



Trustee Board Report:

The **Trustees** are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

The **Group** is established under the rules of the Scout Association and in accordance with the Constitution of 1st Hatch End Scout Group

The **committee** met three times (plus the AGM) during the year.

The Trustees and I particularly wish to thank our Group Lead Volunteer, Section Leaders and Scouters, without whom our young people would not enjoy the fun and learning that they do as members of the group.

After over 50 years of dedicated commitment and service to 1st Hatch End Scouts, David Poole stood down as Group Lead Volunteer and retired from active Scouting due to ill health in January. David's vision, determination and the priority he placed in 1st Hatch End was the driving force that made the Group the success it is today. As a Group we will be forever grateful for all he has done for us and send our heartfelt best wishes for the future. Liz Doulton, previously Assistant Lead Volunteer kindly agreed to take over from David and has continued to run the Group with the same sense of enthusiasm and determination maintaining a strong commitment to the Scouting ethos built up over the years.

Our prime purpose is safe and effective delivery of Scouting activities, Liz Doulton, our Group Lead Volunteer will outline our continued commitment to this purpose in her annual GLV report. It is particularly pleasing to see the continued development of all sections. We will also be re-adopting our constitution at this AGM. This will align us with our new Trustee Board structure which will become commonly adopted across Scouting in the UK to support good governance at all levels. This is the third year we have adopted our own local constitution; we will continue to fine tune as the new committee structure settles in to place.

We have a new, strong, enthusiastic and committed Trustee Board, I would like to thank all trustees for their hard work and contribution this year.

I would like to thank Gill Barron our Group Treasurer for her continued support and diligence in managing all financial aspects of the group. I would also like to thank Ann Lumley and Liz Doulton for standing in as Group Secretary whilst we recruited into the role. I am delighted that Puja Patel agreed to become a Trustee and Group Secretary and thank her for her support in this role. Treasurer and Group Secretary are both important roles ensuring the Group's effectiveness, and I appreciate Gill and Puja's ongoing support. I would also like to thank Ann Lumley who has managed our relationships with our hall lettees ensuring this important revenue stream for the Group is maintained at a level sufficient to support the Group. During the past year, Jigsaw nursery ceased operating at 1st Hatch End. Whilst unfortunate, our robust licence agreement with Family First (Jigsaw owners) has ensured that the withdrawal from our premises has been effective and has also ensure that we secured ongoing rental for the 12 months' notice period allowing us to continue with important improvements at the Scout Hut. We have initiated a bidding process for new nurseries to apply to use the hall, which is ongoing, we are hopeful that a new nursery will be secured.

As Trustees, we wish to provide the best possible premises for group activities and ensure that we are attractive for essential lets. To this end we have undertaken some major works during this year, including removal of the loft in the main hall and replacement of most of the heating system including a new boiler, all radiators in the main hall and a new hot water system. We continue to plan for further refurbishment, nevertheless, some major works such as the external cladding remain under review pending our ongoing review of our financial position.

Thank you to those parents who have signed up to the Gift Aid scheme, which, for very little effort, means that the group receives 25% additional funding from subscriptions.

The accounts for the year to 31/3/2025 have been audited and signed off ready for submission to the Charity Commission. Gill will review in her treasurer's report.

The Group Trustee Board continue to part fund a number of activities for the Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers to further develop the group and individuals. Continuing these events is excellent for the group and I would like to thank all of our lead volunteers, parents and Explorers who have helped to make this happen through the year. Liz Doulton, Group lead volunteer will expand further in her report.

Our relationship with Grimsdyke School to share use of a minibus with joint branding between Grimsdyke School and 1st Hatch End Scouts has continued successfully. We are now entering our tenth year together with the Scout group making good use of this valuable facility.

The Trustees are continually concerned about the difficulty of recruiting and retaining section leaders. Liz Doulton, our Group Lead Volunteer will tell you about current vacancies and we will be happy to discuss with you at the end of the AGM. We need to ensure that we pursue every opportunity to preserve the prime scouting activities of the Group. We are also keen to recruit volunteers to help support operational activities such as buildings management, risk management etc again happy to discuss with anybody interested.

Please this year support your group by again:

- Paying subs as soon as possible and signing a Gift Aid declaration.
- Helping on the parents' rota for the younger sections.
- Supporting some of the other social events arranged during the year
- Very importantly, I would also like to thank all those people who have voluntarily given up their time to run the sections, without whom we would not have a scout group.

