

# Just Look What We Achieved Together

1st Dipton Scout & Guide Group  
Annual Report and Accounts 2022  
Registered Charity no: 512890



  
**Scouts**  
1st Dipton

  
**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



## TRUSTEES 2022

### Names of the Trustees who manage the Charity

Ivan Jewell	Chair	Rachel Oliver	Treasurer
Emily Manson	Secretary	Keith Slater	Group Scout Leader
Brenda Bell	Beaver Scout Leader	Mark Draper	Scout Leader
Richard Jefferson	Cub Scout Leader	Gemma Ferguson	Guide Leader
Lynn Littler	Trustee	Christina Charlton	Trustee
Karen Hart	Trustee		

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 another great year of growth for the Group, with numbers increasing by 30% to almost 100. The biggest the group has ever been in its history.

We successfully opened a second Cub Pack to help cope with demand, however, we still have a huge waiting list for Beavers.

Our success is due to the amazing Team of Volunteers. Not just the leaders who run the sections, but also our trustees who ensure we have the resources we need to keep going. Our team has grown a little over the past year, but we still need more volunteers for most sections so we can sustain this growth and keep providing the wide range of events and activities for our members.

We have continued to improve our HQ, Black Bull House, with some important changes to the entry doors and corridor. The building is over 200 years old, and we have started planning the major works which need to be carried out to keep it going for another 100 years.



## 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. All sections require more adults to achieve this.

- **Improve Black Bull House**

Complete preliminary works for renovations and start to fund raise for works.

- **Increase capacity for new members**

We will continue to look at opportunities for reducing our waiting list.

- **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 top 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

Isaac Walker

Isaac Denny

Joe Heslop

Lydia Cormack

Isla Park

## Chief Scout Silver Award

Emily Wilson

Matthew Mulgrew

Sophia Bates



# FINANCIAL REVIEW

## Receipts and Payments

### Statement of independent examiner: Mrs Kathryn Dorner

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.

	2022 Unrestricted funds £	2021 Unrestricted funds £
<b>Receipts</b>		
<b>Membership subscriptions</b>		
Membership subscriptions	11,235	7,294
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/Area/District)	3,756	2,289
Net membership subscriptions retained	7,480	5,006
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>7,480</b>	<b>5,006</b>
<b>Donations, Grants and Similar</b>		
Donations	726	411
Legacies		-
Gift Aid	1,605	910
Amazon	1,425	-
Leslie Sell Grant	540	-
DCC Grants	2,667	17,335
Easy Fundraising	27	
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>6,990</b>	<b>18,656</b>
<b>Fundraising (gross)</b>		
Raised by group	1,097	101
Other fundraising activities		196
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>1,097</b>	<b>297</b>
<b>Other income</b>	-	
Youth programme and activities	12,224	4,856
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>12,224</b>	<b>4,856</b>
<b>Investment income</b>		
Bank interest	-	-
Property Rent income	1,515	1,210
Other investment income		-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>1,515</b>	<b>1,210</b>
<b>Total Gross Income</b>	<b>29,305</b>	<b>30,024</b>
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>29,305</b>	<b>30,024</b>

	2022 Unrestricted funds £	2021 Unrestricted funds £
<b>Payments</b>		
<b>Building</b>		
Electricity and Gas	2,926	3,681
Insurance	1,825	2,224
Water and Sewerage	463	483
Rent	-	40
Repairs and Maintenance	9,073	6,907
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>14,287</b>	<b>13,335</b>
<b>Charitable Payments</b>		
Youth programme and activities	14,055	4,923
Adult support and training	86	
Materials and equipment	761	2,133
Uniforms	1,659	850
Other costs	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>16,561</b>	<b>7,905.57</b>
<b>Fundraising expenses</b>		
Sundries	356	179
Fundraising costs	51	209
Go Cardless Fees	822	401
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>1,229</b>	<b>789</b>
<b>Total Gross Expenditure</b>	<b>32,077</b>	<b>22,029</b>
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	-	-
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>32,077</b>	<b>22,029</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>- 2,772</b>	<b>7,995</b>

## Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31st December 2022

	2022 Unrestricted funds £	2021 Unrestricted funds £
<b>Cash funds</b>		
Bank current account	27,233	30,152
Bank deposit account		
Cash/Floats	566	419
<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>27,799</b>	<b>30,571</b>
<b>Of which restricted funds</b>		
Reserve fund	6,000	6,000
HQ Membership Fees	5,000	
Held for activities	1,500	2,650
BBH Agreed Ringfenced Works		5,330
<b>Total restricted funds</b>	<b>12,500</b>	<b>13,980</b>
<b>Non monetary assets for charity's own use</b>		
Land and buildings	75,000	75,000
Scouting equipment, furniture etc	28,000	28,000
Other	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>103,000</b>	<b>103,000</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Other liabilities	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 7th June 2023 and signed on their behalf by

Ivan Jewell

Chair

Rachel Oliver

Treasurer

# FINANCIAL REVIEW

## Financial Statement

Our accounts reflect the increase in numbers and activities that we are now doing.

Income from Membership Fees has gone up 50%, and spending on activities has increased 300%, along with spending on uniform and badges which doubled.

We have also continued to invest in improvements to our HQ.

Overall the accounts remain healthy, despite a £2,700 reduction in funds, which was due to the spending of ring fenced funds on the HQ improvements. Increasing our membership has meant that we have not needed to increase membership fees to cope with the rising inflation and utility costs.

There will be challenges ahead, but the Group remains 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 Trustee Board considers that the group should hold a sum equivalent to 12 months building running costs.

The Trustee Board has agreed a reserve fund of £6,000 as an amount sufficient to cover annual running costs.

