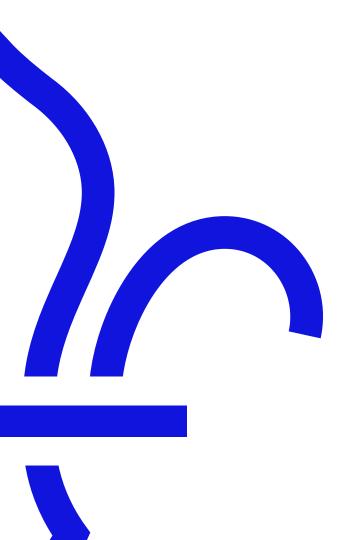
Annual Report



2019



Thurrock District Scout Council

Annual Report and Statement of Accounts

Year End 31st December 2019

Annual General Meeting

Thursday 11th June 2020 (The meeting was held online due to the Covid-19 situation)

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Registered Charity Number

279853

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David Gregory	District Chair	*
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Steve Morgan	District Treasurer	Finance
Graham Monk	District Commissioner	*
Tim Gregory	Deputy District Commissioner	
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David Veitch		Condovers (Chair)
David Ward		Finance (Chair)
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^{*:} The District Chair and District Commissioner are effectively Members of all Sub Committees and can attend at any time.

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Structure, Governance and Management

Type of governing document

The District's 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.

How the charity is constituted

The District is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Districts.

Trustee selection methods

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

Objectives, activities, achievements and future plans

Summary of the objectives of the charity

The objectives of the District are as a unit of the Scout Association.

The Scout Association's objectives are as follows:

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 cooperate 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

Summary of the main activities, achievements and future plans

These are set out in the following pages.

Public Benefit Statement

The District meet the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.

Financial Review (including Reserves Policy)

The accounts for the Financial Year ending 31 December 2019 are shown on pages 29 to 53 of this document.

The Statement of Financial Activities on page 29 incorporate the income and expenditure for the District, Alf Lowne Scout Centre, the two Campsites (including their Development Funds), Explorer Scouts, Network and the SAS units of Avock, Gang Show, Playscheme and SCH. The individual accounts for these areas are shown within pages 39 to 53. Page 30 shows the summary Balance Sheet.

Overall receipts in 2019 totalled £156,529, while payments totalled £164,071. The net spend of £7,542 resulted in an decrease to District Fund balances from £229,563 to £222,021. The year-end Fund balance of £222,021 comprises depreciated capital assets of £108,790 and net current assets of £113,231.

The balances in the General Fund at 31 December 2019 totalled £20,040. The District are looking to increase this reserve in future years to cover one year running costs (circa £10k) and also the running costs of the largest group in the District (circa £20k). The Trustees will consider their options for meeting this target moving forward. Balances are held by other parts of the District in designated funds, but these are being retained to meet variations in running costs and planned developments, particularly at the Campsites.

Declaration

The Summary Annual Report and Accounts were approved by the Trustees at their meeting on 12 March 2020 and signed on their behalf by:

David Gregory District Chairman Steve Morgan
District Treasurer

District Commissioner

Graham Monk

I've now completed six years as District Commissioner. Time has certainly flown by and it won't be too long before preparations will start to find my replacement as ten years is the limit for this role. I continue to be very proud of this District and we are rightly considered to be a dynamic and forward-looking group of adults and young people. We don't sit back. We continue to innovate by reviewing and then refreshing. This covers all of our District events and competitions. By doing this, we continue to have healthy numbers entering all of the competitions and events.

Last year, the Association launched its new five year development plan entitled "Skills for Life". There are many strands to this but the first has looked at a total refresh of branding. We have now virtually completed all of our refresh with new banners, feather flags and our online presence. There is much more to do as this percolates through to both County and District.

As was the case with the previous development plan, the district had its own Development Day at the Civic Hall in November. Adults and Explorer Scouts came together to review our old plan and to develop a new one. The day was vibrant and there are a large group of actions to progress going forward.

There are some that gauge success by the winning of competitions. I have never subscribed to that view. My view of success is where young people have a challenging and active programme which leads to the Chief Scout's Award in all of the sections. Judging by the numbers awarded, I believe that we are succeeding. District events and activities such as camps are organised to assist with the operation of an active programme. They help where there is a shortage of leaders or where a section has insufficient numbers to carry out an activity on their own.

The pinnacle in Scouting is to receive the Queen's Scout Award and we have, once again, had success with Luke Ford achieving this success. We've also had a large number of Jack Petchey Awards and it shows how our young people and not so young adults make a real difference.

Young people join Scouting to take part in outdoor and adventurous activities and I believe that we have made progress in offering many opportunities. We have added Tomahawk Throwing to our list and there is also a pilot programme of sailing in partnership with Thurrock Yacht Club. Our two campsites are also a key part in our offering and both have had many hours of tender loving care during the year. Plans are being developed to add to the facilities and activities available on each site.

Our District Scout Centre (Alf Lowne Scout Centre) is now busier than ever hosting a wide range of Scouting activities from adult and youth training to Explorer Scout meetings and Gang Show rehearsals. It's also the base for one of our Scout Shop outlets. These contribute a significant amount to Groups and the District by returning the profits for use in approved projects. We have also now entered into a partnership with the Nepalese and Gurkha community enabling them to make use of the Centre as a "drop-in" place for their community during the week. We look forward to developing this partnership by encouraging adults and young people, within this community, to join Scouting.

Scouting is recognised as an exemplar with regards to safety, safeguarding and our overall training scheme for adults. Our Local Training Manager, Gill Root, has continued to work tirelessly, with her team to encourage, cajole and even, on occasions, nagging adults to complete appropriate training. We have had considerable success with a steady stream of adults completing their wood badges. However, Gill does not rest on her laurels. Don't be surprised to receive an email if you haven't completed your training and I warn you; she doesn't take no for an answer.

Thurrock has been a District that takes the International aspects of Scouting seriously, going right back to when Alf Lowne was District Commissioner in the 1960s and 70s. During 2019 seven of our young people and one adult attended the World Jamboree in West Virginia. They had a fantastic experience and gave a presentation at the Christmas District Scout Council Meeting. We also had forty young people and adults travel to Australia via Hong Kong for the Australian Jamboree. They all had a fantastic time meeting up with fellow Scouts from across the world. They gave a presentation at the District AGM and also were part of a presentation at the County AGM. Finally, fifty Cub Scouts, Scouts and adults visited Normandy in October, staying in a Chateau and experiencing life in the area.

I would like to finish by thanking the District Team. They are a lively group and totally committed to putting together support for both leaders and young people. My personal thanks to Sue Rogers and Tim Gregory, my deputies, who have their own tasks but also help me with other things as they arise.

My thanks also to our District Chair, David Gregory, who has provided long and distinguished service in this role and is always on hand to offer help, assistance and advice. He has told me that he wishes to stand down from the role in 2020 but has agreed to change to the role of Vice-Chair.

As we move into 2020, we can feel proud of everything that we have achieved but there is much more to do.

Beaver Scouts

Julie Spurgeon

Assistant District Commissioner (Beavers)

We had a quiet start to the year with our first event held in February, due to the colonies being very busy over the Christmas period.

Our first activity was our District Quiz afternoon which was attended by 14 colonies. Each colony could enter a team of 3 and the Beavers spent the afternoon searching their brains for the correct answers. The winners this time round were Belhus, congratulations to them.

In March we joined with the Cub section for our annual Link event. The 6 oldest Beavers from each colony could attend with Cubs from their group and they were set challenges to complete together – we had water challenges, building a skeleton and then racing them on a stretcher, pass the polo with straws, how many words can you make from a can of alphabetti spaghetti, they also learnt some emergency aid and there were games, craft and backwards cooking bases. March also saw the annual production of Gang Show, and I know that many of the Beavers went along to watch.

Renewal of Promise in April was very well attended, and the Beavers

participated throughout the service. They all looked very smart and proud during the walk from Hathaway Academy to Blackshots.

In May there was Jamboree on the Trail and many colonies took part in the walk along the sea wall from Grays to Purfleet. There was a stopping point on the way at St Clements Church and they also got to look around the Heritage Centre at Purfleet. Grosvenor Hall also took place in May and Beavers were given the opportunity to attend this along with the rest of the District. I know that they had an exciting time trying some new activities.

June saw some of the colonies attend Gilwell Funday and we also had our first County camp. This was held at Skreens Park and an amazing time was had by all.

July was our District outing to Paradise Wildlife Park. The Beavers got to explore the whole park getting time to see the animals, play in park and come face to face with life size Dinosaurs. Everyone went home completely tired out. During August, Playscheme ran their annual week of fun and games and I know that several colonies attended at least once during this time.

September was our District Sleepover and this year we had a Pirate theme. During the day the Beavers got to take part in various bases where they got to make items such as a pirate eye patch and a sword and take part in other activities such as a code cracking scavenger hunt, cork gun shooting, feed the shark (throwing bean bags through a cut out) and of course walking the plank. This was then followed by dinner and a campfire before going to bed exhausted.

Sunday morning's activities had to be cancelled unfortunately due to harsh weather and we finished camp a little bit earlier. Thank you to OATS for doing our catering and some of the leaders from Belhus and Aveley who helped with the planning.

November saw colonies taking part in various Remembrance Day services.

