

Trustees' Annual Report

For the period

From (start date)

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Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

1st Wandsworth Scout Group																																																											
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Other names the charity is known by

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Registered charity number (if any)

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HQ registration number

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Charity's principal address

The Romany																																																											
22a Lyford Road																																																											
London																																																											
Postcode															S	W	1	8	3	L	G																																						

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	Alex Miller	Chair	Until 26/10/21
2	Sonya McLernon	Secretary	From 09/04/21
3	Mark Gulliford	Treasurer	From 09/04/21
4	Birgit Johnson		From 09/04/21
5	Rob Christie		
6	Mark Tyson	Chair	From 28/02/22
7	Derek Prentice		Until 31/03/22
8	Tom Arms		Until 31/03/22
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Names and addresses of advisers (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

(These will be published in the annual report of the charity)

Type of advisor	Name	Address

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.

(e.g. trust deed, constitution)

How the charity is constituted

The Group is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.

(e.g. trust, association, company)

Trustee selection methods

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

(e.g. appointed by, elected by)

Additional governance issues (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:

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.

Policies and procedures adopted for:
a) the induction and training of trustees; b) trustee consideration of major risks and the systems and procedures to manage them

The Committee consists of 3 independent representatives, Chair, Treasurer and Secretary together with the Group Scout Leader, individual section leaders (if opted to take on the responsibility) and parent's representation and meets every 3 months.

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

This 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.

Risk and Internal Control

The Group Executive Committee has identified the major risks to which they believe the Group 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:

Damage to the building, property and equipment. The Group would request the use of buildings, property and equipment from neighbouring organisations such as the church, community centre and other Scout Groups. The Group has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss.

Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members. The Group through the capitation fees contributes to the Scout Associations national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities.

Reduced income from fund raising. The Group is primarily reliant upon income from leasing/hiring of The Romany, subscriptions and fundraising. The group does hold a reserve to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income. The Committee could raise the value of subscriptions to increase the income to the group on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently.

Reduction or loss of leaders. The group is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the group. If there was a reduction in the number of leaders to an unacceptable level in a particular section or the group as a whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section. In the worst case scenario the complete closure of the Group.

Reduction or loss of members. The Group provides activities for all young people aged 6 to 18. If there was a reduction in membership in a particular section or the group as whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section. In the worst case scenario the complete closure of the Group.

The group has in place systems of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss, including 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

The Group provides a range of activities throughout the year, including at weekly section meetings and at ad hoc events such as camps, hikes, Remembrance Day events, display days, District activities and other activities.

Additional details of the objectives and activities (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- contribution made by volunteers;
- policy on investments.

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

After the challenges of continuing the Group's activities during lockdown, all sections restarted in spring 2021 with face-to-face meetings. Beavers, Cubs and Scouts sections went up to full capacity immediately, run by a dedicated team of leaders. Activities in 2021-2022 ranged from sports, games

and teamwork challenges to crafts, DIY, science experiments, cooking, first aid training and fundraising for the community. Group events also took place again, starting with a 'camp for a day - but not the night' (as residential experiences were still not allowed) in summer, and when restrictions were lifted in autumn 2021 the Group was able to hold the popular Bonfire Night event, followed by a Remembrance weekend sleepover (with record attendance by all 3 sections) and the Group's Christmas display in December.

Section E	Financial Review
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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 12 months running costs, circa £25,000.

The Group held reserves of approximately £101,000 against this at year end. This is above the level/below required for operating expenses. However this can be explained by an unusual pattern of income and expenditure in the last few years due to the impact of the covid-19 pandemic. The Group is considering potential requirements for capital expenditure and expect a decrease in the level of reserves over the next few years.

Quantify and explain any designations

Not applicable.

Details of any funds materially in deficit (circumstances plus steps to eliminate)

Not applicable.

Further financial review details (optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);

Investment Policy

The Group's Income and Expenditure is modest and while the Group currently holds high levels of reserves, it does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer-term investments such as stocks and shares. The Group 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.

- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;

The Group Executive regularly monitors the levels of bank balances and the interest rates received to ensure the group obtains maximum value and income from its banking arrangements. Occasionally this may involve using an account that requires a period of notice before funds may be withdrawn, before doing so the Group Executive considers the cash flow requirements.

• investment policy and objectives;

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Section F

Other Optional Information

Plans for future periods (details of any significant activities planned to achieve them)

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Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

MARK TYSON	MARK GULLIFORD
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Full name(s)

Mark Tyson	Mark Gulliford
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Position (eg Secretary, Chair)

Chair	Treasurer
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Date

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of 1st Wandsworth Scout Council

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the 1st Wandsworth Scout Group for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the 1st Wandsworth 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 Wandsworth 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 Wandsworth 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: Angharad Carter-Clout

Name: Angharad Carter-Clout

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies (if any): Member of the ICAEW – membership number 909566

Address: 81 Ellerton Road, London, SW18 3NH

Date: 12th June 2022

1st Wandsworth Scout Group Receipts and Payments Account

Year start date

Year end date

For the year from	01-Apr-21	To	31-Mar-22
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Receipts and payments

	2021/22 Unrestricted funds £	2020/21 Unrestricted funds £
Receipts		
Subscriptions		
Scouts	1,790	480
Cubs	1,340	0
Beavers	1,540	0
Membership subscriptions	4,670	480
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/Area/District)	(1,700)	(2,544)
Sub total	2,970	(2,064)
Romany Income		
Playgroup	5,417	2,500
Arty Party	9,000	1,350
Guides/Brownies	645	0
Party rents	11,780	(160)
Sub total	26,842	3,690
Activity Income		
Display	54	0
Bonfire	910	0
Camp and outings	360	0
Sub total	1,324	0
Other Income		
Donations	47	3,020
Bank interest	8	32
Miscellaneous	704	2,510
Sub total	759	5,561
Total Receipts	31,894	7,187

1st Wandsworth Scout Group Receipts and Payments Account

Year start date

Year end date

For the year from	01-Apr-21	To	31-Mar-22
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Receipts and payments

	2021/22 Unrestricted funds £	2020/21 Unrestricted funds £
Payments		
Premises		
Rent	1,850	1,850
Non-domestic rates	31	0
Utilities	2,038	1,150
Insurance	806	953
Maintenance	5,539	4,105
Materials and equipment	689	159
Capital expenditure	0	751
Sub total	10,954	8,968
Activities		
Programme Costs	1,783	1,238
Events	1,703	(71)
Sub total	3,486	1,167
Other payments		
Bank charges	581	9
Transport	0	0
Admin	1,174	419
Uniform	534	97
Donations	0	135
Miscellaneous	0	841
Training and socials	821	122
Sub total	3,110	1,624
Total payments	17,550	11,759
Net of receipts/(payments)	14,345	(4,571)
Cash funds last year end	86,981	91,552
Cash funds this year end	101,325	86,981

Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	31-Mar-22	31-Mar-21
	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	£	£
Cash funds		
Bank current account	7,079	17,904
Bank deposit account	92,585	69,077
Stripe	1,662	0
Cash/Floats	0	0
Total cash funds	101,325	86,981

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 13th June 2022 (the date of the Executive Committee meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by

Signature
MARK TYSON
MARK GULLIFORD

Print Name	
Mark Tyson	Chair
Mark Gulliford	Treasurer