

**11th Nuneaton (Weddington) Scout Group
Minutes of Annual General Meeting 2022-2023
held on 22nd July 2023**

Attendance

- Chris Cottrell (GSL) Anne Tallentire (Secretary), Tom Ind (SL/ADC Scouts), Doug and Myra Shorter (Committee and Active Support), Carol Cottrell (Comm), Donna Watkins (Parent), Aston Watkins (Comm), Bob Sambrook (Cubs), Carol Ball (Cubs), Chris Ball, Karen Miller (Beavers), Carl Miller (Treasurer), Sandra Parker (Comm), Paul Wakeley (County Commissioner), Steven Haynes (District Commissioner), Jonathan Miller, Phil A, Iona B, Wendy Neale (Parent), Danny Neale, Charlotte Horton (Parent), Andy Horton (Scout), Rob Horton (Parent), Donna Bull (Cubs), Jack-James Bull (Cub), Andrew Shorter, Dan Showler (Beavers), Beth Showler (Beavers), Helen Cross (Cubs/Comm)

Apologies

- Tim Deakin, Gas Cotterill, Jenny Cotterill, Tony Frearson, Ryan Wilson, Helen Rowson-Wilson, Cara Cramp

Minutes

- The minutes from the previous meeting were approved. Proposed by Helen Cross, seconded by Sandra Parker.

Scout Group Governance

- The Transition from Executive Committee to Board of Trustees has been agreed by 11th Nuneaton Committee. The decision has been made to adopt the formal constitution as written in POR. Our financial year runs 1st April to 31st March. We have at least 6 board members with a minimum of 4 required to enable decisions to be made. Approved by Tom Ind, seconded by Doug Shorter.

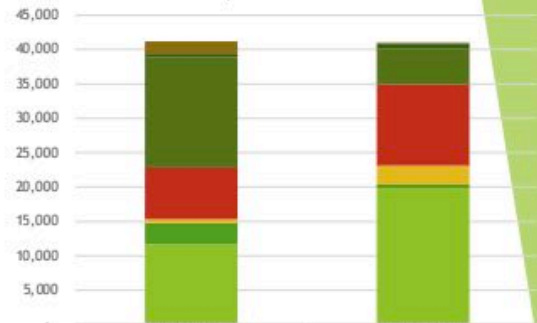
Treasurer's Report

- We have a very healthy bank balance and we need ideas on how to spend the funds in the best way to improve our facilities and support our sections.

Income

- ▶ Income was similar to prior year:
 - ▶ £8k higher membership income
 - ▶ £2k extra gift aid
 - ▶ **£9k less in grants - no grants expected in 23/24 year**
 - ▶ £4k extra camp income due to return to more camping

Income Comparison

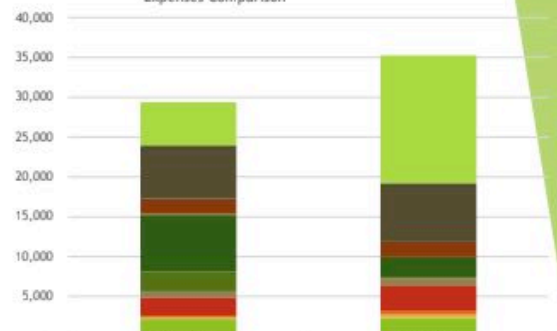


	2021/2022	2022/2023
Interest	-	-
Property Rent Income	1,960	205
Fundraising	403	708
Grants	16,000	5,244
Refunds	-	-
Camp Income	7,453	11,747
Badge, Necker and Uniform Sales	125	119
Gift Aid	501	2,674
Donations	3,084	592
Membership subscriptions	11,673	19,772

Expenditure

- ▶ £6k increase in spending:
 - ▶ £1k higher electricity cost
 - ▶ £1k extra Headquarters costs
 - ▶ **£7k lower spend on equipment and repairs**
 - ▶ £9k extra camp costs due to return to more camping
- ▶ Overall income matched expenditure excluding the grant received

