



***ANNUAL REPORT
AND ACCOUNTS***

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 March 2023

TRUSTEES REPORT**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

Registered Charity No.	305662
Group Registration No.	L 246931
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Charity website:	www.kesgravescouts.org.uk

Trustees who manage the charity

		Date appointed	Date resigned
PRESIDENT			
THE TRUSTEES - Ex Officio			
Group Scout Leader	Mr Gareth Cox	1 January 2013	1 September 2023
Chairman	Mr Carl Gloess	17 June 2004	
Vice- Chairman	Mr Nick Hepplestone	27 June 2015	
Secretary	Mrs Karen Pringle	10 May 2000	
Treasurer	Mrs Celia Comber	1 July 1988	
Beaver Leader Representative	Mrs Carole Brown	28 June 2014	16 July 2022
Beaver Leader Representative	Mrs Melanie Clack	16 July 2022	
Cub Leader Representative	Mrs Tracey Scase	1 November 2007	16 July 2022
Cub Leader Representative	Mr Alex Leggett	16 July 2022	
Scout Leader Representative	Mr Henry Slim	16 July 2022	
Explorer Leader Representative	Mrs Michelle Higgins	16 June 2017	
THE TRUSTEES - Elected			
Parent Rep.	Mr Daniel Thomas	12 July 2021	
Parent Rep.	Mr Gareth Brown	13 July 2020	31 March 2023
Parent Rep.	Mr Jonathan Ashley	22 October 2012	
Parent Rep.	Mrs Melanie Meekings	13 July 2020	
THE TRUSTEES - Nominated			
Health & Safety	Mr Alan Brown	6 March 2017	9 July 2022
Hall Booking Secretary	Mrs Judith Francis	1 June 1996	
Rupert Fison Centre Director	Mr Alan Comber	1 January 1986	
Fundraising Team	Mrs Carol Ball	1 January 1991	3 July 2023
Fundraising Team	Mrs Jean Bridle	1 September 1983	
Fundraising Team	Mrs Sarah Linsell	14 July 2018	
Outdoor Activities	Mrs Jo Saagi	16 July 2006	
THE TRUSTEES – Co-opted			
	Mr Tony Smith	1 April 1992	
	Mrs Tracey Vobe	1 January 2008	
Custodian Trustees			
	The Scout Association Trust Corporation, Gilwell Park, Bury Road, Chingford, London E4 7QW		
Professional Advisors			
Bankers			
	Santander, Bridle Rd, Bootle, Merseyside, L30 4GB		
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Investments			
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STRUCTURE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Document

The 1st Kesgrave Scout Group is part of the Scout Association and belongs to the Deben Scout District. 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.

Constitution

The Group is a trust established under its rules, which are common to all Scouts.

Trustee selection

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

Governance

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 3 independent representatives, Chair, Treasurer and Secretary together with the Group Scout Leader, individual section leaders and parent representation and meets three times a year.

Members of the Executive Committee complete 'Essential Information for Executive Committee' training within the first few months of joining the committee.

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 Executive Committee 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 would request the use of buildings, property, and equipment from neighbouring organisations such as the church, community centre and other Scout Groups. 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 capitation fees contributes to the Scout Association's national accident insurance policy.

Reduced income from fund raising. The Group is reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. The Group does hold a reserve, which should 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 were a reduction in the number of leaders to an unacceptable level in a particular section or the group then there would have to 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 14. If there were a reduction in membership in a particular section or the group as 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 Group.

The group has in place systems of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss; these include 2 signatories for all payments and comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

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.

Volunteers

All the section leaders and helpers are volunteers and volunteers carry out all the fundraising. The only paid employee of the charity is the cleaner who helps to look after the day-to-day running of the premises.

Public Benefit

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

The Group was formed in April 1927 and comprises two Beaver Colonies, three Cub Packs and two Scout Troops. Membership has reduced this year due to the reduction in the number of sections and the reduction in the membership of each section.

Chairman's Address AGM 2023

Honoured Guests, Leaders, Supporters, parents, and young people - welcome to the Annual Group Meeting for 2023 here at the Scout Hall and not the camping field at like last year at our Family Camp.

These days we are all challenged in our everyday lives in many ways and so we each have had to look at how it is we can do what we must do and what we like to do, not just for ourselves but also for others when it comes to our volunteering activities.

Volunteering is a valuable activity to consider to not only help with running organisations or clubs/societies in numerous ways, but to also help ourselves sometimes too... when we can fit it in that is in any 'spare time' that we may have. Sometimes that 'spare time' runs out and we must review where we are and step back, either a little or a lot.

