

CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

CONTENTS	PAGE
Administration	1
Trustees' Annual Report	2/6
Receipts and Payments Account Summary	7
Receipts Statement	8
Payments Statement	9
Statement of Assets and Liabilities	10
General Funds	11
Independent Examiner's Report	12

CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

ADMINISTRATION

TRUSTEES *Ex-Officio - Appointment*

District Chair	Mrs R Cragg-Darroch	Ex-officio Trustee
District Commissioner	Mr Daniel Bolstridge	Ex-officio Trustee
Treasurer	Mr W Howland	Ex-officio Trustee (resigned 14.9.23)
Secretary	Mrs J Culley-Oliver	Ex-officio Trustee

TRUSTEES *Elected*

Mr P R Mellors	
Mr P Beeston	(appointed 14.09.23)
Mr B Danvers	(appointed 14.09.23)
Mr L Marriott	(appointed 14.09.23)
Mr R Foxall	(resigned 14.09.23)
Mr H E Walker	(resigned 14.09.23)

Co-opted

Ms J Middleton	(resigned 14.09.23)
Mr S W Thorpe	

TRUSTEES *Nominated*

Miss L Wilson
Miss H Barlow

BANKERS

National Westminster Bank Pic
536 Valley Road
NOTTINGHAM
NG5 1JD

DISTRICT REGISTRATION NUMBER WITH THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION

14701

CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER

1026759

CONTACT NAME AND ADDRESS

53 Stamford Road
West Bridgford
NOTTINGHAM
NG2 6GG

CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

STRUCTURE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Scout Association exists by authority of a Royal Charter granted by King George V in 1912 and supplemented by further Charters, granted by King George VI and Queen Elizabeth II. These Charters give authority to the Bye Laws of the Scout Association, which are approved by His Majesty's Privy Council. The Bye Laws, in turn, authorise the making of rules for the regulation of the Scout Association's affairs, and thereby give authority for the Rules printed 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. Squirrel Scouts, Beaver Scouts, Cub Scouts, Scouts and Explorer Scouts within Central Notts District. It provides a District Trustee Board (The Trustees) to manage its affairs in dealing with District property, financial matters and the appointment of senior adult leaders for each section.

The Trustees of the Central Nottinghamshire District Scout are appointed in accordance with "Policy, Organisation and Rules" at the Annual General Meeting by the District Scout Council, other than ex-officio and co-opted appointments.'

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 Charity 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 2024 (CONTINUED)

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER'S REPORT 1st APRIL 2023 to 31st MARCH 2024

Review of the year

It has been another actioned packed year of Scouting within Central Notts with young people & Groups / Units from all over the District taking part in many fun-filled activities & adventures, experiencing new things and ultimately learning skills for life.

Over the year, we have also welcomed six new sections to the District and two further sections have re-opened following the pandemic, which is fantastic news and showing that Scouting in Central Notts is thriving.

As we started the year, we welcomed over 600 Scouts back to the streets of Southwell for our annual St George's Day Parade, where we was also joined by over 100 Guides from neighbouring Divisions. Our 3rd Squirrel Drey opened at 1st Woodborough and we was very excited that 1st Abel Wood became the 18th Scout Group in our District when they opened a Beaver colony, Cub pack & Scout troop all at the same time.

May saw the return of our second District camp at Sherbrooke, where the young people took part in various international activities in reference to the World Scout Jamboree later in the year. June played host to the first County Squirrel Day that took place at Sherbrooke and saw two of our Drey's join other Squirrels from all over Nottinghamshire for a full day of fun activities

As most sections broke up for summer, five Explorers from Central Notts were getting ready to join up with the other 35 members from Nottinghamshire Scouts to head out to South Korea for the 25th World Scout Jamboree. The Jamboree did not quite go as everyone expected but they all still had a once in a lifetime experience of a worldwide international Scouting event.

Following the summer holidays and as the new Scouting term begun again, two sections re-opened following the pandemic – the Scout section at 1st Burton Joyce and the second Beaver colony at 2nd Arnold. Throughout the latter months of 2023, the Cubs & Scouts took part in their annual Cyclocross & Night Owl events, the District Squirrel Drey held their first sleepover and the Beavers visited the cinema & the Cubs had a party for their Christmas events.

As we entered the new calendar year (2024), we welcomed our 4th Squirrel Drey and 9th Explorer Unit when 1st Redhill Squirrels and Viking ESU both opened. The Beavers also had a trip to Eureka, the Cubs rambled around Burton Joyce and the annual Swimming Gala took place for Cubs, Scouts & Explorers. March brought along BeACub day and the open day for our 5th Squirrel Drey at 3rd Woodthorpe which is due to start after Easter

CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

**TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024
(CONTINUED)**

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER'S REPORT continued

Volunteers & recognition

Firstly, Scouting in Central Notts would not be what it is without all the hard work and dedication of all the fantastic leaders & supporters, who enable our 1,150+ young people to experience exciting weekly programmes, fantastic adventures, learn new skills and make long-lasting friendships. So thank you to each & every one of you for what you have done over the last year (& for lots of you many more too) to support Scouting in the District.

