

SOUTHWARK DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

Trustees Annual Report for the year from 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025



Reference and administration details

Registered charity number: 314261

HQ registration number: 13904

HMRC Charities Reference Number: ZD00080

Principal address: Scout House, 254 Jamaica Rd, London SE16 4BD

President: Eric Thomas until 10 July 2025
vacant with effect from 10 July 2025

Vice Presidents: vacant

The District President and Vice Presidents are not Trustees and have no executive role

Names of the trustees who manage the charity

Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted for if not for whole year
Ex-Officio		
Celia Wenban-Smith	District Lead Volunteer	
	District Youth Lead	
Appointed		
Steve Ford	District Chair	
Lindsay Wyles	District Treasurer	Resigned 9 October 2024
Deepti RamosTurnes		
Paul Wootton		
Andy Melia		
Alfie Francis		Until 9 October 2024
Rebecca Chiles		Until 9 October 2024

Linda Moore		Until 9 October 2024
Marlon Marton Bell		from 9 October 2024
John Condliffe		from 9 October 2024
Fergus Kingston		from 9 October 2024
Ashley Squire		from 9 October 2024
Co-opted		
Simon Biasi	District Treasurer	From 15 July 2025 until the next AGM

Names and addresses of advisers

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Principal Banks		
Bank	Barclays	
Savings	National Savings & Investments	
Savings	Redwood Bank	
Savings	Cambridge & Counties Bank	
Savings	United Trust Bank	
Bank (Campsite)	TSB	
Bank (Dulwich ESU)	Lloyds Bank	
Bank (Phoenix ESU)	Barclays	
Custodian Trustee	The Scout Association Trust Corporation	Gilwell Park, Chingford, LONDON E4 7QW

The land and buildings vested in the District are held on its behalf by the Scout Association Trust Corporation.

Representative member for the District at the Greater London South County Scout Council	Kay Francis	Elected on 8 October 2024 until next AGM
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Local Training Manager for the District	Kay Francis	
Campsite Warden	Mick Moore until May 2025 and then Darren Lodge	
Scout House Warden	Paul Wootton	

Structure, governance and management

The District's governing documents are those of 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 District has adopted in full the model constitution as laid out in Chapter 5 of The Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.

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

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

The District is managed by the District Trustee Board, the members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' of the District Scout Council 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 together with the various Trustees (ex officio, elected at the last Annual General Meeting and co-opted since the last AGM) and meets every 2 months.

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

This District 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 give young people skills for life.

Risk and Internal Control

The District Trustee Board has identified the major risks to which they believe the District 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:-

Reputational issues arising from adverse coverage

Any reputational risks are mitigated by the use of the Scout Association media team

Damage to building, property and equipment (Waylands, Campsite and Scout House and Explorer Units)

The District 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 District has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss. Premises audits are carried out on our buildings.

Finance

There are legal requirements upon trustees to ensure that district finances are correctly controlled and reported. The District is heavily dependent upon volunteers to ensure this is all done correctly. Financial risk management reviews are undertaken by the Trustee board on a regular basis, procedures around payments from district accounts are clearly established and any subsidy for district events is agreed by the Trustee board.

Reduction or loss of leaders

The District is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer activities. Support and training are provided to reduce the risk of leaders leaving the District.

Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members

The District, through the capitation fees, contributes to the Scout Association's national accident insurance policy. Risk assessments are undertaken before all activities.

Objectives and activities

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

Scouts is open to all. We have members (both youth and adult) from all ethnicities and include those with additional needs (developmental, physical, mental or other). We have sections in all areas of the District including areas of deprivation. We believe it's a priority to reflect the diversity of the communities we are in.

Our Main activities

The District is entirely run by volunteers and is responsible for:

- the day-to-day management of Scouting in Southwark, ensuring that local groups are compliant with Scout Association rules including critical controls on safety and safeguarding
- Provision of support to our Scout Groups via our Group Lead Volunteers, Group Treasurers and Group Chairs
- As part of the function of supporting Scouting in Southwark the District financially supports Scout Groups where needed.
- Opportunities to meet and support each other, swapping ideas and best practice
- Supporting Groups and Units in recruitment activities
- Coordinating large scale events for all members of the District
- Maintaining two properties owned by the District, to be used for the benefit of Scouting in the District
- Providing guidance on necessary training
- Training and nurturing out Young Leaders
- The running of the Explorer Scout Units
- Promoting Scouting in Southwark to the general public, other organisations and our local community,
- the way Scouting is developed in Southwark,

- Our Scout Active Support Units.
- Specialist Advisors (additional needs, health & safety)
- Adult awards, recognition and supplementary training

Our properties

Scout House, Jamaica Road SE16 4BD

On 18 July 2017 the District signed a 999 year lease with Bermondsey Residential Limited for The New Scout Hall SE16 4BD. The lease is tenant repairing (for a £1 premium and a peppercorn rent) and with a service charge. The property can only be used as a place for Scouting Activities and a community centre with class D1 of the use of classes order.

