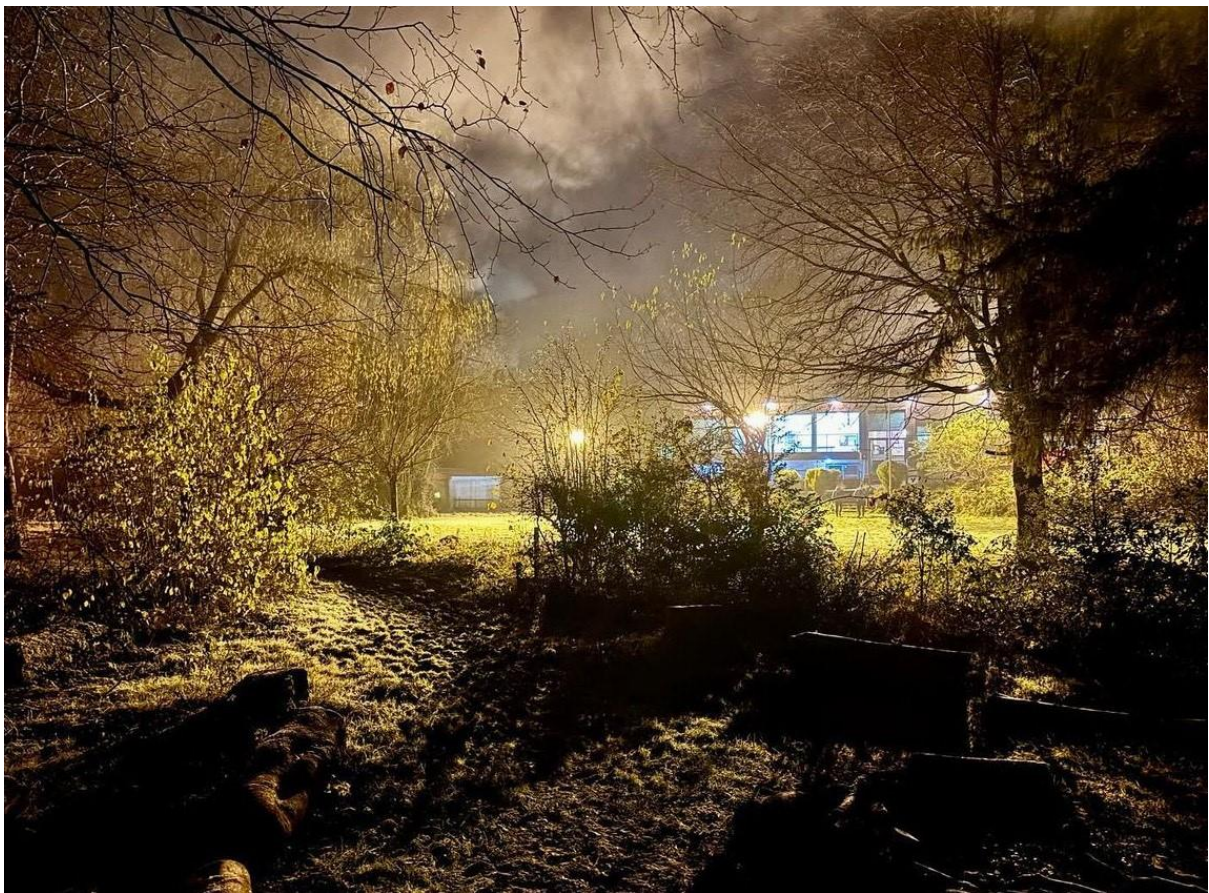




ANNUAL REPORT 2023-24



BEAVERS **cubs** **SCOUTS** EXPLORERS **network**

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT - 1ST APRIL 2023 TO 31ST MARCH 2024

Charity Name: 5th Urmston (Aquilifer) Scout Group
Address: The Lighthouse
Easbrook
Urmston
Manchester
M41 9JA

