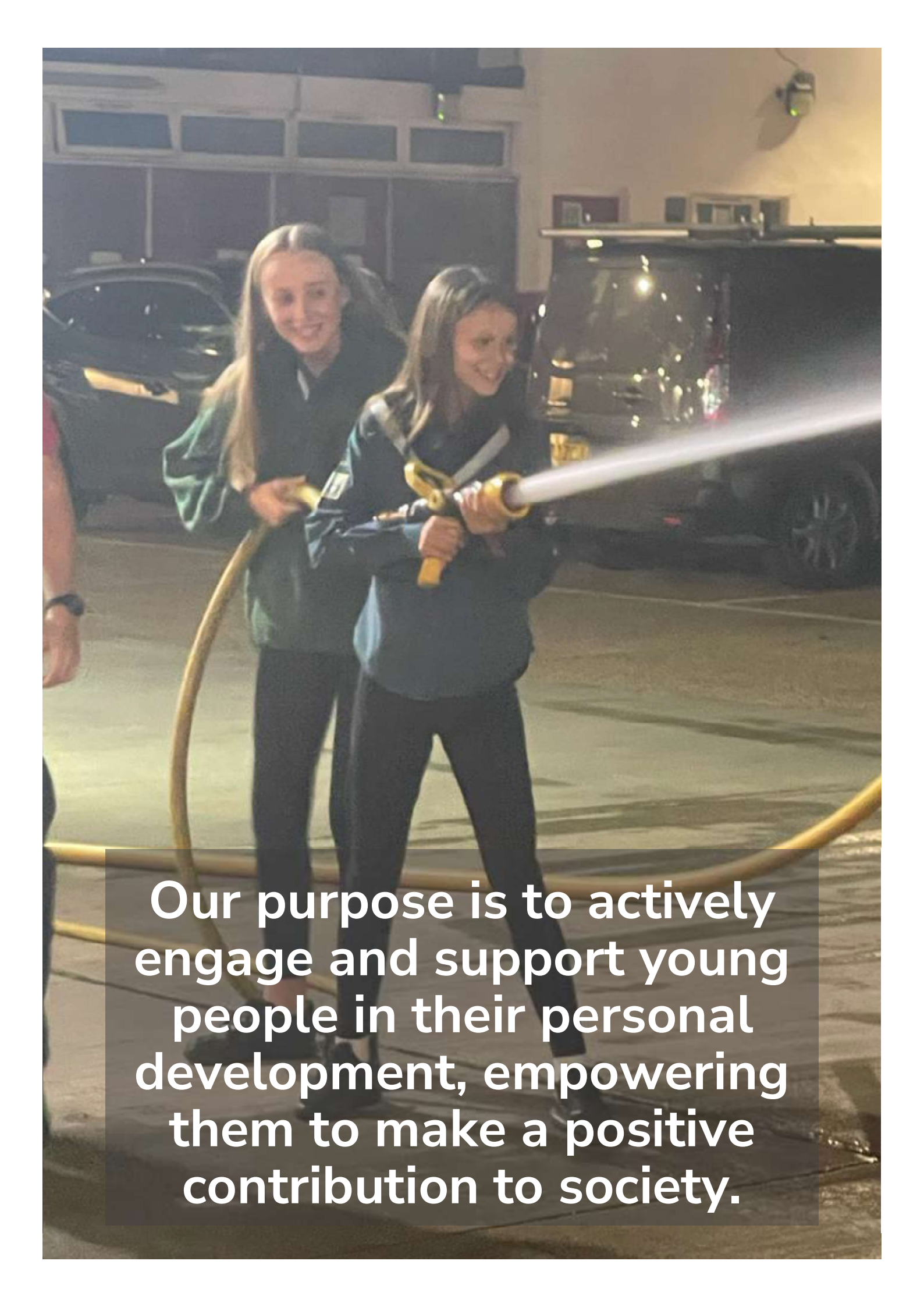




Impact Report

1st/16th Sutton Scout Group
2023 – 2024

Registered Charity no. 303842

A photograph of two young women in firefighter uniforms practicing with a hose at night. They are standing in front of a fire truck, and one of them is holding the hose, spraying water. The scene is illuminated by the truck's lights.