Thank you for your continued support.

Chris Read (Group Chair)
Group Chair

1ST HATCH END SCOUT GROUP

Charity Number 303689

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of 1st Hatch End Scout Group

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the 1st Hatch End Scout Group for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the 1st Hatch End 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 1st Hatch End 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.

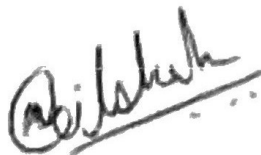
Independent examiner's statement

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 1st Hatch End 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:



Name:

NEIL SHAH

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

Address: 13 LANGLAND DRIVE HATCH END HAS4 5SA

Date: 30 JUNE 2025

1ST HATCH END SCOUT GROUP

Charity Number 303689

**RECEIPTS FOR YEAR ENDED
31ST MARCH 2025**

	Year ended 31/03/2025		Year ended 31/03/2024	
	£	£	£	£
Membership subscriptions				
Subscriptions	6,577		7,693	
Subscription - Explorers	<u>378</u>		<u>0</u>	
		6,955		7,693
Less paid	-5,119		-6,811	
Less paid - Explorers	<u>-1,229</u>			
		-6,347		-6,811
		<u>607</u>		<u>882</u>
Investment income				
Bank interest		1,576		1,141
Hall rental		89,052		59,652
Switzerland	7,725			
Switzerland - Explorers	<u>6,605</u>			
		14,330		10,065
Activities and camps	9,663			
Activities and camps - Explorers	<u>855</u>			
		10,518		8,145
Centenary items		0		300
Fundraising		704		75
Awards		900		1,200
TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR		<u><u>117,688</u></u>		<u><u>81,460</u></u>

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**PAYMENTS FOR YEAR ENDED
31ST MARCH 2025**

	Year ended 31/03/2025		Year ended 31/03/2024	
	£	£	£	£
Premises expenses				
Cleaning and refuse collection	2,827		924	
Water	0		1,081	
Rates	0		0	
Light and heat	9,238		11,956	
Insurance	2,684		4,758	
Repairs and renewals	14,791		12,622	
Sundries - legal fee	299		967	
		29,839		32,309
Scouting activities				
Activities and camps	11,755		14,191	
Activities and camps - Explorers	2,906			
Sectional and general scouting expenses	1,887		232	
		16,548		14,422
Purchase of badges and uniforms		947		379
Fees - Gocardless and Sumup		933		878
Building Project		16,782		23,749
Switzerland		4,671		36,327
Centenary items		0		542
Capital		0		1,125
TOTAL PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR		<u>69,720</u>		<u>109,731</u>

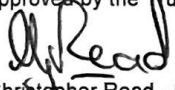
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RECEIPTS and PAYMENTS ACCOUNT SUMMARY FOR YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

	Year ended 31/03/2025		Year ended 31/03/2024	
	£	£	£	£
General fund				
Total receipts for the year	117,688		81,460	
Total payments for the year	<u>69,720</u>		<u>109,731</u>	
Net receipts for the year		47,967		-28,271
Cash, bank and similar funds brought forward		75,304		103,576
Cash, bank and similar funds carried forward		<u>123,271</u>		<u>75,304</u>

The above account and accompanying statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 30th June 2025 and signed on their behalf by:


Christopher Read - Honorary Chairman


Gill Barron - Honorary Treasurer

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**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
31ST MARCH 2025**

	Year ended 31/03/2025		Year ended 31/03/2024	
	£	£	£	£
Monetary assets				
Bank current accounts	250		250	
Bank deposit accounts	123,021		75,054	
		<u>123,271</u>		<u>75,304</u>
Non-monetary assets (See Note below) (at insured value)				
Land and buildings	828,000		828,000	
Scouting equipment, furniture etc.	35,434		35,434	
		<u>863,434</u>		<u>863,434</u>
Liabilities, contingent liabilities and future obligations				
As at 31st March 2025, the Group had no liabilities, contingent liabilities or future obligations				

Note to these accounts:

Non-monetary assets

- (1) Land and buildings refers to the Scout Headquarters located at Uxbridge Road, Hatch End
- (2) Scouting equipment, furniture etc. refers to tentage and camping utensils plus tables and chairs, and archery equipment.

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