

Trustees' Annual Report

For the period

From (start date) **1st April 2023**

to end date **31st March 2024**

Section A	Reference and administration details
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Charity name	1st Keynsham Scout Group								
Other names the charity is known by									
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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	Ian Carter	Group Lead Volunteer (GLV)	
2	Len Bridges	Chair	
3	Nicky Sanders	Treasurer	
4	Jackie Mackenzie	Secretary	
5	Alan Sanders	GLV - Activities	
6	Tony French	GLV - Scouts	
7	Lee Lodder	GLV - Beavers & Cubs	
8	Dan Sawyer	KESU LV (opted in)	
9	John Balcombe	Mayfields HQ Estates	
10	Matty Jackson	Under 25 yrs representative	
11	Deon Lowe	Under 25 yrs representative	
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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
Audited Accounts	Mike Smith	2 Avon Road, Keynsham, BS31 1LJ

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document

(e.g. trust deed, constitution)

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. The Group has its constitution based upon The Scout Association template and this is reviewed and approved at the AGM annually

How the charity is constituted

(e.g. trust, association, company)

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

Trustee selection methods

(e.g. appointed by, elected by)

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

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

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.

The Trustee Board consists of the Chair, Treasurer, Secretary and 8 other Trustees, made up of:

- 1 Ex Officio Trustees (Ian Carter),
- 5 GLV nominations to the Group Trustee Board (Alan Sanders, Lee Lodder, Tony French, Matty Jackson (under 25), Deon Lowe (under 25).
- 2 Elected Trustees (John Balcombe & Dan Sawyer)

1st Keynsham Scout Group is a trust established under Scout Association and charity rules, which are common to all Scout Groups. Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation & Rules (POR) of the Scout Association. POR rules state that all operational committee members / trustees and adults working closely with young people must be checked through the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS), before working with young people. Every person involved in Scouting in Keynsham is an unpaid volunteer who gives their time, life skills and expertise in providing guidance, leadership and inspiration to the young people of Keynsham.

1st Keynsham is one of the largest Groups in the UK and our success is due to the contribution made by our dedicated team of volunteers, the enthusiasm of its members, parents, guardians and supporters. To continue providing the best possible scouting experience we need to continually attract new parents / volunteers to actively support the Group.

Keynsham Explorer Scout Unit (KESU) is part of the Wansdyke District and is based at the Scout HQ in Mayfields. Although they have no liability for any financial or asset management (their accounts are submitted separately) they are an integral and very important part of the Group. Scouts move on to Explorers who develop Young Leaders to assist with Beavers, Cubs and Scouts and they also play an essential part in events such as the Auction. Explorers make a financial contribution to the group to assist with running expenses and the use of facilities and equipment.

The Scout Association (TSA) has been undertaking a Transformation program and this is changing the way many Scout Groups recruit volunteers and structure their teams. Keynsham Group changed its Trustee and Sub Committee structure several years ago and these largely align with the majority of the new TSA Transformation requirements. The Group has updated our constitution for the Transformation changes and this will be proposed and voted on at the AGM.

The Trustee Board meets approximately every 2 months and reviews reports and updates from its primary Group Leadership Team members. 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.

The Trustee Board is supported by a operations team covering the myriad of requirements in managing a large Scout Group Charity, many of whom have dedicated many years service to 1st Keynsham Scout Group.

The Trustees and Operational Leadership Team regularly reviews the risks, health & safety and welfare requirements of its operations, membership and third parties.

A budget is drafted annually by the finance subcommittee, (Ian Carter, Len Bridges, Nicky Sanders and Alan Sanders) and this is considered and approved by the Trustee Board. The income and expenditure is reviewed at each Trustee Board meeting. The accounts for the year are attached and we would like to thank our treasurer Nicky Sanders for managing the Group financials during the year and preparing the year end accounts. We would also like to record our thanks to Mike Smith for the Independent Examiners Report produced at year end.

