



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name 1st Crystal Palace Scout Group

On accounts for the year ended

31st December 2024 Charity no (if any) 303576

Set out on pages

1-3 (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD/MM/YYYY.

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 [The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) 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.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed: [Signature] Date: 21/05/25

Name: LEWIS JOHN TAYLOR

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body M2A TAX PARTNER B164 ATT CTA BA HONS

20 YEARS PROF SERVICES

(if any):

Address:

Section B

Disclosure

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.

N/A

Direction	Confirmed	Review notes
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1 Check whether the charity is eligible to have an independent examination

1.1		Income of ~£50k, requires scrutiny of accounts under guidance 1.1
1.2-1.4		Audit not required as i) income less than £1m and ii) income less than £250k and assets under £3.25m
1.5		AS confirmed not a parent charity with one or more subsidiaries which breach £1m revenue threshold
1.6		AS confirmed no branches which require revenue allocation
1.7		Receipts basis of accounts preparation fine as less than £250k revenue
1.8		I qualify under appendix 5 definition - M&A tax partner Big4 ATT, CTA BA Hons 20 years professional service experience
1.9		N/A no information which indicates thresholds crossed
1.10		Documenation steps completed
1.11		N/A no information which indicates thresholds crossed
1.12		N/A (trustee has not required to apply for independent examination rather than audit)
1.13		N/A (trustee has not required to apply for independent examination rather than audit)
1.14		N/A (trustee has not required to apply for independent examination rather than audit)
1.15		N/A (trustee has not required to apply for independent examination rather than audit)
1.16		Appears to be met
1.17		Appears to be met

2 Check for any conflict of interest that prevents the examiner from carrying out the independent examination

2.1		N/A no connection which inhibits impartiality
2.2		N/A am independent
2.3		N/A not a member of the charity
2.4		N/A no involvement
2.5		N/A no involvement
2.6		N/A no involvement
2.7		N/A no involvement
2.8		N/A no relevant scenarios
2.9		N/A no relevant scenarios
2.10		N/A no relevant scenarios
2.11		Criteria met

3 Record your independent examination

3.1		This file represents relevant working papers
3.2		Record keeping will be completed
3.3		Confirmation email provided
3.4		N/A no fees
3.5		N/A no relevant circumstances
3.6		N/A no relevant circumstances
3.7		N/A no relevant circumstances
3.8		N/A no relevant circumstances
3.9		N/A no relevant circumstances

4 Plan the Independent examination

4.1		Confirmed understanding
4.2		Confirmed steps
4.3		Confirmed steps
4.4		Confirmed steps
4.5		Confirmed steps
4.6		Confirmed steps
4.7		Confirmed steps
4.8		N/A no multiple charity law jurisdictions

5 Check the accounting standards records are kept to required standards

5.1		N/A no branch
5.2		Confirmed criteria met
5.3		Confirmed criteria met
5.4		Confirmed criteria met
5.5		Confirmed criteria met
5.6		Confirmed criteria met
5.7		Confirmed criteria met
5.8		Confirmed criteria met
5.9		Confirmed criteria met
5.10		Confirmed criteria met

6 Check accounts are consistent with the accounting records

6.1		Confirm completed
6.2		Confirm completed
6.3		Confirm completed
6.4		N/A (no manual records)
6.5		Confirm completed
6.6		N/A no concerns identified

7 If the accounts are prepared on an accruals basis and one or more related party transactions took place, examiner must check if these were properly disclosed in the notes to the accounts

7.1		N/A
7.2		N/A
7.3		N/A
7.4		N/A
7.5		N/A
7.6		N/A
7.7		N/A

8 Check the reasonableness of the significant estimates and judgements and accounting policies used in accounting for the types of fund held in the preparation of the accounts

8.1		Confirmed understanding
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8.2	Confirmed understanding
8.3	Confirmed steps
8.4	Not required (additional guidance)
8.5	N/A not using accruals
8.6	N/A not using accruals
8.7	N/A not using accruals
8.8	N/A not using accruals
8.9	N/A not using accruals
8.10	Confirmed steps
8.11	Confirmed steps
8.12	Confirmed understanding
8.13	Confirmed
8.14	Confirmed understanding
8.15	N/A not using accruals
8.16	N/A not using accruals

