10th FAREHAM SCOUT GROUP

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Friday 15th May 2026 – 7:00pm

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&
MINUTES OF THE 2025 AGM

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1. **Introduction and welcome**
2. **Apologies for absence**
3. **Governance topics**
   a. Approve the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on the 16th May 2025.
   b. Adopt the model constitution from Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR).
   c. Note the Group's financial year.
   d. Agree the maximum number of members that may be appointed to the Trustee Board.
   e. Agree the quorum for future meetings of the Group Scout Council (excluding this AGM).
4. **Review of the previous year**
   a. The Group Lead Volunteer's review of 10th Fareham Scouts during the past 12 months.
   b. Receive and consider the Annual Report of the Group Trustee Board, including the annual Statement of the Accounts.
5. **Making appointments**
   a. Group Chair on Year 3 of a 3-year term.
   b. Group Treasurer on Year 3 of a 3-year term.
   c. Appoint members of the Group Trustee Board.
   d. Appoint the Independent Examiner.
6. **Closing remarks**
   a. Denewulf District Lead Volunteer.
   b. Group Chair.
7. **BBQ and social.**

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Health & Safety and domestic announcements were made.

1. Introduction and welcome

Paul Squire, Group Chair, chaired the meeting

Paul welcomed Members of the Group Scout Council and invited them to take a copy of the AGM Report. A digital copy of the report would be distributed after the meeting.

2. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Liz Williams and Andrew de Bere.

3. Governance topics

Paul explained that this part of the meeting was to make sure the charity's foundations were in good order

3a. Approve the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 17TH May 2024

The minutes had been reviewed by the Group Trustee Board at their first meeting after the previous AGM. Paul directed members to the minutes in the AGM report and proposed that these were taken as read and asked the Group Scout Council to agree that they are a true record of that meeting. *Minutes were approved with a show of hands. No objections or abstentions.*

3b. Adopt the model constitution from Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR)

Chair: In line with the recommendation from The Scout Association, the Group Trustee Board and Scout Council adopted the model constitution for a Scout Group from Chapter 5c of POR with minor amendments at the 2024 AGM. There were no proposed changes to the Constitution. Paul explained that if it was accepted then the Group would be covered, were anything to go wrong. *Constitution was approved with a show of hands. No objections or abstentions.*

3c. Note the Group's financial year

Group Scout Council members were asked to note the charity's financial year was 1 January to 31 December.

3d. Agree the number of members that may be appointed to the Trustee Board

Following good practice recommendations from the Charity Governance Code, POR states Trustee Boards should have a minimum of 5, and no more than 12, trustees in total. The outgoing Trustee Board recommended that up to 12 people were appointed in line with the Constitution. *The recommendation of up to 12 was approved with a show of hands. No objections or abstentions.*

3e. Agree the quorum for future meetings of the Group Scout Council (excluding this AGM)

The outgoing Trustee Board recommended that its quorum (the minimum number of Group Scout Council members that must be present at Group Scout Council meetings) should be set at 15 people for the future. *The recommendation of 15 was approved with a show of hands. No objections or abstentions.*

4. Review of the previous year

Paul explained that this part of the meeting would reflect on the activities of the past year, and that Section reports could be found in the AGM report.

4a. The Group Lead Volunteer's review of Scouts

Paul asked Steve Dean. the Group Lead Volunteer, to present his Annual Review.

Steve directed members to the AGM Report. There have been changes in the board and leadership. More leaders are needed, so Steve encouraged members to volunteer. Group continues to thrive, with numbers remaining static, and very active programmes. Thanks to Young Leaders, and all volunteers, in particular Diane for organising the Fairthorne trip and the newsletter. Congratulations to recipients of Chief Scout Awards.

4b. Receive and consider the Group Trustees' Annual Report including the annual Statement of Accounts

Paul noted that the Group Trustee Board had prepared the Trustees' Annual Report and Statement of Accounts, and had received and considered the report on the accounts from the Scrutineer. Paul asked Richard McKeown, Group Treasurer, to give an overview of the Statement of Accounts in the AGM Report.

Income from the phone mast, solar panels and hall rentals mean that the Group does not need to fundraise. Expenses were up due to work on the hut (in particular roof repairs and rewiring) and higher activity and capitation payments. Funds are healthy at £81,000, as the Group is saving for a hut replacement in the future. There are no plans to increase subscriptions.

