

Annual General Meeting

Dover District Scout Council
Registered Charity No. 303379

Annual Report

20th September 2026



DOVER DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

(Registered Charity Number: 303379)

Annual General Meeting

Date: 20th September 2026

Venue: 18th Dover (Shepherdswell) HQ
The Scout Hut, Approach Road, Shepherdswell CT15 7NY

AGENDA

1. Opening Remarks by Dover District Chair Paul Betts
2. Apologies for absence
3. Governance topics
 - a. Approve the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Saturday 24th May 2025.
 - b. Adopt the model constitution from Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR)
 - c. Note the District's financial year
 - d. Agree the maximum number of members that may be appointed to the Trustee Board
 - e. Agree the quorum for future meetings of the District Scout Council (excluding this AGM)
4. Review of the previous year
 - a. The District Lead Volunteers's review of Scouts during the past 12 months in Dover District.
 - b. Receive and consider the Annual Report of the District Trustee Board for the year ended 31st March 2026, including the annual Statement of the Accounts
5. Merger Business
 - a. Note the decision of the County Trustee Board that Deal, Walmer, Sandwich and District will merge with Dover District with effect from today (20th September 2026)
 - b. Agree that the name of this District Scout Council is changed from Dover District Scout Council to Deal and Dover District Scout Council.

- c. Note the resignation of the members of the outgoing District Trustee Board
Outgoing Dover District Chair Paul Betts will hand over the Chair of the meeting to incoming Deal and Dover District Lead Volunteer, Matt Page.
 - d. Receive a presentation from the incoming District Lead Volunteer for Deal and Dover about the formation of the new District and his vision for the future of The Scouts in the new District.
 - e. County Representative's Remarks
6. Making appointments
- a. Appoint the District Chair, following recommendation from the open selection process initiated by the District Lead Volunteer
 - b. Appoint the District Treasurer, following recommendation from the open selection process initiated by the District Lead Volunteer
 - c. Appoint members of the District Trustee Board, following recommendations from the open selection process initiated by the District Lead Volunteer
 - d. To resolve that for the purposes of POR rule 5b.3.3.9 and calculating future term limits on the Deal and Dover District Trustee Board, any qualifying service undertaken on the former Deal, Walmer and Sandwich District Trustee Board from its 2024 AGM onwards will be included in the calculation.
 - e. Appoint the Independent Examiner
 - f. Nominate two representatives of the District Scout Council to represent the District on Kent County Scout Council
7. Closing remarks



Dover District Scout Council

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Saturday 24th May 2025, 15.30

Betteshanger Campsite, Deal

MINUTES

1. **Introduction and welcome:** Paul Betts welcomed everyone to the AGM.
2. **Apologies for absence:** Luke Duggan (Squirrel Leader), Jack Parness (DYC), Dave McRoberts (Trustee)
Present: Paul Betts (Chair), Janet Marsh (DLV), John Glentworth (DLV), Linda Iverson (Trustee), Anne-Marie Hurst (Trustee), Philip Smye-Rumsby (Trustee), Gary Green (Trustee), Cathy Betts (Admin), members from the Scout Council.
3. **Governance topics**
 - a. **Approve the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Monday 2nd September 2024:** The Scout Council agreed the minutes. Seconded John Glentworth.
 - b. **Adopt the model constitution from Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR):** Adopted. Seconded by Philip Smye-Rumsby.
 - c. **Note the District's financial year:** The Districts financial year runs from 1st April to 31st March.
 - d. **Approve appointed and community members of the District Scout Council:** There are no nominations to approve.
 - e. **Agree the number of members that may be appointed to the Trustee Board:** It was agreed a maximum of 11 District Trustees may be appointed to the trustee board. Seconded by Vivienne Verren.
 - f. **Agree the quorum for future meetings of the District Scout Council (excluding this AGM):** A quorum of 6 was proposed for future District Scout Council meetings. Seconded by Gary Green.
4. **Review of the previous year**
 - a. **The District Lead Volunteer's review of Scouts in the Dover District:** Janet Marsh, District Lead Volunteer gave an update on Scouting in the district over the past year, thanking everyone for their hard work.
Janet thanked:
 - Linda Iverson for organising the Carol Service.
 - Philip Smye-Rumsby for organising St Georges Day.
 - Anne-Marie for organising today's archery.