To round up the year in December we had a District outing to 360 Play

in Basildon. We had exclusive use of this facility and the Beavers got the chance to run wild, I think a few of the leaders did too.

Over the course of the year I have presented numerous Chief Scout's Bronze Awards and several Wood Badges to leaders. It is a pleasure to visit the colonies to present these awards and I look forward to presenting many more.

The District continues to grow with the number of Beavers attending and we have an amazing team of leaders and Young Leaders who work tirelessly to provide a varied and fun packed programme for our young people.

A massive thank you to all of you for your time, support and commitment week in week out. I would also like to thank my team of District Beaver Leaders and the rest of the District team for their support.

Apologies to anyone I have forgotten to thank and hope I have mentioned all of the events we have taken part in.

Cub Scouts

Steve Cootes

Assistant District Commissioner (Cubs)

February

Saturday 9th February saw 18 packs enter the annual Cub Games Challenge afternoon, which was held at Ockendon Scout Hall for the third year. The afternoon saw 54 young people playing such games as Play Your Cards Right, air shoot, snakes and ladders, pairs, ping pong, Jenga, Boggle, Hungry Hippos, Connect 4 and shove halfpenny. The sporting attitude as well as teamwork shown by the young people was a joy to see.

March

A little busier this month starting with the District Swimming Gala. This year's Gala was attended by most Cub packs and supported well by their parents. This being the last event in our Alf Lowne Trophy year, scores are very important to the final positions. This adds to the friendly competition between all taking part.

Many packs attended the Cub/Beaver Link day which gave all young people challenges to overcome and helped with their transition into Cubs.

April

On Saturday 6th April, 18 packs entered the annual Cub Quiz which was held at East Tilbury Scout Hall. The afternoon saw many young people answering questions on topics such as Scouting, film songs, saints, history, the natural world and science.

May - Cubs District Rifle Final

On Sunday 11th May, 42 Cubs from 21 packs attended the Alf Lowne Scout Centre to battle it out for the top hot shots within the District. John Daines and his team had spent the previous 4 months visiting all packs to enable the packs the chance of participating in this year's Competition and putting their top 2 best shots

forward to the final. The scoring standard was very high again this year.

June

District Camp

Once again, we held our Cub District Camp at Condovers. We had good attendance from 21 packs which made up 272 Cubs plus Explorers and leaders.

The week leading up to camp was a mixture of weathers but come camp it settled more. Still giving us the odd shower but nothing to stop our activities running.

Friday evening, we were treated to a wide game dollar market run by 7th Grays Cromwell, followed by a short Cubs Own where Darren Barlow visited to pass on some wise words to us all.

Saturday morning we were once again treated to an energetic couple of hours of games which were run by Ockendon. This certainly started to burn the Cubs energy.

We then slowed the morning down as packs returned to their sites to design and build a gate sign, along with fancy-dress costumes which were made from newspaper and recyclable materials. These items were then judged by our judges and displayed to others as part of our parade which was then finished off with a picnic on the lawn.

In the afternoon we had three hours of activities, ranging from tomahawk throwing, the climbing wall, arts and crafts, a visiting drummer, whittling, fake wounds, disability knots where cubs would understand tying knots with various disabilities, backwoods cooking, paracord dragonflies, hockey, biscuit decorating and the Playscheme inflatables.

After tea we started our tug of war competition run as usual by Andy from Stifford Orca and Paul Minshall. All the teams were exhausted after a good start to the competition, so we headed off to the campfire circle

where we all enjoyed the evening's campfire, lead by DC Graham along with some helpers.

With the Cubs back at base for supper, many did not finish their hot dogs as tiredness got the better of them after a busy but fun day.

After a quieter night it was straight into Olympic based activities, as well as target football, netball, volleyball and first aid, to name but a few.

Once the activities closed it was everyone to the centre of the field for the finals of the tug of war, as well as a fun pull made up of leaders and Explorers. Despite a quick downpour, spirits weren't broken and all left the field smiling and ready for their lunch.

After lunch, to close the camp, we had a magician entertain the young people as this allows leaders to strike camp. Brains were tested for Leaders and Cubs as camp quizzes were devised for us by East Tilbury and District.

All the judging of the various activities (by our visitors from Basildon District) and the tug of war and quizzes etc went towards the Frank Havers Competition which was won by Stifford Orca.

We were visited by ACC Wendy Bye and her husband Bob (DCC YP). Wendy presented a Wood Badge to Wendy Townsend from 1st Grays, and took an active part in the afternoon so many events could be added to the County Centenary challenges.

County Awards

Also this month was the County Awards presentation weekend, where we had over 100 Cubs invited along to receive a certificate from County for achieving their Silver Award.

Sixer and Seconder Forum

60 Sixers and Seconders gathered at Condovers for our Forum. The Cubs were all mixed up and put into teams, then the afternoon was split into various challenges and team games. We proceeded to open our Forum by explaining to the Cubs we wished to hear their thoughts - whether good or bad - on what we do within the District and what they would like to put on wish lists. Some very constructive comments arose to give the District Team some ideas to consider when future planning.

One idea that came up a lot again was more camps/overnight experiences so next year's event will be a sleepover. It was nice to hear so many constructive ideas from so many young people.

July

Saturday 14th July was the date for Cub District Sports Day at Thurrock Harriers Stadium. 17 packs took part and were supported by many parents enjoying the afternoon.

The race styles were flat and hurdles, along with a relay race and a fun sack/ egg race. This was a half and half type of race which was fun for all. Our field events were javelin, shot putt, long jump and welly throwing.

August

Many packs attended group camps or section camps, as well as many daytime and evening activities. Playscheme was also popular for many packs.

September

On the weekend of the 7th and 8th September we had 120 Cubs attend Docklands Scout Project. Over the two days the Cubs took part in canoeing, kayaking, sailing and rowing. All of these went towards badges.

The approach to these skills was a little daunting for some but, with the help of leaders as well as other Cubs, those fears were overcome and everyone went home smiling after a fun day on the water. This open day event was a good taster for many who are now looking forward to weekends away with the Scouts as they progress within Scouting.

Pete Symons Trophy

A Football competition was held in honour of Pete who had been a strong member within Thurrock District for many years before his passing. His family kindly donated a trophy in Pete's memory and were there to present this to the winning team.

October

This year's Cub Challenge took on the appearance of a good old-fashioned game of Monopoly, hence the name Cubnopoly. Cubs walked around Stanford and Corringham with their maps and Monopoly board 'purchasing' local businesses. This was achieved by taking selfies and sending them back to our HQ to achieve their points.

During their walk around they were on the lookout for various SAS members from SCH, Gang Show and AVOCK so as to get a Community or Chance card. This determined a financial loss or win which was placed on their credit cards and if they were unfortunate enough to go to jail they had a time penalty.

We had 14 teams overall and many were approached by locals saying what a good thing we were doing and how good the Scout Association is for teaching young people new skills. Many older Cubs are now looking forward to the Scouts DC Challenge and walking round London after this little taster.

France Trip

A group of Cubs attended Chateaux de Baffy in France as well which was a part of their international experience. This event will be repeated due to its success.

November

Cub Handicraft was supported well as usual with Cubs challenging each other to various craft designs.

This year it was a healthy theme based around various fruits, whether they were drawn, crafted in clay or cut up into collages. The finished crafts were then judged by our regular judges from Basildon District.

December

Our usual Christmas Carol Concert was held at St Peter's and St Paul's Church in Grays. This year was a Nativity theme and was well attended. The charity we supported this year was Ronald McDonald House.

Summary

We have once again had a successful year with an increase in numbers. There has been a lot of hard work between leaders and young people as programmes are developed to be able to attain the many various badges.

Many packs had very busy programmes outside of the District events, from day trips, museum sleepovers, carol singing on Fenchurch Street Station for fundraising, and even a celebratory trip to Cyprus for Thameside Orion. I know that this work is continuous throughout the year and helps develop the young people of Thurrock.

This year has once again been a good year for Cubs achieving their Silver Award with over 110 presented, as well as several Wood Badge completions.

Thank you to ALL leaders along with the District Team; Kath, Sarah, Sue, Ben, Craig and Paul, and we all look forward to another successful year in 2020.

Scouts

David Tapsell

Assistant District Commissioner (Scouts)

The past year has been another very busy year with a full programme of District Events being run and the majority of troops using them to their full advantage.

One or two troops are still short of a Scout Leader and so if anyone knows of someone that would like to take up the challenge then please get in touch with a member of the District Team and we can point you in the right direction.

Feb 2019 - DC Challenge London

Once again we opened this event up to Guiding & the Explorer section. This year saw approx 350 take part, once more on our own dedicated train provided by c2c. This year we took on the format of the Monopoly board with teams having to secure 'houses' before they were told the hotel. The winners were 1st Thors Oak, Thameside came runners up and 2nd Stanford-le-Hope took 3rd!

March 2019 - The Swimming Gala

The turnout this year from the Scout Section was 12 troops. It was a great event with all the races being very competitive and the Scouts and parents alike getting behind their respective teams. In 1st place this year were 1st Thors Oak, with Stifford runners up and 2nd Stanford-le-Hope in 3rd.