In the next 12 months electricity bills will rise when our fixed rate expires. Hall hire prices would rise next year due to the higher cost of electricity. And the higher cost of consumables. There is more maintenance planned, to electrics, refurbishing the toilets, flower beds etc.

One question from the floor: Why has there been a drop in solar income? Richard explained that it had been affected by work on the electrics and being disconnected for about 2 months prior to, and during the roof repairs.

Paul thanked Steve Dean, Richard McKeown and the scrutineer for completing the Statement of Accounts and for all their work during the year. No vote was required as the Group Scout Council only 'receives and considers' the report.

5. Making appointments

Paul explained that this part of the meeting was to organise the set-up of the charity until the next AGM. A Trustee Board should be appointed to oversee good governance for the charity over the next year. This includes appointing Trustees and / or officers whose terms have ended.

5a. Appoint the Group Chair, following recommendations from the open selection process conducted under arrangements made by the Group Trustee Board

Paul Squire was appointed as chair for a 3 year term in 2024, so no vote was needed.

5b. Appoint the Group Treasurer, following recommendations from the open selection process by the Group Trustee Board

Richard McKeown was appointed as treasurer for a 3 year term in 2024, so no vote was needed.

5c. Appoint members of the Group Trustee Board, following recommendations from the open selection process conducted under arrangements made by the Group Trustee Board

Members of the Group Trustee Board are appointed for a 12 month period. The recommendation to the Group Scout Council was that the following should be appointed as members of the Group Trustee Board: James Taylor, Jack Hobbs, Diane Summers, Liz Williams, Chris Clements and Andrew de Bere.
Recommendation was approved with a show of hands. No objections or abstentions.

Paul noted that the Group Lead Volunteer is an ex-officio member of the Board. There are currently no co-opted or community members.

Paul thanked the Trustees, and the Trustee Board Administrator, for their work during the year and, in particular, those members who are standing down – Karen Sanders, Emma Soundy, Clare Goodman, Helen McVean, Dawn Mansfield and Ann Thomas. Paul appealed for more volunteers.

5d. Appoint the Scrutineer

Scrutineer will be appointed at a later date.

6. The District Lead Volunteer's Remarks

District Lead Volunteer, Mike McHugh, was unable to attend as he was held up in traffic.

7. Closing remarks

Paul stated that material things will change for the better over the next few months, and invited volunteers to help at the next working party on 21st & 22nd June. Paul then closed the AGM, thanking everyone for attending, and invited them to join the BBQ.

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TRUSTEE'S ANNUAL REPORT
For the period From 1st January 2025 to 31st December 2025

Section A Reference and Administration Details

Charity Name	10TH Fareham Scout Group
Registered charity No	302235
Charity's principal address	20B Highlands Road Fareham PO16 7XN

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates of Appointment
Paul Anthony Squire	Chair	19/05/2023
Rachel Chopra		02/06/2025
Christopher Alan Clements		19/05/2023
Diane Summers		19/05/2023
Richard Mckeown	Treasurer	19/05/2023
Stephen John Dean	GLV	19/05/2023

Section B Structure, Governance And Management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document	The Group'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 of The Scout Association.
How the charity is constituted	The Group is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.
Trustee selection methods	The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.
Additional governance issues	The Group is managed by the Group Trustee Board, the members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' 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 Trustee Board consists of the Chair, Treasurer, 3 appointed Trustees and the Group Lead Volunteer. The Trustee Board meets about every 3 months. Members of the Trustee Board complete Being a Scouts Trustee learning within the first 6 months of joining the Board. This Group Trustee Board exists to make sure the charity is well-managed, risks are assessed and mitigated, buildings and equipment are in good working order, and everyone follows legal requirements and the organisation's policies and rules. Their support helps other volunteers run high-quality and safe programmes that gives young people skills for life. In addition to the Trustee Board, the Group operates a Management Committee consisting of the Trustees, Section leaders and other appointed persons to manage hall hire, maintenance etc. This committee meets at monthly intervals and provides the day-to-day management of the Group and premises.
Risk and Internal Control	The Group Trustee Board has identified the major risks to which they believe the Group 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 leaders, helpers, supporters and members. The Group through the capitation fees contributes to the Scout Associations national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities. Reduced income from fund raising. The Group is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. The Group does hold a reserve to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income. The Board could raise the value of subscriptions to increase the income to the Group on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently. Reduction or loss of leaders. The Group is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the Group. If there was a reduction in the number of leaders to an unacceptable level in a particular section or the Group as a whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section. In the worst-case scenario, the complete closure of the Group.

