

Trustees' Annual Report

For the period:

From	01 April 2025	To	31 March 2026
	(period start date)		(period end date)

Charity Name	5th /7th Wells Scout Group
Charity Registration Number (if registered - leave blank if excepted charity)	1053051
HQ Registration Number	30647

Objectives and activities

Summary of the purpose and objects of the charity as set out in its governing document	The objectives of the charity are as a part of The Scout Association. 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
Summary of the main activities in relation to the purpose and objects	During the reviewed year, the Charity enabled over 100 young people to participate in a range of Scouting activities, achieving positive experiences, badges and top awards.
Statement confirming the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	The Trustees confirm that the charity meets the Charity Commission's Public Benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.

You may choose to include further statements, where relevant, about: Policy on grant making	
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Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year identifying the difference and impact the charity's work has made, including on sustainability	The Charity has enabled over 100 young people to take part in a wide range of scouting activities and promoted Scouting values for the period stated.
You may choose to include further statements, where relevant, about: • <i>Achievements against objectives</i> • <i>Fundraising activities</i> • <i>Contribution made by volunteers</i>	During the year under review the Charity relies on volunteers across many different roles including trustees, section leaders, parents volunteers, maintenance teams at both a Scout group level and section level within the group all contributing to the delivery of programmes. The Charity is also supported by volunteers within East Somerset District and Somerset County Scouts and the Scout Association and occasional ad hoc support from individuals across the community. The Charity is very grateful for the contribution of all these volunteers which supports the successful delivery of our activities and achievements. We have been fundraising to refurbish the hut and have removed all asbestos from the building, will help us to continue delivering our programme in a safe and more up to date building to help us continue providing scouting in the future.. We have funds to alter the toilets which we are hoping to complete in the next year

Financial review

Review of the financial position	
Policy on Reserves, why they are held, and the amount of reserves	The policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the charity should income and fundraising activities fall short. The Trustee Board considers that the charity should hold a sum equivalent to 12 months running costs, circa £20000. The charity held reserves of approximately £20000 against this at year end. This is above the level/below required for operating expenses. However, this can be explained by funds held for the hut refurbishment to replace the toilets, shower room and alterations to create more storage. Excess reserves will be available for 2027
Policy on Investments and investment performance	The Trustee Board regularly monitors the levels of bank balances and the interest rates received to ensure the charity obtains maximum value and income from its banking arrangements. Occasionally this may involve using an account that requires a period of notice before funds may be withdrawn, before doing so the Trustee Board considers the cash flow requirements.
A description of the principal risks	

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document	The charity'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 (POR) of The Scout Association.
How the charity is constituted	The charity is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts. It is constituted as an educational charity.
Trustee selection methods	The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.
Policies and procedures for the induction and training of trustees	All Trustees complete The Scout Association trustee and mandatory learning within the first six months of joining the Trustee Board, they also complete other Scout Association mandatory learning periodically as required.
Additional governance arrangements	The charity is managed by the Trustee Board, the members of which are the "Charity Trustees". 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 Trustee Board consists of the Chair, Treasurer and 5 Trustees (including X Ex-Officio Trustees, and X co-opted Trustees) and meets 6 times a year. The Trustee Board exists to support the Leadership Teams in meeting the responsibilities of their appointments and in supporting them to run high-quality and safe programs that give young people skills for life. The Trustee Board maintain appropriate governance policies and oversight. The Trustee Board is responsible for carrying out its purposes for the public benefit, complying with the charity's governing document and the law, and managing the charity's resources responsibly. The Trustee Board is responsible for ensuring the charity is well managed, risks are assessed and mitigated, buildings and equipment are in good order and everyone follows legal requirements and Scout Association Policy, Organisation & Rules. This includes responsibility for: • Promoting a positive image of Scouting in the community, as well as its development; • Developing, maintaining and regularly a risk register, including putting in place appropriate mitigations; • Ensuring that the finances are properly managed, and there are sufficient resources (and reserves) to deliver high quality Scouting; • Ensuring a system of internal controls is in place that is designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss; • Ensuring that property is appropriately managed; • Maintaining appropriate insurance of persons, property and equipment; • Assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support; • Having an open and transparent selection process for the recruitment of Trustees; • Appointing Advisors as required;

	• Ensuring effective administration is in place to support the Trustee Board; • Ensuring compliance with applicable governance and charity regulations, including in respect to safety and safeguarding; • Ensuring incidents are appropriately reported in line with regulation and policy; • Ensuring applicable policies and regulations are regularly reviewed and changes implemented as appropriate; • Ensuring transparency of operations, including in the preparation of accounts and holding and AGM; • Ensuring compliance with Data Protection legislation; • Acting as a responsible employer for any employees, who are effectively managed.
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Plans for future periods

Plans for future Periods	To complete the Refurbishment Project. Recruit more trustees from outside scouting
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Reference and administration details

Principal Address	2 Bishopslea Close Wells Somerset BA5 1TG
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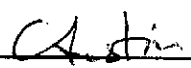
	Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1		Chair	
2	Daniel Currie	Lead Volunteer	
3	Andrew Walker	Treasurer	
4	Richard Cronin	Chair	9/09/2025 – 21/1/2026
5	Robert Adams		
6	Carol Austin		
7	Carolyn Booth		
8	Claire Robertson		
9	Andrew Walker		
10	Andrew Yeates		
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Name and address of advisors

