

Annual Report 2018

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Macclesfield Parish Church Scout and Guide Group

AGM

Saturday 9th June 2018

AGENDA

- 1. Welcome & Apologies
- 2 Approval of GSL appointments
- Chairperson
- Auditor
- 3. Approval of 2017 minutes
- Matters Arising
- 4. Acceptance of Executive Reports
- Chairperson
- Treasurer
- GSL & Leaders
- Fundraising & Hut Improvements
- 5. Election of officers
- Treasurer
- Vice Treasurer
- Secretary
- Vice Secretary
- Vice Chairperson
- Chairperson of Fundraising Committee
- Gift Aid Secretary
- Hut manager
- Quartermaster
- Parent reps Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Rangers
- Support Members
- 6. Any Other Business
- 7. Chairperson's Closing remarks
- 8. District Commissioner's Closing remarks

Chairman's Report

Well it's been quite a year, most of the building work has been completed and we are definitely seeing the benefits. I have been looking at the programs each of the sections have been delivering over the last 12 months and there has been a great performance from all sections. There have been a wide variety of activities that the members have enjoyed from water activity days to arts and craft.

It makes me proud to be part of a group that offers so much to its members. We are also unique with the close relationship we have between Scout and Guides, this is not a common situation but one that this group embraces. This is obvious in many of the district and county evens when parades we are seen parading together as one group.

We have to be thankful to all the leaders who's hard work and persistence to make this possible shows what a great group we have. While I am talking about our leaders, I have seen many of our leaders complete their training and beyond which is great for the group and all the members as we can offer more adventurous activities; and as a parent ensure that our children are under the best care possible. Completing this training takes dedication, time and effort from the individuals who give up all of their time for free.



With the efforts of all the leader at the front of our mind, I would like to reach out to the parents and ask for your support. There are times and events and job and many other little things that we need your help with. The group offers your children some amazing opportunities for the smallest amount of money possible (I have children that go away over night on school trips and have seen how much they charge) to keep these costs low I am asking that all the parents contribute a few hours a year of their time to help us deliver a better group. This could be a couple of hours at a bag packing fund raiser, an hour helping on a hut tidying weekend, help on a camp for a couple of hours. Or do you have any skills that may be of help? Please reach out to the Leaders, executive committee, or Group scout leader if you can.

Oh and one last thing......if you shop on line please please use the easy fund raising page/app and earn some much need funds for the group, with no expense to yourselves. I will post links and details on the FaceBook page.

Thank you for your continuing support!

Neil Owens Chair

GSL Report 2018

The group is running well, with our executive team working hard behind the scenes at managing finances, maintaining the building, keeping records and organising our planning meetings as well as supporting fundraising. THANK YOU again to you all for keeping the "engine" running. There is much more to do so please do get involved!

This year we had some leadership changes. We welcomed Pete Munro to the Scout Section leadership team, and said goodbye to Emma Hulley and Dan Armitt. Craig Bennett is now supporting the Scout Section as well as Cubs; this is an amazing commitment so thank you Craig. On the subject of commitment, we also celebrated the marriage of Ryan Bennett and Haley; two of our cub leaders. Congratulations!

As I write this we are gearing up for Chamboree – Cheshire's international jamboree for Scouts and Guides in Knutsford. A total of 5000 participants are expected, and the week promises to be packed with adventure with a pirate theme. Chief Scout Bear Grylls will be dropping in on the event on the Sunday. We have a total of 34 young people and 13 leaders attending the camp from our group; we are especially pleased that we have been able to gain permission for our Brownies to attend the weekend along with our Cubs, Scouts and Guides.

It's also fantastic that one of our Rangers – Emily Griffen – has been selected to take part in World Scout Jamboree in 2019; which takes part in the USA. We look forward to hearing more about that next year, and supporting her fund raising efforts.

We are 3 years in to our "Vision 2020" and continue to make progress in all areas.



I'm pleased that training of leaders is progressing well. Sarah Bennett is close to completing her Guide Leader qualification. Ed Parrish completed his Assistant Cub Leader wood badge. All leaders in the scouting sections are progressing towards completing their wood badge training for those who have not already done so.

