

STAFFORDSHIRE COUNTY SCOUT COUNCIL**TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT**

for the period from 01/04/2023 to 31/03/2024

**Reference and administration details**

Charity name
The Scout Association registered number
Registered charity number
Charity's principal address

Staffordshire County Scout Council
0152
1021182
County Office, Kibblestone International Scout Camp
Kibblestone Road
Oulton
Stone ST15 8UJ

**Names of the charity trustees
 who manage the charity**

Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
Mrs E Birch ^{1,4,5}	County Chair	
Mr R Williams ^{2,4,5}	County Lead Volunteer	
Mrs J C Gilbert ^{4,5}	County Treasurer	
Mrs H J Wilcox ^{2,4,5}	County Secretary	To 20/09/2023
Mrs E M Bromley ¹		To 05/02/2024
Mr P A Creaser ^{4,5}		To 20/09/2023
Mr N Cunliffe		
Mr N Evans ²		To 20/09/2023
Mr B Field ¹		
Mr D Hancock		To 20/09/2023
Mr N Heath		From 20/09/2023
Mr C Leader ^{1,2}		
Mr N Moss		
Mr S Norman ²		
Mr A Preston ¹		To 20/09/2023
¹ = Nominated by County Lead Volunteer		
² = Member of the Appointments Advisory Committee		
⁴ = Member of the Finance Sub Committee		
⁵ = Member of the Emergency Committee		

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Names and addresses of advisors		
Type of advisor	Name	Address
Bank	Unity Trust Bank	Nine Brindley Place, Birmingham, B1 2HB
Accountants	VAST Services 1920	The Dudson Centre, Hope Street, Hanley Stoke on Trent ST1 5DD

Structure, governance, and management	
Type of Governing document	Our 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 ("POR").
How the charity is constituted	Staffordshire County Scout Council ("The County") is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.
Trustee selection methods	The County Lead Volunteer is appointed by The Scout Association. The County Secretary is a part-time paid employee of the charity and is appointed by the County Executive Committee. There are 3 classifications of Trustee a) Ex officio b) Appointed by the Scout Council c) Co-opted by the Trustee Board. (POR Chapter 5)

Additional governance issues	
	<p>The County is managed by the County Trustee Board, the members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' of the County 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.</p> <p>Members of the Trustee Board are required to complete 'Essential Information for Trustee Board training within the first 5 months of joining the Board unless they have already completed the requisite training in another role. They are also required to complete mandatory GDPR, Safety and Safeguarding training.</p> <p>Disclosure and Barring Service checks are carried out prior to commencement of Trusteeship. These checks are repeated every five years in line with POR.</p>
	Except for the County Secretary who is our employee, we all give our time voluntarily and receive no remuneration. Travelling and any other reasonable expenses are paid when claimed.
	We have a duty to report on the charity's public benefit in our Annual Report. We have assessed our aims, activities, and charitable objectives, which are to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society. We believe that we have met the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria for both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development .

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	<p>The Scout Association complies with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.</p> <p>Identifiable benefit: The way in which Scouting is carried out helps young people develop towards their full potential; this benefit is directly linked to the Purpose of Scouting.</p> <p>Public benefit: Scouting is a national Association open to young people aged from 4-25. Full membership is restricted to young people and adults who are willing to make the Scout Promise. The Association enables those in poverty to benefit from Scouting; while the Association charges a subscription to members under the age of 18, the benefits of Scouting are not constrained by the member's inability to pay. Locally, there are arrangements to waive subscriptions and other costs for those who cannot afford to pay. Nationally, there are funds available for uniform and activities so that young people are not excluded from activities if they are unable to pay. Any private benefits of Scouting are incidental. The benefits of Scouting are further demonstrated throughout this report.</p>
	<p>We have completed our review of the major risks to the charity and have annual renewal procedures in place to manage these risks. We have 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. We are not dependent on any particular donors.</p>

