



Annual Report | Adroddiad Blynyddol



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This report is made up of two parts | Mae'r adroddiad hwn yn cynnwys dwy ran:

Part 1: Trustees' Annual Report for the period 1st August 2023 to 31st July 2024

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About us | Amdanom ni

Cardiff and the Vale is one of 120 Counties/Areas in The Scout Association within the United Kingdom. Our boundaries stretch from the East of Cardiff to almost Bridgend in the West. The M4 runs along the northern border and to the South you have the Bristol Channel.

Scouting encourages young people to be the best that they can be. We give young people the confidence to dream big and the determination and drive to achieve their goals.

Our districts | Ein hardaloedd

We are one of the smallest geographic Areas in ScoutsCymru – but we pack in the members. With nearly 4,000 members in the Area, we support Scouting in over 50 Groups spread across five Districts.



Cardiff East

Covering from St Mellons in the east of the Area to Adamsdown in the south and Roath Park to the north. This includes the areas of Cathays, Cyncoed, Llanedeyrn, Llanrummney, Pentwyn, Penylan, Pontprennau, Roath, Rumney, Splott, Tremorfa and Trowbridge.



Cardiff North

Covering from Llanishen and Lisvane in the east to Llandaff North in the west, to Gabalfa in the south and Thornhill in the north. This includes the areas of Birchgrove, Heath, Rhiwbina, Whitchurch and Tongywnlais.



Cardiff West

Covering Cardiff Bay in the south to Pentyrch in the north, Ely to the West and Pontcanna to the east including Butetown, Caerau, Canton, Creigiau, Fairwater, Grangetown, Llandaff, Morganstown, Radyr, Riverside and St Fagans.



Penarth & District

Covering the east of the Vale of Glamorgan which includes Dinas Powys, Llandough, Penarth, Sully and Wenvoe.



Tir a Môr

Covering the west of the Vale of Glamorgan which includes Barry, Cowbridge, Llandow, Llantwit Major, Peterston- Super-Ely, Rhoose, St Athan and St Bride's Major.