Implementation of OSM records for scouting sections has greatly improved administration and communication; and using this is driving the continued attainment of young people through the sections. Our Facebook group has become our main place for communicating events with GDPR now hampering how we can

use our more traditional email lists. We welcome all feedback on how we can communicate better with everyone.

Our community presence needs work – we have had a number of church parades that have had a disappointing attendance rate; we are looking at how we can partner with the church better to change this. Remembrance Sunday was reasonably well attended but St Georges Day parade turnout was far from representative of our membership. We do ask parents to support parades where possible; it is an important part of Scouting and Guiding values.

As always, I do welcome ideas and feedback on how you think the group is doing, so please do get in touch with any comments, concerns or questions.

Mike Brown, Group Scout Leader



Sadly, Rainbows were not able to submit a report for 2018



We would like to thank our Rainbow Leaders for their continued support for Guiding over the last 12 months!

Beaver Scout Report May 2018

We continue to have around 16 enthusiastic, energetic and fun-loving Beaver Scouts who are always a delight to be with. We are incredibly lucky to have a big team of dedicated leaders – Hawk, Kestrel, Osprey, Pete, plus three young leaders – John, Josh and Nate. Having so much helps lets us do lots of great things – here's just a small sample of what we've been up to....





Joint Sleepover with other Colonies



Builder Badge

Book Reader Badge



Young Leader teaching cooking



Young Leaders teaching First Aid



Science badge with the Cubs



Café for Beaver Scout families



Teamwork at the District Challenge



And the top award for Beaver Scouts to recognise their hard work, enthusiasm, all the different skills they have learnt and the experiences they have had whilst they are with us.

Thank you to leaders, Young Leaders, Parents and Beaver Scouts. It's always huge fun and we look forward to our adventures in 2018-2019!

Caroline Smith Beaver Scout Leader



The Brownies have enjoyed a really varied programme this year, trying out lots of new things as well as revisiting some of our favourite activities. We currently have just 10 Brownies in our group, after several moved up to Guides earlier this year – we are looking to increase numbers, and have some great events coming up to help with this!

As always, the Brownies have been working hard and having fun to help them to earn badges. We are still working towards the Toy Maker badge, which involves lots of creativity and craft work to create toys, clothes for toys, and board games. The Brownies have impressed all of the leaders with their independent sewing and incredibly creative ideas, and they should all have done enough to earn this badge very soon.

The Brownies have earned several badges this year, including World Thinking Day, Lets Go Explore, and the Parliament badge; this was earned by holding our own parliament and discussing important issues such as the environment. The Brownies have also worked hard to earn their TREFOIL badge; this involved completing a brilliant variety of activities including making mocktails, writing postcards to other Guiding units across the country, and putting to use our map-reading skills by geocaching around Macclesfield. For this badge, Snowy Owl also helped all of the Brownies to use a sewing machine to create excellent Father's Day gifts.



As well as working on earning badges, the Brownies have also taken part in some great activities outside of the hut. This has included a fun night at MADs theatre to watch the Cinderella pantomime, and a brilliant night at MAC with the other sections to enjoy a night of rollerskating and rock climbing – we really appreciated the support of parents to assist with supervising on this night, and it was great to have some siblings involved too!

The Brownies also had a really fun joint session with the Guides – practising tying different knots (and trying hard not to eat the strawberry laces we were making them with)! We then put the knots to the test with a water carrying challenge – well done to Isobel and Megan who completed the challenge the fastest and showed great teamwork and communication.

As always, there have been lots of other exciting meetings, including a musical evening with Daisy, and lots of craft activities meaning the girls took home great Mother's day cards, Chinese New Year decorations, and tasty Easter baskets!



Coming soon... a 'Bring a Friend' evening to hopefully encourage some new members, and a trip out to visit some furry friends!

6th Macclesfield Cubs – AGM Report

It has been a very busy year for 6th Macclesfield cubs this year, with lots of new cubs either joining from outside or moving up from Beavers. We are now up to 16 cubs (14 boys and 2 girls) which is a huge jump from the beginning of the last year. The First term was run mainly by Edward as he was working towards his Wood Badge.