It is on that note that I must sadly announce that Gareth Cox is taking a step back from a main scouting role in the group. He came to us in 2007 as a cub leader with Bader pack and later took over the role as GSL in 2013. My very grateful thanks go to Gareth for all the support he has given to the group and that given to me as Group Chair and making sure that the main points of POR (Policy, Organisation and Rules) are followed – Thank You Gareth!

We have a waiting list of young people wanting to join Scouting and take part in the programme of activities to build their own resilience and 'skills for life' and to meet that need, the group needs more adults to train-up and become leaders. If you would like to know more, then please come and talk to the leaders about what's involved.

We are another year closer to celebrating our centenary in 2027 and it only through our volunteers taking on the many tasks involved of running the group and its facilities over the years that this all happens; without them, it would all crumble, something I am not able to contemplate.

To those volunteers currently in the group in their many guises, I say a really HUGE 'THANK YOU' as it is you who continue to make this group achieve what it does for the young people and community of Kesgrave.

Thank you ALL very much for your support!

Carl Gloess Chair

Group Scout Leader's Report

The past year has seen many different events and activities across all the sections. Every section has had the opportunity to have nights away as well as events away from the scout hall. Leaders from 1st Kesgrave played key roles in supporting and organising the district camp at the end of May (and yes, we had a big district camp with no rain – veterans of Millennium Camp (2000) and Centenary Camp (2007) are still trying to dry out! The beaver section will finally get to go to Flixton, a visit which has been postponed since 2020.

All the many activities and experiences our young leaders have is only possible due to the dedication and commitment of the adult volunteers who give up their time to plan, check, organise and review a whole manner of different meetings, hikes, camps, visits... the list goes on. This year has seen some well-deserved retirements, as well as new faces joining the team. On behalf of the group, I would like to record a big thank you to the volunteers who have moved on (although all reluctantly) for their service to the group.

The scout group wouldn't function without the volunteers in the sections, but it also wouldn't function without the volunteers "behind the scenes" – though many of these volunteers are front of house. 1st Kesgrave is very fortunate to have a team of volunteers who help to support our fundraising, maintenance of the scout hall, and ensuring we have the facilities and equipment we need to run the programme. Their efforts are no less important than our section-based volunteers.

This year marks 16 years for me at 1st Kesgrave, over 10 of those as Group Scout Leader. It has been a pleasure and privilege to support the group over that time. There have been many laughs, smiles and fun memories. There have been points of reflection and review. I couldn't have wished for a better welcome to Kesgrave. I moved away from Kesgrave in 2016 and have continued as Group Scout Leader over the last seven years. As things change, and the group has settled down after COVID, it is now right for me to step down and hand over the reins to someone local, who can take the group forward. I will be finishing at the end of August, and my successor will start immediately.

I would like to say a massive thank you to all the volunteers who have been part of the group in that time. I have tried to count but have given up in the "around 200" figure. A special thank you to Carl, Karen and Celia for guiding me and the group during my time as GSL. I couldn't have asked for a better immediate team. Across the sections, I can't name everyone, but I can say thank you for all you do, the range of things (sometimes slightly bonkers) you do is exceptional, and the young people of Kesgrave are in your debt. It has been a privilege, and I will miss you all.

Gareth Cox Group Scout Leader

Beaver Section Report

We have enjoyed a full programme over the year, which has been easier since no covid restrictions are in place.

We continue to introduce some great traditional scouting activities, as well as prioritising the 6 challenge badges, and a few beavers are near to achieving their bronze award.

Throughout the year the beavers have enjoyed many activities, such as cooking, fire lighting, building fires, knots, pioneering, first aid, hikes, games, plus others. We also had a visit from an ambulance, which was interesting, and Gipping enjoyed a visit to police headquarters, Lark have a visit in a few weeks. The Beavers all seem to enjoy the programme.

Our visit to Flixton, finally happened as had been postponed several times since 2020, it was a fun packed day, with lots of activities to do and things to see, Beavers and cubs that attended learnt lots and completed their air activities 2 badge.

Beavers who stayed overnight and those who visited for the day, at the district camp, had a great time, and enjoyed the activities, and learnt some new songs at the campfire.

We are busy planning for our beaver summer camp at Hallowtree. We have 50% of our Beavers attending which is encouraging. We have lots of activities planned and are looking forward to a fun weekend.