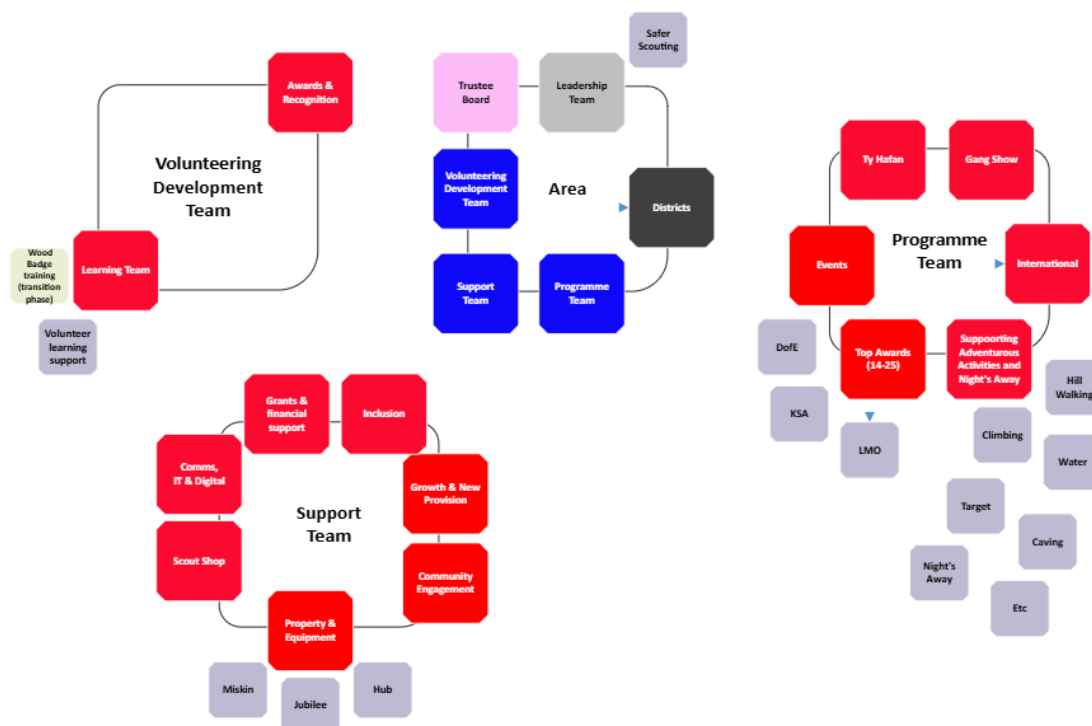
Our values | Ein gwerthoedd

As Scouts, we're 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.

Our Area structure | Ein strwythur Ardal

In early 2024, the Area agreed a new structure which aligns with the work currently underway throughout Scouting in the UK to help us ensure that volunteering with Scouts easier and more fun, so that we can attract and retain more volunteers to help more young people gain skills for life.



Achievements and Performance | Cyflawniadau a Pherfformiad

Programme Team | Tîm Rhaglen

The new Programme Team has a number of sub-teams including:

- International
- Gang Show
- Ty Hafan
- Top awards (14-25 year old)
- Supporting adventurous activities and night's away
- Events

2023-2024 has seen Scouts from across Cardiff and Vale experience a wide variety of different activities. Here's a snapshot of some of our achievements in our Programme area.

International

In August, 27 Explorers and Network members completed their Explorer Belt, traveling from Luxembourg to Belgium with some traveling into France and German on their journey. The Explorer Belt is a challenge of a lifetime. It's a chance for Scouts aged 16 to 24, to take part in a ten-day expedition that brings a real understanding of a different country, its culture and way of life.





Over the year we have also seen many other international camps and trips. Many fantastic adult volunteers have given up their time to plan and deliver exciting international events for young people this summer. Many trips have been made to France and the Netherlands, as well as trips to Kandersteg International Scout Centre in Switzerland.



Activities

Our digital programme also links with international. Once again, JOTA-JOTI was offered to Scouts across the Area. Organised by the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM), JOTA-JOTI is the world's largest digital and radio Scout event, taking place online and over the air. It stands for 'Jamboree on the Air' and 'Jamboree on the Internet.'

Our Digital Skills days have also proved very popular, booking up very quickly. The days give our young people the opportunity to gain their Digital Skills staged badge. Thanks to Geoff Soord – Area Technology Adviser for running the digital events.



Gang Show

In November 2023, the Cardiff Scout and Guide Gang Show cast took to the stage in Stanwell High School. It was a pantomime year, which saw the cast perform Snow White and the Super Seven.



Our Gang Show is 50 years old so the team and cast are currently rehearsing for a very special This is Gang Show in the New Theatre, Cardiff between Wednesday 20th to Saturday 23rd November. [Book This Is Gang Show tickets | New Theatre Cardiff \(trafalgartickets.com\)](https://www.trafalgartickets.com)

Top Awards (14-25 year old)



As in previous years, we celebrated the achievement of top youth awards from the Chief Scout Gold to Chief Scout Platinum, Chief Scout Diamond and Queen's Scout Award. Those attending the presentation evening were invited to join the Lord Mayor's Own Troop.

