



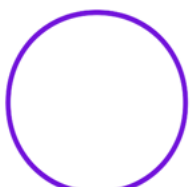
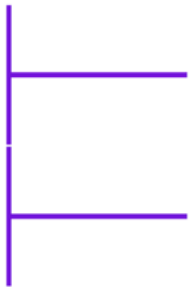
TADLEY SCOUT GROUP

Annual Report

January - December



2023



Group Trustee Board:

Ex Officio Members:

David Bull - Chair

Gloria Bailey - Group Scout Leader

John Flat - Secretary

Naomi Bailey - Treasurer

Matthew Savill - Beaver Scout Leader

Joanne Soccard - Beaver Scout Leader

Helen Belcher - Cub Scout Leader

Robert Thompson - Scout Leader

Elected Members:

Paul Carruthers

Louis Soccard

Graham Hutcheson

Sam Lloyd

Nominated Members:

William Law

Other Appointments:

Bankers:

Barclays Bank Plc - Group Account

Scrutineer:

Wendy Toogood-Wolvey

Constitution:

tadleyscouts.org.uk/constitution

AGENDA

1. Welcome
2. Apologies for absence
3. Minutes of last AGM - to be approved
4. Matters arising
5. Review of the last year
6. Adoption of accounts
7. Trustee Board stands down
8. Appointment of Chair
9. Governance Topics
 - a. Adopt the constitution
 - b. Agree the number of elected Trustee Board members
 - c. Agree the quorum for Group Scout Council & Trustee Board meetings
10. Elections to the Trustee Board
 - a. Ex Officio Members
 - i. Treasurer
 - ii. Secretary
 - iii. Beavers
 - iv. Cubs
 - v. Scouts
 - b. Elected Members
 - c. Nominated Members
11. Appointment of independent scrutineer
12. Any other business
13. Date of next Group Scout Council meeting
14. Close Meeting

GROUP SCOUT COUNCIL MINUTES 2023

Date: 28 June 2023

Venue: Diamond Scout Centre

Attendees

- Executive Committee – Louis Soccard (LS), Gloria Bailey (GB), Naomi Bailey, Matthew Savill, , Melanie Russell, Paul Carruthers, Charlie Dix, Joanne Soccard, Helen Belcher
- Other Volunteers – Gill Fewell, Tracy Bennett, Debbie Fullick, Jon Locke (district representative)
- Parents/Young People (approximately 30 in total)

Apologies

- Executive Committee – Rob Thompson, Graham Hutcheson, Sam Lloyd and Will Law.

Minutes

Meeting opened at 6.41pm by Louis Soccard (Chair) (LS) welcoming everyone and explaining that all parents and volunteers are members of the Scout Council and therefore are entitled to attend the AGM and vote on proposals.

The Chair continued by running through the items on the agenda:

- The minutes of the last meeting were presented for approval, proposed by Matthew Savill and seconded by Paul Carruthers. Approval by council - all in favour.
- There were no matters arising.
- LS advising that we had changed the date of the financial year and as such this report runs from April to December.
- LS gave a review of the group's activities over the last year, which were outlined in full in the Annual Report for all to see. This has been sent by email and is available on the website. LS outlined some highlights per section, which were:

Beavers

Due to a long waiting list, a second Beaver Colony opened in September running on a Wednesday and as such the colonies were named Oak and Willow respectively.

9 Chief Scout Bronze awards were achieved by Oak Beavers.

Activities included a trip to 4 Kingdoms, Paultons Park, a County camp and panto visit and sleepover.

Both colonies are now full.

Cubs

We are running two Cub packs and the highlights of their programme were Hockey sessions run by Basingstoke Hockey Club, Tadley monopoly run, kayaking, climbing and a summer camp at Youlbury.

Scouts

We have a new Scout leader, David, who joined Darwin troop after losing some leaders during the summer.

Scout activities have included climbing, kayaking, caving, trebuchet making, cooking, Guy Fawkes making and a camp near Bournemouth with a day trip to Brownsea Island.

The meeting continued with the following agenda items:

- This was a year when we suffered the loss of our patron, Her Majesty the Queen. Many sections honoured her by running activities to commemorate her life/work, including Hurricane Cubs writing a letter of condolence and receiving a reply. This was followed by the coronation of Prince Charles as King Charles III.
- In terms of the building, a lot of work has been done this year and LS gave special thanks to Gloria, Brian, Charlie and Matthew for all their hard work.
- All in all, it appears to have been a very successful year for the group.
- LS then presented the group accounts for adoption. These were proposed by Debbie Fullick and seconded by Charlie Dix and the council all voted in favour.
- Naomi (Treasurer) advised that parents are encouraged to use OSM/Go Cardless payments for subscriptions rather than standing orders.
- The Trustees Board members all stood down and LS thanked them all for their service. LS explained that our secretary had resigned and he was also stepping down this year as Chair due to work commitments and so new volunteers were needed for these positions.