Our purpose is to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.



“They had a great time!”

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

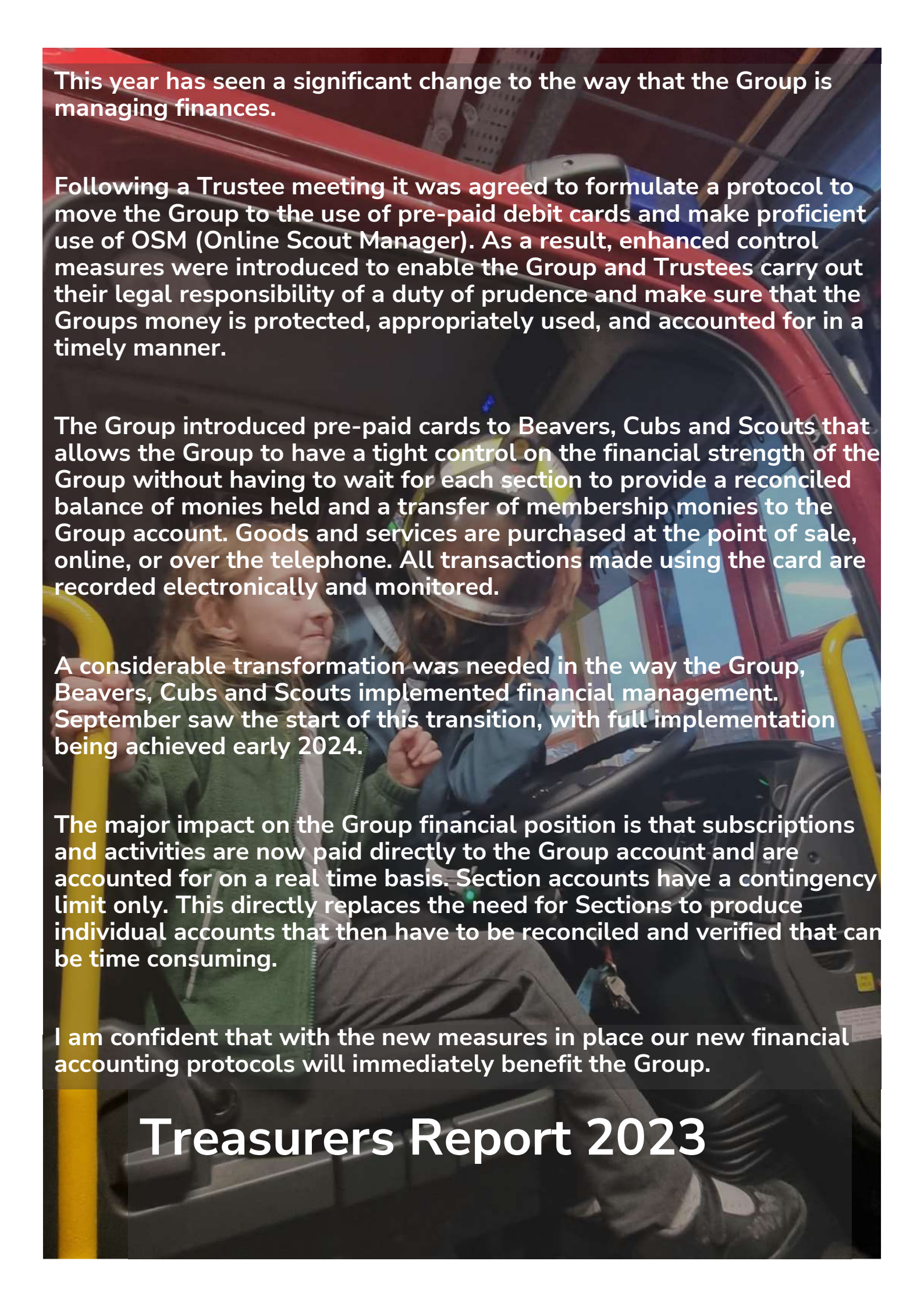
Our commitment to "Skills for Life" is clear through a strong badge-earning culture across all sections. We make sure our members have fun while learning new skills. The focus on badges lets our members get recognition for their achievements. We also encourage many members to earn higher awards.