Objectives and activities	
<p>Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing documents</p>	<p>Our Mission - Scouting in Staffordshire exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.</p> <p>Our Values - 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.</p> <p>Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together based on the values of Scouting and:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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

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<p>Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects</p>	<p>Our activities for the year continued to be in line with the Scout Association national strategy “Skills For Life: Our plan to deliver better futures”.</p> <p>The focus of our activities was to deliver a quality programme of youth-oriented activities, Young Leader training, Queen’s and King’s Scout Awards and the Duke of Edinburgh Awards scheme and to provide support to adult volunteers through training and development.</p> <p>The programme benefits our young people by developing their self-confidence and social skills alongside practical and life skills.</p> <p>We welcome all young people regardless of background, faith, gender, or personal circumstances.</p> <p>We kept in mind the Charity Commission’s guidance on public benefit at our County Trustee Board meetings.</p>
<p>Contribution made by volunteers</p>	<p>A great contribution is made by our adult volunteers, and we are grateful for the many hours they have spent listening to and encouraging our young people and working with them. Without this valuable contribution of time, energy, and expertise we would not have been able to achieve so much.</p>

<p>Achievements and performance</p>	
<p>Summary of the Main achievements of the charity during the Year.</p>	<p>The changes to membership of Trustee Board come into effect at the first Annual General Meeting following 31st March 2023.</p> <p>The past year has been spent developing District Trustee Boards, preparing the respective Boards for changes that must be considered in the planning for the 2024 AGM, ensuring the correct Trustee appointments can be made at their upcoming AGMs. County Conference saw the creation of Trustee Board Chairs Support Group, it’s aim to share ‘good practice’ throughout the County then disseminating the model to Group level.</p> <p>Significant progress has been made in the recruitment of members of Lead Volunteer Teams. Transformation has provided inspirational conversations to take place both at a County and District level.</p> <p>Our new squirrel's section for 4-6 years olds has expanded significantly. Staffordshire now has 472 members.</p> <p>Our volunteers have shown fantastic creativity and have developed exciting programmes for our young people to engage with. Many outdoor camps, hiking adventures and experiences on the water have been had.</p> <p>532 Beavers gained their Chief Scout Bronze Award; 585 Cubs their Silver Award; 255 Scouts their Gold Award; 47 Explorers their Platinum Award and 16 Explorers their Diamond Award. In addition, 100 young people earned the Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award, 31 the Silver and 15 the Gold. 14 young people achieved the Young Leader Belt and 11 the Queen’s Scout Award, the highest award for a young person.</p> <p>We also recognised adults who received national awards including 25 Chief Scout Commendations, 26 Awards for Merit and 3 Bar to the Award for Merit. We also recognised people who have given specially distinguished service</p>

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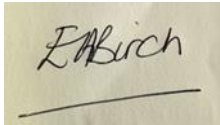
	<p>while holding adult roles for a period of not less than twenty years with 2 Silver Acorns, and 1 Silver Wolfs awarded.</p> <p>During the summer our Scout/Explorer/Network members took part in both the World Scout Jamboree in Korea and International Camp at Kandersteg in Switzerland</p> <p>Our Remembrance Day parades, and St Georges Day celebrations went ahead as usual this year and were extremely well attended.</p> <p>Scouting in Staffordshire continues to reach significant numbers of young people we have seen an increase in membership of about 1% over the past year. At the annual census in January 2024, we recorded 10,646 members – 7,989 youth members and 2,657 adult volunteers.</p> <p>In the year ahead we look forward to concluding our aim to reach our North Star - the significant changes for Scouting UK and how this will improve the experience for volunteers and young people.</p> <p>The Board recognises the events of the Great Orme, it's challenges to the organisation, along with the need to overhaul safety considerations to protect all our members.</p> <p>The County is actively engaging with HQ to review processes and making plans to support our Adult Volunteers, ensuring our young people enjoy scouting as safely as possible.</p> <p>In Staffordshire, we want to give as many young people as possible the opportunity to experience Scouting and the chance to gain valuable skills for life. We cannot do this without the tireless work of all our volunteers. On behalf of the Trustees, we thank them all.</p> <p>Elizabeth Birch</p> <p>County Chair</p>
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Financial review	
Basis of Preparation	These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Effective 1 January 2019) and the Charities Act 2011. Staffordshire County Scout Council meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102.
Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	We have examined the Charity's requirements for reserves considering its main risks. We have established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds not designated or invested in tangible fixed assets held should represent 6 months expenditure ensuring the provision of a suitable contingency to protect the