- b. **Receive and consider the Annual Report of the District Trustee Board, including the annual Statement of the Accounts:** The accounts were accepted. Paul Betts thanked Vivienne Verren for preparing the accounts and Alan Noake for scrutinising them.

5. Making appointments

- a. **Appoint the District Chair, following recommendation from the open selection process initiated by the District Trustee Board**
- Paul Betts was re-appointed for 3 years from 2024
- b. **Appoint the District Treasurer, following recommendation from the open selection process initiated by the District Trustee Board**
- Vivienne Verren was appointed for 3 years from 2025
- c. **Appoint members of the District Trustee Board, following recommendations from the open selection process initiated by the District Trustee Board**
- Linda Iveson: Trustee, 3 years from 2025
 - Anne-Marie Hurst: Trustee, for 3 years from 2024
 - Philip Smye-Rumsby: Trustee, for 3 years from 2024
 - David McRoberts: Trustee, for 2 years from 2024
 - Janet Marsh: Trustee, for 3 years from 2024
 - Luke Duggan: Trustee, for 1 year from 2025
 - Gary Green: Trustee, for 3 years from 2025

Ex-Officio Appointments

- John Glentworth: DLV, for duration of role
 - Jack Parness: DYC, for duration of role
- d. **Appoint a President:** There are no nominations to consider.
- e. **Appoint the Scrutineer:** Alan Noake was re-appointed as scrutineer for the forthcoming financial year.
- f. **Nominate representatives of the District Scout Council to represent the District on the County Scout Council:** Gary Green is appointed to represent the District on the County Scout Council.

6. **County Representative:** Des Harris, County Chairman thanked the district for their invitation and complimented all on the combination of a fun day and AGM. He said it was good to see so many young people learning new skills and thanked the Team leads for all their hard work planning programmes and organising activities. He congratulated the district on its growth, with nearly 400 in the district. He thanked Janet and John for all their hard work and the teams who work behind the scenes.

Closing remarks: Paul Betts, Chair thanked everyone for attending and for all their hard work and effort throughout last year.

Trustee Annual Report 2026

Trustees' Annual Report

For the period:

From	01/04/2025	To	31/03/2026
	(period start date)		(period end date)

Charity Name	The Dover District Scout Council
Charity Registration Number (if registered - leave blank if excepted charity)	303379
HQ Registration Number	10001183

Objectives and activities

Summary of the purpose and objects of the charity as set out in its governing document	The objectives of the charity are as a part of The Scout Association. The Purpose of Scouting Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society. The Values of Scouting As Scouts we are guided by these values Integrity – We act with integrity; we are honest, trustworthy and loyal Respect – We have self-respect and respect for others Care – We support others and take care of the world in which we live Belief - We explore our faiths, beliefs and attitudes Co-operation – We make a positive difference; we co-operate with others and make friends The Scout Method Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together based on the values of scouting and: - enjoy what they are doing and have fun - take part in activities indoors and outdoors - learn by doing - share in spiritual reflection - take responsibility and make choices - undertake new and challenging activities - make and live by their promise
Summary of the main activities in relation to the purpose and objects	This period has seen an increase in activities and a small decrease in young people (271) membership this year, and a large increase

	in adult support (133). Which averages out as a district of an increase of 2.8% to 404 people this year.
Statement confirming the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	The Trustees confirm that the charity meets the Charity Commission's Public Benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.

You may choose to include further statements, where relevant, about: • Policy on grant making	Scouting for young people has larger membership numbers than the previous year. Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers within Dover District have been meeting regularly throughout the 25/26 year, and several Squirrel Dreys continue to thrive. The district meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the achievement of citizenship or community development headings.
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Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year identifying the difference and impact the charity's work has made, including on sustainability	Scouting has seen an increase in members which is up 2.8% on the previous year. Scouting took place within the district of Dover. During the capitation period, the district opted for this year only to adopt a £2 district levy which ensured that the local scout groups could continue to operate without budgetary issues.
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You may choose to include further statements, where relevant, about: • Achievements against objectives • Fundraising activities • Contribution made by volunteers	Scouting for young people has larger membership numbers than the previous year. Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers within Dover District has been meeting regularly throughout 2025/2026 year, and a number of Squirrel Dreys continue to thrive. At the end of this cycle, the Dover District Lead Volunteers have stepped down, and we'd like to thank both John Glentworth and Janet Marsh for their support of running a very successful district.
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Financial review

