



**Annual report
and accounts
2024 - 2025**

Scouts
Enfield

Enfield District Scout Council

Charity Information

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Enfield District Scout Council

The accounts contained within this report cover the financial year
1st April 2024 - 31st March 2025.

Correct as of 8th September 2025.

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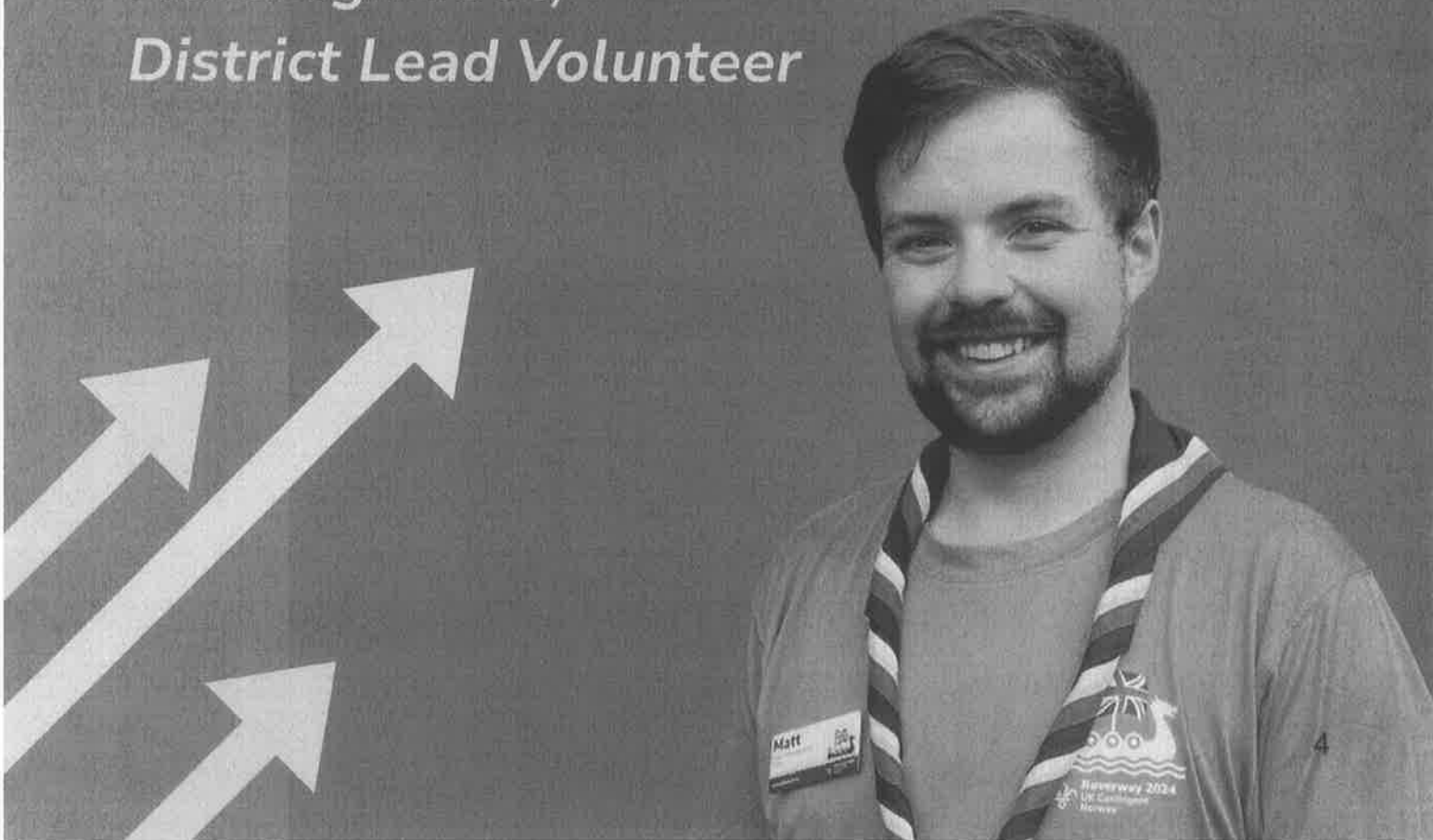
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Thank you to all of our adult volunteers, who've given so much time over the last year, you've helped young people in Enfield create memories for a lifetime. This year, over 700 young people can say forever 'I am a Scout', due to all of the hard work you've put in. On their behalf, thank you so much. I look forward to everything we can help them achieve in the coming year.

