# 1<sup>st</sup> Holsworthy Scout Group – Trustees Annual Report

2018/19 has once again been a busy year for the 1<sup>st</sup> Holsworthy Scout Group. As well as offering a packed and varied programme to all sections we have also been organising numerous fundraising events throughout the year as we move towards the target of buying our own field. The addition of a field will provide the group with a permanent camp site meaning that we will no longer need to rely on the goodwill of local farmers, whom have been very generous and provided many brilliant sites to us over the years. It will also be a permanent outside area available to us without restriction and will allow us to extend the weekly activities we offer to our young members. We have received many donations from local charities and groups and as we enter a new year, a suitable site has been located and we hope to complete the purchase soon.

All three sections of the Group have been extremely busy this year, and the range and variety of activities and outings has allowed us to provide our members with the opportunity to learn important life skills such as first aid and to experience activities they otherwise may not, such as indoor pool football. As a group we are lucky to live in a community where so many people are prepared to give up their time to pass on their skills and knowledge to our youngsters. Talks and visits have included trips to a local Garden Centre, the town Fire and Police Stations, a Veterinary practice, a talk on bike safety and a visit from the Town Band leader with instruments in tow.

As a group we were very proud to play our part in the 1<sup>st</sup> World War centenary commemorations, both in the local community and within the Scouting Association as a whole. Beavers, Cubs and Scouts took part in the local theatre production 'Lest we Forget' which honoured the fallen of the town and provided a history for the 39 local victims of war, as well as providing a larger historical context. Memorial crosses were laid at the graves of fallen solders as part of the Devon Scout Associations commemorations and as such all members of the group were honoured with a special commemoration badge, which our members wear with pride on their uniforms.

The group took part in all the major town events for the year including Remembrance Day Parade, Carnival, the town Christmas Carol Service, Easter Friday Parade, St Georges' Day Parade and activities as well as the 'Furry Dance' an annual local tradition, occurring on the Thursday of the Holsworthy's St Peter's Fair week. St Peter's fair week also allowed the group to introduce the 'Scouting' breakfast to the wider community as were invited to organise the 'Big Community breakfast' a fundraising event held on St Peters Fair day itself. It was a lot of hard work but was well received and we've been invited back to do it all over again in July 2019.

All these events have shown out young members the importance of being part of a community and they have allowed them to experience the history and traditions of the area in which they live.

Scouting within Holsworthy continues to thrive, but without our adult and young leaders we would not be able to continue and so we thank them all for all the time and effort that they give to the group. The group has a strong sense of community within itself, with sections coming together not just for end of term events, but at camps and for weekly activities. In

fact, without some of our more senior Scouts many Beavers, Cubs and Leaders would have gone hungry this year on camp.

Scouting allows its young members to develop important life skills as well as have fun something which we believe the 1<sup>st</sup> Holsworthy Scout Group has been very successful in achieving in the last 12 months and we hope will continue to do so.

# 1st Holsworthy Scout Group Accounts 2018/19

### Income

# Expenditure

Description	Total	Description	Total
Subscriptions/Capitation	£7,160.00	Subscriptions/Capitation	£3,362.00
Weekly Activities	£1,813.05	Weekly Activities	£4,052.31
Beaver Summer Camp	£485.00	Beaver Summer Camp	£866.24
Beaver Sandymouth Trip	£345.00	Beaver Sandymouth Trip	£360.00
Carnival	£73.00	Carnival	£145.52
Cub Summer Camp	£610.00	Cub Summer Camp	£454.69
Cub Autumn Sleepover	£235.00	Cub Autumn Sleepover	£178.75
Scout Survival Camp	£70.00	Scout Survival Camp	£59.12
Scout Summer Camp	£1,755.00	Scout Summer Camp	£1,697.96
Beaver Sponsored Walk	£218.64	Cub Fundraising Event	£321.00
Cake Sale/Collection Boxes	£363.00	Sale of Drawstring Bags	£53.20
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Books/Uniform	£1,482.85	Stationery	£312.05
Cub Fundraising Event	£336.46	Equipment	£432.29
District Early Repayment Rebate	£38.00	Badges	£832.32
Building Society Interest	£279.41	Insurance	£42.00
Stationery (Cubs and Scouts to Beavers	£158.99	Scout Manager Fees	£63.97
Camp Blankets/Woggles/Badges	£370.77	Other Expenditure	£105.38
Profit from Uniform to Group Funds	£0.00	Profit from Uniform to Group	£124.17
Gift Aid	£2,202.62	Uniform	£1,779.99
Fundraising for Field Fund	£3,691.64	Refund to CAF (paid to wrong acc)	£319.97
Donations to Field Fund	£7,730.40	Holsworthy Town Council - Tree	£250.00
		Poppy Woggles	£105.95
Totals	£29,471.83		£16,188.88
Opening Balances		Closing Balances	
Group	£12,949.90	Group	£25,228.94
Uniform	£250.00	Uniform	£250.00
Beavers	£331.47	Beavers	£398.90
Cubs	£915.08	Cubs	£1,615.57
Scouts	£2,647.96	Scouts	£2,883.95
Total	£17,094.41	Total	£30,377.36
Balances + Receipts	£46,566.24	Balances + Expenses	£46,566.24

Notes: At end of year the Field Fund stands at £21,887.06. This amount included in Group funds

# Scrutineer's Report to the Trustees of the

1ST HOLSWORTHY SCOUT GROUP/DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

#### **Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Scrutineer**

As the Group's/District's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that neither the audit nor independent examination requirements of the Charities Act 1993 apply. It is my responsibility without carrying out an audit or independent examination to scrutinise the accounts and to report to you.

# **Basis of Scrutineer's Statement**

In accordance with the directions given in the Group's/District's constitution, I have scrutinised the records and the

accounts set out

# Scrutineer's Statement

In my opinion the accounts are in accordance with the records produced to me and comply with the constitution.

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