Support Team | Tîm cymorth

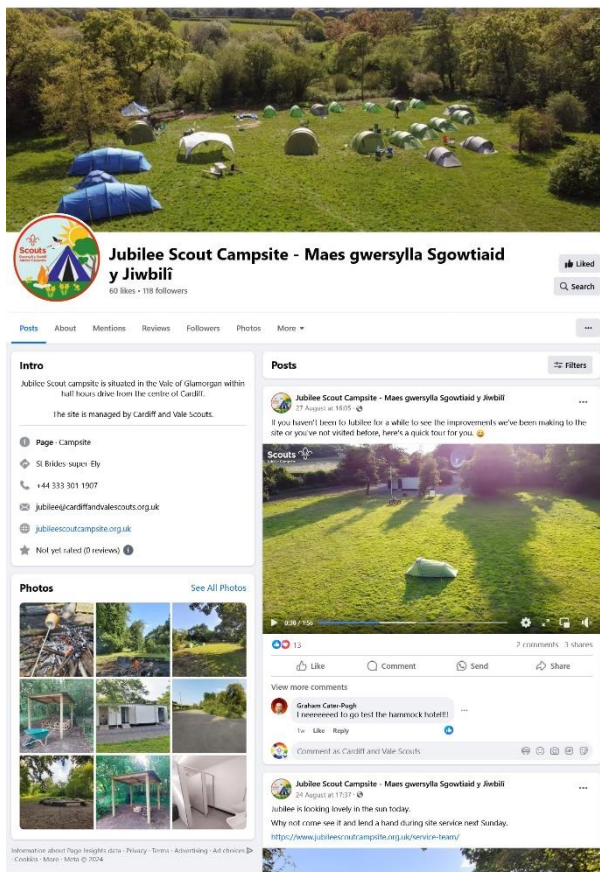
The new support team has a number of sub-teams including:

- Communication, IT and Digital
- Community engagement
- Growth and new provision
- Inclusion
- Scout Shop
- Grants and financial support
- Property and equipment

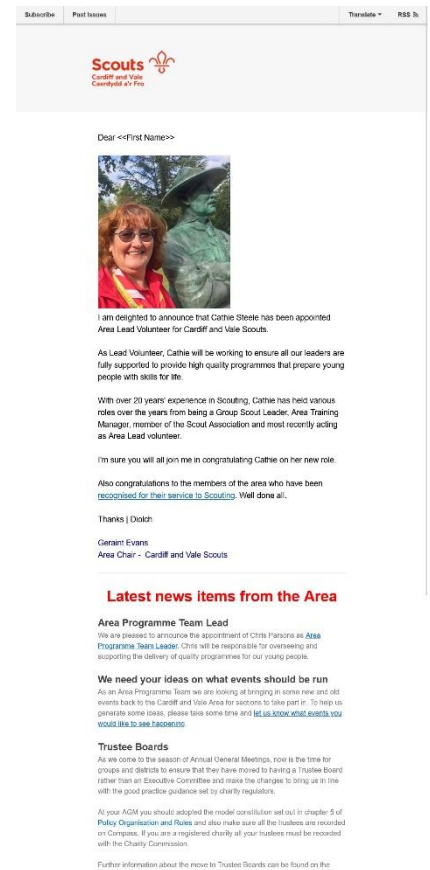
Here's a snapshot of some of our achievements in the Support Team remit.

Communication, IT and Digital

We are proud of our digital reach across the Area and further afield. Our [monthly email updates](#) reach our 2,000 members helping to keep them informed of what is happening in the area. Our Facebook, Instagram and Twitter accounts continue to be popular – we have 1,310 followers on Facebook. Our recent post regarding the completion of the Explorer Belt reached 878 followers and had 949 impressions (likes etc). The series we ran over the summer with volunteers sharing why they volunteer also proved popular. The video by Ruth Weltch reached 876 followers and had 922 impressions.



During the year we launched a dedicated Facebook page for our Jubilee Campsite to share updates on the improvement works. Why not give it a follow facebook.com/JubileeScoutCampsite



Community Engagement

There have also been several community events supported by the Lord Mayor's Own Troop and districts including St David's Day celebrations, Remembrance, community fun days and other such events.



11th Barry Sea Scouts celebrated their 100th anniversary and used the opportunity to engage with past members and their community.

Inclusion



Scouting should be open to all with support for all to overcome any barriers to participating in the Scouting programme. The inclusion team have continued to directly support groups and adult volunteers. This has enabled the groups and volunteers to understand the needs of their young people in greater depth and promote more inclusive Scouting.