	Reduction or loss of members. The Group provides activities for all young people aged 4 to 14. If there was a reduction in membership in a particular section or the Group as whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section. In the worst case scenario the complete closure of the Group. The Group has in place systems of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss, these include 2 signatories for all payments and a comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

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 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 cooperate 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 these objects	These objectives are met by careful programme planning by the leaders of the various Scouting sections. In particular, the activities are designed to maximise the opportunities for all members to learn and enjoy their time in Scouting.
Public benefit statement	The Group meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.

Section D Achievements & Performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year	The Group has improved the Scout facilities in 2025 as follows; • Wi-Fi provided to the hall • Creation of a new website

- Commencement of the move towards a corporate type IT system
- Re-established the Squirrel section (following loss of leaders)
- Increased leader numbers in Beavers and Squirrels
- New roof coverings to east end of the building

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 to continue the charitable activities of the Group should income and fundraising activities fall short. The Group Trustee Board considers that the Group should hold a sum equivalent to 3 months running costs (ie costs to operate and maintain the Scout facilities), circa £8K.

The Group held reserves of approximately £25,000 against this at year end. This is above the level required for operating expenses. However, this can be explained by planned major maintenance works.

Investment Policy

The Group does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer term investments. The Group has therefore adopted a risk averse strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or building societies.

As part of the forward planning process, the Trustees set aside funds designated for future rebuilding and/or major maintenance of the premises. At the end of 2025 this fund was £45,000. If and when suitable investments are identified that offer a reasonable rate of interest on the investment, these funds will be invested accordingly.

Section F Other Information

Plans for future periods	The Trustee Board have plans in progress to reformat and replace the exisiting WC facilities in the Scout Hall. These are anticipated to cost circa £20K.
	The Scout Hall was opened in September 1996 and a 30th anniversary celebration is planned for later this year.

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	P. Squire	
Full Names	Paul Anthony Squire	Stephen John Dean
Position	Chair	Group Lead Volunteer
Date	5/5/2026	03/05/2026

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10th Fareham AGM – Chair's report for 2025, up to April 2026.

The Group has had a single Executive committee for many, many years, with each member being a Trustee. Over the last 18 months a few people did not wish to be Trustees, so for a short period it was a "mixed" meeting. In early 2026 the single meeting split into two meetings - the Trustee Board, and the Management meeting. At the same time, the Trustee Board has reduced in size to a maximum number of 7 Trustees.

The reduction in the number of the Trustees lead to a few 'retirements', but I am pleased to say that these volunteers are still with us in other Roles within the Group. I would like to thank James Taylor, Jack Hobbs, Liz Williams and Andrew de Bere for the time they spent as Trustees.

The retention of meeting Minutes for posterity, and important documents, etc can get "lost" as time marches on, as various people leave the Group. It can also prove challenging for people to receive documents in a timely manner; or even to collaborate in a meaningful way. To help us in the future, the Trustees agreed to implement a "simple" corporate type IT system, which would not only cover documents, but also include chat Groups, calendars and shared document storage. After a review of what was available for Charities, it was decided to use 'Google for Nonprofits'. Some elements we already have, such as a shared Google calendar; but in other areas, such as shared storage, we currently tend to rely on individuals storing the documents within their own personal IT. This change will take quite a bit of time to achieve, but in the long term, it should mean we are not reliant on an individual's IT, or memory. It will also mean that our volunteers have 10th Fareham e-mail addresses.

All the adult volunteers within the Group have lives outside of Scouting; but, now and again, we still find a few parents who think we are paid. Steve Dean (Group Lead Volunteer) and I greatly appreciate all the time and effort that adult volunteers put into supporting our Group, whether it is 2 hours a week, or even much more time; for without all our volunteers, the Group would not exist.