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

Income	2023		2022
	£	£	£
Subscriptions Beavers	828.00		1,354.50
Subscriptions Cubs	895.50		1,822.50
Subscriptions Scouts	661.50		147.45
Subscriptions OSM	1,267.86		0.00
Gift Aid	1,232.84		821.12
Journal Transfer	965.58		0.00
Bursary	260.00		0.00
Grants	500.00		0.00
Donations	50.00		0.00
COIF Transfer	5,000.00		5,000.00
		<u>11,661.28</u>	<u>9,145.57</u>

Expenditure

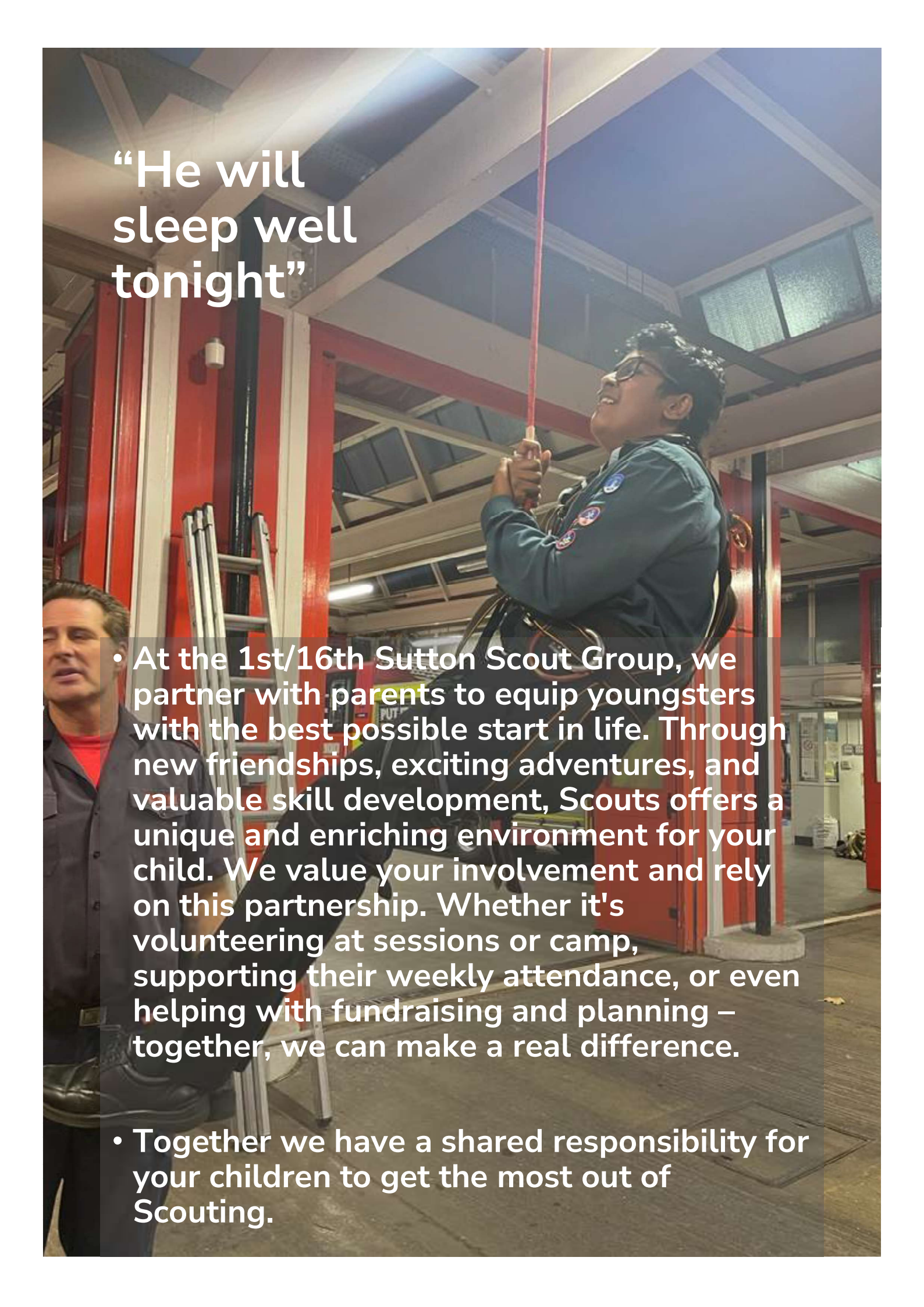
Rent	5,901.48		5,371.86
Insurance	528.68		468.78
Training	0.00		0.00
Admin Expenses	50.00		0.00
Pre-paid card top up - Beavers	350.00		0.00
Pre-paid card top up - Cubs	350.00		0.00
Pre-paid card top up - Scouts	350.00		0.00
Journal Transfer	965.58		0.00
Equipment	1,757.32		201.10
Activities	118.26		161.35
Camps	0.00		0.00
Health and Safety	56.05		12.50
AGM	68.94		172.15
Scout Shop	176.20		353.04
Website	0.00		0.00
Donations	40.00		0.00
Annual Census	2,295.00		1,984.50
		<u>13,007.51</u>	<u>8,725.28</u>
 Bursary		300.00	(260.00)
 Grant		230.00	0.00
 Group Surplus/Deficit for year		<u>(1,876.23)</u>	<u>160.29</u>

