



**Scouts**

Greater London  
North East

**ANNUAL REPORT & ACCOUNTS**

1<sup>st</sup> September 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025

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# COUNTY LEAD VOLUNTEER REPORT

A warm welcome to another Annual Report for Greater London North East. We have had an amazing 7 months, with more young people in the county gaining skills for life.

## **Membership and Growth**

Following the momentum of our 2024 County Census, we've seen continued growth in youth membership across all sections, particularly among Squirrels and Explorers. This is a testament to the dedication of our volunteers and the appeal of our programme. We've also welcomed new adult volunteers, many of whom have stepped into leadership roles after attending our revamped induction and training sessions.

## **Programme Highlights**

We were proud to have members represented at Whitehall during the National remembrance parade, with participants forming part of the Guard of honour, assisting as wayfinders, on Horse Guards Parade, and also forming Column Y as part of the parade. We were pleased to offer tickets to a select few at the VE celebration earlier this year as well as be invited to the Youth enclosure to celebrate the Kings Birthday at Trooping the Colour.

## **World Scout Jamboree 2027**

We have been fortunate to be selected to send two units to the World Scout Jamboree to Poland in 2027. We had over 20 adults apply to be unit leaders, and at an upcoming selection event we will have to make the difficult decision to select 8 of them to represent the Unit leadership team for the two Units.

## **County Top Awards Ceremonies for Young People**

Our Programme Team have continued to run 4 Top Awards events this year with more to follow as the year progresses. We have had an excellent attendance with a full house each session, and my sincere thanks go to the team for their organisation of the events and hard work before, during and after. We also had a very well attended and supported Jack Petchey Awards evening in the Autumn; this trust remains a strong supporter of GLNE, and we are very grateful for their continued support. Thank you too to Malcolm Wetherall for his continued leadership.

## **County Top Adult Awards**

In the short year we have had so far we have been able to recognise our adults who have received top awards over the past 7 months, and we expect to see more recognition come through the system as our members get to grips with how nominations work for recognition. Our thanks to Dean Jefferys for his leadership of the County Awards Team.

## **County Adult Training**

Our adult training team continue to work tirelessly developing our leadership, with training courses and monitoring compliance to ensure we remain safe, and a big shout out to Jude Adigwe and his team, thank you for your continuous hard work throughout the year.

## **County Personnel**

Terry Kingham left the County at the end of February this year in his role as Joint CLV, and we would like to thank him for keeping GLNE going whilst we recruited more team members to take GLNE to the next level. Rob Warner also joined the team as Support Team Leader, which covers looking after our property at Wanstead Park Road and other assets, along with managing our IT infrastructure. Rob has already recruited a media team to enhance our County Communication Plan. A big thankyou to our other Team Leaders for Volunteer Development (Jon Ellison), Programme (Andy Mann), Youth lead (Jay Janny-Brewster).

## **Governance and Strategy**

The County Trustee Board has met regularly to ensure sound governance and strategic oversight. Sam Longhurst has now taken on the role of County Chair and is in the process of developing our governance processes with the rest of the board, and aligning our priorities with the national Skills for Life strategy. I'd like to thank the Board for their diligence and support.

## **Looking Forward**

As we move into the next phase of the Scouting year, our focus will be on strengthening local leadership teams, expanding youth voice initiatives. We'll also continue to support districts in delivering high-quality, safe, and inclusive programmes.

## **A Big Thank you**

Our census numbers increased by 5.7% this year, showing that we are attracting more young people. None of this would be possible without the tireless efforts of our volunteers. Whether you're leading a section, supporting behind the scenes, or cheering from the sidelines—thank you. Together, we are shaping futures, one adventure at a time.

Thank you so much.

**Colin Wreyford**  
**County Lead Volunteer**  
**Greater London North East**

# **COUNTY CHAIR REPORT**

Having only recently returned to GLNE as County Chair, I don't have much to report just yet. However, I'm glad to be back and supporting our County Lead Volunteer, Colin, and the wider team as we work to move GLNE forward. We're fortunate to have a fantastic team of trustees who are ready to offer their support wherever it's needed.

I'm looking forward to the year ahead and hope that, in 12 months' time, we'll be reflecting on many positive steps forward.

Thank you for everything you do for the young people of GLNE.