April 2019 - Renewal of Promise

The Alf Lowne Trophy results this year have been handed out but the overall winners were 2nd Stanford-le-Hope with 126 points. 2nd place were Stifford with 101 points. Third place this year were 7th Grays with 97 points.

May 2019 - Jamborama

This year was run by OATS and was a fantastic turnout. A great weekend was had by all as usual!

June 2019 - Camping Standards

This year it was back to its original position of June due to the poor turnout in September. Again we were a little disappointed with the turnout, with only 6 troops taking part. The District Team have offered to help out leaders with transport and also training if this is something that they need. That aside, it was a tight competition this year with the overall winners being Stifford, with 2nd Stanford-le-Hope coming a close second and 1st Thors Oak in third.

Docklands Scout Project

This year, once again, the Water Activities Team took a group of Scouts to the Lord Amory to enjoy a weekend of water activities at the Docklands Scout Project.

November 2019 – District Night Hike – 2nd Stanford to Condovers

This was headed up by Tony Skinner and the District Team and assisted by Gang Show SAS and some other very generous Scout Leaders. An ever-growing popular event, we also opened this event up to Thurrock Guiding although we didn't have any take up. The standard is definitely getting better. The winners this year were 2nd Stanford-le-Hope, with Stifford in 2nd & Aveley in 3rd place.

December 2019 – Ready Steady Cook

A very, very popular event. This year the teams had to cook two courses: chicken supreme on a bed of rice and chocolate balloon bowls with chocolate dipped strawberries. This years winners were 1st Grays, with Chafford Hundred runners up and Aveley in third.

Gold Awards presented from Jan 2019 – Dec 2019

The District Team and I have had the pleasure of presenting 34 Scouts with the highest award from Jan 2019 – Dec 2019.

I would like to say a big thank you to the Rifle Shooting Team who have been around the troops tirelessly for 3 months, giving up their time to get all of the troops through the competition.

A big thank you also to the Water Activities Team for giving the Scouts the opportunity to get out on the water more and develop their ability.

Thank you also to the SAS Teams that help us throughout the year.

Finally, I would personally like to thank my District Team of Tim, Terry & Tony for all of their hard work.

Explorer Scouts

Glenn Webb

District Explorer Scout Commissioner

I am writing this report amid the Covid-19 lockdown. These are very strange times for everyone. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the Explorers and their leaders for keeping Scouting going within the section, from simply forwarding on activities to running evenings virtually. I am sure that once the crisis is over the Thurrock Explorer section will be back doing Scouting in a more usual format, and that we cannot wait to get back to doing Scouting as normal as possible.

I am pleased to report that the Explorer section has had another good year. Our numbers are good and as per last year we have gained some new leaders and helpers along the way. As with any section we are always looking for new leaders so if you are aware of anyone who would like to join our happy leadership team please let me know.

We have attended several camps this year including Peddle Cars and our own District Camp to name a few.

The Constellation Trophy was won jointly by Aquila and Fornax this year.

Well done to all of the Explorers who took part in the competitions this year.

Covid-19 allowing we are going to hold our District Camp in October at Cherrywood and are looking to try some different ideas as suggested by the Explorers.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my leadership team for all of their help this year. The programs that the leaders have run for the young people have been amazing with the leaders from all units and District Teams trying new things lead by the Explorers themselves.

Thanks to my Young Leaders
Leadership Team and some others,
we are running more Young Leader
modules and hope to put more on
the calendar in the coming months.
The Young Leader training, I feel
is going well and is a credit to our
District. However, I feel there are still
opportunities to grow this section
and I would like to try and involve
the Scorpius Young Leaders unit into
more constellation trophy events.
More ideas and events to follow in the
coming months.

I have also had the pleasure to present Chief Scout's Awards over the previous year which is always a highlight for me. I am looking forward to presenting many more. I did have some more to give out but due to the current climate I have not been able to. Once the restrictions are lifted, I will get out to the units to present these awards.

We have also awarded several DofE Awards, thanks to Lynn Taylor and Brian Abbott and all their hard work. On this note could I please remind you that as always, the expeditions are not just open to those wishing to do DofE but also for those wishing to complete their Diamond and Platinum Awards. Please speak to Lynn and Brian for details and feel free to enrol on one of these when the opportunity arises

We are looking forward to another good year and hope to grow the section even more.

Scout Network

Neil Ashurst

District Scout Network Commissioner

Phoenix Network have had a bit of a topsy turvy year with a few ups and downs. We have seen some members age out or go to uni and have also had changes in the core team. We have also had a couple of new members join.

Starting positive, there was a good turn-out at Network Gathering (Lake District) and Thurrock Scouts Dinner & Dance, though disappointingly only four members supported the local Network camp (formerly MAD Camp), though this was partly down to a huge turnout at a camp a couple of weeks later called Festival, based near Coventry.

The links with the other Networks in Essex have remained and we continue to push this relationship.

Admittedly we are struggling for new members and had a plan in place to address this by March/April by attending each Explorer unit and promoting Network with a little presentation. Covid-19 has put this on the back-burner, but hope to readdress this come September.

Our chillout camp was a success with 20+ members attending, with a mix from other Networks too and we plan to run it again this October, as it could likely be the only Network camp of the year.

We unfortunately had to cancel a number of evenings last year due to lack of support by the current members. I understand there are different factors that are sometimes involved, but still feel it also needs improving. The reason for Phoenix's previous positivity over the last 15 years (yes, it's been that long) has been the support at every weekly meeting and camp, and for the continuation of Phoenix, this needs to be the focus once Scouting commences again.

Going forward, we will continue to strive to improve membership, maintain a weekly meeting, and ensure that members achieve their full potential and let's hope that going into 2021, Phoenix Network is a success for all those involved once again.

Condovers

Janis Hudson

Committee Secretary

Condovers continues to run smoothly, many thanks to the Warden Rob and Sally as the Booking Secretary.

The adult toilets have now been completed – a big thank you to Brian Abbott, the Brown Team and anyone else that may have helped with this project.

Condovers has had a very good year with many visitors and activities throughout.

Scouts had a very successful Jamborama with Scouts and leaders camping. There were 570 camping nights throughout the weekend. The Cub District camp also went well with Cubs and their leaders camping and 892 camping nights throughout the weekend.

Again Playscheme laid on a good week for the District, having a total of 315 camping nights.

A total of 2,058 camping nights occurred throughout the year and a total of some 3,682 have visited throughout the year.

The Brown Team continue to work hard for the site and were very pleased to have finished the fencing among the varied jobs, for which we express our thanks.

The tuck shop has had good sales. Many thanks to Paula the new tuck shop manager and her assistant Lee.

Financially we seem to be doing ok. We had the expense of having to replace various fire extinguishers/ blankets this year. Once again a big thank you to Richard for his work.

Finally, we would like to thank all that have made Condovers a successful campsite.

Sadly, since the end of the report year, Condovers Chair David Veitch has passed away and he will be sorely missed.

Condovers Development

Stewart Abbott

Regeneration Project Leader

The Condovers Regeneration project was setup in September 2011 to look at the larger scale improvements required on the site so that the Condovers Team, under Dave Veitch's leadership, could continue to concentrate on the operational running of the site.

Phase 3 of the Washroom upgrade (adult facilities) has basically been completed. There are a few loose ends to tidy up plus we need to formally sign off the changes made to the electrical infrastructure. Once completed, we will arrange formal

building regulation sign-off for the complete upgrade.

During the year we have kept a watchful eye on the Lower Thames Crossing (LTC) and other planning applications. An additional consultation is expected in Q1/2020.

Looking ahead, our priorities will be:

- Actively engage with HE on the next stage of the LTC.
- Update the Condovers development plan and agree priorities for the next stage of regeneration.

Cherrywood

Tim Webb

Committee Chair

2019 saw Brian Edwards relinquish his role as Warden due to health issues, Brian has held the role since 2015. Andy Kemp has taken on the role and Brian has been appointed as Honorary Warden. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Brian for all his work in his role as Warden. Nick Fields remains as Assistant Warden.

Cherrywood continues to be a busy and popular site, used not only by Scouts and Guides from both within and outside Thurrock, but also by reenactment groups and family groups.

Overall we had:

- 113 nights from Thurrock Scouts
- 20 nights from non-Thurrock Scouts
- 913 nights from re-enactment groups
- 170 nights from families/ individuals
- 325 Thurrock Scouts day visitors
- 207 non-Thurrock Scouts day visitors
- 31 nights of use of the Log Cabin

A total of 1,779 visitor days/nights.

The site hosted the District Scouts Camping Standards as well as a number of troop camps and Ockendon group held their annual November 5th firework night.

The site is maintained by a group of volunteers forming the 'Wednesday Club' who carry out maintenance work and projects – obviously on a

Wednesday. We are always on the lookout for new members and anyone is very welcome to join us (on a Wednesday).

On a regular basis we have our Warden, Andy Kemp, and Assistant Warden, Nick Fields, who were joined by our regular helpers Brian Edwards, Brian Abbott, Lynn Taylor, Dave Gregory, Ian Brice, Laurence Keys, Brian Stock and Tim Webb.

Developments on site include upgrading the CCTV and alarm system, which was completed in 2019. The CCTV system now has enough cameras to cover all buildings on the site and has remote access for both the CCTV system and alarm system.

