

Trustees' Annual Report

For the period

From (start date) **01 04 20 24** to end date **31 03 20 25**

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

1st Burnham on Sea Scout Group

Other names the charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

3 0 5 6 1 7

HQ registration number

Charity's principal address

Basc Ground

Stoddens Lane

Burnham on Sea

Postcode t a 8 2 b s

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	REBECCA BULL	CHAIR	
2	TOBY BEARD	GROUP LEAD VOLUNTEER	
3	MARTINA BEARD	TREASURER	
4	ALISON MCCARTER		
5	JACOB BEARD		
6	MICHAEL ADDINAL		
7	POLLY HURLEY		
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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

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document

Group Constitution

(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 Trustee Board, 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 Trustee Board consists of the Chair, Treasurer, and 5 Trustees (including 1 Ex Officio Trustee) and meets every 2 months.

Members of the Trustee Board complete Being a Scouts Trustee learning within the first 6 months of joining the Board.

This Group 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.

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

Camping, cycling, climbing, hiking, watersports, and cooking

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 B

Structure, governance and management (continued)

Risk and Internal Control (Specimen 1)

The Group Trustee Board 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. Similar reciprocal arrangements exist with these organisations. 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 subscriptions and fundraising. The group does hold a reserve to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income. The Board 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 4 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.

Risk and Internal Control (Specimen 2)

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 a comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

Section D**Achievements and performance**

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Young people have taken part in many county, district and group activities. The group has fundraised over £5k. Taken part in local activities such as carnival to raise the profile of the group.

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 Trustee Board considers that the group should hold a sum equivalent to 12 months running costs, circa £15k.

The Group held reserves of approximately £55k against this at year end. This is above the level required for operating expenses.

Quantify and explain any designations

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

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 (Specimen 1)

The Group's Income and Expenditure is very small and as a consequence 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.

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

The Group Trustee Board 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 Trustee Board considers the cash flow requirements.

• investment policy and objectives;

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)

[Handwritten signatures: Rebecca Bull and Martina Beard]

Full name(s)

Rebecca Bull Martina Beard

Position (eg Secretary, Chair)

Chair Treasurer

Date

08/07/25

	2024-2025	2025-2026
Income		
Bank Interest	600.42	0.00
Clothing/Uniform	598.81	0.00
Donation	3,029.49	0.00
Events	3,944.46	0.00
Events - Beavers	525.17	0.00
Events - Cubs	1,880.00	0.00
Events - Scouts	7,630.50	0.00
Events - Squirrels	158.00	0.00
Fundraising	5,584.89	0.00
Membership Fees	12,629.05	0.00
Rent	1,375.00	0.00
Expense		
Activity Equipment	162.68	0.00
Admin	44.80	0.00
Badges	511.75	0.00
Camping Equipment	6,022.92	0.00
Clothing/Uniform	1,163.87	0.00
Events	2,451.57	0.00
Events - Beavers	1,278.20	0.00
Events - Cubs	2,922.77	160.00
Events - Scouts	9,970.70	0.00
Events - Squirrels	5.79	0.00
Insurance	2,107.68	0.00
Meetings	34.40	0.00
Meetings - Beavers	60.79	0.00
Meetings - Cubs	71.50	0.00
Meetings - Scouts	15.84	0.00
Meetings - Squirrels	116.16	0.00
Membership Costs	4,642.00	0.00
Rent	440.00	0.00
Utilities	2,477.70	0.00

Venue Maintenance	4,053.34	0.00
Account balances		
Petty Cash	5,985.76	5,825.76
Current Account	4,586.85	4,586.85
30 Day Saver	51,730.94	51,730.94
Instant Access Account	123.50	123.50
Summary		
Account balance brought forward	63,025.72	62,427.05
Total income	37,955.79	0.00
Total expenditure	38,554.46	160.00
Net income	-598.67	-160.00
Account balance carried forward	62,427.05	62,267.05

Independent examiners Report to the Trustees of Burnham on sea scout group

I report to the trustees of my examination of the accounts of Burnham on sea scout group for the year ended 31.3.25

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of Burnham on sea scout group you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the charities act 2011.

I report in respect of my examination of Burnham on sea 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 me by the charities commission under section 145 145b of the act.

Independent examiners 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

Accounting records were not kept in respect of Burnham on sea scout group as required by section 130 of the act or

The accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination in which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper undertaking of the accounts to be reached.

Signed



Name

Joshua White

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Date

7.7.25