

Rushcliffe Scout District – Lead Volunteer Report

Having only been officially in Role since January, I would like to start by personally thanking Tim Kirby for his hard work in the Role as District Chair. His support has been valued, and he has laid the foundations on which we can move forward with the district. Although he has stepped down he has not completely removed himself from Scouting and is still very much active in at the 1st / 2nd West Bridgeford unit and in the running and maintenance at the Holgate campsite.

The Next person I would like to thank is Fiona Burrows, who again with Tim has laid out a foundation that this district can work on. Fiona along with other members of the district have navigated us through the introduction of the new Scout system, this alone has taken a lot of time and ensure we have people correctly onboarded and working towards a brighter start. Although Fiona has moved to take on a new role in Newark, I am sure we will be seeing Fiona again in the not-so-distant future.

Will Cullen has announced at the end of this year he will be looking to step down as the 14 – 24 lead and I know everyone will wish him well as he starts his journey into his university placement. We will of course be looking to replace Will as the lead member, and I know he is currently in talks with people now around this.

As we look to the growth of Rushcliffe we are now looking to put into place plans to expand the groups to offer scouting to more people within the Rushcliffe area, as we assess the waiting lists and look at the Census numbers we can see that we are back to our pre covid numbers which shows the growth of the District is getting much larger, but in order to grow we need to ensure that our groups and sections are able to cope with the numbers we have before we look to grow more. I would therefore recommend that we as a District look to strengthen our number before we look to introduce more new sections. We simply can't change the waiting list problem without ensuring we have the full journey connected. We are looking at ways to increase the Numbers, and I am getting advice from the Regional Growth and Communities team to push this through.

For the District Campsites we know that Holygate continues to grow year on year and next year sees its 25th Anniversary, Stonepit needs an assessment on what we can do with regards to the ash die back and the investment it will take to invest in this. It's not a simple problem as we are potentially looking at a 10-year plan to get this to a potential state where it can be enjoyed again and without fear of any injuries.

I am personally looking forward to getting around to all the different groups and visiting the different sections, having already visited and presented awards to Lady Bay cubs and other groups it is great to see the vast programme the leaders are putting on and the young people enjoying the events.

Andy Saville

District Lead Volunteer
Rushcliffe District Scouts

Rushcliffe District Scouts Receipts and Payments Account

Year start date

Year end date

For the year from	Apr-24	To	Mar-25
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Receipts and payments

	2024/25			2023/24	
	District £	Unrestricted funds Hollygate £	Explorers £	Total funds £	Total Funds £
Receipts					
Donations, legacies and similar income					
Membership subscriptions	89,385		11,517	100,902	87,217
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on <i>(National/County/Area/District)</i>	- 86,355		- 3,304	- 89,659	- 78,206
Net membership subscriptions retained	3,030	-	8,213	11,243	9,011
Donations / Funds from closed groups	2,391	8,562	388	11,341	5,467
Squirrels	282			282	2,036
Legacies	-			-	-
Gift Aid	64		627	691	916
Other similar income - Repayment of S&EB group loan	4,000			4,000	8,000
Sub total	9,767	8,562	9,228	27,557	25,430
Grants					
Maintenence grant	-			-	-
Other grants - NCC for Hollygate Pumping Project	4,314			4,314	-
Sub total	4,314	-	-	4,314	-
Fundraising (gross)					
Detail 1	-			-	-
Detail 2	-			-	-
Detail 3	-			-	-
Other fundraising activities	-			-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Investment income					
Bank interest	-			-	-
Building Society interest	-			-	-
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	-			-	326
Property Rent income	-			-	-
Other investment income	-			-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	326
Total Gross Income	14,081	8,562	9,228	31,871	25,757
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-			-	-
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Payments					
Charitable Payments					
Youth programme and activities (Net less income)	£ 501	-£ 328	£ 895	£ 1,069	- 1,938
Adult support and training	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	1,005
Rent (garage, campsite and explorers)	£ 758	£ 901	£ 2,450	£ 4,108	3,716
Water and Sewerage (at campsite)	£ -	£ 290	£ -	£ 290	1,035
Electricity and Gas (at campsite)	£ -	£ 989	£ -	£ 989	800
Insurance	£ 1,934	£ -	£ -	£ 1,934	1,859
Repairs and Renewals	£ -	£ 5,489	£ -	£ 5,489	855
Materials and equipment	£ 59	£ 3,757	£ 440	£ 4,256	1,959
Printing, photocopying, postage and website	£ 756	£ -	£ -	£ 756	714
Contribution to camp costs	£ -	£ -	£ 19	£ 19	871
Uniforms	-£ 459	£ -	£ 200	-£ 259	1,196
AGM and trustee expenses	£ 2,946	£ -	£ 59	£ 3,004	964
Trustee Loan to Shelford and East Bridgford Scout Gp	£ -			£ -	-
Squirrel Funds transferred to group (1st/2nd)	£ 150			£ 150	2,036
Jamboree (Net less income)	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	-
St George's Day (Net less income)	£ 313	£ -	£ -	£ 313	-
Campsites (Net less income)	£ 10,408	£ -	£ -	£ 10,408	- 100
Badges (Net less income)	£ 64	-£ 526	£ -	-£ 462	- 1,480
Uniform Shop (Net less income)	-£ 897	£ -	£ -	-£ 897	- 569
Sub total	£ 16,532	£ 10,573	£ 4,063	£ 31,167	£ 12,924
Fundraising expenses					
Detail 1	-	-	-	-	-
Detail 2	-	-	-	-	-
Detail 3	-	-	-	-	-
Other fundraising costs	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total Gross Expenditure	16,532	10,573	4,063	31,167	12,924
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	16,532	10,573	4,063	31,168	12,924
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 2,451	- 2,010	5,165	703	12,833
Cash funds last year end	79,174	5,865	11,559	96,599	83,766
Cash funds this year end	76,723	3,855	16,724	97,302	96,599

Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	31st March 2025			31st March 2024	
	District £	Unrestricted funds Hollygate	Explorers	Total funds £	Total funds £
Cash funds					
Bank current account (Co-op - District)	66,664			66,664	61,068
Bank deposit account	-			-	-
Building society account (Nottingham)	-			-	-
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	-			-	-
Cash/Floats (District)	264			264	45
Hollygate Campsite Account (NATWEST)		3,855		3,855	5,865
Hollygate Campsite Cash		-		-	-
Explorer Main and Activity (Co-op)			16,418	16,418	11,253
Explorer Main and Activity Cash (Refund due from leader)			306	306	306
Badge Account (NatWest)	9,795			9,795	9,820
Badge Account Cash	0			0	39
Uniform (HSBC)	-			-	8,088
Uniform Cash	-			-	114
Total cash funds	76,723	3,855	16,724	97,302	96,599
Other monetary assets					
Tax claim	-	-	-	-	-
Debts due from the County/Area/District/Group	-	-	-	-	-
Insurance claim	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Investment assets					
Investment property - detail	-	-	-	-	-
Quoted investments	-	-	-	-	-
Other investments - S&EB Scout Group Loan	8,000	-	-	8,000	12,000
Sub total	8,000	-	-	8,000	12,000
Non monetary assets for charity's own use					
Badge stock	5,274	-	-	5,274	6,650
Shop stock	-	-	-	-	2,229
Other stock	-	-	-	-	-
Land and buildings	290	98,106	-	98,396	93,724
Motor vehicles (Mowers)	-	4,278	-	4,278	4,278
Scouting equipment, furniture etc	12,644	11,517	27,325	51,486	48,230
Other	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	18,208	113,901	27,325	159,434	155,111
Liabilities					
Accounts not yet paid	-	-	-	-	-
Expenses incurred but not invoiced	-	-	-	-	-
Subscriptions not yet paid	-	-	-	-	-
Loan - detail	-	-	-	-	-
Other liabilities	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-

Contingent liabilities and future obligations

£20,000 loan paid to Shelford and East Bridgford Scout Group to be paid back no later than Nov 2027

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 19/06/2025 and signed on their behalf by

Signature	Print Name
A SAVILLE	District Lead Volunteer
C DEEMING	Treasurer

Independent Examiners Report To The Trustees of the Rushcliffe Scout Association

I report on the District accounts for the year ended 31st March 2025, which are set out on pages 1 to 3.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed.....  Date..... 

N. Coupland FCA DChA
RWB, Chartered Accountants
Nottingham