The valuation provided in August 2015 of the market value of the leasehold interest of the Scouts accommodation was of the order of £1.5 million.

Waylands Campsite, Westerham

This is a freehold campsite which allows the District to run District camps and hikes.

Public benefit statement

The District meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.

Achievements and Performance

The census in January 2025 showed the number of young people supported fell by 3% from 2024, to 853. Looking at this in more detail, the biggest impact was from the closure of two beaver sections, due to a lack of volunteers available to run them. Offsetting this was a small 2% growth in scout section numbers and a 14% gain in explorer numbers – our explorer numbers have now almost doubled in the last 4 years.

In October 16 teams of scouts and explorers took part in the district Torchlight challenge event and scouts and explorers from 7 groups and units participated in an ambitious district hike along the North Downs Way in November, with one group making it 28km before the daylight ran out! Thanks to Ian Gravatt, Emily Sterz and Juliet Kemp for making these events happen.

The 7th Camberwell ran their usual brilliant district fireworks display in November, with an excellent turn out from many groups.

Cubs and Scouts District camps were run as usual in May 2025 with a focus on enabling groups with less leader support to get their Cubs and Scouts camping.

Many of our older scouts attended a Paddlesports training camp in June, run by the Top Awards team as part of the effort to encourage scouts to make the move up to Explorer units.

Our Explorer Scouts have had many opportunities to extend their skills in hiking, camping and canoeing – with around 20 separate nights away events over the year. They are encouraged to enrol for the Duke of Edinburgh Awards and King's Scout Award and training for expeditions continued. They achieved 9 bronze, 3 silver and 3 gold awards as well as 5

Chief Scouts Diamond awards and 5 Chief Scout's Platinum awards. The District would like to thank the County Top Awards team for their huge support in making this happen.

Young Leaders have continued to participate in the District Young Leader scheme, including attendance at regular training sessions. Numbers have again risen substantially this year with over 60 young leaders providing their skills and enthusiasm to nearly all groups in the District. Thanks to Rebecca Chiles, James Manley and Sabiene Cross for their work with the Young Leaders.

Across the district within groups, an enormous range of events has taken place, including around 50 nights away experiences across dozens of different campsites, boats and tunnels! All this has taken place while the introduction of a new national membership system has brought challenges for many, in particular to the group lead volunteers. We are grateful to everyone who has worked through this and especially to Kay Francis and Juliet Kemp, who have been tireless in supporting other leaders through the change.

We also thank all the leaders in the District for their continued dedication to running so many amazing activities for young people.

International trips

International trips give the young people the opportunity to represent our District at a major event, meet Scouts from all over the world and learn about a different culture. The District supports these Scouts and Explorers with various fundraising events to help them cover the cost of the trip.

The District looks forward to the next selection round for the 26th World Scout Jamboree in Poland in August 2027.

Financial review

The attached examined accounts form an integral part of this Report. Detailed financial updates are presented regularly to the District Trustee Board.

The accounts are prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

Reserves policy

The District's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient unrestricted resources to continue the charitable activities of the District should income and fundraising activities fall short. The need for substantial reserves was illustrated during the COVID pandemic.

The District Trustee Board considers the minimum reserves that should be maintained to allow for difficult financial circumstances in the District should include adequate reserves for

- Scout House running costs as there is no steady income stream
- Scout House and Waylands as a result of increasing costs
- The District receives the mandatory charity relief on both its buildings and the discretionary relief on one and needs to allow reserves in case there is any reduction in the discretionary or worse still the mandatory business relief for charities
- The campsite needs an appropriate reserve for major replacement items and improvements which will not be insignificant amounts of funds.
- ESUs to ensure delivery of a robust program of events and expeditions including the minibus and canoe equipment and maintenance and replacement plans

- The District has responsibility to meet the liabilities of any group or unit that closes and needs to ensure that there are reserves for this if needed. It should be noted that our financial review of the groups at present would indicate this is unlikely.
- Falls in interest rates as that is one of our main income streams

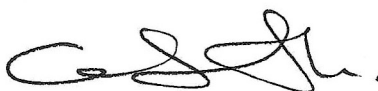
And these are the reasons for reserves to be higher than the normal. Any reserves outside this absolute minimum will be used for the development of Scouts in Southwark.