The toilet block was refurbished at the end of 2019 and was partly funded by a generous grant from the Provincial Grand Lodge of Essex Freemasons. This allowed us to employ tradesmen to carry out some of the work over the winter shutdown. The interior of the toilet block is now completely refurbished and ready for the forthcoming season.

The Cherrywood Committee were very much looking forward to another successful camping season in 2020, however as this report is written we are in the midst of the coronavirus pandemic which has stopped all activities, apart from essential maintenance, on the site.

Inclusion and Diversity

Janet Tidman

Assistant District Commissioner (Inclusion and Diversity)

Another year passes and Thurrock continues to open its doors and include everyone in whatever event, activity or weekly meeting it offers. Across the whole movement Thurrock Scouting exceeds in making sure opportunities are on offer and available to anyone who chooses to take part in them.

Inclusion and Diversity was one of the focussed discussion points at this years Development Day, with lots of positive feedback received and comments put forward for inclusion in the new District Development Plan.

Please continue with the good work that you are all doing across the District, making sure Scouting in Thurrock is open to all and if you have any questions or queries at any time, please ask. Thank you and keep up the good work.

Appointments Committee

Heather Butcher and Peter Victory

Appointment Secretaries

The two Panels continue to meet monthly at Stanford-le-Hope and Grays in order to accommodate all the folk in the District. Headquarters have now decreed that new folks have 5 months from their start date to obtain a Disclosure, have 2 references, meet with the Appointments Panel and complete Getting Started which can be a bit tight at times, particularly if we don't receive the information as soon as they are registered on Compass.

However, during 2019 we met a total of 43 leaders comprising 8 Beaver Scout Section Assistants, 8 Assistant Beaver Scout Leaders, 7 Cub Scout Section Assistants, 1 Assistant Cub Scout Leader, 1 Cub Scout Leader, 4 Scout Section Assistants, 5 Assistant Scout Leaders, 2 Assistant Explorer Scout Leaders, 1 Explorer Scout Section Assistant, 1 Group Scout Leader, 1 District Cub Scout Leader and 1 Deputy District Commissioner.

Once again, it was pleasing to see the numbers of Young Leaders taking on a full adult role upon reaching the age of 18. We are very fortunate that we have so many Young Leaders helping to make the weekly meetings enjoyable and relevant.

This year the committee has seen 34 reviews, a welcome increase in the previous year. However, there was a worrying increase to 73 in the number overdue, with another 27 due in the next 6 months.

We have also found that line managers are still submitting reviews where the leader has not completed all or part of the mandatory ongoing learning. The committee cannot complete these. Please ensure that your leaders complete the required training before carrying out their review.

Activities

Ian Scott

Assistant District Commissioner (Activities)

I started an activities review in the summer which due to non-Scouting commitments has yet to complete. Expanding the range of activities, partnership working with our District Campsites and looking at how to deliver progression through the sections are key elements of the review.

The activities teams continued to provide opportunities for our youth members to experience adventurous activities.

Matt Butler and Matt Collins, our climbing leads, have decided to concentrate on traditional climbing and abseiling so I would like to take this opportunity to thank them for all of their hard work supporting the mobile climbing tower. How best to utilise the mobile climbing tower is another key element of the review.

The shooting team continue to run the District-wide competitions and sessions at other events as required. Thank you to John Daines and the team of instructors who make this work so smoothly.

Thank you to Tim Gregory and the team of water activity instructors that have increased the number of sessions again this year.

Archery sessions continue to be booked by sections and groups — thank you to Brian Abbott and the team of instructors for providing these opportunities. Changes to the rules on the layout of a range has presented a challenge when running sessions (particularly at Condovers) so we are looking at how best to incorporate these in the activities review.

Tomahawk throwing remained very popular – Tony Skinner and the team endeavoured to provide all of the sessions requested. Once again it was very popular at the Orsett Show.

Thank you to Brett Rogers and his team of Bushcraft instructors who have been busy running sessions at events and section meetings.

Scout Shops

Audrey Wheatley

Scout Shops Manager

We continue to operate two shops within the District which operate at different times, thereby giving parents and leaders a greater choice of opening hours. It doesn't matter which of our two shops you use as they are both "under the same umbrella". We realise that times are difficult for parents at the moment but we are very much cheaper than buying online (and paying carriage) and the added advantage is that the profit is retained within the District and uniforms can be tried on to make sure the size is right.

Between us we carry stocks of uniforms for all sections. If we haven't got what you want, we can order it and goods are normally received within a week. Grays shop is open Saturdays from 10 - 12:30 (we don't mind early but please not late!) and generally only closes bank holiday weekends and all of August. Stanford shop is open Tuesday evenings from 7 - 8 and Sundays from 10 - 12:30 but closes during school holidays. We are all here to help you.

During the year, Thurrock Scout Shop Trust worked with the District Scout Council to identify Scout Group buildings which could benefit from investment in their heating systems. While this is an ongoing project, the Trustees have approved in principle £12,500 towards this project. £2,300 was invested in CCTV for Hardie Hall (1st Stanford) and in particular to safeguard the volunteers running the Scout Shop which is located upstairs.

All of the above was possible due to your continued support of TSST shops. Please continue to promote the two shops.

Grays shop is looking for extra people to help in the shop on a Saturday morning to relieve the pressure on the few who now help. If there is any way people can spare a few Saturday mornings (you don't necessarily have to be a leader, just have the enthusiasm!) Janis would love to hear from you. Unfortunately, I am no longer able to help at the shop but still do a tremendous amount from home.

We continue to help our own leaders by providing a discount on badges for their sections, and some items such as flags and tentage are sold at wholesale price to Scout Groups within our District.

Many thanks to all the people who staff our two shops, you are doing a grand job, and special thanks to Janis and Lesley/Dave for their help and commitment, life would be much harder without you all.

Jack Petchey

Steve Cootes

Committee Chair

We were pleased that the Deputy Mayor, Terry Piccolo, could join with us as well as our District President Margaret Jones and District Chair David Gregory, all whom took an active role during the evening of speeches and presentations. Amongst the other guests were Thurrock District Vice President David Butcher and his wife Heather, as well as approximately 70 parents and friends.

Our District Commissioner, Graham Monk, presided over the evening. He opened by giving a brief explanation of the set up and background of the Jack Petchey Foundation and of the charitable work that Jack Petchey himself has set up. Also, of his great contributions to the youth of London and surrounding areas in Essex and especially Thurrock Scouting.

Badges

Audrey Wheatley

Badge Secretary

As always I can only report on badges which are sold to leaders via the Grays shop and not the actual numbers awarded to the youngsters as leaders can keep their own stock if they wish.

Because of different set-ups the results shown below only apply to our Grays shop, we are looking again at progressive badges.

At the beginning of December 2019 we received information from Lancing that the price for badges is increasing (dramatically!). For instance the Membership Badge which everyone wears is to increase from 74p to 85p - I can't repeat the comments made by some leaders!

It would appear that a few sections are buying their badges other than via our own two shops so none of the profit comes back to our District, which is a shame. We have decided that, as the prices for badges have sky-rocketed, we have reduced our own prices for your benefit. Please try and support your own District, all our profits are used wisely.

Due to the lack of Moving On badges supplied, I wonder whether the youngsters are not moving to the next section which is a shame or whether leaders are just not awarding them.

Beavers - There was a small reduction of Membership badges purchased - down from 179 to 158 but at the other end of the spectrum there were

97 Moving On badges bought, a small increase on last year. The Joining In (1) badges increased to 151 while there was a decrease to 52 Joining In (2) purchased. Four colonies bought no Challenge badges at all, three bought no Joining In badges and six colonies had no Moving On badges. Three colonies had no Activity badges at all.

Cubs - In this case there were 182 Membership badges bought (a decrease of 37) but 101 Moving On, an increase of 18. Two packs bought no Membership badges and six had no Moving On. There is a distinct lack of Joining In (4) being requested which suggests Cubs are losing a number of youngsters as well. Four packs had no Joining In badges at all. Every pack had Activity badges which is good.

Scouts - There were 106 Membership badges purchased (20 more than last year) but only 11 Moving On, exactly the same number as last year. Only four troops had no Moving On during the year which is great considering the figure last year was ten. As far as Participation badges there were no sales of these to four troops.

Many thanks to all the leaders who are doing a great job in encouraging the youngsters to widen their horizons through the progressive training programme, and awarding Activity badges to recognise the young people's achievements.

Development

Graham Monk

Continual development is a core part of successful Scouting. In 2018, our National Headquarters launched a new five-year plan: Skills for Life. In response to this, the District held a Development Day at the Civic Hall in November. During the day, we had presentations from our Regional Commissioner, Graham Wooley and our Deputy County Commissioner, Bob Bye. They covered work that was ongoing at County and HQ level.

Following these presentations, the rest of the day was spent looking at various areas including section programmes, activities, campsites and Group/District structures. The day was considered a success and work is now ongoing to produce the actions from the day and to move forward with implementation.

Census each year allows us to identify where we have low numbers within individual sections or groups. We are working with several units to try to assist in adding numbers. We do this in a variety of ways and one of these is via presentations at School Assemblies. Several of these have taken place, as well as two whole day exhibitions, both of which were highly successful.