**Sam Longhurst**  
**County Chair**  
**Greater London North East**

## COUNTY YOUTH LEAD REPORT

Since our last AGM seven months ago in November 2024, there is one main achievement I would like to highlight. In March, GLNE sent a delegation consisting of two scouts and two explorers from across three districts to attend the UK Youth Forum which was held in Oxford. The day consisted of multiple workshops where our young people had the opportunity to have a voice their opinions on scouting and the experiences they have had to help shape the scouts next national strategy. I think one of the key takeaways from the day was hearing about all the great experiences our young people have had in scouting.

Looking forward to the months ahead, my main priority will be to ensure that as many young people as possible across the county have opportunities, similar to that of the UK Youth Forum, to have be able to express their opinions and share their experiences within scouting.

**Jay Janny-Brewster**  
**County Youth Lead**  
**Greater London North East**

## COUNTY SUPPORT TEAM REPORT

The Support Team has made steady progress since the last AGM across several key areas. Our newly formed media team is beginning to take shape, with early steps already increasing our visibility. A communications plan is in development to help guide consistent, clear messaging across the County. From July, more members will be joining the team, which means you can expect to see a more active and regular presence on social media as the year goes on.

The Buildings and Assets team has been focused on the County HQ at Wanstead Park Road. After a detailed review and some difficult conversations, the decision was made to close the building due to concerns over its structural integrity. This wasn't an easy choice, but it was necessary to protect our long-term plans and the safety of those using the space. Work is now underway to explore practical options for the site's future.

We're ending this part of the year with solid foundations in place and a clear plan to grow. We're optimistic about what's ahead and look forward to sharing more success with you at the next AGM.

**Rob Warner**  
**County Support Team Lead**  
**Greater London North East**

# AGENDA

## Greater London North East County Scout Council Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2025 at 19:30  
Gilwell Park, The Swan Centre

1. **Introduction and welcome**
2. **Apologies for absence**
3. **Governance topics**
  - a. Approve the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> November 2024
  - b. Adopt the model constitution from Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR)
  - c. Note the County's financial year
  - d. Approve appointed and community members of the County Scout Council
  - e. Agree the number of members that may be appointed to the Trustee Board
  - f. Agree the quorum for future meetings of the County Scout Council (excluding this AGM)
4. **Review of the previous year**
  - a. The County Lead Volunteer's review of Scouts during the past 7 months in the GLNE County
  - b. The Regional Lead Volunteer's remarks
  - c. Receive and consider the Annual Report of the County Trustee Board, including the annual Statement of the Accounts
5. **Making appointments**
  - a. Appoint the County Chair, following recommendation from the open selection process initiated by the County Trustee Board
  - b. Appoint the County Treasurer, following recommendation from the open selection process initiated by the County Trustee Board
  - c. Appoint members of the County Trustee Board, following recommendations from the open selection process initiated by the County Trustee Board
  - d. Re-appoint County President and Vice Presidents
  - e. Appoint the Scrutineer / Independent Examiner / Auditor
  - f. Elect representatives of the County Scout Council to represent the County on the Council of The Scout Association
6. **Closing remarks**

# CHARITY DETAILS

The Trustees present their report with the financial statements of Greater London North East (GLNE) County Scout Council for the period ended from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2024 to 31st March 2025. The Trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts 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 2019). Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland and the Charities Act 2011.

**Charity Name** Greater London North East County Scout Council

**Other Names** Greater London North East Scouts  
GLNE Scouts

**Registered Charity Number** 1025705

**Scout Association Registration Number** 137  
10000101

**Charity Principal Operating Address** 437 Wanstead Park Road  
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**Charity Registered Address** 437 Wanstead Park Road  
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**Bankers** Metro Bank plc  
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**Independent Examiners** Prestons and Jacksons Partnership LLP Chartered  
Accountants  
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## *Charity Details – continued*

### **County Presidents & Vice Presidents**

President	Mr John Barber
Vice Presidents	Colonel Paul Acda TD DL Colonel Mark Bryant MBE DL (Havering) Mr Thomas Chan DL (Redbridge) Mr Alan Dennison Major Jeremy Fern TD DL (Waltham Forest) Mr Dean Jefferys Mr Leslie Morgan OBE DL (Tower Hamlets) Mr Ian Pittaway BEM DL (Barking and Dagenham) Mr Paul Trayler Miss Barbara Westcott MBE Kim Bromley-Derry Mike Brace Nick Bracken Stephen Howlett

