

**CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023**

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# CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

## ADMINISTRATION

<b>TRUSTEES</b>	<b><i>Ex-Officio - Appointment</i></b>		
	Chairman	Mr N Atkin	(resigned 30.8.2022)
	District Commissioner	Mr Daniel Bolstridge	
	Treasurer	Mr W Howland	
	Secretary	Mrs J Culley-Oliver	
	District Explorer Scout Commissioner	Mr S Thorpe	
<b>TRUSTEES</b>	<b><i>Elected</i></b>	Mrs R Cragg-Darroch	
		Mr R Foxall	
		Mr H E Walker	
		Mr P Mellors	
	<b><i>Co-opted</i></b>	Ms J Middleton	(appointed 01.08.2022)
<b>TRUSTEES</b>	<b><i>Nominated</i></b>	Miss L Wilson	
		Miss H Barlow	
<b>BANKERS</b>		National Westminster Bank Plc	
		536 Valley Road	
		NOTTINGHAM	
		NG5 1JD	
<b>DISTRICT REGISTRATION NUMBER WITH THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION</b>		14701	
<b>CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER</b>		1026759	
<b>CONTACT NAME AND ADDRESS</b>		53 Stamford Road	
		West Bridgford	
		NOTTINGHAM	
		NG2 6GG	

# **CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL**

## **TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023**

### **STRUCTURE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

The Scout Association exists by authority of Royal Charters, which give authority to the Bye Laws of the Association, which are approved by Her Majesty's Privy Council. The Bye Laws, in turn, authorise the making of rules for the regulation of the Association's affairs, as detailed in "Policy, Organisation and Rules". Central Nottinghamshire District Scout Council is the second tier in the Administration of Scouting, Groups, District, County and National Organisation.

The District Scout Council exists to promote and support scouting at all levels. Beaver Scouts, Cub Scouts, Scouts and Explorer Scouts within Central Notts District. It provides a District Executive (The Trustees) to manage its affairs in dealing with District property, financial matters and the appointment of senior adult leaders for each section. The District Council is the second tier of the administration of scouting i.e. Groups, District, County and National Organisation.

The Trustees of the Central Nottinghamshire District Scout Council are proposed by Members of the Council and elected to stand for one year, and are approved at the Annual General Meeting.

Trustees are appointed in accordance with "Policy, Organisation and Rules".

Following the Annual General Meeting new Trustees are inducted. The induction covers the role of the Trustees and their responsibilities, together with an overview of the District and what is expected of them over the coming year.

### **OBJECTS OF THE CHARITY**

Central Nottinghamshire District Scout Council is a Trust established within the structure of The Scout Association to provide leadership, advice and support for Scout Groups within the District.

### **MAIN ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT**

The District leases and operates the Sherbrooke Camp Site, which comprises a camp centre, indoor sleeping accommodation, activity areas and training facilities. The campsite, whilst biased heavily towards scouting, is available for hire by other community groups and attracts campers from other Districts and Counties within the UK, and also from overseas. The Scout Council lays heavy emphasis on leader training and maintains a fund to support attendance at overseas jamborees and foreign visits. Reports from the various sections are contained in the District Annual Report, copies of which are available on request.

Financial support and encouragement in the form of 'seed' money is also made available to promote the growth and maintenance of scouting in the District.

The Trustees confirm that they have regard to the Charity Commissions' guidance on public benefit.

## CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

### TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023 (CONTINUED)

#### DISTRICT COMMISSIONER'S REPORT 1st APRIL 2022 to 31st MARCH 2023

##### Review of the year

Scouting in Central Notts is very much back in full swing after some of the difficulties we have all faced over the last 2 years. We welcomed our second Squirrel Drey into the District in May 2022, with the new Drey opening to cover the Gedling, Netherfield and surrounding areas.

In June 2023, we held our first District Camp since 2019, which brought over 400 of us all together at Sherbrooke to enjoy the extended bank holiday weekend and to celebrate the late Queen's Platinum Jubilee. We were very pleased that the Lord-Lieutenant of Nottinghamshire Sir John Peace & Deputy Lieutenant Alex Peace-Gadsby and other invited guests were able to join us across the weekend to mark this historic occasion.

