



# Scouts

## Pamber Scouts

2023 Annual Report



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## Agenda

- Introduction and Welcome (Chair)
- Apologies
- Minutes of 2022 AGM
- GSL Report
- Section Overviews
- Model Constitution (Transformation to Trustee Board)
- Annual Statement of Accounts
- Scrutineer Appointment
- Execute Committee Elections

## **GSL REPORT**

A successful year for Pamber Heath Scout Group, we continued to grow in members in most sections.

Beavers section continues to be at capacity and Cubs have grown from 8 to 17 members allowing the section to have 3 Sixes. Scouts have capacity for more, even though they tried a recruitment drive, see Scout section for further details.

We end the year with an increase in leaders, Beavers have 6 leaders and one Young Leader, Cubs have 3 leaders and Scouts have 3 leaders. I'd like to thank them all for the ongoing dedication to provide a varied and interesting program.

### **Section Leader changes**

I'd like to call out the following Leaders: Maria who stepped up from section assistant to Cub leader. Akela for the continuing growth of cubs under her management and Aaron for becoming the Scout leader.

### **Den Facilities**

I'd like to thank Ollie for his cleaning role and Kirsty who has taken this over.

Our car parking area had seen better days and with the aid of a local community grant we re-laid the car park with a bottom level of weed membrane and 3 tonne bags of stones. I'd like to thank the couple of parent helpers that came along to help.

I'd like to thank Aaron for managing the 3 days that that it took to get the car park to where it is now.

Over last the summer the toilet facilities were upgraded and we now have a proper disabled toilet.

### **Group Events**

We had a successful group camp held locally at the YMCA campsite in Padworth in July with all three Sections attending. Feedback was very positive and given many had never camped before (due to the Covid lockdowns) they all did extremely well.

Pamber Heath joined Baughurst Scout Group for the Remembrance Parade at Baughurst. We had representation for all 3 sections and the 3 flag bearers did very well with all of them making us leaders proud. One cub (Rory) attended the local Church and gave a reading whilst we were at the parade.

### **Finance**

We had to raise subs last year due to ever increasing costs but the group managed to break even this year due to careful Section management. This is a great improvement from last year where we did run at a loss. More details in the treasurer's report.

I'd like to thank [34SP.COM](http://34SP.COM) for the continued support in providing our web hosting facilities.

### **District level**

We said goodbye to Josh who'd been our District Commissioner (DC) since we joined the district and welcomed Dan, this was a short-lived appointment, and the district is currently looking to appoint a new DC.

Looking forward from April -

I'd like to thank the cub leaders for a successful Archery camp, Coronation weekend in May – remember the weather! A camp of 2 halves in one day, extreme rain in the first part the next glorious sunshine. Those

conditions were extremely challenging for both the cubs and leaders, well done everyone, more details in the cub report.

All 3 sections have plans for a camp and hopefully we'll get a few more leaders with their 'permit' to camp signed off this year.

The district continues to provide varied district events and some are better supported than others but I encourage all leaders to make use of this.

To end up I'd like to thank the executive and leaders for your ongoing support and commitment, many thanks.

Graham Morrison  
Group Scout Leader

## Scouts

Where to start? The scouts have been very busy both at the hut and in the local area this year.

The winter programme consisted of crafting Halloween decorations, plucking and cooking a pheasant, hunting for glowsticks and having a full scale nerf war in the hut.

The spring season started off with a full Dungeons and Dragons campaign and trying our hands at crossbow and archery shooting. We then went onto building bird feeders with power tools, some knots and lashing projects, and finished off with the communicator badge.

The Summer term has included the construction and planting of our raised beds at the back of the hut, we have also managed to create three geocaches in the local area (one is at the hut, see if you can find it). The scouts have tried both frisbee golf, quidditch and a spot of conservation at Wigmore Heath.

Many of the parents have been giving wonderful feedback on the scout's Facebook page as their children have been enjoying the packed programme.

Many more photos have been printed and are available for display on the scout's noticeboard in the main hall of the hut. Please check it out!

*Aaron Tizick*

*Scout Leader*





It's been a busy year for our Cubs. Our Autumn term began by splitting into two Sixes as we welcomed new members. The Cubs achieved a huge variety of badges, cooking meals, thinking about their personal safety, teaching each other new skills, and showing off their artistic abilities. We also took part in the Baughurst Remembrance Parade, with one of our Cubs doing a wonderful job carrying and lowering the flag.

Spring brought even more energy with it. We were lucky to be joined by a sign language academic and I'm happy to know that some of our Cubs can still sign their names. We also undertook the Entertainer badge; the production of two skits was a particular highlight, watching the comedic acting of various types of animals!

We also started our archery training ready for the National Scout Archery Camp which 10 Cubs and 3 Leaders attended in May. Despite torrential rain, the Cubs showed their resilience, finding new ways to have fun, even calling for a tent party at 5am...

We've been making the most of the wonderful weather this term, joining the Basingstoke and Deane Hockey night, playing wide games in Pamber Forest, and having a great sports day on Tadley Common.

