Trustees' Annual Report

For the period

From (start date) 01042025 to end date 310

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name: Furze Platt Scouts Group (3rd Maidenhead)

Other names the charity is known by:

Registered charity number (if any): 271398

HQ registration number:

Charity's principal address: 194 Cookham Road, Maidenhead, Postcode SL6 7

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity
(These will be published in the annual report of the charity and the Charity Register if reporting for a Registered Charity with a charity regulator)

	Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1	Neil Trivedi	Group Scout Leader & Lead Volunteer	
2	Tony Doolan	Assistant Group Scout Leader	
3	Jo Buy	Chair	
4	Matt Buy	Treasurer	
5	Simon Barrett	Leaders representative and Property	
6	Malcolm Burtt	IT Director	

Names and addresses of advisers (optional information but encouraged as best practice)
(These will be published in the annual report of the charity)

Type of advisor	Name	Address
Independent Examiner	Alan Abrahamson	

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document

(e.g. trust deed, constitution)	The Group's governing documents are those of the The Scout They consist of a Royal Charter, which in turn gives authority t Laws of the Association and The Policy, Organisation and Rule Scout Association.
How the charity is constituted (e.g. trust, association, company)	The Group is a trust established under its rules which are com Scouts.
Trustee selection methods (e.g. appointed by, elected by)	The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Org Rules of The Scout Association.

Additional governance issues (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:	The Group is managed by the Group Trustee Board, the memb are the 'Charity Trustees' of the Scout Group which is an educ As charity trustees they are responsible for complying with legi applicable to charities. This includes the registration, keeping p accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as ap
Policies and procedures adopted for: a) the induction and training of trustees; b) trustee' consideration of major risks and the systems and procedures to manage them.	The Trustee Board consists of the Chair, Treasurer and 4 Trus 1 Ex Officio Trustee, and 3 appointed Trustees) and meets eve Members of the Trustee Board complete Being a Scouts Trust within the first 6 months of joining the Board. This Group Trustee Board exists to make sure the charity is we risks are assessed and mitigated, buildings and equipment are working order, and everyone follows legal requirements and th organisation's policies and rules. Their support helps other volu high-quality and safe programmes that gives young people skil

Section B	Structure, governance and management (continued)

Risk and Internal Control (Specimen 1)

The Group Trustee Board has identified the major risks to whic
the Group is exposed, these have been reviewed and systems
established to mitigate against them. The main areas of conce
been identified are:

Damage to the building, property and equipment. The Group h
two sites. HQ on Cookham Rd and Marion's Meadow campsite
In the unlikely case of the total loss of one of these sites, the o
utilised. In the very unlikely case of both sites being lost simult
Group would request the use of buildings, property and equipn
Scout groups, neighbouring organisations such as the memori
church and community centre. The Group has sufficient buildir
contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss

Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members. The Grou
capitation fees contributes to the Scout Associations national a
insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all
mandatory training is monitored - this includes health and safe

Reduced income from fund raising. The Group is primarily relia
income from subscriptions and fundraising. The group does ho
ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major redu
income. The Board has plans to raise the value of subscription
the income to the group on an annual basis. The group has re
volunteer to support with fundraising activities.

Reduction or loss of leaders. The group is totally reliant upon v
run and administer the activities of the group. Providng sufficie
given and there are sufficient adult volunteers within a particula
continuity of the section will not be an issue. If there was a sud
in the number of leaders to an unacceptable level in a particula
the group as a whole then there may be a contraction, consolic
closure of a section. In the worst case scenario the complete c
particular sections would be follwed by a closure of the group.

Reduction or loss of members. The Group provides activities fo
people aged 4 to 18. If there was a reduction in membership in
section or the group as whole then there would have to be a co
consolidation or closure of a section. In the worst case scenari
closure of the Group.

Risk and Internal Control (Specimen 2)

The group has in place systems of internal controls that are de
provide reasonable assurance against material mismanageme
these include two signatories for all payments and a comprehe
insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered. T
limit of £500 per trsansaction. Sums greater than this have to b
separately by the Trustee board.