As Group Scout Leader, Gloria (GB) took the next part of the meeting.

- GB thanked all the leaders, helpers, parents and Trustee Board members for their contributions.
- GB pointed out the annual report covered what the sections and group had been doing and she would not repeat the same.
- GB thanked certain people in particular for their contributions, including: Louis for his work as Chair and help with all our IT, as well as the work he is involved with at District and County level. He is now preparing to take some Scouts on an international trip around Europe. Ashleigh for his help with scrutinising our accounts and advising us on good book keeping. Naomi for her work on keeping our accounts in order, for helping Louis to produce our AGM report, as well as training advisor for Baughurst Scout group, ADC International for District and as leader for Unit 62 who are attending the World Scout Jamboree in South Korea in August. Helen for her 20 years in Scouting and as a Cub Scout Leader, training advisor for Tadley, quartermaster, Trustee and helping with our fund-raising events.
- The council were advised that this insight shows what type of work the leaders cover to provide activities for the young people and indeed some of our leaders are covering more than one leader role, such as Joanne who is the Beaver Leader for Willow, helping out with Oak colony, and an Assistant Cub leader with Spitfires as well as a Trustee.
- A call for a round of applause for the leaders was given.
- Appointment of officers: As we do not have a Chair, a request for anyone interested was made, as the post will remain open until we can find a replacement Chair.
- The adoption of the constitution was called for, which was proposed by Matthew Savill, seconded by Charlie Dix and the council were all in agreement.
- The group financial year is now from January to December.

- The Executive Committee will now be known as the Trustee Board and the quorum for this will be 7 which is 50% + 1. This was proposed by Matthew Savill, seconded by Louis Soccad and the Council were all in favour.
- The Group Scout Council quorum will be 19 which is 10% proposed by Joanne Soccad and seconded by Matthew Savill with the council all in agreement.

Election of Executive Committee Members:

Ex officio

Chair – vacant

Secretary – vacant

Treasurer – Naomi Bailey

Group Scout Leader – Gloria Bailey

Leaders – Helen Belcher, Joanne Soccad, Matthew Savill, Robert Thompson.

Elected members

Louis Soccad, Paul Carruthers, Sam Lloyd, Graham Hutcheson, William Law.

Scrutineer

Wendy Toogood-Wolvey, proposed by Matthew Savill and seconded by Gill Fewell

- There was no other business.
- Gloria invited Jon Locke as Deputy District Commissioner to say a few words.
- Jon reiterated how well the group was doing but needed the parents support with filling the vacancies on the Trustee Board, as without a Chair and Secretary the group would close.
- Certificates were presented:
 - Wood beads to Tracy Bennett
 - 5 years' service to Ryan Dyer
 - 15 years' service to Naomi Bailey
 - 20 years' service to Helen Belcher
- GB then invested Melanie Russell as Section Assistant for Oak Beavers (ABSL)
- Date for the next AGM is 4th June 2024

Meeting closed at 7.06pm

MESSAGE FROM OUR GROUP SCOUT LEADER

It's good to feel like we are back to a full programme of scouting activities, programs have now included more nights away, either sleepovers or camping, the young people are starting to settle back into normality and the group is going from strength to strength.

Hall hire has picked up again with regular users through the week and weekend hire for camps, sleepovers and reunions.

I would like to thank all our supporters who have continued to either assist the group with grants or the running of section programmes.



We need help

With running the sections or as a trustee on the trustee board, you can give as much or as little time that you can offer with whatever role you are comfortable with.

Please speak to me or a leader for more information we would love to have you on our team, you might even have fun and enjoy it.

Building

We have continued to maintain the property through a number of projects, a freshly painted hall was carried out by some apprentices at AWE who volunteered to help, new LED outside lights for the car park area and new LED lights for the inside of the building, the internal lights were part funded by a grant from Basingstoke and Deane Council and Tadley Helping Hands which we are very grateful for, the lights were provided by GU Solutions Basingstoke at cost to Scouting. The outside car parking lights were provided at cost by Oaktree Electrical, these have been part of our plan to reduce our carbon emissions and become more sustainable.

Thanks to the Loddon Valley Lions we were able to change from a gas oven to an electric one keeping us all electric and reducing our outgoings while again reducing the need for fossil fuel.