- Footloose Graeme Wilkinson ran shoelace tying with strawberry laces, Ed ran a "who wears what where" quiz – identifying different types of shoes worn in particular jobs. (Skills, Pioneer)
- Moose Moose Martin Taylor ran Kubb (2x 30 mins), Ed taught Sweden promise and law, Swedish food, Mr Moose (international, skills, world)
- Visit to Canalside radio (community impact, world)
- Festival of light Sanjay Vaja spoke about Hindu festivals, Cubs bought a jam jar to make a jam jar light (international, world)



- Outdoor survival designing a shelter using only tools and materials found outside and knots and lashings used to make a shelter tepee (outdoor, pioneer)
- Bonfire silence 30 minutes sponsored silence to raise money for xmas trampolining, bonfire games
- 3 Astronaut meetings Learn how to moon walk, Learn the difference between a planet and a star, Research before meeting 3 fun facts any of the following: planets, comets, the northern lights, the sun, eclipses, meteorites, black holes, the moon, light years, space exploration or any other spacerelated subject, Make a paper mache planet to construct a solar system as a group, make space ice cream in a bag, Space games: space hopper racing, moon rock throw, moon walk competition, Painting the paper mache planets and name your planet and its special features, Make a balloon rocket and have races, all towards the external glow in the dark astronaut badge we located.
- Farm to fork at Tesco
- Christmas crafts
- Trip to Jump nation



After Christmas we worked even harder in our meetings towards the challenge badges to ensure our cubs all had a good chance to achieve their chief scout silver awards. We also let the Cubs choose which badges they wanted to focus on and lots of our cubs worked towards some badges outside of cubs (eg. Skills, martial arts, personal challenge) we also changed it up a little by including lots of trips out into our community.

• Science badge (joint meetings with beavers) - Use marshmallows and spaghetti to build the strongest tower you can. Explain how you have improved your design, Investigate what happens

to your pulse rate before, during and after exercise, Grow cress (or a similar plant) and investigate what happens when light and water are excluded from it, Show how vinegar reacts with different items and explain what happens. The different items could be steel wool, sodium bicarbonate or old dirty coins, Make a simple compass and show the effects of metallic and magnetic materials upon it, Show that hot air rises.

- Design your own game Working in groups design a game that would involve working as a team including a captain to support the rest of the team, all games will be trialled and tested (team work, team leader, skills)
- Chinese new year Learn about what Chinese new year is and why it is celebrated, Look at Chinese zodiacs, Make and decorate Chinese lanterns, Learn how to use chopsticks (international, world)
- Easter crafts make ad decorate Easter biscuits from scratch (skills)
- Music badge Lv 1 Listen to a short tune of a couple of lines and then sing it back. Listen to another

tune and then beat or clap out the rhythm. Sing or play two different types of song or tune on your chosen instrument. Talk about your own interests in music, including what you listen to most, and how this is similar to or different from the music you play or sing.

• International badge - Draw or create the World Scout Badge. Explain the meanings of each of its parts. Create a passport with information about a country. You include things like its currency,



national dress, foods, religions, cultures, customs and languages. (Can be done at home and bought in). Take part in the activities of a celebration or festival that usually takes place in another country. Explore why the celebration or festival happens. Blind Taste Test using fruits and breads from around the world.

- Jacksons Farm Trip to a working farm to learn how to care for farm animals.
- Trip to the fire station Visit a fire station or invite a firefighter to your meeting place, Take part in a fire drill at your meeting place and learn what you should do if a fire breaks out, Know the importance of smoke and heat detectors, and keeping them maintained (including changing batteries), Identify three possible dangers at home or your meeting place that could start a fire, Know how a fire at camp should be kept safe for everyone, and how to stay safe yourself around a fire, Know how to behave around a bonfire and fireworks.
- Library trip Beginning of Book readers challenge
- Camp skills learning how to pack your bag for camp and what is needed, make a washing up stand in preparation for Chamboree (pioneer, outdoors)
- Problem solving Learn how to work together and individually to solve different problems and challenges in scouting (skills)



The last term of the year is going to be primarily focusing on preparation and activities towards Chamboree:

• Externally sourced pirate badge – pirate themed activities crafts and games.

- Making woggles wooden
- Going to Barnswood to make an outdoor shelter

Haley Bennett, Ryan Bennett, Sam Bancroft, Craig Bennett, Edward Parish

2nd Macclesfield Guide's Annual Report

It has been another busy 12 months for our Guides - our highlights are mentioned below.