Our Young Leader programme continues to be highly successful. These are, effectively, our leaders of tomorrow. We have a success rate of nearly 90% in Young Leaders moving on into adult leadership which is excellent but we continue to work to increase this number and to recruit new Young Leaders at the same time.

Gang Show

Graham Monk

Committee Chair

2019 proved to be another highly successful show with around a dozen new members who successfully integrated with the existing team. A varied programme was put together with Tricia Beckett and David Tapsell taking on more responsibilities around the production. They have now been appointed as Assistant Directors to work alongside our ever-present Director, Jan Thurnell.

From my point of view, this show was strange for me as I was not allowed to be part of the cast. New rules do not allow the Chair to take on any other role including as a cast member. I was both proud of the whole cast and crew on the first night but also sad that I could not be actively on stage.

Succession planning is always an important part of any show and we had to say goodbye to Sandy Ray as Wardrobe Manager and Terry

Mead as Stage Manager. Both have given long and valued service to the production. Sandy will continue to assist our new Wardrobe Manager and Terry will be on hand to assist the Stage Manager as and when required.

The Show itself was the normal mixture of full stage musical items, line ups and comedy. We continued with the move towards more back projection, moving away from backcloths that were becoming increasingly hard to source. We also took steps to bring more of the cast forward into major roles including many of our younger cast.

I would like to thank all of the Committee for their hard work throughout the year which enabled a highly successful show and this ended with our highly successful end of show party in the Thameside foyer.

Health and Safety

Chris Travis

Committee Chair

The Health & Safety Committee meets bi-monthly to cover health and safety issues within the District. The committee aims to advise and inform both the District and groups of current Scouting health and safety issues and requirements.

The District website provides useful links to health & safety information that is available from HQ and the committee works towards ensuring that it is up to date and relevant.

The Health & Safety Committee also puts out a questionnaire to all groups in the District, District units and premises with the annual census asking them for information on Health & Safety in their group/unit/premises over the last 12 months. This is reported anonymously only as statistics and no individual groups are identified. The main points to come out of the analysis of the 2020 questionnaire were as follows:

Returns

In all, 31 questionnaires were sent out to groups, managers of property, Explorer units and Network with 23 returned.

Fire Risk Assessments (FRA)

The requirement for a Fire Risk Assessment for non-domestic premises is a statutory requirement. There was 100% compliance from all groups/District premises/Network/ Active Support Units responding. Those that owned their own premises had completed a FRA and those that used premises not belonging to them had seen the FRA for those premises. Four of those responding did not give a review date and two of those responding had a FRA that was more than 4 years since review.

Fire Extinguisher Servicing

Of those responding, seven had fire extinguisher servicing that was overdue (more than 12 months since last serviced), this could impact on their insurance cover.

Asbestos Management Plan (AMP)

This again is a statutory requirement for non-domestic premises. There still appears to be a misunderstanding of the requirements of the regulations from those responding with a number of people responding along the lines of 'no asbestos present'. There appears to be more compliance from those who own their own premises than those who use premises not owned by them. There is information available on the Scout HQ website for the requirements and it is suggested that people are reminded of this.

Premises Risk Assessment

Of those responding, all but one had a premises risk assessment and all had been reviewed within the last 18 months.

Section Risk Assessments

Of those responding, fourteen had risk assessments in place for each of the Sections and six did not. It is a HQ requirement that a risk assessment is undertaken for all Scouting activities and this has been the subject of a recent publicity campaign from Scout HQ and is in the process of being followed up as a result of a recent Coroners report on a Scouting fatality.

HQ Reportable Accidents

Any accident or incident requiring the use of professional medical services or the attendance of the emergency services must be reported to HQ via Unity Insurance. There were a total of 9 HQ reportable accidents from all the groups/District premises/ESUs/Network/Active Support Units who responded.

Group Accident Book

Of those responding, all had a group accident book.

The number of accidents recorded varied between a maximum of 23 and 0. Of more concern is the fact that five groups recorded no accidents in the past 12 months. It is suspected that not all section leaders have a full understanding of what is required for accident recording. The review of group accident books varied between monthly and annually.

Reporting of Near Misses to HQ

There is a facility on the HQ website to report near misses that could have resulted in an accident. Three of

those responding had reported near misses to HQ in the last 12 months. It is suspected that many groups are not aware of this facility.

Legionella Management Plan

There is a statutory obligation to manage water where there may be a risk of Legionnaires' disease, this is particularly relevant where there are showers in the premises. Showers are present in two of the District premises. Of the one that responded there was a Legionella Management Plan in place and it is known that there is a Legionella Management Plan in place for the one that did not respond.

Summary

The use of the questionnaire remains a useful tool to gauge the attitude towards risk and shows the District where help and training is required.

Our thanks go out to all Thurrock's leaders for providing a safe environment for all our young people.

As we face uncertain and challenging times ahead, the one thing we can be sure of is the need to provide an interesting programme outside and make it as SAFE as possible.

I would like to give a big thank you to the Health & Safety Committee - Nick Webb, Brian Phillips and Tim Webb for their commitment and hard work.

Training

Gill Root

Local Training Manager

A massive thank you for giving up your time to fulfil your training commitments in order to provide quality Scouting to the young people of Thurrock. I would also like to thank my team of Local Training Administrators and Training Advisers for supporting you all with your training.

It's been a busy year yet again providing many Getting Started and First Response courses and Validation opportunities. We have also provided ongoing learning for 'Working with Young Leaders' to provide leaders with a better understanding of how to support their Explorer Young Leaders in their training whilst effectively incorporating them in the running of a balanced programme.

Training support was provided at Scout School in Chelmsford and at our District Development Day which resulted in our planned Modules 8 and 9 being rescheduled to the New Year. It goes without saying that our Module 38 and Multi Module Residential Training at Thriftwood were a roaring success as usual.

I thought you might like some Wood Badge figures for 2014-2019 as evidence of how far Thurrock have come in training in the last 5 years. As always, each Wood Badge was carefully validated and moderated to a high standard.

These figures are based upon when the Wood Badge training was completed rather than the dates awarded in Compass. It is notable that these Wood Badges have been largely achieved by those who have attended residential training for Multi-Module and Module 38 courses.

The sharing of knowledge and skills in a fun atmosphere is undoubtedly a large part of Thurrock's success. Thurrock have always provided an excellent Module 38 course and our 4th annual Multi-Module course November 15th-17th at Thriftwood was fully booked! We now have leaders from Greater London North East as well as other Essex Districts attending our courses. We must be doing something right!

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total
Beavers	8	5	3	4	3	8	31
Cubs	14	12	6	2	5	7	46
Scouts	16	6	5	2	0	4	33
Explorers	5	2	0	1	4	0	12
M & S	7	1	3	11	0	1	23
Total	50	26	17	20	12	20	145

Thank you again for the time you all give up to Adult Leader Training and especially to the team who have been an immense help over the last year.

To quote one of our grateful learners, "It was made all the more fun and enjoyable because of the joy you guys bring to the party!"

That works both ways! Learning is fun! Especially with Team Thurrock!

Good luck on your Scouting journey!

Wood Badge 'Class of 2019'

Many congratulations to the 'Class of 2019' Wood Badge achievers.

Very well done to:

Jo Hogger

Beavers - 14th January

Sharon Reader

Beavers - 14th January

Ronel Steadman

Beavers - 28th January

Sue Peacefull

Beavers - 28th January

Kate Collier

Beavers - 9th February

Kelsey Ridley

Cubs - 9th February

Mark Boswell

Cubs - 29th March

Gordon McFee

Scouts - 22nd April

Luke Spurgeon

Scouts - 24th April

Danielle Clifford

Beavers - 24th April

Jenny Flanaghan

Cubs - 24th April (2nd Wood Badge)

Laura Ford

Beavers - 21st May

Steve Bray

OATS SAS Manager - 27th May

Wilfred King

Cubs - 27th May

John Townsend

Cubs - 17th June

Hannah Newton

Cubs - 22nd July

Ashley Barley

Beavers - 22nd July

William Martin

Scouts - 22nd July

Colin Guest

Cubs - 9th August

Sam Flatt

Scouts - 12th October





































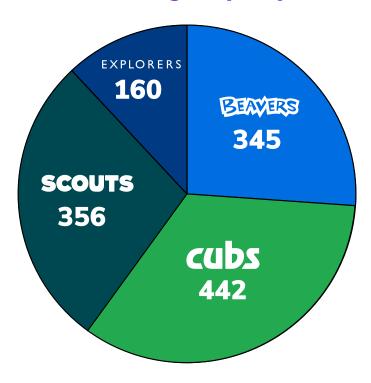




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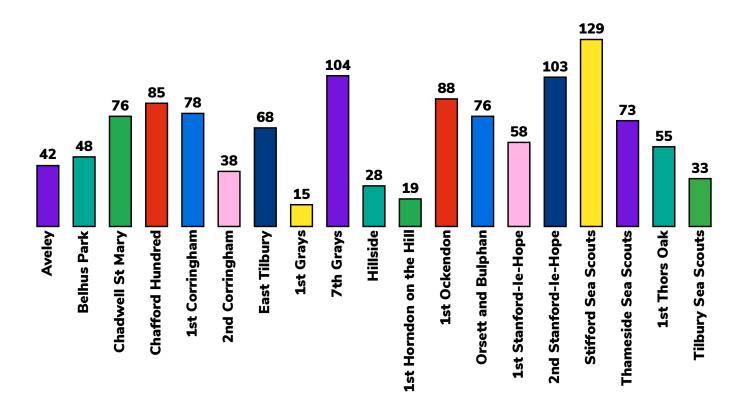
All data taken from the 2020 Annual Census

