

61st Air Scout Group Report 2024/2025

I must thank every section volunteer for their continuing commitment. They have been working hard over the past year delivering for our group, it has been a challenge to maintain quality scouting in difficult circumstances.

The 61st Exec committee have been exceptional, as ever, meeting the challenges set by our successful scout group, we would be in a poor position without them. My thanks in particular go to Vanessa, Karen and Mick who have steered the group in the right direction through the past year.

The section reports are evident that we are providing numerous exciting activities in all sections, giving exceptional service to our members. Once again in 2024/25 every section has managed to have multiple overnight camps and residentials, alone and working with other sections of the group.

Our beaver section has provided the first steps in scouting at the 61st. They give the Beavers tough challenges while having so much fun.

The cub section has focus on learning and discovery, which shows with their varied meeting content. They are exercising the cubs strengths both physical and mental at such an important point in their development as young people.

New experiences for the members who have come through the Beaver and Cub sections is difficult when they do so much, but Air Scout section manages to achieve this. Developing the skills and values learned in the junior sections, expanding the air scouts' knowledge and experience, giving them more autonomy. We didn't manage any flying experience for the members in this year but I'm pleased to say that those attending the 2025 summer camp will all take part in a powered flying experience, flying out of Sandtoft Airfield.

Atlas Explorers, part of the 61st family, have continued to maintain numbers and provide great support, with young leaders helping at cubs all sections. Atlas are looking for volunteers with a sense of adventure to help expand their activities and experiences, please see Mowgli if interested.

We have spent a full year out of our building that was finally demolished in August 2024. It took many months before the footing were put in with over 70 pilings being put into the ground and the site clearer of asbestos from the former building. I hoped to report our entry to the new building in this 2024-2025 report but building delays mean that I will now hopefully, get to report in 2025 – 2026 that we have successfully returned to our new home and a have stepped up our scouting presence in Bentley.

The new building is taking a massive amount of volunteer time and without Mick, Karen and Vanessa we would not be moving forward with the build massive thanks to you for doing what you do!

The minibus has been well used by the sections at the 61st and we have established so regular loans to groups in Doncaster during 2024-25. It has made life easier when being at the wood for meetings and providing transport for camps and events. Continued thanks to Michael for maintaining the vehicle and to those who have looked after the minibus at their home address.

One of the highlights of the year for me was taking the group to Go Bounce along with 47th Cubs. We had a get time with Santa visiting and everyone getting a good bounce. We managed to invest one of our new air scouts and had a fantastic night, a good way to round off our 70th Year.

I'm proud to be 61st, 2024/25 has seen some great scouting at the 61st our new building will be ready 2025-2026 and the plans for the year are looking better than ever.

I would like to finish by thanking everyone who contributes to keep the 61st scouting experience the best for the youth of Bentley and Arksey (and further afield).

Many thanks

John Green

Group Lead Volunteer



Reports and Accounts

Group	61 st Doncaster (Bentley) Air Scout Group	Date Ending	31/03/25
Section	Board of Trustees & Leadership Team	R.A.F Reg	60

Appointment	Name	Trustee Category
Chairperson	M Sullivan	Nominated
Vice Chairperson	Charlotte Green	Nominated
Group Treasurer	V Griffin	Nominated
Lead Volunteer	J Green,	Ex-Officio
Group Secretary	K Green	Ex-Officio
Beaver Scout Leader/s	C Evans, S.Tweed	Ex-Officio
Cub Scout Leader/s	F Booth	Ex-Officio
Scout Leader/s	S Parkinson	Ex-Officio

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Group Registration Number with TSA	30823
Charity Registration Number	506994
Contact Name and Address	Mr. John Green, 27 Halifax Crescent, York Rd, Doncaster DN5 9BL
Major Activities and Achievements	

GSL Report 2024 to 2025

Presented at AGM see attached.