9 Checking financial circumstances of the charity (simplified summary)

9.1	AS confirmed charity
9.2	Understood
9.3	Level of reserves appear reasonable
9.4	Level of reserves appear reasonable
9.5	All bills and expenses can be settled without problem
9.6	No financial difficulty identified
9.7	N/A not accruals basis
9.8	N/A not accruals basis
9.9	Going concern confirmed from financial results
9.10	Going concern confirmed from financial results
9.11	Going concern confirmed from financial results
9.12	N/A not accruals basis

10 Check the form and content of accounts

10.1	Receipts basis adopted
10.2	Full working provided
10.3	N/A not accruals basis
10.4	N/A not accruals basis
10.5	income statement and BS required
10.6	N/A not accruals basis
10.7	Appears to be completed
10.8	N/A not accruals basis
10.9	N/A not accruals basis
10.10	Appears to be completed

11 Identify items from the analytical review of the accounts that need to be followed up for further explanation or evidence

11.1	High quality records
11.2	Review completed without issue
11.3	No unusual variance on prior year
11.4	N/A not accruals basis
11.5	Information clear
11.6	Completed checks
11.7	No unusual items
11.8	No further steps considered necessary
11.9	No further steps considered necessary
11.10	No further steps considered necessary

12 Compare trustees annual report with accounts

12.1	Annual report requirements completed
12.2	No public benefits
12.3	Annual report requirements completed
12.4	Annual report requirements completed
12.5	Annual report requirements completed

13 Write and sign the independent examination report

13.1	Understood
13.2	Understood
13.3	Understood
13.4	Understood
13.5	Understood
13.6	Understood
13.7	Understood
13.8	Understood
13.9	Understood
13.10	Understood
13.11	Understood
13.12	Understood
13.13	Understood
13.14	Understood
13.15	Understood
13.16	Understood
13.17	Understood
13.18	Understood
13.19	Understood
13.20	Understood
13.21	Understood
13.22	Understood
13.23	Understood
13.24	Understood
13.25	Understood

1st CRYSTAL PALACE SCOUT GROUP ANNUAL ACCOUNTS 2024 - Summary



Juniper Hall, Rama Lane, Crystal Palace, LONDON SE19 - BROMLEY

Registered Charity Number:	303576
First Registered with Scout Association:	28th February 1908
Registered Scout Association Number:	05853
Scout District:	Bromley
Group Lead Volunteer:	ANITA LANE
Group Treasurer:	ANDY SCHOLES

Statement of Assets - Opening Balances - 1ST JANUARY 2024

All funds - Unrestricted	2024
Balance at Bank as at 1st January 2024	£20,537.27
Total All Unrestricted Funds 1st January 2024	£20,537.27

Income

Receipts - Income

General Income	2024	2023
Sub total	£44,268.80	£31,783.92
Donations & Grants	2024	2023
Sub total	£5,084.49	£697.65
Investment income	2024	2023
Sub total	£510.00	£840.00
Total Gross Income - Un-Restricted Funds	£49,863.29	£33,321.57

Receipts - All Funds 2024

	2024	2023
Total Gross Income - ALL FUNDS	£49,863.29	£33,321.57

Expenditure

Payments - Unrestricted Funds

Payments - Unrestricted funds	2024	2023
Total Gross Payments - Unrestricted Funds	£49,119.10	£38,877.37

Payments - Restricted Funds

	2024	2023
Total Gross Expenditure - Restricted Funds	£0.00	£0.00

Payments - All Funds

	2024	2023
Total Gross Expenditure - All Funds 2024	£49,119.10	£38,877.37

Statement of Monetary Assets at Year End - 31ST DECEMBER 2024

	2024	2023
Total of Unrestricted Funds held at year end	£21,281.86	£19,838.43
Total of Restricted Funds Held at year end		£372.28
Total of all Cash funds at year end	£21,281.86	£20,210.71

Liabilities and future obligations

	2024	2023
Accounts not yet paid - Hewitts of Croydon Account	Nil	£100.00
Den Cleaning outstanding December account	Nil	£75.00
Scout Membership Subscriptions not yet paid (estimated)	£4,000.00	£4,000.00
Sub total	£4,000.00	£4,175.00

Non Monetary assets at year end

	2024	2023
Badge stock (estimated)	£180.00	£150.00
Land and buildings (Last year + 5%)	£325,778.93	£310,265.64
Scouting equipment, furniture etc 20% Depreciation plus additions)	£13,415.88	£7,040.42
Sub total	£339,374.81	£317,456.06

