

CHORLEY DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2022

Charity Name: Chorley District Scout Council
Registered Charity No: 1024746
District Registration No: The Scout Association: 12910
Governing instrument: The Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association by authority of a Royal Charter dated 4th January 1912.
Purpose / Aim of Scouting: Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.
 The method of achieving the Aim of the Association is by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law, and guided by adult leadership.

Legal & Administrative Information

Bankers:

Main bankers - TSB (Chorley Branch)
Chorley District Scout Council,
Market Street, Chorley, Lancashire, PR7 2SE

Other bankers - HSBC (Chorley Branch)
26 Market Street, Chorley, Lancashire, PR7 4HE
National Westminster Bank (Chorley Branch)
46 Market Street, Chorley, Lancashire, PR7 2RZ

Investment: The Scout Association,
Short Term Investment Service,
Gilwell Park, Bury Road, Chingford, London E4 7QW

Independent Examiner: L King

Contact Name & Address: Jim Banks
54 Westhoughton Road, Adlington, Chorley, Lancashire, PR7 4ET

President: Sir Lindsay Hoyle

Vice Presidents: Alan Fishwick
Jim Banks

Trustees - Ex-Officio:	Stephen Morton	District Chair
	Jim Banks	District Secretary
	Alan Venn	District Treasurer
	Andrew Lewis	District Commissioner
	Philip Fairclough	District Explorer Scout Commissioner
	Phillipa Climpson	Network Commissioner
	George Lewis	District Youth Commissioner

Trustees - Elected:	Steve Owen	District Executive Committee Member
	Lisa Lewis	District Executive Committee Member
	Dave Trueman	District Executive Committee Member
	Peter Sturgess	Appointments Secretary
	Peter Beesley	Deputy District Chair

Trustees – Nominated:	Andy Walton	District Group Scout Leader Representative
	Sandra Mercer	Appointments Chairperson
	Paul Smith	Group Scout Leader

Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st March 2022

The legal and administrative information as set out forms part of this report. The financial statements comply with current statutory requirements, Articles of Association and Statement of Recommended Practice – Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

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

The district is a Trust established under its rules, which are common to all Groups and Districts. Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation & Rules (POR) of the Scout Association.

Trustees' Interests:

No Trustee had a personal interest in any assets of the Chorley District Scout Council.

Organisation:

The Scout District is led by the District Commissioner and is supported by the following The District Scout Council, The District Executive Committee, District Administrators & Advisors and the District Team which comprises of all Assistant District Commissioners and District Scout Leaders.

District Scout Council:

The District Scout Council is the electoral body which supports Scouting in the Chorley District. It is the body to which the District Executive Committee is accountable.

District Executive Committee:

The District Executive Committee exists to support the District Commissioner in meeting their responsibilities to provide support for the Scout Groups within Chorley District.

Members of the District Executive Committee are the "Charity Trustees" of the Scout District and are responsible for complying with the legislation that is applicable to charities.

The Objectives of the District are:

- To continue to increase the number of trained leaders in all sections of the District.
- To identify areas for development of Scout & Explorer Groups with the District.
- To continue to improve communications and publicity not only within the Scout District but within the wider local community.
- To maintain and improve the District resources.
- To provide an opportunity for the members of the District to participate in International activities with members of Scouting from other countries through International camps.
- To identify areas of training need and to make adequate provision for them.

The policy of the District is to have adequate strategic financial reserves in order to provide the requisite level of support to the Scout Groups within the District for a minimum period of two years and to retain sufficient resources for the adequate maintenance of the properties that are held in the name of Chorley District Scout Council. The various sections of the District also maintain their own resources to support the particular activities in which they are involved.

At the end of the year the General reserves amounted to £183,507 of which £80,615 was in designated funds and monetary assets of £102,892.

Financial:

The year opened with consolidated funds of £183,441 and closed with £187,901 at the end of the financial year, with an income over expenditure of £4,460.

The Covid19 pandemic continued to affect our Scouting Activities across all sections for half of the year. The Scout Association Membership fee was reduced slightly on prior year, so the District Executive did not feel the need to subsidise.

Our Incoming Resources were strengthened by the Government maintaining financial support through the – Covid 19 Retail Hospitality and Leisure Grant, receiving further grants totalling £10,677.

The Short-Term Investment with The Scout Association has provided £615 interest; this covers a 2 year period owing to the staff at the Scout Association being either furloughed or made redundant. Our investment now stands at £80,615.

The Scout Shop Agency and the Badge Shop, both reopened mid-year due to covid19 pandemic, so for this financial year there is no financial support to the district from profits. Both have had to revalue their stocks with items that have become obsolete or due to re-branding and on this occasion have made losses.

Achievements and Performance

Members Awards

- Top Awards achieved: -
 - Beavers Bronze Chief Scout Award - 80
 - Cubs Silver Chief Scout Award – 88
 - Scouts Gold Chief Scouts Award – 53
 - Explorer Scouts Palatium Chief Scouts Award – 14
 - Explorer Scouts Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award – 1
 - Explorer Scouts Silver Duke of Edingurgh Award - 2
 - Explorer Scouts Young Leader Belt Buckle -1
- Good Service Awards to 9 Adult members in recognition of outstanding service from the Scout Association.

The changes over the year with rules changing with Covid 19 this continued to affect our Scouting programmes we maintained the utilisation of Zoom to maintain both communications going throughout with our normal District Team and All Leaders Meetings. District Team continued to run virtual themed activities for all sections with virtual weekend camps including St. Georges Day, Halloween. The later part of the year saw the return of Face-to-Face meetings and the return to our scouting activities.

CDSC maintained a constant review of costs during this period and monitoring increased costs in building insurance, content insurance, utility costs, mandatory HSE safety checks and maintenance for property by CDSC. CDSC followed the government guidance for PPE within our buildings and have produced Risk Assessments covering the use of the buildings. Risk Assessments are now a standard requirement for our camps and other activities.