Section C	Objectives and activities
Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document	**The Purpose of Scouting** Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people i 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 an **Respect -** We have self-respect and respect for others. **Care -** We support others and take care of the world in which v **Belief -** We explore our faiths, beliefs and attitudes. **Co-operation -** We make a positive difference; we co-operate and make friends. **The Scout Method** Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with a 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 these objects	Meetings at HQ, at our campsite and at other off site locations range of experiences and activities to the Young People who a FPSG.

Additional details of the objectives and activities (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about: • policy on grantmaking; • contribution made by volunteers; • policy on investments.	

Public benefit statement

The Group meets the Charity Commission's public benefit crite
the advancement of education and the advancement of citizen
community development headings.

Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

See attached report

Section E Financial Review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Reserves Policy

The Group's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources t
charitable activities of the group should income and fundraisin
short. The Group Trustee Board considers that the group shou
equivalent to 3 months running costs, circa £20,000.

The Group held reserves of approximately £24,000 against thi
This is above the level required for operating expenses. Howe
explained by the income received from subs and donations as
accounts.

Quantify and explain any designations

Details of any funds materially in deficit (circumstances plus steps to eliminate)

Further financial review details (optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

Investment Policy (Specimen 1)

• the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);	The Group's Income and Expenditure is very small and as a co does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer-term investme stocks and shares. The Group has therefore adopted a low risk the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using onl banks or building societies or The Scout Association's Short Te Investment Service.
• how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;	The Group Trustee Board regularly monitors the levels of bank the interest rates received to ensure the group obtains maximu income from its banking arrangements. Occasionally this may an account that requires a period of notice before funds may b before doing so the Group Trustee Board considers the cash fl requirements.
• investment policy and objectives;	**Investment Policy (Specimen 2)** The Group does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer te investments. The Group has therefore adopted a risk averse st investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only m banks or building societies.

There are no significant activites planned for the coming year outside the

Section F Other Optional Information

Plans for future periods (details of any significant activities planned to achieve them)	See accompanying Word document

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	Matt Buy	Jo Buy
Full name(s)	Matt Buy	Jo Buy
Position (eg Secretary, Chair)	Treasurer	Chair
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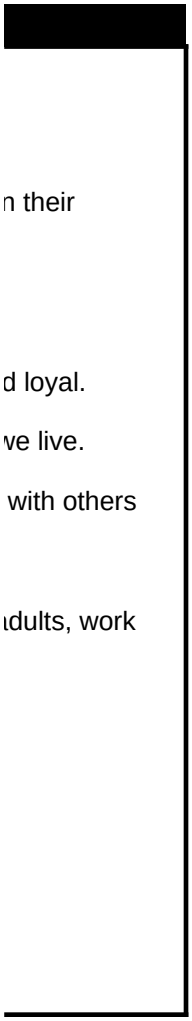
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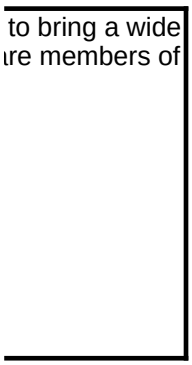
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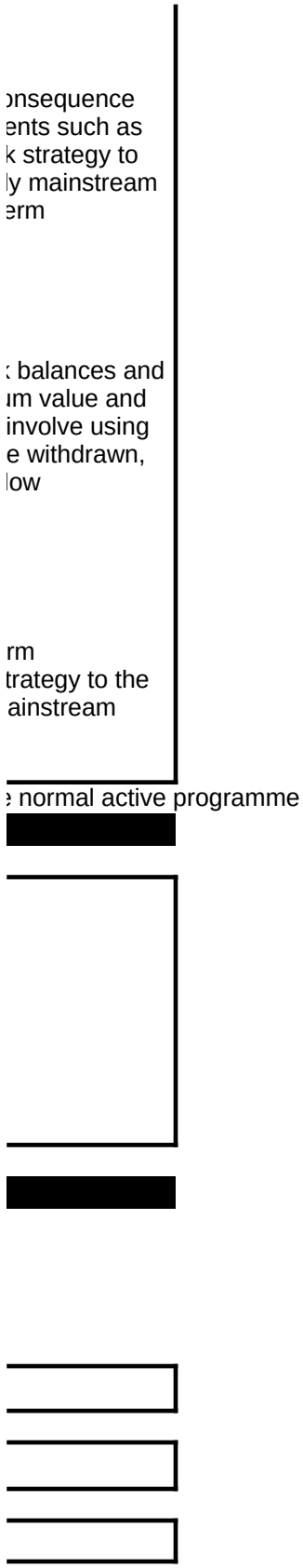
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Furze Platt (3rd Maidenhead) Scout Group (Charity no. 271398)
Receipts and payments account

