Lewisham and which she hoped to present him with at the earliest opportunity.

Finally, she stated that she looked forward to working with Mike Jackson and the rest of the Trustees to ensure we continue to grow and provide an exciting and adventurous programme for the young people of Lewisham.

13. ADDRESS BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONER

The County Commissioner thanked the leaders, helpers and support staff of Lewisham District for their continued support for the District. He stated that as the status changed there is a need to be prepared to be ready to re-open Groups and have everything managed in a compliant way. He added his personal thanks for Lawrie Smith's many years of service and dedication and was sure that Lewisham District is in good hands going forward with Mike Jackson taking over the Chairman's role. He also thanked the District Commissioner for all her hard work and the support she has given him as County Commissioner.

14. THANKYOU TO LAWRIE SMITH BY THE DISTRICT PRESIDENT

The President of the District, Peter James, addressed the meeting as follows:

"In June 1992 you were thanked at a District AGM for your three and a half years as Chairman, thirteen years later you were saying similar words to me as you resumed the role for "Just one year" The role is to support the District Commissioner – you have done a little more than support the District Commissioner in your eighteen and a half years. It has been either eleven or twelve depending how you count them.

As we have heard, you have done an awful lot more beside. You are the very core strength of the Governance of Lewisham and its heritage Districts. A Governance which has rightly brought very wide acclaim, appreciation and awards your membership of Lewisham Districts goes back much further – to boyhood in fact – but I won't quote any number now! From 1st New Cross The Grays, to Hither Green, to Bellingham through several title changes to "Lewisham" as its first and to date only Chairman.

It is a membership of which you may be justly proud. We are certainly proud to have had you share it with us. I understand that you intend to continue your membership and to continue your active support of Frylands and District administrations generally. So we anticipate seeing you around and Covid and Boris willing, we very much look forward to a more personal face-to-face opportunity to say a more substantial THANK YOU for a job so very well done.

As BP famously said "Scouting is a game for youngsters BUT it is an adult's work." You have worked hard and successfully.

Thank you. "

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS

Lewisham District Scout Council is a trust (Registered Charity No. 1001668). Its Scout Registration Number is 10001058. It has its own Headquarters building at 66 St German's Road, London, SE23; it also has 7 years of a 40 year lease outstanding on its campsite – Frylands Wood Scout Outdoor Centre, Featherbed Lane, Croydon, CR0 9AA (freehold owned by The Scout Association).

THE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (TRUSTEES) FOR 2020/2021

Ex-officio:

| | |
|--|--|
| District Chair – Mike Jackson | District Commissioner – Jennifer McCullough |
| District Secretary - Lesley Hine | District Treasurer - Philip Matthews (until 1.10.20) |
| District Scout Network Leader (Vacant) | District Explorer Scout Commissioner - Alexandra |
| Youth Commissioner - Thomas Eaton- Miller | Summerford |

Elected / Nominated /Co-opted Members of the Committee

| | | |
|----------------------------|--------------|------------------|
| Alan Britchford | John Goodwin | Richard Morrison |
| Roy Court (until 31.10.20) | Joe McEvelly | Michael Wall |
| Chris Ellinson | Kevin Murphy | David Wallis |
| Luke Cohen (from 22.03.21) | | |

Sub-Committees of the District Executive Committee and Appointments Advisory Committee for 2019/2020

Members of the Appointments Advisory Committee and of sub-committees are nominated by the District Executive Committee. Chairs and members of sub-committees were appointed on 22 July 2020. The District Chair and District Commissioner are ex-officio members of all sub-committees.

| Appointments Advisory Committee | District Headquarters Sub-Committee | Frylands Wood Management Committee |
|--|--|---|
| John Goodwin (Chair) | Joe McEvelly (Chair) | Roy Court (Chair until 31.10.20) |
| Pam Goodwin | John Harris | Vicki Armitage (Deputy Chair) |
| Hilary Leach | Michael Wall | Chris Ellinson (Deputy Chair) |
| Dave Leach | Ray Wickenden | Alan Britchford |
| Graham Simmons | A representative from each | Barry Goswell |
| Lynn Simmons | of: Buccaneers ESU | Penny Goswell |
| Katie Sturgess (from 11.1.21) | 2 nd Sydenham Scout Group | Ivor Lewis |
| | 12 th Forest Hill Scout Group | Joe McEvelly |
| | | Nick Smith |
| | | David Wallis |
| | | Ray Wickenden |
| | | Brian Young |

Bankers: CAF Bank Ltd, 25 Kings Hill Avenue, West Malling, ME19 4TA

Independent Examiner: John Lambourne FCA of Latham Lambourne Limited, Chartered Accountants - 18 Woodlands Park, Bexley, DA5 2EL

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Lewisham District Scout Council was formed on 1 January 2011 as a result of the merger of Lewisham Manor and Lewisham North Scout Districts, with three Groups and an Explorer Scout Unit from Deptford (formerly in Albany Scout District) then joining on 1 April 2011.

Lewisham District Scout Council is constituted in accordance with the Rules of The Scout Association to provide Scouting within the London Borough of Lewisham and is supported under those Rules by the Scout County of Greater London South. The Scout Association is incorporated by Royal Charter. The Charter of The Association provides for the making of Bye-Laws approved by Her Majesty in Council which, in turn, authorises the making of the Rules referred to above (known as "Policy, Organisation and Rules", or "P.O.R.").

The District is managed by the District Executive Committee. Its members are the Charity Trustees of the District Scout Council which is an educational charity. As charity trustees they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities, which includes registration, budgeting, keeping proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate. The District Executive Committee cannot act outside the Royal Charter, Bye-Laws and Rules of the Scout Association.