Paul Squire
Chair
Trustee Board
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GROUP LEAD VOLUNTEER'S REPORT (May 2025 to May 2026)

We started the last Scouting year with the unfortunate loss of most of our Squirrel's leadership team at the end of August. Consequently, we had to suspend Squirrels until we were able to recruit enough new leaders to safely run the section. Fortunately, with two "out-of-the-blue" enquiries and some sterling recruitment work by Kirstie, we were able to restart the section in January. With Kirstie's assistance we now have a fully functioning team and I would like to formally welcome Beth Samborski, Andrew Feltham, Dawn Leigh and Mike Clarkson to the Group. I would like to thank Kirstie for her help in getting the team up and running in the Spring term – not an easy task alongside her running the Beaver section! Hopefully she can now relax a bit having stepped away from Squirrels.

The Beaver section is running well under Kirstie's leadership with assistance from Clare and Andrew. Hopefully we will also have Matt Bayley's input once his DBS is finally processed – it seems to be stuck in the system at present.

We are still short of leaders in the Cub section but Richard and Chris are doing a great job in keeping things going, with some parental help coming on-line. In addition, Lucy Laws (former Young Leader) is now 18 and will be added to the team once her DBS has completed. We do, however, need more uniformed leaders for the section, so I will simply repeat last year's plea! **The challenge is to find people willing to give up some of their time to become new leaders**. If you know of anyone willing to make such a commitment, please let us know. I could peddle the old "it's only one night a week" theme and, to a certain extent it is, but once involved most leaders put in far more, and get even more out of their input. Full training will be given (a lot being on-line) and the roles are great for anyone wishing to work with children to put something back – perhaps following their own childhood activities in Scouting?

Scouting wise the Group continues to thrive with;

- 11 Squirrels – down 1
- 25 Beavers (1 Young Leader) – up 4
- 25 Cubs (1 Young Leader) – up 1
- 17 Scouts – No change

These are pretty much static from last year, and we could increase the numbers from the waiting list if we had a couple more leaders.

The Scouts do not currently have a Young Leader, but Finlay Dicks has reached the ripe old age of 18 and has continued the tradition of former members going into uniform. It is particularly pleasing that the entire Scout leadership team have all been members of the Group since they were Beavers.

I would like to thank the Young Leaders who continue to support the Group after moving on to Explorers. Charlie Smith (Cubs) and Erin Summers (Beavers) do a fantastic job in support of the adult leaders and their help is very much appreciated. Hopefully we can find YLs for the Scouts and Squirrels soon.

All sections have an active programme and I am sure the young people enjoy their activities. More details of their activities are included in the various section reports.

I would like to congratulate the following for achieving their Chief Scouts Awards in their sections.

Chief Scouts Acorn – Squirrels:	Oscar Hewitt, Samuel Clarkson, Lucas Dickinson
Chief Scout's Bronze – Beavers:	Henry Pallett, Edward Morton, Jake Mitchell, Quinn Chopra, Albert Habgood

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No Chief Scouts awards for the Cubs and Scouts this year but several are very close to achieving the award.

A huge number of badges have been awarded this year;

- Squirrels – 111
- Beavers – 298
- Cubs – 252
- Scouts - 112

I would like to thank our Chair and the members of the Trustee Board. In particular the continued support of our Treasurer (Richard McKeown), (now) Deputy Chair (Diane Summers) and our new Secretary (Moira Fisher). Richard has been with us for donkey's years and continues to manage the finances superbly. Diane has been the instigator of our newsletters and also been the driving force behind the Group Fun-Day at Marwell which was a great success last year and is looking to be so again this year. Moira has taken on a crucial and difficult role at a time of major change. It's not an easy task, particularly for a busy person, and her support is very much appreciated

I would also like to particularly thank our Hall Hiring Officer (Liz Williams) and our "maintenance man" (James Taylor). James' input to the hall maintenance and electrical services is invaluable and we are extremely lucky to have him on board. In addition, Matt Bayley has procured and installed a new CCTV system for us (at virtually no cost), created our new website and procured Wi-fi for the Scout Hall. His support and expertise/contacts are very much appreciated.

Finally, we continue to provide good facilities for our members and hirers, but maintaining the Scout Hall is an ongoing task. We plan to refurbish the toilets soon, along with the final part of the rewiring programme and a few key repairs, and replacing the garage roof.

The Scout Hall is 30 years old in September, and the Group is planning a big celebration party. More information about this will follow in the next Newsletter with emails to follow, so please "watch this space"!