We continue to grow and now have 16 Cubs in three Sixes. With continued support from Graham, we now have three dedicated Cub Leaders and are so grateful for the support of so many parents as we deliver the programme.

*Maria (Akela)*

*Cub Leader*

## Beavers



### Beaver Numbers

There are 18 Beavers as of 30<sup>th</sup> June. We will be taking more Beavers as spaces are created in September as three Beavers move up to Cubs.

Waiting List currently has 4 at suitable age.

### Review of Activities

We have had a busy and varied programme, well supported by the team taking turns and pitching in.

We have celebrated the Coronation of King Charles, covered badges such as Space, Skills elements, Disability Awareness (badges on order), Sports, Health & Fitness, Collector. The group have played many games and learned some new ones, and been Creative with crafts, problem solving, building and cooking.

We ran a session on road safety with resources provided by the charity Brake. We have also been outside exercising on the Common, grass sledging and building Dens in the Forest

Outside of the Thursday meetings we also attended Paultons Park and 4 Kingdoms with Hampshire. Both were well organised and great fun, good level of attendance and most importantly the Beavers really enjoyed it!

The cohort are young and easily distracted. We have been focusing on behaviour, code of conduct and listening skills to improve in this area.

### Badges

We have awarded 145 badges this year.

Bronze Awards were presented to 2 Beavers at the District event in October (and to 2 Cubs who also completed) and to Emily Spicer in June.

### Upcoming

End of year 13th July with Party and Water Fight

Group Camp with Tadley 22-23rd July

*Emma Wells (Bear)*

*Beavers Leader*

# ANNUAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

## Treasurers' Report

Bank balances are both healthy at the end of the year, and although an overall loss is reported, Subs and donations have covered the day to day running costs of the Group. The main expense this year was the restoration of the toilets costing £7350 but this was funded using the Covid Grants received in previous years. All activities have paid for themselves and no fund raising was required.

Gift Aid from 20/21 and 21/22 has now been received and 22/23 will be submitted soon. This will boost the bank balance by approx £1000 providing parents/carers Gift Aid declarations are up to date.

A new Gas contract is now in place for the Scout Hut. For the past few years PHSG group were paying residential rates but this has now been amended to a business tariff. I tried negotiating the very best rates for the charity and am hoping despite the change to the new business rates and the rise in energy costs, there will not be a large increase. The change-over is still ongoing so the bills have not levelled themselves out yet.

Repair work to the car park cost just over £400 but we were lucky enough to receive a community grant to cover this in February. Expenses for this project were paid after year-end and do not show in this financial year but have been taken into account for the purpose of this report.

*Laura Pedley*

*Treasurer*



**Pamber Heath Scout Group 283487**  
**Receipts and payments account**

|                   | Year start date |    | Year end date |
|-------------------|-----------------|----|---------------|
| For the year from | 08/04/2022      | To | 06/04/2023    |

**Receipts and payments**

|   | 2022/23<br>Unrestricted funds<br>£ | 2021/22<br>Unrestricted funds<br>£ |
|---|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>Receipts</b>                                     |                                    |                                    |
| <b>Donations, legacies and similar income</b>       |                                    |                                    |
| Membership subscriptions                            | 4,799                              | 2,748                              |
| Donations   | 884                                | 83                                 |
| Legacies  |                                    | -                                  |
| Gift Aid  | 1,013                              | -                                  |
| Other similar income - Activities                   | 1,873                              | 487                                |
| <b>Sub total</b>                                    | <b>8,569</b>                       | <b>3,278</b>                       |
| <b>Grants</b>                                       |                                    |                                    |
| Maintenance grant                                   |                                    | -                                  |
| Other grants  | 416                                | 12,783                             |
| <b>Sub total</b>                                    | <b>416</b>                         | <b>12,783</b>                      |
| <b>Fundraising events (gross)</b>                   |                                    |                                    |
| Detail 1  | -                                  | -                                  |
| Detail 2  | -                                  | -                                  |
| Detail 3  | -                                  | -                                  |
| Other fundraising activities                        | -                                  | -                                  |
| <b>Sub total</b>                                    | <b>-</b>                           | <b>-</b>                           |
| <b>Scout hut income</b>                             |                                    |                                    |
| Hire of building                                    | -                                  | 876                                |
| Hire of equipment                                   | -                                  | -                                  |
| Other Scout hut income                              | -                                  | -                                  |
| <b>Sub total</b>                                    | <b>-</b>                           | <b>876</b>                         |
| <b>Investment income</b>                            |                                    |                                    |
| Bank interest                                       | 28                                 | -                                  |
| Building Society interest                           | -                                  | -                                  |
| The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service | -                                  | -                                  |
| Other investment income                             | -                                  | -                                  |
| <b>Sub total</b>                                    | <b>28</b>                          | <b>-</b>                           |
| <b>Total Gross Income</b>                           | <b>8,811</b>                       | <b>16,718</b>                      |
| <b>Asset and investment sales, etc.</b>             | <b>-</b>                           | <b>-</b>                           |
| <b>Total receipts</b>                               | <b>8,811</b>                       | <b>16,718</b>                      |