The District Executive Committee consists of a number of ex-officio members: District Chair, District Commissioner, District Secretary, District Treasurer, District Scout Network Commissioner, District Explorer Scout Commissioner and District Youth Commissioner; as well as elected, nominated and co-opted members. The County Commissioner and the County Chair have the right of attendance at meetings of the District Executive Committee.

The District Executive Committee exists to support the District Commissioner in meeting the responsibilities of the appointment and to provide support for Scout Groups, Explorer Scout Units and the District Scout Network in the District. It is responsible for such matters as promoting the development of Scouting in the District; the maintenance of District property and management and development of the District Scout Outdoor Centre; the employment of District Scout Outdoor Centre staff; administration of District finances; fund-raising; the appointment of Leaders, Administrators and Advisers; and insurance of persons, property and equipment.

The District Executive Committee may establish sub-committees. Sub-Committees consist of members nominated by the Committee with the District Commissioner and the District Chair as ex officio members.

The District Scout Council is the electoral body, which supports Scouting in Lewisham Scout District. It is the body to which the District Executive Committee is accountable. Ex-officio members are all Commissioners, Leaders, Administrators, Section Assistants, Skills Instructors, Advisers, Explorer Scouts, members of the District Scout Network, Chairmen of Troop Leadership Forums in the District, Members and Associate Members of the Movement registered in the Scout District, parents of Explorer Scouts, the County Commissioner and the County Chair.

Other supporters of the District may be appointed as members by the District Scout Council on the recommendation of the District Commissioner and the District Executive Committee.

The District has systems of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss. These include two signatories or electronic authorisations required for all payments and comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

To be a charity in England and Wales, an organisation must have only charitable purposes which must be for the public benefit.

Trustees and the District Management Team have referred to The Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the District's objectives and in planning future activities. By adopting and maintaining the Purpose, Method and Values of The Scout Association, we are confident that our charitable purposes are sound, and in line with what we are trying to achieve in terms of public benefit for both our youth and adult members.

The Purpose, Method and Values are set out below.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

THE PURPOSE OF SCOUTING

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

THE VALUES OF SCOUTING

All Scouts are guided by the following values:

Integrity – they act with integrity; are honest, trustworthy and loyal.

Respect – they have self-respect and respect for others.

Care – they support others and take care of the world in which they live.

Belief – they explore their faiths, beliefs and attitudes.

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

THE SCOUT METHOD

Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together based on the values of Scouting and:

- enjoy what they are doing and have fun
- take part in activities indoors and outdoors
- learn by doing
- share in spiritual reflection
- take responsibility and make choices
- undertake new and challenging activities; and
- make and live by their Promise.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The year under review has been very different from previous years because of the impact of the Covid 19 pandemic. Despite the problems which that caused, our volunteers and staff have performed outstandingly to keep Scouting running and continue to provide an invaluable educational experience to our young people. The following paragraphs set out the work and effort that has been put in by our management and administration teams and others, and the results that has flowed from it.

DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP

The Scout Association's Annual Census at the end of January 2021 showed a decrease in total District membership of 378, to 1,132. Youth membership (under 18's) fell by 298 to 753, an overall reduction of 28%. The losses were greater in the younger sections, Beaver Scouts being the greatest at 45%, to a large extent due to recruitment being paused whilst programme activities were curtailed. These reductions in numbers, although obviously a cause for concern, were less severe than had been expected.

Most Groups lost some members during the year, the notable exception being the 1st Lewisham Park which increased its youth membership by 56% from 25 to 39.

RESPONSE TO COVID-19

The decision by the Scout Association in March 2020 to suspend all face to face meetings created a major challenge to our leaders and one they responded to admirably. Many individual sections moved straight onto online meetings and as restrictions have been relaxed have made the most of the opportunities offered. We were greatly supported in this by the Scout Association nationally who have developed a range of programme opportunities that can be delivered remotely and have also negotiated an arrangement for Groups to have licensed Zoom accounts free of charge.

The pandemic has also impacted the work of adult volunteers with Executive and Leaders' meetings and adult training moving online.

DISTRICT GOVERNANCE/ADMINISTRATION AND DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Effective governance has always been a key feature Lewisham Scout District. The District Executive Committee has continued to carry out its role responsibly and with due diligence and care. Its meetings have been well attended, and issues have been discussed and resolved in a thoroughly professional and business-like manner.

During the first three months of the financial year a working group led by the District President undertook an assessment of the areas on which Groups would need support as the Covid restrictions were lifted. This work clearly demonstrated that the critical role of Group Executive Committees in providing resources (both financial and volunteers) to their Groups would be far more challenging than usual. The District Executive Committee responded by setting up a Group Governance Support Team, under the joint chairmanship of Richard Morrison and Kevin Murphy which is already working to provide Group Trustees with the support that they need.

In the period following the cessation of face to face activities the Appointments Advisory Committee built up a backlog of new volunteers requiring assessment. Consequently, it decided to

hold Appointment Panels on Zoom. Whilst in some ways these are less effective than face to face meetings the change has resulted in the backlog being cleared and new applicants being welcomed without unnecessary delay.

The Frylands Wood Management Committee has been meeting monthly throughout the year and is reviewing the way that it operates. Management Committee members, staff and volunteers have worked extremely hard to minimise the financial impact of government restrictions, and the Centre is now in a strong position to rebuild its business and secure a long term future.

At the 2019 District AGM it was announced that The Scout Association had agreed to offer the District a new 40 year lease for Frylands Wood. Last year we reported that the legal procedures had been proceeding more slowly than hoped but should be completed by March 2021. Since then, we have found further issues with land registration. However, it is hoped that the lease will be ready for signing within the next few months. This will enable us to seek more grant aid to invest in the future of the site.

RON FOX LEGACY

In February the District was advised that the late Ron Fox, a previous District Commissioner and District Chair of Lewisham North District had left a sum of around £317,000 to the District. Trustees were concerned that this money should be spent wisely for the long term benefit of the District and our Scout Groups and have set up a working group under the leadership of Garry Leach which is developing detailed proposals.

