

Section C

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

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.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Group membership numbers of children are still growing, with support as always from many volunteers and our leaders, offering a wide and varied list of activities for young people who join the group and progress through the sections.

We are maintaining HQ building with a schedule of refurbishment and also improving the facilities to better serve the general community & scouting members of all capabilities. The continued service of hiring out rooms for associated guiding groups and other local organisations helps with the costs of running and maintaining the building, whilst ensuring it doesn't impact on any scouting activities offered.

The close partnership with the local U3A continues. With their support and assistance on renting out the building to other groups and using its rooms for many of their own activities

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

It is the continuing aim of the group to maintain sufficient funds in readily available accounts to meet short to medium term operational costs, including a reasonable provision for any possible major repairs needed to the HQ building as it becomes older and more maintenance is required. Longer term projects are planned to improve facilities and specific fund raising activities are undertaken where necessary to meet the costs of these with some grants available.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Section F Other optional information

Other information is given on the attached reports from the Chairperson and Group Leader.

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Rebecca Mallon	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer	
Date		

Annual Report given by the Group Chairman (June 2019)

Another year has flown by and the Group has continued to be very busy with activities, camps and events across all the sections. All sections are thriving as we continue to attract new members in line with growth in the village. We are also delighted to have welcomed a number of new adult leaders to the Group over the last 12 months – this has been a real boost for those Leaders that have been needing additional help for some time. We still need more though, so please step forward if you are interested!

Peter Deegan, the former Group Scout Leader (GSL), unfortunately had to stand down from his role earlier this year and so I'd like to officially thank him for his hard work and dedication during his time as GSL and I'm sure he will continue to take an active role with the Group in the future.

We are very grateful that Alan Jackson agreed to take up the appointment as the new GSL to ensure continuity. Alan is a very experienced Scout Leader having spent many years involved with running Scout Groups including our Scout Section at Holmes Chapel. Alan has now begun working with the Leaders and the Executive Committee to continue to put in place a Development Plan for the Group for the next few years.

The Executive Team have continued to support the Group with its commercial, financial, governance and charity requirements again this year but is still operating as a core group of six. We really need new members to come on board so that we can continue to support the Groups ambitious goals and make sure we are fully representing all the needs of the Group. Please think about whether you may be willing to join the Executive Team in some capacity. We are looking for a new Secretary in particular, however there are lots of ways you can contribute.

In terms of our HQ building, we have continued to have great success with our hirers. We continue to work closely with the U3A and are grateful to them and all our hirers for their continued support for our Group and building. Rebecca will provide some more information on investments and improvements made and planned for the building, but a big project this year has been the installation of upstairs toilet cubicles, wash basins and electric hand dryers. Thank you to Will Burnham and Alan MacDonald for masterminding and carrying out a lot of this work to keep external costs to a minimum.

Fundraising continues to be important and we are fortunate that the annual events we support, particularly around Christmas, provide a real boost to our fundraising efforts. This year we were also fortunate to be one of the local charities supported by the Co-op Communities Fund and we were delighted to receive a cheque for £4,432 from them at a presentation in November last year. Part of this will pay for the planned IT upgrade for the building. We are also currently looking into the possibility of developing a new water section within the Group to bring together existing watersports expertise amongst Leaders and parents. We hope that existing and future fundraising will help us purchase equipment to enable our members to participate in more water activities in the future which will be very exciting.

We are keen for anyone with fundraising experience, ideas or a desire to help with a fundraising event to come forward.

That just leaves me to thank first, my fellow Executive Group members: Rebecca Mallon, Will Burnham, Wendy Macdonald, Alan Macdonald, Nigel Player and Alan Jackson for their fantastic work and team spirit; and secondly, all the fantastic and dedicated Leaders and supporters of our Group who make Scouting come alive for all our children. We are extremely lucky that our children are able to access so many opportunities and experiences through our Group and the wider Scouting movement and we must all continue to support our Leaders in any way we can so that our Group continues to thrive.

Kate Brock, Chair.

Treasurers Report for 2018/2019

Summary of the accounts for 1st April 2018 to 31st March 2019.
 Figures for the previous years are shown for comparative purposes.

Income	18/19	17/18
Subscription Income ¹	£8,981	£10,481
Donations/Grants	£4,699	£1,542
Fund raising ²	£1,914	£1,814
Other Income ³	£19,648	£16,788
Interest Income	£0	£0
Total Net Income	£35,242	£30,625
Expenses		
HQ and Equipment ⁴	£18,765	£13,993
Unit expenses	£3,596	£3,895
Badges uniform and program	£2,083	£1,073
Capital purchases ⁵	£1,653	£2,123
Interest & bank charges	£198	£16
Group Activities and events	-£35	-£352
Total Net Expenses	£26,260	£20,748
Net Income/(Expenditure)	£8,982	£9,877
Reserves		
Current account	£10,540	£11,482
Money Master account	£29,255	£19,080
Cash in hand	£216	£181
Reserves Total ⁶	£40,012	£30,743

Notes:

1. We have now moved all the sections onto collection of subs by DD through a company called Go Cardless. Thank you for your patience in this process with the teething problems we had. Following on from the eventual success of this we are now in the process of allowing payments for events and camps across the sections, with Scouts being trialled first.