As we all started back after the summer, we welcomed another new section to the District, when Griffin ESU (based at 1st Arnold & Woodthorpe's HQ) opened and increased the number of Explorer Units within the District back to 8.

Throughout the latter months of 2022, a number of sectional events took place including District Cub Camp, Cubs Cyclocross and Scouts Night Owl. We also had four Scout Troops take part in Framework's Big Sleep Out this year and collectively they raised over £1,300 to support the vital work that Framework does across the Midlands.

As we moved into 2023, the Beavers enjoyed their first Winter Walk around a Colwick Park, the Cubs Rambled around the Farnsfield area, the Swimming Gala made its return and Scouts survived camping out underneath the shelters they made at Survival Camp. The Nottinghamshire Scout & Guide Gang Show returned to the Theatre Royal in March where over 15 young people and adults from Central Notts took to the stage to take part.

Looking forward to the next few weeks, we are very much excited to be welcoming everyone back to the streets of Southwell for our annual St George's Day Parade and seeing over 400 of us join together again for the next District Camp at Sherbrooke

##### Volunteers & recognition

Firstly, I would like to thank each & every one of our fantastic leaders & supporters across the whole district, who have enabled over 1,000 young people to experience exciting adventures, make long-lasting friendships, try new things & ultimately gain skills for life.

Also extra congratulations go to all the leaders & supporters who received good service & long service awards over the course of the year too. We were lucky enough to be able to recognise and present 8 good service awards, 36 long services awards and 4 wood badges to adults all across the district.

CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023  
(CONTINUED)

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER'S REPORT continued

Annual census

At the time of the 2023 census return (taken on 31st January 2023) the District recorded a total of 1,082 young people which represents a 4.3% increase in the overall youth membership from the previous year. The table below shows the breakdown of young people per section, along with the same for the last 4 years, for comparison:

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Squirrels	-	-	-	14	31
Beavers	381	356	218	293	279
Cubs	427	445	349	353	361
Scouts	334	350	254	284	297
Explorers	135	124	75	93	114
<b>Total young people</b>	<b>1,277</b>	<b>1,275</b>	<b>896</b>	<b>1,037</b>	<b>1,082</b>

Finally, all of this would not be possible without the fantastic team of leaders & supporters across the whole district, so thank you again to everyone for what you have done and continue doing for Scouting in Central Notts.



Daniel Bolstridge  
District Commissioner

**CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL**  
**TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT BY THE DISTRICT COMMISSIONER**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023**  
**(CONTINUED)**

**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

Total unrestricted receipts for the year were £98,616 and total unrestricted payments amounted to £91,050 as shown on page 6 resulting in net receipts of £7,566. Our bank and cash balances as at 31st March 2023 amounted to £218,028

A breakdown of our receipts is shown on page 7 and payments shown on page 8

After the year end the 2023/24 membership subscription of £53,559 was paid and the remaining subscriptions from groups of £11,156 was collected.

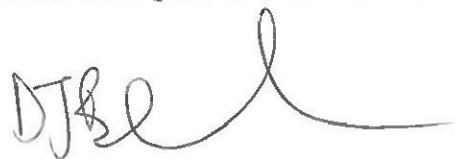
There are no related party transactions during the year .

No remuneration nor expenses were paid to trustees nor related parties.

**RESERVES POLICY**

The Trustees regularly keep under review the level of reserves. The Trustees consider the level of unrestricted funds of £218,028 to be sufficient for the ongoing operation of the District.

Included within general funds of £218,028 are designated funds of £161,778.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'DJB', followed by a long horizontal flourish.