We are particularly proud to continue providing Scouting at Ty Hafan Children's Hospice and to support the Family Zone at Pride Cymru as well as show our support in the Pride Cymru Parade.

Property and equipment

This year we have seen development of our Jubilee campsite. There is a new entrance on site which has moved the entrance gate to a safer location, the new toilet block with shower facilities is open, a new hammock area has been created and the wardens, deputy wardens and site service team have done an amazing job at maintaining the site.

We are now seeking additional funding for the next phase of our development plans.



Scout Shop

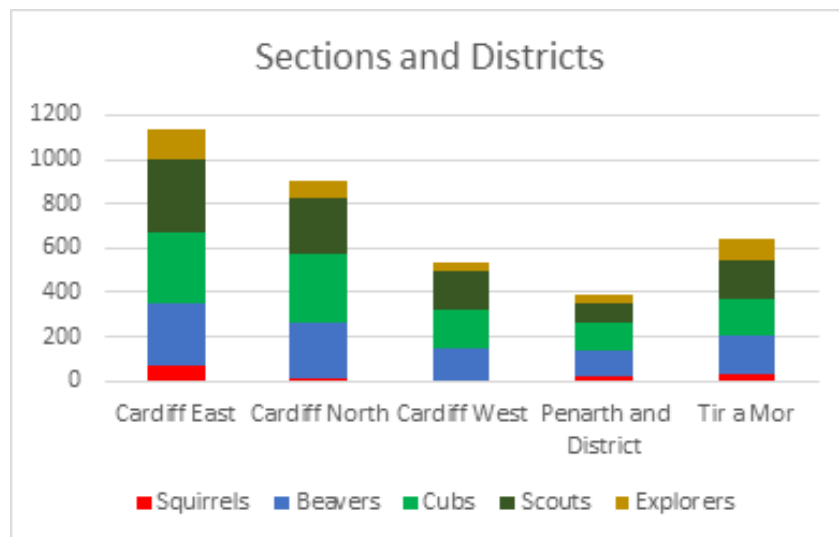
Our Scout Shop at The Hub and online, is very popular and sales have increased. Open on Tuesday evening and Saturday morning the shop allows our young people and adult volunteers the opportunity to try on uniform before purchasing and purchase other Scouting items such as woggles, belts, books and much more. When purchasing from our Shop a small donation goes to the nominated group. Thank you to all the volunteers who help run the shop.

The online Scout Shop is approaching £50k in sales since launch and continues to be popular with more and more orders coming in from outside of our area generating additional income. cardiffandvalescoutshop.co.uk

Growth and new provision

Each January across Scouting in the United Kingdom, groups, districts and area report the number of young people in each section and the adults in volunteer roles. This is called the Census of Membership.

We saw a small decline in the number of young people within the Area. Our youth members dropped from 3,685 (Census 2023) to 3,633 (Census 2024) – a 1.4% decrease. We did however see a rise in the number of adult volunteers across the area with us recording 1,073 adult volunteers in this year’s census (an increase of 0.8%).



Squirrel Scouts (aged 4-6 years)

Our Squirrel numbers increased from 104 young people (Census 2023) to 143 young people (Census 2024). Squirrels is proving very popular and the number of 4-6 year olds waiting to join is beyond expectation. We would love to open more Squirrel Dreys in the Area but are reliant on adult volunteers coming forward to help.

Beavers (aged 6-8 years)

The number of Beavers rose from 922 to 942 (+2.2%).

Cubs (aged 8-10 years)

We saw a small decline in our Cub numbers with 1091 young people between 8-10 years being recorded on the Census (-0.8%).

Scouts (aged 10-14 years)

The number of Scouts declined too, in our January 2023 census we reported that we had 1,101 Scouts and in our latest census, January 2024, we had 1,031 Scouts (-6.4%).

Explorers (aged 14-17 years)

In January 2023, the number of Explorer Scouts across the Area was 397 Explorers. We saw a decline in 14-17year olds in January 2024, with 364 being recorded on the census (-8.3%).