### **Board of Trustees**

County Lead Volunteer	Mr Terry Kingham (to Feb 2025) Mr Colin Wreyford
County Youth Lead	Mr Jay Janny-Brewster
County Chair	Vacant Mr Sam Longhurst (from 30/04/2025)
County Treasurer	Miss Lisa Jones
Trustees	Mr Malcolm Wetherell Mr Paul Danvers Mr Jude Adigwe Mr Paul Symons Mr Sam Longhurst Mrs Rebecca Still

# GOVERNANCE

## Governing Documents

The County'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 Association and the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.

## Charity Constitution

The County is a trust established under the rules of The Scout Association which are common to all Scouts in the United Kingdom

## Trustee Selection

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.

## Policies and Procedures

The County is managed by the County Trustee Board, the members of which are the Charity Trustees of the Scout County which is an educational charity. As Charity 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.

The Board consists of the County Chair and County Treasurer together with the County Lead Volunteers, and up to six members appointed by the board. The Regional Lead Volunteer for the Greater London Scout Region has a right of attendance at meetings of the County Trustee Board. Members of the Trustee Board are required to complete Module 1 (Essential Information), Safety, Safeguarding, GDPR and Trustee Introduction training within the first five

months of joining the Board.

The Trustee Board exists to support the County Lead Volunteer in meeting the responsibilities of their appointment. It meets formally at least five times a year.

Members of the Trustee Board must act collectively as Charity Trustees of the Scout County, and in the best interests of its members to:

- Comply with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.
- Protect and maintain any property and equipment owned by and/or used by the County.
- Manage the County finances.
- Organise relevant insurance for people, property and equipment.
- Provide sufficient resources for Scouting to operate. This includes, but is not limited to, supporting recruitment, other adult support and fundraising activities.
- Promote and support the development of Scouting in the local area.
- Manage and implement national Safety and Safeguarding Policies locally.
- Ensure that a positive image of Scouting exists in the local community.
- Appoint and manage the operation of any Sub-Teams, including appointing a Team Leader to lead the Sub-Teams.
- Ensure that young people are meaningfully involved in decision making at all levels within the County.
- The opening, closure and amalgamation of Districts, the County Scout Network in the County as necessary.
- Appoint and manage the operation of an Appointments Advisory Committee, including appointing an Appointments Committee Chair to lead it.

## **Governance – continued**

### **Risk and Internal Control**

The Trustees routinely monitor the County's key risks and put in place measures to manage them appropriately. The Trustees have identified the following as the potential key risks faced by the charity:

A safeguarding incident involving Scouting members. This is mitigated through following The Scout Association's adult appointment process which includes carrying out DBS checks for those performing regulated activity; a national vetting process; and a clear system for reporting concerns. Volunteers are required to complete mandatory safeguarding training within the timeframes set out in the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association. Training completion and renewal is monitored by the County Trustees through regular reporting. During the year, there was a continued improvement of compliance with mandatory safeguarding training and renewal.

Risk to the health and safety of Scouting members. This is mitigated through mandatory safety training for volunteers, which is monitored by the County Trustee board at each meeting through the County Lead Volunteer, and Trustees responsible for overseeing compliance; regular reporting of completion, overdue and renewal data to key line managers; adherence to the requirements of adventurous activity permit scheme; and following the provisions of the

Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association. During the year, there was varied return in the overdue figures but there has always been a consistent focus from key line manager to improving compliance.

Routine checks are carried out at the County Centre to protect the health and safety of those who will use the building.

The County provides support for specific elements of the programme and runs schemes to recognise the achievements of young people in order to maintain engagement. The County delivers training to enable adult volunteers to deliver high quality Scouting and recognises the contributions of volunteers through schemes run by The Scout Association and external bodies.

Internal Controls. The County also has in place systems of internal financial control that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss.

These include two signatories for all payments and regular reviews of the financial position and expenditure of the County at the County Trustee Board meetings.

The County has comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered. These include insurance for non-members attending Scouting activities and events.

# OBJECTIVES & ACTIVITIES

## Charitable Objectives

The Charity's objective is to promote the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potentials as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of their local, national and international communities.

