

**3rd SANDIACRE SCOUT GROUP
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR 1st APRIL 2024 to 31st MARCH 2025**

Charity Registration Number 520672

**Group Registration Number with
The Scout Association** 33983

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TRUSTEES during the year:

Chair	Mr P Dumelow
Treasurer	Mrs A Coles
Group Lead Volunteer	Mrs J Dean
Trustees	Mrs V Dumelow
	Mrs D Scott.
	Mrs T Horsley
	Mrs R Skelton
	Mr M Cliff

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Structure, governance and management

Description of charity's trusts

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.

The Group's constitution was amended to meet the current requirements of The Charity Commission and The Scout Association adopted at the 2024 AGM, this Constitution will be re-adopted at the AGM held on 10th July 2025.

Additional governance issues

The Group is managed by the Trustee Board, the members of which are 'Charity Trustees' of the Scout Group which is an educational charity. As charity trustees they are responsible for complying with the legislation applicable to charities. This includes the registration, keeping of proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate. All trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or expenses.

The current Board consists of Chair, Treasurer, 6 Trustees, All Members of the Trustee Board are encouraged to complete *Being a Scouts Trustee* learning within the first 6 months of joining the Board. The Trustee Board exists to make sure the charity is well-managed, risks are assessed and mitigated, buildings and equipment are in good working order, and everyone follows legal requirements and the organisation's policies and rules. Their support helps other volunteers run high-quality and safe programmes that gives young people skills for life.

Risk and Internal Control

The Trustee Board has identified the major risks to which they believe the Group 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 building, property and equipment - The Group has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss.

Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members - The Group through the membership fees contributes to the Scout Associations national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities.

Reduced income from fundraising – The Group is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. The group 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 group on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently.

Reduction or loss of leaders - The group is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the group. If there was a reduction in the number of leaders to an unacceptable level in a particular section or the group as a whole then, there would be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section. In the worst case scenario the complete closure of the Group.

Reduction or loss of members – The Group provides activities for all young people aged 6 to 18. If there was a reduction in membership in a particular section or the group as a whole; then there would be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section. In the worst case scenario the complete closure of the Group.

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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 their Promise.

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

Activities and Events during the year

The Group's registered members increased by 2 to 66 young people belonging to the Beaver Colony, Cub Pack, and Scout Troop as recorded in the 2025 census.

The weekly programmes devised by the Group's dedicated and unpaid volunteers are challenging, entertaining and varied. The Group is very proud of all the achievements of its members and a summary of each section achievements follow.

Beavers - Beaver numbers have remained at 24 during the year, 10 have swam up to Cubs but were immediately replaced from the waiting list.

Badges completed during this year include:-

Challenge awards – Outdoor, Adventure, Teamwork, Skills and World

Activity badges:- Disability, Health & Fitness, Explore, Money Skills, Cooking, Camp crafts My Faith.

10 Chief Scout Bronze awards were attained which is a fantastic achievement for all as its the highest award for Beavers to work towards.

Beavers have visited the local Tesco's where they made fruit kebabs and were adventurous at Bramcote Park, They enjoyed a sleepover at the Scout hut and an afternoon performance of Oliver at Derby Theatre.

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Activities and Events (continued)

Cubs – Cubs have maintained their numbers at 24 during the year and have had an eventful year of games and activities. In September 2024 the pack went to their first camp for a few years, they attended the first camp of the newly merged Erewash District at Drum Hill Scout camp, they had a brilliant time taking part in activities such as abseiling, den building and grass sledging. Cubs visited local allotments to see how food was grown, helped prepare their own food in the kitchen at the Scout hut during their sleepover in January and learnt outdoor cooking skills which included making hot chocolate using Kelly kettles and cooking Smores over a camp fire. An enjoyable afternoon was spent at Derby Theatre watching a great production of Oliver and a brilliant games evening with Wollaton Cubs.

