

A Year in Scouting Building Skills for the Future

The 2023 Annual Report & Accounts for
1st Corringham Scout Group

Scouts

1st Corringham





Annual General Meeting

AGENDA

1. Chair's Welcome
2. Apologies for absence
3. To receive and consider the Annual Report of the Trustee Board, including Accounts for year ending 31 December 2023, note the dates of the Charity's Financial Year and approve the Minutes of the 2023 AGM
4. Re-adoption of the Constitution
5. Approval of the quorum for meetings of the Group Scout Council, Trustee Board and its Sub Committees
 - a) Group Scout Council – 51% of people present rounded up to a complete number
 - b) Trustee Board – 51% of membership rounded up to a complete number
 - c) Sub Committees - 51% of membership rounded up to a complete number
6. Approval of Group Scout Leader's Nomination for Chair
7. Election of Officers (Secretary and Treasurer)
8. Confirmation of Ex Officio Members of Trustee Board, including Section Leaders who wish to be trustees.
9. Election of people / parent representatives to the Trustee Board
(Ideally a minimum of 4 people, but no more than 6)
10. Approval of Group Scout Leader's Nominations to the Trustee Board
(Number of nominated members must not exceed the number of elected members)
11. Appointment of Independent Examiner
12. Group Scout Leaders Report
13. District Lead Volunteer Address



Minutes of the 2022 Annual General Meeting

1st Corringham Scout Group held at Tindall Lodge on 22nd June 2023 at 7:20pm

Present

Andy McDonald (Chair)
Glenn Ford (GSL)
Graham Monk (DC)
Heather Westrop (Secretary)

Also present were a number of Beaver, Cubs and Scout parents and supporters of the Group.

1. Chair's Welcome

The Chair, Andy McDonald, welcomed all those present. He reminded those present that we have a legal duty to carry out an AGM and to receive the annual report and accounts. Andy shared the 2022 Annual Report.

2. Apologies for absence

None

3. To receive and consider the Annual Report of the Group Board of Trustees, including Accounts for year ending 31 December 2022

The annual report for 2022 and the accounts for the year ending December 2022 were received and considered by those present. Thanks were given to the leaders for their reports.

4. Constitution

Andy McDonald shared the Scouting Constitution and its purpose. The constitution being that contained in PO&R. This was adopted by all present.

5. Approval of the quorum for meetings of the Group Scout Council, Group Board of Trustees and its Sub Committees

The following was agreed to be the quorate numbers for each meeting:

- a) Group Scout Council – 51% of people present rounded up to a complete number
- b) Group Executive Committee – 51% of membership rounded up to a complete number
- c) Sub Committees - 51% of membership rounded up to a complete number



6. Approval of Group Lead Volunteer’s Nomination for Chair

Glenn Ford as Group Lead Volunteer took over the meeting.
As Group Lead Volunteer, Glenn Ford’s nomination for Group Chair was Andy McDonald. All those present approved the nomination.

7. Election of Officers (Secretary and Treasurer)

Office	Person	Proposed by	Seconded by
Secretary	Heather Westrop	Andy McDonald	Luke Ford
Treasurer	Vacant		

There were no objections to these proposals and they were unanimously approved by all those present.

8. Confirmation of Ex Officio Members of Group Board of Trustees, including Section Leaders who wish to be trustees.

Glenn Ford	Group Scout Leader
Andy McDonald	Chair
Heather Westrop	Secretary
Michael Peaceful	Scout Leader
Sue Peaceful	Beaver Leader

9. Election of people / parent representatives to the Group Board of Trustees

There were no elections of parents to the Group Board of Trustees, but one parent did show an interest and will have a discussion with Glenn Ford.

Election of other to the Group Board of Trustees:

Michelle Ford	Beaver Leader
Matt Butler	Scout Leader

Glenn Ford proposed the election of the above person. It was seconded by Gemma Butler. All those present approved these nominations.

10. Approval of Group Lead Volunteer’s Nominations to the Group Board of Trustees

No nomination were put forward by the GLV at this point in time.

11. Appointment of Independent Examiner

Andy McDonald stated that the accounts had been independently examined by A W Fenn.
Fiona Sheppherd proposed and Michelle Ford seconded for the accounts to be independently examined by A W Fenn next year.



12. Group Lead Volunteers Report

Glenn thanked the leaders for all their commitment and dedication to the young people in their sections for building the group back up post-Covid and creating exciting opportunities for young people to engage in.