DISTRICT MANAGEMENT AND DISTRICT MANAGEMENT TEAM

Over the past year, members of the District Management Team have continued to focus on supporting Group Scout Leaders in local Groups, in particular those with low membership, and looking at developing the membership. There has also been an emphasis on training, encouraging Leaders to complete Wood Badges and ongoing updating of mandatory training. Members of the DMT have attended online and occasional face to face Group and Section meetings to support, to attend AGMs, to present Wood Badges and Awards, and would welcome further invitations.

Our Explorer Scout Commissioner, Alex Summerford, continued to work with Explorer Scout units to improve their administration and financial management. The units are now meeting together regularly and a good number of young people are working to achieve the top awards.

AWARDS



Trustees are delighted to report that during the past year Garry Leach and Kevin Murphy were awarded the Bar to the Silver Acorn, in recognition of at least five years specially distinguished service after the Award of the Silver Acorn.

Julia Anstey of the 9th Sydenham was awarded the Silver Acorn for specially distinguished service for a period of over twenty years.

Other recipients of Good Service Awards:

Bar to Award for Merit (for further outstanding service after being awarded the Award for Merit):
Denise Pritchard (6th Lewisham South).

Award for Merit (for outstanding service over at least ten years): Adam Longhurst (3rd Crofton Park), Nick Smith (Frylands Wood), Richard Studd (2nd Sydenham) and Malcolm Young (8th Lewisham South).

Chief Scout's Commendation (for good service over at least five years): Luke Cohen (1st New Cross), Elizabeth Ewing (17th Lewisham North), Emily Pritchard (6th Lewisham South), Adrien Smith (3rd Crofton Park) and Bryan Strom (2nd Sydenham).

Congratulations and thanks to all those who received awards and of course to the many others who have not received an award this year but continue to deliver an outstanding experience to our young people.



During the year we were sad to hear of the death of two long-standing members.

Joe Gilbert, a former leader and District Treasurer, died at the age of 97. Few will remember Joe personally, but he was the essence of Scouting and its lasting values. Never in the limelight, he worked effortlessly and effectively in the background.

After leaving active office, he continued a long and genuine interest in District affairs as a B-P Guildsman (a former style of today's Scout Active Support) and was a regular visitor to St George's Day Parades, and District social events.

He also reflected, even represented, one of Scouting's great hidden strengths – longevity of contact across generations. He was one of the District's President's Leaders some seven decades ago!

He will be remembered with pride and gratitude.

John Roberts started his Scouting career as a parent helper and member of Lewisham Fellowship, He soon went into uniform, holding roles including Scout Leader, Venture Scout Leader and Group Scout Leader before coming Akela Beryl's trusty Assistant Cub Leader. His 38 years' service with the 20th Lewisham South was recognised with the award of the Silver Acorn.

John was always very private about his health, but he suffered with a rare kidney disease which meant he spent years on dialysis before he eventually had a kidney transplant and life-long medication. Despite this, he never complained and many didn't even know he was ill. Right up until lockdown, John would be at Cubs with Beryl every week and even though in the last few years he lost his sight, he would still be there telling new Cubs the history of Scouting and knowing what everyone was up to just by listening. An example of true dedication to Scouting.

INTERNATIONAL

Kenya 2020: This Expedition was planned as Lewisham Scouting's fourth trip to Kenya to support the charity 'Harambee for Kenya' by helping to improve the lives of former homeless street children. Last year we reported that it had been postponed for a year. However, with continuing problems with international travel it was subsequently decided that it would have to be cancelled. We very much hope that we will be able to continue our support for Harambee for Kenya and plan further visits in future years.

FRYLANDS WOOD SCOUT OUTDOOR CENTRE

Frylands Wood is far more than a traditional District Camp Site. We run it not only for the benefit of our own young people but also as a service to a wider group of outdoor education providers, including schools, Girlguiding UK and other uniformed and non-uniformed youth organisations. Our aim is to open up the "Scout experience" to as many young people as possible, whether or not they are Scouts.

Of course, the past year has been difficult for outdoor education centres. Many have closed in response to difficult financial situations, including the nearby Scout Association National Centre at Downe and the Guide Association's centre at Cudham. Frylands Wood has been able to weather the financial storm through a combination of the District's reserves policy, which ensured a financial buffer to protect against short term problems, and the government aid we have received through the London Boroughs of Croydon and Lewisham and the job retention scheme.

As a result of the pandemic the site's income has been very seriously reduced, although to a limited extent the reduction in fee income was offset by Calor Gas and Christmas tree sales and a very successful Christmas Fair. This resulted in an operating deficit of just under £79,000 before allowing for government support.

As Covid restrictions have been relaxed the use of the site is increasing, with many Groups taking the opportunity to hold meetings outdoors before face to face indoor meetings were permitted. The work done over the last year should enable the Centre to cover its operating costs during the 2021/22 financial year and, more importantly, continue to provide life-changing experiences to young people.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The attached examined accounts form an integral part of this report, and as ever the support and service received from Latham Lambourne in their preparation is gratefully acknowledged.

During the year budgetary and monetary control was achieved by means of regular reports to the District Executive Committee and to the Frylands Wood Management Committee.

This year can only be properly described as "atypical" and far from normal or routine.

The accounts show an overall net surplus income of some £254,000, but without some very atypical, but very welcome, Government and Local Authority Covid support, and a totally

unexpected substantial legacy, that surplus would have been a deficit more or less equal to our accumulated reserves.

Those reserves and the furlough scheme enabled Frylands Wood to escape closure by hours; and the Covid grants and legacy have enabled reserves to be restored, and even increased slightly. The existing reserves target of “balances equal to six month’s budgeted income” has yet to be reached, and will be the subject of detailed review as we return to post Covid “normality”.