With the help of some of our leaders we have carried out general maintenance on things like guttering repairs, power washing the footpaths, fitting new soap dispensers etc. Our Beavers provided us with a bug hotel, encouraging wildlife on the site.

Unfortunately, we did have a section of fencing cut away and stolen, which has been replaced and again with help from the leaders.

This year we have been in a better position to assess some of our kit and replacement items have been purchased, these will allow us to accommodate more young people on a camp, equipment to help teach them skill like compasses, flint strikers, cooking stoves and knives.

A new gas storage cage and emergency outside signage has been put up, thanks to one of our leaders for part funding these.



So how can you help us, by using the Easyfundraising website/ app when purchasing things on line, it's easy to register and doesn't cost you a penny. Click on the link below to find out more details and sign up.

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk>

Wishing you didn't need to sew?
We will sew your badges on uniforms for a donation.

And finally I would like to thank our local community services for supporting the sections with their programme, to parents who have offered their professional knowledge or their help and time to the sections making it a more interesting session/ programme.

Gloria Bailey
Group Scout Leader

MESSAGE FROM OUR GROUP CHAIR

At the end of our last AGM Louis stood down from the post of Chair to continue with his other scouting roles while remaining as a trustee, this left the group without a chair and secretary which we had to cover.

The start of the year was quiet and ticked along, the trustee board continued to meet and manage the groups finance, safety and the building.

Apart from the large section of fencing that had been removed (stolen) leaving us exposed, an emergency section of netting was put up until it was repaired, there was little else that changed.

David joined us as Chair along with John as our secretary in July 2023, these are vital roles that had to be replaced to meet the Charity Commissions rules, and I am very grateful for their help and support. David Bull became the Chair of Trustees and John Flat became Secretary of the Board of Trustees. Both have been on a very steep learning curve to learn how Tadley Scout Group works.

I would like to thank Louis for his time as Chair of Trustees and for his help in smoothing the way for John and me to contribute to the work of the Board of Trustees.

Like many organisations and households, upward financial pressures have been difficult to manage. The Trustees have taken a number of actions to reduce ongoing costs in order to maintain membership fees at current levels. Lighting has been replaced with lower cost LED lights, *partly funded by a grant*. The cooker has been replaced and the gas has been cut off, *this will save money in future years*. A great deal of general maintenance has been carried out with costs being minimised through the help of the scout leaders. The halls have been repainted by Gloria, a new gas bottle store supplied & installed by Sam & Charlie and by the time you read this the carpark lights should have been installed by Matt. Many other smaller maintenance jobs that have been carried out by the group leaders on a day to day basis to reduce the running costs.

I would like to thank everyone, on behalf of the Trustees, who has contributed during the year to keeping the DSC a safe and pleasant environment for our young people and leaders to meet.

The coming year will see a major transformation of the scouting organisation which will affect all the leaders and helpers at Tadley Scout Group.

Going forward, the Board of Trustees will be focusing on our **financial security**; for which I thank Naomi Bailey who puts in many hours of work every week as Treasurer. The **health and safety** and **safeguarding** of our leaders and young people.

David Bull
Group Chair

Join us



If anyone would like to join the Board of Trustees please contact Gloria Bailey or David Bull for further information about the role of a trustee.

Oak Colony

2023 started off with indoor activities, we earned our Music and Communicator badge and worked on our Skills Challenge badge, we tried Haggis on Burns night and made pancake after the half term.

We also had a visit from a real Paralympian Tim Jeffery who came to talk to us about his amazing career and how he managed with his disability

The remainder of the year was filled with some brilliant activities from a visit to 4 Kingdoms, walks in the forest, Pond dipping and Parade, and our annual visit to Paultons Park where we joined over 200 Beavers across Basingstoke West.





We planned a camp at the Scout hut hoping to get the Beavers out under canvas in the garden but the weather put pay to that's and we had to quickly rethink and set up camp inside.

Apart from the sleeping part the Beavers had a great time and made some swords and shields for our entry in to the annual scarecrow trial which was Mike the Knight.

Finally after many years of helping Hedgehog was invested at our AGM followed by Fox a few months later.

We held a Macmillian Coffee evening which is a charity close to our hearts and raised £123, made fruit skewers as part of our Health eating badge and went to see one of our young leaders in the Panto at the Methodist church



2023 was filled with lots of fun games and smiles and I hope the Beavers enjoyed themselves as much as the Leaders did, many of our Beavers received their Bronze awards and some of them were lucky enough to be awarded their certificates at a District ceremony in Basingstoke.

Unfortunately there's too many pictures to put on our report but I hope you can see the fun that we had with the ones that we've added.