13. District Commissioners Address

Graham Monk, our District Commissioner, shared that 1st Corringham is a thriving group. Graham thanked the parents on behalf of the leaders and the leaders on behalf of the parent. Graham asked for the group to support each other and continue in the success.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7:35pm



TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

For the year 1 January 2023 – 31 December 2023

Reference and administration details

Charity Name	1 st Corringham Scout Group
Registered Charity Number	1015065
Scout Association's Headquarters Number	28184
Charities Principle address	50 Woodbrooke Way Corringham Essex SS17 9DP
Charity's Website	https://www.thurrockscouts.org.uk/groups/1st-corryingham/
Names of charity trustees who manage the charity	Glenn Ford (Group Scout Leader) Andy McDonald (Chair) Heather Westrop (Secretary) Vacant (Treasurer) Matthew Butler (Scout Leader) Michael Peacefull (Scout Leader) Sue Peacefull (Beaver Leader) Michelle Ford (Assistant Beaver Leader)
Custodian Trustees	The Scout Association Trust Corporation Gilwell Park London E4 7QW Reference number 3691
Name and addresses of advisors	None



Structure, Governance and Management

Type of governing document	The Group's 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 Scout Association and The Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.
How the charity is constituted	The Group is a trust established under the rules that are common to all Scouts.
Trustee selection methods	The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.
Policies and procedures adopted for:	<p>Trustees are trained according to the Scout Association's Adult Training Scheme.</p> <p>The Group's Executive Committee, the members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' of the Scout Group which is an educational charity, manages the Group. As trustees they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities. This includes the registration, keeping proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate.</p>
<p>The Committee consists of three independent representative; Chair, Secretary and Treasurer together with the Group Scout Leader, individual Section Leaders (if opted to take on the responsibility) and Parent Representatives and meets monthly, except in August.</p> <p>The Group Executive Committee exists to support the Group Scout Leader in meeting the responsibilities of the appointment and is responsible for the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group's compliance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association; • Protection and maintenance of Group property; • Management of the Group's finances; • Insurance of people, property and equipment; • Provision of sufficient resources for Scouting to operate; • Approval of the trustee's annual report and annual accounts after examination by an Independent Examiner; • Presentation of the annual report and accounts to the Group Scout Council at its Annual General Meeting and afterwards to The Charity Commission • Promotion and support to the development of Scouting in the local area; • Management and implementation of the Scout Association's Safety Policy locally; • Positive image of Scouting in the local community; • Appointing and managing any sub committees that may be required; • Appointing Group Administrators and Advisors other than those who are elected; • Opening, closing and amalgamation of sections within the Group; • Inclusion of Young People so that they are meaningfully involved in decision making at all levels within the Group. 	



Objectives

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 comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

Summary of the objectives of the charity set out in its governing document

The objectives of the Group are as a unit of the Scout Association.

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

As Scouts we are guided by these 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.

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
- make and live by their Promise.

Public benefit statement

The Group meets the Charity Commission for England & Wales's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings



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Group Lead Volunteer

The Group started the year with numbers of young people returning to the levels of pre covid, which is a testament to the leadership team. As the year progress young people aged out of Scouting, with less young people joining the year ended with an overall lower number of young people. The coming year the focus will be on growing our numbers.

In 2023 our fund raising team was re-launched and raised over £2,000 in fundraising and grants, in the 2024 year they expect to raise even more. Events in 2023 included a BBQ, quiz night, Spiritualist evening and Christmas shopping evening. Lots of exciting events are planned for 2024, including a Curry night, Retro gaming day and a Race night.

Our fund raising is very important as we are using this to pay outstanding costs of the Hall build. Once the final costs for the build are settled the focus will then move to raise funds to complete the outside, which includes drainage, paving, fencing and gates.

Jamboree on the Trail was well attended in May 2023 by the Group and all enjoyed the walk to Thameside nature reserve.

Over the summer of 2023 we had our usual Group activities for 6 weeks where all young people and leaders are welcome to attend when they can. It is found that this helps with lower section numbers over the summer holidays and this promotes linking between sections which helps the young person with their transition between sections.

Once again a very successful Group camp was run in September 2023, the plan for September 2024 is to have a Family camp where parents and siblings will also attended. This is something the Group has not done in over 6 years, it is hoped this will also be very successful.

Glenn Ford
Group Lead Volunteer



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Chair

1st Corringham Scout Group has continued to thrive throughout 2023, with excellent activity programs being delivered to challenge our young people, enable them to acquire new skills and to continue their personal growth and development. This really is a testament to our fabulous Leadership Team, as without their continued efforts and enthusiasm all of the activities, events and meeting nights would not be possible. The dedication and commitment of all our adult volunteers is phenomenal and I'd like to personally thank them all for their support to the Group over the past twelve months.