Trips out/group visits -

Pantomime – We started off 2018 in style with a joint trip with the Brownies to the local Pantomime for a brilliant evening out.

Bouldering/skating – Due to the success of the first trip the Guides were keen to join in the latest family group trip to MAC Activity Centre – not only to help to support a local business that they all love but also to continue to bond with the rest of Macclesfield Parish Church Scout and Guide Group.

Other highlights

Our week by week activities have included the history of Guiding, First Aid, Chocolate badge (always a favourite!) Knots (I do hope you have all been able to witness some of these new skills, even if it is on a strawberry lace!) and finally a reading challenge led by the Rangers for the Guides and Brownies that choose to partake.

Badge highlights

To mark 2018 in style the girls have been working towards a special challenge badge Vote 100 – celebrating 100 years since women were given the right to vote. As part of the badge we have been looking at the history of women's rights, in particular the Suffragette movement and also looking at issues still faced by not only women but minority groups in the UK and further afield and looking at issues we are passionate about and would like to change.





We are now getting closer and closer to the

launch of the revamped Guiding programme - the official launch date being September 2018 and the girls have been lucky enough to test run a few activities such as Architect for Action from the not yet publically announced programme that have all gone down brilliantly.

We have just welcomed 5 new Guides who have progressed from our Brownie group and have settled in brilliantly – we do however still have spaces in our group so keep spreading the word. If anyone you know is interested in joining please do ask them to get in touch.

Thanks

Claire Whittingham (on behalf of the Guide leaders) <u>Guides2ndmacc@yahoo.co.uk</u>

Scout Report

Scouts has gone really well this year; so far our numbers have remained the same and we have successfully awarded a Gold Scout Award to Ephram Graves; with more scouts expected to complete the top award in the scout section later this year.



The leader team has changed a bit this year with the loss of Dan Armitt due to work commitments and Emma Hulley who has moved to Handforth. Emma is now a

cub leader there so is still enjoying scouting! Even with the changes we have gained a new leader in Peter and we are hoping for more changes to come in September.



The program has been a good and interesting one, like the trip to the Old Parks Farm and the big game of Risk. Alongside this we are hoping to expand our program even more with the new leader team and we are sure it will increase the children's enjoyment. Also, we have been invited to a litter pick by McDonald's Macclesfield and they are hoping to do more with us in the coming years.



Four of our scouts – Jobe, Ephram, Jamie and Thomas – took part in MaccHike in March. For the event they had to hike from the start point in Poynton to Linnet Clough Campsite near Marple, carrying all their gear to camp and cook for the night, and then walk back. That weekend was the coldest weekend the event has ever seen, and the boys did brilliantly walking through the wind and snow storms. The hike was called off on the Saturday evening as more snow started to fall and parents had quite a challenge to reach the campsite in the snow to pick them all up! Well done to all 4, who have gained their expedition challenge from taking part.

James, Craig and Peter; Scout Leader team

2nd Macclesfield Rangers 2017-18

What a fantastic year! Here is a flavour of what has been going on.

The Rangers have tested their engineering skills building spaghetti bridges, and shelters at Alderley Edge; made firelighters, floating fires and cooked on wood fires for a

weekend; learnt to grout, gut and fillet fish; been creative carving pumpkins, screen-printing and decorating cupcakes; heard about women in science while exploring space at Jodrel Bank Observatory; spent an evening bouldering at MAC and tested their 10 pin bowling skills; engaged with the community by cooking a meal for the WHAM night shelter, making tray bakes for Parish Scout and Guide Treacle stall, testing out the new programme and laying the Guide wreath at the town Remembrance parade; enjoyed the outdoors on 2 weekend camps (Group Camp



and Backwoods Camp, both at Barnswood) and visited Manchester Christmas Markets. And lots more besides.....



This varied programme has seen Anna complete 6 of the Look Wider Octants and her Chief Guides' Challenge, a real achievement – **Congratulations Anna**! Emily G has completed 5 Octants and Hannah and Katherine 4 each.

This year has also seen 7 Rangers make their promise, Emily Griffen chosen to represent Girlguiding North West England at 24th World Scout Jamboree 2019; also I have completed my Going Away With licence for Guides and Rangers.

