

54th Perthshire (Auchterarder) Scout Group

Charity Number: SC051681

Annual Report and Financial Statements 2023/24

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136a High Street

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Financial year - 1st April 2023 - 31st March 2024

Reference and Administrative Details

- Official Name: 54th Perthshire (Auchterarder) Scout Group
- Charity Number: SC051681
- Principle (Meeting) Premises: 136a High Street, Auchterarder, Perthshire, PH3 1AA (rented)
- Alternative correspondence Address: 37 Bridgewater Avenue, Auchterarder, Perthshire, PH3 1DQ (Chair's home address)
- Facebook page: Currently not operational
- · Website: Currently not operational

Trustee Committee 2023-24

Trustee committee meetings have an open invitation to all leaders from the group and all meetings have had attendance by assistant leaders, from all sections.

Trustee

Members of the committee are recruited as trustees and appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules ('POR') of the Scout Association.

Structure and Governance

Constitution and Purpose

The Scout Group is constituted in terms of the Rules of The Scout Association, which is a charitable body incorporated by Royal Charter.

The Group is a registered Scottish Charity under number SC051681

The purpose of The Scout Association is to promote the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potentials, as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of their local, national and international communities. The method of achieving the aim of the Association is by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law and guided by adult leadership.

Organisational Structure

The Trustee Committee generally meets once each term to discuss matters of relevance, to share updates on activities in each section and how best to support operational matters across the group.

Meeting minutes are taken at each meeting and shared with all leaders.

If necessary, ad-hoc meetings are arranged to consider matters of importance in a timely manner.

Leader Training

New members of the Trustee Committee are recruited in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR) of The Scout Association as and when required from existing and new contacts.

Any newly appointed trustee members are advised of the objectives and activities of the Group, and are to act in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

Assistance and training are provided to new trustee members by the existing members; all new Office Bearers are trained and validated in Modules 1, GDPR, Safety, Safeguarding and Trustee Introduction, in accordance with The Scout Association's National Adult Training Scheme.

Adherence to training and on-going leader development requirements is overseen by the Group Lead Volunteer.

All Leaders, regular helpers and Office Bearers must be members of the Protecting Vulnerable Groups (PVG) scheme and have had an enhanced Disclosure through The Scout Association from Disclosure Scotland within the past 5 years.

Group Establishment

The Scout Association annual census return for 2024 detailed that the group comprised of 67 young people as at January 2024 which was a reduction of one young person against the 2023 census return.

The section breakdown was as follows:

- 13 Beavers
- 22 Cubs
- 28 Scouts
- 4 Young Leaders

Supported by:

- 7 Leaders, Assistant Leaders and Section Assistants
- **4 Trustee Members**

In February 2024 the Group expanded with the addition of two squirrel's sections. The 'Grey Drey' who meet in the Scout Hall and the 'Red Drey' who meet in the local Secondary School having been established by two of the teachers, seeking to offer Scouting to young people attending the nursery.

Both Dreys are establishing themselves and have set size limits of 12 young people each. This decision was taken to help manage capacity and flow across the group as it grow's over time.

The group continues to operate waiting lists for each section with priority given to anyone moving between sections.

Activities

The planning and delivery of activities is undertaken by each section, aligned to Scout Association plans to develop the young people.

Over the course of the year, many different activities took place as well as attendance at camps and scouting events. These and individual work, have resulted in many awards and badges being gained by the young people across the whole group.

Approval

This report was approved by the trustees, presented at the group annual general meeting that was held on 6th November 2024 and signed on their behalf by:



Chair

Trustee Committee

Independent Examiner's Report

The individual section and group consolidated accounts for the current financial year have been independently examined and approved.

A copy of the signed examiners report is attached as page six of this report.

Receipts and Payments

The consolidated group income and expenditure balance sheet is attached as page seven of this report which shows that over the financial year, the group operated with a £3,002 operating profit.

Income over the year was significantly higher than normal because of the inclusion of grants the group received, that totalled £18,670, to undertake improvements to the Group scout hall and also for the purchases of camping equipment.

To put this into context, these grants amounted to nearly 45% of annual group income.

APPENDIX 3



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Report to the trustees/members of	54th Perthshire (Auchterarder) Scout Group									
Registered charity number	SC051681									
On the accounts of the	Period start date Period end date									
charity for the period		Day Month			Day		Month	Year		
,	01	April	2023	to	31		March	2024		
Set out on pages		(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)								
Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner	The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) 2005 Act and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.									
Basis of independent examiner's statement	My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.									
Independent examiner's statement	 In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements: to keep accounting records in accordance with section 44(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations have not been met, or to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached. 									
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Signed:					Date:		30 Decembe	er 2024		
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Auchterarder Scout Group Consolidated Income & Expenditure Account For the period 01.04.23 - 31.03.24

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	£	£
Balance as at 01.04.23		9,694
Income: -		
Donations, Legacies & Similar		
Membership Subscriptions	10,145	
Donations - Gift Aid		
Donations - Non Gift Aid	1,000	
Events	6,114	
Legacies	-	
Camps	4,374	
Grants Received	18,760	
Fundraising	=	
Bank Interest	-	
Property Rent Income	-	
Miscellaneous	1,670	
Interest	-	
	-	
Total Income		42,063
Expenditure: -		
Membership Subscriptions (National/County/Area/District)	2,772	
Group Transfers	360	
Utilities for Hall	227	
Badges, Neckers & Uniform	1,675	
Consumables	3,094	
Camps	4,226	
Stationery	-	
Training	33	
Rent	2,254	
Equipment	663	
Repairs	12,906	
OSM Running Costs	:= 	
Minibus Running Costs - Insurance, Service etc	3,987	
Events	6,864	
Total Expenditure	,	39,061
Net Profit / (Loss)		3,002
Balance as at 31 March 2024		12,696
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Bank Accounts		12,696
Deferred Income		
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Balance as at 31 March 2024		12,696