Matt Savill
- *Badger*



Tracy Bennett
- *Woodpecker*



Mel
- *Hedgehog*

Ryan Dyer
- *Falcon*



Jamie
- *Fox*



Willow Colony

We continued to grow in number this year and now have 21 Beavers with more awaiting places on the waiting list. We have also welcomed 2 new Section Assistants, which means that we now have a strong leadership team delivering our programme.

4 Beavers have completed their Chief Scout Bronze Awards and many more are working very hard towards their awards.

We have enjoyed a variety of activities from making and playing musical instruments, cooking and devouring pancakes, learning Emergency Aid and meeting a Paralympian Shooter to learn all about his sport and disability.

In April, we made crowns and joined hundreds of other Scouts and Guides from in and around Basingstoke to celebrate King Charles's Coronation.





We also enjoyed a trip to 4 Kingdoms where we saw lots of animals and met some rather large dinosaurs!

Once the weather changed and the nights became lighter, we learned and put into practice navigational skills and Pamber Forest gained a formidable den thanks to us! Lots of fun was had when grass sledging and tent pitching and we completed the challenges for the Bugs of the World Badge making bird feeders and a large bug hotel for the DSC garden.

Tadley Fire Station hosted us for an interesting visit and several new potential firefighters may have been found.... The summer term finished with a "Knights Away" sleepover with Oak Colony and Pamber Heath Beavers (indoors as the July weather thwarted our plans to camp out).

Back in September, we learned our Green Cross Code and how to light and put out fires safely (of course we ate smores too!)

October saw us learn all about space and satellites (thanks to Airbus), as well as enjoying our annual trip to Paultons Park – I think the leaders' tummies have only just recovered from all those rides.



In November, Osprey told us all about his important work with the Royal British Legion and we made some lovely poppy bookmarks. We then attended the annual Remembrance Parade at St Paul's Church with the rest of the Scout Group where the Beavers did us all proud.

The first weekend in December we visited the Methodist Church pantomime (oh yes we did!) and had a sleepover at the DSC (sleep – oh no they didn't!)

We joined the Beavers from Oak Colony and enjoyed a walk to see the Christmas lights around Tadley (whilst munching on chips). Have you seen our video on Facebook?

To finish off the term, we had a disco hosted by DJ Osprey with some interesting song choices and fantastic dance moves from Stag!

Thanks go to all the Beaver parents and Willow Leaders for supporting our Young People this year and we look forward to more adventures in 2024.

Yours in Scouting



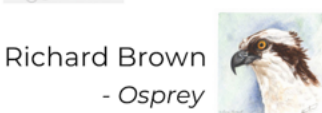
Joanne Soccard
- Beetle



Charlie Dix
- Stag



Tracy Bennett
- Woodpecker



Richard Brown
- Osprey



Emily Norris
- Doormouse



Michelle Myers
- Raccoon

Hurricane Pack

Tadley Hurricanes continues under the leadership of Helen (Akela), Debbie (Raksha), Stuart (Baloo) and Nick (Kaa).

The membership of Hurricane Cubs has been settled at around 20 members, but we can always find room for a few more!

Thank you for all your support during the year. If you would like to join the team as a volunteer we would love to welcome you.

Spring 2023

During this term we tried to fit in as many activities as the cubs had chosen. We celebrated Chinese New Year in January and followed up by finding out more about the culture of China. We made pancakes and enjoyed many varied toppings, not just the traditional lemon juice and sugar.

We had craft evenings and made gifts for the wonderful mothers of our cubs.

The cubs embraced the Lego challenge and the Great Cub Bake Off. We then learned about budgeting, saving and all things money related for the new Money Skills Badge.

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Summer 2023

We started the term by ensuring our uniforms were smart and that we knew how to iron our neckers in readiness for St George's day. We enjoyed nature by ensuring we look after it and by making bird feeders. We made use of that wonderful natural resource which is on our doorstep – Pamber Forest. The cubs were taught some woodcraft skills, how to put up tents and how to pack a rucksack in readiness for the summer camp which took place at Ferny Crofts in the New Forest between 7th to 9th July. The 7th of July was one of the hottest days of the year as the leaders assembled to get the site ready for the arrival of the cubs. We all had a good time, even though we had some rain!

Another highlight of the term was the annual Hockey Week held at Basingstoke Hockey Club and organised by the District Team. All the cubs enjoyed learning a new sporting skill.

We finished the term with a treasure hunt around Mortimer Village. It was great fun and we found out more about another local village.

Autumn 2023

We started the term with some backwoods cooking and finding out about Diwali. We had some great fun with glow sticks and then dancing in the dark. We took care of the birds once more by making more feeders, this time using apple to hold the seeds.

