

Scouts



**6th Christchurch
(Bransgore)**

Annual Report 2019

GROUP SCOUT LEADER'S REPORT 2019

As we sit in isolation in the early stages of the Coronavirus pandemic writing our AGM reports for 2019 it seems a very long time ago! With Scouting effectively on hold and most people only venturing out for essential work or to shop for food it's a good time to remember some of the great adventures from last year. The group had a very active year with all sections involved in many activities both as a group and as part of the District events.

A new activity to the group this year was the New Milton Pedal Car Grand Prix in April. With the support of parents we managed to tune up and fit a body to a pedal car chassis loaned to the group and enter a team of Scouts. The race was very exciting as we competed in the main event along with some very professional adult teams and two other Scout teams. We had a great time and finished in one piece and just behind the New Milton Scouts who enter every year.



The highlights of the camping season included a full turnout at the District Spring Bank Holiday camp at Braggers Wood and a combined Cubs and Scouts Bransgore summer camp at Ferny Crofts Scout Activity Centre in the forest. Both of these camps were also Phil's first as scout leader having taken over from Mike as he retired from Scouts at the end of the summer term. Well done to Emma, Phil and our young leaders for organising and running both camps with the help of parent volunteers.

Mike Manley retired from Scouts in July after nearly 30 years as a leader and having supported the group in various other roles prior to becoming a leader. To celebrate Mike's retirement and 60 Years of continuous scouting in Bransgore, we held a group fun day at the site with many activities put on to include all sections, leaders, committee, helpers, parents and siblings. At the end of the day we surprised Mike with a commemorative plaque as well as an oak tree for Mike to plant and asked him to cut the fantastic 60 years cake made by one of our parents. As Mike explained on the day, the oak tree is symbolic of how the Bransgore Scout Group restarted after the war 60 years earlier. A message was circulated around Bransgore for anyone interested in 'Scouts' to meet under the oak tree on the recreation ground one evening in 1959. Well, Mike turned up as a young boy and the rest is history....

We had good support throughout the year at maintenance days and other project working parties such as the complete relaying of the main drive with scalping and general cleaning up around the site and buildings. Sadly as the summer ran into autumn we had a serious amount of vandalism which resulted in police involvement and the installation of CCTV. With the help of many of the committee and leaders this passed without serious impact to the section activities but incurred the costs of repairs and the CCTV system and more volunteers time to complete the repairs and install the system. The good news was that the actions taken and the deterioration of the weather put a stop to the vandalism.

In terms of our amazing volunteers, we had some changes to the leader's team with Mike retiring as Scout Leader and Phil moving from Beavers to take over at Scouts. We also had Robin join as a Section assistant at Scouts, Noah move from the Cubs section to be an Assistant Scout Leader. Crispin and James also stepped down as Scout leaders having both completed many years' service with the group. Many thanks again to Mike, Crispin and James for their support to the group for some 50+ years between them! Kathryn joined Beavers as a Section Assistant and we continue to have excellent support from our Young Leaders at all three sections. We have a new Hall Bookings Secretary and Badge Secretary from our parent volunteers. Although the leader's team remains strong we are in need of additional help to spread the load of the regular meetings across a larger pool of volunteer leaders. We are always looking for volunteers for any of the roles including the Executive Committee where we manage the backstage running of the group such as fundraising, finances, maintenance and administration.

Our fundraising year included the four regular events which are the Bransgore Fun Day and Hinton Admiral Open Gardens events in May, the Bransgore Beer Festival in September and the Christchurch Runners Burton 10k race in December. A busy set of events for the groups fund raising that were also added to for some of us by similar activities to raise money for our representatives travelling to the World Scout Jamboree in the Unites States and Canada in July. Three Explorers from the village attended the three week event and came back with fantastic stories and new friends that they will no doubt remember for the rest of their lives.

A busy year of Scouting that finished with the Scouts attending the Winter Camp at Gilwell, our national scout centre near London, which lived up to the expectations of being very cold and VERY Muddy!

Thank you to everyone who volunteers to keep the Scouting adventure thriving for our young people!