Steve Dean
Group Lead Volunteer

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SQUIRRELS SECTION REPORT (May 2025 to May 2026)

(Note from GLV: Unfortunately, we lost our Squirrel leadership team in August 2025 and had no option but to suspend the section while recruiting new leaders. With some timely, and unexpected approaches and recruitment, we were able to restart the section in January 2026. The team is now well established and I am pleased to report that the new team is working extremely well. Much of the credit for this must go to Kirstie for her input to getting the section going again and assisting the new team to find their feet.)

The Squirrels section began in January and all leaders are new to their roles, and this term represents the completion of the section's first full programme cycle.

The leadership team consists of:

- **Beth** – Leader in Charge
- **Andrew** – Leader
- **Dawn** – Leader

Throughout the term, **Kirstie** has provided support by assisting and leading meetings, helping with planning, and overseeing the general running of the section while responsibilities are handed over to the new team. She has also spent time training the new leaders on OSM and making sure that they have completed all their training, including arranging the welcome conversation.

Term Overview (January–March)

14th January – All About Me
Squirrels completed booklets introducing themselves to help the group get to know one another.

21st January – First Aid Stage 1
A nurse visited to support work toward the 'Stage 1 First Aid' badge. Squirrels also celebrated Squirrels week by making a squirrel feeder with monkey nuts.

28th January – All About Me Badge: Helping the Community
Squirrels created a thank-you card and poster for the fire station as part of their community-focused activities.

4th February – Independent Task
Session focused on independent skills, including learning how to brush teeth correctly.

11th February – Shrove Tuesday (Super Chef Badge)
Squirrels made and ate pancakes and sampled foods from different countries as part of badge requirements for 'super chef' and 'let's celebrate'.

25th February – Let's Celebrate: Chinese New Year
Craft activity related to Chinese New Year, including making a horse using a mini chocolate roll and learning about Chinese New Year as part of the 'let's celebrate' badge.

4th March – Fareham Fire Station Visit
Visit to Fareham Fire Station, where Squirrels learned about equipment and had the opportunity to use the fire hose.

11th March – Founders Day & Investitures
Session covered Founders Day and general information about Scouting. New Squirrels and leaders were invested.

18th March – Let It Grow Badge
Squirrels made yoghurt-pot heads and planted sunflower seeds as part of the 'let It Grow' badge.

25th March – Helping the Community: Litter Picking
Litter-picking session took place around the Miller Drive shops to support work on helping the community for the 'all around us' badge.

Summary
This term marks the first full term of the newly formed Squirrels section. All leaders are new to their roles, and the section has focused on establishing routines, delivering core programme content, and introducing young people to Scouting activities.

Squirrels collected the below badges:

- Let's celebrate
- Super chef
- Membership
- Denewulf district badge
- They are still working on: All about me, All around us.

Beth Samborski
Squirrel Team Leader

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BEAVERS SECTION REPORT (May 2025 to May 2026)

This year has been one of growth, development, and exciting opportunities for our Beaver section. Our leadership team have truly found their feet, working together to create a positive and engaging environment for our young people. While we were sad to lose Tom, who has moved to Swanmore as a Cub Leader, we are delighted to have welcomed Matt to the team. Erin has also joined us as a Young Leader and has quickly become a valued member of the team, building strong relationships and engaging exceptionally well with the Beavers.

It has been a particularly busy year filled with memorable adventures. In July, we held our very first night away, camping in tents at the back of our compound. This was a huge success and a fantastic achievement for both the Beavers and the leadership team. Building on that success, we followed it up with a two-night indoor camp in October. Nights away from home can be daunting for both our young members and their parents, but we are incredibly proud of how well the Beavers embraced these experiences. The enthusiasm has been clear, with many already asking when the next camp will be.

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to Richard Bayley for his support during these events, particularly while Kirstie worked towards gaining the necessary permits. This has enabled us to operate more independently as a section and opens the door for even more opportunities in the future.

Throughout the year, our Beavers have continued to live by their promise and values, taking part in a variety of activities to support others. One of our biggest highlights has been our involvement in the Odyssey Challenge. This initiative aims to foster kindness and raise awareness of disabilities within sport, engaging schools and community groups alike. As part of this challenge, our Beavers carried out an incredible 30 to 50 acts of kindness each and set themselves a sponsored challenge to raise £30 in support of the charity. Their enthusiasm, compassion, and commitment have been truly inspiring.