Review of the financial position	The district's income and expenditure is small and as a consequence does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer-term investments such as stocks and shares. The district has therefore adopted a low risk strategy to the investments of its funds. All funds are held in cash using main stream banks or building societies. The district executive regularly monitors the levels of bank balances and the interest rates received to ensure the district obtains maximum value and income using an account that requires a period of notice before funds may be withdrawn, before doing so the district trustees consider the cash flow requirements.
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Policy on Reserves, why they are held, and the amount of reserves	The District policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the group should income and fundraising activities fall short.
Policy on Investments and investment performance	The charity's reserves are small and as a consequence does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer-term investments such as stocks and shares. The charity has therefore adopted a low risk strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or building societies.
A description of the principal risks	

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document	The charity's governing documents are those of The Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, which in turn gives authority to the Bye Laws of the Association and The Policy Organisation and Rules (POR) of The Scout Association.
How the charity is constituted	The charity is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts. It is constituted as an educational charity.
Trustee selection methods	The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.
Policies and procedures for the induction and training of trustees	All Trustees complete The Scout Association trustee and mandatory learning within the first six months of joining the Trustee Board, they also complete other Scout Association mandatory learning periodically as required.
Additional governance arrangements	The charity is managed by the Trustee Board, the members of which are the "Charity Trustees". As charity trustees they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities. This includes the registration, keeping proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate. The Trustee Board consists of the Chair, Treasurer and 9 Trustees (including 2 Ex-Officio Trustees, and 0 co-opted Trustees) and meets 4 times a year. The Trustee Board is supported by a Board Administrator. The Trustee Board exists to support the Leadership Teams in meeting the responsibilities of their appointments and in supporting them to run high-quality and safe programs that give young people skills for life. The Trustee Board maintain appropriate governance policies and oversight. The Trustee Board is responsible for carrying out its purposes for the public benefit, complying with the charity's governing

	document and the law, and managing the charity's resources responsibly. The Trustee Board is responsible for ensuring the charity is well managed, risks are assessed and mitigated, buildings and equipment are in good order and everyone follows legal requirements and Scout Association Policy, Organisation & Rules. This includes responsibility for: • Promoting a positive image of Scouting in the community, as well as its development; • Developing, maintaining and regularly a risk register, including putting in place appropriate mitigations; • Ensuring that the finances are properly managed, and there are sufficient resources (and reserves) to deliver high quality Scouting; • Ensuring a system of internal controls is in place that is designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss; • Ensuring that property is appropriately managed; • Maintaining appropriate insurance of persons, property and equipment; • Assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support; • Having an open and transparent selection process for the recruitment of Trustees; • Appointing Advisors as required; • Ensuring effective administration is in place to support the Trustee Board; • Ensuring compliance with applicable governance and charity regulations, including in respect to safety and safeguarding; • Ensuring incidents are appropriately reported in line with regulation and policy; • Ensuring applicable policies and regulations are regularly reviewed and changes implemented as appropriate; • Ensuring transparency of operations, including in the preparation of accounts and holding and AGM; • Ensuring compliance with Data Protection legislation; • Acting as a responsible employer for any employees, who are effectively managed.
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Plans for future periods

Plans for future Periods	The district is merging with Deal, Walmer, Sandwich and District on the 20th September, which will substantially increase the size of the district. The district will have a new trustee board comprising of members of both old districts.
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	The new district will continue to provide activities for the young people and fundraising activities for these.
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Reference and administration details

Principal Address	Dover District Scouts C/o Mrs V Verren The Scout Hut Reach Road St Margaret's at Cliffe Dover CT15 6AP
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	Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1	Paul Betts	Chair	
2	Vivienne Verren	Treasurer	
3	<u>Luke Duggan</u>	Trustee	
4	Kat McArdle	Trustee	<u>From March 2026</u>
5	Dave McRoberts	Trustee	
6	Gary Green	Trustee	
7	Linda Iverson	Trustee	<i>Until March 2026</i>
8	Ann-Marie Hirst	Trustee	
9	Philip Smye-Rumsby	Trustee	
10	John Glentworth	District Lead Volunteeer	<i>Until June 2026</i>
11	Janet Marsh	District Lead Volunteer	<i>Until June 2026</i>