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	<p>continuity of its activities for the foreseeable future, circa £31,000 plus £10,000 to fund cashflows for large events. At the year-end the County held £110,355 (2023: £111,875) of unrestricted cash reserves.</p>
Sources and use of Funds including investments	<p>Our main sources of funds this year have been the County Levy, a subscription paid by all youth members (i.e., those aged 4 – 17).</p> <p>The majority of our income this year has been applied to covering fixed costs. Activities have been operated on the basis that they are self-funding.</p> <p>POR sets out the way our funds may be invested. We have therefore adopted a low-risk strategy to the investment of our funds. This does involve using an account that requires a period of notice before funds may be withdrawn. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or building societies. The Trustee Board regularly monitors the levels of bank balances and the interest rates received to ensure the group obtains maximum value and income from its banking arrangements.</p> <p>We do not make grants to outside organisations.</p>

<p>Plans for Future Periods</p> <p>At the end of the Financial Year, the Trustees were able to set a budget for the year ahead and have also included some provision to support the transformation required to implement the new changes from the Scout Association. Over the coming year the Trustee's will continue a strategy where most activities will aim to be self-funding, but will invest in areas such as activity training, and equipment funding.</p>

Declaration	
The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' report above.	
Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees	
Signature	
Full names	Elizabeth Birch
Position	County Chair
Date	07 August 2024

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**County Treasurer's Report
For the Year Ended 31st March 2024**

The financial statements are detailed on pages 9 to 19.

An increase in member numbers in Staffordshire meant that income from the County levy increased by £6,500 year on year. Total income from the County levy which is our main source of funds was £63,000.

The year ended with the Unrestricted (General fund) producing a deficit of £64,588 (2023: surplus £64,999). This is largely a timing difference with income received in one financial year, and expenditure taking place the next. The deficit was split £63,068 to designated funds and £1,520 to general funds.

We were finally able to embark on some international trips in this year following the suspension of foreign trips during the Covid 19 epidemic.

The summer saw both a trip to Kandersteg and the World Scout Jamboree. Financially, this meant significant expenditure in the year from our designated funds with a £58,000 reduction in funds for these two trips.

The funds from cancelled trips to Ghana and Eurojam were closed this year. A further £6,000 was paid to participants to take advantage of other opportunities and the remaining £15,000 has been transferred to a new international fund to support future international trips.

Two new designated funds were set up for future trips to Roverway and Gilwell Takeover Camp with balances totalling £1,500 at the year end.

The general fund produced a deficit of £1,500. The general fund is used for the day to day running of the charity. The income to support this is generated from the county levy, and the expenditure covers all the overheads of running the charity and providing a full programme of activities.

The County office relocated in August to Kibblestone Scout Camp. Whilst this will give future financial benefits with a reduction in rental costs, this year did see a one-off cost relating to the move of £1,500.

Excluding these costs, overheads were in line with the previous year.

Total Capital Reserves stand at £137,411 (2023 £202,899).

Restricted funds are £6,092 (2023 £6,992) (see note 15) a small decrease on the previous year as the Charity continues to actively seek to distribute this fund.

The year-end cash balance of £441,207 (2023: £487,574) includes membership subscriptions paid in advance of £347,140. From this £291,375 was paid to Scouting HQ in April 2024, the remainder being retained within the County representing the annual County levy.



Joanne Gilbert
County Treasurer
07 August 2024

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Independent Examiner's Report to the trustee Staffordshire County Scout Council

I report to the charity trustee on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024 which are set out on pages 9-19.