Registered Charity Number: 521691

HQ registration Number: 18054

Names of the Trustees who manage the charity

Trustee Name	Office
Gary Armstrong	Group Leader Volunteer
Colin Blanchard	Chair
Zoe Bond	Treasurer
Margaret Marshall	Group Administrator

Names of Holding Trustees, who hold the land and property in trust

John Irlam
John Ironmonger
David Till
Christine Winterbottom

Cover image: with thanks to James

STRUCTURE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

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 is managed by the Group Executive Committee, the members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' of the Scout Group 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 Committee consists of three independent representatives, Chair, Treasurer and Secretary together with the Group Scout Leader, individual section leaders (if opted to take on the responsibility) and parent representation and meets every month.

This Group Executive Committee exists to support the Group Scout Leader in meeting the responsibilities of the appointments and is responsible for:

- The maintenance of Group property;
- The raising of funds and the administration of Group finance;
- The insurance of persons, property and equipment;
- Group public occasions;
- Assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support;
- Appointing any sub committees that may be required;
- Appointing Group Administrators and Advisors other than those who are elected.

Risk and Internal Control

The group has in place systems of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss, these include two signatories for all payments and comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

Upcoming Changes

Scout HQ has revised the way the whole organisation is structured. For us as a group it means during this next year we have implemented a Group Trustees Board who are responsible for the overarching governance, risk management and Charity Commission compliance of the Group. And a Group Leadership Team including GLV, Team Leaders, treasurer, service crew, QM, Friends of Fifth and others as needed to deliver the operational management of the group such as premises or equipment maintenance, social or fund-raising functions or media and outreach. The Team leaders (new name for Section Leaders) will continue to deliver the engaging, challenging and fun programmes of activities for the young people.

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.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Chair's Report

On behalf of myself and the Trustee Board, I would like to thank everyone involved at Scouting at 5th Urmston including all volunteers and helpers for your support during the last year it is appreciated.

It has been another successful year for 5th Urmston Scout Group with many wonderful trips, activities and events led by our leaders and young people. It was great to see friends of 5th Urmston activities taking place including curry night and work party days to help maintain the grounds of 5th Urmston. Your help and support are always valued.

I would like to thank the service crew for the continued great work they do to manage and maintain the premises and grounds at 5th Urmston. To maintain the grounds to such high standards for everyone to enjoy take's a significant amount of time and effort which is greatly appreciated.

Finally, this is my last report as Chair as I will be stepping down at the AGM and making way for a new Chair at 5th Urmston. I would like to express my sincere thanks to all the leaders for the great experiences and learning they continue to provide for our young people and to the Trustee Board (GLV) Gary, (Treasure) Zoe and Margaret who work very hard ensuring all the finances, governance and overall management at 5th Urmston is correct to keep everyone safe and secure.

I look forward to another successful year at 5th Urmston.

Colin Blanchard, Group Chair

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report 2023/24

Our year end accounts show an overall loss of £709.

Income

Overall Group income for the year is lower than last year. Our regular fundraising events in 2023/24 raised welcome income: Music on the Meadows was once again a great success with approx. £3200 raised. A very successful bingo night was held which raised over £900. A great deal of work goes on behind the scenes to make these events go well. Thanks to the leaders, parents and members who help out at these events. Total income was £39k.

Expenditure

Group expenses were lower compared to last year. Our biggest spend this year was the capital expenditure to complete the new ramp to enter the building. Total expenditure was £40k.

Thank you to all that have supported the group throughout the year.

We continue to update our Gift Aid Forms. Our Gift Aid forms are now digital, please look out for a link to sign a Gift Aid form in your email via the OSM website. Gift Aid allows us to claim an extra 25% of your donations/subscriptions from the government at no extra cost to you (we can even claim back for prior years).

Thanks to all who regularly donate as part of the monthly donation scheme. These extra funds help improve and maintain our facilities. If you would like to donate (any amount is welcome), please ask myself or any of our Leaders for our deposit account details. It is easy to set up a regular standing order and we would be very grateful - remember the Gift Aid form means we receive even more.