Name and address of advisors

Type of advisor	Name	Address
Independent Examiner / Auditor	Alan Noake	c/o 3 Sandown Road, Deal, Kent
Detail others		

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees by:

Signature		
Full name	Paul Betts	
Position held	Chairman	

Date		
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District Lead Volunteer



Over the past year, young people across Dover have continued to benefit from fantastic opportunities to build friendships, develop confidence, and take part in exciting and adventurous activities. These experiences simply would not be possible without the energy, passion and commitment provided week in and week out by our adult volunteers across all sections and Groups, as well as the wider District Team.

Following John Glentworth and Janet Marsh stepping down earlier this year, I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to them both for their dedicated service, leadership and contributions to Scouting in Dover. In the interim, as County Lead Volunteer, I have stepped in to provide direct support to the District as we transition into the new merged District with Deal, Walmer, Sandwich and District.

I would also like to thank Matt Page, who will be stepping up as the new District Lead Volunteer for Deal and Dover when the merger takes place.

My heartfelt thanks go out to every leader, helper, supporter and Trustee Board member across Dover District. Your ongoing dedication ensures that Scouting remains vibrant, inclusive and growing in the community, giving young people a place to belong and positive pathways for the future.

Nirav Patel, District Lead Volunteer



District Squirrels Report

Hello Everyone,

This year has been another exciting time for our Squirrels, including our first district Squirrels day, focusing on the world cup, which was attended by our various different dreys across the district. A big thank you to everyone for making this happen. We have also seen our Squirrels attend some of district events, such as St George's day, where each year we remind ourselves of what it means to be a Squirrel in our wider scouting family! This has been another great year to celebrate all of our young people in their scouting journey and celebrate everyone's achievements!

It is also important to take this opportunity to reflect as we move forward into our new district. As our District changes we, as Squirrels and beyond, we will be meeting some new friends from the Deal, Walmer, Sandwich & district, this will be an exciting opportunity for all of our young people and volunteers across our new Deal and Dover District.

Finally, it is important to acknowledge all of the hard work and dedication by our young people, volunteers and parents who make every adventure possible. As we make our new friends and continue to grow, we will do so in the spirit of Scouting and with a new spirit of adventure.

Kindest Regards,

Luke Duggan, Volunteer Squirrels

District Beaver Report

Dover Beavers have had a very active and successful period – we currently have 7 Beaver units across the District.

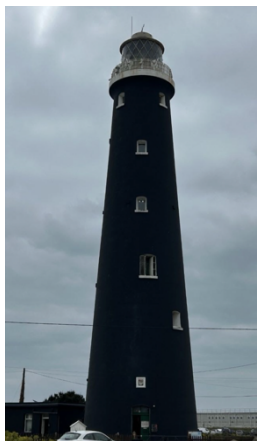
Below is a summary of some of this years activities which have been enjoyed.

Brockhill Beaver County event was a great experience, even in the rain! Both the children and leaders thoroughly enjoyed the session and embraced the muddy outdoor adventure despite the weather.

Lower Grange Farm Adventure day was also attended some of the groups who reported a great time with lots of activities for the young people to enjoy.



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As a district the beavers travelled along the Hythe and Dymchurch railway to Dungeness which included a tour of the lighthouse and area. A number of personal challenges were accomplished for the young people and leaders alike when climbing and looking out at the top of the lighthouse; slightly scary.



The beavers were also well represented at the district funday with a variety of activities to try including archery, axe throwing, Rockets and other outdoor challenges. The day was finished off with a celebration campfire with certificate and achievements.

More recently as we start of our 40th birthday year we held a Disney theme sleepover which included a local hike and activities - with beavers from across the district making new friendships and learning and having fun together.

We have continued to run a variety of Adventure Days, giving the young people exciting opportunities to learn new skills and build confidence - with skill for life opportunities and plenty of badges, including a number of Bronze awards achieved.



Each beaver unit within the district has built a wide and varied programme to include highlights such as:

- a litter-picking activity alongside our local councillor, which helped the Beavers engage with their community and understand the importance of looking after their environment
- a local vicar visited with her guide dog and shared her experiences and challenges and use of communication using braille.
- border force brought their dogs into one of the groups to learn how they train and work.