We were privileged to visit Basingstoke Ambulance Station. Many thanks to Mr Farmer for organising this. The cubs discovered how the ambulances are made ready for dispatch and how patients are made comfortable at the scene before being transferred to the ambulance. We made Christmas cards and peppermint creams before finishing the year with a family Kahoot quiz, nibbles and warm mince pies. It was lovely to see families relaxing and enjoying themselves as they tried to be the first to answer the questions.

Helen - Akela

And the Hurricane leadership team

Date for your diaries

Summer Camp 21st to 23rd June at Thirtover Girl Guide Camp, Cold Ash RG18 9JD

Spitfire Pack

Tadley Spitfire Cubs continue to be led by Gill (Akela) and assisted by Joanne (Bagheera) and Paul (Bander-log), and we are pleased to also have section support help from Graham, Andy and Grant, and invaluable assistance from Thomas (Bakus), our Young Leader.

We have spent the year doing a variety of activities, both indoors, and outdoors whenever the weather has allowed, and Cubs have gained a good number of badges, with some older Cubs achieving their Chief Scout's Silver award, the highest award for Cubs.

- The spring term started with the Cubs becoming young scientists, doing several different experiments and activities including making compasses, chromatography, refraction of light, water density, air pressure and making a wormery.
- Cubs learnt about Burns night, tried Scottish food, and played Scottish games, then a few weeks later Cubs made batter and cooked and ate pancakes.
- We had an excellent sixers and seconders night hike in the Sherborne St John area, which was a Basingstoke West District run activity, and later several of the Cubs attended the swim badge test day at QMC, another excellent District event.
- Cubs learnt about Global Issues, including water and water aid, where in the world things come from, what can be reduced, reused, and recycled, and homelessness.
- Term ended with all thing's chocolate, eating chocolate, and playing chocolate games.

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During the summer term we tried to get outside as much as possible and started by joining in the District St George's Day and King Charles III Coronation event at The War Memorial Park, where the Cubs enjoyed the various activities and their picnic.

Cubs learnt about road safety, and then bicycle safety and maintenance and after a practice ride at the DSC, had an exciting off-road cycle ride in Pamber Forest.

- We returned to the forest with Hurricane Cubs to learn tracking signs and follow trails.
- We joined other Cubs from around the District for a very enjoyable hockey taster session, learning skills and playing a mini game, run by Basingstoke Hockey Club.
- On a very hot day early in June we joined other Basingstoke West Cubs for a day out at 4 Kingdom's where the Cubs had a fantastic time enjoying the many activities.
- We had great fun trying out paddleboarding at Wokingham Waterside Centre.
- Both Tadley Cub Packs had a good weekend camp at Ferny Crofts Activity Centre, sleeping in tents, cooking their own lunch, climbing, crazy golf, and generally having fun. The weather ranged from very hot, to chilly and very wet, all within a few hours.
- We went to Mortimer for a treasure hunt, then ended the term with BBQ and water fun.

The autumn began with reminders of the Cub Promise, discussing doing their best and Investing new Cubs. We then invited Sherborne St John Cubs to join us for an evening of fire laying, lighting matches, cooking and eating smores, and fire extinguishing.

Cubs learnt to tie some knots, and two weeks later used the knots to make a stretcher.



- In October many of the Cubs took part in Fright Night at Ferny Crofts where they enjoyed a day of many exciting, fun, and scary activities.
- Early in November Cubs went on a night hike from Silchester to the DSC, followed by a movie, supper, and sleepover, then breakfast the following morning.
- We learnt about Military Remembrance from a member of the Royal British Legion, then our sixers supported them by selling poppies in Sainsburys before many Cubs attended the annual Remembrance Parade and service at St Paul's Church.
- We learnt some first aid, then the following week visited Basingstoke Ambulance station for an interesting talk and looking around an ambulance and at the equipment.
- We had a great evening learning yoga. Then Cubs made some Christmas craft to decorate their homes, and we finished term with a Christmas party.

Thank you to all the leaders and parents who have helped to make this a successful year, whether running activities, or transporting Cubs to various locations away from the DSC..
Gill (Akela), CSL Tadley Spitfire Cubs

Darwin Troop

January to July

Having recruited a new scout leader David, and with the help of Sam this term the section ran a variety of scouting activities, hiking, team building, expedition preparation, tomahawk and fire lighting with of course food to cook, pioneering and tent pitching, finishing with the annual water activities and party food.

September to December

Due to leaders being thin on the ground with work commitments this term the section was run by Charlie, Naomi, Gloria with David and Sam when they could attend. With a reduced size in the group we have been able to give more help and supervision to the scouts with their session work focusing on the basics of scouting and missing badge work.