Mark Linney, Group Scout Leader

SCOUTS REPORT

Well what a year 2019 has been! At the start of the year I was approached by Amy Kefford in her new role of ADC for Scouts and asked to consider leading the Scout troop as Mike Manley would be stepping down. Having had only a relatively short time as assistant Beaver leader, this was a big jump for me, so from January I started helping out at scout meetings as well, before taking over in September.

I would like to personally thank all of the Scout team who were very welcoming and helpful. At the end of the spring term Mike stepped down as Scout Leader after over 30 years running the troop. Crispin also stepped down at the same time as he had moved out of the village. I would like to thank both for their time and tremendous input and dedication over the years.

Starting in September was a massive learning curve for me, but thankfully we had a great team with existing leaders, James Kidd, Jeremy Whittingham, Nigel Benham and Kathrine Angel. Noah Stride moved over from Cubs as assistant leader. Robin Thorpe joined us as section assistant. ADC for Scouts, Amy Kefford came along to assist with my transition, and previous fellow assistant Beaver Leader Jen Hart also came to help with planning and to help run some of the meetings. I would like to say a huge thank you to the entire team who have helped me with running the Scouts. Without their help, support and friendship I could not have done it.

At present we have a really good size troop of 35 Scouts, so meetings are often lively. During the meetings we have done map skills, hiking, backwoods cooking, fires, axes, knives and saws, street sports, off road cycling at Avon Tyrell and much much more. My personal highlights of the meetings were:

- Cooking, where we gave the Scouts a table of random food / ingredients, and told them to create and cook a meal. With no guidance at all, each of the patrols managed to turn out a meal, and all of them were very good!
- Laser Tag at Monkey Madness, where myself, with fellow leaders James, Amy and ASC Ben Linford joined the Scout teams. Apparently, I was getting rather competitive, and loud, but in my defence I did have quite a few Scouts, and fellow leaders ganging up on me... But we all had a great time.
- Pioneering, but this time we took it outside, and the Scouts were split into two competing teams who had to build a giant catapult / ballista, where they then had to fire water filled sponges at the opposing team. Again, a great evening was had.
- We also had the SAS join us one week to run an evening of Pyrography, which all of the Scouts seemed to really enjoy, and they produced some great pieces of art. So thank you to the SAS for their support.

During the 2019 we managed to go camping 3 times. Firstly, we went to PGL at Little Canada on the Isle of Wight in April where the scouts got the opportunity to take part in many adventurous activities like: climbing, abseiling, riding quads, big swing and more.

In May, we attended the district spring bank camp at Braggers Wood. I believe that this was the first time in a number of years that all of the district troops had attended. It was a great event, and the Scouts once again got to do great activities including, rifles, archery, crate stacking, and an intertroop water balloon fight with ballistas. Most troops took broom poles to make their ballistas, which we did too, but we also took pioneering poles and constructed something a little larger... A great time was had by all. I would also like to thank GSL Mark Linney for helping with this camp as without his support we wouldn't have got our Scouts there.

Last but by no means least was the combined Cub and Scout camp at Ferny Crofts in August. At the time, I did not have a camping permit, so approached Cub leader Emma Angel to see if we could run a combined camp on her permit. My sincere thanks to Emma, as without her help and support, we would not have been able to get the Scouts out camping over the summer. Despite a VERY wet start and first night, the sun came out and this was an excellent camp with zip wires, axe throwing and lots more. The entire camp was almost exclusively planned by our young leader Kat, who did an amazing job, and again a massive thank you must go out to Kat and Emma for this superb camp!

Other achievements during 2019 that I would like to mention are:

- One of our Scouts received an outstanding achievement award presented at the St George's day parade. This was for outstanding fundraising that the Scout did on behalf of Bransgore School. This exemplifies Scout values, and we are very proud to have him as part of the Bransgore group.
- District held a Master at Arms event in September at Braggers Wood. Bransgore managed to win the individual competitions for both archery and rifles. So congratulations to those two Scouts and to all of the others who competed.
- The year was rounded off in December with a trip to Rock Reef at Bournemouth. All of the Scouts had a great time scaling the walls. Sadly, this was the last meeting for assistant leader James Kidd who stepped down after many years as a leader, so I would like to extend my thanks to James for his help and support.