We are also pleased to be launching a recruitment drive, as we look to welcome new members and volunteers into our groups as we continue to drive growth.

Finally, we are looking forward to continuing the celebrations for our 40th birthday, following the success of our recent district sleepover.

Annmarie Hirst, Assistant District Lead Volunteer Beavers

District Cub Report

Dover Cubs have continued to thrive this year with all sections seeing growth in numbers, whether that be in attendance or in waiting lists. Cub section leaders continue to support each other within the district network by signposting new cubs to other groups both in Dover District and, where applicable, to other local groups including Eastry and Aylesham in Deal district.

Whilst the two earliest District events this year were sadly cancelled due to lack of uptake, combined with pressures on leaders, our Cubs Birthday Bellboating Party went ahead on 12th September, resulting in 20 damp, happy Cubs and lots of happy leaders too! The day was windy with patchy sunshine, but in spite of the popcorn blowing away, everyone had a grand time!

Next weekend will see the second Cubs Hike from 17th Dover (River) Scout hut too; we hope this will be the same great success we saw last year.

For 2027 we are looking ahead to revisit our annual “badge in a day” idea, as well as booking a sleepover event with our new expanded District, offering another water activity to Cubs, and further developing future and past Cubs events to meet the needs and mores of our modern youth.

Dedicated leaders have been essential in the development of our Cubs District and Group events over past years, and this year has been no different. The driving force of Linda Iverson, a quiet superpower at the helm until January 2026, was a fantastic base for me to learn the ropes for this year's District events, and whilst I still have a lot to learn, I inherited a strong, well-recognised and well-connected role in Dover District Cubs thanks to her leadership.

Whilst the uncertainty of change has impacted our morale, it has not dimmed leaders' desire to serve the young people of Dover. We will continue to grow and offer amazing experiences and memories next year and beyond with the support of our blooming marvellous Cub leaders, our retained District team members, our groups around each of us and the ongoing friendship of those who have stepped down from their previous roles.

At the Cubs Bellboating Birthday Bash, young people were excited to hear the words “more friends, more activities, more fun”, and so we shall continue to provide, for 2027 and beyond.

Kat McArdle, Assistant District Lead Volunteer Cubs



District Scout Report

The sections have had a busy and successful period.

Summer 2025 saw numerous Jamborees attended across the country, with the Kent International Jamboree and Norjam being two notable highlights.

Back at home, we have undertaken our traditional district activities, but with a modern twist:

- **Scout Chess Competition:** This was our best-attended tournament to date, with 15 participants battling it out over numerous rounds to crown a champion.
- **Ready Steady Cook Competition:** Utilising camp stoves, the event focused on a technical challenge this year. All groups had to make a spaghetti bolognese entirely from scratch, focusing attention on ingredients and technique (including some excellent homemade spice mixes). The results were spectacular and truly showcased the talent we have in the district.
- **The Emden Shield:** For the first time, the event moved away from traditional scouting navigation skills. Participants were actively encouraged to use their mobile phones to answer clues and navigate between bases. The bases themselves were based on a Taskmaster theme, requiring teamwork and agile thinking. It was a brilliant day out that showed the local community we can adapt to changing times and embrace technology while keeping core learning alive.

Dave McRoberts, Assistant District Lead Volunteer Scouts

District Explorers Report



Explorer Report 2025–26

Overview

Over the past year, Explorer numbers have been lower than usual due to a limited flow of age-appropriate Scouts moving up. Until April, the unit operated on a rotation between Elms Vale, St Margaret's, River, and Shepherdswell, with attendance averaging around six Explorers per week. Thank you to all the groups who hosted during this period.

Since April, we have consolidated into two regular meeting locations:

- **Shepherdswell on Thursdays** (at their request due to cadet clashes)
- **Elms Vale on Fridays**

Given current numbers and leader availability, expanding to additional locations is not feasible at this time. However, numbers have begun to rise, with **around 14 Explorers attending regularly across the two units**, and more due to join shortly as they reach Explorer age. A reminder: **Explorer age is 14**, with linking permitted from **13½** - please avoid holding them back until 14½.

