Trustees' Annual Report

For the period from 01/04/25 to 31/03/26

Section A Reference and Administration Details

Charity Name **Barnsley District Scouts**

Other names known by
- Barnsley Scouts
- Barnsley District Scout Council
- Barnsley Metropolitan Borough District Scout Council

Registered Charity number 514094

Scout registration number 00016501

Charity's principal address
c/o Mr. S. P. Alliott
1.04 Digital media Centre
County Way
Barnsley
Postcode S70 2JW

Names of charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee Name	Office held (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1	Adrian Eggleston	District Chairman	
2	Diana Greaves	District Treasurer	
3	George Akid	District Lead Volunteer	
4	Harriett Duffey	Youth Lead Volunteer	
5	Melvyn Lunn	Treasurer (Camp Site)	
6	Simon Peter Alliott		
7	Simone Foster-Jowett		
8	Amelia L Eggleston		
9	Neil Leatherland		
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Names and Addresses of Advisors

Type of Advisor	Name	Address
None		

Section B Structure, Governance and Management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document	The District's governing documents are those of the Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, first granted January 1912 and Supplemental Charters, 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	The District is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.
Trustee selection methods	The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.
Additional governance issues	The District is managed by the District Trustee Board, the members of which are all volunteers who act collectively as Charity Trustees of the Scout District, an educational charity. This Trustee Board exists to support the District Lead Volunteer in meeting the responsibilities of that appointment and ensuring that there is good Governance practiced throughout the District. As such they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities. This includes registration, keeping proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate. They also ensure compliance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association. The Board consists of 2 independent representatives, Chairman and Treasurer together with the District Lead Volunteer and members elected, nominated and co-opted at the Annual General Meeting of the District Scout Council. They meet every second month (commencing February). Members complete *'Essential Information for Executive Committee'* training within the first 5 months of joining the committee. Collectively they operate in the best interests of the District and its members to provide for: * The provision and maintenance of District property and equipment; * The raising of funds together with the management and administration of District finance; * The insurance of persons, property and equipment; * Promote and support the development of Scouting within the district; * Manage and implement the various policies of the Scout Association; * Provide sufficient resources for Scouting to operate. This includes, but is not limited to, supporting the recruitment of leaders and other adult support; * Appoint and manage the operation of any sub-Committees that may be required, including appointing Chairmen to lead such sub-Committees; *Appointing District Administrators and Advisors other than any who are elected; * Open, close and amalgamate Groups, Sections and Units within the District as necessary and supervise their administration, particularly in relation to finance and the trusteeship of property. The Board also; * Approves the Annual Report and Annual Accounts after their examination by an appropriate auditor, examiner or scrutineer as appropriate; * Presents the Annual Report together with the Annual Accounts to the District Scout Council at the Annual General Meeting; files a copy with the County Scout Trustee Board and submits them to the Charity Commission; * Maintains confidentiality with regard to appropriate Board business.

Section B Structure, Governance and Management (continued)

Structure

Barnsley District Scouts operate within that area of South Yorkshire which is co-terminus with the local authority boundary of the Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council. Within the District are thirteen Scout Groups, each of which is an independent educational charity in its own right, the majority of which are registered as such with the Charity Commission. The District is responsible for the supervision and support of these Groups within the provisions of the Policy, Organisation and Rules of Scouting as set out by the Scout Association,

The District is also responsible for the provision, supervision and support of Explorer Scouting.

The District enjoys ownership of the Silverwood Scout Camp Site at Barnsley Road, Silkstone, Barnsley S75 4LE

The District enjoys ownership of the Scout Headquarters building at Tinker Lane, Hoyland Common, Barnsley S74 0EP and the Scout Headquarters building at rear of 39 Dearne Hall Road, Barugh, Barnsley S75 1LU.

Risk and Internal Control

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

Damage to the building, property and equipment. The District would request the use of buildings, property and equipment from neighbouring Scout Districts, and local Scout Groups. The District has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss.

Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members. The District through the membership subscriptions fees contributes to the Scout Association's national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities.

Reduced income. The District is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. The District does hold a reserve to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income. The Committee could raise the value of subscriptions to increase the income to the District on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently.

Reduction or loss of members. The District provides activities for all young people aged 4 to 24 through a series of thirteen Scout Groups, comprising age-related Sections and Units. If there was a reduction in membership in a particular section or group as a whole then there would have to be consideration of contraction, consolidation or closure as appropriate.

Finance. The District conducts its financial affairs in accordance with the rules and guidance detailed in the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

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 objectives

Supporting the Groups, Units and Camp Site in the delivery of quality programmes, development opportunities and such other support as and when required

Provision of District wide activities and events.

