CARDIFF AND VALE
AREA SCOUT COUNCIL

AREA REGISTRATION WITH
THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION: 211

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 512034

TRUSTEES' REPORT & ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

CARDIFF & VALE AREA SCOUT COUNCIL
Report & Accounts
for the year ended
31st December 2025

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

PRESIDENT — Mrs Morfudd Meredith LLt

TRUSTEE DETAILS FROM 1 JANUARY 2025 TO THE DATE OF APPROVAL OF THESE ACCOUNTS

TRUSTEES: Ex-Officio

Appointment	Name
Area Lead Volunteer	Cathie Steele
Area Chairman	Geraint Evans
Area Treasurer	Jeremy Ray
Area Secretary	Peter Gladman
Area Youth Lead Volunteer until 31.3.25	Fran Feehan
Area Youth Lead Volunteer from 31.3.25	Rizik Salhab
ScoutsCymru/National HQ Nominated Rep	Fran Feehan

TRUSTEES: Elected

Appointment	Name
Cardiff North District	Claudia Currie
Cardiff East District	Chris Kennard
Cardiff West District	William Maddocks
Penarth & District	vacant
Tir a Môr District	Keith Williams

TRUSTEES: Nominated by Lead Volunteer

Appointment	Name
Governance	Carole Standfast
18-25 year old Representative	Jack Ollier

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER — Neil Thorneycroft

Area registration number with The Scout Association — 211

Charity registration number — 512034

Principal Office — The Hub
Maitland Street
Gabalfa
Cardiff, CF14 3JU

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Area'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 Area is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts. The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation & Rules of The Scout Association. No remuneration was paid to any of the trustees during the year.

The Area is administered and managed by an Trustee Board, comprised of the Trustees listed on page 1. The members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' of the Scout Area 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. Trustees are appointed from members of the Scout Association and of the public, who are willing to devote time to further the aims of the Scout Association in this Area. The Trustee Board meets quarterly to decide and implement the policy of the Area.

The Area Scout Council meets annually to receive the report of the Trustee Board.

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities:
Charity Law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the surplus or deficit for the period. In preparing those financial statements the Trustees are required to:

> select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
> make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
> prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity. They are also responsible for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The objects of the Area Scout Council are to facilitate the aim of the Scout Association in the area of Cardiff and the Vale of Glamorgan, by providing a structure and organisation, by training leaders and by obtaining and managing funds to be utilised to this end. The aim of the Scout Association is to promote the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potential, as responsible citizens and as members of their local, national and international communities. The method of achieving the Aim of the Association is by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law and guided by adult leadership.

The Trustees have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission. The Area meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.

The majority of grants paid by the Area are administered by a Grants sub-committee of the Trustee Board. Grants are awarded primarily to assist with the purchase of equipment and resources to further the work of the Groups and Districts, as well as grants to assist Leaders and Scouts with International Events. Other grants or donations may be agreed from time to time by the Trustee Board.

The Area Headquarters is situated at the Hub in Maitland Street. The Area has a 50 year lease on the land occupied by the Hub, with 32 years remaining. The Area meets all costs associated with the running of the Hub and allows any Scout Group / District within the Area to use it without charge (the provision of "premises").

The Area undertakes various activities to fulfil it's charitable objectives. It provides the following services/activities to Groups/Districts in Cardiff and Vale Area:

> Use of the Hub and the Area Administrator and other support facilities
> Jubilee Camp Site - provision of a campsite
> Area Training Team - provision of training to leaders and adults within Cardiff and Vale Area
> Activities - provision of adventurous activities and other sectional support
> Ty Hafan Scout Group - provision of a Scout Group for residents, and their siblings in Ty Hafan Children's Hospi
> Scout Shop - selling uniforms and other Scouting equipment/material to parents and leaders
> Lord Mayor's Own Scout Group - provision of a Scout Group to represent Scouts at Cardiff Civic events for those who have attained the Queens Scout award or Chief Scout Diamond Platinum or Gold Awards.
> Grants sub-committee - provision of funding to assist with external training and equipment purchases
> Miskin Campsite (50% joint venture with Mid Glamorgan Scout Council) - provision of a campsite
> Cardiff Gang Show (50% joint venture with Girlguiding Cardiff and East Glamorgan) - provision of an "creative" activity