We were thrilled to see four of our Beavers achieve the highest award at this section – the Chief Scouts Bronze Award – a fantastic accomplishment that was proudly presented to them by Roger Freemantle, Denewulf District President. A big well done to them all!

Overall, it has been a fantastic year for our Beaver section, and we look forward to building on this success in the year ahead.

Kirstie Mitchell
Beaver Team Leader

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CUBS SECTION REPORT (May 2025 to May 2026)

This has been another busy year for the cub section with a varied programme of activities and events

Summer term 2025
Badges - Air Activities, Backwoods Cooking, Nature, Navigation
Hike (Titchfield canal path / Meon shore) (Titchfield Haven Nature Reserve)
Go Karting (TeamSport, Gosport)
Indoor Climbing (Top Rock, Fareham Leisure Centre)
Summer Camp (Cranbury Park, Chandler's Ford) - this is a fantastic venue, several cubs spent their first night away from home and this was a great success
Group Activity Weekend (Fairthorne Manor) - archery, climbing, paddleboarding, raft building
Royal International Air Tattoo (RAF Fairford, Gloucestershire) - a fantastic day out for cubs, very educational and an opportunity to see the Red Arrows display team

Autumn term 2025
Badges - Backwoods Cooking, Emergency Aid, Science, Space
Hike (Titchfield canal path / Meon shore) (Titchfield Haven Nature Reserve)
District Camping Competition (Sandy Acres, Shedfield) - well done to the 6 cubs (Eloise, Henry, Isabelle, Jake, James, Seoras) who represented us
Remembrance Parade - good turnout from cubs to honour the fallen
Gosport & Fareham Inshore Rescue Service (GAFIRS) (Gosport Lifeboat Station) visit - cubs enjoyed learning about this independent lifeboat charity (not part of RNLI), station tour and interactive session on water safety, lifejackets etc
M27 Junction 10 Improvement Scheme (VolkerFitzpatrick site visit). Cubs enjoyed learning about this major infrastructure project to support Welborne Garden Village development, seeing the concrete box underpass that was moved into place at Christmas, plus various STEM activities including building bridges and towers to test their strength and stability
Indoor Climbing (Red Spider)
Hobbies / Sports Enthusiast - cubs discussed their hobbies/interests with associated items in an interactive session
Diwali celebrations (Hindu festival of lights) - learning other cultures and faiths
Christmas Party

Spring term 2026
Badges - Communication, Environmental Conservation, Pioneering
Board Games / Top Trumps
Cooking (Pancakes)
Hike (Fareham Creek trail path / Cams Hall estate)
Founders Day / Scouting History
International Reducing CO2 Emissions Day
District Chess & Draughts Competition - well done to the 6 cubs (Ethan, Jake, Mason, Oliver, Quinn, Seoras) who represented us and congratulations to Seoras who won the Draughts
Great Tommy Sleep Out (Royal British Veterans Enterprise national fundraising event for homeless veterans) - well done to the 16 cubs who slept out in the freezing conditions raising money for this good cause, several cubs spent their first night away from home

Early summer term 2026
St George's Day Parade (Bishop's Waltham Palace) - good turnout from cubs
Hampshire Cub Jamboree (Foxlease Park, New Forest) - county event to celebrate the 110th birthday of cubs as a section within Scouting

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Bowling (Bowl Central, Fareham)

Forthcoming events
Scouting the Zoo (Marwell Zoo) (16 May)
Summer Camp (Ferny Crofts, New Forest) (5 to 7 June)
Group Activity Weekend (Fairthorne Manor) (20 & 21 June)
Cubs 110th Birthday Celebration (10th Fareham Scout HQ) (11 July)
Royal International Air Tattoo (RAF Fairford, Gloucestershire) (17 July)
District Camping Competition (Sandy Acres, Shedfield) (19 & 20 September)
Group Scout Hut 30th Anniversary Celebration (10th Fareham Scout HQ) (26 September)

Badges
During the past 12 months we have awarded 254 badges with 2 cubs (Joseph Habberley, John Devonshire-Murphy) achieving their Chief Scout Silver Award which is the highest award in cubs - congratulations to all cubs for their hard work to earn these. Several cubs due to move up to scouts at the end of the summer term are working towards their remaining challenge badge (Personal) to achieve their Chief Scout Silver Award.

