

Trustees Annual Report & Accounts For the year ended 31 March 2016

Section A – General Information

VICE PRESIDENT

Mrs M Storr

TRUSTEES: *Ex-Officio* - Appointment

Chairman	Mr M. Roberts
Treasurer	Mr M Wood
Secretary	Mr G Peacock
Acting/District Commissioner	Mr M Stageman (until 14 March 2016)
District Commissioner	Mr A Pratt (from 14 March 2016)
Deputy DC	Ms S Harrison (until 14 March 2016)
Deputy DC	Mr D Dobson (from 14 March 2016)
Wharfedale Scout Sailing Centre	Mrs C Britton
Curly Hill Campsite & Centre	Mr M Roberts
SASU Manager	Mr J Ince
District Explorer Scout Commissioner	Mrs P Newman
Chairman Appointments	Mr R Bleasdale

TRUSTEES: Elected

District Executive	Mr P Cunningham
District Executive	Mrs C Paterson
District Executive	Mr D Hunt
District Executive	Mr M Phillips
District Executive	Mr C Woodhouse

TRUSTEES: Nominated By District Commissioner

District Executive	Mr P Bennett
District Executive	Mr H Bowen
District Executive	Mrs A Pickard
District Executive	Mr T Pickard

DISTRICT APPOINTMENTS SUB - COMMITTEE

Chairman	Mr R Bleasdale
Secretaries	Mrs E Williams & Mr Peter Finlay

BANKERS:

Unity Trust Bank plc, Nine Brindleyplace, Birmingham B1 2HB

CUSTODIAN TRUSTEES:

Scout Association Trust Corporation, Gilwell Park, Bury Road, Chingford, London E4 7QW

DISTRICT REGISTRATION NUMBER WITH THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION: 16623

CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER: 524827

CONTACT NAME AND ADDRESS:

Mr Graham Peacock, 24 Denton Road, Ilkley, West Yorkshire, LS29 0AA

WHARFEDALE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

Wharfedale District Scout Council is constituted under the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

Wharfedale District Scout Council is a registered charity established, and with Trustees appointed, in accordance with these Rules.

Wharfedale District Scout Council continued throughout the year to provide leadership, advice and support for the ten Scout Groups in its District and in the local communities within its boundary.

The Trustees have paid due regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission regarding public benefit in deciding what activities to undertake. The District meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship and community development headings. Wharfedale District Scout Council manages and administers Curly Hill Campsite and Centre and Reva Water Activity Centre for the benefit of members and the community.

Structure, governance and management

The affairs are managed by the District Executive Committee (the trustees) through a number of sub-committees. A member of the Executive should serve on each sub-committee. The committees support the District Commissioner and Assistant DCs who have responsibility for certain areas of the District activity.

The Committees are:

Appointments Advisory Committee

Curly Hill Activity Centre & Campsite Sub-Committee

Reva Water Activity Centre Sub-Committee

District Explorer Scout Sub-Committee

Development Sub-Committee

District Awards Sub-Committee

Scout Active Support Unit Committee

Review of the year

A full review of the year is published as a separate booklet.

The support of Scouting in the District was carried out at a deficit of £1,585 (2015:a surplus of £2,529). The amount of £7,370 was added to unrestricted reserves.

Governance costs

The management costs of the charity are considered minimal and are not reported separately since the assessment of the costs would be arbitrary.

Reserves

Reserves are being held to ensure that the level of activity can be maintained for at least one year, without income through a policy to hold between 75% and 100% of one year's gross expenditure.

Future operation of the charity

The trustees are of the opinion that the funds are sufficient to continue activities through the ensuing year.

Risk management

The executive and district team operate within the safety regulations of the Scout Association. The risks to the operation and management of the district have been assessed and kept under review and plans are in place to mitigate or eliminate the effect of potential risks.

Statement of disclosure to accounts examiner

Each of the trustees has confirmed that there is no information of which they are aware which is relevant to the examination of the accounts, but of which the examiner is unaware. They have further confirmed that they have taken appropriate steps to identify such relevant information and to establish that the examiner is aware of such information.

Mike Roberts, Chairman Wharfedale District Scout Council

17 May 2016