

**28<sup>TH</sup> WILLESDEN SCOUT GROUP  
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT  
1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024  
Registration number: 303542**

**OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

*Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document:*

Our Scout Group exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.

The Scout Association (governing body) is incorporated by Royal Charter to promote the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potentials as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of their local, national and international communities.

*Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts:*

The Scout method is a programme of informal education with an emphasis on practical outdoor activities, including camping, woodcraft, aquatics, hiking, backpacking, and sports.

*Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit:*

We confirm that Trustees have regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance when carrying out relevant activities.

## ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

*Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole:*

### Beavers Monday

5 Beavers achieved their Bronze award. Highest badge in Beavers and the beavers also enjoyed going Canoeing 😊 great fun!

### Beavers Wednesday

In 2024 we had a great day out at the Brent Roar Camp, a bonfire at the hut, welcomed new members and completed the safety badge.

### Cubs Tuesday

We had fun at the Brent Roar Camp, a few bonfires and have achieved disability awareness badge and are working our communicator and various challenge badges

### Cubs Friday

Attended the ROAR District camp at Phasels Wood in October...chilly but fun. The cubs also attended the swimming gala in November. 3 Cubs gained their silver awards in 2024

### Scouts Wednesday

Last year we went camping with many of the other Brent Scouts. We worked on our map skills and knots. As well as making some fantastic printed bags and Christmas Wreaths. We got outside for some fun round the camp fire and learnt how to bake Soda bread.

### Scouts Thursday

Scouts last year took part in a Chiltern 20 challenge and Roar Camp also 7 scouts completed the expedition challenge and 5 of them completed the gold Chief Scout Award , we took part in Monopoly Run , we have 3 scouts moved up to explorers section and continues the adventure in older section . For the future I will be have to sending My scouts to other explorer groups as Pioneer ESU is full . We are planning our Winter Camp at Paccar 21-23 February, coming up expedition in April , Monopoly run in March, and lots of training for Chiltern 20 - October/November . This term we will be working on a cyclist badge , survival badge, and push for personal challenge and leadership challenge.

## FINANCIAL REVIEW

### A. Receipts and Payments

	£	£
	<b>2023-2024</b>	<b>2022-2023</b>
<b>Receipts</b>		
Membership Fees	21,065.00	13,695.02
Rent of Stember Hall	9,621.61	14,303.49
Events & Other	9,205.23	8,421.48
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>39,891.84</b>	<b>36,419.99</b>
<b>Payments</b>		
Venue Maintenance & Utilities	21,384.91	12,389.02
Membership Costs (District)	8,052.00	7,472.21
Activities, Meetings and Equipment	14,606.66	13,511.91
Other	5,868.12	4,542.81
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>49,911.69</b>	<b>37,915.95</b>
<b>Net Receipts/Payments</b>	<b>-10,019.85</b>	<b>-1,495.96</b>
Cash Fund last year end	125,955.51	127,451.47
<b>Cash Funds this years end</b>	<b>115,935.66</b>	<b>125,955.51</b>

### B. Assets and Liabilities

**Cash Funds** **115,935.66**   **125,955.51**

Outside of cash funds the Group's major asset is Stember Hall. This is held at £0m in the accounts, as all related expenditure has been fully expensed in previous years. The site is occupied under lease from the Brent council.

## **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

### *Type of governing document:*

28th Willesden Scout Group is an unincorporated association constituted in accordance with the Rules of The Scout Association (Registration No. 9978) and registered with the Charity Commission (Registration No. 303542).

The Scout Association (Registered Charity No. 306101) is incorporated by Royal Charter.

### *How is the charity constituted?*

Every Scout Group is an unincorporated association constituted in accordance with the Rules of The Scout Association. Scout Groups are excepted charities under Statutory Instrument 1966 No. 1044.

### *Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees:*

The Charter of The Association provides for the making of By-Laws approved by His Majesty in Council which, in turn, authorise the making of the Rules referred to above (known as 'Policy, Organisation and Rules', or 'P.O.R.').

The District's charity trustees, who are the Executive Committee, cannot act outside the Royal Charter, By-Laws and Rules of The Scout Association.

## **REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

Name:	28 <sup>th</sup> Willesden Scout Group
Registered charity number:	303542
Principal address:	Stember Hall, Leighton Gardens, London NW10 3PR, UK
List of Trustees:	Robert Calder, Chair Irene Arango, Secretary Karen Doyle Joanna Lyford, Treasurer John Stevens

**DECLARATIONS**

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' Annual Report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's Trustees:

Signature:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joanna Lyford". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line above the first name.

**31/01/2024**

**JOANNA LYFORD  
TREASURER**

From: Paul Marshall  
145 Mortimer Road  
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NW10 5T

To Trustees of 28<sup>th</sup> Willesden Scout Group  
Stember Hall  
Leighton Gardens  
London  
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**Independent examination of 28<sup>th</sup> Willesden Scout Group Annual Accounts 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024 report to Trustees.**

The report relates to an independent examination that has been carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and the examination has been conducted in accordance with the Direction given by the Commission. It should be noted that the examination is limited in scope and does not constitute an audit. The examination was conducted by Paul Marshall (CMA), member of the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As charity trustees of the Group you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act).

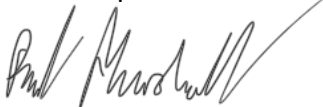
**Independent examiner's statement**

I note that the gross income of the organisation is less than £250,000 and that the trustees have elected to prepare the accounts on a receipts and payments basis.

In conducting the examination I can confirm that no material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe that in any material respect accounting records were not kept in respect of the Group (as required by section 130 of the Act) or that the accounts do not accord with those records

I can confirm that:

- All matters required to be reviewed, as set out by the 2008 Regulations, have been, and the requirements have met.
- I have identified no items, in addition to the notes in the accounts, that need to be reported for the benefit of the reader's understanding of the charity accounts.



Paul Marshall  
31<sup>st</sup> January 2025