2. Fundraising has been focused again on fewer larger events, but we have still raised nearly £2000. The key events being the Christmas fair and Christmas post. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped man the stalls and sort and deliver the post. The more people that can help with these events the better. Please let us know if you can claim £4£ as this can substantially boost the funds raised.

A huge thank you goes to the Co-op where we have benefited from a donation of over £4000 to enable us to upgrade the Wifi and broadband facilities within the HQ. This will help us keep up with new technologies and enable the group to participate in more activities with a digital slant.

3. Hire of the rooms has continued successfully and we now have After 8's providing local afterschool cover. The U3A play a key part in helping hire out the rooms of our HQ and are key to enabling us to provide this facility to the local community. This income covers the cost of running the building and has allowed us to make a number of improvements/refurbishments.

4. Within the HQ we've replaced flooring and completed a major refurbishment of the toilets upstairs making them more accessible. The major project planned this year is the upgrade of the Wifi & Broadband.

5. We have invested some money into more camping equipment and a large steel griddle for the many camps and BBQs. Following on from the success we have seen at Waterloo we have also purchased a couple more air rifles.

6. Funds have again increased, although some of these are earmarked for the Wifi/Broadband project. With this healthy balance we have the resources to grow meet our future operating expenditure with room for improvements. Funds at the year end were £40k (17/18 £30.7k).

Rebecca Mallon – Treasurer June 2019

Group Scout Leader's Report (June 2019)

It feels slightly strange to be writing a GSL's report for a period during which I was not GSL!

As you are probably aware, Peter Deegan stepped down from being our Group Scout Leader earlier this year; he did some fantastic work in modernising and improving the processes within the group; since taking over in April this year, I plan to very much build on his work over the next 12 months to implement these changes.

We have also seen a new District Commissioner take up post after the fantastic support provided to both the Alderley District and Holmes Chapel Scout Group by Steve Buckley who, having retired from work, has relocated to Anglesey. I'm delighted to hear though that Steve has not stood down from Scouting and we wish him well in his new challenges. During the period between Peter standing down and my appointment, David Giles (our new District Commissioner) conducted a review of our group and has come up with several recommendations for changes that we should implement over the coming months. Some of these you will have seen in action already, such as the extension of Subs collection by Direct Debit to all sections and the ability to pay for events via a Direct Debit also. For the current (Summer) term, only about 10% of subs are being paid manually – having the number this low this makes a massive difference to our leaders as it makes their lives easier.

"Amazing things rarely happen in your comfort zone", Jennifer Allwood

While the number of Young People in our group has dropped slightly from last year, we have seen an influx of adult support. Having parents come along to camps to ensure they can run safely is a great benefit but having adult's step into uniform to come along to regular weekly meetings is fantastic. This greatly increases the number of opportunities we can offer to **YOUR** children.

"Too many people go through life waiting for things to happen, instead of making them happen"

Being a uniformed leader may seem a little scary at first, but there is fantastic enjoyment to be had from seeing young people develop skills and discover new things. There are also many skills that you, as an adult, can learn too.

"Do something today that your future self will thank you for"

Over the last 12 months, we have welcomed Suzie, Gemma, Michael, Mica and Neil as leaders, all coming into the group with experience from outside. There have also been several parents stepping up to the first rung of the leadership ladder as section assistances.

Whatever role you chose to take on, we do give full training and support.

"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams"

That might sound like a great success, but we still need more adult leaders. We could easily accommodate another 7 leaders to help reduce the load on a small number of extremely dedicated adults who provide many #SkillsForLife for **YOUR** children.

We are also looking for more parents to step in and help at the Group Executive level. This is the group of people that oversee the running of the group and provide the background support to the fantastic Scouting that is offered.

Many thanks to all those who currently support the group in whatever capacity.

Skills for Life

With the launch of the Skills For Life initiative from The Scout Association, we are redefining our group strategy to ensure that we align to this vision.

The Scout Association vision states:

By 2023 we will have prepared more young people with skills for life, supported by amazing leaders who deliver an inspiring programme. We will be growing, more inclusive, shaped by young people and making a bigger impact in our communities.

Our mission is to ensure Scouting actively engages and supports young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society

Our values are that we act with care, respect, integrity, cooperation, exploring our own and others' beliefs.

Our group strategy will build on these to help achieve the goals around Growth, Inclusivity, Youth Shaped and Community Impact

Thank You's

Firstly, thank you to Peter Deegan for building the platform from which I can work as Group Scout Leader.

