Trustees' Annual Report
1st January 2025 to 31st December 2025

Charity name 786 Wolverhampton
Registered charity number 1183484

Charity's principal address

Dunstall Heights
1 Dunstall Rd
Wolverhampton
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Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

Maria Clark	**Chair**
Matlub Begum	**Secretary**
Salma Ibrahim	**Treasurer**
Dilshad Ali	**Trustee Member**
Khalid Khan	**Trustee Member**
Shakeela Asif	**Trustee Member**

Governance

The Charity continues to adhere to the Constitution agreed with the Charities Commission when setting up the CIO.

The Charity is managed by the Board of Trustees, also they undertaking the Scout Group Executive Committee role of the Scout Group 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 Committee consists of 6 representatives, Chair, Treasurer and Secretary and three Trustees. The Committee meets at least 4 times a year and more if necessary.

The Board of Trustees exists to support the smooth running of the Charity's day to day operations in meeting the responsibilities of the appointments and is responsible for:

The maintenance of Charities property;
The raising of funds and the administration of Charities finance;
The insurance of persons, property and equipment;
Charities public occasions;
Assisting in the recruitment of Volunteers/leaders and other adult support;
Appointing any sub committees that may be required;
Appointing Charities Administrators and Advisors other than those who are elected.

Risk Assessment and Internal Control Officers

Lead	Khalid Khan
Deputy	Shakeela Asif

General

The Charity has in place systems of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss; these include 2 signatories for payments and comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

The Board of Trustees has identified the major risks to which they believe the Charity is exposed. These have been reviewed and systems have been established to mitigate against them. The main areas of concern that have been identified are:

Injury to Volunteers/leaders, helpers, supporters and members.

The Charity through Unity Insurance has 10,000,000 Employers Liability and 5,000,000 Public and Products Liability cover. For the Scouts Group all registered Scouting activities are covered under the Scout Association's insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before and during activities.

Reduced income from fund raising.

The Charity is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. The Charity does hold reserves to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income. The Committee could raise the value of subscriptions to increase the income to the charity on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently.

Reduction or loss of Volunteers/leaders.

The Charity is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the group. If there was a reduction in the number of volunteers/leaders to an unacceptable level in a particular area of operation or across the whole Charity then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of certain activities or Scouts sections. In the worst-case scenario this would result in the complete closure of the Charity.

Reduction or loss of members.

The Charity provides activities for all young people aged 6 to 25 and their families. If there were a reduction in membership in a particular activities or sections or the whole Charities operations then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of activities or section. In the worst-case scenario this would result in the complete closure of the Charity.

Objectives

To promote, maintain, improve and enhance the education and development of children and young people and their families living in Wolverhampton and the surrounding area by the provision of items and holiday schemes.

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objectives

Community Cohesion and Resilience Programme

We were able to during the course of the project bring people of different Religious, Cultural and Ethnic backgrounds together locally, to listen, share and interact with each to enhance a better sense of Social Cohesion to our area. Permitting for insight into to our rich and very diverse community.
Participants also had opportunities to volunteer, befriend, participate and support the community cohesion narrative. Embodying an aspect of addressing gender equality and social inclusion which is often overlocked in certain communities.
We had a variety of different activity's taking place during the duration of the program such as:
Basic ESOL /Ladies Self-defence / Cooking Sessions / Arts & Crafts Youth Engagement / Cultural Diversity celebration sessions

Number of sessions: 43
Number of Participants: 124
Number of interventions: 690

Positive changes to the lives of people that participated on project:
Participants had a better understanding of other cultures and differences, leading to increased trust of people within the area and 65% of participants considered themselves more part of their community and feel they are more able to get involved.
Improved mental wellbeing and overall wellness, 60% of participants felt that they had improved their self- esteem and confidence.
50% of participants became more physically active and improve their overall health fitness levels.
75% of participants have learnt new skills.

Training
Counter Extremism improving community awareness and capacity
Hate Crime Reporting, supporting individuals to report hate crime, including those focused on particularly the Muslim Community and especially vulnerable members such as the elderly and women.
The Counter Extremism training provided some of our Volunteers with knowledge and information on extremist narratives and relevant knowledge to deal with any issues that arise.
The return on investment for the project improved our Charity's proficiency to respond to periods of community tensions through reporting schemes this will strengthen community connections, promote unity and shared values.