*Matt Lightfoot,
District Lead Volunteer*



Review of the Year

This is my first annual report as Enfield's new District Lead Volunteer. Since joining in March, I have been filled with immense joy and pride as I have met with our brilliant young people and phenomenal volunteers over the past 6 months.

To improve is to change and to be perfect is to change often, and this year has been a year of necessary, but difficult change. We've had a tricky transition from Compass to our new adult membership system, which is slowly improving. All of our adult volunteers have had to complete updated safety training, to make sure that we are doing everything we can to keep young people safe and to reassure others that we are committed to that. Finally we've also seen a dip in Scouts membership numbers in the UK, including in Enfield.



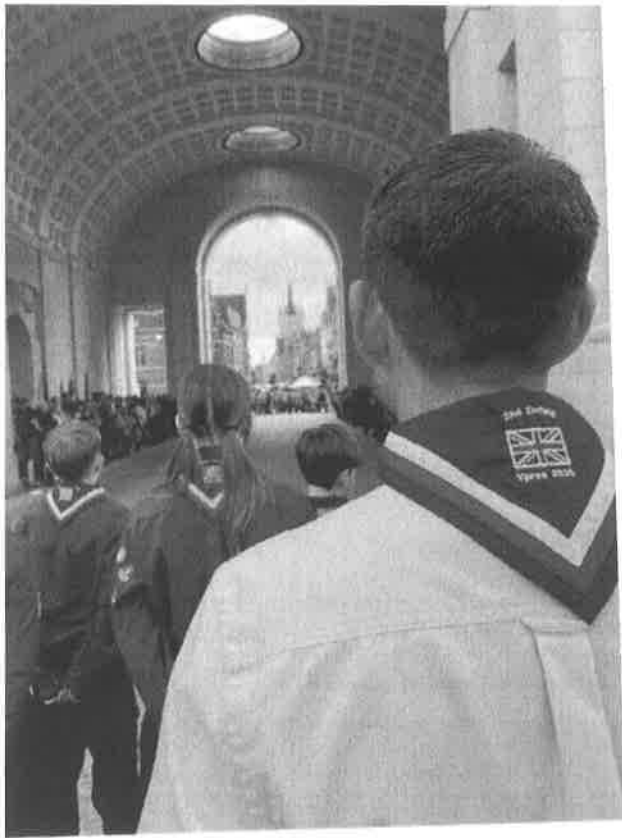
Image: Stephen Way.

Aside from that, this year in Enfield, we have changed over 700 young people's lives for the better. We've had a District Cub Camp, Beaver Ramble, Cub's Football Competition, laser tag, connect 4 competition, Beaver international badge day and Scouts Big Splash to name a few of the countless events that have take place over the past year.



Enfield was represented at The Scouts national 'Summit' conference in Birmingham where our next national strategy was discussed.

Locally, we held another hugely successful St George's Day Carnival through Enfield which was followed by a special gathering in the Mayor's Parlour to thank our volunteers. On the theme of recognition, It was a privilege to hold our biennial adult awards ceremony and afternoon tea reception in February.