Section B

Structure, governance and management (continued)

Risk and Internal Control

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:

Severe damage to the main HQ buildings, property and equipment. The Group would install temporary accommodation and or request the use of buildings, property and equipment from neighbouring organisations in Keynsham. Similar reciprocal arrangements exist with these organisations such as the Town Council. 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 Association's 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 currently holds a significant reserve to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income. However, the Group has committed to utilise this reserve for the investment of building a new all weather activity barn at its Chelwood campsite and this will cost c.£130,000.

The Board has secured a £30,000 loan from the Scout District to assist with the new barn cost and to ensure sufficient funds for the on-going financial management of the Group. In the event of considerable additional unforeseen and budgeted cost to the Group it could raise additional loan(s) from Scout District of County to cover the risk or 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. The Group has a substantial team of volunteers and therefore currently considers this a manageable risk with the flexibility of resources available across the Group.

The Group has in place systems of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss, these include regular financial reviews of income and expenditure, Trustee Board approvals of budget and additional expenditure outside of budget and control limits, and comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered. The Scout Association provides insurance cover as part of the annual capitation for scouting activities including public liability. 1st Keynsham is responsible for any additional insurance cover for buildings and contents and equipment. Requirements are reviewed annually and cover is provided by Unity Insurance Brokers (Part of The Scout Association). Note: Because of accounting practices the book value of equipment and buildings will be significantly lower than the valuation for insurance purposes due to write down policies. The treasurer is the gatekeeper for all insurance claims through Unity Insurance.

Our Mayfields HQ buildings and facilities are kept in pristine condition by a team of volunteers who have grown in numbers over the past few years and their contribution is greatly valued. This group of dedicated volunteers led by John Balcombe and Dave Hopkins has saved the Group thousands of pounds in maintenance charges. To comply with relevant legislation and the conditions of our premises licence the Group employs professional and qualified trade's people in key areas.

Chelwood is located a few miles south of Keynsham where the Group owns a 30 acre camp site and nature reserve. It is a fantastic facility used for a number of events and activities throughout the year. It provides a very important income stream from the facilities and increasingly from events, and we are lucky to have a very professional and dedicated team of volunteers led by Wilf Harrison managing this facility with Christine Harrison and other supporters. The campsite is an important asset for members activities and an income stream and therefore the Group has commissioned the building of a new activity barn for the site.

Data management and GDPR compliance are seen as crucial for managing the Scout Group. The Group has been fortunate to have the experience of Alan Glasgow who has continued to progress the improvement and control of our IT systems, website and communication systems. The Group has provided its management team with a centralised online Google email and electronic data management platform and we are grateful for Alan's contribution in these areas. This now provides us with a platform for marketing, fundraising, keeping present and past members apprised of group developments and raising our profile in the community.

The senior management team are gatekeepers for vetting content of websites to ensure compliance with copyright, infringement of personal rights, defamation and data protection. Emails containing harmful content, malware and ransomware are potentially damaging to the Group and all officers and managers sending confidential information are required to use appropriate antivirus/anti-malware protection software. In order to allow leaders and managers' time to concentrate on Scouting activities record keeping has now been computerised using Compass and Online Scout Manager (OSM). Both systems are professionally managed with the highest levels of security. Bearing in mind that all involved at a local level are unpaid volunteers mostly with day jobs other than Scouting, the management of metadata could be a full time job in itself.