	Year start date		Year end date
For the year from	4/1/2025	To	3/31/2026

Receipts and payments

	2025/26 Unrestricted funds £	2024/25 Unrestricted funds £
Receipts		
Donations, legacies and similar income		
Membership subscriptions	8,251	13,242
Donations	13,412	2,489
Legacies		
Gift Aid	2,352	6,326
Activities	3,213	3,082
Badges and Uniforms	887	85
Camps and Expeditions	8,966	9,480
Other similar income		9,119
Sub total	37,081	43,823
Grants		
Maintenenace grant	-	-
Other grants	-	-
Sub total	-	-
Fundraising events (gross)		
Easy Fundraising		120
Event	1,566.84	-
Recycling at HQ	147.05	-
F3	-	-
Sub total	1,714	120
Scout hut income		
Hire of building		904
Hire of equipment	-	-
Other Scout hut income	11	-
Sub total	11	904
Investment income		
Bank interest	-	-
Building Society interest	-	-
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	-	-
Other investment income		
Sub total	-	-
Total Gross Income	38,806	44,847
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-
Total receipts	38,806	44,847

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	Year start date		Year end date
For the year from	4/1/2025	To	3/31/2026

Receipts and payments

	2025/26 Unrestricted funds £	2024/25 Unrestricted funds £
Payments		
Charitable Payments		
Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/Area/District)	7,480	15,982
Youth programme and activities	9,758	6,858
AGM and trustee expenses		
Rent		697
Water and Sewerage	1,148	10
Electricity and Gas	1,291	3,241
Insurance	1,863	1,968
Repairs and Renewals	9,382	22,177
Cleaning	1,075	1,004
Printing and photocopying		
Contribution to camp costs	4,457	9,494
Uniforms	2,068	1,906
AGM and trustee expenses		
Equipment Expensed	1,153	408
OSM Costs		
Funds due to Dragons		
Finance Costs		
Sundry	254	155
Sub total	39,930	63,901
Fundraising expenses		
Event - Elephant racing	743	117
Detail 2	-	-
Detail 3	-	-
Other fundraising costs	-	-
Sub total	743	117
Total Gross Expenditure	40,672.09	64,018
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	-	-
Total payments	40,672	64,018
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 1,866	- 19,171
Cash funds last year end	26,150	45,321
Cash funds this year end	24,284	26,150

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Receipts and payments account

	Year start date		Year end date
For the year from	4/1/2025	To	3/31/2026

Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	31st March 2026 Unrestricted funds	31st March 2025 Unrestricted funds
	£	£
Cash funds		
Bank current account	24,284	26,150
Bank deposit account		-
Building society account		-
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service		
Cash/Floats	-	-
Total cash funds	24,284	26,150
(agree balances with receipts and payments account)	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	-	-
Scout Bond	-	-
Sub total	-	-
Non monetary assets for charity's own use		
Badge stock	-	-
Shop stock	-	
Other stock	-	-
Land and buildings	771,520	763,120
Motor vehicles	-	-
Scouting equipment, furniture etc	37,500	37,520
Other	-	-
Sub total	809,020	800,640
Liabilities		
Accounts not yet paid	-	
Expenses incurred but not invoiced	-	-
Subscriptions not yet paid	-	-
Loan - detail	-	-
Other liabilities	-	-
Sub total	-	-
Total net assets	833,304	826,790

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 Executive Committee meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by

Signature	Print Name
	Chair
	Treasurer

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Furze Platt Scout Group ('the Scout Group').

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Furze Platt Scout Group for the year ended 31st March 2026.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Furze Platt Scout Group 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 Furze Platt Scout Group 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:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of Furze Platt Scout Group as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. 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.

Signed:

Alan G Abrahamson FCCA (retired)

Name: Alan G Abrahamson

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies: Fellow of the Chartered Association of Certified Accountants (Retired)

Address: 44 Ashcroft Road, Maidenhead

Date: 1st June 2026