The audited accounts are attached as an appendix to this report.

Zoe Bond, Group Treasurer

Group Leader Volunteer's Report

Thank you to everyone that has helped deliver another fantastic year of Scouting for the young people be they Beavers, Cubs, Scouts or Explorers.

All the sections have had great years as you can see from their reports. The fun, engaging activities, the learning and personal development opportunities for all the young people are down to the efforts of the amazing volunteer Teams who put their time into running the meetings and the background tasks that go with it. Thank you to all the Team Leaders and their teams.

The facilities at 5th Urmston are second to none but they take a lot of effort and time to maintain. The Service Crew (again, all volunteers) work often goes unseen. Thank you to all the Service Crew. And thank you to Margaret Marshall for all the work as group admin and key holder. Thank you to Ivan Easdon who took on the role of Quartermaster and is doing a great job keeping our equipment available, safely stored and serviceable – as well as the purple dots on the main hall floor!

Thank you to Zoe for keeping our finances in order and all the work done on expenses and payments. Thank you to all the volunteers that make up the newly formed Trustee Board and Leadership Team and other sub-committees, all integral in keeping our Scout Group going, legal, and safe.

The fund raising we do is critical to the upkeep of grounds and services, so a big thank you to Sharon, James and family for organising a great bingo night during the winter. And a massive thankyou to Michelle Plat and all the team: Chas, the bands, Roy on the bar, Jane and team, Margaret and Alan teams around them that organised a really successful Music on the Meadows – and to the rain for stopping early enough for us to go ahead!

Thank you to everyone that contributes to the energy and success of 5th Urmston: including our young people from the ages of 6 to 18, their parents and families that support us and them in Scouting and the dedicated volunteers thanked above.

Gary Armstrong,

Group Leader Volunteer

Aspen and Willow Colonies Report

Our programme over the past year has, as always, been based on the Challenge award scheme and activity badges. This year the badges achieved have included Adventure, Builder, Collector, Cook, Creative, Experiment, Explore, Emergency Aid, Faith, Global Issues, Health & Fitness, Hobbies, International, Money Skills, Outdoors, Personal, Skills, Teamwork, Time on the Water and World - some of which were chosen by the Beavers themselves. Well done Beavers!

Some of our programmes during this year included:

Making models using recycled materials



Shelter Building



Making bug hotels



Making Smores



Communication



Balloon Games



Endangered Species



Marshmallow and Spaghetti Towers



Our thanks to Jo Hardman for helping us with the emergency aid badge. The beavers really enjoyed learning how to use bandages and all about the recovery position. They also learnt about the importance of getting help.

Our thanks also to Dib Dob (Bob Wilson) for coming to talk to the beavers about being a police officer. They had a great time trying all the clothing on (hats, jackets and even a cape). They asked lots of very interesting questions and had some great ideas about what a police officer does!

We were proud of the Beavers at the St George's Day Parade at the beginning of the year, they all looked very smart. At the Group Carol Service in December they all sang really well, it was a lovely start to the Christmas festivities. Both colonies enjoyed the District Outing to Antz in Your Pantz in February, too.



This year we have had two members achieve the highest award a Beaver can earn – the Chief Scout's Bronze Award. Congratulations to Rosie Ellis (Aspen) and Daniel Hobbs (Willow).

Huge thanks to those who have helped us this year: Leaders - Jayne Meyrick, Michelle Platt (Keeo), Graeme Ryder and Hannah Wilson (Rainbow); Young Leaders - Kitty and Owen Quinn; also the various parent helpers who have come along to help out when we have needed an extra pair of hands. We couldn't do it without you all.

Rachel Winterbottom (Wendy), Aspen Colony
Tina Winterbottom (Rikki), Willow Colony

Cub Packs

A Late Easter meant we started the year outside resulting in lots of fun times building shelters, learning knots to do pioneering, making nature models and of course fires and marshmallows, finishing the term with the Athlete's badge, which everyone managed to complete successfully.