Once again, I would like to extend my thanks to all of the leaders both past and present, not only from scouts, but from all sections, as well as the committee and all of the helpers and parents who put in so much effort to help give the children the experiences that they get in scouting. These are not only fun, but provide skills for life like leadership and self-confidence as well as developing community spirit. It is my belief that Scouting helps to shape not only the children but our world in general in such a positive way, and without everyone's input it would not be possible. I find it truly humbling to be a part of. So thank you to everyone who is a part of it.

Although this report covers 2019, I find myself writing it in 2020 in the midst of the upheaval due to the coronavirus. This is a very strange time for everyone and it has unfortunately scuppered all of the plans that we had for 2020. It is my hope that we can get back to normal life as soon as possible, to restart regular Scout meetings and events. In the meantime, I would like to wish everyone well, stay safe, and I hope to see you all soon.

Phil Reeves, Scout Leader

CUBS REPORT

This year Cubs has continued to grow, with currently 30 Cubs on role, and we have been lucky to be in the position that we have been able to take several young people off the waiting list to clear this for the Cub age group in the Bransgore area. Unfortunately, our leadership team has diminished over the course of the year. Last spring Andy left due to work commitments, Steve has had to take a break due to family commitments, in the summer Noah moved up to become assistant leader in Scouts and this term, due to health issues, I have also had to step down as Cub leader. Luckily Ben has filled the gap but we are left with a leader shortage.

Despite this Cubs have had a busy year. The joint summer camp with the Scouts at Fernycrofts was a great success with the Cubs taking part in the giant zipwire, gladiator challenge, raft building, go-karts, pizza making and a hike across the forest. A big thank you to all the parents and leaders who supported on this as it meant that we were able to take 36 young people away on camp.

Over the course of the year we have been out and about lots including District Spring Bank Camp and District Sixer and Seconder Camp. Last Spring, we went ringo and ski bobbing at Snowtrax, attended the district hike, went shelter building and bouldering at Braggers Wood and had an Easter Sleepover at Bransgore HQ. In the summer term we completed a litter pick at Bransgore Village Hall, went on a bike hike from Burbush, took part in sports day, learnt a new sport and practised our pioneering and backwoods cooking. We didn't stop in the Autumn term but started by going caving and climbing at Butcher's Coppice and ended the term taking part in laser tag. Even when not out and about we have been busy completing several badges including our chef's, emergency aid, scientist, cyclist, athletics, hobbies, sport enthusiast and book reader and over this year 6 Cubs have completed their Chief Scout Silver Award.

Emma Angel, Cub Leader

BEAVERS REPORT

Well it has been an exceptionally busy year for Bransgore Beavers. We have had a lot of trips out and about in the local area. We did a litter pick at Avon Beach and were amazed at how much rubbish we managed to gather. We also visited the recreation ground for some fitness activities, and Snowtrax and Monkey Madness for some winter fun.

Our Beavers have also attended several district events including, a painting competition, and adventure days, Sports Day, Jamboree on the Trail hike around Brownsea Island, and a District Camp based on the Greatest Showman. We had a successful time at these events. We won the painting competition, did well at Sports Day and, more importantly, won **Beaver Colony of the Year** for the District. It was a great surprise.

We have covered a wide variety of badges throughout the year, and the Beavers are always enthusiastic to take part in all of them. We have continued to care for the garden area around the hut, as well as growing our own plants at home. I don't think anyone managed to grow a plant as tall as our young leaders! We also covered our Faith badge and visited Christchurch Priory. In the run up to Remembrance Day, we painted stones with poppies and laid them around the Priory ready for the Parade we attended. It was a lovely event with all the Beavers in the District attending.

We have covered many badges this year, and really enjoyed having a visit from the Space Dome to learn about the stars and landing on the moon. We also completed our experiment badge, international badge and health and fitness badge. We also had a visit from Scout Active Support who taught us some bell ringing, which we showed off at our Annual Celebration event.

