Trustee Report for 6th Gosport Scouts

Reporting Period: 1 April 2025 – 31 March 2026

Introduction

Group Name: 6th Gosport Scout Group (KAVS)
Charity Number: 302243
Prepared by: Trustees of 6th Gosport Scouts

Independent Financial review provided by Phillipa Nicholls, 15th June 2026

Objectives and Activities

Purpose: To actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.

Activities: Weekly meetings for Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts; as well as camps and events, and community engagement.

Achievements and Performance

Membership Numbers:

- Squirrels: 54
- Beavers: 72
- Cubs: 83
- Scouts: 81
- Leaders: 40

Key Highlights:

- Summer camp at Scotland,
- Kings Award for Voluntary Service (KAVS) award
- Badge achievements: 5015
- 10900 volunteer hours

Treasurer's Report 2025-26

During the financial year from 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026, 6th Gosport (Rowner) Scout Group continued to maintain a strong and secure financial position. The Group recorded an overall surplus of approximately **£13,445**, increasing cash reserves from **£218,350** to **£231,794** by year end.

Total income for the year was **£169,113**, compared with **£123,310** in the previous year. This increase was driven primarily by a significant rise in activity and event income, reflecting another busy and successful year of Scouting across all sections. Membership subscriptions contributed **£43,950**, Gift Aid receipts totalled **£10,922**, and the Group also benefited from grant funding and increased interest earned on reserves.

Activity and event income is used directly to provide experiences for our young people and is not intended to generate significant profits. During the year, the Group spent over **£98,000** delivering activities, events and programme experiences across all sections. Total expenditure for the year was **£155,668**.

The other significant expense for the Group remains membership fees payable to The Scout Association and local Scouting organisations, which totalled **£20,224** during the year. The Group also incurred costs associated with maintaining and improving the Scout Hut, volunteer training, utilities, insurance, and investment in equipment to support activities and camps. During the year, over **£5,200** was invested in activity and camping equipment and almost **£8,900** on improvements to hut fixtures and fittings.

The Group continues to hold healthy reserves, with cash balances of **£231,794** at year end and total net assets of **£459,794**. During the year, a proportion of reserves was transferred into a higher-yield Cambridge account, helping to increase interest income while maintaining strong financial security and liquidity. These reserves provide stability for the Group and support future investment in facilities, equipment and activities.

The Trustees continue to review the Group's finances regularly, ensuring resources are managed responsibly and in the best interests of the Group and its young people. The Group remains financially healthy and well placed to continue delivering high-quality Scouting experiences for many years to come.

Structure, Governance, and Management

Trustees:
Chair: Matthew Dickens (Chair)
Amelia Somerset (Treasurer)
Lisa Young
Nigel Fleetwood
Lee Pounds
Louise Pounds
Jenna Hewitt

Governing Document: Scout Association Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR).
Recruitment and Training: Leaders and trustees follow DBS checks and mandatory training.

Declaration

Signed by trustees on behalf of the 6th Gosport Scout Group:

Name: _Matthew Dickens__ Signature:  Date: 20/09/2026

Name: Amelia Somerset Signature: _  Date: 18/09/2026

6th Gosport (Rowner) Scout Group (Charity no. 302243)
Receipts and payments account

	Year start date		Year end date
For the year from	31/03/2025	To	31/03/2026

Receipts and payments

	2025/26 Unrestricted funds £	2024/25 Unrestricted funds £
Receipts		
Donations, legacies and similar income		
Membership subscriptions	43,950	41,943
Donations	1,877	6,205
Legacies	-	-
Gift Aid	10,922	9,244
Activities & Event fees	97,811	59,159
Uniform & Badges	3,593	2,888
Other similar income	269	35
Sub total	158,421	119,474
Grants		
Maintenenace grant	-	-
Other grants	2,588	-
Sub total	2,588	-
Fundraising events (gross)		
Fundraising - Club 100 & Fayres	1,407	1,761
Detail 2	-	-
Detail 3	-	-
Other fundraising activities		
Sub total	1,407	1,761
Scout hut income		
Hire of building	1,935	515
Hire of equipment	-	-
Other Scout hut income	-	-
Sub total	1,935	515
Investment income		
Bank interest	4,762	1,559
Building Society interest	-	-
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	-	-
Other investment income	-	-
Sub total	4,762	1,559
Total Gross Income	169,113	123,310
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-
Total receipts	169,113	123,310

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Payments		
Charitable Payments		
Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/Area/District)	20,224	19,918
Youth programme and activities	98,337	67,480
Adult support and training	1,372	-
Rent	-	-
Water and Sewerage	708	310
Electricity and Gas	2,891	2,518
Internet	234	160
Insurance	1,441	1,181
Repairs and Renewals		
Printing and photocopying		
Activity & camping equipment	5,226	5,507
Uniforms	2,398	2,792
AGM and trustee expenses	826	-
Badges	5,721	5,995
Hut Cleaning & Maintenance	1,664	1,966
Hut Fixtures & Fittings	8,909	5,764
Admin expenses inc GoCardless Fees	5,367	3,867
Donations	250	217
Other costs detail 3		
Sub total	155,568	117,674
Fundraising expenses		
Fundraining costs - Club 100 & Fayres	100	76
Detail 2		
Detail 3		
Other fundraising costs		
Sub total	100	76
Total Gross Expenditure	155,668	117,750
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	-	-
Total payments	155,668	117,750
Net of receipts/(payments)	13,445	5,560
Cash funds last year end	218,350	212,790
Cash funds this year end	231,794	218,350

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Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	2025/26 Unrestricted funds £	2024/25 Unrestricted funds £
Cash funds		
Bank current account	58,208	47,849
Bank deposit account	67,965	165,369
Building society account	102,166	
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service		
Expense account	3,418	5,100
Cash/Floats	38	32
Total cash funds (agree balances with receipts and payments account)	231,794	218,350
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		
Badge stock		
Shop stock		
Other stock		
Land and buildings	200,000	200,000
Motor vehicles		
Scouting equipment, furniture etc	28,000	25,000
Other		
Sub total	228,000	225,000
Liabilities		
Accounts not yet paid		
Expenses incurred but not invoiced		
Subscriptions not yet paid		
Loan - detail		
Other liabilities		
Sub total		
Total net assets	459,794	443,350

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Unqualified report for a non-company charity preparing receipts and payments accounts with a gross income of £250,000 or less in the relevant financial year.

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of 6th Gosport (Rowner) Scout Group

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the 6th Gosport (Rowner) Scout Group for the year ended 1st April 2025 to 31st March 2026.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the 6th Gosport (Rowner) 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 6th Gosport (Rowner) 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 6th Gosport (Rowner) Scout Group as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records. Or
3. the accounts do 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.

Signed: P Nicholls

Name: Philippa Nicholls

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies (if any): ACCA Student

Address: 30 North Meadow Road, Cricklade, SN6 6LU

Date: 15/06/2026