



1st Claydon Scout Group Annual General Meeting Report 2022-23



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Chairman's Report

I was asked to step into very big shoes this year, and I agreed as they were quite strong and supported - especially with the previous owner moving to a very important role as Treasurer.

Martin was a good role model, and an even better treasurer, and along with the fantastic GSL Mark and matriarch Secretary Bev as support - we made a good core team. Unfortunately, Martin is stepping down as Treasurer and this will have a significant impact on the smooth running of the Committee, but hopefully we'll be able to find someone who can take up the role and experience a supporting hand over.

Our three sections - Beavers, Cubs and Scouts - fluctuated slightly in numbers. Good programmes were planned and delivered by our leaders and volunteers, with quite a few trips and camps to keep the kids enthused.

The Scout Hut has just about completed its transformation, with the last of the budget items signed off following the successful grants and funding raised.

Following the Air Sourced Heating installation last year (which has been lovely for all) we then upgraded the old Fuse Board, refurbished the toilets and basins, redecorated the main areas, replaced the rear area flooring, hung up acoustic boards and introduced the 'Cosy Corner'. We will be looking at grants to replace the lighting to be more environmental and ASD friendly, but moving forward we need to pull up our sleeves with fundraising, and donation gathering, so our outgoings are less than our incomings to keep the group viable - saying that we decided against installing electric hand-dryers.

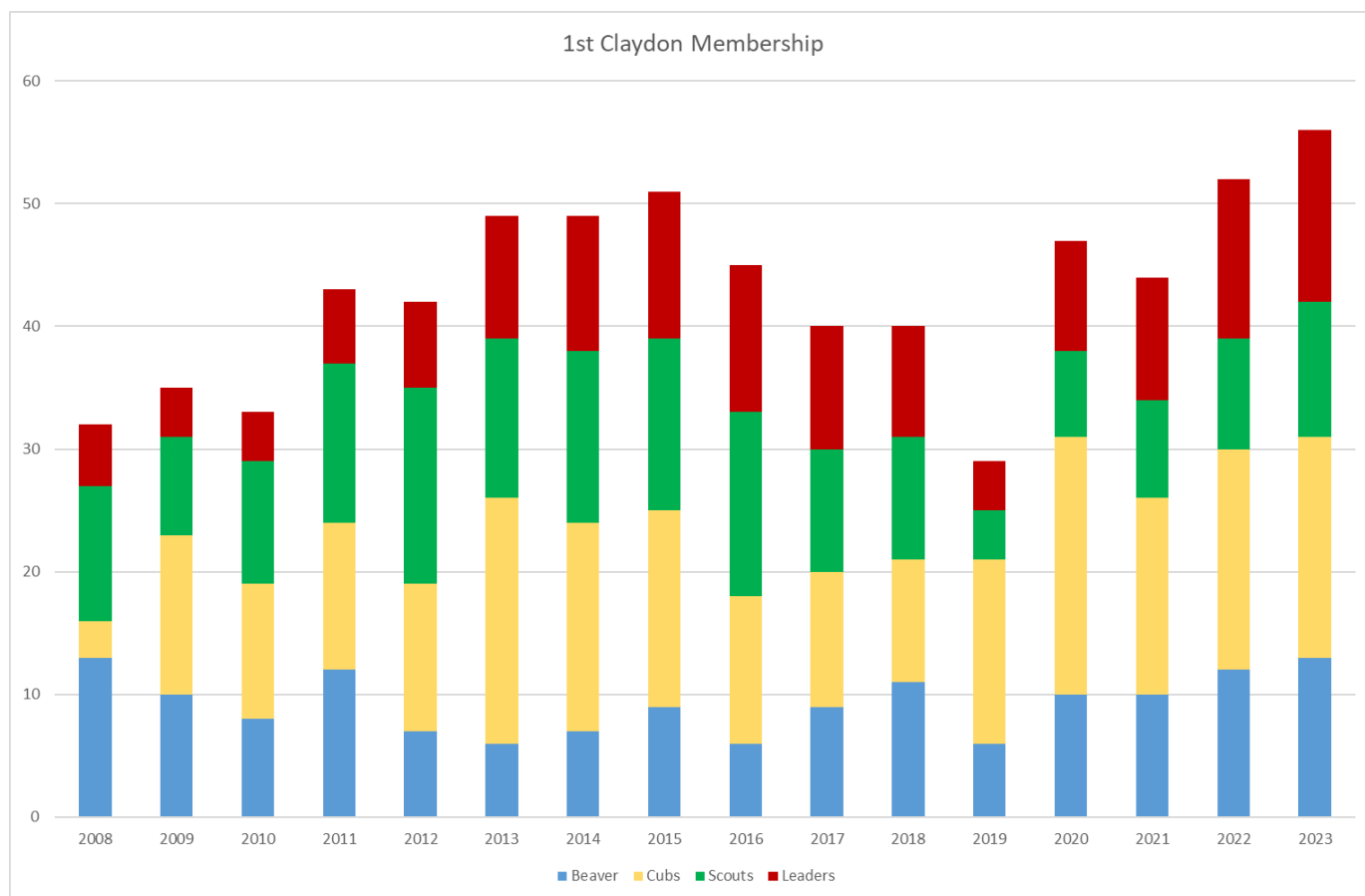
I need to give a shout out to all the companies who supported us this last year in one way or another; LB Group who do our year end. Mr Annis and his team have helped us for quite a few years now and are a vital asset to us!