Section C	Objectives and activities
<p>Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>
<p>Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects</p>	<p>Scouting is the very essence of our being and everything we do is geared to providing the young people, and young at heart of Keynsham with the very best experiences possible. With over 100 years of history the alumni is full of success stories of young people who have gone on to lead successful and fulfilling lives, some currently working and living in countries right across the globe.</p> <p>The Group Leadership Team restructured in 2018 and identified key activity teams to support the Groups' Beavers, Cubs and Scouts in having challenging and fun experiences. These teams cover Shooting, Water sports, Caving, Climbing, Survival, Pioneering, Clay shooting, Archery, Entertaining, Expedition, Outdoors skills, Nature and Crafts.</p> <p>There is strong demand from parents to enrol their children (boys and girls) into Scouting, and there are waiting lists for Beavers, Cubs and Scouts.</p>

The numbers shown at the census fluctuate through the year. Reducing the waiting list is desired however this depends heavily on new adult volunteers and young leaders coming forward. The fact that parents are passionate about their children being involved in Scouting is a testament to the quality and diversity of the opportunities on offer. Parents are advised that Scouting at local level is run entirely by unpaid volunteers and there are strict criteria on the ratio of leaders to children in their care. The only way in which we can reduce the waiting list is to increase the number of leaders and assistant leaders.

Our premises are used every evening and at weekends and there is a vibrant activity programme taking Scouting off site including the use of the group owned activity and campsite at Chelwood. The Group is exploring various options to build / extend the current HQ premises in Keynsham for it is now running at capacity and cannot accommodate any additional colonies, packs, troops. The Group understands the need to start Squirrels in Keynsham and is reviewing the recruitment of additional volunteers for this requirement and looking at how this will integrate within the Group.

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

The Group was founded in 1909 and it is with great pride we acknowledge the generosity of those early pioneers in presenting the Group with land and assets and in so doing laying the foundations of one of the largest and most successful Groups in the UK. This report is a representative view of 1st Keynsham Scout Group, its activities, its place in the community, but more than that through the combined efforts of all in and out of uniform the Group has provided young people with skills which have evolved over the years to meet 21st Century needs so they can embrace opportunities in future life. The Trustees would like to thank and congratulate all the unpaid volunteers for their contribution over the last twelve months.

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.

1st Keynsham Scout Group is a community based organisation dedicated to provide young people with a wide range of activities and life skills and a safe environment in which to develop their contribution to the community and wider world in the years to come. The Group is heavily involved in supporting Keynsham in Bloom and enters the RHS "In your neighbourhood" annually. The Group also allows lettings of the Keynsham Mayfields HQ & Chelwood woodland campsite premises while not in use for Scouting to allow the wider community to benefit from these excellent facilities. The Keynsham HQ premises are registered for emergency use as part of the Keynsham Council /BANES Business Continuity Plan. The Group let the HQ to the Department of Health & Social Care during the Covid19 Pandemic to use as a testing centre and the local health centres also use the HQ for mass vaccinations for the community.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Membership as per Census 31st January 2024 = 240

	Total	Male	Female
<u>BEAVERS</u>	<u>49</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>12</u>
K2	24	21	3
ROCKY	25	16	9
<u>CUBS</u>	<u>84</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>18</u>
CHILTERN	27	19	8
COTSWOLD	29	23	6
QUANTOCK	28	24	4
<u>SCOUTS</u>	<u>107</u>	<u>79</u>	<u>28</u>
AXE	27	21	6
FROME	28	21	7
CHEW	27	20	7
AVON	25	17	8
TOTALS	240	182	58
<u>WAITING LISTS</u>	<u>118</u>	<u>105</u>	<u>13</u>
BEAVERS	69	58	11
CUBS	35	34	1
SCOUTS	14	13	1

The Group has continued to provide outstanding scouting for its Keynsham youth. Membership numbers have increased from the previous reporting period by 17 members, primarily in the Scout section.

Sadly we must also reflect on the loss of people in the year who played a part in Scouting in Keynsham and in this last year we have sadly lost Nigel Hutchings who will be sadly missed by family, friends and our Group.

We're continually amazed at the resilience and passion of our Group volunteers and we must thank the Scout Trustees and Leadership team for all their fantastic efforts; enthusiasm and innovating ways to keep Scouting alive for all the units and our young members. And everyone behind the scenes managing our property, lettings, finances, equipment, fundraising, lettings, Chelwood, subscriptions, IT and so much more.