Thank you to parents for supporting the Rangers, your daughters are fantastic! And to Penny Heyworth for all her help, I couldn't do this on my own. Ali Griffen Ranger Leader



Explorer Report 2017-18

Zulu Unit has had another active year, including a summer camp near Blackpool with other Units, a Winter Camp at Sandiway with dozens of activities, Group camp last year, several Gold DofE Hikes completed, a climbing course and qualification, 3 teams in Cheshire Hike, and an epic Macc Hike. For

Macc Hike 2018 Zulus were a strong part of a District Explorer presence who were key to ensuring safety of all the hikers when weather conditions forced major changes of plan to the hike. And they were not only cheerful throughout, but also kept the Scouts happy! An amazing achievement.

As a Unit, we also organised a sports evening for 5 Scout Troops, our regular Bonfire event for 7 Troops with wicker guys again (and Toby's fireworks were the best yet!), and also provided almost all participants for a Barnswood Service Weekend, where the Explorers held camping "passports" (delegated authority to camp without a Leader) which was a roaring success, as was the fire they built to dispose of tree branches!

At the Hut we have cleared a lot of the waste which accumulated after last year's tidy up weekend, and have recently sorted through almost all the tents in the QM Store, clearing a load of space for new kit to arrive shortly.



Many of the Zulus are active participants in the Young Leader scheme, some helping at 6th Macc Sections, and we now have

2 more ex-Zulus (and one shortly to be ex-Zulu) signing up as Adult Leaders in the District. As a Unit we have recently welcomed Phil as a Leader who is, himself, an ex –Spartan (Bollington) Unit member!

We're looking forward to several events this year, including having 2 teams in Dragnet (if you haven't heard of this, look it up, it's a fantastic event), and Chamboree. In fact, we probably won't be at the AGM since we'll be finishing an overnight training exercise for Dragnet!

Finally, I'd like to thank the Group for the friendly way we operate together: I really think the Group and Unit have a partnership in practice, not just in name through a contract.

Martin T - Zulu Unit Leader and District Explorer Scout Commissioner

Treasurer's Report for inclusion at the 2018 AGM

- The Treasurer has presented a preliminary view of the accounts for 2017-18 using a simplified summary.
- Out-turn for the year was broadly in line with budget. There was a short term distortion at year end due to a loan to provide cash flow cover in the cover in our current account to make an advance payment for Chamboree while money on deposit is transferred from our 95-day notice account. This will be corrected in the April in the 2018-19 accounts.
- Membership numbers are largely flat compared to 2016-17.
- Fund Raising was slightly ahead of budget. Disappointingly few members are using EasyFundRaising for when they make on-line payments.
- Hut Upgrade activity cost at £3,406 more than budget (£2,000) but this included both the new toilet and roof repairs.
- Gift Aid claims of £2,656 exceeded budget (£1,000) and helped off-set the higher upgrade costs.
- A budget was proposed for 2018/19 showing a broadly flat out-turn after repayment of the short-term loan purchase of camping equipment. There is a requirement to dispose of old and unwanted/unused/unfit camping equipment before the new gear is purchased.

Kind regards, Julian Amey Treasurer of MPCSG

2nd Macclesfield (St Michael's) Guide Group and 6th Macclesfield (Parish Church) Scout Group

Report & Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2018

PRESIDENT	Roy Stubbs		
VICE PRESIDENT	Garrod Halliwell		
TRUSTEES - Ex-Officio:	Neil Owens Mike Brown Diana Stafford Claire Whittingham	Chairman Group Scout Leader Former Group Scout Leader Guide Leader	
TRUSTEES - Elected:	Jonathan Graves Julian Amey	Secretary Treasurer	
BANKERS	Royal Bank of Scotland, 56 Chestergate, Macclesfield, SK11 6BA		
SCRUTINEER	Andy Lea		
Group Registration Number with The Scout Associatic 23726			
Charity Registration Number:		520226	

Trustees Annual Report for the year ended 31st March 2018

The objectives of the Group are to provide a varied programme that is attractive and challenging for our young people, based on the principles of the Scouting and Guiding movements - "Duty to God, duty to others and duty to self".