Respective responsibilities of trustee and examiner

As the charity's trustee of Staffordshire County Scout Council (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of Staffordshire County Scout Council are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

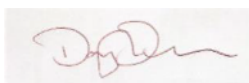
Independent examiner's statement

Since Staffordshire County Scout Council's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of Staffordshire County Scout Council as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

for the year ended 31st March 2024

Income	Note	2024			2023		
		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total
HQ Membership Subscriptions		(334,346)	0	(334,346)	246,710	0	246,710
Less paid to Scouts		334,346	0	334,346	(246,710)	0	(246,710)
		0	0	0	0	0	0
Income							
Voluntary income	3	89	0	89	24	0	24
Income from specific activities for generating funds	4	157,778	0	157,778	218,033	0	218,033
Income from Investments	5	1,733	0	1,733	384	0	384
Other income sources	6	63,265	0	63,265	56,704	0	56,704
Total Income		222,865	0	222,865	275,144	0	275,144
Expenditure							
Expenditure on Specific Activities	7	238,064	900	238,964	161,673	0	161,673
Expenditure on Charitable Activities	8	49,389	0	49,389	48,472	0	48,472
Total Expenditure		287,453	900	288,353	210,145	0	210,145
Net Income/(Expenditure)		(64,588)	(900)	(65,488)	64,999	0	64,999
Reconciliation of Funds							
Total Funds brought forward		195,907	6,992	202,899	130,908	6,992	137,900
Total Funds carried forward		131,319	6,092	137,410	195,907	6,992	202,899

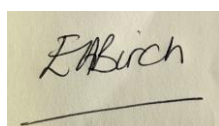
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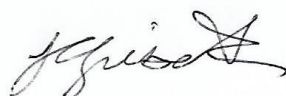
BALANCE SHEET As at 31st March 2024

		2024		2023	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Assets	10		1,787		1,268
Investments	11		54,884		53,197
			56,671		54,465
Current Assets					
Debtors	12	767		546	
Cash at bank and in hand		441,207		487,574	
		441,974		488,120	
Liabilities					
Creditors falling due within one year	13	(361,234)		(339,686)	
Net Current Assets			80,740		148,434
Net Assets			137,411		202,899
Represented by:-					
Unrestricted Funds					
General funds	14		110,354		111,874
Designated funds	14		20,965		84,033
Restricted Funds	15		6,092		6,992
Total Charity Funds	16		137,411		202,899

The financial statements were approved by the Charity's Trustees on 7 August 2024 and signed on their behalf by



E Birch
County Chair



J Gilbert
County Treasurer

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The annexed notes on pages 11 to 19 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 31st March 2024

1. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation and assessment of going concern

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Effective 1 January 2019) and the Charities Act 2011.

The trust constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The Trustees consider that there are no uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern over the next twelve months.

Reconciliation with previous Generally Accepted Accounting Practice

In preparing the accounts, the Trustees have considered whether in applying the accounting policies required by FRS 102 and the Charities SORP FRS 102 a restatement of comparative items was needed.

Where a change of accounting policy or treatment has occurred, the prior year figures have been adjusted to reflect the new treatment.

The principal accounting policies are summarised below. The accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the year and the preceding year.

1.1. Fund accounting

Funds held by the Charity are:

Unrestricted general funds – general funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds – these are funds set aside by the Trustees out of unrestricted general funds for specific future purposes or projects.

Restricted funds - these are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The cost of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.2. Going concern

The Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern and there are not any significant areas of uncertainty that affect the carrying value of assets held by the charity.

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1.3. Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the SOFA when the Charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. For legacies, entitlement is the earlier of the Charity being notified of an impending distribution or the legacy being received.

1.4. Grants payable and receivable

All grants are accounted for gross when receivable. Grants payable are recognised as expenditure when the commitment is entered into.

1.5. Government grants

Government grants are recognised based on the accrual model and are measured at the fair value of the asset received or receivable.

