

Just Look What We Achieved Together

1st Dipton Scout & Guide Group
Annual Report and Accounts 2021
Registered Charity no: 512890




Scouts
1st Dipton



WE DISCOVER, WE GROW

Girlguiding

1st Dipton

OUR PURPOSE AND METHOD

The objectives of the group are as a unit of the Scout Association and Guide Association.

1st Dipton Scout & Guide Group exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.

This takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together based on the values of Scouting and Guiding 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; and
- make and live by their Promise.



TRUSTEES 2021

Names of the Trustees who manage the Charity

| | |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| Ivan Jewell | Chair |
| Christina Charlton | Treasurer |
| Emily Manson | Secretary |
| Keith Slater | Group Scout Leader |
| Brenda Bell | Beaver Scout Leader |
| Richard Jefferson | Cub Scout Leader |
| Mark Draper | Scout Leader |
| Gemma Ferguson | Guide Leader |
| Lynn Littler | Parent |
| Rachel Oliver | Trustee (co-opted) |

The Group'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 Group 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.



PERFORMANCE

What we have achieved over the past year

It has been an amazing year, with 70% increase in youth membership and over 500 badges and awards gained, including seven Chief Scout Awards

We started 2021 with virtual meetings, but as soon as the lockdown ended we were back to Face to Face, and one of the first groups to get back camping in June 2021.

Since face to face activities restarted, we have taken part in many events across all the sections.

As a result of all the things we have been doing, our membership has increased up to 76, the largest for twenty years. However, we now have a huge waiting list for Beavers and Cubs, as word of mouth spreads, and are looking to open a new Cub Pack and possibly a new Beaver Colony to cope with demand.

All of this is thanks to our team of fantastic volunteers without whom none of this would be able to happen.



Priorities for the next 12 months



- **Increase the number of adult leaders**

We aim to have a minimum of three adult volunteers for each section. Scouts and Guides require more adults to achieve this.

- **Improve Black Bull House**

We will carry out our preliminary works for further improvements to modernise our HQ and ensure that it will last another 100 years.

- **Increase capacity for new members**

We have had an amazing increase in membership in 2021, but we have a huge waiting list. We want to open a new Cub Pack and possibly a new Beaver Scout Colony.

- **Continue to Develop Programme of all Sections**

Review programmes and support leaders to deliver varied, fun and youth led programmes which leads to greater participation and more Chief Scout Awards and Guides Gold Awards being gained, with at least 25% of those Moving On gaining the Awards.





SCOUT & GUIDE AWARDS

Congratulations to the following Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Guides who have achieved their section's highest award over the last year:

Chief Scout Bronze Award

Joshua Colledge
Owen Doak
Mathilda Manson
Flynn Rogers
Jake Kidd

Chief Scout Silver Award

Harry Millmore
Joseph Beckett



FINANCIAL REVIEW

Receipts and Payments

Statement of independent examiner: Mrs Kathryn Dorner

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

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

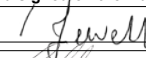

| Receipts | 2021 | 2020 |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| | Unrestricted funds £ | Unrestricted funds £ |
| Membership subscriptions | | |
| Membership subscriptions | 7,294 | 5,521 |
| Less:Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/Area/District) | 2,289 | 2,049 |
| Net membership subscriptions retained | 5,006 | 3,473 |
| Sub total | 5,006 | 3,473 |
| Donations, Grants and Similar | | - |
| Donations | 411 | 1,020 |
| Legacies | - | - |
| Gift Aid | 910 | 2,300 |
| Mason Grant | - | 1,000 |
| Leslie Sell Grant | - | 250 |
| DCC Grants | 17,335 | 13,903 |
| Karbon Homes Grant | - | 1,000 |
| Sub total | 18,656 | 19,473 |
| Fundraising (gross) | | |
| Raised by group | 101 | 245 |
| Other fundraising activities | 196 | - |
| Sub total | 297 | 245 |
| Other income | | |
| Youth programme and activities | 4,856 | 356 |
| Sub total | 4,856 | 356 |
| Investment income | | |
| Bank interest | - | - |
| Property Rent income | 1,210 | 1,152 |
| Other investment income | - | - |
| Sub total | 1,210 | 1,152 |
| Total Gross Income | 30,024 | 24,699 |
| Asset and investment sales, etc. | - | - |
| Total receipts | 30,024 | 24,699 |

| | 2021 Unrestricted funds £ | 2020 Unrestricted funds £ |
|---|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Payments | | |
| Building | | |
| Electricity and Gas | 3,681 | 1,757 |
| Insurance | 2,224 | 3,798 |
| Water and Sewerage | 483 | 571 |
| Rent | 40 | 408 |
| Repairs and Renewals | 6,907 | 12,869 |
| Sub total | 13,335 | 19,403 |
| Charitable Payments | | |
| Youth programme and activities | 4,923 | 755 |
| Adult support and training | | 14 |
| Materials and equipment | 2,133 | 2,179 |
| Uniforms | 850 | 426 |
| Other costs | - | - |
| Sub total | 7,906 | £ 3,374.00 |
| Fundraising expenses | | |
| Sundries | 179 | 184 |
| OSM fees | 209 | 354 |
| Go Cardless Fees | 401 | Part of line above |
| Sub total | 789 | 538 |
| Total Gross Expenditure | 22,029 | 23,315 |
| Asset and investment purchases, etc. | - | - |
| Total payments | 22,029 | 23,315 |
| Net of receipts/(payments) | 7,995 | 1,384 |

Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31st December 2021

| | 2021 Unrestricted funds £ | 2020 Unrestricted funds £ |
|--|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Cash funds | | |
| Bank current account | 30,152 | 22,042 |
| Bank deposit account | | |
| Cash/Floats | 419 | 535 |
| Total cash funds | 30,571 | 22,577 |
| Of which restricted funds | | |
| Reserve fund | 6,000 | 6,000 |
| Arnold Clark Grant | 1,000 | |
| Cub Hawkhurst Camp - cheque issued | 1,650 | |
| BBH Agreed Ringfenced Works | 5,330 | |
| Total restricted funds | 13,980 | 9,806 |
| Non monetary assets for charity's own use | | |
| Land and buildings | 75,000 | 75,000 |
| Scouting equipment, furniture etc | 28,000 | 28,000 |
| Other | - | - |
| Sub total | 103,000 | 103,000 |
| Liabilities | | |
| Other liabilities | - | - |
| Sub total | - | - |

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 6th April 2022 and signed, on their behalf by

Ivan Jewell - Chair

Christina Charlton - Treasurer

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial Statement

Since the end of Lockdown income and expenditure on activities has increased more than 10 times, which shows how many activities all of our sections are doing. This is also shown in the increase in spending on badges, which has doubled.

We have also continued to invest in improvements to our HQ and in new equipment.

The Government Hospitality grants assisted us during lockdown, enabling us to continue to keep our membership fees at 50% whilst we could not meet face to face.

There will be challenges ahead, such as the increasing costs of energy, but the Group is in a very healthy position to support the sections in delivering fun and adventure packed activities over the coming year.



Reserves Policy

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 Executive Committee considers that the group should hold a sum equivalent to 12 months building running costs.

Due to the potential impact of the COVID Pandemic, it was agreed that the reserve fund was insufficient to ensure the continuity of the group should something similar occur in the future. Therefore it was increased to £6,000 as an amount sufficient to cover all annual costs.