Across the Area, children are waiting to join Squirrels, Beavers and Cubs, if we want to provide Scouting to the young people on our waiting list, we need to increase the number of leaders within the Area substantially. If you are interested in volunteering in Scouting within Cardiff and Vale, please get in touch.

Volunteering Development Team | Tîm Datblygu Gwirfoddoli

Training

Ensuring our adult members have the right skills and support for their role has been a priority for the Area. We have continued to offer a blended approach to training through a mixture of e-learning, online and face to face training and have continued to focus on completion of mandatory ongoing learning, such as safety and safeguarding training.

In June 2024, our compliance for safety training was 98%, safeguarding training 97% and first response 96%.

Between 1st August 2023 and 31st July 2024, we recommended 26 leaders for awarding of a Wood Badges. The Wood Badge is the internationally recognised Scouting training insignia awarded by Headquarters to adults to denote completion of the training required for their role. The Wood Badge consists of two wooden beads threaded onto a leather thong which is worn with the Scout uniform.

Roll of Honour

Roll of Honour - Good Service Awards 01/08/2023 to 31/08/2024

Clive	Phillips	Silver Wolf	Cardiff and Vale
Keith	Williams	Silver Wolf	Cardiff and Vale
John	Wall	Silver Wolf	Cardiff and Vale
Steve	Barkley	Silver Wolf	Cardiff and Vale
Andrew	Roberts	Silver Acorn	Cardiff and Vale
Chris	Parsons	Silver Acorn	Cardiff and Vale
Gethin	Charles	Silver Acorn	Cardiff and Vale
Hilary	Ashton	Silver Acorn	Cardiff and Vale
Mike	Hawkes	Silver Acorn	Cardiff and Vale
Simon	Hillard	Silver Acorn	Cardiff and Vale
Peter	Evans	Bar to the Silver Acorn	Cardiff and Vale
Amy	Hewett	Bar to the Award for Merit	Cardiff and Vale
Christopher	Parr	Bar to the Award for Merit	Cardiff and Vale
Helen	Morgan	Bar to the Award for Merit	Cardiff and Vale
Ruth	Davies	Bar to the Award for Merit	Cardiff and Vale
William	Maddocks	Bar to the Award for Merit	Cardiff and Vale
Tony	Field	Award for Merit	Tir A Môr
Bryan	Emary	Award for Merit	Penarth And District
Mark	Taylor	Award for Merit	Penarth And District
Lesley	McNicol	Award for Merit	Tir A Môr
Mark	Bollingham	Award for Merit	Tir A Môr
Steve	Carnell	Award for Merit	Cardiff West
Thomas	Dyer	Award for Merit	Penarth And District
Will	Batten	Award for Merit	Penarth And District
Cherie	Marshall	Chief Scout's Commendation for Good Service	Cardiff and Vale
Helen	Turner	Chief Scout's Commendation for Good Service	Penarth And District
Aaron	Bollingham	Commissioners Commendation	Tir a Mor
Alex	Cater	Commissioners Commendation	Cardiff and Vale
Alex	Williams	Commissioners Commendation	Cardiff and Vale
Cathie	Steele	Commissioners Commendation	Cardiff and Vale
Claire	Nelson	Commissioners Commendation	Penarth And District
David	Jones	Commissioners Commendation	Cardiff North
Fran	Feehan	Commissioners Commendation	Cardiff and Vale
Izzy	Hooper	Commissioners Commendation	Cardiff and Vale
Jamie	Everett	Commissioners Commendation	Cardiff and Vale
Neil	Horbury	Commissioners Commendation	Tir a Mor

Bronze Cross for Gallantry Award

In 1944, Brynley Evans a member of Penarth and District at the time received a Bronze Cross for Gallantry Award for saving a life after seeing a young boy struggling in the water. Brynley risked his own life to jump in and pull the boy to shore and resuscitated him using CPR. Brynley was brought before Princess Elizabeth and Prince Phillip to accept his award.