Investment policy

Charities are required to set out their investment objectives in an investment policy which they should keep under regular review; the investment policy should be the starting point for any trustee board discussion on investments. The District has adopted a low risk strategy to the investments of its funds and cash is held at call or short/medium term notice using only mainstream banks or building societies, no other investments exist. The District Trustee Board regularly monitors the level of bank balances and the interest rates received to ensure the District obtain the maximum value and income from its banking arrangements. This does involve using accounts that require a period of notice before funds may be withdrawn, before doing so the District Trustee Board considers the cashflow requirements.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.
Signed on behalf of the charity trustees

Steve Ford	Celia Wenban-Smith
Chair	District Lead Volunteer

Date 15 July 2025

Long Service, Good Service and District Level Awards

Long Service Awards (more than 25 years)

25 years	James Chatwin	
30 years	Jon Fell	
50 years	Jim Cross	

Commissioners Commendation

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Chief Scout's Commendation for Good Service

Garrett Mears	James McEwan	
Stephen Holt	Emily Sterz	
Laurie Sanderson	Ian Gravatt	

Award for Merit

Celia Wenban-Smith	Lianne Murray	
James Chamberlain	Alistair Cantlay	
Rebecca Chiles	Brendan O'Rourke	

Bar to the Silver Acorn

Silver Wolf

District awards presented at our AGM on 8 October 2024

Peggy Dowling Cup	Roy Webber	
District Shield	2 nd Southwark	

Census of Membership of Southwark District at 31 January 2025

YOUTH MEMBERSHIP	
Squirrel Scouts	0
Beaver Scouts	126
Cub Scouts	288
Scouts	309
Explorer Scouts	130
Network Members	0
TOTAL YOUTH MEMBERSHIP	853
TOTAL ADULT ROLES	251
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP	1,104

SOUTHWARK DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

Schedule of Registered Scout Groups & District Explorer Scout Units

Scout Groups

**No Squirrel Dreys, 12 Beaver Colonies, 14 Cub Packs and 14 Scout Troops
as at 31 January 2025**

1st Southwark

2nd Southwark

3rd Southwark

3rd Camberwell

5th Camberwell

7th Camberwell

8th Camberwell

14th Bermondsey

16th Bermondsey

20th Bermondsey

23rd Camberwell

25th Camberwell

34th Camberwell

30th Southwark

Explorer Scout Units

Dulwich Explorer Scout Unit

Phoenix Explorer Scout Unit

Docklands of Rotherhithe and Albion Explorer Scout Unit

Notes to the Accounts for the Year Ended 31st March 2025

1 Accounting Policies

a) *Basis of accounting*

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Scout Factsheet on accounting and auditing requirements and with the (FRS 102) Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

The accounts for the current year and the prior period comparatives are on a receipts and payments basis with a statement of assets and liabilities at the year end.

The figures are an aggregation, not a consolidation with the Explorer Scout Units and premises run by the District.

- b) The District owns the freehold of Waylands Camp, Westerham which has existed as a Scout Campsite since the 1920s. The campsite was originally a gift from Sir William Wayland to the Scouts. The campsite and buildings have been included in these accounts at their insured value. The buildings and land at the campsite were revalued during 2007/08.

The District previously owned the freehold of Scout House, 252 Jamaica Road SE16 4BD. Scout House was officially opened on 26 May 1951.

The freehold of the building was sold in April 2017 in exchange a 999 year lease on a newly redeveloped building on the site and a release of funds. The rent payable under the 999 year lease is a peppercorn.

The new Scout Hall was handed over to the District in September 2020, and became available for use in May 2021.

Equipment has been included in these accounts at insurance valuation or cost.

Phoenix Explorer Scout Unit purchased 8 canoes and a trailer from Southwark Council for £6,750 in 2017. Since then the canoe equipment has been added to.

With effect from 9 June 2024 the canoes were made available to Greater London South Scout Council (registered charity number 303883) in order to run canoe training, events and expeditions which in some way support the development of young people in Scouting. There is no charge for this arrangement but Greater London South Scout Council maintains and insures the canoes.