During the year, the District Expedition to Kenya was cancelled and as a result fees paid by participants were returned. Some funds which had been externally raised were held for a possible future expedition.

Last year it was decided to increase the District Membership Fee. However, late in the year Trustees decided to charge no fee this year in order to provide at least some respite to Groups struggling with their own finances and lack of income.

The Trustees commissioned a full review of financial procedures and practices during the year. Whilst considerable progress has been made, the review will not be concluded until the new financial year, and will then be considered in detail by Trustees before implementation.

The Trustees have also launched a consultation on the application of Ron Fox’s legacy so that the fullest possible benefit to the provision of Scouting to young people may be achieved.

Charities are required to set out their investment objectives and policy within annual reports. However, until receipt of the legacy, all District funds were held at call or less than seven days’ notice, so no investments existed. Upon that sudden inflow of funds, immediate steps were taken to spread the risk associated with balances over £85,000 with a single deposit taker, by placing monies with several institutions.

When the intended use of the legacy has been determined, Trustees will also consider a formal Investment Policy.

Trustees acknowledge with gratitude the following specific grants and donations:

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| The Estate of the late Ron Fox | £317,019 |
| LBs of Croydon & of Lewisham | £41,678 |
| The Coombe Trust Fund | £10,000 |
| The Robert Hall Foundation | £3,000 |
| Anonymous donation Frylands defibrillator | £1,750 |
| The Don Broome Scout Trust | £1,500 |

And to the many unclaimed personal expenses by trustees and Office Holders.

CHANGES AND THANKS

This year has seen a number of changes in the personnel and operations of the District Executive Committee.

As reported in the minutes, at last year's AGM Lawrie Smith retired as District Chair and Mike Jackson took over the role. Lawrie had done an outstanding job over many years, including providing direct support and leadership to the Frylands Management Committee during periods between chairs.

Philip Matthews announced before last year's AGM that he did not wish to seek re-election, having held the role for three years. However he agreed to continue until the end of September. Trustees had decided that before a new Treasurer was appointed the District's financial procedures and processes should be reviewed and our District President, Peter James agreed to lead that review and step in (once again) as interim book-keeper.

Lesley Hine was considering retiring as District Secretary last year after nearly ten years' service. She agreed to carry on for another year to help provide continuity over the change of District Chair and will retire at this year's AGM.

Roy Court agreed to take on the vacant chairmanship of the Frylands Wood Management Committee from last year's AGM with the support of Vicki Armitage and Chris Ellinson as deputy chairs. Unfortunately, in October he decided that he could not continue in that role and resigned, since when Vicki and Chris have carried on as acting Joint Chairs.

John Goodwin has announced his intention to retire as Chair of the Appointments Advisory Committee after giving over twenty years' service in that role.

In March, Luke Cohen was co-opted to the District Executive Committee to provide a point of contact with the team developing District communications. Along with Vicky Wilcox, he has already done a great deal of work in updating and refreshing the District website, which now provides a far better public face for Lewisham Scouting.

Our thanks go to all those moving on from roles - we are working on recruiting to fill the vacancies. The District will work best when the knowledge and experience of its longer-serving members are combined with the enthusiasm and new ideas that younger volunteers can bring

In a report such as this there are too many people to refer to and thank all by name. Suffice it to say that without those who have, for example, run District events and activities; supported leaders with their training; helped Groups and Explorer Units to develop and grow; provided support to Frylands Wood as a member of the Service Crew; looked after our 'books' and paid our bills; sat on committees; taken minutes of meetings; and so much more, the District would not be in its present healthy state. Thank you to all concerned.

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

The Vision remains for all Lewisham Scout Groups and Explorer Scout Units to:

- Be well managed, with strong stable leadership teams and effective governance
- Plan and deliver high quality, inclusive Scouting programmes
- Show an average trend towards growth
- Have male and female members that reflect the diversity of the Borough

However, life after Covid-19 remains uncertain and is likely to throw-up challenges that are currently unknown. The District, and Scouting generally, will need to meet and overcome those challenges by everyone pulling together.

DECLARATION

District Trustees have approved the Trustees' report above, which is signed on their behalf by:

Mike Jackson

Mike Jackson
District Chair

Jennifer McCullough

Jennifer McCullough
District Commissioner

June 2021

LEWISHAM DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31ST MARCH 2021

Charity Registration number: 1001668

Scout Registration number: 10001058

Latham Lambourne Limited

Chartered Accountants

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31st March 2021

| | Note | <i>Unrestricted Funds</i> | <i>Designated Funds</i> | <i>Restricted Funds</i> | <i>Total Funds 2021</i> | <i>2020</i> |
|---|------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|
| | | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Income and Expenditure | | | | | | |
| Income | 14 | | | | | |
| Income from donations | | | | | | |
| Donations and Grants | | 369,319 | 6,722 | 3,070 | 379,111 | 559 |
| Income from Charitable Activities | | | | | | |
| Youth Programme | | 1,038 | 0 | 0 | 1,038 | 56,095 |
| Adult Support & Training | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 288 |
| Support & Services to The Movement - DHQ | | 180 | 0 | 0 | 180 | 833 |
| Support & Services to The Movement - Outdoor Centre | | 83,409 | 0 | 0 | 83,409 | 244,287 |
| Other Trading Activities | | | | | | |
| Fundraising and Levy | | 8 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 5,788 |
| Investment Income | | | | | | |
| Bank Interest | | 455 | 0 | 0 | 455 | 294 |
| Other Incoming Resources | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | | <u>454,409</u> | <u>6,722</u> | <u>3,070</u> | <u>464,201</u> | <u>308,144</u> |
| Expenditure on: | 15 | | | | | |
| Raising Funds | | 2,476 | 0 | 0 | 2,476 | 2,227 |
| Charitable Activities | | | | | | |
| Youth Programme | | 4,306 | 46,325 | 0 | 50,631 | 48,852 |
| Adult Support & Training | | 481 | 0 | 0 | 481 | 1,944 |
| Support & Services to The Movement - DHQ | | 2,168 | 0 | 0 | 2,168 | 3,431 |
| Support & Services to The Movement - Outdoor Centre | | 140,678 | 2,065 | 2,046 | 144,789 | 270,919 |
| Miscellaneous Payments | | 541 | 0 | 0 | 541 | 0 |
| Total Resources Expended | | <u>150,650</u> | <u>48,390</u> | <u>2,046</u> | <u>201,086</u> | <u>327,373</u> |
| Transfers between Funds | | -49,503 | 50,000 | -497 | 0 | 0 |
| Net Income | | 254,256 | 8,332 | 527 | 263,115 | -19,229 |
| Other recognised gains | | | | | | |
| Balances Brought Forward at 1st April 2020 | | 233,626 | 169,820 | 497 | 403,943 | 423,172 |
| Balances Carried Forward at 31st March 2021 | | <u>487,882</u> | <u>178,152</u> | <u>1,024</u> | <u>667,058</u> | <u>403,943</u> |