I would like to thank Curlew (Jen) and Goose (Phil) for all their hard work as the assistant Beaver Leaders. Even though they have both stepped down from the role, they still support us in a variety of ways. Many thanks too, to Kittiwake (Kathryn) who has stepped into the role of Colony Assistant, and both our young leaders, Penguin (Toby) and Pelican (Naomi). These three people are invaluable help every week and help the Colony to run smoothly. Finally, a big thank you to all the parents who have stepped up to help at our meetings. It is great to get to know people, and for the parents to share the meetings with their child.

Vicky (Puffin), Beaver Leader

LEADERSHIP TEAM

Leader Support

Mark Linney	Group Scout Leader
Helen Williams	Membership Secretary

Beavers

Vicky Stimpson	Beaver Leader
Kathryn Brennan	Section Assistant
Toby Hancock	Young Leader
Naomi Jupp	Young Leader

Cubs

Ben Linford	Assistant Cub Leader
Steve Cohu	Assistant Cub Leader
Emma Angel	Assistant Cub Leader
Warwick Stimpson	Young Leader

Scouts

Phil Reeves	Scout Leader
Noah Stride	Assistant Scout Leader
Jeremy Whittingham	Assistant Scout Leader
Nigel Benham	Troop Assistant and Section Treasurer
Robin Thorpe	Section Assistant
Katherine Angel	Young Leader

COMMITTEE TEAM

Committee

Marc Stimpson	Group Chairman
Kevin Dawson	Group Treasurer and archery and rifle permits Secretary
Jim Hanford	Committee member
Simon Williams	Committee member
Donna Reeves	Committee member
Jo Donaldson	Committee member
Amy Kefford	Committee member
Mike Manley	Committee member
Emma Angel	Committee member

Committee support

Lord Willie Manners	Honorary President
John Malins	Auditor
Elly Staddon	Hall Bookings Secretary

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

2019 was a great year for Scouting in Bransgore, but behind the scenes it has been a difficult one. Our biggest problem was the excessive amount of vandalism that we had at our site, especially over the Summer Holidays. These unwanted visitors to our site managed to burn all our firewood supplies and then pulled down the fire store and burnt that as well. This resulted in the Fire brigade visiting to help bring them under control. We also received a visit from the police, due to the anti-social behaviour of some trespassers. Unfortunately, some of these visitors felt the need to cause damage to drainpipes, trees and flower beds. It was a frustrating time, which diverted our attention from Scouting matters, to having to protect and repair the site. We found it necessary to install CCTV. We have always been proud of our open and welcoming site and so having cameras up goes against that philosophy. However, the cameras do seem to be doing their job and we have seen a reduction in incidents.

It has also been a difficult year for a lot of our leaders, committee members and supporters with several deciding that it was time to move on from the group. While others are having to reduce the amount of time that they are able to contribute (myself included). Any time given to the support of the group is greatly appreciated and, as important as we all believe Scouting is to the development of the young people, families and work must come first.

On a positive note, we celebrated our 60th year of continuous Scouting in Bransgore with a couple of successful events and the production of a commemorative badge. In July, we had a BBQ to mark the achievement and also took the time to thank Mike Manley, who retired from being our Scout Leader and was one of the original Scouts 60 years ago. Then in November, after a great turn out at the village remembrance service, we continued the parade and gathered under the oak tree where Scouting in Bransgore restarted 60 years ago. It was a lovely service and I must thank Phil Cole from the Community Church for leading it. He was a little thrown, as he was expecting to be talking to around 30 people, whereas it was closer to 200!!

During the year we had some very successful (and enjoyable) fundraising activities. The Beer festival was a great success, despite the rain. Whilst the fun day was a little more subdued than normal, but still an amazing day. I must thank the rotary for inviting us to participate in these events and for the very generous donation that they gave us towards the development of Ann's lodge. One of the consequences of the team not having enough time and of having to prioritise repairing the vandalism is that the renovation work on Ann's Lodge has still not started. We are hopeful that work will begin in early 2020 and though I am sure that it will be a long process, we should start to see some improvements soon.

Can I just take this opportunity to thank everyone who helps with the group, we have the most amazing group of leaders and fantastic committee, who make it all look so effortless. However, running a group of this size is difficult and many hands makes light work. So please take a moment to think about whether you could give a small amount of time to help us. Time is such a precious thing and we are grateful to everyone who gives up some to help the work that we are doing.