Number of Young People by Section



Number of Young People by Group

(Includes Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorer Young Leaders)



Statement of Accounts

For the period 1st January to 31st December 2019

Statement of Financial Activities Consolidated Summary for the year ending 31st December 2019

	Notes	General £	Designated £	Total Unrestricted £	2018 £
Income and endowments from:	_				
Donations and legacies		15,072	9,301	24,373	24,127
Charitable activities		60,227	67,871	128,098	139,885
Other trading activities		0	4,058	4,058	5,337
Investment income	<u>_</u>	0	0	0	268
Total Income	10, 11	75,299	81,230	156,529	169,617
Expenditure on:	г	,			
Raising funds		0	1,899	1,899	2,570
Charitable activities	<u> </u>	69,291	92,881	162,172	146,998
Total Expenditure	10, 11	69,291	94,780	164,071	149,568
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Net Income/(Expenditure)	_	6,008	(13,550)	(7,542)	20,049
Transfers Between Funds:	10	(5,040)	5,040	0	0
	F	ı			
Net Movement in funds		968	(8,510)	(7,542)	20,049
Reconcilliation of funds:	_				
Total funds brought forward	10	19,072	210,491	229,563	209,514
Fund Balances Carried Forward		20,040	201,981	222,021	229,563

Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2019

	Notes	General £	Designated £	Total £	2018 £
Fixed Assets:	_			<u>, </u>	
Tangible assets	13	0	108,790	108,790	114,870
Total Fixed Assets		0	108,790	108,790	114,870
Current Assets:	_		<u>, </u>	,	
Stocks		0	530	530	855
Debtors		14,729	0	14,729	15,902
Investments		0	0	0	0
Cash at bank and in hand		26,641	92,661	119,302	111,169
Total Current Assets	12	41,370	93,191	134,561	127,926
Liabilities:					
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year		21,330	0	21,330	13,233
Net current assets or liabilities		20,040	93,191	113,231	114,693
Total assets less current liabilities	12	20,040	201,981	222,021	229,563
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year		0	0	0	0
Provision for Liabilities		0	0	0	0
Total net assets or liabilities		20,040	201,981	222,021	229,563
The funds of the charity: General Funds	14,15	20,040		20,040	19,072
Designated Funds:	_		•	•	
Avock	17		149	149	149
Cherrywood Campsite	18		0	0	0
Cherrywood Development	19		55,309	55,309	59,226
Condovers Campsite	20		113,525	113,525	118,031
Condovers Development	21		3,470	3,470	4,292
Explorer Scouts	22		12,154	12,154	12,236
Gang Show & SAS	23		6,219	6,219	5,966
Network	24		518	518	858
Playscheme	25		8,140	8,140	7,952
SCH SAS	26		2,497	2,497	1,781
Total Designated Funds			201,981	201,981	210,491
Total charity funds		20,040	201,981	222,021	229,563

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1 Accounting Policies

1a Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared under the historic cost convention and in accordance with the current Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) FRS 102.

1b Accounting period

The accounts cover all transactions in the period 1 January to 31 December 2019, whether in the SoFA or in the Balance Sheet, with the exception of the 2019 Gang Show which, for reasons of consistency, only include the income and expenditure relating to the 2019 Show. The Gang Show SAS accounts however, included as a separate column within the Gang Show accounts, cover all transactions within the financial year.

1c Incoming resources

Income is accounted for on a receivable basis, other than income received in respect of expenditure which is deferred to the period when the activity or event takes place. Membership subscriptions collected on behalf of other parts of the Scout Movement are reported in the SoFA net of any amount paid out, as this element of the subscriptions are in effect held as agents before being dispersed.

1d Resources expended

Expenditure is included in the accounts on an accruals basis. VAT is not recoverable by the charity and is included with the expenditure to which it relates.

2 Transfers between Funds

All surpluses and deficits (excluding depreciation) at Cherrywood Campsite are transferred to or from the Cherrywood Development Fund at the year end. Similarly, all surpluses or deficits at ALSC are transferred to or from the TDSC General Account at the year-end. Additionally in 2019, Condovers Development Fund transferred £1,008 to Condovers Campsite to fund the development of Leader Toilets and the District General Fund transferred £5,040 back to the Cherrywood Development Fund in respect of the provision of a canoe compound which was temporarily funded by the Cherrywood Development Fund in 2017.

3 Grants and major donations received

Thurrock Council has operated the "Block Grant" system again this year. All applications for Grant Aid from Scouts and Guides within Thurrock Council boundaries are made to a committee set up for the purpose. Thurrock District Scout Council act agents for this money and only account for any part of the block grant they receive. The Alf Lowne Scout Centre received a net £378 over and above the 2018 accrual and Thurrock Explorers received £313. The 2019/20 Grant was still to be agreed as at 31 December 2019 but the Alf Lowne Scout Centre is expected to receive in the region of £2,600 and this has been accrued into the 2019 Accounts.

Cherrywood Campsite had a confirmed grant of £5,000 from Essex County Scouts towards the refurbishment of the Toilet Block which has been accrued (and was subsequently received in January 2020).

Thurrock Explorers received grants totalling £1,150 from the Jack Petchey Fund.

4 Camping Fees - Condovers and Cherrywood

These include the annual camping fees for Thurrock (paid at the same time as membership fees), which this year has been split roughly 81% for Condovers and 19% for Cherrywood.

5 Held by District on behalf of Other Funds

The District holds cash on behalf of Cherrywood Development (£55,199) and Condovers Development (£3,470), both of which are Designated Funds within the Accounts.

6 International Fund

The balance in this account is held towards future World Jamborees and International Activities. The District is acting as an agent for this money.

7 Jack Petchey Award Scheme

The District is a Member of the Jack Petchey Award Scheme and acts as agents for the monetary Awards.

8 Sums owed to District by Scout Groups

During 2013 Thurrock District provided financial support by way of a loan to Aveley Scout Group which currently amounts to £1,662. Discussions are on-going as to the timing of its repayment.

During 2014, as part of the transfer of resources from Stanford-Le-Hope and District, a debtor of £2,076 with 1st Stanford Scout Group was inherited, and discussions are ongoing as to the timing of repayment.

During 2018 Orsett & Bulphan took out a loan of £3,000 from Thurrock District in order to meet their Membership Fees in advance of expected external income which is still awaited.

9 Debtors & Creditors

Other Debtors include grants to Cherrywood from Essex County Scouts (£5,000) and to Thurrock District (ALSC) from Thurrock Council (£2,600). Other Creditors consist of amounts owed by Thurrock District as at 31 December 2019 but for which invoices had not been received by that date.

Note 10 - Summary Analysis of Income and Expenditure by Fund

						Fund	
						Balances	Fund
				Transfers	Net	Brought	Balances
	_		Net Income/	Between	Movement	Forward	Carried
	Income	-	Expenditure	Funds	in Funds	from 2018	Forward
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
General Funds							
ALSC	6,340	7,949	(1,609)	1,609	0	0	0
TDSC Fund	68,959	61,342	7,617	(6,649)	968	19,072	20,040
Total General Funds	75,299	69,291	6,008	(5,040)	968	19,072	20,040
•							
Designated Funds							
Avock	0	0	0		0	149	149
Cherrywood Campsite	16,301	25,258	(8,957)	8,957	0	0	0
Cherrywood Development	0	0	0	(3,917)	(3,917)	59,226	55,309
Condovers Campsite	18,175	23,689	(5,514)	1,008	(4,506)	118,031	113,525
Condovers Development	186	0	186	(1,008)	(822)	4,292	3,470
Explorer Scouts	18,743	18,825	(82)		(82)	12,236	12,154
Gang Show and SAS	13,445	13,192	253		253	5,966	6,219
Network	1,659	1,999	(340)		(340)	858	518
Playscheme	3,920	3,732	188		188	7,952	8,140
SCH SAS	8,801	8,085	716		716	1,781	2,497
Total Designated Funds	81,230	94,780	(13,550)	5,040	(8,510)	210,491	201,981
Total Funds	156,529	164,071	(7,542)	0	(7,542)	229,563	222,021

Note 11 - Detailed Analysis of Income and Expenditure by Fund

	Donations and Legacies £	Charitable activities £	Other trading activities £	Investment Income £	Total incoming resources £	Raising funds £	Charitable activities £	Total resources expended £
General Funds				,				
ALSC	53	6,287	0	0	6,340	0	7,949	7,949
TDSC Fund	15,019	53,940	0	0	68,959	0	61,342	61,342
Total General Funds	15,072	60,227	0	0	75,299	0	69,291	69,291
Designated Funds				,				
Avock	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cherrywood Campsite	0	16,301	0	0	16,301	0	25,258	25,258
Cherrywood Development	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Condovers Campsite	491	16,008	1,676	0	18,175	0	23,689	23,689
Condovers Development	186	0	0	0	186	0	0	0
Explorer Scouts	5,005	13,738	0	0	18,743	0	18,825	18,825
Gang Show and SAS	1,170	11,644	631	0	13,445	9	13,183	13,192
Network	280	1,379	0	0	1,659	0	1,999	1,999
Playscheme	2,069	100	1,751	0	3,920	1,890	1,842	3,732
SCH SAS	100	8,701	0	0	8,801	0	8,085	8,085
Total Designated Funds	9,301	67,871	4,058	0	81,230	1,899	92,881	94,780
Total Funds	24,373	128,098	4,058	0	156,529	1,899	162,172	164,071