The notes on pages 21 - 26 form part of these accounts

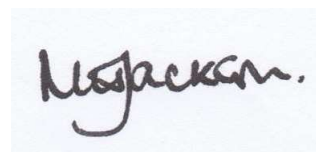
Statement of Cash Flows for the Year Ended 31st March 2021

| | Total funds 2021 £ | Total funds 2020 £ |
|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Cash flow from operating activities: | | |
| <i>Net cash provided by operating activities</i> | <u>279,430</u> | <u>-4,181</u> |
| Cash flows from investing activities | | |
| Interest from investments | | |
| Purchase of plant and equipment | -969 | -5,528 |
| <i>net cash used in investing activities</i> | <u>-969</u> | <u>-5,528</u> |
| Cash flows from financing activities: | | |
| <i>Net cash used in financing activities</i> | 0 | 0 |
| <i>Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period</i> | <u><u>278,461</u></u> | <u><u>-9,709</u></u> |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the accounting period | 182,384 | 192,093 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the accounting period | 460,844 | 182,384 |
| | <u><u>278,460</u></u> | <u><u>-9,709</u></u> |
| | | |
| Reconciliation of net income/ (expenditure) to net cash flow from operating activities | | |
| <i>Net income/(expenditure) for the year (as per the statement of financial activities)</i> | 263,115 | -19,229 |
| Adjustments for: | | |
| Depreciation charges and assets written off | 9,970 | 10,415 |
| Interest from investments | | |
| Decrease/(Increase) in stocks | -1,943 | -2,755 |
| Decrease/(Increase) in debtors | 12,374 | 1,596 |
| Increase/(decrease) in creditors | -4,086 | 5,792 |
| <i>Net cash provided by operating activities</i> | <u><u>279,430</u></u> | <u><u>-4,181</u></u> |

Balance Sheet at 31st March 2021

| | Note | 2021 | | 2020 | |
|---|-------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Fixed Assets | | | | | |
| Tangible Fixed Assets | 2 | | 187,159 | | 196,159 |
| Current Assets | | | | | |
| Stock | 3 | 12,224 | | 10,281 | |
| Debtors | 4 | 10,837 | | 23,211 | |
| Cash at Bank and in Hand | 5 | <u>460,844</u> | | <u>182,384</u> | |
| | | 483,905 | | 215,876 | |
| Liabilities: amounts falling due within one year | 6 | <u>4,006</u> | | <u>8,092</u> | |
| Net Current Assets | | | 479,899 | | 207,784 |
| Net Assets | | | <u>667,058</u> | | <u>403,943</u> |
| Funds | | | | | |
| Unrestricted | 9 | | 487,882 | | 233,493 |
| Designated | 8 | | 178,152 | | 169,953 |
| Restricted | 7 | | 1,024 | | 497 |
| | | | <u>667,058</u> | | <u>403,943</u> |

Approved by the District Executive Committee on 17 May 2021 and signed on their behalf by:



M H Jackson (District Chair)

The notes on pages 21 - 26 form part of these accounts

Notes to the Accounts for the Year Ended 31st March 2021

1 Accounting Policies

a) Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102)' Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015)' Financial Reporting Standard 102 applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

b) A review of fixed assets is conducted annually and the value of individual assets are written down as appropriate. No assets are revalued upwards. In view of this annual valuation there are no fixed depreciation policies as the Trustees are of the opinion that their valuations provide a more accurate depreciation policy. Movements in valuations are shown in these accounts as depreciation.

c) The District has a 40 year lease, expiring in 2028, from the Scout Association to use and operate a outdoor centre known as Frylands Wood, Featherbed Lane, Addington, CR0 9AA. Restrictive clauses, within the lease, relating to disposal make the District's interest of no monetary value. The value of the land, warden's bungalow, and seven other buildings are not included in these accounts. Their insured value is £818771

The District has responsibility for a building previously used by a group which closed in June 2008. This building has been included in these accounts at its insured value. It is used as the district headquarters.

Other mobile, portable, or sectional buildings and 2 storage containers, being purchased by, or donated to the District, have been included in these accounts at depreciated cost or gift valuation. They are all located at Frylands Wood.

d) Stocks of consumable items have been valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

e) Donations are accounted for when received. Where the receipt of a grant is certain it is included when this is known, otherwise it is included when received. Donated goods are recorded at their fair value.

f) Pension contributions are made by the District and the paid employees, at a rate adjusted annually, into money purchase schemes for the benefit of those employees, under auto enrolment.

g) Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Designated funds are funds set aside by the trustees for particular purposes.