Finally, I would like to thank our Landlord and President, Lord Manners for his continuing support.

Marc Stimpson, Group Chairman

TREASURER'S REPORT

Another straightforward year as far as the Group's finances are concerned, with the collection of most income via OSM and the use of online banking to make payments.

A key factor in last year's report was the transference of the accounts for Braggers ESU to Christchurch District. The impact this year is very small as it is limited to the 'comparison' figures for the previous year.

The financial position of the Group strengthened during 2019 with a surplus of £3,885 of receipts over payments leaving a closing balance of £41,367.

The level of fundraising kept pace with previous years, despite a reduced profit from the beer festival. However, this was a controlled reduction as, due to the expected bad weather, we made an early decision to only serve until around 6pm on Saturday. As a result we bought accordingly, thus reducing our expenses, and was still able to sell everything.

We received an extraordinary donation of £3,000 from the Bransgore Rotary Club for use on the refurbishment of Ann's Lodge, along with donations from Christchurch runners and Macmillan Cancer Support for provision of marquee, gazebo and equipment to support their events. A village quiz evening held early in the summer, was in aid of our Group and we were presented with £220 at the end of the evening.

A reasonable amount of equipment was bought during the year, including a new fridge in HQ, a new BBQ and additional folding chairs, with a trolley. Conversely, we also sold some equipment/assets that we no longer have a use for, hence an additional line near the bottom of the Receipts page for 'Asset and Investment sales'.

Once again, John Malins conducted the independent examination of the accounts and provided a report on the accounts and the way we manage them. It is difficult each year to find different words to thank him for his support and guidance, so this year it is a simple 'thank you'.

As a Group will be still focussing on raising funds for the refurbishment of Ann's Lodge, although we must not neglect the maintenance and improvements of the rest of the site.

Kevin Dawson, Group Treasurer

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT SUMMARY

For the year ended 31stDecember 2019

	This Year	2018
	£	£
Total receipts for the year	25,258	22,350
Total payments for the year	21,642	(24,791)
Net receipts / (payments) for the year	3,885¹	(2,441)²
Cash, Bank and similar funds brought forward	37,482	39,922
Cash, Bank and similar funds carried forward	41,367	37,482

The above account and accompanying statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 27th February 2020, and signed on their behalf by

M Stimpson – Group Chairman

K Dawson – Group Treasurer

RESERVES POLICY

The Group's policy on reserves is:

- 1) To hold sufficient funds as contingencies to enable the Group to operate normally in the event of any unanticipated loss of income or increased expenditure, and
- 2) To maintain a specific building fund to cover future liabilities associated with the premises of the group

At the 31stDecember 2019 the general reserves of the Group amounted to **£41,367**. This figure includes a security fund of £5,000.

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

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

The accounts have been drawn up on the receipts and payments basis, which is consistent with the previous year.

Approved by the Trustees on 27th February 2020 and signed on their behalf by

M Stimpson – Group Chairman

RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2019

	This Year	2018
	£	£
MEMBERS SUBSCRIPTIONS	10,836	13,512
Less Capitation	3,654	4,399 ³
	<u>7,182</u>	<u>9,113</u>
 INVESTMENT INCOME RECEIVED		
Bank Interest	0	0
Building Society Interest	118	87
	<u>118</u>	<u>87</u>
 DONATIONS / GRANTS		
Use of Halls	1,993	1,505
Other	3,220 ⁴	675
	<u>5,213</u>	<u>2,180</u>
 ACTIVITIES		
Camp Fees	5,121	4,419
Outings	412	966
	<u>5,532</u>	<u>5,385</u>
 FUND RAISING (Gross)		
Bransgore Fun Day	737	470
Tent and Marquee Hire	480	460
Beer Festival	1,612	1,747
Sundries	583 ⁵	129
	<u>3,412</u>	<u>2,806</u>
 OTHER INCOME		
Uniform	285 ⁶	135 ⁷
Income tax Recovered	2,885	2,645
	<u>3,170</u>	<u>2,780</u>
 SUNDRY RECEIPTS		
Badge Receipts	0	0
 ASSET AND INVESTMENT SALES	900 ⁸	0
 TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR	<u><u>25,528</u></u>	<u><u>22,350</u></u>

PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2019

	This Year	2018
	£	£
PREMISES		
Ground Rent	50	50
Water Rates	417	399
Light and Heat	466 ⁹	846
Insurance	2,415	2,348
Internet	120	120
Maintenance	421	1,863 ¹⁰
Caretaker Fees and Key Cutting	557 ¹¹	205
Improvements	534	746
	4,981	6,577
ACTIVITIES		
Camp Costs and Food	6,969	6,040
Outings, Entry Fees and Sundries	3,388	2,961
	10,356	9,001
FUND RAISING EXPENSES		
Bransgore Fun Day	59	49
Tent and Marquee Hire	21	61
Beer Festival	555	631
Sundries	31	0
	666	741
DONATIONS / GRANTS	100	156
ADMIN / ESTABLISHMENT EXPENSES		
Stationery	23	80
OTHER EXPENSES		
AGM	165	430 ¹²
Admin charges	567	548
Thankyou/Gifts	226	58
Uniforms	29	1,567 ¹³
Training	0	0
Sundries	1,241	1,008 ¹⁴
	2,227	3,610
PURCHASE OF BADGES, NECKERS AND HANDBOOKS	1,469	917
SUB-TOTAL	19,821	21,082
PURCHASE OF CAPITAL EQUIPMENT	1,822 ¹⁵	85
TRANSFER OF BRAGGERS ESU TO DISTRICT	0	3,624
TOTAL PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	21,642	24,791

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2019

	This Year	2018
	£	£
MONETARY ASSETS		
Bank Current Accounts	40,799	37,038
Cash in Hand	568	444
	41,367	37,482
OTHER MONETARY ASSETS		
Tax Claim for Year Ending (Estimate)	2,500	2,500
Debts due to Group / District	0	0
	2,500	2,500
INVESTMENT ASSETS		
Government stocks at market value	0	0
Other quoted securities at market value	0	0
Other investments	0	0
Property held for investment purposes	0	0
	0	0
NON-MONETARY ASSETS (Assets for Charity's own use)		
Badge Secretary's Stock	200	200
Group / District Shop Stock	0	0
Land and Buildings	350,000	350,000
Scouting Equipment, Furniture, etc.	35,000 ¹⁶	40,000
	385,200	390,200
LIABILITIES (Payable after more than one year)		
Loan	0	0
	0	0
CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND FUTURE OBLIGATIONS		
	0	0

¹ Mostly as a result of a single, extraordinary donation

² Mostly due to handing over Braggers ESU finances to District

³ Capitation was paid before handing over Braggers ESU finances to District

⁴ Rotary Club and village quiz night

⁵ Christchurch runners and Easy Fundraising

⁶ Selling "activity" t-shirts to young people and helpers

⁷ Selling "activity" t-shirts to young people and helpers

⁸ Selling of pews and surplus tentage

⁹ Due to refund from SSE – monthly payments have (finally) been adjusted

¹⁰ Mostly due to electrical work and certificate in HQ and tree removal

¹¹ Higher than usual cost of fire extinguisher check due to number of replacements

¹² Purchase of trophies, medals and certificates for “Of The Year” awards

¹³ Mostly “activity” t-shirts for purchase by young people and helpers to wear at events such as Camps, Sports Day and when fundraising

¹⁴ Branded mugs for use in the halls

¹⁵ Purchase of gazebo, BBQ, fridge, additional folding chairs/trolley and bushcraft knives

¹⁶ Reduced to reflect transfer of responsibility of Braggers ESU equipment to District

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

To the Trustees of the 6thChristchurch (Bransgore) Scout Group

I report on the accounts of the Group for the year ended 31st December, 2019 which are set out on the previous pages.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Group's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required this year (under Section 32(2) of the Charities act 1993 (the 1993 act)) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under Section 43 (3) (a) of the 1993 Act);
- Follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under Section 43 (7) (b) of the 1993 Act; and
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Group and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiner's statement

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

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 41 of the 1993 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 Act have not been met, *or*
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: _____

Name: J Malins
Qualification: Chartered Management Accountant (A.C.M.A.)
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