We managed to squeeze in 2 camps this year. June 23 saw us, and 8th Flixton, taking on the outdoor challenge with the cubs, a badge that can only be done on camp. This saw the cubs learning to put up and take down a tent, cook their own meal on a BBQ, go on a hike (how much moaning!!), learn about first aid and the country code, shelter building, bug hotels and much more. We ended this fun weekend with a huge water slide with so much washing up liquid to make it slippery they even went home clean – so much fun.

We followed this with a family camp early September. It was loads of fun, having parents around to participate in the activities and spend some quality time outdoors with their youngsters. We had activity bases including t-shirt painting, silly putty, shelter building, marshmallows and soft archery to name a few. Sunday morning was taken up with a huge "minute to win it" challenge. There was so much laughter – watching parents and cubs alike doing silly challenges like popping balloons, moving cotton balls with Vaseline on their noses, building card towers and many more. It was great to see the competitiveness between children and parents alike. What a fabulous but exhausting weekend.

After the summer holidays we managed a couple of weeks back outdoors, including a massive scavenger hunt, and then got down to a bit of badgework. The cubs stepped up to the plate and ran some very successful skills nights, where they each teach a skill to a group of other cubs. Skills included – musical instruments, drawing, solving the Rubik's cube, jigsaws and a hugely successful racing night courtesy of Harry Pimlott and his dad Matt.

We followed this up with the digital citizen badge and then learnt all about money and currencies for another badge. We also did some biscuit decorating and Halloween crafts.

The highest award badge in cubs is the Silver Award. To achieve this award takes commitment from the cub scouts. With huge pleasure I presented the silver award to Elijah Anderton and Gabriella Winstanley. Congratulations to you both.

Both packs took part in our district competitions – chess, skittle ball and the Barbara Hughes and Aston Trophies. Thanks to all those who volunteered to take parts. Each event is organised by a district lead and leaders from all groups, so thanks to those who give up their time at the weekends also to make these events happen.

That just leaves the leadership team. Our new leaders Rebecca, Charlotte and Josh have settled into their roles and bring some refreshing new ideas. Young leaders Ben, Freya, Abi, Natalie, Edie and newcomer Daisy keep us current and are a pleasure to have around. As they develop their own set of leadership skills we have seen them grow in confidence to the point that they have all run a program, planned and prepared by themselves, and completed all the necessary young leader training. Well done to you all, some very competent future leaders in the making. Huge thanks also to Debbie, Issy, Vicki and Connor for being there as my support pillars – couldn't manage without you.

So, thanks to everyone – the cubs, their parents, our leaders and all who help support us in our endeavours. It's been a great year, and we all look forward to the next.

Liz Armstrong, Akela

Troop Report 2023-2024

We had another fun packed year of scouting this year and ran a scouting program whilst trying to make it as fun as possible for all scouts.

We started the year off with a back-to-basics camp, where all the scouts had to put up their own tents, prepare and cook all their meals on open fires and clean up after to high scouting standards.

We had chocolate cake, smash burgers and breakfast wraps. And a campfire to keep the neighbors up!



We attended the county Lord Derby competition which was a series of challenge bases that all needed Scouting skills, we came in first place and fun was had by all.



St Georges day was a massive turn out and the weather was kind.



We naturally practice and learn new scouting skills in our weekly meetings, where the scouts learn how to camp and tie knots to build gadgets. This all makes us able to enter a team in to the Row Flag camping competition. This year we attempted to make pizzas in a Dutch oven which turned out to be quite successful. The team put a lot of effort in and came in 2nd Place. Which meant we qualified for the county competition. I am pleased to say that with the lessons they had learnt they went on to win the County competition! Bravo!

Not only this, the team also won the county backwards competition on the same weekend!