Funding/donations received from SUEZ, Co-op, Tex Holdings, Barham Parish Council, Great Blakenham Parish Council, Barclay Music Makers, Sorrel Horse, Mid Suffolk Council, SJ Soar Roofing and Pure Flooring. Lastly to Waitrose for our annual bag packing opportunity.

I would finally like to thank all of our Scouting family, especially the leaders that give up their time freely (and make the kids excited to attend) and committee members/trustees without whom we'd have no group at all!

Marianne Allan
Chair - 1st Claydon Scout Group

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1st Claydon: Committee, leaders and membership

1st Claydon Executive Committee

Marianne Allan – Chair
 Beverley Sutton – Secretary
 Martin Culley – Treasurer
 Mark Pearson – Group Scout Leader
 Terry Sutton – Assistant Group Scout Leader
 David Rowland
 Paul Hickman
 Robert Clark
 Rebecca Morrall
 Phil Harman

1st Claydon Scout Leaders

Mark Pearson – Group Scout Leader (GSL)
 Terry Sutton – Assistant GSL and Beaver Leader
 Rebecca Morrall – Beaver Scout Assistant Leader
 Rowen Clark – Cub Scout Leader
 Paul Hickman – Assistant Scout Leader
 David Rowland – Scout Leader
 Robert Clark – Assistant Scout Leader
 John Large – Assistant Scout Leader
 Phil Harman – Assistant Cub Leader
 Giuseppe Caro – Section Assistant Cubs
 Richard Winter – Assistant Cub Leader
 Martine Overton – Section Assistant Beavers
 Katie Allen – Assistant Cub Leader

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GSL Report

The last year has seen the group thrive with membership slightly up on the previous year, the highest for over 20 years. This growth has come about due to the brilliant work of our leaders who have put together fantastic programmes over the three terms. In support of this our Executive team have worked tirelessly too behind the scenes to ensure things run smoothly and finances, facilities and equipment have been kept in order.

I would like to thank each of our leadership volunteer teams and welcome our new leaders to the Group.

Scouts: David, Paul, Robert and John

Cubs: Rowen, Richard, Phil, Giuseppe and Katie

Beavers: Terry, Rebecca and Martine.

The growth across all sections has been made possible due to people stepping forward to become leaders such as Assistant Leaders, Section Assistants or members of our Executive committee who keep things running behind the scenes. This enables us to register more young people as we are restricted on a strict leader/child ratio. Becoming a volunteer leader can be part time which is true for some of our leaders already, so please don't hold back and volunteer! You may know friends or relatives who'd like to volunteer too.

