

Trustees' Annual Report

For the period

From (start date)

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 to end date

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Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

1st Overton-on-Dee Scout Group									
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Other names the charity is known by

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Registered charity number (if any)

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HQ registration number

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Charity's principal address

The Scout Hut											
Wrexham Road											
Overton on Dee, Wrexham											
Postcode					L	L	1	3	0	D	Y

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	Mark Sayer	Group Lead Volunteer	
2	Jennie Lloyd	Treasurer	
3	David Huyton	Chair	
4	Lynda Sayer	LV (Beavers)	
5	Anthony (Tiger) Grice	Section Volunteer	
6	Jenny Lloyd	Parent	
7	Jade Owens	Parent/Section Helper	
8	Ethan King	Dist. Youth Lead Vol.	
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Franc Woods

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

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document

(e.g. trust deed, constitution)

The Group's/District's/Area's/County's (delete as appropriate) 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.

How the charity is constituted

(e.g. trust, association, company)

The Group/District/Area/County (delete as appropriate) 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)

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 6 Trustees (including 2 Ex Officio Trustees, and 2 co-opted Trustees). Many decisions are discussed and agreed by majority vote online and meets as necessary (approx every 4 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.

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:

Damage to the building, property and equipment. The Group would request the use of buildings, property and equipment from neighbouring organisations such as the Overton village hall and other Scout Groups. 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 14. 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

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 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

Due to the excellent work of our Treasurer we have managed to get Gift Aid sorted and awarded £10k , this significant amount of money has ment we don't need to increase subs and in turn helping families with the rising cost of things. We have also had a number of donations again helping to keep costs down, but at the same time allowing us as a group to keep running and offering adventurous

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 D**Achievements and performance**

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

-Over the past 12 Months from April to April, Overton has opened up a Squirrel Drey, where we have 18 regular Squirrels attending, this brings Overton to 88 young people and a further 50 on the waiting list. We now have about 6 regular YL , In August this year 6 of our Scouts and 4 of our leaders attended an international trip to Switzerland where we visited the International Scout HQ.

Section E	Financial Review
Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	<p>Reserves Policy</p> <p>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 plus 50% of capitation, circa £5,000</p>
Quantify and explain any designations	There are no designated or restricted funds
Details of any funds materially in deficit (circumstances plus steps to eliminate)	N/A
Further financial review details (optional information)	
<p>You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising); how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity; 	<p>Investment Policy</p> <p>The Group does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer term investments. The Group has therefore adopted a risk averse strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or building societies.</p> <p>Treasurer has investigated the possibilities of transferring some moneys into savings accounts, but found this was not practical at this time.</p> <p>During 2024/5 the trustees have continued to have a cautious approach to expenditure, however, given the continued success and growth of the group, plans have been made to spend a considerable amount on refreshing/increasing our camping equipment stock and renovating the main hall. These plans will be enacted in the 2025/6 year. The trustees are also considering the possibilities of a complete refresh of the kitchen with a view to increasing income from occasional lettings.</p>

Section F	Other Optional Information
Plans for future periods (details of any significant activities planned to achieve them)	Renovation of main hall, refresh of camping equipment and potential refurb of the kitchen

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)	David Huyton	Mark Sayer
Position (eg Secretary, Chair)	Chair of Trustees	Group Lead Volunteer
Date	2 9 0 8 2 5	

	april	may	june	july	august	september	october	november	december	january	february	march	april	Yearly total
Incomings														
Go cardless	2623.09	902.21	1319.28	1342.56	164.52	1335.82	210.58	2272.78	337.26	2145.87	1238.82	1974.83		15985.62
Subs - bank	86.4	58	67	106	58	67	9	9	45	9		95		514.4
Event - bank	12													107
Donations		100				75	77.15	2	131	5007.5	5	273.99	200	5871.64
Rent		50	50		20	35				130	19	350	21.9	656.9
200 club	8	27	23	41	23	27	41	19	28	37	19	28	37	358
quiet fund		22							18.5	1000	50			1090.5
easy fundraising		75.41				58.71					40.45			174.57
fundraising			1255.13	203.89				120.84						1579.86
paypal		15.5	402.08	214.21						32.5		270.69		902.48
sale of badges			13.5	2.2			20							68.2
refunds								10.2				470.29		480.49
Total	2729.49	1150.12	3229.99	1909.86	324.23	1539.82	357.73	2433.82	559.76	8361.87	1351.27	3462.8	258.9	27988.69
Outgoings														
Utilities														
Herfani/Dyddwy		179.41							217.81					397.22
British Gas	76.91	20.75	8.3	16.44	8.3		8.3	27.1	121.35	106.3		190.91	115.44	790.1
Scottish Power														0
Octopus Energy	35.44	31.97	39.51	31.3	34.5	33.08	34.41	29.9	46.41	39.36	47.55	43.17		446.6
WHF	27.89	27.89	27.89	27.89	27.89	27.89	27.89	27.89	27.89	27.89	27.89	27.89		334.68
Unity Insurance				585.1										585.1
HIT WORKS		555	57											612
Section Expenditure														
Wrexham District Census											5250			5250
district payments		640		1193					472	30				2335
Scouts								25		660	625	10.48		1320.48
Beavers	226	75				95		63	40.75					499.75
Cubs		423.01		43.82	205.5	130		291	96	474		322		1985.33
squirrels						310				183				483
mess tent											1749			1749
Transfer to OSH cards				500	1000			1300	6.2	800		700		4300
refund		62			23					20.43				111.63
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Total	921.24	1460.03	132.7	2397.55	1299.19	595.97	70.6	1763.89	1028.41	2340.98	7699.44	1294.45	115.44	21119.89
Monthly total	1808.25	-309.91	3097.29	-487.69	-974.96	943.85	287.13	669.93	-468.65	6020.89	-6348.17	2168.35	143.46	6549.77
Running total	1808.25	1498.34	4595.63	4107.94	3132.98	4076.83	4363.96	5033.89	4565.24	10586.13	4237.96	6406.31	6549.77	

Bank Rec
opening balance 16217
Incoming 27669.66
Outgoing 21119.89
closing balance 22766.77
Difference 22766.77
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