The Group is a charitable trust established under its rules which are common to all Groups. Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation & Rules of The Scout Association. The Trustees have identified the major risks to which they believe the Group is exposed. They have reviewed these and established systems to mitigate them.

The accounts have been drawn up on the receipts and payments basis which is consistent with previous years.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE YEAR

The Group has continued to support the various sections as they organise events and activities for their members. Total membership has declined to 70 from the previous year's 74, although there have been good increases in Rangers.

Thorough collection of subscriptions combined with fund raising has continued to be important in maintaining the financial health of the Group. Subs collection is consistent with our numbers reported for Census purposes. Collection of subscriptions has continued to be good due to efforts by Leaders and the transition to more subs payments being made on-line by BACS transfer through internet banking. This has significantly reduced cash and cheque handling in addition to improving timeliness of receipt. An innovation in the last year has been monthly payment of Subs by BACS/Standing Order. This has simplified the payment process and avoids the the need for termly prompts.

There were a number of successful fundraising activities during the year. A Whisky Tasting evening including haggis supper raised £1,004 (2016-17: £797). The sale of bedding plants in May generated overall 'income of £490 (2016-17: £427). These events receive sparse offers of support and are reliant on a core group of supporters, most of whom are parents who no longer have members in the Group. This is unsustainable in the longer term and is also failing to achieve the purpose of gaining member and parent engagement from across 1 Group. Whilst it is recognised that there are many demands on time, unless fund raising activities are better supported, they will become unviable necessitating an increase in subscriptions of roughly £5 to £7 per term.

Two areas where parents could make additional contribution to the Group without needing to expend significan time nor effort are Gift Aid and EasyFundRaising. There are still large number of members where the payer of subscriptions has not completed a Gift Aid form. Gift Aid can provide a significant boost to the Group's funds. In 2017-18, Gift Aid claims were made for the Tax Years 2014-15 (£1,049) and 2015-16 (£1,5560). Claims for future Tax Years could be boosted if we could get more subs payers to return completed Gift Aid forms.

The Group is registered with EasyFundRaising. This enables internet purchases made via EasyFundRaising to contribute a small percentage of the value to the Group. EasyFundRaising operates with many major vendor like Tesco, John Lewis, Amazon etc. So far only 8 members are making purchases via EasyFundRaising. Eve with this small number of users, the Group still received £56 from EasyFundRaising in the year (2016-17: £91). We need more members to make use of the EasyFundRaising as a simple means of raising additional funds for the Group.

It would be helpful if Scouting had an induction pack similar to Guiding that includes a Gift Aid registration form that could be completed when new members join. In addition this should include details about registering with EasyFundRaising and a form indicating which events (including both section meetings, trips, fund raising, and Hut tidy) that parents would be willing to support.

Our Hut provides both an important resource for the Group but is also a cause of significant expense in running costs, insurance and rent. Major improvement work was carried out in 2015-16 to provide a high qualit modern facility suitable for the 21st century. Further work costing £2,834 was carried out in 2017-18 to improve one of the toilets. (£2,000 had been budgeted for this work.) In addition a shutter was installed on the kitchen counter costing £572. Since 2014, £20,638 has been spent on Hut Upgrade improvements.

There was increased expenditure on Camping of £3,312 (2015-16: £1,943) and Trips of £2,134 (2015-16: £987 although this was balanced by increased income for £3,170 and £1,972 respectively. This represents a very positive increase in the activities of the Group, providing more opportunities for members.

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

MACCLESFIELD PARISH CHURCH SCOUT AND GUIDE GROUP

I report on the accounts of the Group for the year ended 31st March 2018 which are set out on pages 4 to 7.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Group's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under section 43(3)(a) of the 1993 Act);
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 Act); and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Group and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- 1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the 1993 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 Act have not been met; or
- 2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Name: A Lea

Qualification: Chartered Accountant

Address: 14 Tytherington Park Road, Macclesfield, Cheshire, SK10 2EL

Date:

Statement of Financial Activities Summary for the year ended 31st March 2018

2018-19 Budget £		2017-18 Actual £	2016-17 Actual £	2017-18 Budget £
11,960	Total Incoming Resources (page 5)	19,854	15,874	13,081
14,456	Total Resources Expended (page 6)_	15,971	13,540	13,856
(2,496)	Net Incoming/(Outgoing) Resources	3,883	2,334	(775)
18,400	Fund Balances Brought Forward	14,517	12,183	14,517
15,904	Fund Balances Carried Forward	18,400	14,517	13,742

The funds of the Group continue to be unrestricted, no resources are restricted.