Financed by:

	B/fwd	Movement	C/fwd
General Purpose Fund (Account closed)	965.58	(965.58)	0.00
Bursary Fund	240.00	260.00	500.00
Grant	0.00	270.00	270.00
Treasurers Account	3,856.87	(1,440.65)	2,416.22
COIF Deposit Account	32,206.60	258.67	32,465.27
COIF Investment Fund	129,987.79	11,944.64	141,932.43
	<u>167,256.84</u>	<u>10,327.08</u>	<u>177,583.92</u>

Section Accounts

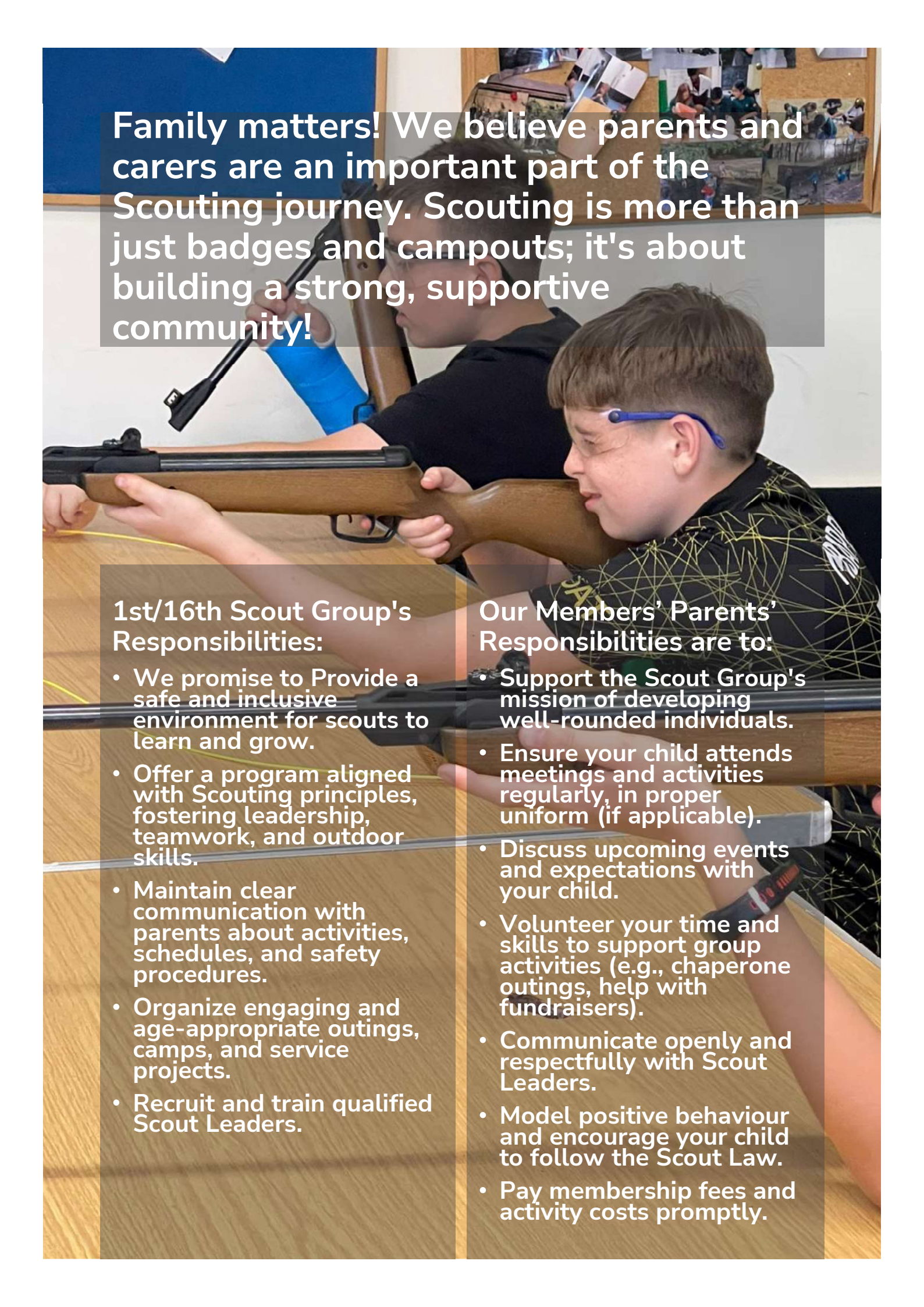
Beaver Section	1,456.01	(505.49)	950.52
Cub Section	1,255.96	(285.97)	969.99
Scout Section	1,788.53	235.51	2,024.04
	<u>4,500.50</u>	<u>(555.95)</u>	<u>3,944.55</u>