Cardboard canoes anyone? Well for 3 of our scouts it was something they wanted to try.... Yes, it sank but it took several mins to do so!



This year we decided to cover the Expedition award by taking the older scouts on a full expedition weekend, the Scouts had to fend for themselves whilst walking and carrying all their gear all weekend. The weather was so hot even the leaders found it hard! But all succeeded and gained their award.



Two of the leaders we given awards at the AGM, Phil read was received his long service award of 10 years! And Mike Ellis was awarded the Medal of Merit for exceptional service to Scouting.

We did our first Friends of Fifth fundraiser in which 5 scouts played a massive part in organizing and running. Raising over £1000.



Juliet Cooke represented the district and county at the scout national shooting competition and won the district competition. Well done, Juliet!



Every week we do lots of fun activities which include cooking, baking, art, gaming, pioneering, seasonal events and so much more !



Here's to another year of scouting and a special thank you to the leadership team in the scout section to whom we could not achieve half of what we do without them, so thank you to Dan, Phil, James, Fran, Jackie and Dib dob!

Regards

Mike

BRAVO!

Mike Ellis, Scout Team Lead Volunteer

Aquilifer Explorer Scout Section

2023-2024 Annual Report

“Let us think the unthinkable, let us do the undoable, let us prepare to grapple with the ineffable itself, and see if we may not eff it after all.”

Dirk Gently’s Holistic Detective Agency, Douglas Adams

2023-24 turned out to be a year in which Aquilifer Explorer Scout Unit has had to move in a new, and rather unforeseen, direction. After carrying on with ‘Business as usual’ through until the end of 2023, the New Year brought with it a new challenge with the departure of two thirds of our Leadership Team. Alex has had to step away from Scouting as his job now has him travelling to worksites across the UK for weeks at a time; & whilst we were all overjoyed to welcome Baby George in August, as a new parent Luke has found that the demands on his time have increased by an unprecedented degree compared to the size of the addition to his family! I wish both Alex & Luke all the very best in their current chapters of life, and hold out a hope that they may be able to return to Scouting when the time is right for them.

For the final month of the reporting year, Aquilifer ESU has been fortunate to be able to run alongside Phoenix ESU, hosted at 2nd Urmston Scout Hut. It is a move which has brought us slightly closer to the ‘official’ model for Explorer Scouting, being a shared function at the District level, and as such we are now able to utilise the combined resources of both Explorer Units, tap into the expanded skillsets of the volunteers from both groups and provide a wider range of activities & experiences to the Young People who make up our membership. I am very happy that the Explorers who have been able to transition to the meetings on a Wednesday evening have been able to integrate themselves alongside their peers and are enjoying the programme offered during these collaborative sessions.

I am sure that nearly everyone became aware of how resilient and resourceful Scouts can be when we watched the events of the World Scout Jamboree in South Korea unfold on social media and across every international news channel! Happily, our members who were present came home safely with more stories of their success and adventures, than tales of misfortune and struggle. It will certainly be a Jamboree to be remembered, and hopefully one from which lessons are taken for all future international Scouting events.

Through the last year, we have taken part in District competitions and events. Whilst we were planning to enter a team into the Cardboard Canoe Competition, our entry was scuppered at the last minute due to illness as our lovingly crafted vessel was unable to be transported to the event. Some may call this a blessing in disguise as our team did not have to chance becoming unintentional submariners! In line with changes brought about from Gilwell, and with the appointment of a new District Lead Volunteer (formerly known as District Commissioner), we are fortunate to have a new District Lead with responsibility for Explorer Scouting. Simon’s appointment has brought with it a regularly scheduled “Urmston District Joint Explorer Unit Meeting” to which all ESUs from Urmston, Flixton & Davyhulme are invited to attend. There are plans for each Unit to host everyone in turn, and programmes will vary from competitive events to more sociable and fun. As such, we have

participated in the Urmston District Explorer Bowling Competition, and whilst we had to hand over the Trophy at the end of the evening, having come in second place this year, a good time was had by all who participated and I am sure we will be able to go in to next year's competition with a fresh desire for success! We once again went to Langton Adventure Centre up in Cumbria for our annual "Not Coniston" challenge weekend with the Explorers and older Scouts, and there are plans in the pipeline for new opportunities which we can get involved with as we continue with our collaboration with Phoenix ESU.

