





The 1st/16th Sutton Scout Group is dedicated to offering a youth-led and inclusive program that embraces diversity within its membership.

Our commitment to "Skills for Life" is clear through a strong badge-earning culture across all sections. We make sure our members have fun while learning new skills. The focus on badges lets our members get recognition for their achievements. We also encourage many members to earn higher awards.

To keep our volunteer leaders energized and meet the changing needs of our young people, we update our program regularly.

We believe Scouting should be accessible to everyone. That's why we offer a bursary scheme to ensure that money issues do not exclude any member from our activities.

This impact report shows the significant influence our Scout Group has on its members and the broader community. It highlights the positive changes our group brings to young people's lives and helps build trust with parents, carers, and the community.

By sharing this report, we hope to attract new members and volunteers. It shows what the 1st/16th Sutton Scout Group is about and its positive impact. It also demonstrates our group's value to the community.

This year has seen a significant change to the way that the Group is managing finances.

Following a Trustee meeting it was agreed to formulate a protocol to move the Group to the use of pre-paid debit cards and make proficient use of OSM (Online Scout Manager). As a result, enhanced control measures were introduced to enable the Group and Trustees carry out their legal responsibility of a duty of prudence and make sure that the Groups money is protected, appropriately used, and accounted for in a timely manner.

The Group introduced pre-paid cards to Beavers, Cubs and Scouts that allows the Group to have a tight control on the financial strength of the Group without having to wait for each section to provide a reconciled balance of monies held and a transfer of membership monies to the Group account. Goods and services are purchased at the point of sale, online, or over the telephone. All transactions made using the card are recorded electronically and monitored.

A considerable transformation was needed in the way the Group, Beavers, Cubs and Scouts implemented financial management. September saw the start of this transition, with full implementation being achieved early 2024.

The major impact on the Group financial position is that subscriptions and activities are now paid directly to the Group account and are accounted for on a real time basis. Section accounts have a contingency limit only. This directly replaces the need for Sections to produce individual accounts that then have to be reconciled and verified that can be time consuming.

I am confident that with the new measures in place our new financial accounting protocols will immediately benefit the Group.

Treasurers Report 2023

1st/16th Sutton Scout Group

Income and expenditure statement

1st January 2023 to 31st December 2023

.	2023		2022
Subscriptions Beavers Subscriptions Cubs Subscriptions Scouts Subscriptions OSM Gift Aid Journal Transfer Bursary Grants Donations COIF Transfer	£ 828.00 895.50 661.50 1,267.86 1,232.84 965.58 260.00 500.00 50.00 5,000.00	11,661.28	£ 1,354.50 1,822.50 147.45 0.00 821.12 0.00 0.00 0.00 5,000.00
Expenditure			
Rent Insurance Training Admin Expenses Pre-paid card top up - Beavers Pre-paid card top up - Cubs Pre-paid card top up - Scouts Journal Transfer Equipment Activities Camps Health and Safety AGM Scout Shop Website Donations Annual Census Bursary Grant	5,901.48 528.68 0.00 50.00 350.00 350.00 965.58 1,757.32 118.26 0.00 56.05 68.94 176.20 0.00 40.00 2,295.00	13,007.51 300.00 230.00	5,371.86 468.78 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 201.10 161.35 0.00 12.50 172.15 353.04 0.00 0.00 1,984.50 8,725.28 (260.00)
Group Surplus/Deficit for year	-	(1,876.23)	160.29
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Financed by:	B/fwd	Movement	C/fwd
General Purpose Fund (Account closed) Bursary Fund Grant Treasurers Account COIF Deposit Account COIF Investment Fund	965.58 240.00 0.00 3,856.87 32,206.60 129,987.79 167,256.84	(965.58) 260.00 270.00 (1,440.65) 258.67 11,944.64 10,327.08	0.00 500.00 270.00 2,416.22 32,465.27 141,932.43 177,583.92
Section Accourts Beaver Section	1,456.01	(505.49)	950.52
Cub Section Scout Section	1,255.96 1,788.53 4,500.50	(285.97) 235.51 (555.95)	969.99 2,024.04 3,944.55



Family matters! We believe parents and carers are an important part of the Scouting journey. Scouting is more than just badges and campouts; it's about building a strong, supportive community!

1st/16th Scout Group's Responsibilities:

- We promise to Provide a safe and inclusive environment for scouts to learn and grow.
- Offer a program aligned with Scouting principles, fostering leadership, teamwork, and outdoor skills.
- Maintain clear communication with parents about activities, schedules, and safety procedures.
- Organize engaging and age-appropriate outings, camps, and service projects.
- Recruit and train qualified Scout Leaders.

Our Members' Parents' Responsibilities are to:

- Support the Scout Group's mission of developing well-rounded individuals.
- Ensure your child attends meetings and activities regularly, in proper uniform (if applicable).
- Discuss upcoming events and expectations with your child.
- Volunteer your time and skills to support group activities (e.g., chaperone outings, help with fundraisers).
- Communicate openly and respectfully with Scout Leaders.
- Model positive behaviour and encourage your child to follow the Scout Law.
- Pay membership fees and activity costs promptly.



4 Volunteers plus leaders in each section.

25 Volunteers in total across the group.





38 sessions each year for each section.

68 hours on average given by each volunteer this year.





1692 hours of total volunteer time given this year.







