

Trustees' Annual Report

For the period

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Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

5TH BROMLEY SCOUT GROUP

Other names the charity is known by

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Registered charity number (if any)

303549

HQ registration number

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Charity's principal address

Scout Hall
157 Bromley Common
BROMLEY
BR2 9RJ

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	Kevin Burford	Chair	
2	Thomas Norris	Scout leader	
3	Val Edmondsn	Secretary	
4	Andrew Gurney	Treasurer	
5	Christopher Day	President	
6	Carol McGowan		
7	Naomi Norris	Cub leader	
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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 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.

Governance

The Group is managed by the Group Executive Committee, 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.

Members of the Executive Committee complete '*Essential Information for Executive Committee*' training within the first 5 months of joining the committee.

The Group Executive Committee exists to support the Group Scout Leader in meeting the responsibilities of the appointments and is responsible for:

The maintenance of Group property;

The raising of funds and the administration of Group finance;

The insurance of persons, property and equipment;

Group public occasions;

Assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support;

Appointing any sub committees that may be required;

Appointing Group Administrators and Advisors other than those who are elected.

Section B**Structure, governance and management (continued)****Risk and Internal Control**

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 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 co-operate 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

Our young people aged 6 – 14 meet weekly during term time and take part in several residential experiences every year. During these sessions our young people will take part in activities to help gain skills for life including : cooking, camping, firelighting, map reading, craft making, team building. They also participate in adventurous activities like climbing, axe throwing, kayaking, and zorbing

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 and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

This has been a successful year for all three of 5th Bromley's sections. The Scouts have had a really active year notably winning the silver medal in the District's annual assault course competition, a sleepover at Clip and Climb, Ice Skating at Ruxley and a trip to kayak 24km of the Ardeche river in the south of France. The Troop continues to grow and flourish. We are very lucky to have a great group of young adventurer and a fantastic leadership team!

Over the past year our Cubs have thrown themselves into an exciting mix of adventures and challenges. The Cubs have learned camp craft skills, tackled climbing walls, hiked local trails, and enjoyed plenty of games together. They've visited attractions like laser tag and assault course centres, spent nights camping under canvas and in the hut, and earned badges ranging from cycling to entertainment and that's just a taste of everything they've achieved.

In May the whole Group enjoyed the Family Camp at Wilberforce. Activities there included fire lighting, axe skills, campfire songs, archery, huge water slide.

None of these activities would be possible without the commitment of our volunteers. Our Beaver Colony is flourishing under the guidance of Kayleigh, Lucy, James and Jenny; our Cub Pack is ably led by Rob, Dom, Chris Day (our President), Chris McGowan, Becca and John; and our Scout Troop is expertly led by Kirstie, Thomas, Tom, Paul, Kostas and Jorge.

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 Executive Committee considers that the group should hold a sum equivalent to 6 months running costs, around £13,000.

The Group held reserves of approximately £28,600 at year end. This is above the level required for operating expenses.

Further financial review details (optional information)


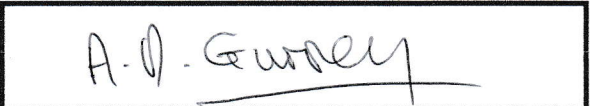
Investment Policy

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.

Section F Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Kevin Burford	Andrew Gurney
Position (eg Secretary, Chair)	Chair	Treasurer

Date 27-Oct-25

5th Bromley Scout Group Receipts and Payments Account

	Year ended 2024	Year ended 2023	
For the year from	01-Apr-24	To	31-Mar-25

Receipts

	2024/25		2023/24	
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds
Subscriptions, donations and similar income				
Membership subscriptions: Scouts	3,720.00	0.00	3,300.00	0.00
Membership subscriptions: Cubs	3,124.00	0.00	3,581.00	0.00
Membership subscriptions: Beavers	1,615.00	0.00	1,342.00	0.00
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/Area/District)	-4,337.10	0.00	-3,411.10	0.00
Net membership subscriptions retained	4,121.90	0.00	4,811.90	0.00
Donations	700.00	0.00	215.00	0.00
Legacies	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Gift Aid	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other similar income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sub total	4,821.90	0.00	5,026.90	0.00
Grants				
Maintenance grant	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other grants	0.00	0.00	769.99	0.00
Sub total	0.00	0.00	769.99	0.00
Activity receipts (gross)				
Camps and events	9,082.25	0.00	7,756.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sub total	9,082.25	0.00	7,756.00	0.00
Investment income				
Bank interest	140.41	0.00	84.03	0.00
Building Society interest	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Property Rent income (Hall lettings)	16,799.20	0.00	17,291.04	0.00
Other investment income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sub total	16,939.61	0.00	17,375.07	0.00
Total Gross Income	30,843.76	0.00	30,927.96	0.00
Asset and investment sales, etc.	0.00	0.00	700.00	0.00
Total receipts	30,843.76	0.00	31,627.96	0.00

