

CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

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CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

ADMINISTRATION

TRUSTEES *Ex-Officio - Appointment*

District Chair	Mrs R Cragg-Darroch	Ex-officio Trustee
District Lead Volunteer	Mr Daniel Bolstridge	Ex-officio Trustee
Treasurer	Vacant	
Secretary	Mrs J Culley-Oliver	Ex-officio Trustee

TRUSTEES *Elected*

Mr P R Mellors	
Mr P Beeston	Resigned 19.9.2024
Mr B Danvers	Resigned 19.9.2024
Mr L Marriott	
Mr S W Thorpe	
Miss L Wilson	
Miss H Barlow	

BANKERS

National Westminster Bank Plc
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
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CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

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 2025

DISTRICT LEAD VOLUNTEER'S REPORT

Review of the year

It has once again 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.

The year started with the 5th Squirrel Drey in District opening at 3rd Woodthorpe, Squeaver weekend (an activity day for the Squirrels & a sleepover for the Beavers), followed by being back in Southwell for our annual St George's Day Parade, where over 650 Scouts & Guides came together to celebrate and renew their promises. In May a number of groups & units from Central Notts joined over 2,000 other Scouts from Nottinghamshire at Newark Showground for The Big Weekend and Scouts & Explorers enjoyed a day at Alton Towers.

June the Explorers came together for a camp & cooking competition at Walesby and the Beavers bimbled around Gedling Country Park. Whilst most sections were still broken up for summer, around 60 Scouts meet at Trent Lock for Water Camp and as the new school year started Squirrels visited Sundown Adventure. Throughout the latter months of 2024, the Cubs & Scouts took part in their annual Cyclocross & Night Owl events, the Beavers visited The Deep for a sleepover with the fishes and year ended with the usual fun-packed Christmas parties

As we entered the new calendar year (2025), the Cubs rambled around Edingley and the annual Swimming Gala took place for Cubs, Scouts & Explorers at Hucknall Leisure Centre. March brought along BeACub day and the first taster sessions ahead of opening the 6th Squirrel Drey based at 1st Porchester and re-opening Phoenix Explorers after the Easter break.

Annual census

At the time of the 2025 census return (taken on 31st January 2025) the District recorded a total of 1,176 young people which represents a 1% 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

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Squirrels	-	14	31	52	84
Beavers	218	293	279	314	299
Cubs	349	353	361	363	347
Scouts	254	284	297	310	325
Explorers	75	93	114	125	121
Total Young People	896	1,037	1,082	1,164	1,176

CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

**TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025**

DISTRICT LEAD VOLUNTEER'S REPORT (*continued*)

Thank you and goodbye

After over 6 years in this role, I will be finishing as of 31st July 2025, and I would just like to thank each and every one of you for the help & support over this time. I have had a fantastic team around me over the years and we would not have achieved as much as we did if it wasn't for all their hard work & dedication to Scouting in Central Notts. Even though this is nearly the end for me in this role, I'm sure I will still see many of you around and I wish everyone all the best for the future.



Daniel Bolstridge
District Lead Volunteer

09/03/2025.

CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

DISTRICT CHAIRS REPORT

What a brilliant year it's been for our District!

From inspiring events to meaningful milestones, it's been fantastic to see our young people enjoying everything that Scouting has to offer, thanks to the passion, teamwork, and commitment of so many of you. The rest of this AGM report captures just a glimpse of everything we've achieved together.

I've had the pleasure of working alongside a fantastic District Trustee Board again this year. I want to say a heartfelt thank you to each and every one of you, for your time, your energy, and your unwavering support in helping keep the District moving forward.

Looking back over the past year, what stands out most to me is the continued passion and commitment from our adult volunteers and leaders. Whether you've run a weekly meeting, planned a camp, driven a minibus, or simply offered a helping hand, thank you. You are the heart of our District, and it's your efforts that create the memories, skills, and confidence that young people carry with them for life.

Thank you all for everything you do. It's a joy to be part of such a vibrant, supportive, and forward-looking community. Together, we're building something really special and I can't wait to see what the next year brings.

Rebecca Cragg-Darroch
Central Notts District Chair

CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

**TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
(BY THE DISTRICT COMMISSIONER)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025**

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Total unrestricted receipts for the year were £139,517 and total unrestricted payments amounted to £126,289 as shown on page 7 resulting in net receipts of £13,228. Our bank and cash balances as at 31st March 2025 amounted to £161,655.

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

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 £161,655 to be sufficient for the ongoing operation of the District.

Included within general funds of £161,655 are designated funds of £151,760.



09/03/2026.

**DANIEL BOLSTRIDGE
DISTRICT LEAD VOLUNTEER - CENTRAL NOTTS**

CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT SUMMARY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025**

GENERAL FUNDS

	<u>2025</u> £	<u>2024</u> £
Total Receipts for the Year	139,517	103,798
Total Payments for the Year	<u>126,289</u>	<u>173,399</u>
NET RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR	13,228	(69,601)
Cash, Bank and Similar Funds brought forward	<u>148,427</u>	<u>218,028</u>
CASH, BANK AND SIMILAR FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>161,655</u>	<u>148,427</u>

The above account and accompanying statements of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 09/03/2026 and signed on their behalf by:



**DANIEL BOLSTRIDGE
DISTRICT LEAD VOLUNTEER - CENTRAL NOTTS**

**CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL
RECEIPTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025**