UK Shared Prosperity Programme

This programme helped us continue to tackle the inequalities in our communities which impact on the opportunities of local people, our target groups were ethnically diverse individuals and families from within our community of St Peters that required some stimulation and encouragement to explore new activities and step out of their comfort zones, they took part in mixed or gender specific session due to cultural and religious beliefs.
Activities were delivered that had been developed in consultation and feedback with the community including young people in previous projects.
We continued with a flexible approach to developing our activities and offered them on the door step, to make sure people could access the right support in the right place, at the right time.
The impact of this funding was significant for those who take part. We were able to:
Bringing new and old members together and this assisted in supporting our goals of a healthy and vibrant community
Increased community connections by providing disengaged communities, stepping stones to improve their Mental and Physical Wellness
Increased confidence of volunteers, motivation and self –esteem
Increased life skills for most participants
Improved and increased fitness levels in the community
Reduced anti-social behaviour

Brought different people together out of Social Isolation

We had a variety of different activity's taking place during the duration of the program such as:
Intergeneration collaboration activities
Stay and Play for parents and their pre-school toddlers.
Sport and physical activities for all ages

Cultural cooking sessions
Art and crafts sessions
Somewhere safe to go and something to do space

Number of sessions: 100
Number of Participants: 130
Number of interventions: 1260

All activities were free of charge eliminating the financial barrier to participation. On the doorstep at local community venues. The community locations helped towards reducing our carbon footprint, reducing any travel costs associated to attending sessions and there was more flexibility in regards to timing of activities. The programme was opened to all in our community maintaining the flexibility to change to gender-based activities to make sure that we did not restrict engagement.

Positive changes to the lives of people that participated on project:
Participants had a better understanding of other cultures and differences, leading to increased trust of people within the area and 90% of participants considered themselves more part of their community and feel they are more able to get involved.
Improved mental wellbeing and overall wellness, 80% of participants felt that they had improved their self- esteem and confidence.
90% of participants became more physically active and improve their overall health fitness levels.
85% of participants have learnt new skills.

Wolves Foundation

Delivered multisport/MMA fitness sessions at Dunstall Community Centre. These sessions were for young people aged 7-18 attending with a maximum of 20 participants per session. All activities were free of charge eliminating the financial barrier to participation. On the doorstep at local community venue. The community location reduced any travel costs associated to attending sessions and there was more flexibility in regards to timing of activities. The programme was opened to all in our community. Due to cultural requirements for some of the participants in the MMA sessions we adopted a change to gender-based sessions boys only girls only, to make sure that we did not restrict engagement.

Number of sessions: 55
Number of Participants: 40
Number of interventions: 915

Scout Sections January 25- December 25

Beavers / Cubs / Scouts/ Explorers
Scouts group activities:
Number of sessions: 53
Number of Participants: 46
Number of interventions: 888

Scouting Activities:
The Scout sections participated in following events throughout the year:
The scout sections all follow the scouting curriculum as is laid down by the Scouts Association.

786th Wolverhampton Group Camp July 2025
15 Scouts (Male/Female)
9 Young Leaders (Male/Female)

MSF Summer North Camp July 2025
4 Scouts (Male/Female)
8 Young Leaders (Male/Female)

The overwhelming benefits were:
Connected young people to nature and the benefits of time in the outdoors.
Gave young people new skills for life though team working, challenge and adventure.
Improved young people's mental health and wellbeing.
Young people making new friends from other scout's groups across England.

Trusted Partner Wolves Online

The City of Wolverhampton with local partner's community continues to build networks to get residents digitally included, as a grassroots Charity we feel that our user group are benefiting from Wolves Online Trusted Partnership. The importance of digital connectivity with many of our families unable to access online learning, employment support due to data poverty, lack of or unsuitability of devices. Wolves Online is a device and connectivity lending and gifting scheme aimed at supporting Wolverhampton residents to get online to access services, participate in online learning and search for employment. Devices are distributed through a network of 'trusted partners' who commit to support their clients to get online and improve their digital skills.

As a Trusted Partner 786 Wolverhampton we have lent out devices with a sim card to enable our families to get online.

Vodafone Partnership

786 Wolverhampton in partnership with Vodafone`s everyone connected programme., have been offering a free SIM card with 40GB data a month, plus free unlimited calls and texts, for 6 months. The free sim card is available for those not working, low income households, households without access to the Internet or those socially isolated and helps support people without digital connectivity.

This enables us to, to provide connectivity to our young people and their families to connect with family and friends free for 6 months with access to social media, surfing the web and online shopping, Improving their IT skills, training to people in need.

As the need for free connectivity grows as a result of the cost-of-living crisis, Vodafone wants to raise awareness of the issue and its programme provides people with a free SIM.