I always make it a point to thank the Explorers themselves in these annual reports. It is their enthusiasm and engagement which give me the impetus to come back week after week, year after year. I am doubly proud of the resilience that has been shown through the first quarter of 2024, whilst we have faced unprecedented uncertainty around our ability to maintain an Explorer Scout offering through 5th Urmston Scout Group, the Young People have dived right in to the current provisions. They are the real superstars, and I am sure are as grateful as I am to our hosts at Phoenix ESU.

Wrapping up, as always, with a toast: "The adventures awaiting, the challenges we'll overcome, and the memories to be made for recall as campfire tales for years into the future!" This year more than ever I am appealing to you, my readers, to get in touch if you are able to spare any time to help with running the Explorer Unit or can offer any assistance to help with any types of programme for the Young People therein. Come along, try it out for a while and see if it would be something you want to continue volunteering with!

Yours in Scouting,

Matt Woodhams, District Explorer Scout Lead Volunteer

Service Crew

Camping Site & Grounds

The service crew have maintained the camp site areas, mowing grass and maintaining the trees. Plus the continuous growth in brambles, ivy and Himalayan balsam which needs to be kept under control.

Over 2023 we continued to see the vandalism of the trees on the field, with young and sometimes established trees having been cut and left on the site. The making safe of this, to prevent injury to section members, takes time from the Thursday team which prevents them from carrying out other needed jobs such as grass cutting. The service crew continued the fence reinforcement to try and slow down intruders on the field.

In previous reports we have outlined the impacts of climate change and this continues to be an issue with flooding to the grounds causing damage in the machinery stores and other outbuildings on the field. The clean-up operation in these outbuildings including the archery range and toilet block is significant when the flooding happens.

Headquarters

General maintenance of the HQ continues both inside and out, but the largest piece of work the team completed this year was the replacement of the main entry ramp and steps at the front of the HQ.

Equipment

And we would like to thank the volunteers who during the year have rebuilt/revamped the heavy equipment that is so essential on site, including the dumper truck – with its near miraculous recovery and the tractor.

If any parents or group members would like to be involved in the Service Crew please do get in touch with Chris, or mention it to the volunteer leading your young person's section.

Chris O'Neill
ServiceCrew@5thUrmstonScouts.com

FINANCIAL REVIEW

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 6 months running costs, circa £24,000.

The Group held reserves of approximately £95,000 against this at year end, £83,000 of which is unrestricted. This is in line with accepted standards for operating expenses to cover unforeseen circumstances.

Investment Policy

The Group does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer term investments. The Group has therefore adopted a risk averse strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or building societies.

DECLARATION

The trustees declare that they have approved the report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees,

Colin Blanchard

Colin Blanchard

Chair

Gary Armstrong

Gary Armstrong

Group Leader Volunteer

5TH URMSTON (AQUILIFER) SCOUT GROUP

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

5TH URMSTON (AQUILIFER) SCOUT GROUP
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH

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England & Wales

Unqualified report for a non-company charity preparing receipts and payments accounts with a gross income of £250,000 or less in the relevant financial year.

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of 5th Urmston (Aquilifer) Scout Group

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the 5th Urmston (Aquilifer) Scout Group for the year ended 31st March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the 5th Urmston (Aquilifer) Scout Group 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 5th Urmston (Aquilifer) Scout Group 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.