We are looking forward to another fun, action packed year of scouting. Thank you to all volunteers, parents, for your continued support, which is always needed to continue to deliver a fun and challenging programme.

Mel Clack (Sunshine) Lark Beavers.

Cub Section Report

The three Cub Packs have had a successful year, with a focus on core Scouting skills, having fun and developing team work and leadership, especially given the low numbers of older Cubs to teach the younger ones.

We've also welcomed in a new leader within Constable while preparing to say farewell to Tracey and Merv Scase who step down at the end of the Summer Term. New leaders will be needed for September.

Numbers within the section have been slowly building but not yet at capacity across the three packs, with mostly younger cubs. We have however had a varied and enjoyable programme across all three packs, working through the challenge badges (with two from Bader pack achieving the Silver award this year).

Highlights of the year include a trip to the Martlesham Police HQ, an escape room evening, bowling and a visiting Fire Engine, as well as an evening run by our Explorers going to the World Scout Jamboree, which was well received and supported.

We also held a sleepover with around 50 cubs from across the three packs in the scout hall, many of whom had never spent a night away from home before. More recently, 32 Cubs from across the three packs also attended District Camp, most of whom were camping for the first time with Scouts. All in all a successful year (with still more planned for this term to look forward to) in which it feels like we have made up for a lot of lost time.

Alex Leggett, Bader Cubs

Scout Section Report

Activities have now returned to pre Covid levels and 2022 season included a cycle camp from Layer-de-la-Haye, via Mersey Island to Boxford and then home, this was followed by the National Archery Competition, Wet weekend, Family Camp and Summer Camp, which was held at Marshside Campsite, nr Ramsgate Kent. This was the camp postponed from 2020 so it was great to finally get to do the walk to Ramsgate, cycling at Betteshanger and visits to the Hornby Museum, Margate and Chatham Docks that had all been planned back in 2019. We held the usual September Challenge camp attended by 21 scouts, where again we built on traditional and teamwork skills, and took a small Group to the Peak District to experience some hill walking.

Weekly meetings have included cooking evenings on a number of themes and included practising and taking part in the District Cooking competition which was held in February. We played games on Foxhall Heath, cycled to Woodbridge and had chips, built rafts at Waldringfield, visited BT and did some computer programming and had an evening of fun at Lasertag. During the Spring term we undertook some expedition training which culminated in a day's hike using ration packs and had a very interesting astrology evening.

Several scouts took part in additional archery training and then went to the 2023 National Archery competition where Joshua Beards won the U14 Clout with Ava Bainbridge and Gwyneth Albins coming 2nd and 3rd. Over the May Bank holiday 2023, 31 scouts attended the District Camp at Henham Park. Daniel Jones also took part in the local Ipswich Gang Show.

We awarded the Gold Award to Danny Leggett and 240 activity and challenge badges were presented during the year.

The Troops have now been divided in to 3 sections, with one troop meeting on Tuesday and two meeting in the adjoining halls on Thursday evening. New members have also been joining the troops and we currently have around 60 scouts across the three sections.

We are looking forward to another summer full of camping opportunities and the chance to encourage our young people to undertake new activities and learn new skills.

Alan Comber, Thursday Troop Scout Leader.

The Scout Hall

The Hall has is now in its 20th year and continues to be widely used by both our own sections and other community Groups and for private parties.

During the year we carried out the usual annual maintenance and we fitted the batteries to store the surplus electricity generated by the solar panels. This has proved to be a very worthwhile investment and has helped to reduce our electricity costs especially as the electricity contract was renewed at 31st August and the prices increased significantly.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The finances this year are now back to pre-Covid levels with all the usual activities back up and running and all sections meeting fully. Membership fees were charged in full for the year, but sections numbers are still slightly reduced from the peak in 2019. Fundraising activities are also "back to normal" with the increase in come being attributable to the return to a full year of jumble sales and a bumper Christmas Fayre where Father Christmas handed out 300 presents.

Expenses have been as expected with the hall running costs of £24,175 representing the base cost of running the hall on an average year with standard annual maintenance. The costs for fundraising and charitable activities have risen in line with the corresponding increases in income for these categories. For fundraising this includes the cost of providing the presents for Father Christmas. Charitable activities includes the cost of not only running all the camps but also the cost of weekly meetings and the provision of badges etc. For some events such as Family Camp the Group subsidises the event to provide activities and for other camps small subsidies have been given to help ensure that the activities are open to all and that the inflationary increases are partially absorbed by the group

During the year the Group also discussed the need for additional financial support for members who during the current cost of living crisis are unable to afford membership fees or camp charges. To date there have been no formal requests for support and the Group will continue to monitor need on an individual basis, whilst being mindful of keeping fees as low as possible.