The Board acknowledges the vast amount of time and effort expended by the Warranted Leaders, Helpers, Administrators and Supporters working within the District, its thirteen Scout Groups, Explorer Scout Unit and Network Unit.

Similarly the Board acknowledges the time and effort expended by the Silverwood Scout Camp Sub-Committee, especially the physical contribution of the 'Dads Army' maintenance crew.

Public benefit statement

The District 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

The thirteen constituent Scout Groups within the District, each produce their own annual reports and annual financial balance sheets commensurate with their own financial year end and include the achievements of their individual group sections and members. Copies of those reports and returns are deposited each year with the District Trust Board.

The report of the District Lead Volunteer is appended hereto.

Section E Financial Review

Financial Operations

For ease of fiscal operation, the district's general financial dealings are maintained and reported separately from those affecting the operation of the district camp site, the Hoyland Common building and the District Explorer Scout provision. All are included in this report.

Reserves Policy

The District's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the activities of the District should income and fundraising fall short. The District Trust Board considers that the District should hold a sum equivalent to a minimum of twelve months operating costs.

The District held reserves of approximately £ 132,383 against this at year end. This comprised £ 28,849 in respect of the general district accounts, £ 53,045 in respect of the camp site accounts, £21,199 in respect of the Hoyland Common building and £29,290 in respect of the Explorer Scout section accounts. These are commensurate with the levels required for operating expenses.

Investment Policy

The District has a small consolidated investment of a historical nature, otherwise does not have sufficient funds to increase the level of investment longer term. The Board has therefore adopted a risk averse strategy to the investment of its funds which are otherwise held in cash using only mainstream banks or building societies.

Section F Other Optional Information

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 names(s)	Adrian Eggleston	George Akid
Position held	Chairman	District Lead Volunteer
Date	1 8 0 8 2 6	

Barnsley District Scouts
Receipts and Payments Account

	Year start date		Year end date
For the	2025	To	2026

Receipts and payments

	2024/25 Unrestricted £	2025/26 Unrestricted £
Receipts		
Donations, legacies and similar		
Membership subscriptions	51,265.00	53,196.00
Less:Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/Area/District)	51,264.00	53,196.00
Net membership subscriptions retained	-	
SYCSC I Cencus rebates	400.50	403.00
Other similar income	-	100.00
Sub total	51,664.50	53,699.00
Hoyland Insurance Rebate		436.72
Sub total	-	436.72
Fundraising (gross)		
St Georges Day	-	280.00
Magna	-	2,538.00
Chester Zoo	3,528.50	1,200.00
Cyclo Cross	214.70	83.00
Go Fund income	78.71	
Alton Towers	3,520.00	
	7,341.91	4,101.00
Investment income		.
Bank interest	133.49	114.40
Sub total	133.49	114.40
Total Gross Income	59,139.90	58,351.12
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-
Total receipts	59,139.90	58,351.12

Barnsley District Scouts
Receipts and Payments Account

	Year start date		Year end date
For the	2025	To	2026

Receipts and payments

	2024/25 Unrestricted £	2025/26 Unrestricted £
Payments		
Charitable Payments		
Capitation	46,458.00	48,360.00
Events	121.20	155.02
AGM/Awards Evening	1,173.74	1,078.39
Rememberance Day	66.55	57.00
Advertisig/Marketing	339.60	775.24
IT	428.70	528.00
Printing and Stationery	97.51	166.40
Uniforms	975.72	
Hoyland Insurance Refund	-	436.72
St Georges	254.90	1,437.79
Misc Expenses	-	1,026.73
Sub total	49,915.92	54,021.29
Fundraising expenses		
Chester zoo/Twycross Zoo 2026	4,404.85	1,342.82
Alton Towers/Magna 2026	3,540.82	2,520.10
Cyclocross	214.28	-
Sub total	8,159.95	3,862.92
Total Gross Expenditure	58,075.87	57,884.21
Asset and investment	-	-
Total payments	58,075.87	57,884.21
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,064.03	466.91
Cash funds last year end	-	-
Cash funds this year end	1,064.03	466.91