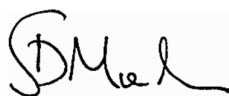
Independent examiner's statement

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 5th Urmston (Aquilifer) Scout Group as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

Signed:



Name: Simon David Monks

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies (if any): ACCA

Address: 23 Grangethorpe Road, Urmston, Manchester M41 9HT

Date: 27 August 2024

5TH URMSTON (AQUILIFER) SCOUT GROUP
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

2022/2023		2023/2024		2023/2024		2023/2024	
Total		Restricted Funds		Unrestricted Funds		Total	
£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
<u>GROUP INCOME</u>							
8,092.97	Rent			7,200.18		7,200.18	
5,163.15	Donations	1,092.00		832.00		1,924.00	
41.55	Interest Received			217.99		217.99	
6,514.93	Fundraising			6,347.46		6,347.46	
2,383.70	Gift Aid Tax & Interest	2,869.51		-		2,869.51	
41.00	Sale of Group T-Shirts			87.00		87.00	
19,025.00	Subscriptions			20,715.01		20,715.01	
	41,262.30		3,961.51		35,399.64		39,361.15
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41,262.30	TOTAL INCOME FOR THE YEAR	3,961.51		35,399.64		39,361.15	
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>							
4,930.43	Insurance			5,296.79		5,296.79	
760.30	Water			890.24		890.24	
624.00	Electricity			2,482.44		2,482.44	
1,351.20	Gas			1,205.02		1,205.02	
537.20	Telephone/Broadband/Computer			479.40		479.40	
10,932.92	Maintenance: HQ, Land & Equipment			6,076.76		6,076.76	
1,166.70	Waste			1,266.06		1,266.06	
2,969.32	Fundraising Expenses			2,291.47		2,291.47	
6,477.00	Capitation Fees			7,847.50		7,847.50	
686.84	Badges and Regalia			698.50		698.50	
-	Postage, Printing and Stationery			35.18		35.18	
-	Training Fees			-		-	
-	Legal & Professional Fees			360.00		360.00	
284.10	Bank Charges			277.80		277.80	
-	Section Equipment			179.28		179.28	
2,892.23	Section Activities			1,245.97		1,245.97	
2,000.00	Jamboree			-		-	
11.44	Cost of T-Shirts Sold			38.32		38.32	
-	Adhoc Expenses			90.47		90.47	
7,401.28	Building Depreciation			7,439.61		7,439.61	
2,870.43	Equipment Depreciation			1,870.13		1,870.13	
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45,733.39	TOTAL EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR	-		40,070.94		40,070.94	
£ -	<u>4,471.09</u>	£	<u>3,961.51</u>	£ -	<u>4,671.30</u>	£ -	<u>709.79</u>

5TH URMSTON (AQUILIFER) SCOUT GROUP
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31ST MARCH 2024

2022/2023			NOTE	2023/2024		Total
£	£			Restricted	Unrestricted	£
FIXED ASSETS						
64,500.00		LAND - at valuation	2		64,500.00	
268,412.20		BUILDINGS - at WDV	3		262,429.14	
6,639.48		EQUIPMENT - at WDV	4		3,257.35	
	339,551.68					330,186.49
CURRENT ASSETS						
491.92	491.92	STOCK OF T-SHIRTS		-	453.60	453.60
83,713.06	95,843.04	CASH AT BANK	5	12,129.98	101,665.88	113,795.86
20,267.68	20,267.68	PREPAYMENTS & ACCRUED INCOME	6	-	11,669.61	11,669.61
104,472.67	116,602.65			12,129.98	113,789.09	125,919.07
Less: CURRENT LIABILITIES						
13,338.69	13,338.69	ACCRUALS & DEFERRED INCOME	7		13,999.72	13,999.72
13,338.69	13,338.69			-	13,999.72	13,999.72
	103,263.95	NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)				111,919.34
	<u>442,815.63</u>					<u>442,105.82</u>
REPRESENTED BY:						
386,686.71		CAPITAL ACCOUNT - Balance b/fwd			382,215.62	
- 4,471.09		- Net Income/(Expenditure) for the Year			709.79	
	382,215.62	- Balance c/fwd				381,505.83
	60,600.00	REVALUATION RESERVE				60,600.00
	<u>442,815.62</u>					<u>442,105.83</u>