Also during the year the Group continued to support the four members of the Group who were selected to attend the World Scout Jamboree to be held in Korea in July 2023. They held bingo evenings, car washes, quiz nights and helping at the Town Fun Day then they reached their target of £4,000 each and are now looking forward to their trip.


At the end of the year the Group made a surplus of £5,288 for the year and after a loss on the revaluation of the investment for the year £1,277 was added to Group Funds.

Reserves and Investments

It is the intention of the trustees to continue to keep a reserve for upkeep and repair of the hall, and at least one year's expenses for the running of the Group. During the year some investments will reached maturity and they will be reinvested in similar cash investments with the best available interest rates.

Approved by

Chairman

 C.R. GLOESS.

Treasurer

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Date 3rd July 2023

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES SUMMARY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

INCOMING RESOURCES		<i>Total</i>	<i>Total</i>
		2023	2022
		£	£
<i>Income from:</i>			
Voluntary income		10,939	17,867
Charitable activities		21,736	3,866
Other trading activities		21,716	14,857
Investment income		24,818	19,492
Total	3	£ 79,209	£ 56,082
		=====	=====
RESOURCES EXPENDED			
<i>Raising funds</i>		£	£
Investment management costs		24,175	26,936
Fundraising costs		4,595	2,559
Charitable activities		32,936	10,354
Other		12,215	11,226
Total	4	£ 73,921	£ 51,075
		=====	=====
Net Income before investment gains/(losses)		5,288	5,007
Gains/(losses) on investments		(4,011)	9,477
Net movement in funds		1,277	14,484
Reconciliation of funds			
Fund balance brought forward		672,206	657,722
Fund balance carried forward		£ 673,483	£ 672,206
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The annexed notes form an integral part of these accounts

BALANCE SHEET

AT 31 MARCH 2023

	Note	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	8	284,546	287,908
Investments	9	162,454	248,551
		<u>447,000</u>	<u>536,459</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stock	10	416	473
Debtors	11	11,756	10,374
Cash at bank and in hand	12	226,911	138,331
Total current assets		<u>239,083</u>	<u>149,178</u>
Less: Creditors			
Amounts falling due within one year	13	(12,600)	(13,431)
Net current assets		<u>226,483</u>	<u>135,747</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>673,483</u>	<u>£ 672,206</u>
		=====	=====
FUNDS		£	£
General Fund		673,483	672,206
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>£ 673,483</u>	<u>£ 672,206</u>
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Approved by

Chairman



C.R. GROSS

Treasurer



C.M. CAMBER

Date

3rd July 2023

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

1. Basis of preparation

Basis of accounting

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities; Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS102), the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair view' and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair' view. The departure has involved following the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their annual accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard and applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) issued in October 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention. The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity and rounded to the nearest pound.

Change in Basis

There has been no change to the accounting policies or estimates (valuation rules and methods of accounting) since last year.

2. Accounting policies

Recognition of incoming Resources

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- the trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Membership subscriptions

Memberships subscription collected on behalf of other parts of the Scout Movement are reported in the SoFA net of any amount paid out. This is because these subscriptions are in effect held as agents before being paid out.

Offsetting

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.

Grants and donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources

Tax reclaims on donations and gifts

Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the SoFA when they are received

Gifts in kind

Gifts in kind for sale or distribution are included in the accounts as gifts only when sold or distributed by the charity. Gifts in kind for use by the charity are not valued or included in the accounts

Donated services and Facilities

The value placed on these resources is not included in the accounts

Volunteer help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts

Investment income

This is included in the accounts when received.

Investment gains and losses

This includes any gain or loss on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.

Liability recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

Governance and Support costs

Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice. These costs have been included in the charitable activity costs.

Stocks and work in progress

These are valued at the lower of cost or market value

Current asset investments

The charity has investments of cash and cash equivalents with a maturity date of less than one year held for investment purposes rather than to meet short term cash commitments as they fall due.