The sections have all been running full and varied programmes and I am pleased to say I have been ordering a lot of badges for the achievements that our Beavers, Cubs and Scouts have accomplished. This will hopefully lead to some of our young people achieving the top awards for their section.

I would also like to thank our Executive Committee, to Marianne Allan and Martin Culley for the excellent work on obtaining grants and enabling much needed renovation of our HQ. Thank you, Marianne, for taking on the Chair, you've added great enthusiasm and really made your mark. I'd also like to thank our secretary Bev Sutton and treasurer Martin Culley for their hard work too.

I'd love to hear from parents, grandparents, and other adults (+18) about volunteering for the group's Executive who meet about nine times a year to ensure that the provision of Scouting runs smoothly in the background (fund raising, building maintenance, equipment procurement etc).

Mark Pearson
Group Scout Leader

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Treasurer's Report

Charity registration number 293366

1ST CLAYDON SCOUT GROUP ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	M W Cullley Mrs B A Sutton P S Hickman T Sutton R A Clark M Pearson D Rowland R Moxell M Alan
Charity number	293366
Principal address	1st Claydon Scout Group Rear of 20-32 Kirby Rise Barham Ipswich Suffolk IP8 0AU
Independent examiner	LB Group Limited (Chelmsford) Swift House Chelmsford Essex UK CM1 1GU

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)' (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2019).

Objectives and activities

1st Claydon Scout Group was founded in 1948. The group's headquarters is based in Kirby Rise, Barham. Our group today has three lively sections, a Beaver Colony (aged 6-8), a Cub Pack (aged 8-10) and a Scout Troop (aged 10-14). From scouts our young people can progress to Explorers and Network where more adventurous and specialist pursuits can be enjoyed. The group is well funded which is down to a good membership and fundraising events.

The group is well supported by group members' parents and plays a key role in the community. As part of a network of scout groups across Ipswich and surrounding villages we post tens of thousands of Christmas cards as part of a scout delivery service. We also take part in the Remembrance Day service at Barham Church.

Achievements and performance

Financial review

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level at least equivalent to between three and six months' expenditure. The trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. This level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year.

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

The purpose of Scouting 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 Scout Method provides an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law, which is guided by adult leadership. Please see www.scouts.org.uk for full details of the programme.

Our Scout Group is based at 1st Claydon Scout Hut in Barham within Suffolk. Our membership is reflective of the wider Barham area consisting of all types of 'income' families, with but some in financial hardship. Mid Suffolk District Council has recently re-signed the lease for 1st Claydon Scout Group which has secured our Scouting base of activities for the future.

Subscriptions – paid by members. We try to cover our fixed costs and the basic flexible programme of activities with subscriptions alone – this allows us to end each year with minimal surplus/deficit. We raise money through fundraising and we apply for grants when appropriate. We use those funds for items such as equipment renewal and camp subsidies. Such income increased in 2021/22 after Covid 19 and we were then able to deal with some planned expenditure in the subsequent years that we have delayed from 2020/21.

Based on this review and with the Covid-19 support received in the previous years, the trustees are of the opinion that the group has reserves well in excess of the above baseline requirement.



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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Structure, governance and management

The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

M W Cullley

Mrs S A Sutton

P S Hickman

T Sutton

R A Clark

M Pearson

G Rowland

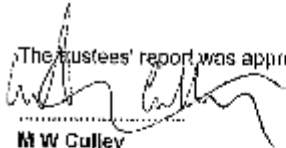
J Ablett

(Resigned 31 July 2022)

R Morrall

M Allan

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.


M W Cullley

Trustee

Dated: 9/5/2023



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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF 1ST CLAYDON SCOUT GROUP

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of 1st Claydon Scout Group (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act).

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared financial statements in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2016.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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 charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements 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 financial statements to be reached.

Stuart Sheldrick FCCA CTA/ACSI
LB Group Limited (Chelmsford)

Swift House
Chelmsford
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CM1 1GU
UK

Dated: 9 May 2023



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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

		Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total 2022 £
	Notes		
<u>Income and endowments from:</u>			
Membership	3	3,348	2,700
Fund Raising and Donations	4	2,292	263
Other income	5	7,985	14,546
Total income		13,625	17,509
<u>Expenditure on:</u>			
Charitable activities	6	19,986	16,469
Net movement in funds		(6,341)	1,040
Fund balances at 1 April 2022		32,458	31,419
Fund balances at 31 March 2023		26,118	32,459

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.