Our strength as a Group lies with the amazing leadership and operational leadership teams sharing the load of managing this Group and delivering great scouting for Keynsham's youth.

We had another highly successful year of fundraising activities and this is essential for minimising the members subscription charges and also investing in the Group's future. The Group has been able to maintain its bank balances and has created a healthy reserve account for the future growth and resilience.

Our leadership and executive teams have considered initial growth and investment plans and agreed that this should start with the building of a new activity barn at Chelwood. I would like to record my appreciation to our Project Team supporting this requirement. We procured a detailed structural design and tendered the required works last year, however, initial tender cost returns were far higher than expected and we reduced the specification to a more appropriate cost envelope. This was mostly achieved by removing the electrical works. Building should take place in the summer 2024.

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Reserves Policy

The Group held reserves of approximately £70,000 against future development at year end. This is above the level required for operating expenses. However this can be explained by the imminent use of these reserves for the new activity barn at Chelwood. It is anticipated these reserves will be used in June 2024 for this project.

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 recently reviewed the requirements whilst committing to the new activity barn expenditure and considers that the Group should hold a sum equivalent to 3 months running costs, circa £15,000.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

The Group has required to take a £30,000 loan from the District Scouts in order to complete the new activity barn development at Chelwood. The loan will be taken out for the final payment to the build contractor (D B Gibbons), and this is anticipated in July 2024. The loan will be for a 10 year period with repayments in December each year. The Group will look to exceed the payment schedule and repay the loan early if possible and the Group has a record of doing so on previous loan arrangements. The Group will balance this desire with the on-going running costs and holding sufficient operating funds.

Further financial review details (optional information)

Investment Policy

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.

1st Keynsham has an annual budget of approximately sixty thousand pounds all of which must be raised by the Group membership subscriptions and from fund raising activities, grants and donations. Fundraising is only made possible due to the numbers of volunteers who run the various events and the support from local businesses. The Group has strong financial governance with contingencies in place to cover unplanned changes in income or expense. Cash flow is managed through the year to ensure financial stability. We are a non-profit making charity with all funds being re-invested in the Group. Funds raised are used predominantly to pay for insurance, running costs, purchase equipment, improve facilities, and to provide leader training which in turn enhances the Scouting experience for our young people commensurate with modern Scouting.

The Group's main income streams beyond subscriptions includes the hiring of our Keynsham HQ and Chelwood campsite for various events and activities. We have music and premises licences for the HQ and can accommodate a range of events; the Group normally runs an annual scout auction and clay pigeon shoots to raise funds.

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

The Group prioritises its expenditure on ensuring the Scout members have the resources required for a safe and exhaustive activity programme. The Group's successful fundraising has enabled significant investment in its own activity equipment and dedicated substantial premises in Mayfields Keynsham and Chelwood Campsite.

The current substantial Group financial reserves are being used to further develop the Chelwood campsite with a large activity barn. This will enhance the Group facilities for its members activities and also help secure additional income lettings for the campsite.

• investment policy and objectives;

Banking is moving away from cheques and cash towards online banking systems which are now widely used. We could not operate a Group of this size and complexity without embracing online banking. Trustees have agreed guidelines on the operating procedures within the Group but there is always a risk whatever steps we take that external fraudulent activity could take place. Internal fraud prevention measures include dual monitoring of bank accounts and the availability of bank accounts for inspection at Trustee Board meetings.

We have within the Group Trustees with significant finance and banking experience and together with the Group's bankers we have tried to mitigate financial risks.

The Group monitors its income and expenses on a regular basis and takes measures to adjust these to ensure the Group cash balances are managed for the long term sustainability of the Group.

Section F Other Optional Information

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

To carry on the traditions of the Group we are engaging with parents and supporters to find the future inspirational leaders and supporters to take the Group forward. To reduce waiting lists the Group is actively looking at ways in which we can use additional facilities to create new Colonies, Packs and Troops which will need additional adult volunteers.