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General Income	2024	2023
Membership subscriptions (After refunds)	£10,858.10	£10,691.45
Gambia Receipts Received in 2022 for 2023 Expedition		£18,455.73
Activity Receipts - via GoCardless	£8,313.92	£2,614.59
HRMC	£13,357.51	
Activities	£5,017.19	
Refunds & Transfers	£6,307.64	
Uniform	£414.44	
Surplus Sold Equipment		£22.15
Sub total	£44,268.80	£31,783.92

Donations & Grants

	2024	2023
Donations	£4,084.49	£197.65
Grants	£1,000.00	£500.00
Other Donations unrestricted	£0.00	
Sub total	£5,084.49	£697.65

Investment income

	2024	2023
Bank interest	£0.00	£0.00
Building Society interest	£0.00	£0.00
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	£0.00	£0.00
Property Rent income	£510.00	£840.00
Sub total	£510.00	£840.00

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**1st CRYSTAL PALACE SCOUT GROUP
ANNUAL ACCOUNTS 2024**

Payments Account 2024

Payments - Unrestricted Funds

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Scout Association Membership subscriptions (Capitation)	£3,889.00	£3,955.00
Badges, Neckers, Uniform & Trophies	£2,421.60	£1,355.94
Water, Sewerage, Electricity & Rates	£3,640.81	£9,132.74
Insurance	£1,115.51	£1,581.00
Admin Training and Internet	£930.43	£90.00
Repairs, Den Maintenance & Cleaning	£10,290.30	£3,803.68
Refunds, Transfers & Donations	£2,152.50	£204.73
Section Expenses Activities / Camp	£24,678.95	£6,054.51
Gambia Expenses		£7,184.67
Camp Activities Food & Trans Cost		£5,313.10
Just Giving Costs		£202.00
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Monetary funds represented as follows

	2024	2023
Bank current account	£21,281.86	£0.00
Cash/Floats	£0.00	£0.00
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The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Executive Committee and signed on their behalf by

Signatures	Date
	10/02/2025
	17.6.2025.

1st Crystal Palace Group SCOUT COUNCIL
Annual General Meeting

Minutes for the 13th July 2025 AGM

1. Introduction and welcome

Introduction and welcome from Tanisha Anderson (Chairperson - online), Anita Lane (GVL – in person), Andy Scholes (Treasurer – in person)

Tanisha welcomed members of the Group Scout Council and guests - Sheila Howard DLV Bromley

2. Apologies for absence

Chair: We've received apologies from 5 persons for their absence today, and they are.

Carl Bradbury-Proudlove, Catherine Bradler, Rachel Church and Josh Dumbrill

3. Governance topics

3a. Approval of the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 26/4/24

Chair: The Group Trustee Board have reviewed the minutes of last year's AGM at the meeting held on 26/4/24. She proposed that these minutes are taken as read and asked the Group Scout Council to agree that they're a true record of that meeting.

ALL ATTENDEES APPROVED, NO OBJECTIONS and NO 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 proposes we keep the constitution that was approved last year, for a Scout Group from Chapter 5c of Policy, Organisation and Rules. This has been amended. A copy of this was available for review and inspection prior to this meeting, and copies are also available at this meeting.

NO VOTE TAKEN AND THE CONSTITUTION WAS APPROVED AT THE AGM IN 2024

3c. Note the Group's financial year

Chair: Confirmed to the Group Scout Council members that our charity's financial year is 1 Jan to 31 December

3d. Approve appointed and community members of the Group Scout Council

Chair notes the Group Scout Council can admit other people to membership. Chair advised that there is no one else to be nominated.

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

Chair: 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. This includes ex officio and co-opted Trustees. **THIS IS IN LINE WITH THE RESOLUTION AT THE 2024 AGM**

THE RECOMMENDATION WAS TO LEAVE THE SITUATION UNCHANGED. ALL APPROVED, NO OBJECTIONS, NO ABSTENTIONS

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

Chair: The Group Scout Council agreed its quorum – the minimum number of Group Scout Council members that must be present at Group Scout Council meetings. The Trustee Board recommended the quorum should be set at 6 people for future meetings of the Group Scout Council (the quorum for this AGM was agreed at last year's AGM).

THE RECOMMENDATION WAS TO LEAVE THE SITUATION UNCHANGED.

ALL APPROVED, NO OBJECTIONS, NO ABSTENTIONS

4. Review of the previous year - From Anita, Andy and Tanisha

4a. The Group Lead Volunteer's review of Scouts in the 1st Crystal Palace Scout Group

Attached for information.

4b. The District Lead Volunteer's Remarks

Sheila Howard addressed the Group Scout Council with a review of Bromley's year so far.