FareShare Partnership

We are partnered with FareShare, it is a food charity network aimed at relieving food poverty and reducing food waste in the UK, FareShare Go has allowed 786 Wolverhampton with direct access to surplus food from local supermarkets, including Tesco, ASDA and Waitrose & Partners, and wholesaler Booker. The food is good quality food that can no longer be sold for a variety of reasons, such as damaged packaging or a short-shelf life. How it works is when the supermarket has surplus food, they send out a message notification to us, we then collect the food from the supermarket either that night or the next day, which we are able to use in daily operations or distribute within our network to families living in food poverty.

Public Benefit Statement

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.

Funding / Fundraising

St Peters Physical Activity Fund £1,850.20
Wolverhampton CC £1,500.00
CCRF £9,997.00
Lloyds Bank Foundation £1,000.00
Wolves Foundation £11,980.00
UKSPF £17,684.00
StreetGames £480.00

Subscriptions

Scout Group £1,663.00
Explorer Group £522.00

Other

Camp £1,120.00

Total Income
£47,796.20

Reserves Policy

The Charities policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the group should income and fundraising activities fall short. .

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above

Position	Name	Signature	Date
Chair	Maria Clark		7-10-26
Secretary	Matlub Begum		7-10-26
Treasurer	Salma Ibrahim		7-10-26
Trustee Member	Shakeela Asif		7-10-26
Trustee Member	Dilshad Ali		7-10-26
Trustee Member	Khalid Khan		7-10-26

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Receipts and payments account Final

	Year start date		Year end date
For the year from	01/01/2025	To	31/12/2025

Receipts and payments

		2025 Unrestricted funds £	2025 restricted funds £
Receipts			
Members' subscriptions/ activity fees		3,305	
Fundraising Events			-
Grants		1,000	43,491
Donations			-
Legacies		-	-
Gift Aid		-	-
Other similar income			-
Sub total		**4,305**	**43,491**
Grants			
Maintenenace grant		-	-
Other grants		-	-
Sub total		**-**	**-**
Fundraising events (gross)			
Detail 1		-	-
Detail 2		-	-
Detail 3		-	-
Other fundraising activities		-	-
Sub total		**-**	**-**
Scout hut income			
Hire of building		-	-
Hire of equipment		-	-
Other Scout hut income		-	-
Sub total		**-**	**-**
Investment income			
Bank interest		-	-
Building Society interest		-	-
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service		-	-
Other investment income		-	-
Sub total		**-**	**-**
Total Gross Income		**4,305**	**43,491**
Asset and investment sales, etc.		-	-
Total receipts		**4,305**	**43,491**

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Receipts and payments

		2025 Unrestricted funds £		2025 restricted funds £
Payments				
Charitable Payments				
Staffing				11370
Rent				7576
Management Costs		-		2402
Equipment		-		15513
Activities Resources & Materials		-		7619
Refreshments		-		1500
Printing and photocopying		-		320
Activity costs		-		1584
Training Cost's		-		1500
Travel & Parking		-		
Insurance		-		805
Capitation		-		2183
Other costs detail 2		-		-
Other costs detail 3		-		-
Sub total		-		52,372
Fundraising expenses				
Detail 3		-		-
Other fundraising costs		-		-
Sub total		-		-
Total Gross Expenditure		-		52,372
Asset and investment purchases, etc.		-		-
Total payments		-		52,372
Net of receipts/(payments)		4,305		- 8,881
Cash funds last year end		-		-
Cash funds this year end		4,305		- 8,881

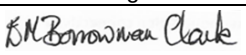
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Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	2025 Unrestricted funds	2025 restricted funds
	£	£
Cash funds		
Bank current account	1,500	10,818
Bank Scouts account	590	-
BankExplorer account	187	-
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	-	-
Cash/Floats	-	-
Total cash funds	2,277	10,818
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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 charity's own use		
Motor vehicles	-	-
Land and buildings	-	-
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	2,277	10,818

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 07th October 2026 and signed on their behalf by

Signature	Print Name	
	Maria Clark	Chair
	Salma Ibrahim	Treasurer

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of 786 Wolverhampton

Charity Number: 1183484

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31/December 2025 which are set out on pages 1 to 3.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (a) to (c) of the 2006 Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention

Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 44(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with

Regulation 8 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations

Name: Hamza Iqbal

Examiners signature: 

Address: 224 Dunstall Road, Wolverhampton, WV6 0NX

Date: 14/10/2026