A photograph of a Scoutmaster and a Scout in a gymnasium. The Scoutmaster, a man in a dark shirt, stands on the left, looking up at the Scout. The Scout, a young man in a blue Scout uniform, is climbing a red rope, holding it with both hands and looking up. The background shows the gymnasium's structure with red and white beams and a blue sky visible through the windows.

**“He will
sleep well
tonight”**

- At the 1st/16th Sutton Scout Group, we partner with parents to equip youngsters with the best possible start in life. Through new friendships, exciting adventures, and valuable skill development, Scouts offers a unique and enriching environment for your child. We value your involvement and rely on this partnership. Whether it's volunteering at sessions or camp, supporting their weekly attendance, or even helping with fundraising and planning – together, we can make a real difference.

- Together we have a shared responsibility for your children to get the most out of Scouting.



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.**

We're building confidence, resilience, and teamwork skills that will last a lifetime.


We believe in learning by doing, which is why our Scouts earn badges while having a blast. From coding to camping, there's a challenge for everyone! And for those who want to push further, we offer guidance and support for earning prestigious Scouting awards.




147 Badges awarded to Cubs




135 Badges awarded to Beavers




21 Cubs average members across year



15 Beavers/Scouts average members across year



7 Badges earned by each Cub & 9 Badges for each Beaver on average



2 camps for each section a year (optional)



1 nights away for Beavers & 2 for Cubs

Ready for adventure, fun, and making friends? The 1st/16th Sutton Scout Group is all about helping young people explore their potential in a welcoming and inclusive environment.



A photograph of two young boys in Scout uniforms. The boy on the left, wearing a blue jacket and dark trousers, is holding a white rope and guiding it through a loop. The boy on the right, wearing a light blue shirt and dark trousers, is holding the other end of the rope and pulling it through. They are standing in front of a wooden post. In the background, there is a blue bulletin board with several photographs pinned to it. A girl in a light green dress is visible in the background on the left. A wooden door with a 'NO SMOKING' sign is on the right. The text 'Looking to support a great cause? We're building a stronger community, one campfire at a time!' is overlaid at the top.

Looking to support a great cause? We're building a stronger community, one campfire at a time!

“Thanks to all the Scout Group Leaders, and everyone else involved in organising such an amazing activity for the children. No doubt this will be a memorable experience that they will cherish.”



Trustees
2023 - 2024

Jeff Richards (Chair)

Nigel Roy Binns

Sarah McLeod

Sarah Jane King

Robert William Low

Peter James Randall

John Banbury Perkins

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