John Green
GSL

This report has been approved by the trustees in accordance of POR on

10/11/2025

and signed on their behalf by:



Reports and Accounts

Receipts & Payments Summary for the year ended		
	This Year General Fund £	Previous Year £
Total Receipts for the Year	365848.87	154848.79
Total Payments for the Year	361891.02	74919.20
Net Receipts (outgoings) for the Year	3957.85	79929.59
Cash, Bank and Similar Brought Forward	94255.58	14325.99
Cash, Bank and Similar Carried Forward	98213.43	94255.58
The above account and accompanying statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the trustees on 10/11/2025		
Scrutinizer's Report		
Respective Responsibilities of trustees and scrutinizer		
As the group's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that neither the audit nor independent examination requirements of the Charities Act 1993 apply. It is my responsibility without carrying out an audit or independent examination to scrutinize the accounts and to report to you.		
Basis of Scrutinizer's Statement		
In accordance with the directions given in the group's constitution, I have scrutinized the records and the accounts set out on pages 3-6.		
Scrutinizer's Statement		
In my opinion the accounts are in accordance with the records produced to me and comply with the constitution.		
Name		Date
Address		Signature
Independent Examiner's Report		
Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner		
As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of Section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under Section 43(7b) of the "Act", whether particular matters have come to my attention.		
Basis of Examiner's Report		
My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.		
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		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To keep accounting records in accordance with Section 41 of the "act" and To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and To comply with the accounting requirements of the "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 group's constitution have not been met.		
Name	NATALIE BOUCHER	Date
Address	SSMITH & CO ACCOUNTANTS 4 ADVISY ROAD ONLW INR	Signature

15/12/25

N. Boucher.



Reports and Accounts

Group	61 st Doncaster (Bentley) Air Scout Group	Date Ending	31/03/2025
Section	Board of Trustees & Leadership Team		

Receipts for the year		
	This Year £	Previous Year £
Membership Subscriptions	6451.38	5271.00
Less Paid (Capitation to District)	3765.00	1610.00
	0.00	0.00
Total	2686.38	3661.00
INVESTMENT INCOME RECEIVED		
Bank Interest	0.00	0.00
Building Society Interest	0.00	0
TSA Short Term Investment Service	0.00	0
Dividends and Interest	5.05	156.55
Property Rents	0.00	0.00
Total	5.05	156.55
Donations and Grants		
Donations	77.50	35
Grants (YIF)	352681.85	54243.74
Building Fund (Legacy from D Kitson)	0.00	81135.48
Group Subs	372.00	1015.00
Gift Aid	1046.59	1009.56
Total	354177.94	137438.78
Activities: Camps / Outings		
Activities / Camps / Outings	2269.60	8050.77
Events / Parties / Prizes	3288.84	225.00
Camp Bank	1450.00	32.00
Mini Bus	1035.00	2672.67
Total	8043.44	10980.44
Fund Raising (Gross)		
Section Fundraising	105.00	175.09
Group Functions/ Draws	115.00	2386.05
Total	220.00	2561.14
Other Income		
Tuck Shop/Uniform	3.80	0.00
Refund Capitation	0.00	0.00
Miscellaneous	712.26	50.88
Total	716.06	50.88
Total Receipts For The Year		
Total	365848.87	154848.79



Reports and Accounts

Group	61 st Doncaster (Bentley) Air Scout Group	Date Ending	31/03/2025
Section	Board of Trustees & Leadership Team		
Payments for the year			
	This Year £	Previous Year £	
Premises			
Rent	0.00		0.00
Insurance	0.00		1976.23
Gas	11.62		910.18
Electricity	229.96		379.72
Water	227.18		195.88
Rates	374.62		133.96
Waste Management	185.64		200.00
Website	178.60		0.00
Broadband	0.00		0.00
Repairs and Renewals	570.00		0.00
Total	1777.62		3795.97
Donations and Grants (Group)			
Donations	20.00		40.00
Grants (YIF)	349333.31		53873.80
Building work fees outside of YIF Grant (From Legacy Building Fund Account)	0.00		4389.00
Group subs	206.00		1015.00
Total	349559.31		59317.8
Activities: Camps / Outings / Events / Parties			
Activities / Camps / Outings	3890.90		6087.97
Events / Parties / Prizes	1377.23		1945.41
Refreshments	148.99		34.08
Mini Bus	1166.14		1614.63
Total	6583.26		9682.09
Fund Raising Expenses			
Prizes Etc.	183.00		0.00
Licences (Raffles/Draws etc. Archery instructor)	1020.00		45.00
Total	1203.00		45
Admin / Establishment Expenses			
Stationary	122.97		147.54
Cubs Capitation	0.00		0.00
Total	122.97		147.54
Badges / Scout Shop Expenses			
Badges / Uniform	910.13		611.02
Tuck shop	0.00		0.00
Books / OSM	100.00		312.86
Total	1010.13		923.88
Other Expenses			
Miscellaneous / Sundries	1634.73		1006.92
Mini Bus Fuel	0.00		0.00
Total	1634.73		1006.92
Total Payments For the Year			
Total	361891.02		74919.20



STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Group	61 st Doncaster (Bentley) Air Scout Group	Date Ending	31/03/2025
Section	Board of Trustees & Leadership Team		
MONETARY ASSETS			
Item	This Year £	Previous Year £	
Bank Current Account(s)	17219.57	13911.61	
Bank Deposit Account(s)	3072.44	3072.44	
Bank Deposit Deposit(s)	77746.12	76891.03	
Building Society Account(s)	0.00	0	
TSA Short Term Investment Service	0.00	0	
Cash In Hand	604.73	380.50	
Total	98642.86	94255.58	
OTHER MONETARY ASSETS			
Tax Claim for Year Ending:	0.00	0	
Debts Due to Group	0.00	0	
Total	0	0	
INVESTMENT ASSETS			
Government Stocks at market value	0.00	0	
Other quoted securities at market value	0.00	0	
Other investments	0.00	0	
Property held for investment purposes	0.00	0	
Total	0.00	0.00	
NON-MONETARY ASSETS			
Badge Secretary's Stock	200.00	200.00	
Group Shop Stock	0.00	0.00	
Land and Buildings	20000.00	75000.00	
Motor Vehicles	25000.00	32000.00	
Scouting Equipment	9372.00	10380.60	
Uniform and T-shirts	0.00	0.00	
Total	234572.00	117580.60	
LIABILITIES (DUE WITHIN 1 YEAR)			
Accounts not yet paid (YIF)	429.43	369.95	
Expenses incurred not yet invoiced	0.00	0	
Subscriptions not yet paid	0.00	0	
Other	0.00	0	
Total	429.43	369.95	
LIABILITIES (DUE AFTER 1 YEAR)			
Loan	0.00	0	
Hire Purchase Owing	0.00	0	
Leases outstanding	0.00	0	
Other long term liabilities	0.00	0	
Total	0.00	0.00	
CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND FUTURE OBLIGATIONS			
TOTAL LIABILITIES			
	429.43	369.95	

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Receipts & Payments Summary

61st Doncaster (Bentley) Air Scouts
For the year ended 31 March 2025

Prepared by S Smith & Co Accountants Limited

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Independent Examiner's Statement

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Natalie Boucher, S Smith & Co Accountants Limited
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15 December 2025

Receipts & Payments Summary

61st Doncaster (Bentley) Air Scouts
For the year ended 31 March 2025

	2025	2024
Receipts		
Activities: Camps / Outings	8,043	10,980
Donations	1,496	83,195
Fundraising	220	2,561
Grants	352,682	54,244
Investment Income	5	157
Membership Subscriptions	2,686	3,661
Other Revenue	716	51
Total Receipts	365,849	154,849
Payments		
Activities: Camps / Outings / Events / Parties	6,583	9,682
Badges / Scout Shop Expenses	1,010	924
Donations and Grants (Group)	349,559	59,318
Fund Raising Expenses	1,203	45
Premises		
Advertising & Marketing	179	-
Insurance	-	1,976
Light, Power, Heating	469	1,486
Rates	375	134
Repairs & Maintenance	570	-
Waste Management	186	200
Total Premises	1,778	3,796
Other Expenses		
General Expenses	1,635	1,007
Printing & Stationery	123	148
Total Other Expenses	1,758	1,154
Total Payments	361,891	74,919
Surplus / (Deficit) For The Period	3,958	79,930

Balance Sheet

61st Doncaster (Bentley) Air Scouts As at 31 March 2025

	NOTES	31 MAR 2025	31 MAR 2024
Cash at bank and in hand			
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Business Account		17,220	13,912
Cash In Hand		605	381
Commercial Instant Access Account		77,746	76,891
Treasurers Instant Statement		3,072	3,072
Total Cash at bank and in hand		98,643	94,256
Total Cash at bank and in hand		98,643	94,256
Net current assets (liabilities)		98,643	94,256
Total assets less current liabilities		98,643	94,256
Accruals and deferred income			
Accruals		429	-
Total Accruals and deferred income		429	-
Net Assets		98,213	94,256
Capital and reserves			
Profit and loss account		98,213	94,256
Total Capital and reserves		98,213	94,256