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Approved by the Trustee Board on 14/08/ 2024

Gary Armstrong

Group Scout Leader - G Armstrong

Coln Blanchard

Chairman - C Blanchard

5TH URMSTON (AQUILIFER) SCOUT GROUP
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Basis of Accounting

These accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention (modified to include the revaluation of investments) in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting by Charities".

b) Provision for depreciation of fixed assets held for use by the charity is made at annual rates calculated to spread the cost (less anticipated residual disposal value) of each asset evenly over its expected useful life.

The depreciation rates currently in use are at the following rates on the straight line method:

Buildings	2% - 5%
Equipment	20%

2 LAND

The land was revalued as at 31st March 1997 by Peter F Cunliffe & Co, at a market value of £64500.00

The land is stated at this value in the Balance Sheet and the surplus of valuation over cost is shown in the revaluation reserve

3 BUILDINGS

	<u>2023/2024</u>	<u>2022/2023</u>
	£	£
Valuation/ Cost B/fwd	358,030.36	358,030.36
Additions	1,456.55	
Valuation/Cost C/fwd	<u>359,486.91</u>	<u>358,030.36</u>
Accumulated Depreciation B/fwd	89,618.16	82,216.88
Charge for the Year	7,439.61	7,401.28
Accumulated Depreciation C/fwd	<u>97,057.77</u>	<u>89,618.16</u>
Net Book Value at 31st March 2023	<u>262,429.14</u>	<u>268,412.20</u>
Net Book Value at 31st March 2022	<u>268,412.20</u>	<u>275,813.48</u>

4 EQUIPMENT

	<u>2023/2024</u>	<u>2022/2023</u>
	£	£
Valuation/Cost B/fwd	40,284.55	37,609.59
Additions	0.00	1,162.96
WIP	1,512.00	1,512.00
Valuation/Cost C/fwd	<u>38,772.55</u>	<u>40,284.55</u>
Accumulated Depreciation B/fwd	33,645.07	30,774.64
Charge for the Year	1,870.13	2,870.43
Disposal	0.00	0.00
Accumulated Depreciation C/fwd	<u>35,515.20</u>	<u>33,645.07</u>
Net Book Value at 31st March 2023	<u>3,257.35</u>	<u>6,639.48</u>
Net Book Value at 31st March 2022	<u>6,639.48</u>	<u>6,834.95</u>

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5 CASH AT BANK

	2023/2024		2022/2023	
	restricted £	unrestricted £	restricted £	unrestricted £
DEPOSIT ACCOUNT				
Group Balances	-	15,214.56	-	13,904.57
	-	15,214.56	-	13,904.57
CURRENT ACCOUNT				
Capital Fund	9,306.36	-	9,306.36	-
In Memory	2,823.62		2,823.62	
Group Balances		86,451.32		69,808.49
	12,129.98	86,451.32	12,129.98	69,808.49
	12,129.98	101,665.88	12,129.98	83,713.06

6 PREPAYMENTS & ACCRUED INCOME

Prepayments are expenses paid for up to a date later than the date of the accounts.

	2023/2024	2022/2023
Insurance	6,294.61	4,880.18
Capitation	-	7,847.50
Section Activities	35.00	85.00
Gift Aid	5,000.00	6,186.00
Rent	340.00	1,269.00
Maintenance	-	-
	11,669.61	20,267.68

7 ACCRUED EXPENSES & DEFERRED INCOME

Deferred income relates to income received in advance.

	2023/2024	2022/2023
Section Activities	3,023.51	2,652.68
Waste	208.71	134.27
Cleaning	82.50	-
Water	-	47.32
Completion costs of building	-	9,371.18
Camp 2024 - Swiss Camp	10,685.00	1,133.24
	13,999.72	13,338.69