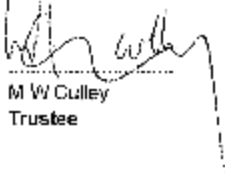
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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	2023 £	£	2022 £	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	9		6,811		7,662
Current assets					
Stocks	10	50		50	
Cash at bank and in hand		19,257		24,747	
		<u>19,307</u>		<u>24,797</u>	
Net current assets			19,307		24,797
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>26,118</u>		<u>32,459</u>
Income funds					
Unrestricted funds			26,118		32,459
			<u>26,118</u>		<u>32,459</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 9/4/2023


M W Culley
Trustee



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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

1 Accounting policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2011 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, [modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value]. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the charity.

1.4 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

Turnover is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable and represents amounts receivable for Membership provided to members of the group.



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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.5 Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party. It is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges are allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Camping Equipment	10% Straight line
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The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

1.7 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

1.8 Stocks

Stock consists of badges and scarfs and uniform.

1.9 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.



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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

3 Membership subscriptions

	Unrestricted funds	Total
	2023 £	2022 £
Membership	3,348	2,700

4 Other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2023 £	2022 £
Fundraising events and donations	2,292	283



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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

5 Other Income

	Unrestricted funds	Total
	2023	2022
	£	£
Other income	7,505	14,546

6 Charitable activities

	Scout Costs 2023	Scout Costs 2022
	£	£
Depreciation and impairment	851	851
Rates and water	74	104
insurance	694	594
Light and heat	1,088	438
Badges and uniform costs	506	386
Repairs and maintenance	10,198	9,137
Activities, trips and materials	1,669	264
Membership	2,142	1,872
Scout Camp	1,193	1,289
Sundry Expenses	1,093	1,304
Communication costs	428	229
	19,966	16,469
	19,966	16,469

7 Trustees

None of the trustees (or persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the current or previous year.

8 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2023 Number	2022 Number
Total	-	-

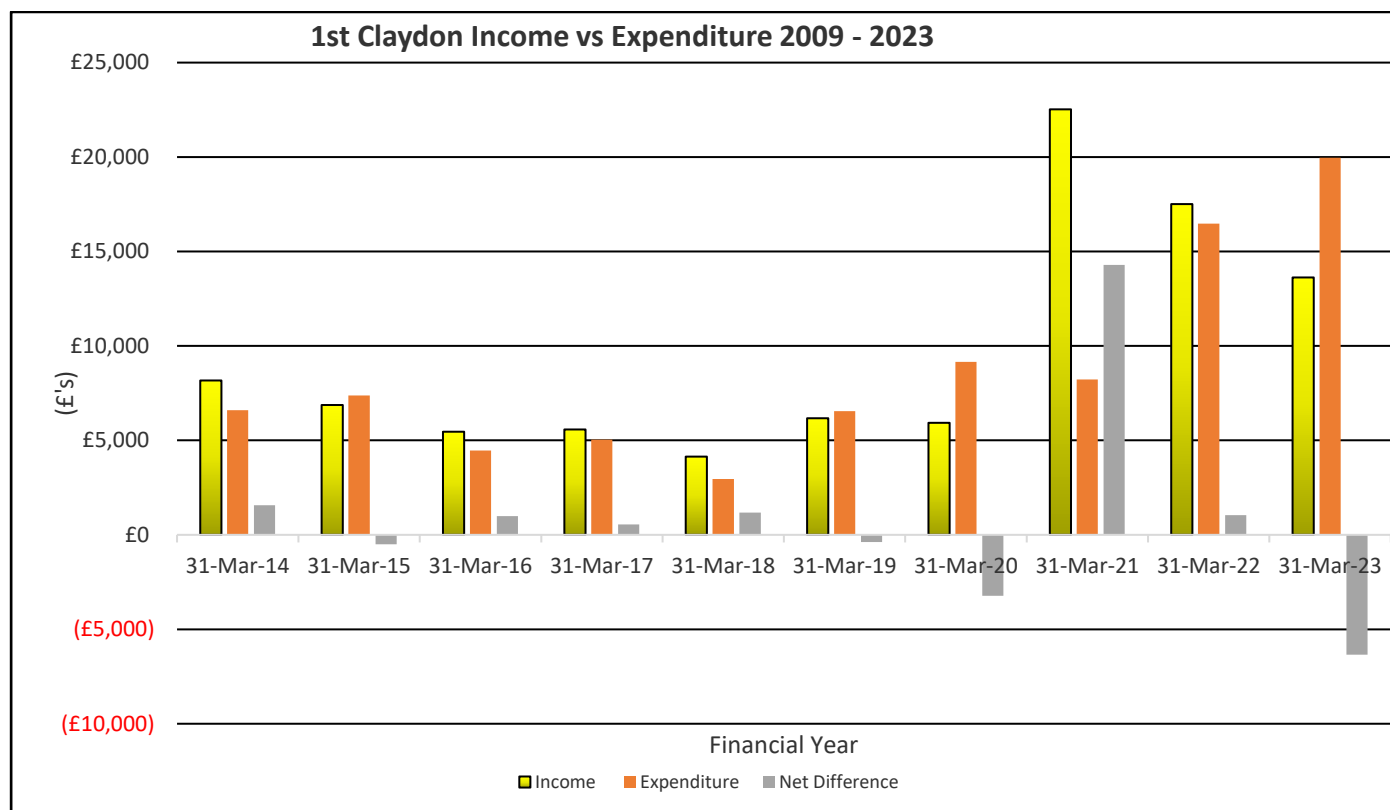
There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £50,000.