Type of advisor	Name	Address
Independent Examiner / Auditor	James Theedom	<i>The Time Trial of Roses, Westfield Road, Wells, Somerset, BA5 2HS</i>
Detail others		

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.
Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees by:

Signature		
Full name	ANDREW WALKER	CAROL AUSTIN
Position held	TREASURER	TRUSTEE
Date	16/7/26	16/7/26

5th / 7th Wells Scout Group (Charity no. 1053051)

Receipts and Payments Account

Year start date

Year end date

For the year from	01/04/2025	To	31/03/2026
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Receipts and payments

	2025/26			2024/25
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £
Payments				
Charitable Payments				
Youth programme and activities	3,697	-	-	5,583
Adult support and training	1	-	-	-
Rent	-	-	-	-
Water and Sewerage	374	-	-	424
Electricity and Gas	1,253	-	-	973
Insurance	1,329	-	-	1,144
Repairs and Renewals	1,390	-	-	1,602
Materials and equipment	2,264	-	-	1,617
Printing and photocopying	14	-	-	-
Contribution to camp costs	-	-	-	-
Uniforms	2,056	-	-	2,146
AGM and trustee expenses	900	-	-	1,899
Other costs detail 1	-	-	-	-
Other costs detail 2	-	-	-	-
Other costs detail 3	-	-	-	-
Sub total	13,277	-	-	15,388
Fundraising expenses				
Refurbishment Expenses	131	22,057	-	9,534
Detail 2	-	-	-	-
Detail 3	-	-	-	-
Other fundraising costs	-	-	-	-
Sub total	131	22,057	-	9,534
Total Gross Expenditure	13,408	22,057	-	35,464
Asset and investment	-	-	-	-
Total payments	13,408	22,057	-	35,464
Net of receipts/(payments)	20,717	2,443	-	22,222
Transfers between funds				
Cash funds last year end	59,229			35,872
Cash funds this year end	79,946	2,443	-	58,094

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Receipts and payments

	2025/26			2024/25
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £
Receipts				
Donations, legacies and similar income				
Membership subscriptions	13,715	-	-	13,715
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/Area/District)	- 8,586	-	-	- 8,586
Donations	7,105	-	-	7,105
Legacies	-	-	-	-
Gift Aid	3,555	-	-	3,555
Other similar income	-	-	-	-
Sub total	15,788	-	-	15,788
Grants				
Maintenance grant	-	-	-	-
Other grants	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Fundraising events (gross)				
Refurbishment Fundraising	14,255	24,500	-	38,755
Explorers Fundraising	1,315	-	-	1,315
Detail 3	-	-	-	-
Other fundraising activities	-	-	-	5,415
Sub total	15,570	24,500	-	40,070
Scout hut income				
Hire of building	705	-	-	705
Hire of equipment	-	-	-	-
Other Scout hut income	403	-	-	403
Sub total	1,108	-	-	1,108
Investment income				
Bank interest	1,659	-	-	1,659
Building Society interest	-	-	-	-
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	-	-	-	-
Other investment income	-	-	-	-
Sub total	1,659	-	-	1,659
Total Gross Income	34,125	24,500	-	58,625
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	34,125	24,500	-	58,625

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Receipts and Payments Account

Year start date

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Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	2025/26			2024/25
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£
Cash funds				
Bank current account	15,016		-	15,016
Bank deposit account	64,931	2,443	-	67,374
Building society account	-	-	-	-
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	-	-	-	-
Cash/Floats	-	-	-	-
Total cash funds	79,946	2,443	-	82,390
(agree balances with receipts and payments a/c)	ok	ok	ok	ok
Other monetary assets				
Tax claim	-	-	-	-
Debts due from the County/Area/District/Group	-	-	-	-
Insurance claim	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Investment assets				
Investment property - detail	-	-	-	-
Quoted investments	-	-	-	-
Other investments - detail	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Non monetary assets for				
Badge stock	-	-	-	-
Shop stock	-	-	-	-
Other stock	-	-	-	-
Land and buildings	-	-	-	-
Motor vehicles	-	-	-	-
Scouting equipment, furniture etc	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Liabilities				
Accounts not yet paid	-	-	-	-
Expenses incurred but not invoiced	-	-	-	-
Subscriptions not yet paid	-	-	-	-
Loan - detail	-	-	-	-
Other liabilities	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total net assets	79,946	2,443	-	82,390

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on Xth X 200X (the date of the Trustee Board meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by

Signature

Print Name

[Signature]
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DANIEL CURRIE Chair
ANDREW WAKUSA Treasurer



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

5th / 7th Wells Scout Group

On accounts for the year
ended

31/03/2026

Charity no
(if any)

1053051

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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

~~The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]. Delete [] if not applicable.~~

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

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

Signed:

J. Theedon

Date:

21 / 7 / 2026

Name:

JAMES THEEDON

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body

ACCA - FELLOW
MEMBERSHIP NUMBER 1875588

(if any):

Address: THE TIME-TRAIL OF ROSES, WESTFIELD ROAD,
WELLS, SOMERSET. BA5 2HS

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material 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.