In addition to the badges covered in our weekly meetings or hikes/nights away, cubs complete badges at home with parents uploading evidence in OSM (Online Scout Manager) relating to their hobbies / interests (Cycling, Martial Arts, Musician, Photography, Physical Recreation, Skating, Sports Enthusiast, Swimming) and help at home (Animal Carer, DIY, Gardening, Home Help)

Section size
We currently have 25 cubs with 4 due to leave and move up to scouts at the end of this term (July). We will then increase to 26 cubs at the start of next term (September) with 2 beavers moving up to cubs and 3 new members joining from the waiting list (we can only increase capacity with more leaders).

Section leadership team
Chris Evans is currently working towards his Nights Away permit - this will give us more flexibility for camps and other overnight activities with another permit holder alongside myself. Chris recently attended an expedition training weekend in the Brecon Beacons.

Toby Hills and Lucy Laws (both at college/university) continue to help as and when available, which is much appreciated. Lucy recently turned 18 so is now an adult leader.

Charlie Smith joined us as a young leader in January having previously been in our Cubs and Scouts. He has settled in well and is working on his young leader development training.

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Parent help

In order to continue providing a varied programme, we need parents to provide help on a rota basis for activities away from the scout hut (external visits, hikes) and nights away in order to meet the required adult/child ratio - all help is very much appreciated. We are grateful for occasional parent helpers but we need more permanent help - please contact Steve Dean (Group Lead Volunteer) or myself if you are interested in becoming a leader or regular helper.

Finally, I would like to thank everyone in the section team as well as other leaders, trustees and volunteers across the wider Group and parents for all their help, support and commitment over the past year.

Richard Bayley
Cubs Team Leader

10th Fareham

SCOUTS SECTION REPORT (May 2025 to May 2026)

Scout Section Report
Another successful year for our scout section with numbers currently at 17 with a few more cubs due up to us shortly and a couple of scouts due to move on later in the year. I am pleased to report one of these scouts is still part of the group and currently working with our Cub section as a young leader which is fantastic to see as quite a few of our scouts have stayed to help out and become full adult leaders within our group, which most recently included our own former young leader Finley who is now a full leader and working his way through his training with his initial training already completed.

Events wise we have again taken part in the Great Tommy Sleepout which raises funds for helping veterans many of whom find themselves homeless, as part of this scouts fundraised for the Royal British Veterans Enterprise charity also working towards their fundraiser badge. We also held a summer camp in the fantastic New Forest at Ferny Crofts activities centre where several scouts braved the heights on the gladiator challenge and we also had a very scenic all day hike across the forest. As well as this we also had a great time at Fairthorne Manor for the group fun weekend taking part in several activities both on and off the water and having a group & family BBQ. This is a fantastic event to bring all the sections of 10th Fareham together and we look forward to this years fun weekend! We also went go-karting at Teamsport in Gosport which proved very popular and was thoroughly enjoyed. We again also provided the food for our group fireworks event and most recently did an overnight camp for our patrol leaders and assistant patrol leaders.

We have awarded 112 badges in total this year. We held a night at Waterstones in Whiteley to allow the scouts to complete their librarian badge and in keeping with our skills for life ethos we also completed the money skills badge to help the scouts learn about money, saving and how to manage their finances. We completed digital citizen which included various skills to do with staying safe online such as secure passwords and how to spot scams and avoid them. We also had a visit from the South Central Ambulance Community First Responders who refreshed our first aid skills and told us about the lifesaving work they do in our community. We have had some great input from scouts via Online Scout Manager (OSM) we are always happy to review badgework completed outside of scouts and OSM allows you to review all badge requirements and then submit any work completed to us.

I just want to close by thanking everyone who contributes to our success as a Troop. My assistant leaders Jack Hobbs, Alasdair West, and Dan Hobbs and Finley Dicks. To our Management Committee & Trustees who keep the lights on, Steve Dean our Group Scout Leader and all our other volunteers both leaders and parent helpers. And to James Taylor our group caretaker for all his work.

Chris Clements
Scout section leader.