2 Tangible Assets

| | <i>Buildings</i> | <i>Buildings Fixtures and Equipment</i> | <i>Activity Training Equipment</i> | <i>Other Equipment</i> | <i>Vehicles and Mowers</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|------------------------------------|------------------|---|--|----------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------|
| COST or VALUATION | | | | | | |
| Brought forward | 173,356 | 4,257 | 12,265 | 3,263 | 3,019 | 196,160 |
| Additions | 0 | 0 | 969 | 0 | 0 | 969 |
| Assets Written Off in Year | | | -1,155 | | -1,400 | -2,555 |
| Depreciation/ Valuation adjustment | -2,111 | -1,064 | -3,019 | -816 | -405 | -7,415 |
| Net Book Value carried forward | <u>171,245</u> | <u>3,193</u> | <u>9,060</u> | <u>2,447</u> | <u>1,214</u> | <u>187,159</u> |

3 Stocks

| | 2021 | 2020 |
|------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Providore (Inc stamps) | 11,549 | 9,472 |
| Badges | 675 | 633 |
| DMT Wear/Crew | 0 | 176 |
| | <u>12,224</u> | <u>10,281</u> |

Notes to the Accounts for the Year Ended 31st March 2020

4 Debtors

| | 2021 £ | 2020 £ |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Trade Debtors | 7,031 | 9,567 |
| Internal (Groups & Members) Debtors | 630 | 4,499 |
| Pre-Prepayments | 3,176 | 9,145 |
| | <u>10,837</u> | <u>23,211</u> |

5 Cash at Bank and in Hand

| | 2021 £ | 2020 £ |
|--|----------------|----------------|
| Bank Current Accounts | 27,376 | 23,923 |
| Bank Deposit Accounts (Interest bearing) | 425,000 | 157,807 |
| Cash with Treasurer | 15 | 0 |
| Cash Floats with others | 8,453 | 654 |
| | <u>460,844</u> | <u>182,384</u> |

6 Liabilities: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year

| | 2021 £ | 2020 £ |
|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Booking Deposits | 2,031 | 5,481 |
| Creditors - Others | 1,874 | 1,384 |
| Third Party monies (Groups) | 101 | 1,174 |
| Third Party monies Kenya | 0 | 53 |
| | <u>4,006</u> | <u>8,092</u> |

7 Restricted Funds

| | <i>Balance 1st April 2020</i> £ | <i>Movement in Resources</i> | | | <i>Balance 31st March 2021</i> £ |
|-------------------|--|------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| | | <i>Transfer</i> £ | <i>Incoming</i> £ | <i>Outgoing</i> £ | |
| Jack Petchey | 400 | 0 | 0 | -400 | 0 |
| Frylands projects | 0 | 0 | 3,070 | -2,046 | 1,024 |
| Lewisham Network | 97 | 0 | 0 | -97 | 0 |
| | <u>497</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>3,070</u> | <u>-2,543</u> | <u>1,024</u> |

8 Designated Funds

| | <i>Balance 1st April 2020</i> £ | <i>Movement in Resources</i> | | | <i>Balance 31st March 2021</i> £ |
|---------------------|--|------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| | | <i>Transfer</i> £ | <i>Incoming</i> £ | <i>Outgoing</i> £ | |
| Contingency Reserve | 100,000 | 50,000 | | | 150,000 |
| DHQ Maintenance | 0 | | | | 0 |
| ESUs | 930 | | | -930 | 0 |
| Frylands Wood | 11,113 | | 6,722 | -2,198 | 15,637 |
| Group Development | 2,035 | | | | 2,035 |
| International Fund | 4,980 | | | | 4,980 |
| Kenya 2021 | 50,895 | | | -45,395 | 5,500 |
| | <u>169,953</u> | <u>50,000</u> | <u>6,722</u> | <u>-48,523</u> | <u>178,152</u> |

Notes to the Accounts for the Year Ended 31st March 2021

9 Analysis of Net Assets Between Funds

| | <i>Tangible Fixed Assets</i> | <i>Current Assets</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|
| | £ | £ | £ |
| Restricted funds | 0 | 1,024 | 97 |
| | <u>0</u> | <u>1,024</u> | <u>1,024</u> |
| Designated Funds | 0 | 178,152 | 178,152 |
| Unrestricted Funds | <u>187,159</u> | <u>300,723</u> | <u>487,882</u> |
| | <u>187,159</u> | <u>479,899</u> | <u>667,058</u> |

10 Employees Remuneration

| | <i>2021</i> | <i>2020</i> |
|----------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Salaries | 74,085 | 82,095 |
| Social Security Costs | 916 | 1,628 |
| Pension Costs | 3,732 | 5,414 |
| less: CJRS grants received | -34,382 | 0 |
| Indirect Costs | 0 | 0 |
| | <u>44,351</u> | <u>89,137</u> |

There were 5 full time employees during the year (2020 5). And a further 0 (2020 13) part time employees at certain times of the year. No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 in the year.

11 Trustees Remuneration and Expenses

| | <i>2021</i> | <i>2020</i> |
|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Remuneration paid to Trustees | 0 | 0 |
| Expenses Reimbursed to Trustees | 0 | 710 |
| Number of Trustees Reimbursed | 0 | 3 |

Trustees were reimbursed for necessary out of pocket expenses spent on District business at agreed rates, and for expenditure made by them on behalf of the District. Two Trustees have donated back to the District a part of the expenses claimed by them, either during the year or since the year end, amounts received in the year are included under donations.