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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

9 Tangible fixed assets	Camping Equipment £	
Cost		
At 1 April 2022	8,513	
At 31 March 2023	8,513	
Depreciation and impairment		
At 1 April 2022	851	
Depreciation charged in the year	851	
At 31 March 2023	1,702	
Carrying amount		
At 31 March 2023	5,811	
At 31 March 2022	7,662	
10 Stocks	2023	2022
	£	£
Finished goods and goods for resale	50	50





Fundraising Report

Last year we had Sophie Melton step up to be Fundraiser, and she managed a few events before unfortunately stepping down due to work commitments. I'm really hoping someone will step up again and help raise vital funds for expenditure, events, and keeping subs down!

Our application to the Co-op Community Cares Fund was successful and we were awarded £1000!

We also received a donation from Barham Parish Council for £250 to pay towards the acoustic boards, and Great Blakenham Parish Council for £1000 to pay for the Cosy Corner and some of the redecorating.

The Bag Packing and Christmas Card delivery went ahead. We raised £245 and £824 respectively. Thank you to everyone who helped out – the more mini posties/packers we have the easier it is to get done - and these are our biggest regular fundraisers!

All new families should have all received a Gift Aid form, so that will be a good form of regular income too! In the last year we hosted a Family Fun Day which Martin Culley donated £500 towards, Bingo Night raised £43, Sorrel Horse evening raising £72, Cub Cafe raising £90 and Chocolate Bingo evening which raised £236 - mainly due to the chocolate donations from the leaders (and Claydon Primary HSA) and the turn out!

We received £11 via the Amazon Smile donations. The new Easy Fundraising app isn't popular, but it's an alternative to Amazon Smile (which is coming to an end) so hopefully there will be an uptake in the next year!

We managed to raise just over £4500 for 2022/2023! This is four times more than the last few years - so it's really uplifting!!

We already have a 'Save the date' set up until the end of the year so fundraising planning has been made easier:

- 19th July - Sorrel Horse Evening Meal
- 15th November - Quiz & Chips, with Chippy Van
- 2nd December - Bag Packing at Waitrose
- 9th December - Christmas Card Collection

Any willing volunteers, to help going forwards with planning fund raising activities is welcome and will be greatly appreciated. I'll help in any way I can, but anyone can do better than me!