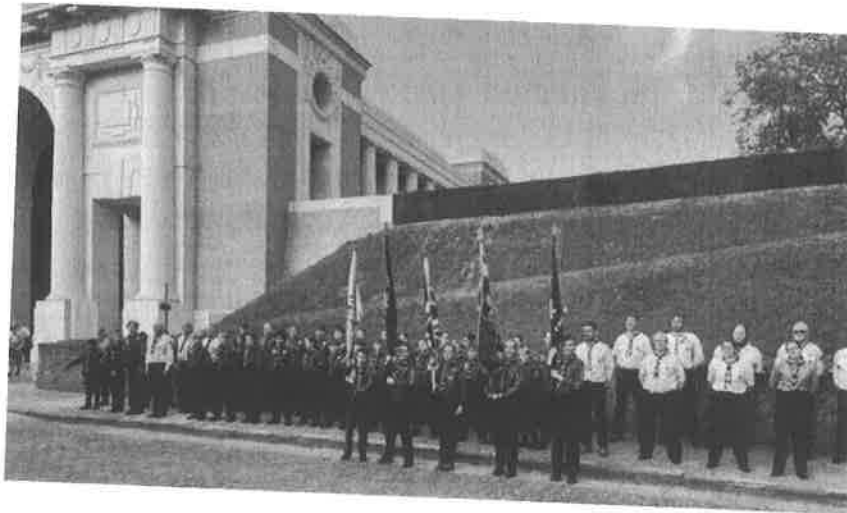


We've had two groups recently go on international camps, the 2nd and 12th Enfield travelled to Ypres in Belgium and participated in ceremonies at the Menin Gate.

That's before we even think about the countless camps within the UK that groups across Enfield have been on. It's a real delight as the District Lead Volunteer to be able to see these trips and events from an early planning stage, to delivery, and seeing the pictures of Scouts having an amazing time, trying new activities and making new friends. Thank you all of our leaders that helped make these trips and all the camps a reality.

Alongside running all of these camps, over the past year our adult leaders have 16 new or renewed permits, all of these show the dedication of our leaders and will help us get more young people outdoors over the next year.

I also can't look at the last year without congratulating the over 180 people who had completed their updated Safety training this year, this was a national requirement as part of our response to the Incident on Great Orme. I really appreciate all of the hard work from volunteers, Group Lead Volunteers and our supporters to ensure we're compliant. Thank you.



I'd also like to thank Andrew Donn, our county lead volunteer for stepping in as District Lead Volunteer, while we were searching for a replacement. Andrew, your commitment to Scouting in North London and in Enfield is unwavering and words can't thank you enough for all of the evenings you've given to help young people.

I'd also like to thank everyone that's helped me as I've taken on the role of District Lead Volunteer, from the fantastic trustee team, our tireless Group Lead Volunteers and also all of the people within the district that have been there for me to bounce ideas off.

Census

The Census was completed at the end of January 2025, and in Enfield we've seen a 5.7% decline in both adult and youth membership since the last census. Nationally we've seen a 0.41% decrease.

Over the coming year, one of the top priorities for the district will be to look at how we can support our groups to be able to continue to help young people build skills for life, but also increase the amount of adult leaders, so that we can expand the number of young peoples lives we'll change.

	2023	2024	Change
Total Membership	1007	950	-57

Section	2023	2024	Change
Squirrels	13	8	-5
Beavers	198	192	-6
Cubs	267	230	-37
Scouts	232	228	-4
Explorers	61	70	9
Network	2	2	0
Adults	234	220	-14



Celebrating Achievement

Length of Service Awards

It is amazing how many years our volunteers continue to give to Scouting. This year has seen us award long service certificates totaling 390 years of service. All of these volunteers have changed countless young peoples lives and we are incredibly grateful to each of them and their family and friends for their steadfast support. A special mention goes to Margaret Spenceley who has recently been presented with her 60 year service award.



Good Service Awards

As well as the huge amount of time that our volunteers give to help equip our young people with Skills for Life, they also go above and beyond to make a real difference in the communities around them. Early this year we celebrated our good service award recipients at an afternoon tea reception. A full list of award recipients can be found in the National Roll of Honour on the Scouts website. We encourage you to nominate people who have gone the extra mile.

Royal Recognition

Last December Michael Ukaenwe of the 20th Edmonton was honoured by HM the King. Michael was one of a very special group of Scouts who supported the King's coronation in May 2023. In recognition of his efforts he is the very proud recipient of a special coronation medal. The medal was presented by the King's representative in Enfield, Representative Deputy Lieutenant Ann Cable, who is also a recipient of the special award.

An estimated 400,000 medals will be issued to members of Scouts, the armed forces and emergency service workers who played a role in supporting the historic events.





Latest King's Scouts

Now we also have reason to celebrate this year in Enfield. The King's Scout Award is the highest youth award achievable in the Scouting, it is no small task, it requires persistence and commitment over at least 18 months.