Programme & Achievements

- Several Explorers have completed their **DofE through school**, giving them a strong foundation for progressing toward their **Chief Scout's Award** in the coming year.
- A **First Aid Masterclass** (Stage 5 equivalent) was delivered to support Young Leader training.
- One Explorer has completed **all Young Leader Modules and Missions** and will receive their badge shortly—the first full completion in several years.
- In June, we launched the **new Explorer Programme**, including challenge badges directly linked to the **King's Scout Award** and **Chief Scout's Award**. These badges are more aligned with weekly programme delivery and include valuable life-skills topics such as employability, CV writing, STEM, and money management.
- Beyond weekly meetings, Explorers enjoyed activities including **paintballing** and even **sleeping in WWII trenches**, which proved very popular.



Thank You

A huge thank you to all leaders and hosting locations for your support throughout the year. With the merged district and increasing Explorer numbers, the coming year offers exciting opportunities for growth and collaboration.

Gary Green, 14 – 25 District Lead Volunteer

Compliance

Nights Away

Permit activity has been very limited this year, with only a few new applications and renewals. Some groups still have **no current permit holders**. Please consider who in your team may need a new permit or renewal and contact me at **DoverNNA@gmail.com** so we can plan ahead for next camping season.

A reminder: **I do not receive automatic notifications when permits expire**. It is the responsibility of the permit holder to ensure their permit remains valid.

There has also been a noticeable drop in the **quality and detail of Camp Risk Assessments** submitted with NAN forms. Please ensure all aspects of your camp are fully considered and documented.

First Aid

Several local First Aid courses have been delivered this year, significantly reducing the number of overdue or expired qualifications. County-wide courses are also available—please check the county website rather than relying solely on local delivery.

First Response can be completed via **My Learning** in your membership account, followed by a short face-to-face session. This is a great option for anyone needing to update their qualification.

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Dover & District Scout Council

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the **Dover & District Scout Council** (Charity No. 303379) for the year ended **31st March 2026**.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the **Dover & District Scout Council** you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the **Dover & District Scout Council** accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material 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 **Dover & District Scout Council** as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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 accounts to be reached.

Signed: 

Name: **A.S. Noake.**

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies (if any): **BSc. Maths.**

Address: **3 Sardon Road, Deal, Kent CT14 6PH**

Date: **6th August 2026.**



Dover & District Scout Council Receipts and Payments Account

Year start date

Year end date

For the year from	1 st April 2025	To	31 st March 2026
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Receipts and payments

	2025 – 2026 Unrestricted funds £	2024 – 2025 Unrestricted funds £
Receipts		
Donations, legacies and similar income		
Membership subscriptions received (+ rebate)	£17,970.00	£14,574.50
Membership subscriptions paid on to County (for 2025)	£15,444.00	£16,282.00 (for 2024)
Net membership subscriptions retained by District	£2,526.00	-£1,707.50
Shop Income	£1,664.98	£2,405.33
Uniforms & Badges	£0.00	£0.00
Activities – surplus	£0.00	£688.84 (ESU; £36.84 surplus from Cubs' Christmas Party)
Balance from Explorers	£337.30	£0.00
Donations / Other additional income	£200.00	£307.75 ESU3 legacy income
Sub total	£4,728.28	£1,694.42
Grants		
All Grants received	£0.00	£0.00
Sub total	£0.00	£0.00
Fundraising (gross)		
World Scout Jamboree	£1,250.00	£0.00
Other fundraising activities	£0.00	£0.00
Sub total	£1,250.00	£0.00
Total Gross Income	£5,978.28	£1,694.42
Asset and investment sales, etc.	£0.00	£0.00
Total receipts	£5,978.28	£1,694.42



Dover & District Scout Council Receipts and Payments Account

Year start date

Year end date

For the year from	1st April 2025	To	31st March 2026
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Receipts and payments