## 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.
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## Charity Activities

Scouting is open to all young people who are between the ages of four and 25, irrespective of their background, ethnic origin, nationality, race, gender, marital or sexual status, mental or physical ability, financial status, political or religious beliefs.

The Scout County incorporates the London Boroughs of Barking & Dagenham, Hackney, Havering, Newham, Redbridge, Tower Hamlets, and Waltham Forest. Scouting is delivered to our members through sections and Groups within the Districts which cover these Boroughs. The County's role is to offer leadership and support to the Groups and Districts within its area of operation. It does this through supporting the development of Scouting, the provision of training and other services, and the running of events and activities for young people.

## Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have paid due regard to the need in the Charities Act 2011 to demonstrate the Charity's aims are for the public benefit.

The Trustees' assessment is that Greater London North East County Scout Council meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.

# CHARITY ACHIEVEMENTS

## International Support fund

The County are reserving money as part of the annual membership fee to support young people's international events going forward.

## Governance and Financial Management

The County Trustee Board has continued to meet regularly in order to effectively manage the charity and support the County Commissioner in fulfilling the requirements of his appointment. At Trustee Board meetings, Trustees regularly receive financial and compliance reporting to exercise their duties along with regular oversight of the strategy for the County.

## Digital Tools

The County continues to support the delivery of programme by providing Online Scout Manager licenses to all sections.

## Recognising Achievement

The County is allocated 117 Achievement Awards from the Jack Petchey Foundation (JPF) each year to distribute fairly to young people aged 11-25 years for their achievements. The award comes with a £300 prize from JPF for the Group or Unit

to work with the recipient of the award to decide on how to best spend the prize. This can often result in new camping equipment for the Group/Unit or can be used to fund an activity or experience for the young people in the Group/Unit.

Additionally, JPF also recognise the County with Leader Awards for the services volunteers are making to the lives of young people. Seven leaders from across GLNE were recipients to this award and were offered the Leaders Award Grant of up to £1,000 per recipient of the award for a project of their choice.

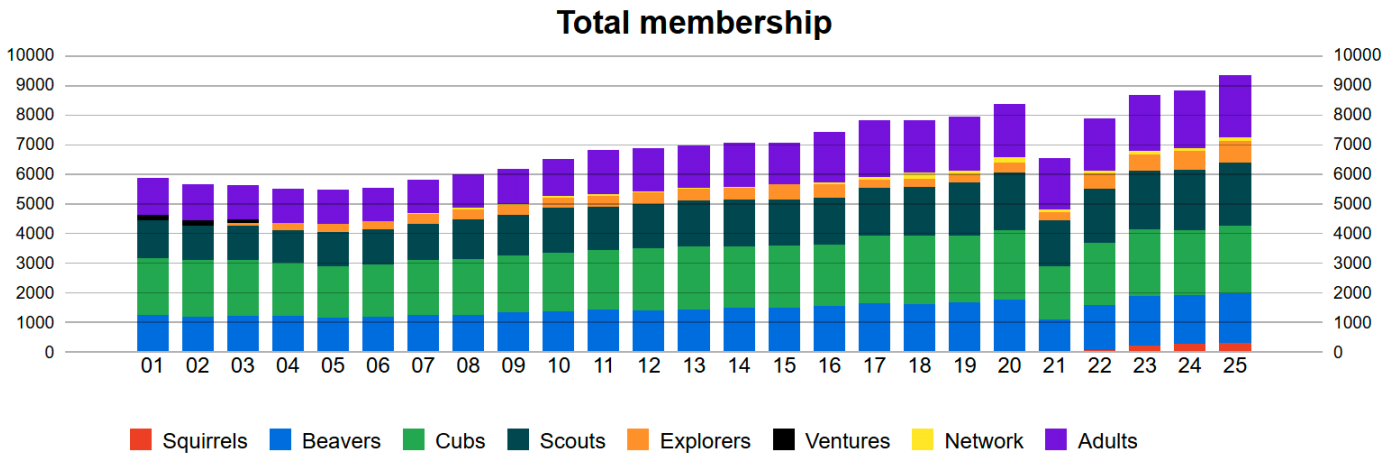
Overall, the County received £35,100 in donations from the JPF to be used by young people and £0 for the Leaders Award Grant. This support to recognise young people and volunteers has always been greatly welcomed by the County and Trustees thank JPF for their support over the 23-year partnership.

