1st Ash Vale Scout Group Trustees' Annual Report 2025

The Group, which has been in continuous existence since 1938, is part of the Scout Association of the United Kingdom. It follows the Association's progressive training scheme to help young people from the age of 4yrs up to 14yrs to achieve their individual potentials and to become responsible citizens. Training is coupled with having fun. Badges and awards are presented as they complete various tasks within the training programme.

At the end of the period the Group's registered membership with the Scout Association was 111 young members (Beaver Scouts, Cub Scouts, Scouts & Young Leaders) plus Adult Leaders, Assistant Leaders and Skills Instructors. The Group remains one of the largest in the District. Additionally, there are 10 ex-officio, nominated or co-opted non uniformed adult Trustees. All adults in the Group are unpaid. All activities, as well as costs of running the Headquarters and purchase of equipment are funded via subs received from parents and fun-raising activities undertaken by the Group.

Young members attend meetings and activities organised by their Sections and by the Group as a whole. They also participate in activities with members of other Groups in the Blackwater Valley Scout District. Our Annual General Meeting on 21st May 2025 was held at St Mary's Church, as our Scout Hut is being currently re-built. Numerous badges and awards have been presented. Social activities and camps have included Group Jamboree, Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter camps. The Group helped at the Lakeside Fun Day, Wheels Day and Christmas Fantasia. We had a trip to the Pantomime and held our Group Carol Service at St Mary's Church. The Group also raised funds towards the new hut. The Group prides itself on the harmonious relationship that exists between all the adults, both uniformed and non-uniformed. It has a record of retaining these adults, some of whose years of service are in double figures.

The Group held a Fund-raising Quiz Evening during 2025 and the Guildford Lottery continued. A donation of £2,000 was received from Millenium Oak, £1,750 was received from Surrey Street Rodders and other donations were received totalling £3,720

The Group was successful in securing a grant from Surrey County Council to rebuild our Scout Hut; the work on the project commenced in early 2025 and is nearly complete.

The Group is a Trust established under rules that are common to all Groups within the Scout Association and Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules

of the Association. The Accounts have been drawn up on a Receipts and Payments basis, which is consistent with the previous year. It is believed that they show a sound financial position with adequate reserves for normal activities.

1st ASH VALE SCOUT GROUP
Receipts and Payments account summary
for the year ended 31st December 2025

		2025		2024
Total receipts for the period (see page 3)	£	477,949.40	£	42,047.67
Total payments for the period (see page 4)	£	486,106.15	£	37,147.32
Net receipts (payments) for the period	-£	8,156.75	£	4,900.35
Cash, Bank and similar funds brought forward	£	79,234.66	£	74,334.31
	£	71,077.91	£	79,234.66

Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31st December 2025

Cash, Bank and Building Society				
Group Lloyds Current Account	£	44,057.96	£	32,309.12
Co-op New Hut Account	£	21,817.52	£	41,323.36
Floats	£	50.00	£	50.00
Cash in Hand - Linda West	£	10.48	£	10.48
	£	65,935.96	£	73,692.96

Non Monetary Assets - Assets for the Charity's own use

Land & Buildings	- Freehold plot and HQ building (work in progress) vested in the name of the Scout Association Trust Corporation
Scout Equipment	- Valued and insured for £15,000
Furniture and other contents	- Valued and insured for £2,500

Liabilities - NIL

1st ASH VALE SCOUT GROUP
Receipts for the year ended 31st December 2025

	2025		2024	
Membership				
Subscriptions	£ 15,114.80		£ 14,558.37	
Less paid to Scout Association	-£ 7,366.00		-£ 7,239.00	
		£ 7,748.80		£ 7,319.37
Donations & Grants				
Millenium Oak	£ 2,000.00		£ 3,000.00	
Surrey Street Rodders - Wheels Day	£ 1,750.00		£ 2,699.99	
Carol Concert	£ 278.54			
Other Donations	£ 3,481.81		£ 580.50	
		£ 7,510.35		£ 6,280.49
Activities				
Pantomime	£ 528.00		£ 2,120.00	
Scout Camps	£ 11,265.34		£ 11,269.90	
Scouts	£ 855.00		£ 312.00	
Jamboree	£ 3,632.93		£ 5,915.50	
Other	£ 970.83		£ 90.00	
		£ 17,252.10		£ 19,707.40
Fund Raising (gross)				
Fantasia	£ 102.10		£ 285.44	
Other	£ 1,906.95		£ 1,657.80	
		£ 2,009.05		£ 1,943.24
Sundry Receipts				
Uniform Sales	£ -		£ 411.43	
		£ -		£ 411.43
New Hut				
Fundraising (Gross)	£ 2,272.95		£ 1,436.40	
Donations & Grants	£ 10,675.78		£ 4,569.34	
Surrey CC Funding	£ 421,936.75			
		£ 434,885.48		£ 6,005.74
Income from HQ				
Rent			380	
				380
Gift Aid	£ 8,543.62			
		£ 8,543.62		
		£ 477,949.40		**£ 42,047.67**

1st ASH VALE SCOUT GROUP
Payments for the year ended 31st December 2025

		2025			2024	
Premises						
Electric	£	1,356.40		£	2,476.92	
Gas	£	1,122.06		£	2,011.32	
Cleaning	£	-		£	135.43	
Water & Sewerage	£	103.35		£	252.58	
Internet and Broadband	£	408.00		£	477.60	
Insurance	£	386.24		£	843.07	
Repairs and Renewals				£	217.50	
Alternative Rent	£	6,520.36				
			£ 9,896.41			£ 6,414.42
Donations & Grants						
Carol Service				£	-	
						£ -
Activities						
Group	£	294.80		£	252.64	
Scout Camps	£	9,196.39		£	10,173.14	
Beavers and Cubs	£	1,951.38		£	295.54	
Scouts	£	997.61		£	722.35	
Pantomime	£	528.00		£	2,100.00	
Jamboree and Jubilee Camp	£	4,056.57		£	5,647.89	
			£ 17,024.75			£ 19,191.56
Fund Raising Expenses						
Other		48.93				
Wheels Day	£	118.05		£	116.89	
			£ 166.98			£ 116.89
Admin / Establishment Expenses						
AGM	£	49.10		£	45.50	
Sundry inc training	£	210.95		£	400.00	
Website	£	551.71		£	151.18	
			£ 811.76			£ 596.68
Trustees Expenses						
New Hut	£	454,293.73		£	6,076.47	
			£ 454,293.73			£ 6,076.47
Other Expenses						
Remembrance Day Wreath	£	28.50		£	27.50	
Uniform				£	397.28	
Badges	£	1,539.16		£	1,585.80	
			£ 1,567.66			£ 2,010.58
Purchase / Maintenance of Equipment						
Various	£	2,344.86		£	2,740.72	
			£ 2,344.86			£ 2,740.72
			£ 486,106.15			**£ 37,147.32**

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of 1st Ash Vale Scout Group

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees 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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 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 confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of ACCA, which is one of the listed bodies.

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 charity 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:

C. Oakland

Name: Charlotte Oakland

Qualification: ACCA

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Date: 20th May 2026