Note 12 - Analysis of Balance Sheet

	Notes	General £	Designated £	Total £	2018 £
FIXED ASSETS (NET OF DEPRECIATION)			108,790	108,790	114,870
CURRENT ASSETS	_		•		
Stocks					
Condovers Campsite			530	530	855
Total Stock		0	530	530	855
Debtors					
1st Stanford Loan	8	2,076		2,076	2,076
2nd Corringham Loan		0		0	0
Aveley Loan	8	1,662		1,662	2,163
Orsett Loan	8	3,000		3,000	3,000
Belmont Academy Hold		0		0	0
Grosvenor Hall District Event 2019		0		0	1,000
Advance for Condovers Leader Toilets		7		7	115
Thurrock Cubs Loan		196		196	0
Other Debtors	9	7,788		7,788	7,548
Payments in Advance - All other		0		0	0
Total Debtors		14,729	0	14,729	15,902
Cash	Г				
COIF Deposit	-	64,009		64,009	63,647
Deposit Instant Access	_	14,006		14,006	9,002
District No 1	_	4,186		4,186	4,377
District No 2	_	912		912	1,393
Held by District on behalf of Designated Funds	5	(58,669)	58,669	0	0
Archery Account	-	133		133	133
Avock Account	17		149	149	149
Cherrywood Petty Cash	-		110	110	294
Condovers Account	20		4,205	4,205	2,306
Explorer's Account	22		12,154	12,154	12,236
Gang Show and SAS Accounts	23		6,219	6,219	5,966
Network Account	24		518	518	858
Playscheme Account	25		8,140	8,140	7,952
SCH SAS	26		2,497	2,497	1,781
Section Accounts - Cubs	-	2,064		2,064	1,075
Total Cash	L	26,641	92,661	119,302	111,169
Total Current Assets		41,370	93,191	134,561	127,926

	Notes	General £	Designated £	Total £	2018 £
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Creditors (within one year)					
Benevolent Fund		217		217	0
District Clothing Hold		418		418	0
Donation Held		500		500	500
Grosvenor Hall Event 2020		5,927		5,927	0
International Fund	6	2,998		2,998	2,238
Jack Petchey Fund	7	6,250		6,250	3,250
Jack Petchey Leader Award		66		66	395
Marathon Donation Hold		718		718	718
WSJ Thanksgiving Dinner Hold		0		0	2,276
WSJ 2019 Hold		0		0	2,062
Other Creditors	9	748		748	1,794
Rieneck Castle Hold		3,488		3,488	0
Receipts in Advance - All other		0		0	0
Total Creditors		21,330	0	21,330	13,233
Net current assets or liabilities		20,040	93,191	113,231	114,693
Total assets less current liabilities		20,040	201,981	222,021	229,563
Creditors (falling due after more than one year)				0	0
Provisions for liabilities	[0	0
	_				
Total net assets or liabilities	[20,040	201,981	222,021	229,563

Note 13 - Analysis of Fixed Assets

	Cost as at 1 beginning of the year £	Additions £	Cost at end of the year £	Depreciation at beginning of the year	In Year Depreciation £	Accumulated Depreciation at end of the year £	Net book value at beginning of the year	Net book value at the end of the year £
<u>Condovers</u>								
Havers Lodge	10,337	0	10,337	10,337	0	10,337	0	0
The Barn	15,848	0	15,848	5,942	793	6,735	9,906	9,113
Toilet Block	125,398	1,008	126,406	20,434	6,295	26,729	104,964	99,677
_								
Condovers Totals	151,583	1,008	152,591	36,713	7,088	43,801	114,870	108,790
Cherrywood								
Site & Services	30,541		30,541	30,541	0	30,541	0	0
Log Cabin	6,321		6,321	6,321	0	6,321	0	0
Toilet/Shower Block	34,848		34,848	34,848	0	34,848	0	0
Mower & Strimmer	2,298		2,298	2,298	0	2,298	0	0
Maintenance Building	11,004		11,004	11,004	0	11,004	0	0
Cherrywood Totals	85,012	0	85,012	85,012	0	85,012	0	0
_								
Total Fixed Assets	236,595	1,008	237,603	121,725	7,088	128,813	114,870	108,790

Note 14 - Alf Lowne Scout Centre - General Fund

	Notes	2019 £	2018 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:			
Donations and legacies			
Donations		53	112
Charitable activities			
Income from Centre Users		3,309	4,035
Grants received	3	2,978	2,400
Other Income		0	0
Total Income		6,340	6,547
EXPENDITURE ON:			
Charitable activities			
Rent		5,605	3,900
Rates		226	222
Water Rates		229	268
Electricity		357	347
Gas		485	393
Insurance		531	658
Maintenance & Miscellaneous		516	257
Total Expenditure		7,949	6,045
Net income / (expenditure)		(1,609)	502
Fund Transfers	2	1,609	(502)
Net Movement in Funds		0	0
Balance at 1 January		0	0
Balance at 31 December		0	0

Note 15 - TDSC General Account - General Fund

		Notes	2019 £	2018 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:				
Donations and legacies				
Membership Subscriptions				
ı	Received		57,464	58,829
L	ess: Paid		(42,445)	(44,287)
		1c	15,019	14,542
Donations			0	942
Charitable activities				
Events & Activities		16	30,334	
Grants received			0	0
Section Income (Beavers, Cubs and Scouts	5)		23,038	
Other District Income			568	0
Investment Income				
Bank Interest			0	268
Total Income			68,959	86,447
				_
EXPENDITURE ON:				
Charitable activities				
Events & Activities		16	32,384	51,784
Section Expenses (Beavers, Cubs and Sco	uts)		20,796	16,982
Special Works			0	0
Other District Expenses		16	8,162	9,547
Total Expenditure			61,342	78,313
Net income / (expenditure)		0	7,617	8,134
Fund Transfers		2	(6,649)	502
Net Movement in Funds			968	8,636
Balance at 1 January			19,072	10,436
Balance at 31 December			20,040	19,072

Note 16 - TDSC General Account - Analysis of District Activities and Expenses

	Income £	Expenditure £	Net £
Analysis of District Activities			
Archery	77	0	77
Axe Throwing	415	45	370
Chateau Du Baffy	16,747	16,747	0
DC Challenge	0	58	(58)
Dinner and Dance	5,220	896	4,324
District Dvelopment Day	0	3,809	(3,809)
Gilwell Park Funday	1,530	1,366	164
JOTT	786	769	17
Mobile Climbing Tower	269	4,048	(3,779)
Swimming Gala	1,274	662	612
Water Activities	4,016	3,947	69
Other	0	37	(37)
Total District Activities	30,334	32,384	(2,050)
Section Activities			
Beavers	7,507	7,467	40
Cubs	11,206	10,218	988
Scouts	4,325	3,111	1,214
	23,038	20,796	2,242
Analysis of Other District Transactions			
Administration	0	2,117	(2,117)
Awards & Badges	0	287	(287)
Bank Charges	0	412	(412)
Donations	2	0	2
Insurance	0	2,825	(2,825)
Interest	366		366
Materials and Equipment	200	2,167	(1,967)
Meetings	0	260	(260)
Membership Fees	15,019		15,019
Training	0	30	(30)
Other	0	64	(64)
	15,587	8,162	7,425
Total District Income and Expenditure on General Account	68,959	61,342	7,617

Note 17 - Avock - Designated Fund

	Notes	2019 £	2018 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:			
Donations and legacies			
Membership Subscriptions			
Receiv	ed	0	0
Less: Pa	aid	0	0
		0	0
Donations		0	0
Charitable activities			
Activities			
Other		0	592
Total Income		0	592
EXPENDITURE ON:			
Charitable activities			
Donations Donations		0	0
Activities		0	0
Rent		0	0
Sundry		0	616
			0_0
Total Expenditure		0	616
Net income / (expenditure)		0	(24)
Fund Transfers		0	0
Net Movement in Funds		0	(24)
Balance at 1 January		149	173
		-	
Balance at 31 December		149	149

Note 18 - Cherrywood Campsite - Designated Fund

	Notes	2019 £	2018 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:			
Donations and legacies			
Donations		0	50
Charitable activities			
Camping Fees	4	11,006	9,897
Grants	3	5,000	0
Telephone Box		0	0
Sale of Badges		0	0
Water		0	0
Other Income		295	50
Total Income		16,301	9,997
EXPENDITURE ON:			
Charitable activities			
Administration		99	0
Water Rates		552	299
Insurance		3,087	3,211
Gas		162	(236)
Electricity		725	837
Equipment		1,160	18
Telephone		568	539
Alarm & Fire Systems		12,342	480
Site & Maintenance		6,382	1,529
Rent		120	0
Donations		0	0
Other Expenses		61	137
Depreciation		0	0
Total Expenditure		25,258	6,814
Net income / (expenditure)		(8,957)	3,183
Fund Transfers	2	8,957	(3,183)
Net Movement in Funds		0	0
Balance at 1 January		0	0
Balance at 31 December		0	0
Funded by	:		
Capita	I	0	0