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3. Analysis of Incoming resources

	2023 £	2022 £
Voluntary income		
Membership subscriptions	14,399	11,712
Income tax recovered	2,391	779
Less: Membership fees paid	(7,348)	(8,360)
	<u>9,442</u>	<u>4,131</u>
Donations and Gifts	1,497	2,983
Government Grants - LRSG & Furlough	-	10,753
	<u>£ 10,939</u>	<u>£ 17,867</u>
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The Group also receives an 80% reduction in rates as a charity and this year also received 50% relief period Retail, Hospitality and Leisure discount scheme – the total of this relief was £3,594.24 (2022 - £3,789.74)

	2023 £	2022 £
Charitable Activities		
Group Family Camp	5,223	-
Troop income (camps etc)	13,813	3,219
Cub income	280	
Beaver Income	639	14
Canoeing	1,620	490
Gas	46	50
Scarves and woggles	115	93
	<u>£ 21,736</u>	<u>£ 3,866</u>
	=====	=====

	2023 £	2022 £
Other Trading Activities		
Jumble Sale	6,944	3,959
Christmas Craft Sale	7,773	4,521
Christmas Cards	2,836	2,515
BBQ	1,615	1,316
Firework Night	1,557	1,748
500 Club	669	404
Sundry Activities	322	394
	<u>£ 21,716</u>	<u>£ 14,857</u>
	=====	=====

	2023 £	2022 £
Investment Income		
Interest (gross) on bank accounts	2,679	858
Hall Rent	21,368	18,079
FIT Tariff Income	771	555
	<u>£ 24,818</u>	<u>£ 19,492</u>
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4 Analysis of resources expended

	2023	2022
Investment management costs - premises	£	£
Wages	8,469	7,751
Rates	399	204
Water rates	1,170	952
Electricity & Gas	2,907	2,313
Insurance	3,857	3,948
Cleaning	1,568	1,403
Waste disposal	1,112	1,079
Telephone and TV	1,041	989
Repairs and maintenance	3,650	8,295
Rupert Fison Centre Ltd Expenses	2	2
	<u>£ 24,175</u>	<u>£ 26,936</u>
	=====	=====
Fundraising costs	2023	2022
	£	£
Jumble Sales	273	194
Christmas Craft Sale	1,417	158
Christmas Cards	744	363
Firework Night	930	883
BBQ	983	813
500 Club	248	148
	<u>£ 4,595</u>	<u>£ 2,559</u>
	=====	=====
Charitable activities	2023	2022
	£	£
Group Family Camp	7,874	-
Troop expenses (inc camps)	15,418	4,309
Cub expenses	722	550
Beaver expenses	1,307	423
Camping equipment and repairs	939	441
Gas	542	-
Canoe Course	1,533	490
Scarves and woggles	361	99
Uniform	505	53
Training	500	-
General Expenses	618	316
OSM & Quickbooks	652	754
Governance costs		
Photocopying, post and stationery	172	59
Supporters/employers insurance	542	532
Independent examination	210	210
Card payment charges	439	340
Lottery registration	20	20
Donations	120	1,600
Miscellaneous	462	104
Website	-	54
	<u>£ 32,936</u>	<u>£ 10,354</u>
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

4 Analysis of resources expended (cont)

	2023	2022
	£	£
Other resources expended		
Depreciation	12,205	11,111
Loss on disposal of assets	10	115
	<u>£ 12,215</u>	<u>£ 11,226</u>
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5 Trustees and other related parties

	2023	2022
	£	£
Trustee expenses reimbursed		
Treasurer	14,554	9,481
Other trustees	451	149
	<u>£ 15,005</u>	<u>£ 9,630</u>
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All amounts paid were to reimburse expenditure on behalf of the Group.

Trustee remuneration in the year ended 31 March 2023 was nil (2022 nil)

Donations of £700 were received from the employer of one Trustee under a scheme to recognise the time spent by the employee undertaking voluntary work.

6 Fees for examining the accounts

	2023	2022
	£	£
Independent examiners fees	210	210
	<u>£210</u>	<u>£ 210</u>
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7 Staff Costs

	2023	2022
	£	£
Gross wages	7,875	7,178
Employers National Insurance	-	-
Pension	594	573
	<u>£ 8,469</u>	<u>£ 7,751</u>
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Average number of full-time equivalent employees

Cleaning and caretaking

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The Group has a pension scheme with NEST. No employee was paid more than £60,000