Grants are classified as relating either to revenue or to assets. Grants relating to revenue are recognised in income over the period in which the related costs are recognised.

Grants relating to assets are recognised over the expected useful life of the asset. Where part of a grant relating to an asset is deferred, it is recognised as deferred income.

1.6. Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings, they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources.

1.7. Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Boats and Trailers	10% straight line
Fixtures, fittings, and equipment	20% straight line
Computer equipment and software, activity equipment	33% straight line

1.8. Investments

Investments held as fixed assets are revalued at mid-market value at the balance sheet date and the gain or loss taken to the statement of financial activities.

1.9. Stock

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

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1.10. Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

1.11. Liabilities

Liabilities are recognised where the Charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably.

2. Cashflow statement

The Charity is exempt from the requirement to prepare a cashflow statement because it is a small Charity.

3. Voluntary income

	2024			2023		
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Donations	89	0	89	24	0	24
	<u>89</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>89</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>24</u>

Government Grants

The Charity received no Government assistance during the year under review(2023: £nil)

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4. Specific activities for generating funds

	2024			2023		
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
County Events	2,965	0	2,965	2,605	0	2,605
Duke of Edinburgh	7,547	0	7,547	6,351	0	6,351
World Scout Jamboree	23,820	0	23,820	112,442	0	112,442
Kandersteg 2023	90,762	0	90,762	87,205	0	87,205
Roverway	21,000	0	21,000	0	0	0
Gilwell Take Over Camp	500	0	500	0	0	0
Mountain and Caving Activities	4,015	0	4,015	3,295	0	3,295
Other Income	0	0	0	0	0	0
Target Shooting	0	0	0	430	0	430
Water Activities	3,787	0	3,787	3,345	0	3,345
Young Leaders & Youth Team	3,382	0	3,382	2,360	0	2,360
	<u>157,778</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>157,778</u>	<u>218,033</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>218,033</u>

5. Investment Income

	2024			2023		
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
Bank Interest Receivable	46	0	46	18	0	18
Building Society Interest	1,687	0	1,687	366	0	366
	<u>1,733</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,733</u>	<u>384</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>384</u>

6. Other incoming sources

	2024			2023		
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
County Levy	63,019	0	63,019	56,704	0	56,704
Other Miscellaneous Income	246	0	246	0	0	0
	<u>63,265</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>63,265</u>	<u>56,704</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>56,704</u>

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7. Specific Activities Costs

	2024			2023		
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	Funds	Funds		Funds	Funds	
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Activity permits	1,190	0	1,190	615	0	615
Activities Equipment	798	0	798	1805	0	1805
County Events	8,266	0	8,266	5,654	0	5,654
Duke of Edinburgh	7,277	0	7,277	4,382	0	4,382
World Scout Jamboree	25,715	0	25,715	112,534	0	112,534
Kandersteg 2023	151,008	0	151,008	22184	0	22184
Roverway	20,000	0	20,000	0	0	0
Eurojam	896	0	896	2,593	0	2,593
Ghana 2020	5,330	0	5,330	2,014	0	2,014
International	-	0	-	7	0	7
Mountain and Caving Activities	4,764	0	4,764	3,892	0	3,892
New Section Development	900	0	900	300	0	300
Other Training Expenses	1,012	0	1,012	690	0	690
Programme Team expenses	1,039	0	1,039	518	0	518
Water Activities	7,634	0	7,634	2,652	0	2,652
Target Shooting Activities	-	0	-	451	0	451
Transformation Programme	2,234	0	2,234	913	0	913
Other Expenditure	-	900	900	468	0	468
	238,064	900	238,964	161,673	0	161,673