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
	£	£
MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS		
Received for 2023/24	722	11,100
Received for 2024/25	-	71,370
Received for 2025/26	72,962	-
Less paid to County 2023/24	-	(53,559)
Less paid to County 2024/25	-	(64,038)
Less paid to County 2025/26	(66,747)	-
Transfer net payment to payments	-	35,127
	<u>6,937</u>	<u>-</u>
INVESTMENT INCOME RECEIVED		
Bank Interest	<u>2,687</u>	<u>1,411</u>
DONATIONS		
Donations and grants	<u>268</u>	<u>188</u>
ACTIVITIES		
Camping Fees	44,577	36,279
Campsite Activities	3,996	6,000
Providore Income	3,332	2,874
District Squirrel Drey	2,746	3,284
Section Activities	34,374	14,070
Explorer Units	32,007	28,631
District Wide Activities	2,573	5,130
	<u>123,605</u>	<u>96,268</u>
SUNDRY RECEIPTS		
Badge Secretary receipts	2,373	4,530
District Clothing	-	556
ESU closure	1,447	-
	<u>3,820</u>	<u>5,086</u>
ASSET & INVESTMENT SALES		
Loan instalment from 1st Trentside	-	845
Loan instalment from 1st Gedling	500	-
Sale of Fixed Assets - Campsite	1,700	-
	<u>2,200</u>	<u>845</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR	<u>139,517</u>	<u>103,798</u>

**CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL
PAYMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025**

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
	£	£
DIRECT CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE		
MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS		
Net payment from receipts	-	<u>35,127</u>
PREMISES		
Rent	1,260	-
Water	2,527	2,473
Light and Heat	18,106	13,414
Insurance	5,279	4,964
Telephone & Internet	825	741
Buildings, Grounds & Plant Maintenance	10,458	10,578
Waste Disposal & Cleaning	<u>6,062</u>	<u>4,698</u>
	<u>44,517</u>	<u>36,868</u>
DONATIONS AND GRANTS		
Jamboree trust Fund	600	600
Donation Jamboree Participants	-	200
Hardship Payment	-	200
Development Grants paid to New Groups/Sections/Units	-	550
	<u>600</u>	<u>1,550</u>
ACTIVITIES		
Campsite - Activities	238	74
Campsite - Providore	2,087	3,158
District Squirrel Drey	2,444	3,443
Section Activities	30,611	15,225
Explorer Units	32,197	30,327
District-Wide Activities	5,290	5,634
St Georges Day Parade	-	904
	<u>72,867</u>	<u>58,765</u>
OTHER EXPENDITURE		
Purchase of Badges	3,362	1,776
ESU Closure	-	28
District Clothing	-	877
Loan to 1st Gedling	-	7,500
	<u>3,362</u>	<u>10,181</u>
ADMIN/ESTABLISHMENT EXPENSES		
Postage & Stationery	17	91
Sundries	341	123
Examiners fee	840	1,602
Legal Fees	2,573	5,806
Website costs	144	29
Motion Picture Licence	418	823
Training	45	4
Bank Charges	103	173
Campsite - Miscellaneous	<u>462</u>	<u>1,663</u>
	<u>4,943</u>	<u>10,314</u>
ASSET & INVESTMENT PURCHASES		
Purchases of Fixed Assets - Campsite	-	<u>20,594</u>
TOTAL PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	<u>126,289</u>	<u>173,399</u>

CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT 31ST MARCH 2025**

GENERAL FUNDS

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
	£	£
MONETARY ASSETS		
Cash, Bank and Similar Funds		
Bank Current Accounts	48,541	68,601
Bank Deposit Accounts	112,623	78,641
Cash in Hand/Floats	<u>490</u>	<u>1,185</u>
	<u>161,654</u>	<u>148,427</u>

OTHER MONETARY ASSETS

Loan 1st Gedling	7,000	7,500
Membership Subscriptions	-	234
Paris 2026 deposits paid	5,172	-
Badge receivables	<u>2,747</u>	<u>818</u>
	<u>14,919</u>	<u>8,552</u>

ASSETS RETAINED FOR CHARITIES OWN USE

Fixed Assets	16,731	18,933
Badge Stock	5,770	5,688
Providore Stock	<u>2,143</u>	<u>2,110</u>
	<u>24,644</u>	<u>26,731</u>

LIABILITIES

Those due within one year:-

Examiner's Fees	924	840
Paris 2026 deposits received	8,800	-
Membership 2025/26 net in advance	6,215	7,332
Other creditors	<u>4,456</u>	<u>5,058</u>
	<u>20,395</u>	<u>13,230</u>

CENTRAL NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

GENERAL FUNDS

AS AT 31ST MARCH 2025

GENERAL FUNDS

	At 01.04.24	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	At 31.03.25
	£	£	£	£	£
General Purpose Fund	9,738	7,422	(7,517)	252	9,895
Designated Funds					
Activities and projects and funds for youth development	58,343	2,532	(278)	278	60,875
Badge Secretary	7,015	2,373	(3,362)	(1)	6,025
District Squirrel Drey	546	2,746	(2,444)	78	926
Sections (Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Explorers, Network & SASU)	9,140	34,374	(30,611)	(608)	12,295
Explorer Units	19,330	32,007	(32,197)	1	19,141
ESU Closure	-	1,447	-	23	1,470
District Activities Fund	2,799	2,088	(2,681)	-	2,206
Development fund	7,431			(23)	7,408
Band fund	613			-	613
Training Fund	1,652		(45)	-	1,607
Hardship Fund	2,335			-	2,335
Sherbrooke Campsite Fund	29,485	54,528	(47,154)	-	36,859
	138,689	132,095	(118,772)	(252)	151,760
Total General Funds	148,427	139,517	(126,289)	-	161,655

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 2025 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.



9th March 2016

A R R PRICE FCA

for and on behalf of Pells Chartered Accountants
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