Expenses Comparison



	2021/2022	2022/2023
Camp Fees & Activities	5,453	16,039
District/County Capitalation	6,728	7,357
Badge and Uniform purchases	1,872	1,907
Other Direct Expenses	129	34
Materials and equipment	7,083	2,368
Repairs and Renewals	2,514	271
Insurance	714	839
Electricity and Gas	2,279	3,281
Water and Sewerage	260	428
Rates	203	397
Meeting Expenses	2,182	2,349

Balance Sheet and Summary

- ▶ Group remains in healthy financial position
- ▶ We were able to support members facing hardship with both membership and camping fees
- ▶ Costs are still increasing (badges, HQ fees and Electricity)
- ▶ Membership fees will be reviewed Jan 2024 and only increased if necessary to break even

	2022/2023	2021/2022
Cash funds		
Bank current account	46,764	47,060
Camping Account	2,450	5,736
Bank accounts held by Sections	125	545
Cash held by Sections	64	17
Group Cash/Floats	37	13
Total cash funds	49,440	53,370
Non monetary assets		
Land and buildings	363,034	363,034
Land and Building Accumulated Depreciation	- 22,690	- 15,126
Fixtures and fittings	42,729	32,784
Fixtures and fittings Accumulated Depreciation	- 3,512	- 234
Total	429,000	433,827

Scouting Report

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Woodland Beavers



In the summer term, we took a group of Beavers to Get In where they were able to try out a huge range of different activities. We spent an evening outside putting up tents and learning some knots. We were also lucky enough to enjoy two great evenings at Fives Ways having a go at kayaking. We were joined by beavers from across the district when we attended an early morning showing of Buzz Lightyear at the local cinema.

During the autumn term we took part in a number of activities to work towards our community impact badge. Beavers took part in a litter pick in the Higham Lane area, we learnt about recycling and our local food bank. Beavers enjoyed a great night sleeping over at the hut. They set up the pop-up tents inside and we enjoyed hot dogs, a movie and marshmallows cooked over the fire pit. We learnt about the importance of Remembrance Day and made poppies. We spent an evening making different kinds of bird feeders to hang in our gardens. Just before Christmas we walked into town to see the Christmas lights and enjoyed a McDonalds.

In the Spring term, we spent an evening learning about space and made a large picture of the solar system that everyone contributed to. We learnt about Chinese New Year and tried some Chinese food. We worked towards our Personal Challenge and Book Reader badges and we learnt about the importance of kindness. We also took part in an escape room challenge where we all had to solve clues to escape from Pirate Island.

Over the twelve-month period we've had between twenty and twenty-four beavers attending regularly. During that time two beavers achieved their Chief Scout Bronze Award and beavers also achieved their nights away level 1, paddle sports level 1, camp craft, book reader, communicator, cyclist, community impact level 1 and international badges. In total 185 badges were awarded.

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BEAVERS



Greenwood Beavers



We had a busy year trying to get outside as much as possible. We took our colony to GetIn22 along with lots of parents. A great time was had and lots of badges earned.

Through the year we went on a walk, lit fires, cooked s' mores and pancakes and visited Nuneaton to explore, and eat ice cream. We all learned some new skills, had a sleepover at the hut and had visits from the planetarium and Wildlife Kate.

We have said goodbye to Beavers moving on to Cubs and presented 4 Bronze Chief Scout Awards and welcomed lots of new families.

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BEAVERS

Greenwood Beavers



Enjoying a well-earned ice cream after exploring the town

Beavers lighting candles for their Skills Badge



Trying new fruits for Health and Fitness badge

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Fosse Cubs

We have held steady at around 30 cubs all year. 386 badges were achieved which included 5 Chief Scout Silver. Activities at the hut included the Climbing Wall. Astronomer (we had the pop up Planetarium for 1 meeting night) Money skills, Pioneering (making ballisters) Board games and Athletics.

We had a Great turn out for GET IN.

As there was no Cub Camp last year, we had a day at Fox's Covert in July for eight of the older cubs. We did open fire cooking/Fire Lighting, Pitching a tent and Pioneering.

In February we were joint winners of the Cub Quiz.

Many thanks to Mrs Taylor who helped us last year and has now moved on to help at Scouts.

Many thanks to Helen Cross, Lewis Coulter, Finlay Prosser. Also to parents who have helped at meetings or on outings.