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

Chair noted the Group Trustee Board has prepared the Trustees' Annual Report and Statement of Accounts, and has received and considered the report on the accounts from the Independent Examiner.

Chair asked the Group Treasurer to give an overview of the Statement of Accounts which he did and he described key points from the Statement of Accounts. He noted the size of the utility bills and the HMRC Gift Aid which was claimed and used for the trailer.

See attached accounts for further information

Chair thanked the Treasurer for completing the Statement of Accounts and for all his hard work during the year.

5. Making appointments

5d. Appoint Group President and/or Vice Presidents

Chair requested the Group Scout Council appoints a Group President.

Chair advises that Nick Beere is proposed as President who has been involved with the Group since 1968. Seconded by the GLV and the Treasurer.

ALL APPROVED, NO OBJECTIONS, NO ABSTENTIONS

5e. Independent Examiner

Treasurer proposes Lewis Taylor

Chair confirms that Lewis has been proposed by the Treasurer, seconded by the Chair and is qualified for the role and willing to undertake it.

ALL APPROVED, NO OBJECTIONS, NO ABSTENTIONS

6. Closing remarks

Chair closed the AGM, thanking everyone for attending and wished everyone a great summer and Happy Scouting for the new term. She encouraged everyone to get involved and echoed the GLV's comments of needing more people to step up and to volunteer for 1st Crystal Palace

Next Years AGM will be held in June 2026

GLV report AGM 13th July 2025.

Firstly, thank you to all the volunteers for running great programmes and events for their relevant sections.

Where are we now compared to where we were last year and where do we want to be?

Beavers - Last year we had a beaver colony with 2 leaders – we now have a thriving colony with a waiting list and 4 leaders, welcoming back Beth from maternity leave and Rachael, a new volunteer.

Cubs – we had a thriving pack with a blueprint of what a volunteer team could look like. Unfortunately, due to personal reasons, and cubs moving up to scouts we have lost many of the volunteer team and need new volunteers from September to ensure that cubs can continue. Thank you to Sally who has already joined the team, however we need still more volunteers.

Scouts – last year we had 2 scout troops, but again, due to lack of volunteers we had to merge the 2 troops. This has worked well, however we have lost volunteers throughout the year, again for the same reasons as cubs, and need more volunteers to join the team. Thank you to Fritha and Isabel for joining the team too. We also awarded a Chief Scout Gold award to Martin on his last evening as a scout.

Current numbers:

Beavers	19
Cubs	18
Scouts	27

District

In September, we officially transferred from Croydon district to Bromley district and have been made very welcome. Bromley district have a full calendar of events for the different sections and we have so far attended the St Georges Day event in April, which was a fantastic day for all sections to enjoy a variety of activities and renew our promises.

The beavers had a space themed sleepover in May, where they slept in hammocks in a large marquee (all 65 of them from all over the district)! Big shout out to the beavers that attended who got to get their breakfast first as when they woke up, they lay in their hammocks quietly reading until the other beavers woke up – well done again!

The scouts and explorers had a moon walk in June, which all that attended enjoyed immensely.

Group activities

Last summer we took a group of scouts and explorers to the Essex International Jamboree. This was a fantastic experience for them all (and us as leaders) to have fundraised monies to be able to attend, to engage in new experiences and meet scouts, explorers, guides, and rangers from all over the world. Our new trailer served us well for this! Hopefully, we can do it again in 2028!

Some of the scouts and explorers are going to The Gambia in February 2026 and have actively been fundraising for this.

We have had a successful movie day/night, jigsaw club in the holidays for those that like a quieter activity, parents quiz night, ran games at the South Norwood Community Festival last weekend and more to come!

Thank you to the volunteers with the kayaking permits for arranging 2 dates this year for kayaking, the feedback from those that have never done it before has been great!

The scouts were able to set up a temporary tomahawk range in Gipsy Hill Garden, which worked well.

Looking forward to a successful group camp next weekend in Downe and then heading to Wales for the explorers for a further couple of days.

Where do we want to be?

We have a thriving community of young people and are always getting recommendations for young people to join the relevant sections, however due to lack of volunteers, we are unable to take any more young people and offer them these opportunities.

We would love to be able to reopen the sections that we have had to close down but can only do that with more parental engagement. Please think about what skills you would like to learn, and more importantly what skills you have that you can share with our young people.

The dream, of my predecessor and our Trustee Board is still to have the 2-storey hut with plenty of space to offer more activities!

Thank you again to all our volunteers.