Some of our topics were presented in a very different way, we held a quiz on drugs, alcohol and smoking, then sleep and diet which was presented through a game of 'Who wants to be a millionaire'.

Tadley searching was a fun walk in the dark searching for clues while map reading, as well as some other team tasks.





Our cooking session was a challenge as they were given a Korean menu sheet with ingredients and left to work it out, the menu sheets were from the World Scout Jamboree and the interpretation was a little challenging, but a great success and very nice food enjoyed by all.

From cooking to presenting & eating.

- Louis came and talked about space bringing some spare parts from a satellite and clothing to try on, they all made a simple satellite model.
- The Scouts artistic side came out when painting poppies on stones to lay at the cross on Remembrance Day and making puppets from socks showing how you can use old clothing for something else.
- We held an auction selling attitudes and beliefs, a bit different and interesting to see what their priorities are.
- Our session on dark games consisted of indoor caving which was organised and run by Erin our young leader.

We held a weekend sleepover in the hall, it was a little too cold and wet to be outside, we covered several things to finish off some badge work, did a nature walk to Ron Ward's meadow foraging for food or medicinal plants, this was the one day the weather was kind to us, we did archery indoors and had puzzles to solve.

This one just had to be solved!



We walked to St Paul's Church for the Remembrance Day parade where we joined the Beavers, Cubs and Scouts from the other section, taking part in the service and finishing with placing our stones round the base of the cross.

Our last session consisted of party food and having fun playing games, amazing how competitive they are.

We now look forward to another interesting and fun term.

I would like to thank Charlie, Helen, Louis and Naomi for stepping in to help with the sessions.

Gloria Bailey
Group Scout Leader

Newton Troop

Another year has passed for the Newton Scout troop, and what a busy year it has been. We started by celebrating the Chinese New Year, cooking a Chinese noodle dish on gas cookers, very nice it was.

February saw us take a trip in to Basingstoke, to the fire station to complete their fire safety badge, also this month we carried on with badge work & having fun playing games. March saw the troop cooking again, this time pancakes which everyone enjoyed, the favourite being chocolate spread. This month we also completed a task master challenge, which was fun for all. We went to the Reading Climbing Centre, with the Scouts climbing to the top, which is very high.

May, the troop carried out badge work, also visiting the Dice Tower in Basingstoke to have a night of fun playing board games.

June saw a visit from the Basingstoke East leadership team, bringing with them the tomahawk gear. The Scouts had a lot of fun and were very good. The troop were tasked in building wash stands out of bamboo poles, ready for summer camp. Camp prep was also carried out through July with tent pitching & a visit to Silchester Common to carry on pioneering, building a bridge over the stream, then crossing to test their bridge, a worrying time for the Scouts but they crossed without wet feet.

August saw us going on summer camp, visiting a new site in the New Forest with 12 Scouts for a week in the sun and rain. It was the first time, that three Scouts lost their baby teeth, the tooth fairy was busy when they got home. We had a day at the beach followed by fish & chips in the evening. On site the Scouts had a go at shooting, archery and bouldering.

The start of the new term in Autumn saw the Scouts completing their model maker badge, over two weeks. We are still finding paint splashes.

As the nights are getting dark quicker, we did a lot in the DSC working on badges, games and a bit of cooking.

November saw the Remembrance Parade at St. Paul's Church, the Scouts looked smart and a credit to the group.

In December we carried out map reading and looking forward to Christmas.

I would like to thank Stuart Pope, Chrissy Young (MUM), Simon Thompson, Libby Brown YL and Tom Pilling YL for their assistance and help running Newton Scouts. Also thank you to the Scouts for a good year in Scouting.

Rob Thompson
Newton Scouts

Scrutineers Report

Scrutineer's Report to the Trustees of the Tadley Scout Group Scout Council

ACCOUNTS

I report on the accounts of the Group for the year ended 31/12/2023

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Scrutineer

As the Group's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that neither the audit nor independent examination requirements of the Charities Act 2011 apply. It is my responsibility without carrying out an audit or independent examination to scrutinise the accounts and to report to you.

Basis of Scrutineer's Statement

In accordance with the directions given in the Group's constitution, I have scrutinised the records and the accounts set out on the spreadsheet.

Scrutineer's Statement

In my opinion the accounts are in accordance with the records produced to me and comply with the constitution.