The Cubs have worked towards and earned themselves the following badges:

Challenge awards – Our Outdoors, Skills, Our World, Teamwork and Personal.

Activity badges – Environmental, Disability Awareness, Chef, Entertainer, Gardener and Scientist.

One of the Cubs was awarded their Chief Scout Silver award, a marvellous achievement. Well done Isaac.

Scouts – Scout numbers have risen to 18 during the year, numbers continue to be a challenge as Scouts compete with other activities that young people have to choose from on a Friday night.

Scouts have completed their World Challenge and several other badges.

They visited Drum Hill Scout camp for a tomahawk throwing evening in July 2024 and enjoyed a Ten-Pin bowling party at Christmas.

The Trustee Board

The headquarters at Sandiacre are used by all Scout sections plus a unit of 11 Explorers and 80 Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and Rangers all of whom help in the fundraising required to maintain these premises. Springfield Pre-school continue to rent the premises during the day in term time, their rent of £6,000 per annum helps fund the premise utility costs.

The annual bonfire raised a phenomenal total of over £6,000, our best ever, thank you to all who attended and thank you to Councillor Wayne Major for his £500 donation. Volunteers are still a challenge, there was a good number of volunteers on Saturday to set and run the event however only nine core volunteers on Sunday to clear St Giles Park, put away all equipment used and clean the hut. More volunteers are needed on Sunday to ensure the future of this brilliant event which is popular with local families and the wider community.

The Summer Fayre raised £257 and the Christmas Fayre raised a further £671 to enable the group to look after our headquarters,

The Group also took part in the annual Christmas Tree Festival at St Giles Church, Sandiacre and although they did not receive an award were delighted to have been asked again this year to take part in a community activity.

Young Members of Beavers, Cubs & Scouts all joined together to sell remembrance poppies outside the local Co-op raising £282.34 towards Erewash District's total.

A very successful work weekend was held with volunteers from all sections, both Scouts and Guides, helping to sort and tidy the Camp store. A big thank you to all who helped.

Sandiacre Scout group still urgently needs to attract volunteers both for supporting the young people in their personal development at the evening sessions and for help organising and running fundraising events.

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Financial Review

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 Trustee Board considers that the group should hold a sum equivalent to 12 months running costs, which this year equates to £8,216 (2023/24: £11,718). The Group Executive held unrestricted reserves of £33,080 against this at the year end. There are two Designated Funds included in Unrestricted Funds these are: rent deposit £500 and monies held after a Beaver Colony closed £581.30.

Investment Policy

The Group's Income and Expenditure is relatively small and, as a consequence, does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer-term investments such as stocks and shares. The Group has therefore adopted a low risk strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks.

Plans for future periods

The group actively continues towards their goal in recruiting new volunteers for all sections so that their aim of providing an environment and atmosphere conducive to their members achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potentials is achieved.

Some of the building projects being considered are:

- investigating repairs required to the floor and potential new floor
- investigating how to make the headquarters more accessible to all
- constructing fencing around part of the headquarters perimeter
- considering the viability of installing solar panels to make the building more energy efficient.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.
Signed on behalf of the Charity's trustees

Paul Dumelow
Chair
29th May 2025

3rd Sandiacre Scout Group (Charity no. 520672) Receipts and Payments Account

Year start date

Year end date

For the year from	01/04/2024	To	31/03/2025
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Receipts and payments