In July, Aidan and Louis were both presented with this prestigious award. Aidan is a member of Scout Network and Louis is a leader with Parker Bowles Explorers.

On behalf of the entire Scout District I'd like to congratulate Louis and Aidan on their achievement.

Finally, I'd like to talk a little about the work we've done to lay the foundations for long term development for Scouting within Enfield.

We're now very close to finalising agreements to be able to get a Manager of Rammey Island and to start to utilise it's beautiful location for Scouting. Paul Dockley has also been spearheading efforts to organise a lease we have with a nursery to bring additional funds into the district, if successful we will then look to reinvest a significant proportion of this in long term projects, for more activity permits for our leaders and to invest in development projects to recruit more adult leaders, to build resilience in the groups that we have and give us more space for growth over the coming years.

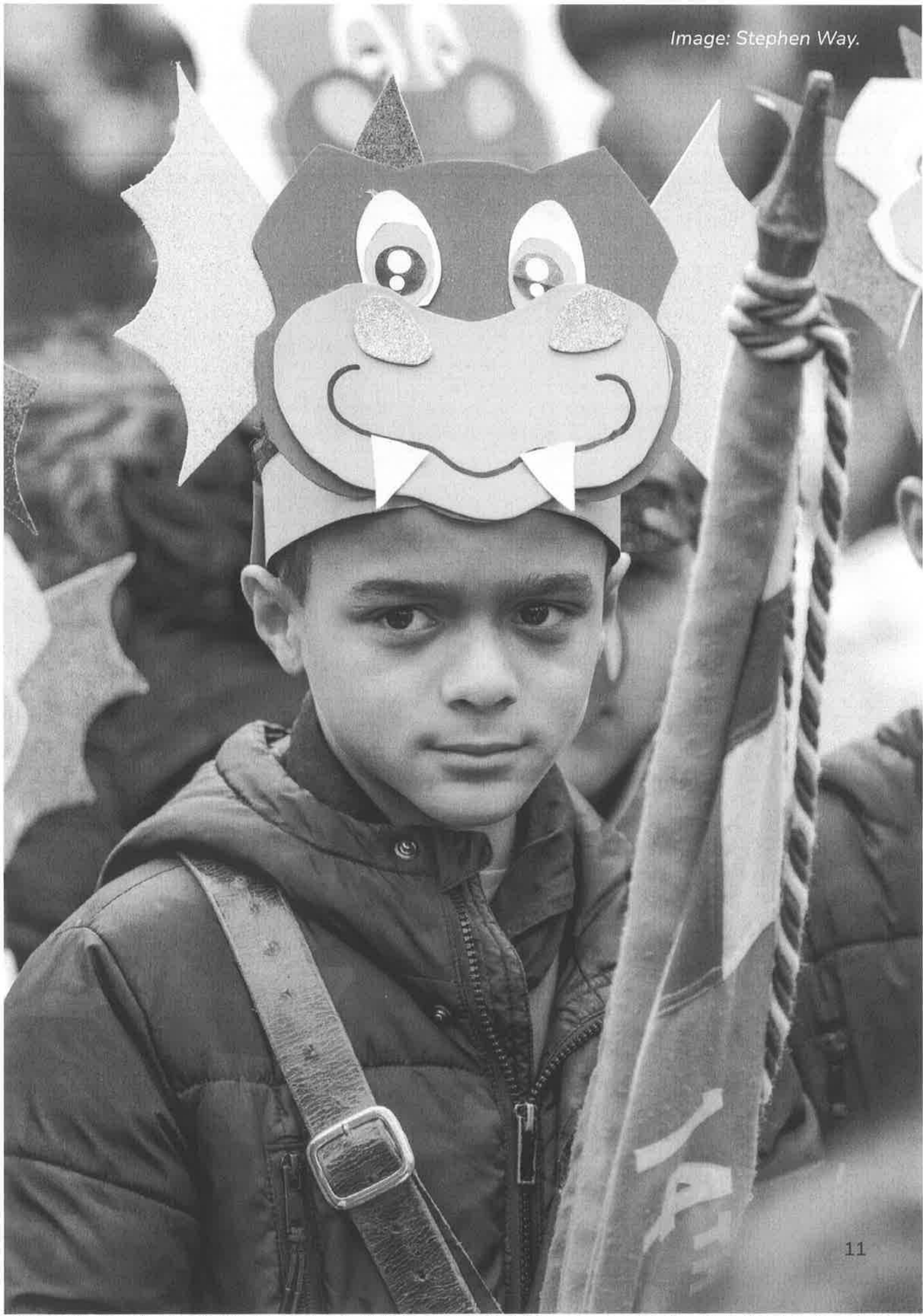


Over the past 6 months we've been working on a new District Website (www.enfieldscouts.org.uk), to advertise our groups and help recruit more people by having a digital presence