Reading through each of the section reports and getting regular updates from each of the sections about all of the wonderful activities they have all been up to is a real pleasure and gives me personally an enormous sense of pride to be involved in such a great Group and Organisation.

We still have work to do in respect of the ambitious hall rebuild project that we embarked upon a few years ago. Grant funding is becoming harder and harder to come by and we still have around £50,000 worth of work to complete. Our dedicated fund raising team have been working hard to raise funds for this purpose and will be running other events in the near future, so I would urge you all to get involved and support these events in any way you can.

As always, we remain fully committed to providing a top quality scouting experience for all our members at 1st Corringham Scout Group and are looking forward to an even better year this year. We have no doubt that the brilliant progress we have made in rebuilding the number of young people in the Group over the last 18 months will be continued and the Group will become stronger and stronger.

Andy McDonald

Group Chair



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Kariba Beaver Scout Section

We currently have 17 beavers and have had a fun and busy year.

The Beavers had a lot of fun star spotting and learning about the planets for the space badge. They have also enjoyed eating the food they made, for the health and fitness badge. Many other badges, were earned along the way, including creative, science and cyclist.

We joined the district for the circus skills day and had a brilliant day.

In the summer we joined the cubs for a trip to Gilwell Fun Day, where the beavers enjoyed grass sledding, bouldering and joining in a bongo drum orchestra and many more activities.

September was our group camp at Thriftwood where the Beavers took part in raft building, climbing, caving, camp fire and much more.

To end the year, we had the Cub and Beaver Carol Concert at St Mary's church, which was magical as always.

My thanks and appreciation go to Jane and Michelle, who together make us a great team.

Lorraine Thompson
Kariba Colony - Beaver Scout Leader



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Powhatan Beaver Scout Section

Our program continues to be largely chosen by our young people who have selected to learn skills such as basic first aid to perform in an emergency, safety in the home, exploring science through simple experiments to name just a few.

Throughout the year the Beavers have had opportunities to have nights away, sleeping in tents and indoor accommodation. Most of them will have achieved 3 Nights Away, some have participated in this year's District Sleepover at Condovers camp site.

During the summer, the Beavers experienced some more adventurous activities such as climbing, wide game at One Tree Hill, nature walks, crabbing at Coalhouse Fort and Playscheme at Condover campsite.

Another highlight was our Group Camp at Triftwood scout site. Our Beavers got to experience different activities including, raft building, rifle shooting, backwards cooking and climbing. During the activities they worked in teams with Cubs and Scouts. They also got to meet the other Leaders within the Group.

The Colony has had opportunities to visit places such as a local farm where our Beavers learnt about the animals (cows and sheep) and how the farmer looks after them, the local park for a bug hunt and Stanford War memorial, where we joined others from other Scout Groups and many others in our community to commemorate Remembrance Sunday. We were also very lucky to be able to visit Southfields Veterinary Specialist Hospital where we were given a tour and talk, and the beavers really enjoyed this.

Many thanks to all our leaders and to all the parents, families and of course our Beavers, who have helped make the Colony a success and we look forward to another great year.

Sue Peacefull

Powhatan Colony - Beaver Scout Leader



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Chetowaik Cub Scout Section

Cubs focus for the beginning of 2023 was the World Challenge Badge, which encompasses our planet; faiths; nature and communities local and worldwide and they took part in the RSPB Bird Watch. This year as with other years we held forums with the cubs for them to decide our programme for the year ahead. We have had another year of badge / activity lead programme.

Completed Badges this year:

Athletics badge, Astronomy night thank you to Shere Khan's Grandad, finished the nature badge at Westleigh heights.

Cycling badge with Mr Hathi; plus a few cubs thanks to Baloo learnt to ride a bike as they had never been on one before.

As well as working towards all their challenge badges.

Other Activities:

Pancakes with Pegasus scouts; Riffle shooting, after 2 cubs represented 1st Corringham in the District Final;

Mother's & Father's Day gift making, plus a Mother's Day tea party

Coronation of King Charles III Tea & cake with the cubs and families

Fun out and about:

Another important theme to the Cubs this year was being out and about. Therefore, we took part in: February Camp at Belchamps – with the DIY badge, thanks again to the scout leaders and Mr Hathi making this camp such a success.

Jotti – from the Hall to Mucking nature reserve for a picnic afterwards with family members again.

Gilwell fun day with the Beavers.

District cub camp – thanks again to the scout leaders who made this possible.