12 Independent Examiner Fees

| | <i>2021</i> | <i>2020</i> |
|-------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Examiner fees | 1,170 | 1,050 |
| Fees for other services | 240 | 234 |
| | <u>1,410</u> | <u>1,284</u> |

Notes to the Accounts for the Year Ended 31st March 2021

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Comparatives for the Statement of Financial Activities

| | <i>Note</i> | <i>Unrestricted Funds</i> | <i>Designated Funds</i> | <i>Restricted Funds</i> | <i>Total Funds 2020</i> |
|---|-------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Income and Expenditure | | | | | |
| Income | 14 | | | | |
| Income from donations | | | | | |
| Donations and Grants | | 559 | 0 | 0 | 559 |
| Income from Charitable Activities | | | | | |
| Youth Programme | | 13,609 | 42,486 | 0 | 56,095 |
| Adult Support & Training | | 288 | 0 | 0 | 288 |
| Support & Services to The Movement - DHQ | | 833 | 0 | 0 | 833 |
| Support & Services to The Movement - Outdoor Centre | | 244,287 | 0 | 0 | 244,287 |
| Other Trading Activities | | | | | |
| Fundraising and Levy | | 5,788 | 0 | 0 | 5,788 |
| Investment Income | | | | | |
| Bank Interest | | 294 | 0 | 0 | 294 |
| Other Incoming Resources | | | | | 0 |
| Total | | <u>265,658</u> | <u>42,486</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>308,144</u> |
| Expenditure on: | 15 | | | | |
| Raising Funds | | 2,227 | 0 | 0 | 2,227 |
| Charitable Activities | | | | | |
| Youth Programme | | 8,997 | 39,855 | 0 | 48,852 |
| Adult Support & Training | | 1,944 | 0 | 0 | 1,944 |
| Support & Services to The Movement - DHQ | | 3,431 | 0 | 0 | 3,431 |
| Support & Services to The Movement - Outdoor Centre | | 270,919 | 0 | 0 | 270,919 |
| Miscellaneous Payments | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Resources Expended | | <u>287,518</u> | <u>39,855</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>327,373</u> |
| Transfers between Funds | | -4,575 | 4,575 | 0 | 0 |
| Net Income | | -26,435 | 7,206 | 0 | -19,229 |
| Other recognised gains | | | | | |

Notes to the Accounts for the Year Ended 31st March 2021

14 Detailed Incoming Resources

| Note | Unrestricted Funds £ | Designated Funds £ | Restricted Funds £ | Total Funds 2021 £ | Total Funds 2020 £ |
|---|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Administration & Funding | | | | | |
| Donations & Grants | | | | | |
| Legacy | 317,019 | 0 | 0 | 317,019 | 0 |
| Covid support grants | 41,678 | 0 | 0 | 41,678 | 0 |
| Sundry Donations | 10,622 | 6,722 | 3,070 | 20,414 | 559 |
| | <u>369,319</u> | <u>6,722</u> | <u>3,070</u> | <u>379,111</u> | <u>559</u> |
| Activities for Generating Funds | | | | | |
| Fund Raising | 8 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 0 |
| Membership Levy | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5,788 |
| Recovered Membership Fees (Previous Year) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | <u>8</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>8</u> | <u>5,788</u> |
| Interest & Fund Raising | | | | | |
| Bank Interest | 455 | 0 | 0 | 455 | 294 |
| | <u>455</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>455</u> | <u>294</u> |
| Youth Programme & Activities | | | | | |
| Section Events | 988 | 0 | 0 | 988 | 166 |
| Kenya Trip | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 36,653 |
| Jamboree | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2,985 |
| International fund | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2,848 |
| District Events | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | <u>988</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>988</u> | <u>42,652</u> |
| Explorer Scout & Network | | | | | |
| Admin & Accommodation | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Badges & Uniform | 50 | 0 | 0 | 50 | 0 |
| Programme | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Subscriptions (nett of Third Party element) | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13,443 |
| | <u>50</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>50</u> | <u>13,443</u> |
| Adult Support & Training | | | | | |
| Non Member Insurance | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Tributes | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Badges & Scarves | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 288 |
| | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>288</u> |
| Support & Services to the Movement | | | | | |
| District Headquarters | | | | | |
| Lettings | 180 | 0 | 0 | 180 | 833 |
| Utility Recoveries | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | <u>180</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>180</u> | <u>833</u> |
| Outdoor Centre | | | | | |
| User Fees & Charges | 15,615 | 0 | 0 | 15,615 | 107,508 |
| Less Discounts | -666 | 0 | 0 | -666 | -7,616 |
| Activities & Equipment Hire | 13,359 | 0 | 0 | 13,359 | 88,680 |
| Less Discounts | -206 | 0 | 0 | -206 | -2,286 |
| Retail Sales (Catering; C'mas Trees; Provi; Stamps) | 16,410 | 0 | 0 | 16,410 | 36,691 |
| Operating costs recovered | 528 | 0 | 0 | 528 | 955 |
| Maintenance Costs recovered | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 455 |
| Warden's Support (Recovered) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Gas Sales | 38,369 | 0 | 0 | 38,369 | 19,714 |
| Utility costs recovered | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Deposits forfeited | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20 |
| Miscellaneous Charges & Sundry Receipts | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 166 |
| | <u>83,409</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>83,409</u> | <u>244,287</u> |
| Miscellaneous Receipts | | | | | |
| Sundries | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> |
| Total Income | <u>454,409</u> | <u>6,722</u> | <u>3,070</u> | <u>464,201</u> | <u>308,144</u> |