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Watling Cubs

cubs



We have been following a varied programme over the year and been working hard towards all challenge badges. We have presented 5 chief Scout Silver awards.

The cubs have been doing first aid, collector, hobby and home help.

We have been kayaking and had a few hikes and one sleep over at the hut.

Our numbers have been good every week.

We have been doing some charity fundraising and baked cakes for children in need and had a bring and buy sale for comic relief, we also supported the wildlife sanctuary and they came for one meeting with some of their rescue animals.

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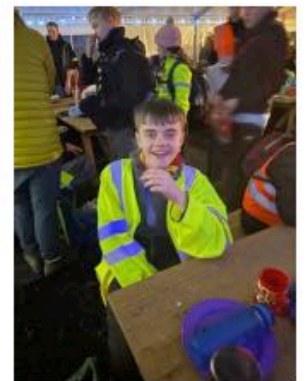
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SCOUTS

Scouts have been hiking, kayaking, fire lighting, climbing, bouldering, animating, learning about fire safety, learning to use camping stoves, made arm pit fudge, made a Christmas video and had a Christmas Dinner, made a meal in just one pan, created the own music, made their own woggles, improved their navigation skills, 'discussed' fair-trade practices in the banana industry, been cycling, visited the town hall with the Mayor, been orienteering and completed a scrapheap challenge amongst lots of other activities.

Camps wise, we have been to Get In, Summer Camp and had a Winter Camp at Ullesthorpe.

In the District, we camped at the District Service weekend and the County Bear Trek. We have joined in with the Scout Bowling night and Sports day, and we went to the Gangshow to see some of our own Scouts perform on stage.



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EXPLORERS

- Climbing on our new wall.
- Geocaching.
- Pamper night and face masks.
- Ten pin bowling.
- Laser-quest.
- Visited the gang show to see Molly.
- Team bake off.
- Moneywise session with Jacqui
- Ice skating
- Christmas meal out at Ponchinellos.
- Highland games.
- Drone night with Aaron.
- Canoe competition at 5ways
- Old mobile phones night.



- All sections have worked very hard and had some very successful events. There is a definite food theme.
- We always need more volunteers to help run sections, join in events and take part in camps.

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Get In Camp



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Queen's Jubilee



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Summer Camp



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Summer Camp



Census

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Beavers	39	43	25	46	42
Cubs	56	51	48	47	67
Scouts	43	50	47	48	40
Explorers	14	15	18	18	20
Volunteers*	64	64	55	51	48

* Leaders (inc Explorer), Assistants, Active Support, Committee

- Cubs numbers are very high at the moment but some of these will be moving on to Scouts in the next few months.

Election of Officers and Committee

- GSL's nomination for position of Group Chair is Andrew Shorter, this was approved by Jonathan Miller.
- Anne Tallentire (Secretary) was proposed by Karen Miller and seconded by Doug Shorter to continue in her current role.
- Carl Miller (Treasurer) was proposed by Karen Miller and seconded by Bob Sambrook to continue in his current role.
- Doug Shorter, Aston Watkins, Hassain Aziz were elected as Trustees.
- Carol Cottrell, Sandra Parker, Helen Cross continue in their positions on the committee.
- George Bachelor, the accountant, has agreed to be the group's Auditor.

Any Other Business

- Long Service Awards:
 - Joe Cooksey, Jacque Smith, Rob Tambini – 5 Years
 - Tony Frearson, Carol Ball – 40 Years
- Congratulations to Doug Shorter for his British Empire Medal
- Finlay and Ted are on their way to Jamboree
- Welcome to new volunteers Beth, Donna, Harry, Hannah, Lindsey, Angel and Georgia
- Thank you to every Volunteer that makes it all possible.
- Our thoughts and best wishes go out to Rosie who is currently battling cancer.

Comments from County Commissioner Paul Wakeley

- What a fantastic year, lots of skills involved in the adventures and it is great to see such teamwork.
- On behalf of Warwickshire Scout Council, thank you to all the volunteers, leaders, parents and young people who get involved.
- The challenge for all is to consider opening a Squirrels section to get 4 to 6 year olds into Scouting.