Now at the age of 93 residing at Elizabeth Lodge Care Home ([Care UK](#)), Brynley was sad that he had unfortunately lost the medal that was sentimental to him. The care home recently got in touch with our area office who got to work with The Scouts heritage department to see what they could do source a replacement.

On Friday 5th July 2024, Brynley was presented with a replacement medal at a ceremony held in the care home by Andrew Donn, County Lead Volunteer, Greater London North Scouts. Quite a few of the residents and staff gathered round for the presentation and to hear his story and look at some of Brynley's Scouting memorabilia.

Rhan 2: Datganiadau Cyfrifon ar gyfer y flwyddyn yn diweddu 31 Rhagfyr 2023

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CARDIFF AND VALE AREA SCOUT COUNCIL

**AREA REGISTRATION WITH
THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION: 211**

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 512034

TRUSTEES' REPORT & ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

Report & Accounts
for the year ended
31st December 2023

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

PRESIDENT Mrs Morfudd Meredith LLt

TRUSTEE DETAILS FROM 1 JANUARY 2023 TO THE DATE OF APPROVAL OF THESE ACCOUNTS

TRUSTEES: Ex-Officio	<u>Appointment</u>	<u>Name</u>
	Area Commissioner (Acting)	Cathie Steele
	Area Chairman	Geraint Evans
	Area Treasurer	Jeremy Ray
	Area Secretary	Peter Gladman
	Area Youth Commissioner	Fran Feehan

TRUSTEES: Elected	<u>Appointment</u>	<u>Name</u>
	Cardiff North District	Claudia Currie
	Cardiff East District	Chris Kennard
	Cardiff West District	William Maddocks
	Penarth & District	Vacant
	Tir a Môr District	Keith Williams

TRUSTEES: Nominated by	<u>Appointment</u>	<u>Name</u>
Area Lead Volunteer	Governance	Carole Standfast
	18-25 year old Representative	Jack Ollier

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER Neil Thorneycroft

Area registration number with The Scout Association 211

Charity registration number 512034

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Area'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 of the Scout Association.

The Area is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts. The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation & Rules of The Scout Association. No remuneration was paid to any of the trustees during the year.

The Area is administered and managed by an Trustee Board, comprised of the Trustees listed on page 1. The members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' of the Scout Area which is an educational charity. 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. Trustees are appointed from members of the Scout Association and of the public, who are willing to devote time to further the aims of the Scout Association in this Area. The Committee meets six times a year to decide and implement the policy of the Area.

The Area Scout Council meets annually to receive the report of the Trustee Board.

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities:

Charity Law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the surplus or deficit for the period. In preparing those financial statements the Trustees are required to:

- > select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
- > make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- > prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity. They are also responsible for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The objects of the Area Scout Council are to facilitate the aim of the Scout Association in the area of Cardiff and the Vale of Glamorgan, by providing a structure and organisation, by training leaders and by obtaining and managing funds to be utilised to this end. The aim of the Scout Association is to promote the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potential, as responsible citizens and as members of their local, national and international communities. The method of achieving the Aim of the Association is by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law and guided by adult leadership.

The Trustees have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission. The Area meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.

The majority of grants paid by the Area are administered by a Grants sub-committee of the Executive Committee. Grants are payable to fund training courses for leaders and in certain cases to assist with the purchase of equipment and resources to further the work of the Area, as well as grants to assist leaders and scouts with International Events. Other grants or donations may be agreed from time to time by the Executive Committee.

The Area Headquarters is situated at the Hub in Maitland Street. The Area has a 50 year lease on the land occupied by the Hub, with 34 years remaining. The Area meets all costs associated with the running of the Hub and allows any Scout Group / District within the Area to use it without charge (the provision of "premises"). To help meet some of the running costs the Area Executive allows the hiring out of the Hub when not in use by Scouting.