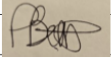
	2025 – 2026 Unrestricted funds £	2024 – 2025 Unrestricted funds £
Payments		
Charitable Payments		
Youth programme and activities	£575.16	£1,118.92 (inc. Emden; Fun Day; ESU4)
Adult support and training	£0.00	£0.00
Website	£50.00	£50.00
Repairs and Renewals	£0.00	£0.00
Materials and equipment	£386.84	£0.00
Printing / Photocopying / Postage	£7.05	£0.00
Contribution to camp costs	£0.00	£0.00
Uniforms & Badges	£0.00	£0.00
AGM and trustee expenses – general	£29.49	£5.99
Shop Expenditure	£1,765.26	£2,116.03
Other costs – Leaders Event	£194.01	£0.00
Other costs – Grants	£0.00	£0.00
Other costs – awards	£0.00	£0.00
Sub total	£3,007.81	£3,290.94
Fundraising expenses		
World Scout Jamboree 2027	£1,647.41	£152.50
Other fundraising costs	£0.00	£0.00
Sub total	£1,647.41	£152.50
Total Gross Expenditure	£4,655.22	£3,443.44
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	£0.00	£0.00
Total payments	£4,655.22	£3,443.44
Net of receipts/(payments)	£1,323.06	-£1,749.02
Cash funds last year end	2025 £17,372.64	2024 £19,121.66
Cash funds this year end	£18,695.70	£17,372.64

Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

As at	31 st March 2026	31st March 2025
	Unrestricted funds £	Unrestricted funds £
Cash funds		
Bank current account (inc ESU2 funds) bank statement	£15,612.97	£14,521.67 bank statement
Shop account bank statement	£1,278.73	£1,143.90 bank statement
Explorer Section Units' Accounts (ESU4) bank statement	£1,733.37	£1,396.07 bank statement
Cash/Floats (ESU £43.22 + Shop £27.52)	£70.63	£311.00 (ESU4 £48.37 + Shop £262.63)
Cash funds – other	£0.00	£0.00
Total cash funds	£18,695.70	£17,372.64
Other monetary assets		
Debts due from the Groups 10 th Dover	£1,281.00	£3,305.50 13 th & 17 th
Sub total	£1,281.00	£3,305.50
Non monetary assets for charity's own use		
Shop stock	£2,820.94	£2,991.12
Other stock	£0.00	£0.00
Scouting equipment, furniture etc	£0.00	£0.00
Other – flagpole, First Aid training equipment	£822.24	£0.00
Sub total	£3,643.18	£2,991.12
Liabilities		
Accounts not yet paid	£0.00	£0.00
Expenses incurred but not invoiced	£0.00	£0.00
Subscriptions not yet paid	£0.00	£0.00
Loan - detail	£0.00	£0.00
Other liabilities	£0.00	£0.00
Sub total	£0.00	£0.00

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 20th September 2026 and signed on their behalf by

Signature




Print Name

PAUL BETTS	Chair
VIVIANNE VERREN	Treasurer

How would you like to help with Scouting in your area and change the lives of the local young people?



Every week nationally, Scouting give almost half a million people aged 4-25 the skills they need for school, college, university, the job interview, the important speech, the tricky challenge and the big dreams: the skills they need for life.

The volunteer vacancies on the next page will help young people in the Dover area to get jobs, save lives and even change the world.

Dover District Scouts is one of 22 Districts in Kent, and covers the 7 Scout groups in the area of Dover. This is a large District ranging from Shepherdswell in the North, River in the North West, St Margaret's in the East as well as central Dover. Dover District has over 200 active scouts that are now meeting on a regular basis, but over the pandemic, like many charities we have been affected, and need more adult support to ensure that we continue to thrive.

At a time when communities are becoming more divided, we bring people together. We encourage our young people to do more, learn more and be more. We're a worldwide movement, creating stronger communities and inspiring positive futures. We welcome talent from all backgrounds and your contribution to help even more young people succeed in life.

If you use leadership and or management skills in your day to day job then you may be able to help Dover Scout District. You do not have to have been in the Scout Association previously, as there will be support within the District and Groups to get you up to speed.

There is no remuneration for these roles, however these roles will make a real difference to the young people of Dover, and this, in itself is highly rewarding.



Vacancies

We're a friendly bunch and are happy to chat through what volunteering with the scouts is like and all it entails.

To apply or have an initial chat please contact us via any one of the below contact points.

To apply

Email: Hello@doverdistrictscouts.org.uk

Website: https://www.doverdistrictscouts.org.uk/form-contact_us.html

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/doverdistrictscouts/>

We look forward to hearing from you and taking the first step towards welcoming you to the Dover team!