Notes to the Accounts for the Year Ended 31st March 2021

15 Detailed Resources Expenditure

| | Unrestricted Funds £ | Designated Funds £ | Restricted Funds £ | Total Funds 2021 £ | Total Funds 2020 £ |
|--|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Administration & Funding | | | | | |
| Governance Costs | | | | | |
| Fund Raising Costs | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Office Holders Expenses | 253 | 0 | 0 | 253 | 185 |
| Professional Fees & Charges | 1,410 | 0 | 0 | 1,410 | 1,492 |
| Unrecovered Membership Fees & Levies | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Bank charges | 813 | 0 | 0 | 813 | 550 |
| Other | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | <u>2,476</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>2,476</u> | <u>2,227</u> |
| Youth Programme & Activities | | | | | |
| Section Events & Activities | 55 | 0 | 0 | 55 | 44 |
| District & Other Events | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Kenya trip | 0 | 45,395 | 0 | 45,395 | 36,620 |
| Jamboree | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2,985 |
| International fund | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 250 |
| Group & Personal Support | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Depreciation - Other Equipment | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | <u>55</u> | <u>45,395</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>45,450</u> | <u>39,899</u> |
| Explorer Scout & Network | | | | | |
| Administration & Accommodation | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Badges & Uniform Programme | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | <u>4,251</u> | <u>930</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>5,181</u> | <u>8,953</u> |
| | 4,251 | 930 | 0 | 5,181 | 8,953 |
| Adult Support & Training | | | | | |
| Meetings & Expenses | 481 | 0 | 0 | 481 | 1,168 |
| Conferences | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Clothing | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Net Stock Movement in Year- DMT Clothing | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Adult Training Courses | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Badge Purchases | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 663 |
| Net Stock Movement in Year- Badges | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Communications | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 113 |
| Tributes | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Non-member Insurance | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Resource Material | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| District Equipment (Incl. ESUs) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other Equipment written off | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | <u>481</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>481</u> | <u>1,944</u> |
| Support & Services to the Movement | | | | | |
| District Headquarters | | | | | |
| Insurance | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1,285 |
| Maintenance | 1,035 | 0 | 0 | 1,035 | 428 |
| Utilities & Rates | 1,133 | 0 | 0 | 1,133 | 1,718 |
| Development | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | <u>2,168</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>2,168</u> | <u>3,431</u> |
| Outdoor centre | | | | | |
| Fees & Charges | 1,063 | 0 | 0 | 1,063 | 15,386 |
| Activity Costs | 2,323 | 0 | 0 | 2,323 | 23,526 |
| Retail Purchases (Catering;C'mas Trees;Provi;Stamps) | 11,172 | 0 | 0 | 11,172 | 30,893 |
| Gas purchases | 32,491 | 0 | 0 | 32,491 | 0 |
| Net Stock Movement in Year | -2,880 | 0 | 0 | -2,880 | -2,755 |
| Insurance | 9,633 | 0 | 0 | 9,633 | 10,130 |
| Post, Telephone & Copying | 4,769 | 0 | 0 | 4,769 | 4,415 |
| Advertising & PR | 566 | 0 | 0 | 566 | 824 |
| Transport | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Service Team Costs | 226 | 0 | 0 | 226 | 3,578 |
| Direct Employment Costs (Inc accommodation) | 78,670 | 0 | 0 | 78,670 | 95,023 |
| less: CJRS grants | -34,382 | 0 | 0 | -34,382 | 0 |
| Wardens Support | 4,818 | 0 | 0 | 4,818 | 6,447 |
| Utilities & Rates | 12,317 | 0 | 0 | 12,317 | 48,631 |
| Buildings & Site Maintenance | 9,314 | 2,065 | 2,046 | 13,425 | 24,165 |
| Other Payments | 608 | 0 | 0 | 608 | 241 |
| Depreciation - Buildings & Fixtures & Fittings | 4,330 | 0 | 0 | 4,330 | 2,815 |
| Depreciation - Vehicles | 1,805 | 0 | 0 | 1,805 | 1,006 |
| Depreciation - Activity Training & Equipment | 3,835 | 0 | 0 | 3,835 | 6,594 |
| | <u>140,678</u> | <u>2,065</u> | <u>2,046</u> | <u>144,789</u> | <u>270,919</u> |
| Outdoor Centre Development | | | | | |
| Miscellaneous Improvements | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> |
| Miscellaneous Payments | | | | | |
| Sundry | 541 | 0 | 0 | 541 | 0 |
| | <u>541</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>541</u> | <u>0</u> |
| Total Resources Expended | <u>150,650</u> | <u>48,390</u> | <u>2,046</u> | <u>201,086</u> | <u>327,373</u> |

Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees of

Lewisham District Scout Council

I report on the accounts of the Council for the year ended 31 March 2021 on pages 16 to 24 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and related notes.

This report is made solely to the trustees in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I may state to the charity's trustees those matters which 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 responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees for my examination work.

Respective responsibilities of the trustees and examiners

As the charity trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. You consider that the audit requirement of Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act), does not apply.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 145 of the 2011 Act),
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act), and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent Examiners report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiners Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep proper accounting records are kept (in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act); and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Acthave 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,
3. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the accounting rules of the District's constitution have not been met.



7 June 2021
John Lambourne FCA
For and on behalf of
Latham Lambourne Ltd
Chartered Accountants
18 Woodlands Park, Bexley, Kent, DA5 2EL

Lewisham District Scout Council

Schedule of Registered Scout Groups & District Explorer Scout Units

Scout Groups

1st Lewisham Park
1st New Cross
2nd Deptford
2nd Sydenham
3rd Crofton Park
4th Lewisham
6th Lewisham South
8th Lewisham South
9th Lewisham North
9th Sydenham
10th Lewisham South
11th Forest Hill
12th Forest Hill
12th Lewisham North
12th Lewisham South
14th Lewisham South
16th Lewisham South
17th Forest Hill
17th Lewisham North
20th Forest Hill (ScoutLink)
20th Lewisham South
21st Lewisham North
25th Lewisham North
28th Lewisham North
32nd Deptford

Explorer Scout Units

Aureate Explorer Scout Unit
Buccaneers Explorer Scout Unit
Burnt Ash Explorer Scout Unit
Discovery Explorer Scout Unit
Golden Hind Explorer Scout Unit
Venture Explorer Scout Unit