Barnsley District Scouts

Receipts and Payments Account

	Year start date		Year end date
For the	2025	To	2026

Assets & Liabilities

	31/03/2025 Unrestricted £	31/03/2026 Unrestricted £
Cash funds		
Deposit Account	15,228.29	23,576.69
Activity Account	-	
Current Account	4,087.45	5,065.56
The Scout Association Short Term	-	
Cash/Floats	206.47	206.49
Total cash funds	19,522.21	28,848.74
Other monetary assets		
Capitation (Silkstone,	14,582.00	8,538.00
Cencus rebate paid in april	400.50	403.00
Sub Chqs not banked	-	
Hoyland insurance	1,340.18	-
Barugh Yorkshire Water	179.67	-
Magna Deposit re Oct 25	619.47	-
Big Day out	200.00	-
Sub total	17,321.82	8,941.00
Liabilities		
Space Camp Cubs)	122.00	121.86
Future Events	377.00	377.00
St Georges day badges	254.90	
Explorers Closing Balance	1,302.72	1,302.72
Other liabilities (Barugh Green &	-	733.68
Sub total	2,056.62	2,535.26

Contingent liabilities and future obligations

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 18 August 2026 and signed on their behalf by

Signature	Print Name
Adrian Eggleston	Chair
Diana Greaves	Treasurer

Barnsley Explorer Scouts
Receipts and Payments Account

For the year	From	01.04.25	To	31.03.26

Receipts and Payments

	2024/25 Unrestricted funds £	2025/26 Unrestricted funds £
Receipts		
Donations, legacies and similar income		
Membership fees	17,533.80	13,314.19
Unsung Heroes Donation F Davies		250.00
Sub total	**17,533.80**	**13,564.19**
Grants		
Hedgehogs start up Grant	3,500.00	-
Sub total	**3,500.00**	**-**
Charitable activities		
Camp income (Hesfest)		2,368.25
Sub total	**-**	**2,368.25**
Investment income		
Bank interest	67.56	45.15
Sub total	**67.56**	**45.15**
Total gross income	**21,101.36**	**15,977.59**

Receipts and Payments

Payments		
Charitable payments		
Membership fees paid (National/County/Area/District)	5,952.00	5,148.00
Youth programme and activities	3,991.92	2,369.02
Rent (Hedgehogs)	466.66	100.00
Camp costs		2,585.37
Materials and equipment	3,069.04	2,002.02
Uniforms and badges	470.70	732.20
Costco Membership	26.40	-
OSM Charges		248.89
Leader Thankyou	60.00	115.56
Unsung Heroes payment F Davies		250.00
Sub total	**14,036.72**	**13,551.06**
Total gross expenditure	**14,036.72**	**13,551.06**
Total payments	**14,036.72**	**13,551.06**
Net of receipts/(payments)	**7,064.64**	**2,426.53**
Cash funds last year end	14,852.22	21,916.86
Cash funds this year end	**21,916.86**	**24,343.39**

Statement of assets and liabilities at 31st March 2026

	£	£
Cash funds		
Bank current account	15,792.52	17,094.55
Bank deposit account	6,124.34	7,248.84
Total cash funds	**21,916.86**	**24,343.39**
Total net assets	**21,916.86**	**24,343.39**

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 18th August 2022 (the date of the Trustee Board meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by

Signature	Print Name	
A Eggleston	Adrian Eggleston	Chairman
D Greaves	Diana Greaves	Treasurer

Silverwood Scout Camp
Receipts and Payments Account

	Year start date		Year end date
For the year from	01-Apr-25	To	31-Mar-26

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Receipts and payments

	2025/26 Unrestricted funds £	2024/25 Unrestricted funds £
Receipts		
Fundraising (gross)		
Camping fees	36,189	45,447
Sale of badges	222	298
Donations	80	84
Sub total	36,491	45,829
Investment income		
Bank interest	569	249
Sub total	569	249
Total Gross Income	37,060	46,078
Total receipts	37,060	46,078

Receipts and payments

	2025/26 £	2024/25 £
Payments		
Defibrillator Spares	189	-
Water and Sewerage	864	629
Electricity and Gas	6,847	9,811
Insurance	4,095	4,040
Repairs and Renewals	36,741	3,577
Fire prevention equipment and maintenance	1,542	-
Lodge cleaning	1,874	1,605
OSM Fees	805	804
Consumables	85	-
Grounds maintenance	1,546	1,389
Waste disposla	2,688	1,358
Other costs	900	928
Sub total	58,176	24,141

Total Gross Expenditure	58,176	24,141
Net of receipts/(payments)	21,116	- 21,937
Cash funds this year end	21,116	- 21,937

Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	£	£
Cash funds		
Bank current account	7,227	23,912
Bank deposit account	45,818	50,249
Total cash funds	53,045	74,161
Non monetary assets for charity's own		
Land and buildings	176,581	176,581
Sub total	176,581	176,581

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 21 April 2026 and signed on their behalf by

	Print Name	
A Eggleston	Adrian Eggleston	Chair
M Lunn	Melvyn Lunn	Treasurer