- c) Stocks of consumable items have been valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.
- d) Donations are accounted for when received. Where the receipt of a grant is certain it is included when this is known, otherwise it is included when received. Donated goods are recorded at their fair value.
- e) The District has no employees. All roles within the District are undertaken by volunteers.
- f) The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.
- g) *Fund accounting*

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Designated funds are funds set aside by the trustees for particular purposes.

Notes to the Accounts for the Year Ended 31st March 2025.

2 Restricted Funds

	<i>Balance 1st April 2024</i>	<i>Movement in Resources</i>			<i>Balance 31st March 2025</i>
		<i>Transfer</i>	<i>Incoming</i>	<i>Outgoing</i>	
	£	£	£	£	£
Canoe Fund (Phoenix ESU)	(1,319)	1,933	120	(734)	0
Minibus Fund (Phoenix ESU)	3,674	0	4,896	(7,278)	1,292
Canoe Training Fund (Phoenix ESU)	400				400
Duke of Edinburgh Award Fund (Phoenix ESU)	319	0	0	0	319
Grants received (DoRA ESU)	287			(287)	0
World Scout Jamboree - third party	0	0	0	0	0
					0
	<u>3,361</u>	<u>1,933</u>	<u>5,016</u>	<u>(8,299)</u>	<u>2,011</u>

3 Designated Funds

	<i>Balance 1st April 2024</i>	<i>Movement in Resources</i>			<i>Balance 31st March 2025</i>
		<i>Transfer</i>	<i>Incoming</i>	<i>Outgoing</i>	
	£	£	£	£	£
Explorer Scout Units - note a	13,241	(1,933)	53,066	(41,629)	22,745
Amounts held on behalf of Scout Groups	0	0	0	0	0
International Fund - WSJ 2023	33	0	0	0	33
					0
	<u>13,274</u>	<u>(1,933)</u>	<u>53,066</u>	<u>(41,629)</u>	<u>22,778</u>

a - The Explorer Scout Unit either holds its funds in the District account, in its own bank accounts or with partnered group in accordance with Scout Association guidance and as such money held there is used to fully support the respective Unit.

4 Unrestricted Funds

	<i>Balance 1st April 2024</i>	<i>Movement in Resources</i>			<i>31st March 2025</i>
		<i>Transfer</i>	<i>Incoming</i>	<i>Net Outgoing</i>	
	£	£	£	£	£
Campsite - Waylands (note a)	54,638		25,901	(16,497)	64,042
Gangshow (note b)	6,391				6,391
Scout Active Support Group	1,148				1,148
Network	875				875
Held for Explorer Unit set up	801				801
National Savings income bonds (note d)	25,000				25,000
Funds held on notice accounts	225,000		5,047		230,047
General reserve of current assets (note c)	28,384		61,383	(57,366)	32,401
Net current assets - general fund	<u>342,237</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>92,332</u>	<u>(73,863)</u>	<u>360,705</u>

a - the campsite holds its own bank accounts and as such money held there is used to fully support the campsite.

b - if no gangshow is held before 19 September 2026 this allocation will cease.

c - the reserves are held at a higher level due to the fact that Scout House and the Campsite have to be run and maintained as well as the minibus and canoe kit. The trustees hold a schedule of reserve requirements.

d - the NSI savings bonds (£25,000 in both the year ended 2024 and the year ended 2025) have been reclassified in the year to form part of unrestricted funds. Previously they were considered investment assets and excluded from this disclosure. The trustees consider that the NSI savings bonds represent unrestricted funds as they may be spent or applied at the discretion of the trustees to further the charity's purposes. The brought forward balance of unrestricted funds at at 1 April 2024 has been amended in this disclosure and in the statement of receipts and payments to include this amount.

5 Trustees Remuneration and Expenses

	2025	2024
	£	£
Remuneration paid to Trustees	0	0
Expenses Reimbursed to Trustees	3,794	2,469
Number of Trustees Reimbursed	5	6

Trustees were reimbursed for necessary out of pocket expenses spent on District business at agreed rates, and for expenditure made by them on behalf of the District. No Trustees have donated back to the District any part of the expenses claimed by them, either during the year or since the year end.