	2024/25			2023/24	
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Receipts					
Donations, legacies and similar income					
Membership subscriptions	7,000	-	-	7,000	7,155
Donations	1	-	-	1	-
Youth programme and activities	2,040	-	-	2,040	1,080
Other similar income	-	-	-	-	334
Sub total	9,041	-	-	9,041	8,569
Grants					
Maintenence grant	-	-	-	-	-
Other grants	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Fundraising events (gross)					
Bonfire	9,011	-	-	9,011	4,199
Summer Fayre	820	-	-	820	-
Christmas Fayre	851	-	-	851	1,177
Sponsored walk	-	-	-	-	403
Other fundraising activities	10	-	-	10	71
Sub total	10,693	-	-	10,693	5,850
Scout hut income					
Hire of building	6,000	-	-	6,000	6,000
Hire of equipment	-	-	-	-	-
Other Scout hut income	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	6,000	-	-	6,000	6,000
Investment income					
Bank interest	-	-	-	-	-
Building Society interest	-	-	-	-	-
The Charity Deposit	-	-	-	-	337
Other investment income	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	337
Total Gross Income	25,734	-	-	25,734	20,756
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	25,734	-	-	25,734	20,756

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Receipts and payments

	2024/25			2023/24	
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Payments					
Charitable Payments					
Membership subscriptions paid on to District	3,498	-	-	3,498	3,104
Youth programme and activities	4,046	-	-	4,046	3,506
Leader uniform contributions	142	-	-	142	78
Rates	108	-	-	108	102
Water and Sewerage	668	-	-	668	643
Electricity and Gas	4,028	-	-	4,028	4,931
Repairs and Renewals	829	-	-	829	2,387
Cleaning costs	618	-	-	618	924
Insurance	1,926	-	-	1,926	2,477
Printing and photocopying	-	-	-	-	28
Jamboree and Jamborette	-	-	-	-	250
AGM expenses	40	-	-	40	72
Bank charges	-	-	-	-	-
Thank you gifts & donations	20	-	-	20	120
Subscriptions	-	-	-	-	-
Guide leader membership fees	-	-	-	-	600
Other expenses	-	-	-	-	34
Sub total	15,922	-	-	15,922	19,257
Fundraising expenses					
Bonfire	2,914	-	-	2,914	3,260
Summer Fayre	563	-	-	563	
Christmas Fayre	80	-	-	80	769
Sub total	3,557	-	-	3,557	4,029
Total Gross Expenditure	19,478	-	-	19,478	23,285
Asset and investment	-	-	-	-	195
Total payments	19,478	-	-	19,478	23,480
Net of receipts/(payments)	6,256	-	-	6,256	- 2,724
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds last year end	33,710	-	-	33,710	36,434
Cash funds this year end	39,966	-	-	39,966	33,710

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Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	31st March 2025			31st March 2024	
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Cash funds					
Bank current account	39,490	-	-	39,490	33,292
Bank deposit account	-	-	-	-	-
Cash/Floats	476	-	-	476	418
Total cash funds	39,966	-	-	39,966	33,710
<small>(agree balances with receipts and payments a/c) ok ok ok ok ok</small>					
Other monetary assets					
Tax claim	4,000	-	-	4,000	4,000
Debts due from the County/Area/District/Group	-	-	-	-	-
Insurance claim	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	4,000	-	-	4,000	4,000
Investment assets					
Investment property - detail	-	-	-	-	-
Quoted investments	-	-	-	-	-
Other investments - detail	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Non monetary assets for charity's own use					
Badge stock	-	-	-	-	-
Land and buildings	417,969	-	-	417,969	398,066
Scouting equipment, furniture etc	46,793	-	-	46,793	43,732
Other	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	464,763	-	-	464,763	441,798
Liabilities					
Accounts not yet paid	-	-	-	-	-
Subscriptions in advance	-	-	-	-	-
Loan - detail	-	-	-	-	-
Other liabilities	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total net assets	508,729	-	-	508,729	479,508

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 29th May 2025 (the date of the Trustee Board meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by

Signature

Print Name

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Paul Dumelow	Chair
Anne Coles	Treasurer



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name: 3RD SANDIACRE SCOUT GROUP

On accounts for the year ended

31/03/2025

Charity no (if any)

520672

Set out on pages

1 (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2025.

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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed: [Signature]

Date: 20/06/2025

Name: BEN LEE

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL ADVISER

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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