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

A full resume of the various Activity of the Area can be found in the separate Annual Report. However in brief here are some comments - Cardiff Scout and Guide Gang Show continued to celebrate 50 years and performed a Pantomine "Treasure Island" to sell out audiences, at Stanwell School, Penarth - the Show was performed by a Cast of over 100, and ticket sales were just over 2700 across the week . The Area Scout Shop continues to provides Scouting merchandise,both at our Scout Shop based in the Hub and via online purchases. sales in 2025 continued on an upward trend, with the main increase being in online sales,surplus funds are reinvested in the Area to fund our charitable activities. Jubilee Campsite has seen a drastic increase in bookings not only from Groups within the Area but also Groups from outside the Area as well as a few Corporate Bookings, most of the major inprovements at the site have now been completed thanks to a dedicated Service Team. Due to major flooding problems Miskin Campsite remains closed, and is likely to remain so into 2027 (problems caused by the collapse of a Welsh Water Sewage pipe that runs through the site) External bookings at The Hub reduced to an unsustainable level., and as a result a decision was taken by the Trustees in the latter part of 2025 to sub let the majority of the building to Gang Show, for storage of Costumes,Set & Props. The Area still have the Office, Kitchen & Reynolds Room, allowing limited meetings and training to continue to take place.

Ty Hafan Scout Group, based at the Childrens Hospice in Sully, continued to meet regularly. The Scout Group provides a valuable opportunity for Ty Hafan residents, and their siblings, to continue to experience Scouting.

The Training Team continued to operate their training programme for leaders during 2025

For further information on the achievements and performance of the Area during the year please refer to the separate "Annual Report 2025/26"

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Trustee Board has identified the major risks to which they believe the Area is exposed; these have been reviewed and systems established to mitigate against them. The main areas of concern that have been identified are:

- Damage to buildings and equipment. The Area has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss.
- Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members. The Area, through the membership fees, contributes to the Scout Association's national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities. We also hold an Insurance Policy to cover non-member children
- Reduced income from subscriptions or fundraising. The Area is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. The Area does hold a reserve to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income. The Area Executive could raise the value of subscriptions to increase the income to the Area on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently.
- Reduction or loss of adult support. The Area is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the Area. If there was a reduction in the number of adults to an unacceptable level in a particular part of the Area, then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation, or closure of a particular part of the Area.
- The Area has in place systems of internal controls designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismangement or loss. These include 2 signatories for all external payments, dual authorisation for online payments, and insurance policies to ensure all insurable risks are covered.

The Area's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the Area should income and fundraising activities fall short. The Area Trustee Board considers that the Area should hold a sum equivalent to 24 months running costs, circa £40K. As at 31 December 2025 the Area funds (not including Miskin/Gang Show/Scout Shop/International Trip) totalled £120,165

The policy of the Trustee Board is to invest any short term surplus funds with a range of providers with the view to obtaining the best returns possible. Taking a low-risk strategy, The Trustee Board maintains accounts with, Charity Bank and Redwood Bank ensuring that the total investment with each institution does not exceed the Financial Services Compensation Scheme cap of £120,000. The Trustee Board regularly monitors the levels of the bank balances and the interest rates received to ensure that the Area obtains maximum value and income from its banking arrangements.

DESIGNATED FUNDS

At the end of the year the Area had five Designated Funds:

Grants	7,269
Scout Post	0
Contingency	40,000
Jubilee	12,817
TOTAL	**60,087**

RESTRICTED FUNDS

At the end of the year there were two Restricted Funds:

International Trip	-14
Jubilee	0
TOTAL	**-14**

ENDOWMENT FUNDS

The Area does not hold any endowment funds.

Approved by the Trustees on 29 Sept 2026 and signed on their behalf by:

G EVANS (Chairman) and J RAY (Treasurer)

CARDIFF & VALE AREA SCOUT COUNCIL
Statement of Financial Activities Summary
for the year ended
31st December 2025

	2025	2025	2025	2025	2024
	Unrestricted Funds				
	General Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
TOTAL INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS (page 6)	112,224	20,680	0	132,903	172,805
TOTAL EXPENDITURE (page 7)	101,438	15,660	0	117,099	208,885
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	10,785	5,019	0	15,805	-36,080
PROPERTY REVALUATION	0	0	0	0	0
REPAYMENT OF LOANS	0	0	0	0	0
ADJUSTMENTS TO FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS					
- GENERAL FUNDS TO DESIGNATED FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0
- DESIGNATED FUNDS TO GENERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0
FUND BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD	761,426	63,381	7,484	816,508	852,586
FUND BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD	772,211	68,400	7,484	848,095	816,508

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Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31st December 2025