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**Receipts and payments**

|  | 2022/23<br>Unrestricted funds<br>£ | 2021/22<br>Unrestricted funds<br>£ |
|--|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>Payments</b>  |                                    |                                    |
| <b>Charitable Payments</b>                                       |                                    |                                    |
| Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/Area/District) | £ 1,768.00                         | 1,884                              |
| Youth programme and activities                                   | £ 807.50                           | 338                                |
| Adult support and training                                       |                                    | -                                  |
| Rent   |                                    | -                                  |
| Water and Sewerage   | £ 60.00                            | 1,016                              |
| Electricity and Gas  | £ 1,175.82                         | 836                                |
| Insurance  | £ 819.37                           | -                                  |
| Repairs and Renewals   | £ 8,120.11                         | 1,803                              |
| Materials and equipment  | £ 441.94                           | 308                                |
| Printing and photocopying  | £ -                                | 46                                 |
| Contribution to camp costs                                       | £ 780.03                           | 100                                |
| Uniforms   | £ 356.40                           | 618                                |
| AGM and trustee expenses   |                                    | -                                  |
| Other - PGL refunds  |                                    | 286                                |
| GoCardless Fees  | £ 152.11                           | 83                                 |

|                                      |               |               |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Other costs detail 3                 |               | -             |
| <b>Sub total</b>                     | <b>14,481</b> | <b>8,823</b>  |
| <b>Fundraising expenses</b>          |               |               |
| Detail 1                             | -             | -             |
| Detail 2                             | -             | -             |
| Detail 3                             | -             | -             |
| Other fundraising costs              | -             | -             |
| <b>Sub total</b>                     | <b>-</b>      | <b>-</b>      |
| <b>Total Gross Expenditure</b>       | <b>14,481</b> | <b>8,823</b>  |
| Asset and investment purchases, etc. | -             | -             |
| <b>Total payments</b>                | <b>14,481</b> | <b>8,823</b>  |
| <b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>    | <b>5,870</b>  | <b>8,793</b>  |
| Cash funds last year end             | 34,618        | 34,726        |
| <b>Cash funds this year end</b>      | <b>28,848</b> | <b>34,618</b> |

### Pamber Heath Scout Group 283487 Receipts and payments account

|                          |                   |           |                   |
|--------------------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
|                          | Year start date   |           | Year end date     |
| <b>For the year from</b> | <b>08/04/2022</b> | <b>To</b> | <b>06/04/2023</b> |

#### Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

|   | 2022/23<br>Unrestricted funds<br>£                  | 2021/22<br>Unrestricted funds<br>£ |
|---|---|------------------------------------|
| <b>Cash funds</b>                                   |   |                                    |
| Bank current account                                | 4,600   | 32,188                             |
| Bank deposit account                                | 24,344  | 2,318                              |
| Building society account                            |   | -                                  |
| The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service |   | -                                  |
| Cash/Floats   | 4   | 4                                  |
| <b>Total cash funds</b>                             | <b>28,848</b>                                       | <b>34,617</b>                      |
|   | (agree balances with receipts and payments account) | ok                                 |
| <b>Other monetary assets</b>                        |   |                                    |
| Tax claim   | 860   | -                                  |
| Debits due from the County/Area/District/Group      | -   | -                                  |
| Insurance claim                                     | -   | -                                  |
| <b>Sub total</b>                                    | <b>860</b>  | <b>-</b>                           |
| <b>Investment assets</b>                            |   |                                    |
| Investment property - detail                        | -   | -                                  |
| Quoted investments                                  | -   | -                                  |
| Other investments - detail                          | -   | -                                  |
| <b>Sub total</b>                                    | <b>-</b>  | <b>-</b>                           |
| <b>Non monetary assets for charity's own use</b>    |   |                                    |
| Badge stock   | -   | -                                  |
| Shop stock  | -   | -                                  |
| Other stock   | -   | -                                  |
| Land and buildings                                  | -   | -                                  |
| Motor vehicles                                      | -   | -                                  |
| Scouting equipment, furniture etc                   | -   | -                                  |
| Other   | -   | -                                  |
| <b>Sub total</b>                                    | <b>-</b>  | <b>-</b>                           |
| <b>Liabilities</b>                                  |   |                                    |
| Accounts not yet paid                               | 416   | -                                  |
| Expenses incurred but not invoiced                  | -   | -                                  |
| Subscriptions not yet paid                          | -   | -                                  |
| Loan - detail                                       | -   | -                                  |
| Other liabilities                                   | -   | -                                  |
| <b>Sub total</b>                                    | <b>416</b>  | <b>-</b>                           |
| <b>Total net assets</b>                             | <b>28,283</b>                                       | <b>34,617</b>                      |

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on Xth X 200X (the date of the Executive Committee meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by

Signature

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Print Name

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| Chair     |
| Treasurer |