Income received from Trustees	1,335	0
Number of Trustees	1	0

Trustees have paid for the the use of rooms or equipment on the same basis as any other hirer

6 Independent Examiner Fees

	2025	2024
	£	£
Examiner fees	750	720
Fees for other services	0	0
	<u>750</u>	<u>720</u>

Southwark District Scout Council Receipts and Payments Account

Year start date

Year end date

For the year from	01-Apr-24	To	31-Mar-25
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Receipts and payments

	2024/25			2023/24	
	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Receipts					
Donations, legacies and similar income					
Membership subscriptions	44,783	15,878	-	60,661	54,804
Donations	-	-	-	-	3,450
Legacies	-	-	-	-	-
Gift Aid	-	4,441	-	4,441	1,540
Young People Activities - District events	340	-	-	340	1,524
International Jamboree 2027 (2023) - parental contributions	-	-	-	-	5,750
Sale of badges	705	-	-	705	538
ESU activities	-	30,283	-	30,283	36,940
Gang Show	-	-	-	-	-
Camp Site Income	24,593	-	-	24,593	30,196
Scout House income/refund of costs incurred	7,511	-	-	7,511	4,184
Cash balance transferred from Groups for holding on their behalf	-	-	-	-	-
Cash balance transferred from closed Groups	-	-	-	-	-
Minibus and Canoe hire	-	-	5,016	5,016	3,607
Other similar income	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	77,932	50,602	5,016	133,550	142,532
Grants					
Don Broome Scout Trust	-	-	-	-	250
Jack Petchey Award	-	1,600	-	1,600	-
Growth & Communities Grant via HQ	-	-	-	-	3,500
ESC Lottery Fund	-	-	-	-	-
St Olave's & St Saviour's Schools Foundation	-	-	-	-	2,500
Necommen & Collett	-	-	-	-	-
Rotherhithe Consolidated Charities	-	-	-	-	-
Canoe Grant for adult training	-	-	-	-	1,100
Other grants (analyse)	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	1,600	-	1,600	7,350
Fundraising (gross)					
Marathon Event Volunteering	3,231	353	-	3,584	4,239
Christmas Dinner Event	-	-	-	-	-
District Fireworks BBQ	-	-	-	-	-
World Scout Jamboree Fundraising	-	-	-	-	-
Tuck Shop and refreshments	-	-	-	-	-
ESU fundraising	-	333	-	333	1,914
Other fundraising activities	-	-	-	-	-
Fundraising South America Expedition	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	3,231	686	-	3,917	6,153
Investment income					
Bank interest	11,168	178	-	11,346	2,788
Building Society interest	-	-	-	-	-
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	-	-	-	-	-
Property Rent income	-	-	-	-	-
Other investment income	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	11,168	178	-	11,346	2,788
Total Gross Income	92,331	53,066	5,016	150,413	158,823
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	92,331	53,066	5,016	150,413	158,823

Southwark District Scout Council Receipts and Payments Account

Year start date

Year end date

For the year from	01-Apr-24	To	31-Mar-25
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Receipts and payments

	2024/25			2023/24	
	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Payments					
Charitable Payments					
Membership subscriptions paid on to County	44,783	5,775	-	50,558	46,361
Youth programme and activities	734	-	144	878	3,657
Adult support and training	-	-	-	-	84
Young leaders training	-	-	-	-	112
Rent - storage	-	-	-	-	460
Rent - meetings	-	3,209	-	3,209	1,660
Payments in relation to closed groups	-	-	-	-	-
Payments on behalf of groups for which The District holds funds	-	-	-	-	-
Insurance	1,283	147	-	1,430	3,197
Camp site running costs	9,660	-	-	9,660	13,026
Campsite refurbishment and upgrade	1,890	-	-	1,890	-
Scout House - annual running costs	8,069	-	-	8,069	7,586
Campsite equipment	2,594	-	-	2,594	-
Gang Show	-	-	-	-	-
AGM and trustee expenses	-	-	-	-	-
OSM, website and internet costs	617	-	-	-	-
Administration costs	739	-	-	617	428
Bank and fee collection charges	105	-	-	739	781
International Jamboree 2023 - payments to County	-	-	-	1,052	661
Development of Scouting in Southwark	-	-	-	-	5,750
Repairs and Renewals	-	102	-	-	29
Camping Equipment (ESU)	-	290	-	102	-
Other equipment	-	-	143	433	3,710
ESU activities	-	30,771	-	-	-
Trips and expeditions	-	-	-	30,771	44,566
Advance payments for residential trips & expeditions	-	-	-	-	-
Non residential events	-	-	-	-	-
Uniforms and badges	453	388	-	841	1,552
Top Awards meetings	-	-	-	-	-
Motor vehicle	-	-	7,278	7,278	970
Canoe project equipment - canoes	-	-	-	-	-
Canoe project - annual expenditure	-	-	734	734	319
Sub total	70,927	41,629	8,299	120,855	134,908
Fundraising expenses					
Fundraising costs	-	-	-	-	-
Donations	2,936	-	-	2,936	4,232
ESU activities	-	-	-	-	-
Other fundraising costs	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	2,936	-	-	2,936	4,232
Total Gross Expenditure	73,863	41,629	8,299	123,791	139,140
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	-	-	-	-	4,299
Total payments	73,863	41,629	8,299	123,791	143,439
Net of receipts/(payments)	18,468	11,437	- 3,283	26,622	15,384
Transfers between funds	-	1,933	1,933	-	25,000
Cash funds last year end	342,237	13,274	3,361	358,872	318,487
Cash funds this year end	360,704	22,778	2,011	385,494	358,871



Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	2024/25			2023/24	
	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Cash funds					
Bank current account	4,250	6,683	-	10,933	12,905
Bank deposit account Barclays	101,404	16,097	2,010	119,511	95,964
Bank deposit notice accounts	230,047	-	-	230,047	225,000
National Savings Income Bonds	25,000	-	-	25,000	25,000
Cash/Floats	3	-	-	3	3
Total cash funds	360,704	22,780	2,010	385,495	358,873
Other monetary assets					
Tax claim	-	-	-	-	-
Debts due from the County/Area/District/Group	280	-	-	280	120
Camping fees due from 3rd parties	287	-	-	287	-
Membership subscriptions paid over to GoCardless but not yet paid to us (net of collection fees)	-	-	-	-	-
Membership subscriptions for this period paid in April (net of collection fees)	-	-	-	-	-
Amounts due in relation to membership fees and trips	-	680	-	680	285
Other 3rd party debtors	-	-	-	-	1,662
Prepayment in relation to camping activities	-	-	-	-	2,450
Insurance claim	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	567	680	-	1,247	4,517
Investment assets					
National Savings Income Bonds	-	-	-	-	-
Other investments - detail	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Non monetary assets for charity's own use					
Land and buildings - Scout House (leasehold)	-	-	-	-	-
Land and buildings - Camp Site	120,000	-	-	120,000	120,000
Badges	1,291	-	-	1,291	2,153
Uniform, inc polos, neckers, belts& buckles	124	434	-	558	124
Motor vehicles	-	-	17,376	17,376	17,376
Scouting equipment, furniture etc	22,276	8,125	-	30,401	30,715
Scouting equipment, at campsite	14,396	-	-	14,396	11,799
Canoe fund equipment	-	-	7,289	7,289	7,289
Other	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	158,087	8,559	24,665	191,311	189,456
Liabilities					
Camping deposit received in relation to the following period	1,395	1,748	-	3,143	4,490
Amount due to Groups in the District	-	-	-	-	-
Amounts held in relation to Jamboree 2023	-	-	-	-	-
Debts due to the County/Area	-	-	-	-	-
Expenses incurred but not invoiced	-	563	750	1,313	-
Subscriptions received in advance	-	-	-	-	-
Subscriptions not yet paid	-	-	-	-	-
Loan - detail	-	-	-	-	-
Other liabilities	19,110	-	-	19,110	11,232
Sub total	20,505	2,311	750	23,566	15,722
Total Net Assets	498,853	29,708	25,925	554,486	537,123

Contingent liabilities and future obligations

Contingent liabilities and future obligations	-	-	-	-	-
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The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 15th July 2025 and signed on their behalf by

Signature	Print Name
	Celia Wenban Smith District Lead Volunteer
	Paul Wootton District 14-24 Youth Team Lead Volunteer

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the
SOUTHWARK DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL**

I report on the accounts of the Council for the year ended 31st March 2025 on pages 10 to 15 which comprise the Receipts and Payments Account and related notes.

This report is made solely to the trustees in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees for my examination work.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

As the charity trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. You consider that the audit requirement of Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 Act (The 2011 Act) does not apply.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under Section 145 of the 2011 Act);
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep proper accounting records are kept (in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act); and

- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached,

3. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the accounting rules of the District's constitution have not been met.



John Lambourne FCA
For and on behalf of
Latham Lambourne Limited
Chartered Accountants
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21/8/2025