	Notes	2025 General Funds	2025 Designated Funds	2025 Restricted Funds	2025 Total	2024 Total
		Unrestricted Funds				
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:		£	£	£	£	£
DONATIONS AND LEGACIES						
Membership subscriptions collected as agent		221,679			221,679	203,159
Area Levy		0			0	0
Area Levy - OSM		3,802			3,802	3,953
		225,480			225,480	207,112
Less: paid to The Scout Association						
Less: paid to ScoutsCymru		(200,733)			(200,733)	(187,320)
		24,748	**0**	**0**	**24,748**	**19,792**
Grants sub-committee						
Donations	3(b)	4,033			4,033	5,140
Grants Received	3(b)	2,867	0		2,867	29,808
		6,900	**0**	**0**	**6,900**	**34,948**
INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES						
Jubilee Camp Site		0	20,680		20,680	4,301
Area Training Team (Miscellaneous income)		2,296			2,296	0
Activities (previously Operation or P&D)		80			80	7,112
Ty Hafan Scout Group		165			165	128
One half share of Miskin Campsite		12,725			12,725	15,989
One half share of Cardiff Gang Show		20,665			20,665	18,614
		35,931	**20,680**	**0**	**56,611**	**46,144**
OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES						
Badge sales		1,175			1,175	3,005
Hiring of the Hub		2,447			2,447	5,410
Scout Shop		34,558			34,558	28,992
		38,180	0	0	**38,180**	**37,407**
INCOME FROM INVESTMENTS						
Interest on Short Term Investments		6,435			6,435	4,874
		6,435	**0**	**0**	**6,435**	**4,874**
OTHER INCOME						
Sundries		30			30	320
loan repaid		0			0	910
		30	**0**	**0**	**30** **0**	**29,641**
TOTAL INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		**112,224**	**20,680**	**0**	**132,903**	**172,805**

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Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended
31st December 2025

	Notes	2025 General Funds £	2025 Designated Funds £	2025 Restricted Funds £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
		Unrestricted Funds				
EXPENDITURE ON RAISING FUNDS						
Area Scout Post		0			0	0
Badges		1,621			1,621	2,625
Scout Shop		34,203			34,203	28,405
		35,824	**0**	**0**	**35,824**	**31,030**
EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES						
Lord Mayors Own		1,111			1,111	880
Jubilee Camp Site		0	14,400	-	14,400	49,513
Area Training Team		1,652		-	1,652	3,554
Activities (previously Operations; P&D)		500		-	500	7,876
Ty Hafan Scout Group		186		-	186	522
ONLINE SCOUT MANAGER		4,756		-	4,756	3,672
One half share of Cardiff Gang Show		14,336		-	14,336	21,058
The Hub premises costs		4,143		-	4,143	10,405
One half share of Miskin Campsite (incl. depreciation)		14,073		-	14,073	10,377
Ofice Costs		6,715		-	6,715	3,681
Licences, Subscriptions and Equipment Insurances		2,347		-	2,347	2,094
Grants sub-committee	3(a)		1,260	-	1,260	3,903
Utilities		4,744		-	4,744	4,922
Administrator	4(b)	10,358		-	10,358	17,759
Trustees Expenses	4(a)	-		-	0	-
		64,920	**15,660**	**0**	**80,580**	**140,214**
OTHER EXPENDITURE						
Sundries		694			694	1,731
		694	**0**	**0**	**0**	**694**	**37,641**
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		**101,438**	**15,660**	**0**	**117,099**	**208,885**

CARDIFF & VALE AREA SCOUT COUNCIL
Balance Sheet as at
31st December 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2025 £	2024 £	2024 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	5		671,222		672,893
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stock	6	7,180		6,619	
Debtors falling due within one year	7	-189		6,693	
Short Term Deposits & Investments	8	102,534		96,364	
Cash at bank and in hand	9	53,530		36,476	
		163,056		146,152	
Less: CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	4,861		5,433	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			158,195		140,719
NET ASSETS			**829,417**		**813,612**
FUNDS OF THE AREA					
Unrestricted Funds: General Funds	11		769,344		761,426
Designated Funds	12		60,086		52,200
Restricted Funds	13		-14		-14
TOTAL FUNDS			**829,416**		**813,612**

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The notes on pages 9 to 15 form part of these accounts

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
C CARDIFF AND VALE AREA SCOUT COUNCIL

I report on the accounts of Cardiff and Vale Area Scout Council for the year ended 31 December 2025

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is required.

It is my responsibility to:
- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

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 includes a consideration of any unusual items of disclosure in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning 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 accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act, and

- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities 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.

Signed_____ Dated 27/04/2026

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