8 Fixed Assets

	Leasehold		Furniture & Equipment	Total
	Land	Building		
	£	£	£	£
Cost				
At 1 April 2022	83,643	319,554	99,831	503,028
Additions	-	-	8,853	8,853
Disposals	-	-	(319)	(319)
At 31 March 2023	<u>£ 83,643</u>	<u>£ 319,554</u>	<u>£ 108,365</u>	<u>£ 511,562</u>
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Depreciation	£	£	£	£
At 1 April 2022	16,729	114,031	84,360	215,120
Depreciation for year	669	6,422	5,114	12,205
On disposals	-	-	(309)	(309)
At 31 March 2023	<u>£ 17,398</u>	<u>£ 120,453</u>	<u>£ 89,165</u>	<u>£ 227,016</u>
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At 31 March 2023	<u>£ 66,245</u>	<u>£ 199,101</u>	<u>£ 19,200</u>	<u>£ 284,546</u>
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At 31 March 2022	<u>£ 66,914</u>	<u>£ 205,523</u>	<u>£ 15,471</u>	<u>£ 287,908</u>
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8 Fixed Assets (cont)

Depreciation is calculated to write down the value of fixed assets over their expected useful lives. The rates used are

Furniture and equipment	25% (RB)
Lease premium	over 125 years (SL)
Building	over 50 years (SL)

In 1997 the Group acquired a lease for 125 years of a piece of land on which it has built a Scout Hall which opened in 2004. The premium of the lease included the cost of providing the services to the site and the communal infrastructure of square, car parks and paths that will be shared by the other site users.

The Group also has camping equipment and furniture from the old hall that has historically been written off as acquired. The assets have little or no open market value so the trustees have agreed that they should be assumed to be fully depreciated for accounts purposes. Equipment for the new hall and new camping and activity equipment costing more than £100 is capitalised at cost.

9 Investments

				2023	2022
	Cost at 1 st April 2022	Transfer	Gain on revaluation	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
M&G Charifund	50,000	-	49,564	99,564	100,278
M&G Charibond	50,000	-	12,890	62,890	66,187
Cambridge & Counties	82,086	(82,086)	-	-	82,086
Market value at year end	<u>£ 182,086</u>	<u>£ (82,086)</u>	<u>£ 62,454</u>	<u>£ 162,454</u>	<u>£ 248,551</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
	£			£	£
Historical cost				<u>£ 100,000</u>	<u>£ 182,086</u>
				=====	=====
Represented by:				Market value at year end	Gain/(Loss) for year
M&G Charifund				99,564	(714)
M&G Charibond				62,890	(3,297)
				<u>£ 162,454</u>	<u>£ (4,011)</u>
				=====	=====

10 Stock

	2023	2022
	£	£
At 1 April 2022	473	492
Added in the year	224	116
Expensed in the year	(281)	(135)
At 31 March 2023	<u>£ 416</u>	<u>£ 473</u>
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11 Debtors	2023	2022
	£	£
Membership fees – next year	9,065	7,431
Other debtors	643	-
Prepayments	2,048	2,943
	<u>£ 11,756</u>	<u>£ 10,374</u>
	=====	=====
12 Cash at bank and in hand	2023	2022
	£	£
Cambridge & Counties	83,339	-
United Trust	54,949	53,601
Santander Business Reward Saver	32,681	32,646
Santander Business Direct Saver	8,331	8,322
Santander Deposit Account	-	168
Santander Current Account	4,283	5,237
Santander Current Account	24,196	26,010
Barclays Hall Hire	12,638	9,332
Barclays General Current	5,002	1,463
Barclays Fundraising	691	266
PayPal	-	-
Go Cardless	214	368
Cash	587	918
	<u>£ 226,911</u>	<u>£ 138,331</u>
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13 Current liabilities	2023	2022
Amounts falling due within one year	£	£
Summer Camp	2,145	1,137
Archery Camp	1,815	1,445
District Camp	1,075	-
Cycle camp	110	543
Flixton Trip	507	135
Group Camp	-	30
Hall – income in advance	958	751
Hall – gas, electricity, water and repairs	2,723	2,396
Explorer account	5	386
Examiners fee	210	210
OSM	310	-
Trustees expenses	353	1,430
Rupert Fison Centre Ltd	1,809	1,820
Computer Club	538	436
Christmas dinner	42	42
Cub expenses	-	33
Scout event refunds	-	35
500 Club prizes	-	22
WSJ Funds	-	2,428
Beaver expenses	-	152
	<u>£ 12,600</u>	<u>£13,431</u>
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14 Capital Commitments		
At the year end the Executive Committee had approved quotes of £3,018 for the redecoration of the hall of which £638 related to work still not carried out.		

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE
1ST KESGRAVE SCOUT GROUP**

I report on the accounts of the 1st Kesgrave Scout Group for the year ended 31 March 2023, which are set out on pages 2 to 15.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity 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 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 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 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.

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