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31st March 2018

2018-19 Budget £	INCOMING RESOURCES	2017-18 Actual £	2016-17 Actual £	2017-18 Budget £
6,400	Membership Subscriptions	6,465.00	6,367.50	6,500
<u>(3,000)</u> 3,400	Less: Paid to Headquarters	<u>(3,496)</u> 2,969	<u>(2,945)</u> 3,423	<u>(3,000)</u> 3,500
	DONATIONS AND GRANTS	<u> 262</u> 262	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	INCOME FROM ACTIVITIES			
1,900	Camping	3,975	3,710	1,900
1,000	Trips	1,044	1,972	2,000
100	Activities	-	-	-
3,000		5,018	5,682	3,900
	FUND RAISING			
1,400	Bedding Plants	1,451.30	1,453.40	1,400
200	AGM	307	-	60
50	Section Fund Raising (Brownies / Beaver Café)	83	271	50
300	Sponsored swim	864	-	250
1,700	Burns Night and Whisky Tasting	1,772	1,553	1,550
-	£10 challenge		653	600
40	Easy Fund Raising	56	91	40
	Bag Packing		-	
3,690		4,533	4,021	3,950
	INVESTMENT INCOME			
1	Building Society interest	-	-	1
59	Bank Interest	63	<u>21</u> 	20
60		63	21	21
	OTHER INCOMING RESOURCES			
-	Training	-	96	-
10	Badge and Uniform Sales	128	30	10
800	Hire of Hut and Camping Equipment	1,405	685	700
1,000	Gift Aid	2,656	1,822	1,000
	Hut Upgrade Project	-	3	
1,810		4,189	2,636	1,710
-	Temporary Bridging Loan	2,820		
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11,960	TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	19,854	15,874	13,081

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31st March 2018

2018-19 Budget £	RESOURCES EXPENDED	2017-18 Actual £	2016-17 Actual £	2017-18 Budget £
	PREMISES			
500	Rent	461	446	470
800	Light and Heat	638	436	800
900	Insurance	822	781	850
250	Repairs and Renewals	117	610	600
500	Hut Upgrade Project	3,406	782	2,000
2,950		5,444	3,055	4,720
	DONATIONS/GRANTS			
<u>-</u>	DONATIONS/GRANTS	<u>-</u>		
	ACTIVITIES EXPENSES			
1,900	Camping	5,332	3,132	2,000
1,000	Trips	1,103	2,134	2,100
1,296	Activities	618	1,060	1,296
4,196		7,053	6,325	5,396
	FUND RAISING EXPENSES			
1,000	Bedding Plants 2017	961	1,026	1,000
100	AGM & Water Challenge	188	1,020	40
20	Section Fund Raising (Quiz / Crafts / Beave	16	27	30
100	Sponsored swim	3	-	90
850	Burns Night and Whisky Tasting	768	756	800
-	EasyFundRaising	-	-	60
-	Bag Packing	-	-	-
2,070		1,937	1,809	2,020
100		50	140	100
60	Training Resources	50 14	70	60
60	Administration - Stationery and Postage	77	70	60
220		141	210	220
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	OTHER EXPENSES	-		
-		-	-	-
	PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT	121	286	
1,000	PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT	44	105	500
1,000		165	391	500
1,000		100	001	000
1,200	PURCHASE OF UNIFORM & BADGES	1,231	1,750	1,000
1,200		1,231	1,750	1,000
2,820	Repayment of Bridging Loan			
2,820	Repayment of Druging Loan			
2,020				
14,456	TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED	15,971	13,540	
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Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31st March 2018

	31-Mar-18 £	31-Mar-17 £	######## £
MONETARY ASSETS			
Building Society Accounts	662	662	662
Bank Current Account	5,177	4,321	6,005
Bank Deposit Account	12,561	9,535	5,517
Cash in Hand			
	18,401	14,517	12,183
Dervesented by			
Represented by:- General Unrestricted Funds	18,401	14,517	12,183
	18,401	14,517	12,183

Liabilities