Playscheme; Cresta run; Remembrance Sunday; Christmas Sleepover planned by the cubs themselves.

Hockey thanks to a Cub parent; Joint activities with the whole groups summer programme.

Synagogue in Westcliff - thank you to GSL for driving one of the minibuses to enable this to take place.

From this we focused on the world faith activity badge and finished off with carol's in the local church.

We also attended the annual autumn group camp at Thriftwood, the camps were well attended and received by the cubs and leaders.

All this added up to an amazing total of **229 badges** being awarded, including 5 Chief Scout Silver Awards.

I could not do this without my partners in scouting, Hathi; Bagheera; Shera Khan; Raksha; Tab and Riki Tiki. A special thank you to Imogen Reynolds (baby Bagheera) for giving up every week to cubs, and to all the leaders and parents within 1st Corringham Group who volunteer their time and patience to assist the delivery of our well-balanced programme.

Emma MacDonald

Cub Scout Leader (Akela (AKA Baloo))



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Pegasus Scout Section

2023 has been a steady year for the Troop. We have maintained our numbers at 16 but are due to see some move on to explorers in the New Year.

We have lost a leader through the year due to ever increasing demands at work but have gained a new leader Connor Gargano.

In May the district team hosted Jamboramma camp. The majority of the troop took part and everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

We have continued to help the Scouts on their way to achieving their Chief Scout's Gold Award over the past year and have one waiting to be awarded.

I'm proud to say we have delivered a great scouting experience over the year for them all. This couldn't have been achieved without the hard work and dedication from all of our leaders so an immeasurable amount of thanks goes out to Rhiannon Dell, Steven Sheppard, Glenn Ford, Luke Ford and Connor Gargano, in which we couldn't have done it without them. I must also thank all the Scouts and parents for all their support over the past year.

We are now hoping 2024 will be a better year for scouting.

Matt Butler
Scout Leader



ANNUAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

Receipts and Payments Account

	Year	01/01/2023 to 31/12/2023	2022
RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS			
		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds
		£	£
Receipts		£	£
Donations, legacies and similar income			
Membership subscriptions		13,311	14,889
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/District)		-6,223	-5,120
Net membership subscriptions retained		7,088	9,769
Donations		1,577	9,575
Gift Aid		2,981	3,287
Sub total		11,646	22,631
Fundraising (gross)			
Quiz Night, BBQ, Spiritual Night, Christmas Bazaar		1,696	-
Sub total		1,696	-
Grants			
Jack Petchy Awards		-	-
Other Grants		650	8,790
Sub total		650	8,790
Other income			
Hall hire		3,248	2,430
Clothing costs		-	-
Minibus Hire		2,335	1,929
Sub total		5,583	4,359
Youth programme and activities			
Kariba Beavers		96	-
Powhatan Beavers		-	50
Chetowaik Cubs		1,011	612
Intepid Sea Scouts		1,127	1,136
Pegasus Scouts		862	1,849
Group led activities		4,237	3,147
Essex International Jamboree 2024		1,668	-
2023 Expedition		12,913	2,350
Sub total		21,914	9,144
Total Gross Income		41,489	44,924
Transfer of funds to cover deficit		-	-
Loans		-	50,000
Total receipts		41,489	94,924



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Receipts and Payments Account

	01/01/2023 to 31/12/2023			2022
	Unrestricted £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Payments				
Charitable Payments				
Youth programme and activities				
Rent including Garage	800		800	925
Council Rates	63		63	119
Water and Sewerage	364		364	709
Electricity and Gas	2,519		2,519	1,645
Internet	427		427	317
Cleaning	800		800	736
Insurance	1,134		1,134	964
Repairs and Renewals	589		589	328
Materials and equipment	157		157	134
Online Scout Manager fees	219		219	204
Go Cardless charges	501		501	486
New Build Costs	11,762	1,100	12,862	134,197
Minibus	1,491		1,491	1,634
Kariba Beavers	627		627	344
Powhatan Beavers	324		324	224
Chetowaik Cubs	1,979		1,979	1,494
Intrepid Sea Scouts	1,715		1,715	1,421
Pegasus Scouts	1,285		1,285	2,093
Group Camp	2,699		2,699	3,147
Group led activities	1,548		1,548	1,445
Expedition 2023	15,263		15,263	-
Sub total	46,266	1,100	47,366	152,566
Fundraising expenses				
Fundraising costs	370	-	370	-
Sub total	370	-	370	-
Total Gross Expenditure	46,636	1,100	47,736	152,566
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	-	-	-	-
Total payments	46,636	1,100	47,736	152,566
Net of receipts/(payments)	-5,147	-	-5,147	-57,642
Cash funds last year end	19,741	-	19,741	77,383
Cash funds this year end	14,594	-	14,594	19,741