## Top Awards

We have had four young persons award evenings which included all sections where our young people received a certificate and recognition for their hard work. Further evenings are being rolled out in the future.

# MEMBERSHIP FIGURES

The below graph shows the County's membership figures over the last few years.



The Annual Report on pages 6 to 12 were authorised for issue by the Board of Trustees on 24<sup>th</sup> June 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

**Sam Longhurst**  
County Chair

**Lisa Jones**  
County Treasurer

# FINANCIAL REVIEW

## Review

The County's principal source of unrestricted income is the levy charged as part of the annual membership fee. This provides the County with funds which are used to support the growth and development of Scouting within GLNE and to meet the County's operating costs. During the reporting period, the County collected some of this levy in March 2025 with the rest due to be paid in April 2025. In addition, the County ordinarily receives payments from London over the Border Guides for their use of the County Centre, however this arrangement continues to be under negotiation.

Due to the timing of the County's membership income, the April 2024 income was used for the 2025 financial year. The County Trustees reviewed our year start/end and voted to change the year end back to 31<sup>st</sup> March. The Board of Trustees will continue to monitor the levels of unrestricted income and may make the decision to increase this with funds from the County's reserves.

This decision will be made by the County Board of

Trustees with due reference to the County's reserves policy and available reserves. Other income collected over the period typically relates to specific activities, events or projects. This includes registrations for the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme and the County water activities days at the Docklands Scout Project.

The County coordinates the Jack Petchey Award Scheme for Groups, Explorer Units and Network units within GLNE. Funds received from the Jack Petchey Foundation are paid to those Groups and Units which have made successful nominations for awards for their young people.

Over the reporting period, a majority of the County's expenditure has related to the running costs of the County Centre, as well as other governance related costs such as the continued payments to Hornchurch District for the County Administrator, insurance and the Independent Examination of the accounts.

The accounts have been prepared on a payments and receipts basis.

# FINANCIAL POLICIES

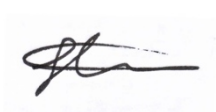
## Reserves Policy

The County's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the County should income and fundraising activities fall short. The County Board of Trustees has reviewed the reserve policy and considers that the County should hold a sum equivalent to at least 12 months base running costs, circa £30,000 based on historic trends. This reflects that the county receives the majority of its unrestricted income when it collects the annual membership fee and associated levy. As at 31 March 2025, the County held unrestricted reserves of £224,992.02. This is above the level required for operating expenses and the surplus will be utilized for the development of Scouting within the County.

## Investment Policy

All the County's funds are held in cash using a mainstream bank, shown on page 6. The County Board of Trustees regularly monitors the balances within its bank accounts, as well as the distribution of bank accounts. As the County has not been required to utilise its reserves for a number of years, it continues to ensure the County obtains maximum value and income from its banking arrangements by investing surplus funds as may be appropriate.

The financial statements on pages 13 to 23 were authorised for issue by the Board of Trustees on 24<sup>th</sup> June 2025 and signed on its behalf by:



**Sam Longhurst**  
County Chair



**Lisa Jones**  
County Treasurer

# INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

## Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the Greater London North East County Scout Council

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Greater London North East County Scout Council (the Trust) for the period ended from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025.

### 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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of 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 no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Anwer Patel BA (Hons), BFP, FCA  
Prestons & Jacksons Partnership LLP  
364 - 368 Cranbrook Road  
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Essex  
IG2 6HY

Date:

# SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS

For the Year Ended 31 March 2025

			Year Ended 31 Mar 25	Year Ended 31 Aug 24
	Note	Unrestricted Fund (£)	Restricted Fund (£)	Total Funds (£)
<b>INCOME FROM</b>				
Donations and legacies		124,313.20	35,241.85	159,555.05
Other charitable activities	2	2,455.94	5,047.00	7,502.94
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>		<b>126,769.14</b>	<b>40,288.85</b>	<b>167,057.90</b>
<b>Outgoing Resources</b>				
<b>Charitable Activities</b>				
Charitable activity		14,456.58	-	14,456.58
Training		5,201.02	-	5,201.02
Jack Petchey Foundation grants		-	28,701.18	28,701.18
World Scout Jamboree		-	-	-
Other activities		2,230.00	-	2,230.00
Top awards and Duke of Edinburgh		807.30	3,822.00	4,629.30
<b>Governance Costs</b>				
County Centre		2,675.03	-	2,675.03
Insurance		3,349.21	-	3,349.21
Annual General Meeting		770.46	-	770.46
Other governance costs		4,933.53	-	4,933.52
<b>Total</b>		<b>34,423.13</b>	<b>35,523.18</b>	<b>66,946.31</b>
<b>NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)</b>		<b>92,346.01</b>	<b>7,765.67</b>	<b>100,111.68</b>
Transfer from General to Restricted Funds		519.16	(519.16)	-
<b>NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) after transfer</b>		<b>92,865.17</b>	<b>7,246.51</b>	<b>100,111.68</b>
Funds Brought Forward		132,126.85	15,817.93	147,944.78
<b>FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>	5	<b>224,992.02</b>	<b>23,064.44</b>	<b>248,056.46</b>

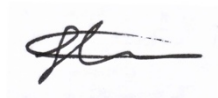
# SUMMARY OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES

As at 31 March 2025

			1.9.24 to 31.3.25	YE 31.8.24
	Note	Unrestricted Fund (£)	Restricted Fund (£)	Total Funds (£)
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>				
Cash at bank		224,992.02	23,064.44	248,056.46
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>224,992.02</b>	<b>23,064.44</b>	<b>248,056.46</b>

			1.9.24 to 31.3.25	YE 31.8.24
		Unrestricted Fund (£)	Restricted Fund (£)	Total Funds (£)
<b>FUNDS</b>				
Reserves Brought Forward 1.9.24		132,126.85	15,817.93	147,944.78
Movement in the year		92,865.17	7,246.51	100,111.68
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>224,992.02</b>	<b>23,064.44</b>	<b>248,056.46</b>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised issue on 24<sup>th</sup> June 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:



Sam Longhurst  
County Chair



Lisa Jones  
County Treasurer

# EXPLANATORY NOTES

## 1. Accounting Policies

### **Basis of preparing the financial statements**

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, 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 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared on receipts and payments basis.

### **Income**

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement for the funds, it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount can be measured reliably. Income from Membership Fees is accounted for on a receivable.

### **Payments**

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

### **Taxation**

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

### **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. Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

### **Going Concern**

Having reviewed financial plans and cash flow forecasts, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue operating for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, they believe that the going concern basis remains the appropriate basis on which to prepare the financial statements.

### **Debtors**

Basic financial assets, including trade and other debtors, are initially recognised at transaction price, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Such assets are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment.

## ***Explanatory notes - continued***

### **Creditors**

Basic financial liabilities, including trade and other creditors, loans from third parties and loans from related parties, are initially recognised at transaction price, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Such instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment.

## **2. Other Trading Activities**

	<b>Year Ended 31 Mar 25 (£)</b>	<b>Year Ended 31 Aug 24 (£)</b>
DSP Activity Days	1,952.50	4,605.00
Training	503.44	1,004.45
DofE	5,047.00	3,877.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,502.94</b>	<b>9,486.45</b>

## **3. Trustees' Remuneration & Benefits**

### **Trustees' Remuneration**

There were no Trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the period ended from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 (year ended 31 August 2024: nil).

### **Trustees' Expenses**

There were £3,100.53 of Trustees' expenses paid for the period ended from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 (year ended 31 August 2024: £2,680.15).

### **Key Management Personnel**

The Key Management Personnel comprise of the Board of Trustees.

*Explanatory notes - continued*

**4. Comparatives for the Statements of Receipts & Payments FY24**

	Unrestricted Fund (£)	Restricted Fund (£)	Total Funds (£)
<b>RECEIPTS</b>			
Donations and legacies	3,152	40,663	78,815
Other charitable activities	5,609	3,877	9,486
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>43,761</b>	<b>44,540</b>	<b>88,302</b>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>			
<b>Charitable Activities</b>			
Charitable activity	13,398	-	13,398
Training	1,825	-	1,825
Jack Petchey Foundation grants	-	42,380	42,380
World Scout Jamboree	-	5,083	5,083
Other activities	4,230	-	4,230
Top awards and Duke of Edinburgh	788	3,881	4,668
<b>Governance Costs</b>			
County Centre	6,426	-	6,426
Insurance	3,318	-	3,318
Annual General Meeting	964	-	964
Other governance costs	4,173	-	4,173
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>35,122</b>	<b>51,344</b>	<b>86,465</b>
<b>NET RECEIPTS/(PAYMENTS)</b>	<b>8,640</b>	<b>(6,803)</b>	<b>1,836</b>
<b>Transfer from General to Restricted</b>	<b>(38,825)</b>	<b>38,825</b>	<b>-</b>
	<b>(30,185)</b>	<b>32,022</b>	<b>1,836</b>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			
Total Funds Brought Forward	162,312	(16,203)	146,109
<b>Total Funds Carried Forward</b>	<b>132,126</b>	<b>15,819</b>	<b>147,945</b>