Marianne Allan
Fundraiser

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Quartermasters Report

David Rowland – Quartermaster

Quartermaster's report 2023			
Marquee mess tent +Two extensions	£2,800.00	14 years old in need of some major repairs or scraps and buy a new one	1
Marquee base camp	£2,100.00	6 years old	1
Hi-Gear Zenobia 8 Nightfall Tent	£420	New	3
Coyote 3 Backpacking Tent	£165	New	6
Eurohike Avon 3 DLX nightfall Tent	£100	9 years old	3
Toilet tents	£99	Ancient	1
Toilet	?	Ancient	1
North Star multi fuel lamps rechargeable lanterns	£169.99 £25	Two years old	2 4
Cooking utensils + Pots pans frying pans etc	Approximate value £600	Utensils okay but pots and pans need scrapping and buying new urgently	
Water carriers	£25	Old but usable really need to bereplaced	3
Gas bottles butane		Half full	1
Gas bottles propane		Half full Empty	1 3
Old tents remaining 1 8 man tent 1 4 man tent 4 Gazebo's	Approximate value to replace £1000		
food call boxes large	£249.45	New	2

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Scout Troop Report 2022/23

It has been a very busy year, but unfortunately the section has dropped in number back down to 9.

We are all enjoying our scouting, and so far, we have been on three camps these being Bonney Wood (green fields), Suffolk Punch, and Pioneering at Bures,

Suffolk Punch was an awesome camp and the scouts who attended trying new things and even earning a badge (Time on Water).

We have also been doing other badges, we have awarded the Outdoor Challenge award, Stage 3 Emergency Aid being done just recently. We also have just started World Faiths Badge.

The next year will be a few more camps being arranged, and we will be completing more challenge badges.

David Rowland
Scout section leader



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Cub Pack Report 2022/23

This year the cubs have had a good programme with a lot of outside time, from water games in the summer term to campfires in the winter. All cubs have now tried at least 2 forms of backwoods cooking.

We've been very lucky this year to have a visit from some local police, and to have the chance to visit the fire station in Needham market.

Numbers have fluctuated this year, and we've had several cubs join us from Beavers and outside the group.

We're lucky to still have a very strong leadership team for cubs, but are always open to additional help!

looking forward to another exciting year.

Rowen Clark
Cub section leader



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Beaver Colony Report 2022/223

My first full year as Leader in charge! I feel this has been a very successful year for Beavers. Although we have dropped our numbers slightly this year, this has mainly been due to the number of Beavers who turned 8 and moved up to Cubs rather than Beavers leaving us.

We have had a very full on year. We worked towards our Navigator Badge learning map symbols and made mince pies for our Cook Activity Badge. We enjoyed a Halloween Party and Christmas Bingo was a success also. I think the Beavers rather enjoyed watching Katie and I fly down the tobogganing slope as our Christmas treat!

After Christmas we tried to lose those extra pounds from indulgences by obtaining our Health and Fitness Badge. We also had fun learning Morse Code and Semaphore to collect our Communicator Badge.

This term we have had fun planting, learning about gardening tools and visiting our local Church. And we must not forget our joint Rounders Game at Needham Market with the Cubs. I wonder who had more fun, the children or the parents?!

I must thank Terry, Martine and Katie for all their hard work in supporting both myself and the Colony. Without them and our parent helper, we would not be able to run the Colony each week.

Here's to another fun year of Scouting.



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TAKE THE VOLUNTEERING CHALLENGE.

1st Claydon Beavers | Cubs | Scouts

Volunteering for Scouting is easier than you think. Whether you can spare an evening a month or more regularly, we would like you to join a successful and growing group and make a real impact on the lives of young people. With full support and training, you can experience the fun, friendship and adventure of Scouting for yourself, all on a flexible basis.