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Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	01/01/2023 – 31/12/2023			2022
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£
Cash funds				
Bank current account	14,594	-	14,594	19,741
Bank deposit account				
Building society account				
Cash/Floats with Leaders				
Total cash funds	14,594	-	14,594	19,741
Other monetary assets				
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Investment assets				
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Non monetary assets for charity's own use				
Land and buildings	450,000		450,000	450,000
New Hall – Works in Progress				
Motor vehicles + Trailers	6,000		6,000	6,000
Scouting equipment, furniture etc	27,852		27,852	27,852
Sub total	483,852		483,852	483,852
Liabilities				
Essex County Scouts Loan	-	45,000	45,000	50,000
Thurrock District Scouts Loan	10,000	-	10,000	10,000
Sub total	10,000	45,000	50,000	60,000

Reconciliation of current account:	Unrestricted funds (£)	Restricted funds (£)	Total funds (£)
Building fund	-	-	-
General	7,327	-	7,327
Kariba Beavers	970	-	970
Powhatan Beavers	1,461	-	1,461
Chetowaik Cubs	1,810	-	1,810
Intrepid Sea Scouts	500	-	500
Pegasus Scouts	858	-	858
Essex International Jamboree 2024	1,668	-	1,668
2023 Expedition	-	-	-
Sub total	14,594	-	14,594

Contingent liabilities and future obligations: £76,089. The value of the new Hall is shown the Statement of Assets now completed. The Land on which the Hall is erected belongs to the Scout Group but has zero cost as it was given to the Group.

The above receipts and payment account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 8th July 2024 and signed on their behalf by:

Andrew McDonald (Group Chair) Glenn Ford (Group Lead Volunteer)



FINANCIAL REVIEW

Accounts to year ending 31
December 2023

The accounts have been drawn up on a Receipts and Payments basis which is consistent with previous years.

The accounts have been independently examined and approved by the trustees. A W Fenn & Co was appointed as the Independent Examiner.

Brief statement of the
Charity's policy on reserves

The Groups policy on reserves is to hold sufficient reserves to continue the charitable activities of the Group should the income from fund raising activities fall short. The Group Executive Committee considers that the Group should hold a sum equivalent to 12 months running costs, excluding the running costs of the individual Section meetings.

The Group held reserves of approximately £14,594 at year end.

Further financial review details

The Groups income and expenditure is relatively small and as such 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 for the investment of funds. All funds are held in cash using only accounts in mainstream banks.

The Group Executive Committee regularly monitors the level of bank balances and as interest rates received to ensure the Group obtains maximum value and income from its banking arrangements. Occasionally this may involve using an account that requires a period of notice before funds can be withdrawn, before doing so the Group Executive Committee considers the cash flow requirements.

Details of any funds materially
in deficit

None.



Meeting future liabilities

Additional costs required in 2024 to complete the Hall project is estimated at £50,000. This will be covered by the fundraising activity and grant applications.

As at 31/12/2023, the Group has a loan of £45,000 from Essex County Scouts (ECS).

The repayment plan in place for this ECS loan is an annual repayment of £5,000 plus 1% interest with an overall repayment period of 10 years.

As at 31/12/2023, the Group also has a loan of £10,000 from Thurrock District Scouts (TDS).

There is currently no repayment plan in place for this TDS loan and no repayment period has been stipulated.

It is envisaged that the Group will have a good income stream through Hall Rentals which will cover the repayment of the liability in a reasonable period of time. The Group will also continue with fund raising activities and use Gift Aid payments to assist in this goal.

DECLARATION

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustee's Annual Report.

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees:

Andrew P McDonald

Mr A P McDonald
Group Chair

08/07/2024



Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the 1st Corringham Scout Group (Registered Charity No 1015065)

I report on the accounts of the 1st Corringham Scout Group ("the group") for the year ended 31st December 2023, which comprise the Receipts and Payments Account and the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. This report is made solely to the Trustees in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act"). My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's Trustees those matters 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 or assume any responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's Trustees for my examination work.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

As the Charity's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, you consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 144 of the Act and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:-

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

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Group and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes considering 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 Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention giving me cause to believe that in any material aspect:-

- Accounting records were not kept in accordance with Section 130 of the Act, or
- The accounts do not accord with those records, or



- The accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of the accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this matter in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Lisa Jones FCCA MAAT

A.W. Fenn & Co
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Dated: 16th July 2024
