

Macclesfield and Congleton District Scout Council

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31st December 2021

Registered Charity Number 520227
Number 10001860

Scout HQ Registration

Principal Address: 32 West Bond Street, Macclesfield, SK11 8EQ

The trustees who manage the charity were:-

Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
Mark Russell Eden		24 th June 2021 to 31 st December 2021
Steven Blackburn		
Neil Vinod Raval		
Caroline Mhairi Helen Robinson	Secretary	
Jane Blackburn		
Martin Edward Taylor		
William David Jones	Treasurer	
Rebecca Furness		
Steven Kenneth Shaw		1 st January 2021 to 22 nd November 2021
Alexander James Fletcher	Chair	
Ann Eden		
Stephen Andrew Richmond		
David Ernest Giles		1 st January 2021 to 22 nd November 2021
Ian Richard MacKintosh		

The District'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 District 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.

The District is managed by the District Executive Committee, the members of which are the Charity Trustees of the Scout District, 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.

The District Executive Committee exists to support the District Commissioner in meeting the responsibilities of his appointment and is responsible for the maintenance of District property, the raising of funds and the administration of District finance, the insurance of persons, property and equipment, District public occasions, assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support, appointing any sub committees that may be required, and appointing District Administrators and Advisors, other than those who are elected.

Risk and Internal Control

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

Damage to the buildings, property and equipment:- The District would request the use of buildings, property and equipment from neighbouring organisations such as churches, community

centres and 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 annual membership subscriptions, is covered by 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 scouting activities. The District holds 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 leaders:- The District is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the District. If there was a reduction in the number of leaders to an unacceptable level in a particular section or the District as a whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section. In the worst case scenario the complete closure of the District.

Reduction or loss of members:-The District provides scouting activities for young people aged 6 to 18. If there were a reduction in membership in a particular section or the District as whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section, or in the worst case scenario the complete closure of the District.

Objectives and activities

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, the Scout Promise.

The District meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship and community development headings.

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed by Alexander Fletcher (Chair) and Caroline Robinson (Secretary) on 24th June 2022

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Income and Expenditure Account

For the Year Ended 31st December 2021

Income	2021	2020
	Unrestricted funds	Total funds
	£	£
Donations, legacies and similar income		
Membership subscriptions received	60,034	66,969
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on	(44,195)	(50,209)
Net membership subscriptions retained	15,839	16,760
Donations	1,579	380
Legacies	0	5,000
Gift Aid	6,219	0
Sundry Income	2,914	1,243
Rent of HQ Building	480	0
1st Aid Training Fees Received	780	0
Income from Scouting Activities	28,325	9,489
Sub total	56,136	32,872
Grants		
Covid-19 Grants	34,171	22,668
Sub total	34,171	22,668
Fundraising (gross)		
Various Fundraising activities	50	1,207
Shop Sales	10,290	7,017
Sub total	10,340	8,224
Investment income		
Bank interest	28	125
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service Interest	0	120
Sub total	28	246
Total Gross Income	100,675	64,009

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Income and Expenditure Account
For the Year Ended 31st December 2021

Expenditure	2021	2020
	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£
Charitable Payments		
Youth programme and activities	28,802	12,849
Grants Made	2,200	
Jamborees- World & Eurojam	0	4,120
Barnswood Major Refurbishment	0	60,245
Water	353	373
Electricity and Gas	5,286	6,270
Insurance	3,509	3,442
Repairs and Renewals	18,032	5,168
Waste Disposal	330	288
Cleaning	2,031	403
Telephone	427	1,017
District Administration	2,694	3,838
New Booking System	0	0
Bank Charges	216	240
Group Safety Audits	0	2,700
AGM and trustee expenses	0	(500)
Depreciation of Equipment	11,606	7,611
Sundry Expenses	5,846	828
Sub total	81,332	108,891
Fundraising expenses		
Shop Purchases	7,640	4,899
Sub total	7,640	4,899
Total Gross Expenditure	88,972	113,790
Net of receipts/(payments)	11,704	(49,781)
Transfers between funds	0	0
Total funds last year end	461,527	511,308
Total funds this year end	473,231	461,527

Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	31-Dec-21	31-Dec-20
Assets	Total funds £	Total funds £
Cash funds		
Bank current accounts	69,310	82,840
Natwest Bank/Shawbrook Accounts	65,012	60,050
Shop Bank Account & Cash	3,257	1,591
Cash	214	351
Total cash funds	137,793	144,832
Other monetary assets		
Debtors and Prepayments	7,473	4,317
Sub total	7,473	4,317
Non monetary assets for charity's own use		
Shop stock	6,000	6,000
Other stock	1,611	0
Land and buildings	308,914	310,063
Scouting equipment, furniture etc	25,793	16,275
Sub total	342,318	332,338
Total Assets	487,584	481,486
Liabilities		
Accounts not yet paid	4,365	3,340
Other liabilities- Eurojam	9,991	16,618
Sub total	14,356	19,958
Net Assets	473,229	461,528
The funds of the charity:		
Unrestricted funds		
General funds	473,230	461,528
Total charity funds	473,230	461,528

The above Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 23rd May 2022 and signed on their behalf by William David Jones (Treasurer) and Alexander James Fletcher (Chair).

MACCLESFIELD AND CONGLETON DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

Independent Examiner's Report to the Council For the Year Ended 31 December 2021

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Macclesfield and Congleton District Scout Council ("the Charity") for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. The accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. The accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 1008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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25th April 2022