11th Nuneaton (Weddington) Scout Group Receipts and Payments Account



Year start date

Year end date

For the year from	01/04/2022	To	31/03/2023
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Receipts

	2022/2023 £	2021/2022 £	Notes
Receipts			
Donations, legacies and similar income			
Membership subscriptions	19,772.13	11,672.80	
Donations	592.42	3,084.00	
Gift Aid	2,674.28	501.13	
Badge, Necker and Uniform Sales	118.75	124.97	
Camp Income	11,746.69	7,453.21	
District/County Capitation refund			
Refunds			
Sub total	34,904.27	22,836.11	
Grants			
Grants	5,244.06	16,000.00	
Sub total	5,244.06	16,000.00	
Fundraising (gross)			
Easy Fundraising			
Fundraising - other	290.21		
Fundraising - charity stall			
Fundraising - commercial awards			
Fundraising - NBBC Lottery	417.95	402.50	
Sub total	708.16	402.50	
Investment income			
Property Rent income	205.00	1,960.00	
Interest			
Sub total	205.00	1,960.00	
Total Gross Income	41,061.49	41,198.61	
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-	
Total receipts	41,061.49	41,198.61	



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	Year start date		Year end date
For the year from	01/04/2022	To	31/03/2023

Payments

	2022/2023 £	2021/2022 £	Notes
Payments			
Charitable Payments			
Meeting Expenses	2,348.95	2,181.70	
Adult/Member support and training			
Rates	396.80	202.55	
Water and Sewerage	428.42	260.25	
Electricity and Gas	3,280.77	2,278.80	
Insurance	839.19	713.83	
Repairs and Renewals	271.37	2,513.84	
Materials and equipment	2,368.46	7,083.09	
Other Direct Expenses			
Badge and Uniform purchases	1,906.55	1,871.88	
Internet fees	33.50	128.91	
Charitable Payments			
Uniforms			
AGM and trustee expenses/Stationary			
Administration costs			
District/County Capitation	7,356.50	6,728.25	
Equipment purchased by Sections			
Camp Fees & Activities	16,038.66	5,452.87	
Sub total	35,269.17	29,415.97	
Fundraising expenses			
Fundraising - costs	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	
Total Gross Expenditure	35,269.17	29,415.97	
Depreciation Property	7,563.20	7,797.20	
Depreciation Fixture and Fittings	3,278.36		
Total payments	46,110.73	37,213.17	
Net of receipts/(payments)	5,049.24	3,985.44	



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Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	2022/2023 £	2021/2022 £	Notes
Cash funds			
Bank current account	46,763.85	47,060.19	
Camping Account	2,449.92	5,735.69	
Bank accounts held by Sections	124.58	544.72	
Cash held by Sections	64.38	17.10	
Group Cash/Floats	37.22	12.69	
Total cash funds	49,439.95	53,370.39	
Other monetary assets			
Advance Payments made to Camp Sites	-	-	
Advance payments made to the County/Area/District/Group	-	-	
Insurance claim	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	
Non monetary assets for charity's own use			
Land and buildings	363,033.55	363,033.55	
Land and Building Accumulated Depreciation	- 22,689.60	- 15,126.40	
Fixtures and fittings	42,728.65	32,783.60	
Fixtures and fittings Accumulated Depreciation	- 3,512.36	- 234.00	
Sub total	379,560.24	380,456.75	
Liabilities			
Expenses incurred but not invoiced			
Creditors (Expenses Owed)			
Other liabilities	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	
Total	429,000.19	433,827.14	

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 9/6/2023 (the date of the Executive Committee meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by

Signature

 
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Print Name

C Cottrell - Trustee
C Miller - Treasurer

Notes to Accounts

1. Cooperative Community fund

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

11th Nuneaton (Weddington).....SCOUT GROUP/DISTRICT/COUNTY/AREA SCOUT COUNCIL

I report on the accounts of the Group/District/County/Area for the year ended 31st March 2023.....
which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and related notes set out on pages.....

This report is made solely to the trustees in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees for my examination work.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Group's/District's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under Section 145 of the Charities Act);
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act); and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent 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/District 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (~~other than that disclosed below~~ *):

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Charities Act ;and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities 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.

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

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