

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date Period end date
 From 01 09 2022 To 31 08 2023

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address

 Postcode

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Joanne Thompson	Treasurer		
2	Charlie Bunker	Chairperson		
3	Donna Morris	Secretary		
4	Craig Worcester	Group Scout Leader		
5	Georgina Edwards	Section Leader		
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Association
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

<p>You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees; • the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works; • relationship with any related parties; • trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them. 	<p>Adult volunteers are at the heart of Scouting, and all leaders and Board of Trustees have access to training. Scouting is not only about young people, but also about the development of adults within the Movement.</p> <p>To support adults in Scouting, the Association provides a comprehensive programme of training to build on existing skills and knowledge, and develop new competencies. Some elements of training can count towards externally recognised qualifications and, within the movement, there are also awards to recognise dedication to training and outstanding service.</p>
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Section C Objectives and activities

<p>Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document</p>	<p>Providing activities and opportunities for local children from 6–14-year-olds. Encouraging them to learn new skills and develop their learning.</p>
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Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

In November 2022, the Group attended the church for a Remembrance service. Children marched from the gardens in Aylesford village up to the church, led by flagbearers. They were also invited to read a poem or passage before everyone went outside to observe the two-minute silence.

Our members enjoyed a variety of camps and activities this year within their sections. They also took part in 'Quest8' which was a district run event during the Early May Bank Holiday weekend, with over 550 young people in attendance. This was a great success, and incorporated all sections; Squirrels attended during the day, whilst Beavers, Cubs and Scouts camped overnight, ranging from 1 to 3 nights.

During the days, the young people rotated between a number of different activities, ranging from quad bikes, inflatable slides, shooting, archery, football, climbing, tomahawk axe throwing, animal corner, drums and bushcraft. They also went off-site on the Sunday to Mote Park, and spent a whole morning taking part in water sports. During the evenings, there was a campfire with songs, movie night and a silent disco.

The Group also supported one of our Scouts and one of our Young Leaders to attend the World Scout Jamboree in South Korea where, due to matters outside of the UK contingent's control, they had to move away from the main camp area and relocate into hotels in the capital. At their new location, they undertook different activities, which they enjoyed all the same.

All sections finished the year with our usual water activities, including water fights, and BBQs.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You may choose to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Fundraising – the group was fortunate enough to receive donations totalling £1282.50. Part of this was in support of the group, while the majority was a donation from our local parish council to support one of our Scouts and Young Leaders for their trip to South Korea.

The group attended the district-led camp, Quest8, and was the second largest attending groups in the district.

The group continues to maintain our numbers, with our new Squirrels section growing in numbers and popularity.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Reserves are primarily used to protect against a future fall in income due to membership decline or a lack of fundraising opportunities. They are also used to underwrite the cost of travel arrangements for imminent activities.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Fees continued at £10 a month (including August when the sections do not meet). This has enabled each section to continue to receive their termly budgets at the level they were used to. Each section was given a budget to spend, with any residual at the end rolling over to the next term, until the end of the year at which point the monies went back into general funds.

The 12th month (August) fees will be reserved for 'Group funds' and used for replacing equipment and group activities.


Section F Other optional information

Another busy year of camps and exciting new opportunities for all our members. Our leaders continue to grow our group with their never-ending enthusiasm, with multiple leaders holding permits for camps, archery, fencing, climbing and tomahawk axe throwing.

Section G Declaration

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

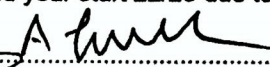
Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

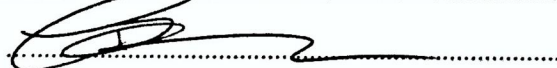
Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	CHARLIE	SWINER.
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR	
Date	7-MARCH 24.	

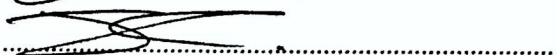
YEAR END ACCOUNTS FOR 1st AYLESFORD SCOUT GROUP 2022/2023
1st September 2022 - 31st August 2023

	2021-2022	2022-2023
Income		
Admin	10.40	91.50
Bank Interest	7.29	1.14
Donation	0.00	1,282.50
Events - Horsa Beavers	732.50	180.00
Events - Predator Scouts	828.50	746.00
Events - Quest 8	0.00	8,480.00
Events - Tiger Cubs	0.00	844.50
Events - Leopard Cubs	1,264.05	0.00
Events - Joint Cub Packs	195.00	0.00
Grant	0.00	200.00
Meetings - Leopard Cubs	0.00	69.00
Membership Fees	13,885.00	14,410.00
Expense		
Admin	1,236.71	2,451.76
Bank Fees	0.00	632.16
Camping Equipment	789.06	823.74
Capitation	5,750.00	6,755.00
Donation	0.00	2,550.00
Events - Horsa Beavers	725.64	206.75
Events - Predators Scouts	729.24	718.72
Events - Quest 8	0.00	8,434.14
Events - Tigers Cubs	0.00	711.70
Events - Leopard Cubs	1,137.45	0.00
Events - Joint Cub Packs	188.86	0.00
Insurance	171.80	177.61
Meetings - Horsa Beavers	2,238.81	2,320.41
Meetings - Leopard Cubs	2,398.46	2,350.95
Meetings - Predators Scouts	1,713.57	2,114.98
Meetings - Squirrels	773.78	2,321.58
Meetings - Tigers Cubs	2,255.43	2,239.06
Rent	1,095.00	1,899.00
Toilet Hire	1,404.00	1,404.00
Trailer Storage	720.00	798.99
Training	100.00	15.00
Account balances		
Expense Account	0.00	1,659.89
Lloyds	0.00	13,978.77
Santander	28,259.58	0.00
Summary		
Account balance brought forward	34,764.65	28,259.57
Total income	16,922.74	26,304.64
Total expenditure	23,427.81	38,925.55
Net income	-6,505.07	-12,620.91
Account balance carried forward	<u>28,259.58</u>	<u>15,638.66</u>

£0.01 difference from year end 21/22 and year start 22/23 due to changing over systems

Signed by: Independent Examiner:  Dated: 1/2/24

Signed by: Chairperson:  Dated: 3/2/24

Signed by: Treasurer:  Dated: 3/2/24

Accounts approved and adopted at the AGM held on 3 February 2024



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

1st Aylesford Scout Group

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31st August 2023

**Charity no
(if any)**

1024962

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31/08/2023**.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Andrew Fuller

Date:

1/2/24

Name:

Andrew Fuller

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