Note 19 - Cherrywood Development - Designated Fund

	Notes	2019 £	2018 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:			
Other trading activities			
Fund Raising		0	0
Total Income		0	0
EXPENDITURE ON:			
None		0	0
Total Expenditure		0	0
Net income / (expenditure)		0	0
Fund Transfers	2	(3,917)	3,183
Net Movement in Funds		(3,917)	3,183
Delegas et 1 leguero		E0 22C	FC 0.42
Balance at 1 January		59,226	56,043
Balance at 31 December		55,309	59,226
Funded by:			
Cash held by District		55,199	58,932
Cash held by Cherrywood		110	294
		55,309	59,226

Note 20 - Condovers Campsite - Designated Fund

	Notes	2019 £	2018 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:			
Donations and legacies			
Donations		491	92
Charitable activities			
Camping Fees	4	14,283	14,272
Lodge Rents		940	605
Electricity		106	289
Gas		0	91
Grants		0	0
Activity Facilities		679	808
Other		0	165
Other Trading Activities			
Tuck Shop: Incom	me	3,403	3,255
Less: Opening Sto	ock	(855)	(737)
Less: Purchas	ses	(1,402)	(2,578)
Add: Closing Sto	ock	530	855
Shop Surplus / (Deficit)		1,676	795
Events		0	0
Total Income		18,175	17,117
EXPENDITURE ON:			
Raising Funds			
Events		0	0
Charitable activities			
Administration		0	73
Electricity		1,444	1,120
Activity Equipment		138	134
Alarm & Fire		228	1,206
Gas		63	63
Telephone		549	466
Insurance		7,387	7,188
Rent & Rates		765	754
Water Rates		1,308	654
Site & Maintenance		2,774	1,906
Waste Disposal		1,906	1,753
Depreciation	13	7,088	6,858
Other		39	15
Total Expenditure		23,689	22,190

	Notes	2019 £	2018 £
Net income / (expenditure)		(5,514)	(5,073)
Fund Transfers	2	1,008	8,134
Net Movement in Funds		(4,506)	3,061
Balance at 1 January		118,031	114,970
Balance at 31 December		113,525	118,031
Funded by:			
Capital		108,790	114,870
Stock		530	855
Cash held by District		0	0
Cash held by Condovers		4,205	2,306
		113,525	118,031

Note 21 - Condovers Development - Designated Fund

		Notes	2019 £	2018 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMEN	ITS FROM:			
Donations and legacies				
Donations			186	1,062
Charitable Activities				
Grants received			0	9,500
Other trading activities				
Fund Raising			0	0
Total Income			186	10,562
EXPENDITURE ON:				
Raising funds				
Fund Raising			0	0
Total Expenditure			0	0
Net income / (expenditure)			186	10,562
Fund Transfers		2	(1,008)	(8,134)
Net Movement in Funds			(822)	2,428
Balance at 1 January			4,292	1,864
Balance at 31 December			3,470	4,292
	Funded by:			
	Cash held by District		3,470	4,292

Note 22 - Explorers - Designated Fund

		Notes	2019 £	2018 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:	:		_	_
Donations and legacies				
Membership Subscriptions				
	Received		10,306	8,445
	Less: Paid		(5,301)	(4,536)
		1c	5,005	3,909
Donations			0	100
Donations			O	100
Charitable activities				
Camps and Activities			12,275	6,308
Grants		3	1,463	1,100
Other trading activities				
Fundraising			0	0
Total Income			18,743	11,417
EXPENDITURE ON:				
Charitable activities				
Administration & Stationery			46	33
Camps & Activities			14,385	8,274
Equipment			2,118	1,139
Rent & Insurance			1,168	1,230
Necherchiefs & Badges			1,108	262
T. 15			40.005	10.000
Total Expenditure			18,825	10,938
Net income / (expenditure)			(82)	479
Fund Transfers			0	0
Net Movement in Funds			(82)	479
Balance at 1 January			12,236	11,757
Balance at 31 December			12,154	12,236

Note 23 - Gang Show & SAS - Designated Fund

	Notes	2019 Show £	Gang Show SAS 2019 £	Total Gang Show 2019 £	2018 Total £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:		Note 1b	Note 1b		
Donations and legacies					
Membership Subscriptions					
Received		0	200	200	300
Less: Paid		0	0	0	0
		0	200	200	300
Donations		40	930	970	1,550
Charitable activities					
Ticket Sales		8,649	0	8,649	8,781
Advertising		0	0	0	0
Clothing		672	0	672	622
DVDs and CDs		615	0	615	671
Arts Council Grant & other Sponsors		1,500	0	1,500	1,480
Other Income		2	0	2	0
All other Gang Show SAS income		0	206	206	45
Other trading activities					
Fundraising including programmes & raffles		631	0	631	584
Total Income		12,109	1,336	13,445	14,033
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Raising funds					
Fundraising expenses (including raffle)		9	0	9	41
Charitable activities					
Theatre Hire		7,104	0	7,104	6,034
Wardrobe and Clothing		1,878	0	1,878	2,463
Stage		512	0	512	592
Props (including music)		335	0	335	187
Make Up		68	0	68	119
Admin, Postage, Printing & Publicity		660	0	660	1,146
Refreshments & Entertaining		417	0	417	291
Rent		550	0	550	550
DVDs		193	0	193	445
Donations		40	667	707	40
Miscellaneous		170	0	170	153
All other Gang Show SAS spend		0	589	589	996
Total Expenditure		11,936	1,256	13,192	13,057

	Notes	2019 Show £	Gang Show SAS 2019 £	Total Gang Show 2019 £	2018 Total £
Net income / (expenditure)		173	80	253	976
Fund Transfers		0	0	0	0
Net Movement in Funds		173	80	253	976
Balance at 1 January		3,842	2,124	5,966	4,990
Balance at 31 December		4,015	2,204	6,219	5,966

Note 24 - Network - Designated Fund

		Notes	2019 £	2018 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:			-	-
Donations and legacies				
Membership Subsciptions				
	Received		280	260
	Less: Paid		0	0
			280	260
Donations			0	0
Charitable activities			1 221	4.47
Activities Grants			1,231 0	447 0
Clothing			144	0
Other			4	84
Other			4	04
Total Income			1,659	791
			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
EXPENDITURE ON:				
Charitable activities				
Donations			0	0
Activities			1,734	507
Materials & Equipment			0	0
Rent			100	0
Clothing			165	0
Sundry			0	0
Total Expenditure			1,999	507
Net income / (expenditure)			(340)	284
Fund Transfers			0	0
Net Movement in Funds			(340)	284
			(0)	
Balance at 1 January			858	574
Balance at 31 December			518	858

Note 25 - Playscheme - Designated Fund

		Notes	2019 £	2018 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:				
Donations and legacies				
Membership Subsciptions				
	Received		0	0
L	ess: Paid		0	0
			0	0
Donations			2,069	1,157
Charitable activities				
Entertainment			0	593
Other income			100	80
Van Income			0	0
Other trading activities				
Fund Raising (including Catering, Bar and	BBQ)		1,751	3,958
		,		
Total Income		:	3,920	5,788
EXPENDITURE ON:				
Raising funds				
Fund Raising (including Catering, Bar and	BBQ)		1,890	2,529
Charitable activities				
Entertainment			597	526
Operational			883	998
Other Expenses			362	660
Van Expenses			0	(36)
Total Expenditure		:	3,732	4,677
Net income / (expenditure)			188	1,111
Fund Transfers			0	0
Net Movement in Funds		,	188	1,111
				-
Balance at 1 January			7,952	6,841
Balance at 31 December			8,140	7,952
Datatice at 31 December		:	0,140	7,332

Note 26 - SCH SAS - Designated Fund

		Notes	2019 £	2018 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	:		_	_
Donations and legacies				
Membership Subscriptions				
	Received		0	0
	Less: Paid		0	0
			0	0
Donations			100	50
Charitable activities				
Scout, Explorer and Unit Activities			1,888	250
Support to Groups and others			6,052	4,433
Air Rifles			761	1,593
Grants			0	0
Sundry income			0	0
Total Income			8,801	6,326
EXPENDITURE ON:				
Charitable activities				
Materials and Equipment			125	675
Administration			135	499
Activities			1,537	273
Air Rifles			345	483
Support to Groups and others			5,893	4,481
Sundry expenses (including training)			50	0
Total Expenditure			8,085	6,411
•				<u> </u>
Net income / (expenditure)			716	(85)
Fund Transfers			0	0
Net Movement in Funds			716	(85)
Balance at 1 January			1,781	1,866
Balance at 31 December			2,497	1,781
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Note: with effect from 2017, the District's Air Rifle activity is being accounted for by SCH SAS

Independent Examiner's Report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Thurrock District Scout Council for the year ended 31 December 2019.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Thurrock District Scout Council 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 Thurrock District Scout Council accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- **1.** accounting records were not kept in respect of the Thurrock District Scout Council as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- 2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- **3.** the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.

Harry Doyle

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Date: 8th April 2020