1Oth FAREHAM SCOUT GROUP

REPORT & ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDING 31-Dec-25

Charity Commission No **302235**

10th Fareham Scout Group
Independent Examiner's report
to the trustees of 10th Fareham Scout Group

Independent examiner's report to the trustee's of 10th Fareham Scout Group

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the 10th Fareham Scout Group for the year ended 31st December 2025 which are set out on pages 2 to 5.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the 10th Fareham 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 10th Fareham 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 the 10th Fareham 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 

Chartered Accountant

Name: Richard Matthews
Address: 41 Privett Road, Fareham, Hants
Date: 11th April 2026

10TH FAREHAM SCOUT GROUP - Registered Charity No 3022535

Unrestricted receipts and payments account

for the year from 01/01/2024 to 31/12/2025

Receipts & Payments

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
Total receipts for the year	**page 3**	46,534	37,522
Total payments for the year	**page 4**	(58,245)	(31,094)
Net (profit)/receipts for the year		**(11,710)**	**6,428**
Cash funds @ end of 2024		81,088	74,660
Cash funds end of 2025	**page 5**	**69,377**	**81,088**
Profit /Loss		(11,710)	6,428

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Receipts (Unrestricted Funds)

for the year from 31/12/2025 to 31/12/2025

Receipts

	2025 £	2024 £
Subscriptions		
Membership subscriptions	9,954	9,719
	9,954	**9,719**
Rental Income		
Hall Hire	8,959	10,445
Aerial Site Rentals	4,137	4,137
Land Use Rental	5,050	
District Band Store Rental	205	
Solar Energy Income	3,848	199
	22,199	**14,781**
Grants		
Council Grants	-	750
	-	**750**
Fundraising		
Toy & Book Fayre	-	285
Charity fundraising	36	118
Other Fundraising	16	
Easy Fund Raising	-	-
Sale of T Shirts & Neckers	206	119
	257	**522**
Activities		
General Activities	438	383
Camps	5,532	2,005
Trips & Outings	1,513	685
Fireworks	907	861
	8,391	**3,934**
Other receipts		
Gift Aid	5,302	
Training	-	-
Donations	50	-
Railtrack facility rent (one off)		
Miscellaneous	382	7,657
	5,734	**7,657**
	46,534	**37,363**

10TH FAREHAM SCOUT GROUP - Registered Charity No 3022535

Payments (Unrestricted Funds)

for the year from 31/12/2025 to 31/12/2025

Payments

	2025 £	2024 £
Group Capitation		
Group Capitation	4,323	4,504
	4,323	**4,504**
Fundraising		
Toy & Book Fayre	-	-
	-	**-**
Charitable Donations	-	400
Sponsorship	500	-
	500	**400**
Activities		
General Activities	2,775	3,702
Badges	2,111	1,042
Training & Uniforms	889	25
T Shirts & Neckers	-	-
Camp blankets, handbooks and funds to units	-	371
Camps	6,602	2,279
Trips & Outings	4,125	757
Miscellaneous (Sections)	-	169
Firework Party	1,050	872
	17,553	**9,218**
Premises		
Cleaning & Caretaking	3,669	3,960
Upkeep & Maintenance	22,734	6,680
Light & Heat	3,562	2,343
Water & Refuse	1,550	1,272
	31,515	**14,256**
Administration Costs		
Printing, Postage & Stationary	247	610
Subscriptions	-	-
Insurance Services	1,355	1,422
Miscellaneous	1,457	479
	3,059	**2,511**
Purchase of Equipment		
Group Additions	1,296	74
	1,296	**74**
Capital Expenditure		
Entrance Road Resurfacing	-	-
	-	**-**
Total Expenses for the Year	**58,245**	**30,962**

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Unrestricted receipts and payments account

for the year from 01/01/2024 to 31/12/2025

Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

1 Cash Funds	2025 £	2024 £
Bank Current Accounts		
Group Account	17,503	27,283
Squirrels Account	1,666	667
Beavers Account	394	1,313
Cubs Account	92	3,237
Scouts Account	4,257	3,973
Building Refurbishment Fund	45,000	45,000
Cash in Hand	535	72
Liabilities		
Uncleared items	(70)	(458)
	69,377	81,088

2 Non monetary assets for charity's own use	£	£
Freehold land and buildings at 2004 valuation (Dant & Ray)	100,000	100,000
Scouting equipment and furniture (insurance replacement figure)	35,368	35,368
	135,368	135,368

Total net assets	204,745.38	216,455.69

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 23-04-2025 and signed on their behalf by

Signature	Print Name
P. Squire	Paul Squire - Chair
	Richard Mckeown - Treasurer