Also extra congratulations go to all the leaders & supporters who received good service & long service awards over the course of the last year too. We were lucky enough to be able to recognise and present 3 good service awards, 49 long services awards and 18 wood badges to adults all across the District.

Annual census

At the time of the 2024 census return (taken on 31st January 2024) the District recorded a total of 1,164 young people which represents a 7.6% 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:

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Squirrels	-	-	14	31	52
Beavers	356	218	293	279	314
Cubs	445	349	353	361	363
Scouts	350	254	284	297	310
Explorers	124	75	93	114	125
Total young people	1,275	896	1,037	1,082	1,164

Again, none of this would be possible without the time & effort that everyone puts in across the whole district, so thank you to everyone for what you have done and continue to do for Scouting in Central Notts.



Daniel Bolstridge
District Commissioner

CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

**TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024
(CONTINUED)**

DISTRICT CHAIRS REPORT

Over the past year, we have witnessed some remarkable events within our district and witnessed some great achievements, all of which you will see in the rest of this report.

We have had an excellent district trustee board team in the past year, and I would like to thank each of them for their support, commitment, and input into supporting the district. My thanks also extend to Daniel for another year of supporting the district treasurers' role and ensuring that the district accounts are in excellent condition.

As we reflect on the last year, I am excited to see the passion remains in the adult leaders, and other volunteers, to deliver the skills and life experiences that scouting provides to young people. I thank all of you for your part in an excellent year and making our district something we should all be proud of.

Rebecca Cragg-Darroch

District Chair

CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT BY THE DISTRICT COMMISSIONER
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024
(CONTINUED)

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Total unrestricted receipts for the year were £103,798 and total unrestricted payments amounted to £173,399 as shown on page 7 resulting in net payments of £69,601. Our bank and cash balances as at 31st March 2024 amounted to £148,427.

A breakdown of our receipts is shown on page 8 and payments shown on page 9

This year includes two years membership payments to the County for 2023/24 and 2024/25

There are no related party transactions during the year .

No remuneration nor expenses were paid to trustees.

RESERVES POLICY

The Trustees regularly keep under review the level of reserves. The Trustees consider the level of unrestricted funds of £148,427 to be sufficient for the ongoing operation of the District.

Included within general funds of £148,427 are designated funds of £138,689



DANIEL BOLSTRIDGE
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER - CENTRAL NOTTS

CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT SUMMARY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024**

GENERAL FUNDS

	<u>2024</u> £	<u>2023</u> £
Total Receipts for the Year	103,798	98,616
Total Payments for the Year	<u>173,399</u>	<u>91,050</u>
NET RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR	(69,601)	7,566
Cash, Bank and Similar Funds brought forward	<u>218,028</u>	<u>210,462</u>
CASH, BANK AND SIMILAR FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>148,427</u>	<u>218,028</u>

The above account and accompanying statements of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 29th August 2024

and signed on their behalf by



DANIEL BOLSTRIDGE

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER - CENTRAL NOTTS

CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS		
Received for 2022/23	-	3,720
Received for 2023/24	11,100	48,848
Received for 2024/25	71,370	-
Less paid to County 2022/23	-	(50,295)
Less paid to County 2023/24	(53,559)	-
Less paid to County 2024/25	(64,038)	-
Transfer net payment to payments	<u>35,127</u>	<u>-</u>
	-	<u>2,273</u>
INVESTMENT INCOME RECEIVED		
Bank Interest	<u>1,411</u>	<u>178</u>
	<u>1,411</u>	<u>178</u>
DONATIONS		
Donations and grants	188	1,760
Gift Aid	<u>-</u>	<u>460</u>
	<u>188</u>	<u>2,220</u>
ACTIVITIES		
Camping Fees	36,279	36,355
Campsite Activities	6,000	5,705
Providore Income	2,874	4,714
District Squirrel Drey	3,284	568
Section Activities	14,070	11,059
Explorer Units	28,631	23,042
District Wide Activities	<u>5,130</u>	<u>9,681</u>
	<u>96,268</u>	<u>91,124</u>
SUNDRY RECEIPTS		
Donation from Jamboree Trust to Jamboree Participants	-	1,000
Badge Secretary receipts	4,530	990
District Clothing	556	-
ESU closure	<u>-</u>	<u>51</u>
	<u>5,086</u>	<u>2,041</u>
<u>Asset & Investment Sales</u>		
Loan instalment from 1st Trentside	<u>845</u>	<u>780</u>
	<u>845</u>	<u>780</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR	<u><u>103,798</u></u>	<u><u>98,616</u></u>

CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
DIRECT CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE		
MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS		
Net payment from receipts	<u>35,127</u>	<u>-</u>
 <u>Premises</u>		
Rent	-	1,260
Water	2,473	1,686
Light and Heat	13,414	5,620
Insurance	4,964	4,263
Telephone & Internet	741	595
Buildings, Grounds & Plant Maintenance	10,578	19,666
Waste Disposal & Cleaning	<u>4,698</u>	<u>5,615</u>
	<u>36,868</u>	<u>38,705</u>
 <u>Donations and Grants</u>		
Jamboree trust Fund	600	600
Donation Jamboree Participants	200	-
Hardship Payment	200	-
Development Grants paid to New Groups/Sections/Units	<u>550</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>1,550</u>	<u>600</u>
 <u>Activities</u>		
Campsite - Activities	74	761
Campsite - Providore	3,158	3,168
District Squirrel Drey	3,443	1,617
Section Activities	15,225	9,348
Explorer Units	30,327	21,581
District-Wide Activities	5,634	9,781
St Georges Day Parade	<u>904</u>	<u>2,266</u>
	<u>58,765</u>	<u>48,522</u>
 <u>Other Expenditure</u>		
Purchase of Badges	1,776	259
ESU Closure	28	-
District Clothing	877	-
Loan to 1st Gedling	<u>7,500</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>10,181</u>	<u>259</u>
 <u>Admin / Establishment Expenses</u>		
Postage & Stationery	91	17
Sundries	123	375
Examiners fee	1,602	720
Legal Fees	5,806	-
Website costs	29	104
Motion Picture Licence	823	747
Training	4	36
Bank Charges	173	112
Campsite - Miscellaneous	<u>1,663</u>	<u>853</u>
	<u>10,314</u>	<u>2,964</u>
 <u>Asset & Investment Purchases</u>		
Purchases of Fixed Assets - Campsite	<u>20,594</u>	<u>-</u>
 TOTAL PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	 <u>173,399</u>	 <u>91,050</u>

CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT 31ST MARCH 2024**

GENERAL FUNDS

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
MONETARY ASSETS		
Cash, Bank and Similar Funds		
Bank Current Accounts	68,601	195,817
Bank Deposit Accounts	78,641	21,345
Cash in Hand/Floats	<u>1,185</u>	<u>866</u>
	<u>148,427</u>	<u>218,028</u>
OTHER MONETARY ASSETS		
Loan to Trentside	-	845
Loan 1st Gedling	7,500	-
Membership Subscriptions	234	11,156
Badge receivables	<u>818</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>8,552</u>	<u>12,001</u>
ASSETS RETAINED FOR CHARITIES OWN USE		
Fixed Assets	18,933	498
Badge Stock	5,688	6,223
Providore Stock	<u>2,110</u>	<u>774</u>
	<u>26,731</u>	<u>7,495</u>
LIABILITIES		
Those due within one year:-		
Examiner's Fees	840	1,602
Membership Payable to County	-	53,559
Membership 2024/25 net in advance	7,332	-
Motion Picture Licence	-	823
Other creditors	<u>5,058</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>13,230</u>	<u>55,984</u>

CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL
GENERAL FUNDS
AS AT 31ST MARCH 2024

GENERAL FUNDS

	At 01.04.23	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	At 31.03.24
	£	£	£	£	£
General Purpose Fund	56,250	491	(47,003)	-	9,738
Designated Funds					
Activities and projects and funds for youth development	64,067	1,776	(7,500)	-	58,343
Badge Secretary	4,261	4,530	(1,776)	-	7,015
District Squirrel Drey	725	3,264	(3,443)	-	546
Sections (Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Explorers, Network & SASU)	10,023	14,342	(15,225)	-	9,140
Explorer Units	21,026	28,631	(30,327)	-	19,330
District Activities Fund	3,302	5,131	(5,634)	-	2,799
Development fund	8,009	-	(578)	-	7,431
Band fund	613	-	-	-	613
Training Fund	1,656	-	(4)	-	1,652
Hardship Fund	2,535	-	(200)	-	2,335
Sherbrooke Campsite Fund	45,561	45,633	(61,709)	-	29,485
	218,028	103,798	(173,399)	-	148,427

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 Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Explorers, Network and SASU
- District Squirrel Drey - funds for use by the Squirrel Drey
- Explorers - funds for use by Explorer Units
- Development Fund is for the start up of new groups and sections.
- District Activities Fund to provide funds to support the running of large scale District-wide events.
- 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
- 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 2024 on pages 7 to 11.

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
17 Newstead Grove
NOTTINGHAM
NG1 4GZ

29th August 2024