Thank you to all those who volunteer to make our group the positive environment it is that allows our Young People to go on to do amazing things. Thank you to all the parents & carers for the support you give our leaders in delivering the fantastic programme that your children can experience. Thank you all for coming tonight; I hope you find it informative. If you have any thought about helping in the group, in whatever capacity, please come and speak to one of the leaders; either tonight or at any point in the future.

Acting GSL David Giles

Receipt and Payments Accounts Summary**For the year ended 31st March****Total receipts for the year**
Total payments for the year**Cash and bank funds brought forward**
Cash and bank funds carried forward

2019
54,407
45,138
9,269
30,743
40,012

2018
50,501
40,624
9,878
20,865
30,743

Receipts		
For the Year ended 31st March		
	2019	2018
Membership subs		
All Group	14,854	17,141
Plus Gift aid refund	0	0
Less Capitation Paid	(5,873)	(6,661)
Total	8,981	10,481
Investment Income received		
Bank Interest (Current Account)	0	0
Bank Interest (Investment account)	34	8
Post Office Investment account	0	0
Total	34	8
Donations and Grants		
Group	4,724	1,772
Sections	0	0
Total	4,724	1,772
Activities		
District	0	0
Group	9,316	6,227
Sections	976	2,254
Total	10,291	8,482
Fund Raising		
Group	2,235	2,636
Sections	0	0
Total	2,235	2,636
Sundry Income		
Expenses Refunded	1,156	1,324
Rental income	19,648	16,645
Uniform sales - Group	0	0
Uniform sales - Sections	0	0
Total	20,804	17,969
Badge Income		
Group	7,338	9,155
Sections	0	0
Total	7,338	9,155
Asset and Invesment Sales		
Loans	0	0
Receipts from sale of Assets	0	0
Total	0	0
TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR	54,407	50,501

Payments		
For the Year ended 31st March		
	2019	2018
Premises and equipment		
Rent and Lease	0	0
Rates	604	431
Light and Heat	3,536	2,549
Telephone/Broadband	358	332
Cleaning	3,410	3,399
Insurance	1,661	1,989
General Maintenance	823	409
Building works	6,596	3,026
Repairs and renewals (premises)	1,118	1,468
Repairs and renewals (equipment)	660	389
Total	18,765	13,993
Donations and Grants		
Group	25	229
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Activities		
District	0	320
Group	8,742	6,070
Sections	1,515	1,740
Total	10,256	8,130
Fund Raising		
Group	321	822
Sections	0	0
Total	321	822
Admin & Establishment Expenses		
Group	4,495	5,076
Bank Charges	232	23
Sections	0	0
Total	4,727	5,100
Trustees Expenses		
Group	0	0
Total	0	0
Capital Purchases		
Group	1,653	2,123
Total	1,653	2,123
Sundry Payments		
Badge payments (Group)	7,308	9,155
Badge payments (Sections)	2,083	1,073
Uniform Purchases (Group)	0	0
Uniform Purchases (Sections)	0	0
Total	9,391	10,228
Loan Repayments		
Capital Repayment	0	0
Interest on Loan	0	0
Total	0	0
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Statement of Assets and Liabilities at As at 31st March		2019	2018
Monetary Assets			
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Bank Money Master account		29,255	19,080
Post Office Investment account		0	0
Cash in hand		216	181
		40,012	30,743
Outstanding Income			
Gift Aid Tax refund outstanding		0	2,500
		0	0
		0	2,500
No Monetary Assets			
Badge Secretary stock		0	0
Group uniforms stock		0	0
		0	0
Land		lease hold	lease hold
Building			
Acquired by donation			
Value for insurance		425,764	425,764
Equipment			
Canoes - under Explorers not us			
Acquisition value		not known	not known
Value for insurance		0	0
Other equipment			
Acquisitions this year		1,653	2,123
Acquisitions Previous years (4)		28,968	26,845
Value for insurance		40,818	40,818
Liabilities			
Lease Unpaid over last 8years		0	0
Loan from District (inc interest) - all cleared		0	0
		0	0
Contingent Liabilities			
Land Lease (p.a.)		0	0
Rent on garages used for storage (p.a.) - Explorers now		0	0
		0	0

Report Reconciliation

	Report receipts summary	54,407		50,501
Add back	Group Capitation & subs refunds	5,943		6,661
Less	Group books income total	(60,350)		(57,162)
Zero proof		0		0

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Less	Group books expense total	(51,081)		(47,284)
Zero proof		0		0



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
1st Holmes Chapel Scout Group

On accounts for the year
ended

31st March 2019

Charity no
(if any) 506093

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2019.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date: 18/01/20020

Name:

Neil Cox

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

Member of the Institute of Financial Accountants.

Address:

1 Gleneagles Drive, Holmes Chapel, Cheshire CW4 7JA.

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As at 31st March**
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0

0

0

Land

lease hold

lease hold

Building

Acquired by donation

Value for insurance

425,764

425,764

Equipment

Canoes - under Explorers not us

Acquisition value

not known

not known

Value for insurance

0

0

Other equipment

Acquisitions this year

1,653

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