4th Dunstable Group Scout Council

Annual General Meeting

12th July, 2024 at 7pm

Group Headquarters, 109 Jeansway, Dunstable

**Present**

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| Andy Townend | Group Scout Leader | Kendal Morris | Chair |
| Emma Roberts | Group Secretary | Linda Rooney | Group Treasurer |
| Charlotte Townend | Squirrels Leader | Jo Crosby | Beaver Scout Leader |
| Andrew Jephcott | Executive Member | Ian Crosby | Quartermaster |
| | | Mandie Townend | Cub Scout Leader |
| | | Callum Pollard | Executive Member |

**Apologies** – Sandy Blake

Welcome from Andy Townend

Welcome to Margaret Wilson from District Team

AGM last year – minutes to approve, seconded by Andrew Jephcott

Agree the model constitution from POR - seconded Mandy Townend

*Finances*

We have step back from fundraising, money decreasing now as expected. Giving volunteers a break, building weather proof and able to use at is currently is. Will begin again fundraising

Year End 2023 Income - £27,217.14

Year End 2023 Expenditure - £43,711.73

Closing balance - £4,009.71

*Scout Council*

This is made up of parents, leaders, trustees, executive members.

No new nominations.

No vote required but can join at any time.

Agree number of members that may be appointed to the Trustee Board – last time 10 was agreed. Seconded by Charlotte Jackson

Quorum set – seconded by Jo Crosby

*Review of Year*

Brilliant year, sections have participated in many activities. More sewing for badges! Children come along, enjoy themselves, adventurous activities and badges to show for it. Sections are strong.

Young members – approx. 80 across four sections. No waiting lists for a long time. Thank you to leaders for allowing places to be available.

*Making Appointments*

Required to vote in Group Chair, Secretary, Treasurer – no other nominations required. All re-voted in – seconded by Callum. Pollard.

Four member of the board of trustees – Sandy, Andy, Ian and Callum. Voted in again.

Thanks for board of trustees and leaders. To parents, thank you for picking us, hope that children enjoy and if they don't, tell us. Share with friends as always looking for new members. Age 4 to 14 ½, Squirrels to Scouts.

Ellie and Matt left Scouts recently but now come back to support the different sections.

Thank you to Linda – long service award – 5 years.

Thank you to section leaders and their teams for giving up their time, to parents for taking children to and from various activities.

Thank you to Mandy for unofficial group leader role.

Andrew Jephcott– stepping down from Beaver section, thank you for your support

Reengaging Angela Wood for accounts.

Take a look at the blue board – bigger projects we will look to fundraise for in the future.

Guess how much the projects cost

Take a look at the white board – smaller, easier tasks – if anyone is able to help please sign up

Meeting Closed 7.17pm

| **Income** | |
|---|---|
| | **£** |
| Subs | 9,896.35 |
| Gift Aid | 1,813.21 |
| Fundraising and donations | 13,679.63 |
| Events/Activites | 1,160.00 |
| Uniform, Badges and Scarves | 420.75 |
| Refunds | 247.20 |
| | **27,217.14** |

| **Expenditure** | |
|---|---|
| Electricity | 217.20 |
| Water | 251.92 |
| Activities | 1,677.12 |
| Badges | 661.69 |
| Capitation | 3,150.00 |
| Donations | - |
| Events | - |
| Insurance | 1,783.83 |
| Post/postage/stationery | 106.50 |
| Refunds | - |
| Repairs and maintenance | - |
| Equipment | 171.51 |
| New hut expenditure | 35,691.96 |
| Scarves and uniform | - |
| | **43,711.73** |
| Profit/(loss) | **(16,494.59)** |
| Transfer to Savings | - |
| Net profit/(loss) | **- 16,494.59** |

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| Bank balance as at 30th December 2022 | **20,504.30** |

| Row Labels | Sum of In | Sum of Out |
|---|---|---|
| British Gas | 217.20 | |
| Activities | 1,160.00 | 1,677.12 |
| Anglian Water | | 83.40 |
| Badges | | 661.69 |
| British Gas | | 217.20 |
| Capitation | | 3,150.00 |
| Castle Water Ltd | | 26.71 |
| Donation | 3,679.63 | |
| Equipment | | 171.51 |
| Everflow Limited | | 141.81 |
| Gift Aid | 1,813.21 | |
| Grant | 10,000.00 | |
| Insurance | | 1,783.83 |
| New Hut | | 35,691.96 |
| PPS | | 106.50 |
| Refund | 30.00 | |
| Subs | 9,896.35 | |
| Uniform, badges and scarves | 420.75 | |
| **Grand Total** | **27,217.14** | **43,711.73** |

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

# Independent examiner's report on the accounts

## Section A Independent Examiner's Report

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| **Report to the trustees** | 4TH Dunstable Scout Group | | |
| **On accounts for the year ended** | 31 December 2025 | **Charity no (if any)** | 300450 |
| **Set out on page** | 3 | | |

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31st December 2025.

**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**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination 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.

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| **Signed:** | Stephen Anderson | **Date:** | 2nd October 2026 |
| **Name:** | Stephen Anderson FCCA | | |
| **Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):** | Fellow of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants | | |
| **Address:** | 153-155 London Road<br>Hemel Hempstead<br>Hertfordshire HP3 9SQ | | |

| Section B | Disclosure |
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| | 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**. | |