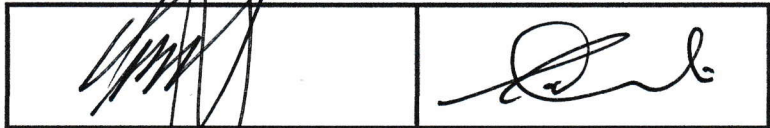
The Group will look to the introduction of Squirrels section in the coming years to fall in line with the TSA desires.

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

Len Bridges | Ian Carter

Position (eg Secretary, Chair)

Chair | GLV

Date

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**Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees of 1st Keynsham Scout
Group : Registered Charity no 305626**

I report on the accounts of the 1st Keynsham Scout Group for the year ended 31 March 2024 which are set out on pages two to four of this document.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the 1st Keynsham Scout Group you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

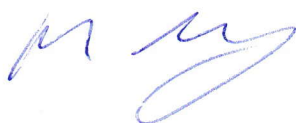
I report in respect of my examination of the 1st Keynsham Scout Group accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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 Keynsham Scout Group as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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.



Mike Smith ACMA, CGMA
Associate Chartered Management Accountant
2 Avon Road, Keynsham, BS31 1LJ

4 June 2024



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
1st Keynsham Scouts

No (if any)
108626

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from
1/4/2023

To
31/3/2024

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted to the nearest £	Restricted to the nearest £	Endowment to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Chelwood	8,540	-	-	8,540	9,826
Donations	1,745	-	-	1,745	1,524
Events	31,972	-	-	31,972	15,819
Group expenses	34	-	-	34	-
Fund Raising	17,451	-	-	17,451	17,051
Garage Let	2,250	-	-	2,250	2,450
Gift Aid	5,641	-	-	5,641	8,392
Grants	1,100	-	-	1,100	1,500
Lettings	9,042	-	-	9,042	8,739
Maintenance (Grounds)	365	-	-	365	-
Subscriptions	26,040	-	-	26,040	24,166
Badges / Books	4	-	-	4	15
Explorers	1,423	-	-	1,423	1,276
Stores	-	-	-	-	-
Section allowance	715	-	-	715	2,039
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	106,322	-	-	106,322	92,796
A2 Asset and investment sales,					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	106,322	-	-	106,322	92,796
A3 Payments					
Badges / Books	3,036	-	-	3,036	2,633
Capitation	13,200	-	-	13,200	11,819
Computers	761	-	-	761	360
Chelwood	5,042	-	-	5,042	2,402
Events	22,873	-	-	22,873	17,306
Group Expenses	7,853	-	-	7,853	8,548
Insurance	6,989	-	-	6,989	6,958
Maintenance (Buildings)	8,956	-	-	8,956	7,324
Maintenance (Grounds)	3,838	-	-	3,838	3,145
Equipment Maintenance (Stores)	1,442	-	-	1,442	2,200
Equipment Maintenance (Activity)	1,580	-	-	1,580	461
Equipment Maintenance (Furniture)	276	-	-	276	-
Rates	737	-	-	737	703
Section Allowance	3,357	-	-	3,357	3,175
Training	297	-	-	297	398
Utilities	5,078	-	-	5,078	3,417
Chelwood Barn project	846	-	-	846	4,058
Project	-	-	-	-	-
Fund Raising	4,288	-	-	4,288	4,999
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	90,449	-	-	90,449	79,906
A4 Asset and investment					
Equipment	5,731	-	-	5,731	3,406
Land and Buildings	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	5,731	-	-	5,731	3,406
Total payments	96,180	-	-	96,180	83,313
Net of receipts/(payments)	10,141	-	-	10,141	9,484
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	129,765	-	-	129,765	120,281
Cash funds this year end	139,906	-	-	139,906	129,765