Our youth membership grew by 4% in the past year, but still down on pre-pandemic levels. The number of young people wanting to join is increasing and several groups do have waiting lists.

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Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires that the Trustees prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the financial activities of the charity during that year and of its financial position at the end of the year.

In preparing the financial statements the Trustees are required to:

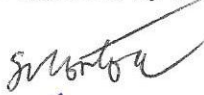
- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- State whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in operation.
- The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose, with reasonable accuracy, the financial position of the Charity and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charity Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking responsible steps for the prevention, and detection, of fraud and other irregularities.

Independent Examiner:

A resolution will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting that A.Aspden be appointed as the Independent Examiner to the Charity for the ensuing year.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 11th May 2022 and signed on their behalf by:

S Morton



Chair, Chorley District Scout Council

A Lewis



District Commissioner

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Statement of Financial Activities Summary for the year ended 31st March 2022

	This year General Fund £	Previous Year £
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES (page 6)	65,133	64,819
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED (page 7)	<u>60,673</u>	<u>38,845</u>
NET INCOMING (OUTGOING) RESOURCES	4,460	25,974
Gains (losses) on investment assets		
Realised		
Unrealised		
Revaluation of tangible assets		
NET MOVEMENT IN FUND	4,460	25,974
Prior Year Adjustment (see note 7)	0	0
FUND BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD	<u>277,941</u>	<u>251,967</u>
FUND BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD	<u>£282,401</u>	<u>£277,941</u>

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Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31st March 2022

	Notes	This Year	Previous Year
		£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES			
Membership Subscriptions		57,688	43,552
Less: Payable		41,020	39,785
		16,668	3,767
INVESTMENT INCOME			
Bank Interest		0	1
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service		615	0
Property rents	1	2,098	1,524
DONATIONS			
		0	0
ACTIVITIES			
District		0	2,259
Scout Active Support Unit		1,200	0
Beaver Section		818	292
Cub Section		0	0
Scout Section		0	1,100
Explorers		12,135	338
Chorley Capers	4	0	0
International Camps		0	19,150
FUND RAISING			
District		0	0
Scout Active Support Unit		0	0
Explorers		1,835	41
Chorley Capers		0	0
OTHER INCOMING RESOURCES			
Grants	5	10,667	21,070
Gift Aid		2,425	2,732
Badge Sales		1,594	327
Scout Agency Shop		3,829	0
Miscellaneous		11,249	12,218
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		£65,133	£64,819

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31st March 2022

	Notes	This Year £	Previous Year £
RESOURCES EXPENDED			
PREMISES			
Rent & Rates	2	821	789
Light, Heat and Water	2	1,225	1,248
Insurance	2	2,029	1,996
Repairs and Renewals	2	4,965	1,665
Phone	2	171	152
All Saints		2,228	1,207
DONATIONS/GRANTS	3	1,000	130
ACTIVITIES			
District		4,307	1,068
Scout Active Support Unit		1,848	0
Beaver Section		577	0
Cub Section		0	0
Scout Section		0	0
Explorers		20,216	3,169
Chorley Capers	4	0	100
International Camps		0	19,868
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES			
District Explorers		0	0
Scout Active Support Unit		0	0
ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES		2,595	2,531
OTHER EXPENDITURE			
Scout Agency Shop		6,357	0
Badge Sales		2,534	547
District		4,169	2,082
Scout Active Support Unit		150	0
Beaver Section		41	0
Cub Section		295	19
Scout Section		40	0
Explorers		5,055	2,204
Chorley Capers	4	50	70
 TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		 £60,673	 £38,821

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Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2022

	Notes	This Year	This Year	Previous Year	Previous Year
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	6		94,500		94,500
Investments					
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks		3,644		8,854	
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service		80,615		80,000	
Cash at bank and in hand		102,892		95,864	
Debtors		750		0	
Less: CURRENT LIABILITIES:					
Amounts due within one year			0	1,277	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			187,901	183,441	
NET ASSETS					
Represented by:					
GENERAL FUND			<u>£282,401</u>	<u>£277,941</u>	

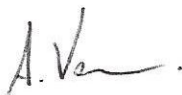
These accounts were approved by the Trustees on 11th May 2022 and signed on their behalf by:

S Morton



Chair, Chorley District Scout Council

A Venn



Treasurer, Chorley District Scout Council

The notes on page 9 form part of these accounts

Notes to the Accounts

Note	Details
1	These figures include half of the income from the joint management account of the Scout Centre which is run jointly by Chorley District and Chorley Healey Scout Group (charity no 521546)
2	These figures include half of the expenses from the joint management account of the Scout Centre which is run jointly by Chorley District and Chorley Healey Scout Group (charity no 521546)
3	The following donations/grants were made during the year: Chorley Girl Guiding £1000
4	The Chorley Capers Gang Show is a bi-annual activity and there was no performance due to the covid19 pandemic.
5	The donations/grants received during the year were: Chorley Borough Council – Covid 19 Retail Hospitality and Leisure Grant £10,667.
6	The total value of the property (at original building cost) is £215k and is split 70% Chorley Healey Scout Group and 30% Chorley District Scouts. There is also £30k value (at original cost) for All Saints Scout building.
7	There were no Prior Year adjustments.

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the Chorley District Scout Council

I report on the accounts of the District for the year ended 31st March 2021 which are set out on pages 5 to 8 of this annual report.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the Trustees of the District you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. You consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

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 Commissioners under Section 145 (5) (b) of the 2011 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 Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the District 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiner's 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 accounting records 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.

Name: L King

Signature: 

Qualifications: Company Director

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Date: 10/05/2022