In the next two months we will be developing a district strategy for the next 3 to 5 years, so that we can make sure that everything we do as a district team is helping us get more young people outdoors and building Skills for Life, enabling them to make an even bigger impact in Enfield.

Matt Lightfood,
District Lead Volunteer





Trustees' Report

Trustees Board Membership

Name	Role	If not for whole year
Andrew Donn	County Lead Volunteer	From 1st September 2024
Darren Beckwith	Chair	From 10th March 2025
Eliza Duncan		Until 20th September 2024
Jake Orros		
James Delaney		
Joanna Allen	Chair	Until 20th September 2024
Katie Davis	District Lead Volunteer	Until 31st July 2024
Luke Kirkham	Treasurer	
Malcolm Loveday		Until 20th September 2024
Matthew Lightfoot	District Lead Volunteer	From 3rd March 2025
Mike Thurston		
Paul Dockley		
Robert Pytches		

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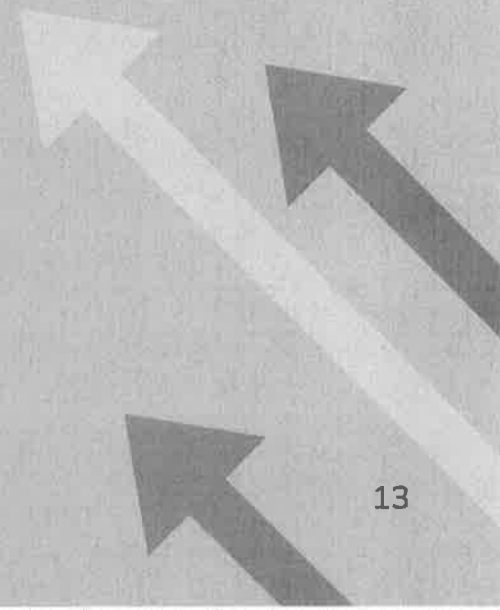
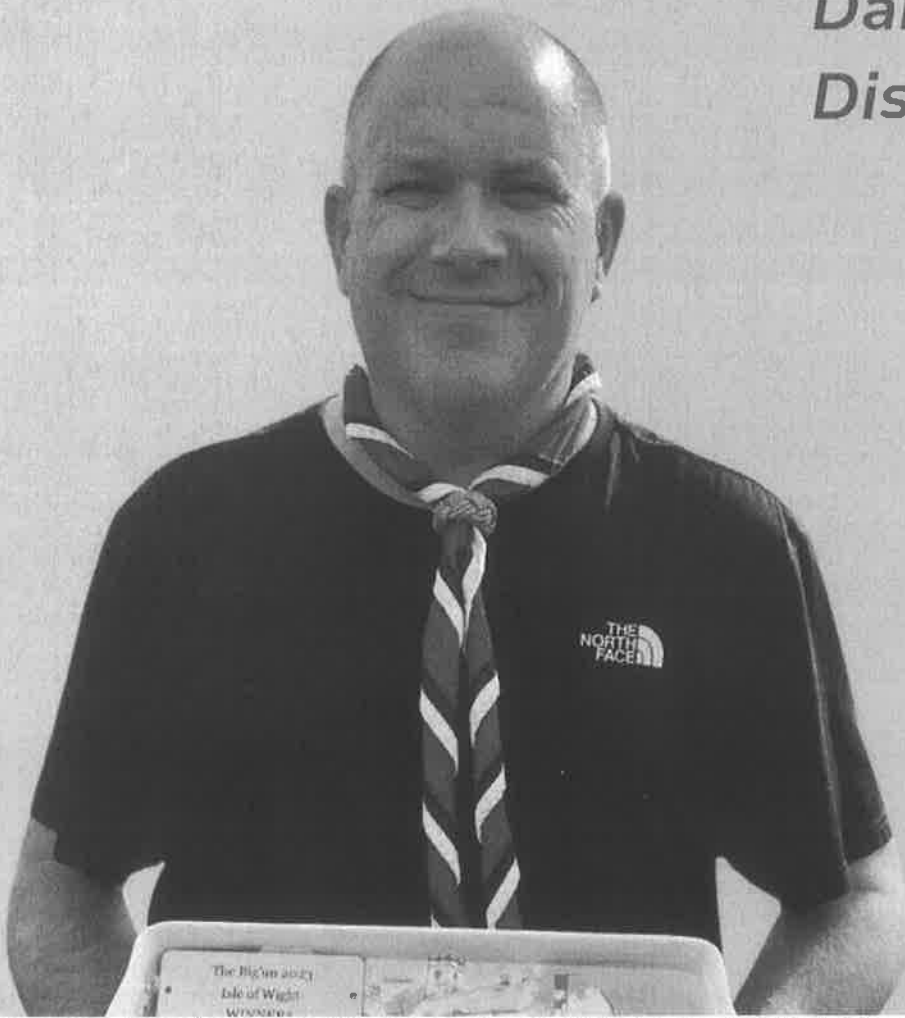
I'm proud to be joining Enfield's Trustee Board as Chair at such a pivotal time in our movements history.