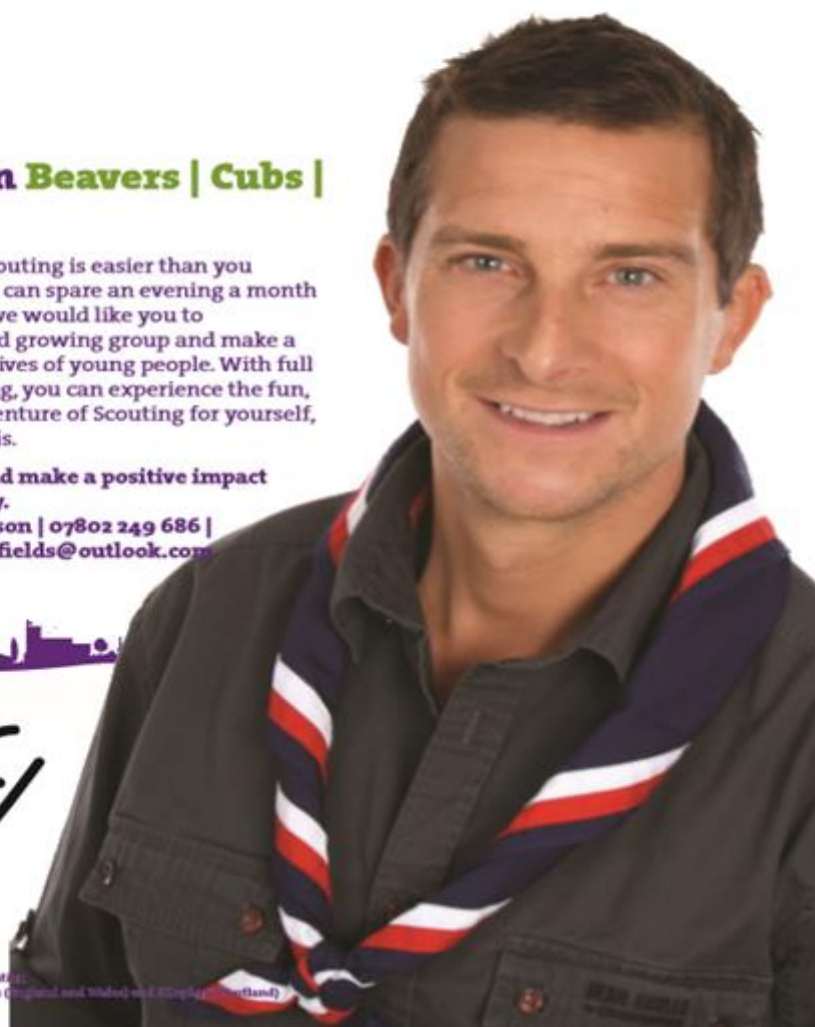
**Volunteer today and make a positive impact
in your community.**

Contact Mark Pearson | 07802 249 686 |
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Frequently asked questions about being a Beaver, Cub or Scout leader

As you are probably aware the success of our group is down to volunteers. Through your support we can continue to grow our group and give young people the opportunity to develop through activities that they wouldn't receive at school. One way you can help is by becoming a leader. Below we have set out some of the questions you might have about being a leader.

1. I really don't know anything about Scouting

Don't worry you don't need to. When many of our current leaders started they had no experience at all, they learnt through training, support of other leaders in the group and common sense.

2. I can't be there every week

You can job share and support the section you want to work with for example once a fortnight

3. There are some things I really prefer not to do

We can't be good or enjoy everything and no one is expected to do things they don't enjoy. If you are not the outdoors type or a bit shy then that's fine there is still plenty to do indoors or keeping things organised in the background.

4. I don't think I could run a whole night

No one is expecting you to, we hope you will learn on the job by seeing what other leaders do.

5. What about all the rules and regulations

There are rules and regulations which you will become familiar with over time, if you are uncertain about something the other leaders and myself are there to help. As an Assistant Leader it is very unlikely you will find yourself in this situation anyway.

6. There must be lots of training

Ideally the Scout Association likes people to complete training over 3 years but don't worry if it takes longer. Training is about 15 hours a year. The training is done in modules and can be done as distance learning or in group training sessions. You may be surprised that you don't need to do some modules as you may have done them through work or other external experiences like first response, working with children.

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