



**CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

## **Trustees' Annual Report for the period**

**From 1 April 2024 Period start date to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 Period end date**

**Charity name: 2/77TH MANCHESTER (2ND WHALLEY RANGE) GROUP OF SCOUTS**

**Charity registration number: 521608**

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### **Introduction**

The following sections provide details of the activities, governance and finances of 2nd Whalley Range for the period April 24 to March 25, as required by the Charity Commission each year.

We operate five sections (Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers) running seven sessions across three evenings involving around 150 young people.

### **Objectives and Activities**

#### **Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document**

The Trust's objective, as laid out in the Trust Deed, is the provision of activities for the furtherance of Scouting. As Scouts, the Trustees are guided by the values of Integrity, Respect, Care, Belief and Co-operation. Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together & enjoy what they are doing & have fun; take part in activities indoors & outdoors; learn by doing; share in spiritual reflection & make good choices; undertake new & challenging activities; make & live by their Promise.

#### **Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.**

To provide education/training, arts, culture and outdoor activities for children and young people. To provide a venue for the use of the community in general, including the provision by other groups of activities and events.

#### **Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit**

The Trustees and the Executive Committee regularly review Charity Commission Guidance and receive training on fulfilling their obligations as Trustees and managers.

#### **Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

- Policy on grant making
  - (N/A)
- Policy on social investment including program related investment
  - N/A

- Contribution made by volunteers
  - We have 90 volunteers contributing approximately 40 hrs per week in total related to the provision of Scouting activities and the management of the group and facilities
- Other
  - N/A

## Achievements and Performance

**Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.**

We operate 5 sections (Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers), having commenced a Squirrels section for 4 to 6 year olds in September 2023. We run seven sessions across three evenings each week involving 150 young people. In addition, sections run a number of camps and other activities at weekends and during holidays, including the Family Camp which has around 250 young people and adults camping for a weekend. Our bonfire night, for young people attending our sections, families and the local community, had over 200 people attending in 2025.

The building continues to have active community use, including regular dance classes for young people and adults and yoga classes. It is also hosted a student art exhibition and provided a venue for activities for home schooled children.

### Additional information (optional)

- Achievements against objectives set
  - N/A
- Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set
  - We aim to cover the additional running costs of the new building (scout hut) through income from lettings to other community groups and activities. We now have regular long term bookings from a ballet group (2 days a week) a home-schooling tuition group (2 mornings a week) plus various monthly yoga and relaxation classes, which more than cover our additional running costs. Overall, this income has allowed us to cover the higher running and insurance costs for the new building and allow us to continue to make improvements.
- Investment performance against objectives
  - N/A
- Other
  - N/A

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	16 <sup>th</sup> December 2025
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Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves, stating why they are held	We aim to hold 3 months revenue in reserves to cover operational costs and to hold in the region of £50,000 to pay for future repairs to the building and other capital costs. This money is being held in reserve for repairs and improvements to the grounds and building to increase the range of activities that we are able to provide for young people.
Amount of reserves held	£ 52,109.84 capital reserves and £19,638.47 operational reserves at 31/03/25.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	N/A

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Revenue funding comes from Scout subscriptions, accounted for as donations. Rental of the hut for a number of clubs and community ventures also raises funds.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	All funds will be held in UK bank accounts, no investments are made.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Potential risks include a drop off of number of Young Adults attending the Scout Group leading to lower revenues. Costs for the hut have also increased relative to rent raised and it is harder to find new groups to rent the hut.
Other	N/A

## Financial Statement – April 24 to March 25

The following financial statement is supported by the full year financial accounts (detailed later in the report).

Opening balance	£65,247.26
Closing balance	£71,748.31
Income	£49,274.15
Expenditure	£42,773.10

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
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Type of governing document ( <a href="#">trust deed</a> , <a href="#">royal charter</a> )	Para 1.25	The Scout Association Royal Charter dated 4 Jan 1912
How is the charity constituted? (e.g <a href="#">unincorporated association</a> , <a href="#">CIO</a> )	Para 1.25	<b>Unincorporated association</b>
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Election

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	<b>All new trustees will be signed up to the Scout Association's training program</b>
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	<b>We are a member of the Scout Association</b>
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	<b>N/A</b>
Other		<b>N/A</b>

### Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	2/77TH MANCHESTER (2ND WHALLEY RANGE) GROUP OF SCOUTS
Other name the charity uses	2ND WHALLEY RANGE SCOUTS GROUP
Registered charity number	521608
Charity's principal address	7 EGERTON ROAD SOUTH MANCHESTER M21 0YP

**Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity**

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Louise Elizabeth Crascall			
2	Amanda Edwards	Chair		
3	Alex Zanich	Treasurer		
4	Gita Bhutani	Secretary		
5	Julian Beach			
6	Jonathan Pegler			
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**Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

Director name	Report Approved	
<b>As above</b>	<b>22<sup>nd</sup> December 2024</b>	

**Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity**

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
<b>N/A</b>		

## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
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	N/A	

#### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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## Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A
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## Other optional information

None
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## Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>	<i>Amanda Edwards</i>	
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Amanda Edwards	
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Chair, Executive Committee	
<b>Date</b>	22 <sup>nd</sup> December 2025	

# Full year accounts for 24-25

Registered Charity 521608

Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31st March 2025

## Opening Balance @ 1st April 2024

Main Account, 11,401.78  
Bees Account, 1,198.84  
Lloyds Bank Account, 536.80  
2/249 Manchester Funds, 52,109.84  
**Total £65,247.26**

## Income

Subs, 36,263.55 (Charitable activities)  
Hut Rental, 7,740.60 (Other trading activity)  
Camp subs, 5,270.00 (Charitable activities)  
**Total £49,274.15**

Note two transfers into the main account (not income)  
Transfer from capital account (Chorlton Bees), 1,198.84  
Transfer from 2/244 scout group account, 52,109.84

## Expenditure

Energy, 1,492.72  
Hut Expenses, 10,010.73  
Camp Expenses, 13,138.10  
Activities (hikes/materials), 5,404.33  
Badges, 355.99  
Miscellaneous , 340.00  
Annual capitation, 9,717.50  
Insurance, 2,313.73  
**Total £42,773.10**

Note one transfer out of the main account (not expenditure)  
Transfer to capital account (Chorlton Bees), 52,109.84

**Income less exp (movement in year) £6,501.05**

## Closing Balance @ 31st March 2025

Main Account, 19,101.67  
Bees Account, 52,109.84  
Lloyds Bank Account, 536.80  
**Total £71,748.31**

Income owing from within period: None

Payments outstanding for period: None

**Final Closing Balance £71,748.31**

Prepared by:

Reviewed by:

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## **Auditors Report**

I have audited the accounts prepared by the treasurer and confirm that the figures based on income and expenditure for the year ending March 24 are correct. I also confirm that normal accounting processes have been followed with no anomalies identified.

Zoe Watters ACMA