8. Charitable activities costs

	2024			2023		
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	Funds	Funds		Funds	Funds	
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Administration Salaries	21,278	0	21,278	19,863	0	19,863
AGM	1,314	0	1,314	672	0	672
Lead Volunteer Expenses	2,257	0	2,257	1,206	0	1,206
Depreciation	778	0	778	975	0	975
General Administration	11,131	0	11,131	11,819	0	11,819
Hire of Venues	14	0	14	11	0	11
Independent Examination Fees	1,034	0	1,034	1,045	0	1,045
Insurance	1,728	0	1,728	1,705	0	1,705
IT Charges	264	0	264	411	0	411
Office Move Costs	1,520	0	1,520	0	0	0
Pension Costs	656	0	656	813	0	813
Presentation and Awards	89	0	89	75	0	75
Printing, Postage and Telephone	1,442	0	1,442	1,184	0	1,184
Rent	4,602	0	4,602	6,605	0	6,605
Support Expenses	818	0	818	78	0	78
Trustee Expenses	98	0	98	710	0	710
Other Expenses	367	0	367	1300	0	1300
	49,389	0	49,389	48,472	0	48,472

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9. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

The key management personnel of the charity is the County Secretary. The benefits of the key management personnel of the Trust were salary £21,294 (2023: £20,200) and pension contribution £656 (2023: £1,469). 4 Trustee's were reimbursed a total of £98 (2023: 4 Trustee's £710) for out-of-pocket expenses.

10. Tangible fixed assets

	Fixtures, Fitting & Equipment	Total
	£	£
Cost		
At 1 st April 2023	30,394	30,394
Additions	1,297	1,297
Disposals	0	0
At 31 st March 2024	31,691	31,691
Depreciation		
At 1 st April 2023	29,126	29,126
Charge for the year	778	778
Disposals		0
At 31 st March 2024	29,904	29,904
Net book values		
At 31 st March 2024	1,787	1,787
At 31 st March 2023	1,268	1,268

11. Fixed asset investments

Cash held as part of the investment portfolio

	2024	2023
	£	£
Building Society Account	54,884	53,197
	54,884	53,197
	54,884	53,197

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12. Debtors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Prepayment	767	546
	767	546
	767	546

13. Creditors: amounts falling due within one-year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Membership Subscriptions in Advance	347,140	334,346
Fees and Deposits in Advance	2,135	175
Accruals and Deferred Income	11,959	5,165
	361,234	339,686
	361,234	339,686

14. Unrestricted funds of the Charity

	General Fund	Designated Fund	Total
	£	£	£
At the beginning of the year	111,874	84,033	195,907
Movement in fund in the year	(1,520)	(63,068)	(64,588)
	110,354	20,965	131,319
	110,354	20,965	131,319

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes.

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15. Restricted funds

	Opening Balance £	Net Incoming Resources £	Outgoing £	Closing Balance £
Inclusivity Fund	6,992	0	(900)	6,092
	<u>6,992</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(900)</u>	<u>6,092</u>

Restricted funds

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with the specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes.

The Inclusivity Fund represents the income earned on the Endowment Fund (which was incorporated into the Inclusivity Fund in 2011), together with other donations earmarked to be spent on the furtherance of Special Needs Scouting after deducting any eligible expenditure.

16. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2024 Total £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2023 Total £
Fund balances at 31st March						
Are represented by:						
Tangible fixed assets	1,787	0	1,787	1,268	0	1,268
Fixed asset Investments	54,884	0	54,884	53,197	0	53,197
Current assets	435,882	6,092	441,974	481,128	6,992	488,120
Less Current liabilities	(361,234)	0	(361,234)	(339,686)	0	(339,686)
Net Assets	<u>131,319</u>	<u>6,092</u>	<u>137,411</u>	<u>195,907</u>	<u>6,992</u>	<u>202,899</u>

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17. Capital commitments

There were no capital commitments authorised or contracted for at the year end.

18. Taxation

The Charity is exempt from taxation on any income or capital gains.

19. Related party transactions

The charity is affiliated to the Scout Association, on whose behalf It collects membership subscriptions. HQ Membership subscriptions of £334,346 in the year are shown on the Statement of Financial Activities.

20. Non-adjusting event after the financial period

There are no non-adjusting events after the financial period.