Name: Wendy Toogood-Wolvey
Address: 1 Meon Close, Tadley
Hampshire, RG26 4HW

Date: 28/02/2024

Tadley Scout Group Receipts and Payments Account

	Year start date		Year end date
For the year from	01/01/2023	To	31/12/2023

Receipts and payments

	2023				Total funds £	2022	2024
	Unrestricted funds £	Beavers Budget funds £	Cub Budget funds £	Scout Budget funds £		Total funds £	Budget £
Receipts							
Donations, legacies and similar income							
Membership subscriptions	£12,560.88	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£12,560.88	£9,108.04	£12,000.00
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on <small>(National/County/Bees/District) enter figures with a minus sign</small>	-£6,032.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	-£6,032.00	£0.00	-£6,000.00
Net membership subscriptions retained	£2,784.88	£1,344.00	£1,203.00	£1,197.00	£6,528.88	£9,108.04	£6,000.00
Joining Fee	£270.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£270.00	£364.50	£300.00
Donations	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£1,149.51	N/A listed under fundraising
Gift Aid	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£2,332.00	£6,000.00
Camp Fees	£0.00	£328.56	£1,536.00	£2,465.00	£4,328.56	£6,212.80	£4,000.00
Hall Hire	£7,381.25	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£7,381.25	£5,120.00	£6,000.00
Activities	£0.00	£1,283.00	£460.00	£632.00	£2,375.00	£1,095.83	£2,000.00
Miscellaneous	£4.70	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Sub total	£10,440.83	£2,955.56	£3,198.00	£4,294.00	£20,883.69	£25,382.68	£24,300.00
Grants							
Maintenance grant	£1,400.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£1,400.00	£0.00	£0.00
Equipment grant	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£1,000.00	£0.00
Insurance claim	£353.60	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£353.60	£0.00	£0.00
Sub total	£1,753.60	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£1,753.60	£1,000.00	£0.00
Fundraising (gross)							
Donations	£501.80	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£501.80	£1,149.51	£0.00
Xmas Fete	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Treacle Fayre	£327.36	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£327.36	£474.75	£200.00
Easy Fundraising	£16.07	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£16.07	£60.53	£10.00
	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Sub total	£845.23	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£845.23	£1,684.79	£210.00
Investment income							
Bank interest	£104.39	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£104.39	£10.32	£10.00
Building Society interest	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Property Rent income	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Other investment income	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Sub total	£104.39	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£104.39	£10.32	£10.00
Total Gross Income	£13,144.05	£2,955.56	£3,198.00	£4,294.00	£23,586.91	£28,077.79	£24,520.00
Asset and investment sales, etc.	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Total receipts	£13,144.05	£2,955.56	£3,198.00	£4,294.00	£23,586.91	£28,077.79	£24,520.00

Tadley Scout Group Receipts and Payments Account

		Year start date			Year end date
For the year from	01/01/2023	To			31/12/2023

Receipts and payments

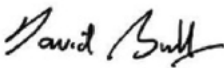

	2023				Total funds £	2022	2024
	Unrestricted funds £	Beaver Budget funds £	Cub Account funds £	Scout Account funds £		Total funds £	Budget £
Payments							
Charitable Payments							
Youth programme and activities	£0.00	£1,967.08	£1,552.31	£990.52	£4,509.91	£3,396.16	£4,000.00
Camp costs	£0.00	£426.67	£1,134.46	£1,832.46	£3,393.59	£6,410.08	£4,000.00
Subs refund of over payment	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£310.00	£0.00
Camp refunds	£0.00	£0.00	£105.00	£450.00	£555.00	£310.00	£0.00
Refund of hall hire overpayment	£588.76	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£588.76	£0.00	£0.00
Adult support and training	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£10.00
Advertising & Marketing	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£15.00
Insurance	£1,624.14	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£1,624.14	£1,650.86	£1,700.00
Repairs and Renewals	£4,778.78	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£4,778.78	£1,281.27	£2,000.00
Materials and equipment	£531.43	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£531.43	£1,015.43	£1,000.00
Printing and photocopying	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£20.00
Uniforms & Badges	£422.16	£227.95	£102.84	£97.62	£950.56	£791.55	£900.00
DSC Cleaning costs	£255.72	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£255.72	£195.60	£200.00
Telephone / Internet	£717.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£717.00	£501.82	£700.00
Utilities	£7,145.89	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£7,145.89	£5,925.72	£7,000.00
Maintenance contracts	£1,557.01	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£1,557.01	£929.32	£1,000.00
Other Expenses	£1,053.14	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£1,053.14	£63.03	£100.00
Sub total	£18,674.01	£2,621.70	£2,894.61	£3,370.60	£27,560.92	£22,470.10	£22,645.00
Fundraising expenses							
Good Exchange fee	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Items for Treacle fayre	£1.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£1.00	£0.00	£1.00
Other fundraising costs	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Sub total	£1.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£1.00	£0.00	£1.00
Total Gross Expenditure	£18,675.01	£2,621.70	£2,894.61	£3,370.60	£27,561.92	£22,470.10	£22,646.00
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Total payments	£18,675.01	£2,621.70	£2,894.61	£3,370.60	£27,561.92	£22,470.10	£22,646.00
Net of receipts/(payments)	-£5,530.96	£333.86	£303.39	£923.40	-£3,970.31	£5,607.69	£1,874.00
Transfers between funds	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Cash funds last year end	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Cash funds this year end	-£5,530.96	£333.86	£303.39	£923.40	-£3,970.31	£5,607.69	£1,874.00

Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	2023					2022	2024
	Unrestricted funds £	Beaver Budget funds £	Cub Budget funds £	Scout Budget funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £	Budget £
Cash funds							
Bank current General account	£49,237.09	£647.89	£749.95	£766.45	£51,401.38	£54,793.95	£46,000.00
Bank savings account - to close group down & return land etc.	£11,068.83	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£11,068.83	£10,958.33	£16,000.00
Bank deposit Endowment account	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Cash/Floats	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Total cash funds	£60,305.92	£647.89	£749.95	£766.45	£62,470.21	£65,752.28	£60,000.00
Other monetary assets							
Tax claim	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Debts due from the County/Area/District/Group	£112.50	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£112.50	£0.00	£0.00
Insurance claim	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Sub total	£112.50	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£112.50	£0.00	£0.00
Investment assets							
Investment property - detail	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Quoted investments	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Other investments - detail	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Sub total	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Non monetary assets for charity's own use							
Land and buildings	£521,623.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£521,623.00	£521,623.00	£520,000.00
Scouting equipment, furniture etc	£33,361.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£33,361.00	£33,361.00	£34,000.00
Other	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Sub total	£554,984.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£554,984.00	£554,984.00	£554,000.00
Liabilities							
Accounts not yet paid (camp refunds)	£0.00	£0.00	£285.00	£120.00	£405.00	£194.90	£0.00
Accounts not yet paid (badge orders)	£30.25	£163.44	£126.11	£69.96	£389.76	£194.90	£0.00
Expenses incurred but not invoiced	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£60.00	£0.00
Subscriptions not yet paid	£0.00	£50.00	£40.00	£0.00	£90.00	£0.00	£0.00
Loan - detail	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Other liabilities - expenses refund short	£0.00	£0.83	£0.00	£0.00	£0.83	£0.00	£0.00
Sub total	£30.25	£214.27	£451.11	£189.96	£885.59	£449.80	£0.00

Contingent liabilities and future obligations

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 25th April 2022 (the date of the Executive Committee meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by

Signature	Print Name
	David Bull Chair
	Naomi Bailey Treasurer

Note:

We have received a grant from Helping hands for £400.00 towards the renewal of our lighting to LED fittings.
 We have received a grant from Easingstoke & Deane borough council for £1,000.00 towards the renewal of our lighting to LED fittings.
 We have received a donation for our old gas cooker of £400.00

Activity Highlights:

Beavers - Have taken part in a trip to 4 Kingdoms, Paultons Park and a Sleepover in the hall with a trip to the pantos
Cubs - Have taken part in a trip to 4 Kingdoms, Paddleboarding, have attended a camp at Ferry Crofts and a couple of sleepovers in the hall, in addition to district ran activities.
Scouts - Have attended the Gang show, taken part in a climbing activity, undertaken an expedition camp and have attended summer camp at Butchers Coppice.

Liability - Badge orders received but not yet invoiced & paid for (value of £389.76)
 Miss-payment of expenses to Mall (short by £0.83)
 Camp refunds (Cubs £285.00, Scouts £120.00)
 Subs payments not yet received (£90.00)
 District owe 2 hall hire bills totalling (£112.50)

Chief Scout Awards



Beavers - Bronze Chief Scout's Award

Ollie Harper
Jack Johnson
Samuel Cutts
Archie Sanderson
Desmond Hancey
Jude Cadman
Oliver Lewer
Andrew Cook
Jacob Allan
Brooklyn Flatt



Cubs - Silver Chief Scout's Award

John Dix
Marley Whan
Henry Rosier
Ellie-Jane Casey
Caitlin Wilding
Ethen Thomas
Pippa Nicholson
Elena Gorman



Scouts - Gold Chief Scout's Award

Kira McManus
Freddie Savill

Adult Awards



Bar to the Award of Merit

Helen Belcher

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS



*Thank you to **ALL**
Leaders, Parents
and Supporters
for your continued
support.*

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