**DANIEL BOLSTRIDGE**  
**DISTRICT COMMISSIONER - CENTRAL NOTTS**

CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT SUMMARY  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

GENERAL FUNDS

	<u>2023</u> £	<u>2022</u> £
Total Receipts for the Year	98,616	80,453
Total Payments for the Year	<u>91,050</u>	<u>50,862</u>
<b>NET RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR</b>	<b>7,566</b>	<b>29,591</b>
Cash, Bank and Similar Funds brought forward	<u>210,462</u>	<u>180,871</u>
<b>CASH, BANK AND SIMILAR FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<b><u>218,028</u></b>	<b><u>210,462</u></b>

The above account and accompanying statements of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 9<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2023.

and signed on their behalf by



DANIEL BOLSTRIDGE

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER - CENTRAL NOTTS

**CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL**

**RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023**

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
	£	£
<b>MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS</b>		
Received for 2022/23	3,720	2,724
Received for 2023/24	48,848	56,840
Less paid to County 2022/23	<u>(50,295)</u>	<u>(44,800)</u>
	<u>2,273</u>	<u>14,764</u>
<b>INVESTMENT INCOME RECEIVED</b>		
Bank Interest	<u>178</u>	<u>2</u>
	<u>178</u>	<u>2</u>
<b>DONATIONS</b>		
Covid Support Grants Gedling Borough Council	-	10,727
Legacy	-	5,000
Donations and grants	1,760	1,426
Gift Aid	<u>460</u>	<u>867</u>
	<u>2,220</u>	<u>18,020</u>
<b>ACTIVITIES</b>		
Camping Fees	36,355	22,352
Capmsite Activities	5,705	2,765
Providore Income	4,714	878
District Squirrel Dreys	568	-
Section Activities	11,059	11,876
Explorer Units	23,042	4,364
District Wide Activities	<u>9,681</u>	<u>2,485</u>
	<u>91,124</u>	<u>44,720</u>
<b>SUNDRY RECEIPTS</b>		
Donation from Jamboree Trust to Jamboree Participants	1,000	-
Badge Secretary receipts	990	2,167
ESU closure	<u>51</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>2,041</u>	<u>2,167</u>
<b><u>Asset &amp; Investment Sales</u></b>		
Loan instalment from 1st Trentside	<u>780</u>	<u>780</u>
	<u>780</u>	<u>780</u>
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR</b>	<u><u>98,616</u></u>	<u><u>80,453</u></u>

**CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL**

**PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023**

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
	£	£
<b>DIRECT CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE</b>		
<u>Premises</u>		
Rent	1,260	840
Water	1,686	1,469
Light and Heat	5,620	5,356
Insurance	4,263	4,173
Telephone & Internet	595	539
Buildings, Grounds & Plant Maintenance	19,666	3,943
Waste Disposal & Cleaning	<u>5,615</u>	<u>2,807</u>
	<b>38,705</b>	<b>19,127</b>
<u>Donations and Grants</u>		
Jamboree trust Fund	600	600
International Jamboree Donation	-	2,000
Hardship Payment	-	50
Campsite donation	-	-
Other Donations	<u>-</u>	<u>20</u>
	<b>600</b>	<b>2,670</b>
<u>Activities</u>		
Campsite - Activities	761	42
Campsite - Providore	3,168	297
District Squirrel Drey	1,617	-
Section Activities	9,348	12,313
Explorer Units	21,581	8,679
District-Wide Activities	9,781	-
St Georges Day Parade	<u>2,266</u>	<u>-</u>
	<b>48,522</b>	<b>21,331</b>
<u>Other Expenditure</u>		
Purchase of Badges	<u>259</u>	<u>2,523</u>
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<u>Admin / Establishment Expenses</u>		
Postage & Stationery	17	44
Sundries	375	872
Examiners fee	720	-
AGM costs	-	20
Legal Fees	-	360
Website costs	104	-
Motion Picture Licence	747	-
Training	36	100
Bank Charges	112	71
Campsite - Miscellaneous	<u>853</u>	<u>-</u>
	<b>2,964</b>	<b>1,467</b>
<u>Asset &amp; Investment Purchases</u>		
Purchases of Fixed Assets - Campsite	<u>-</u>	<u>3,744</u>
	<b>-</b>	<b>3,744</b>
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR</b>	<b><u>91,050</u></b>	<b><u>50,862</u></b>

**CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL**

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES  
AS AT 31ST MARCH 2023**

**GENERAL FUNDS**

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
	£	£
<b>MONETARY ASSETS</b>		
<b>Cash, Bank and Similar Funds</b>		
Bank Current Accounts	195,817	187,694
Bank Deposit Accounts	21,345	21,168
Cash in Hand/Floats	<u>866</u>	<u>1,600</u>
	<b><u>218,028</u></b>	<b><u>210,462</u></b>
<b>OTHER MONETARY ASSETS</b>		
Loan to Trentside	845	1,625
Membership Subscriptions	<u>11,156</u>	<u>-</u>
	<b><u>12,001</u></b>	<b><u>1,625</u></b>
<b>ASSETS RETAINED FOR CHARITIES OWN USE</b>		
Fixed Assets	498	1,557
Badge Stock	6,223	7,609
Providore Stock	<u>774</u>	<u>920</u>
	<b><u>7,495</u></b>	<b><u>10,086</u></b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
<b>Those due within one year:-</b>		
Examiner's Fees	1,602	1,512
Membership Payable to County	53,559	50,295
Motion Picture Licence	823	-
Other creditors	<u>-</u>	<u>258</u>
	<b><u>55,984</u></b>	<b><u>52,065</u></b>

**FUNDS HELD AS AGENT**

The Charity temporarily holds funds on behalf of the Nottinghamshire Jamboree Trust as a result of a building society closing its charity accounts. The funds will be held until such time that a new account can be opened by the Jamboree trustees. The amount held is £24,504. The charity has no discretion about the use of the funds and acts in accordance with the instructions from the trustees of the Jamboree Trust. This amount is not included within the accounts. A new accounts have been set up and the funds were returned on 6th July 2023.

**CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL**

**GENERAL FUNDS**

**AS AT 31ST MARCH 2023**

**GENERAL FUNDS**

	At 01.04.22	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	At 31.03.23
	£	£	£	£	£
General Purpose Fund	58,370	1,888	(4,839)	831	56,250
Designated Funds					
Activities and projects and funds for youth development	63,287	780	-	-	64,067
Badge Secretary	3,530	990	(259)	-	4,261
Sections (Beavers,Cubs,Scouts,Explorers,Network & SASU)	8,289	11,082	(9,348)	-	10,023
Squirrels	-	3,230	(1,617)	(888)	725
Explorers	18,588	23,962	(21,581)	57	21,026
District Activities Funds	3,402	9,681	(9,781)	-	3,302
Development fund	9,958	51	-	(2,000)	8,009
Band fund	613	-	-	-	613
Training Fund	1,692	-	(36)	-	1,656
Hardship Fund	2,535	-	-	-	2,535
Campsite Project Fund	40,198	-	-	(40,198)	0
Sherbrooke Campsite Fund	-	46,952	(43,589)	42,198	45,561
	<b>210,462</b>	<b>98,616</b>	<b>(91,050)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>218,028</b>

The designated fund represents funds designated by the Trustees for:-

- Activities and projects for youth development
- Badge Secretary Fund for the purchase and sale of badges
- Sections - funds for the use by Beavers,Cubs,Scouts,Explorers, Network and SASU
- Squirrels - funds for use by Squirrels
- Explorers - funds for use by Explorer Units
- Development Fund is for the start up of new groups
- District Activities Fund to provide funds for the bi-annual camp
- Band Fund to provide funds on the start up of a band
- Training fund to support training leaders
- Hardship Fund to support disadvantaged children within the District
- Campsite project fund has been redesignated as Sherbrooke Campsite Fund, for use by the campsite.
- Sherbrooke Campsite - funds for use by the Campsite

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31st March 2023 on pages 6 to 10.

### Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the Charity's 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 all 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 in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:-

- \* accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act;  
or
- \* the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.



**A R R PRICE FCA**

for and on behalf of Pells Chartered Accountants  
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NOTTINGHAM  
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