

1st Hullbridge Trustee report 31 January 2024

Charity number 308096

Trustees

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Objectives & Activities

The aim of the 1st Hullbridge Scouts is;

“To actively engage and support young people in their personal development thereby empowering them to make a positive contribution to society”

This aligns to and supports the aims and objects of the Scout UK organisation.

To achieve this aim, in partnership with adults, young people take part in both indoor and outdoor activities. They learn by doing and taking responsibility in the weekly meetings.

These meetings have been held weekly, during school term time, with the young people working together in groups to achieve the objective of the meeting.

Membership level have remained steady with waiting lists in place for each of the sections.

Achievements, Performance & Finance

For the period in the 12 months to 31 March 2024 fundraising events were held to generate funds to allow for replacement of equipment and purchase of items needed to support the young people in their activities. Funds raised allowed the planning for the replacement of tents on a rolling basis over the next couple of years – necessary for several of the outdoor activities.

The Group does not have its own premises but fulfils its aims by the hire of a Church hall. Risks are managed both for the premises and for each event to ensure the young people and adult volunteers are not placed at risk from undertaking activities.

Assets held are stored in secure storage containers owned by the Group and sited on an area behind the Church Hall for which a lease is held.

Issues arose late 2023 with a lack of adult volunteers meaning planned activities were at risk of cancellation due to the Health and Safety implications. An active recruitment

campaign resolved the issue to an extent but remains an area continually under review to ensure sufficient support is always available.

Structure, Governance & Management

Trustees are drawn from adult volunteers and appointed through this process.

Training is required as determined by Scout UK and must be undertaken within 6 weeks of appointment.

Policies are determined by the Scout UK organisation. Information is fed from local level to District to Area then ultimately to National level. Trustee meetings are held on a regular basis to ensure 1st Hullbridge comply with the national policy guidelines, specifically 'how' the Group operates.

Executive meetings are held to ensure the Group runs effectively – including, for example, planning of activities, recruitment of volunteers – covering 'what' is undertaken on a day-to-day basis.

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Account Summary 2023-2024

Receipts (Income)	Scouts	Cubs	Beavers	Group	Total
Membership received	1005.00	975.00	1020.00	8925.00	11925.00
Bank interest	45.38			144.88	190.26
Sundry income				27.08	27.08
Grants					0.00
Activities	2649.50	810.00	3240.00		6699.50
Fundraising	5926.58			4931.79	10858.37
Badges / scarves / uniform	12.00		176.61	239.65	428.26
Totals	9638.46	1785.00	4436.61	14268.40	30128.47

Payments (Outgoings)	Scouts	Cubs	Beavers	Group	Total
Capitation to District				2914.00	2914.00
Hall Rent				4207.50	4207.50
Insurance				730.24	730.24
Donations					0.00
Activities	6092.53	1266.78	3216.93	76.00	10652.24
Equipment	56.71		53.62	1854.67	1965.00
Fundraising	3866.47			202.76	4069.23
Admin		40.53	130.11	337.59	508.23
Badges / scarves / uniform	96.39	123.53	590.95	336.1	1146.97
Sundry costs				208.35	208.35
Hut project				1000.00	1000.00
Gas refills				63.75	63.75
Totals	10112.1	1430.84	3991.61	11930.96	27465.51

Balance held @ 31 March 2024

Current account	798.20	844.82	938.74	2812.76	5394.52
Jamboree account	1137.35				1137.35
Camp account	286.82				286.82
Fundraising account				2692.35	2692.35
Savings account				9142.66	9142.66
Cash in hand		79.42	143.88	1177.19	1400.49
Totals	2222.37	924.24	1082.62	15824.96	20054.19

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Account Audit 12 month period ending 31 March 2024

We have checked all the paperwork supplied and calculated, we find all your accounts to be in order, for the tax year 2023-24 to be true and just on the information supplied including all invoices and receipts

We have compared these accounts to the previous year and note that the membership has increased along with the fundraising, but your outgoings have also increased with the activity charges and District subs

To conclude overall the figures are higher than 2022-23 but the overall profit has increase albeit slightly

I have no hesitation in signing off these accounts being true and accurate to the best of my knowledge with the paperwork supplied, this includes 3 number group accounts and 3 number section accounts

Joanne Walker
J & M Payroll & Financing Services Ltd