Nationally, we have welcomed a new Chief Scout, Dwayne Fields, introduced a new membership system and continued with our volunteer transformation journey.

Locally, we have welcomed Matt as our new District Lead Volunteer. We have supported trips abroad and funded successful events locally, such as our Adult Award Ceremony and St George's Day Carnival. The Trustee Board has been busy reflecting on our census figures and aspirations to grow across all sections, alongside attracting new volunteers. The Board has also been working on plans to realise the full potential of our property portfolio and explore sustainable long term financial plans to support our charitable aims.

After a short hiatus of 25 years, I am delighted to be returning as a volunteer, thank you for everything you do and I eagerly look forward to our year ahead.

*Darren Beckwith,
District Chair*



Structure, Governance and Management

The District's governing documents are those of The Scout Association. The District is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts. 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. It is also a Registered Charity in its own right (Number 303648).

The District is managed by the District Trustee Board, the members of which are the "Charity Trustees" of the District 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 and other Trustees appointed in accordance with our governing documents. Members of the Trustee Board complete Being a Scouts Trustee learning within the first 6 months of joining the Board.

This District 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.

Rick and Internal Control

The District Trustee Board has identified the major risks to which they believe the District 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:

1) Injury to Leaders, Helpers, Supporters or Members

The District supports compliance with the Safety Policy and ensures appropriate risk assessment; elimination, reduction and control measures are taken to reduce the likelihood of any injuries. In addition, through membership fees, the District contributes to the Scout Association's national accident insurance policy.

2) Damage to Buildings, Property or Equipment

The District would request the use of buildings, property and equipment from neighbouring organisations. The District has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss.

3) Reduced Income from Subscriptions and Fund Raising

The District is primarily reliant upon income from leasing property, subscriptions and fund-raising. The District holds adequate reserves to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income. The committee could also raise the value of subscriptions to increase the District income either temporarily or permanently

Objectives

The District is part of the Greater London North Scout County and provides Scouting to young people in the London Borough of Enfield. The District's objective is 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. The District seeks to achieve this objective by providing leadership, advice and support for the Scouts groups and the Explorer Scout Section that make up the District.

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.

The activities of the District are to provide support for the District Lead Volunteer and District team, who in turn support the groups of Enfield and Edmonton.

Public Benefit Statement

The District meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.