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted to nearest £	Restricted to nearest £	Endowment to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current Account	66,406	-	-
	Chelwood Account	3,018	-	-
	Reserve Account	70,482	-	-
	Total cash funds	139,906	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Equipment	Unrestricted	7,248	9,727
	Chelwood	Endowment	68,000	68,000
	Ashton Way Land	Endowment	20,000	20,000
	Ashton Way Buildings	Unrestricted	318,707	123,970
			-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which	Amount due	When due
B5 Liabilities			-	
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**Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees of 1st Keynsham Scout
Group : Registered Charity no 305626**

I report on the accounts of the 1st Keynsham Scout Group for the year ended 31 March 2024 which are set out on pages two to four of this document.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the 1st Keynsham Scout Group you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

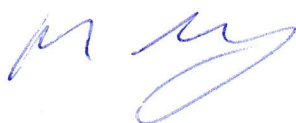
I report in respect of my examination of the 1st Keynsham Scout Group accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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 Keynsham Scout Group as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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.



Mike Smith ACMA, CGMA
Associate Chartered Management Accountant
2 Avon Road, Keynsham, BS31 1LJ

4 June 2024



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
1st Keynsham Scouts

No (if any)
108626

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from **1/4/2023** To **31/3/2024**

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted to the nearest £	Restricted to the nearest £	Endowment to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Chelwood	8,540	-	-	8,540	9,826
Donations	1,745	-	-	1,745	1,524
Events	31,972	-	-	31,972	15,819
Group expenses	34	-	-	34	-
Fund Raising	17,451	-	-	17,451	17,051
Garage Let	2,250	-	-	2,250	2,450
Gift Aid	5,641	-	-	5,641	8,392
Grants	1,100	-	-	1,100	1,500
Lettings	9,042	-	-	9,042	8,739
Maintenance (Grounds)	365	-	-	365	-
Subscriptions	26,040	-	-	26,040	24,166
Badges / Books	4	-	-	4	15
Explorers	1,423	-	-	1,423	1,276
Stores	-	-	-	-	-
Section allowance	715	-	-	715	2,039
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	106,322	-	-	106,322	92,796
A2 Asset and investment sales,					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	106,322	-	-	106,322	92,796
A3 Payments					
Badges / Books	3,036	-	-	3,036	2,633
Capitation	13,200	-	-	13,200	11,819
Computers	761	-	-	761	360
Chelwood	5,042	-	-	5,042	2,402
Events	22,873	-	-	22,873	17,306
Group Expenses	7,853	-	-	7,853	8,548
Insurance	6,989	-	-	6,989	6,958
Maintenance (Buildings)	8,956	-	-	8,956	7,324
Maintenance (Grounds)	3,838	-	-	3,838	3,145
Equipment Maintenance (Stores)	1,442	-	-	1,442	2,200
Equipment Maintenance (Activity)	1,580	-	-	1,580	461
Equipment Maintenance (Furniture)	276	-	-	276	-
Rates	737	-	-	737	703
Section Allowance	3,357	-	-	3,357	3,175
Training	297	-	-	297	398
Utilities	5,078	-	-	5,078	3,417
Chelwood Barn project	846	-	-	846	4,058
Project	-	-	-	-	-
Fund Raising	4,288	-	-	4,288	4,999
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	90,449	-	-	90,449	79,906
A4 Asset and investment					
Equipment	5,731	-	-	5,731	3,406
Land and Buildings	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	5,731	-	-	5,731	3,406
Total payments	96,180	-	-	96,180	83,313
Net of receipts/(payments)	10,141	-	-	10,141	9,484
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	129,765	-	-	129,765	120,281
Cash funds this year end	139,906	-	-	139,906	129,765

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted to nearest £	Restricted to nearest £	Endowment to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current Account	66,406	-	-
	Chelwood Account	3,018	-	-
	Reserve Account	70,482	-	-
	Total cash funds	139,906	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Equipment	Unrestricted	7,248	9,727
	Chelwood	Endowment	68,000	68,000
	Ashton Way Land	Endowment	20,000	20,000
	Ashton Way Buildings	Unrestricted	318,707	123,970
			-	-
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