5th Bromley Scout Group Receipts and Payments Account

For the year from	01-Apr-24	To	31-Mar-25
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Payments

	2024/25		2024/25		2023/24		2023/24	
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Group running costs								
Section expenses: Scouts	980.91	0.00	3,847.84	0.00				
Section expenses: Cubs	825.85	0.00	1,405.33	0.00				
Section expenses: Beavers	200.56	0.00	415.38	0.00				
Insurance	2,126.41	0.00	1,804.08	0.00				
Bank and GoCardless fees	679.85	0.00	662.74	0.00				
Scout Hall rates	318.11	0.00	0.00	0.00				
Scout Hall electricity	2,724.80	0.00	1,572.84	0.00				
Scout Hall waste	1,033.54	0.00	969.23	0.00				
Scout Hall Broadband	315.36	0.00	294.00	0.00				
Scout Hall maintenance	3,048.22	0.00	8,624.60	0.00				
Scout Hall cleaning	1,725.69	0.00	90.00	0.00				
Other Group expenses	1,361.84	0.00	1,499.89	0.00				
Minibus tax and insurance	1,529.06	0.00		0.00				
Sub total	16,870.20	0.00	21,185.93	0.00				
Activity costs								
Camps	4,431.63	0.00	9,131.61	0.00				
Scouts - external events	3,086.25	0.00	0.00	0.00				
Cubs - external events	1,018.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				
Beavers - external events	242.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				
Sub total	8,777.88	0.00	9,131.61	0.00				
Total Gross Expenditure	25,648.08	0.00	30,317.54	0.00				
Asset and investment purchases, etc.								
Minibus purchase	18,223.79	0.00	0.00	0.00				
Total payments	43,871.87	0.00	30,317.54	0.00				
Net of receipts/(payments)	-13,028.11	0.00	1,310.42	0.00				
Cash funds last year end	41,693.87	2,170.00	40,383.45	2,500.00				
Cash funds this year end	28,665.76	2,170.00	41,693.87	2,500.00				

Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	31st March 2025 Unrestricted funds £	31st March 2025 Restricted funds £	31st March 2024 Unrestricted funds £	31st March 2024 Restricted funds £
Cash funds				
Bank balance	5,323.56	2,170.00	41,405.47	2,170.00
Less cheques not yet presented	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Bank current account (net of unrepresented cheques)	5,323.56	2,170.00	41,405.47	2,170.00
Pre-paid payment card	288.40	0.00	288.40	0.00
Bank deposit account	23,053.80	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash/Floats	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total cash funds	28,665.76	2,170.00	41,693.87	2,170.00

Restricted funds

The Group holds £2,170 from a donation from Matthew Oliver to be used for "bursaries for uniform equipment, trips and camps for those in need".

Non-monetary assets

In addition to monetary assets shown above the Group has the following non-monetary assets.

Scout Hall	355,325.00
Minibus	15,000.00
Scouting equipment	5,000.00

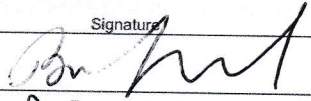
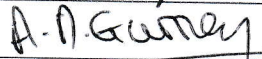
The valuation of the hall shown above represents its value for insurance purposes as at 31st March 2024

The valuation of the minibus includes allowance for depreciation from its purchase price

The land is owned by The Scout Association (land registry title number SGL102287, checked 22 Jan 2021)

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 30 September 2025 and signed on their behalf by

Signature

Print Name

Kevin Burford	Chair
Andrew Gurney	Treasurer

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of 5th Bromley Scout Group

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the 5th Bromley Scout Group for the year ended 31st March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the 5th Bromley 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 5th Bromley 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 5th Bromley 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: *S J Hurle*

Name: Sally Hurle

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

Address: 4 Stuart Avenue, Bromley BR2 7JX

Date: 12/08/2025