Financial

The Receipts and Payments account shows that we have paid in £177 more in the year to March 2025 than paid out of the General Fund. Our current cash reserves are £69,995. The subscriptions for January 2025 had already been paid on 31st March to County, but a few groups have not paid their subscriptions to us. The rising costs of running the district properties are part of the reason we have showed only a small surplus this year – moving forward we are looking to maximise the income from our sites. We have continued to review each site and decided how best to utilise each one in the future. A new lease for Tristram is imminent and hopefully a new SLA for Rammey Island will be in place in 2025/26.

Non-Monetary Assets

Value of the property and equipment is based on the Insurance Cover figures. Danemead camp site is owned equally by other local Scout Districts and the figure represents our original share.

Investment Policy

The District does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer-term investments such as stocks and shares. The District has therefore adopted a low risk strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or building societies or The Scout Association's Short Term Investment Service.

Reserve Policy

The trustees have considered the funds currently available to the District and have acknowledged that these funds are to be used for Scouting within the District. Following the merger of 2 Districts we now have properties to maintain in Enfield and Edmonton.

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustee's report above. Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees.

Darren Beckwith
District Chair


Luke Kirkham
District Treasurer

September 2025



Independent Examiner's Report

I report on the accounts of the District for the year ended 31ST March 2023 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and related notes.

This report is made solely to the trustees in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees for my examination work.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Group's/District's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under Section 145 of the Charities Act);
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act); and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Group/District and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention.

1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Charities Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or

2) To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Jenny Stone

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September 2025

Profit & Loss Account

For the year ended 31st March 2025

	2025		2024	
Income	£	£	£	£
Membership Subscriptions		40,850		40,092
Membership Subscriptions to County		(38,220)		(36,623)
District Levy		2,630		3,469
Edmonton HQ Rental Income		10,000		10,000
Enfield HQ Rental Income		4,595		4,087
Interest Income		979		1,148
Donations Received (Fireworks)		8,932		-
		<u>27,136</u>		<u>18,704</u>
Less Overheads				
Edmonton HQ Costs	14,893		9,301	
Enfield HQ Costs	9,287		5,369	
Rammey Island Costs	990		4,178	
Secion Events	493		94	
Legal & Professional Fees	2,022		1,309	
Training	-		521	
St George's Day	2,108		448	
AGM	847		538	
Computer Expenses	238		224	
DDC Expenses	521		76	
Awards Ceremony	2,143		-	
Overseas Insurance	673		-	
Miscellaneous	444		807	
Transfers from Reserves	(7,700)		(4,300)	
		<u>(26,959)</u>		<u>(18,565)</u>
Net Profit for the Year		177		139

Balance Sheet

As at 31st March 2025

		2025	2024
	£	£	£
Fixed Assets			
Danemead		1,692	1,692
Turkey Street		271,872	157,000
Tristram Drive		1,014,133	751,522
		<u>1,287,697</u>	<u>910,214</u>
Turkey Street Scouting Equipment		30,000	29,000
Tristram Drive Scouting Assets		18,136	13,196
		<u>1,335,833</u>	<u>952,410</u>
Current Assets			
Sundry Debtors and Prepayments	21,379		14,987
24 th Edmonton	8,953		2,976
23 rd Enfield	17,362		5,613
Enfield Current Account	63,011		10,295
Edmonton Current Account	10,204		10,841
Reserve Account	35,000		70,000
Nursery Deposit Account	2,676		2,637
	<u>158,585</u>		<u>117,349</u>
Current Liabilities			
Sundry Creditors and Accruals	48,490		1,770
Nursery Deposits	2,676		2,637
	<u>51,166</u>		<u>4,407</u>
Net Current Assets		107,419	112,942
		<u>1,443,252</u>	<u>1,065,352</u>

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Represented By	2025		2024	
	£	£	£	£
Capital Accounts				
Turkey Street Redevelopment Fund	45,000		46,700	
Grants received from Enfield Council	35,000		36,000	
Turkey Street Maintenance Reserve	12,000		11,000	
Tristram Drive Maintenance Reserve	12,000		11,000	
Property Reserve	1,287,697		910,214	
Equipment Reserve	48,136		42,196	
General Reserve	8,419		8,242	
		<u>1,443,252</u>		<u>1,065,352</u>