*Explanatory notes - continued*

**5. Movement in Funds**

	At 31 Aug 24 (£)	Net Movement in Funds (£)	Transfers Between Funds (£)	At 31 Mar 25 (£)
<b>UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</b>				
General Funds	132,126.85	92,346.01	519.16	224,992.02
<b>RESTRICTED FUNDS</b>				
Restricted funds	15,817.93	7,765.67	(519.16)	23,064.44
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>147,944.78</b>	<b>100,111.68</b>	-	<b>248,056.46</b>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming Resources (£)	Resources Expended (£)	Movement in Funds (£)
<b>UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</b>			
General Funds	129,769.14	(34,423.13)	92,346.01
<b>RESTRICTED FUNDS</b>			
Restricted funds	40,288.85	(32,523.18)	7,765.67
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>167,057.99</b>	<b>(66,946.31)</b>	<b>100,111.68</b>

**Comparatives for movement in funds FY24**

	At 1 Sep 23 (£)	Net Movement in Funds (£)	Transfers Between Funds (£)	At 31 Aug 24 (£)
<b>UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</b>				
General Funds	163,312.39	8,639.55	(38,825.09)	132,126.85
<b>RESTRICTED FUNDS</b>				
Restricted funds	(16,203.85)	(6803.44)	38,825.09	15,817.65
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>146,108.39</b>	<b>1,836.111</b>	-	<b>147,944.50</b>

## Explanatory notes – continued

### 5. Movement in Funds - Continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming Resources (£)	Resources Expended (£)	Movement in Funds (£)
<b>UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</b>			
General Funds	43,761.45	(35,121.90)	8,639.55
<b>RESTRICTED FUNDS</b>			
Restricted funds	44,540.45	(51,343.59)	(6,803.44)
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>88,301.60</b>	<b>(86,465.49)</b>	<b>1,836.11</b>

### Restricted Reserve Analysis

	31 Mar 25 (£)	31 Aug 24 (£)
<b>NAME OF FUND</b>		
Jack Petchey Foundation Grants	22,855.81	16,315.14
Deficit/Surplus on Other Activities	208.50	(497.34)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>23,064.31</b>	<b>(15,817.80)</b>

	As at 1 Sep 24	Incoming Resources (£)	Outgoing Resources (£)	As at 31 Mar 25
Jack Petchey Foundation	16,315.14	35,241.85	(28,701.18)	22,855.81
Surplus on Other Activities (see Below)	(497.34)	5,047.00	(4,341.16)	208.50
	<b>15,817.80</b>	<b>40,288.85</b>	<b>(33,042.34)</b>	<b>23,064.31</b>

### Further Analysis of Surplus on Other Activities

European Jamboree	519.16	-	(519.16)	-
DofE	(1,016.50)	5,047.00	(3,822.00)	208.50
	<b>(497.34)</b>	<b>5,047.00</b>	<b>(4,341.16)</b>	<b>208.50</b>

***Explanatory notes – continued***

The Jack Petchey Foundation Grants are funds awarded to the Scout Groups/Units of individuals who show outstanding achievements during the year and are administered in accordance with the requirements of the Jack Petchey Foundation.

The Other Activities fund consists of participant fees and fundraising for other events run by the County. As at 31 March 2025, this fund consisted of amounts relating the Duke of Edinburgh's Award scheme. The European Jamboree was cancelled in financial year ending 31 August 2022 and the remaining balance relating to this of £519.16 has now been released into unrestricted funds for other purposes. The balance on the Duke of Edinburgh's Award scheme fund was a surplus of £208.50, which is included in "Surplus on Other Activities".