The Area undertakes various activities to fulfil its charitable objectives. It provides the following services/activities to Groups/Districts in Cardiff and Vale Area:

- > Use of the Hub and the Area Administrator and other support facilities
- > Jubilee Camp Site - provision of a campsite
- > Area Training Team - provision of training to leaders and adults within Cardiff and Vale Area
- > Activities - provision of adventurous activities and other sectional support
- > Ty Hafan Scout Group - a Scout Group for residents, and their siblings in Ty Hafan Children's Hospice
- > Scout Shop - selling uniforms and other Scouting equipment/material to parents and leaders
- > Lord Mayor's Own Scout Group - provision of a Scout Group to represent Scouts at Cardiff Civic events for those who have attained the Queens Scout award or Chief Scout Diamond Platinum or Gold Awards.
- > Grants sub-committee - provision of funding to assist with external training and equipment purchases
- > Miskin Campsite (50% joint venture with Mid Glamorgan Scout Council) - provision of a campsite
- > Cardiff Gang Show (50% joint venture with Girlguiding Cardiff and East Glamorgan) - provision of an "creative" activity

Trustees' Annual Report on the Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2023 (cont.)

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

A full resume of the various Activity of the Area can be found in the separate Annual Report. However in brief here are some comments - Cardiff Scout and Guide Gang Show performed a Pantomime "Snow White and the Super Seven" at Stanwell School in Penarth with a cast of over 70, seat sales were at a higher level than the last Pantomime, in 2019 and an excellent Show was produced. The Area Scout Shop continues to provide Scouting merchandise, both at our Scout Shop based in the Hub and via online purchases. Sales in 2023 continued on an upward trend, with the main increase being in online sales, surplus funds are reinvested in the Area to fund our charitable activities. Miskin and Jubilee Campsites both continue to see an increase in bookings not only from Groups within the Area but also Groups from outside the Area as well as a few Corporate Bookings. External bookings at The Hub are down due to the loss of our Main Hirer. Evening and weekend bookings by various sections from the Area ensure that the facilities are used to good effect - District/Area Meetings, Digital Badge Days, First Aid Courses (and other Training), Young Leaders, Duke of Edinburgh Award.

Ty Hafan Scout Group, based at the Childrens Hospice in Sully, continued to meet regularly. The Scout Group provides a valuable opportunity for Ty Hafan residents, and their siblings, to continue to experience Scouting.

The Training Team continued to operate their training programme for leaders during 2023.

For further information on the achievements and performance of the Area during the year please refer to the separate "Annual Report 2023/24"

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Trustee Board has identified the major risks to which they believe the Area is exposed; these have been reviewed and systems established to mitigate against them. The main areas of concern that have been identified are:

- > Damage to buildings and equipment. The Area has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against
- > Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members. The Area, through the membership fees, contributes to The Scout Association's national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities. We also hold an Insurance Policy to cover non-member children
- > Reduced income from subscriptions or fundraising. The Area is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. The Area does hold a reserve to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income. The Area Executive could raise the value of subscriptions to increase the income to the Area on an ongoing basis, either temporarily
- > Reduction or loss of adult support. The Area is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the Area. If there was a reduction in the number of adults to an unacceptable level in a particular part of the Area, then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation, or closure of a particular part of the Area.
- > The Area has in place systems of internal controls designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss. These include 2 signatories for all external payments, dual authorisation for online payments, and insurance policies to ensure all insurable risks are covered.

The Area's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the Area should income and fundraising activities fall short. The Area Trustee Board considers that the Area should hold a sum equivalent to 24 months running costs, circa £40K. As at 31 December 2023 the Area funds (not including Miskin/Gang Show/Scout Shop/International Trip) totalled £138734

The policy of the Trustee Board is to invest any short term surplus funds with a range of providers with the view to obtaining the best returns possible. Taking a low-risk strategy, The Trustee Board maintains accounts with, Charity Bank and Redwood Bank ensuring that the total investment with each institution does not exceed the Financial Services Compensation Scheme cap of £85,000. The Area Executive Committee regularly monitors the levels of the bank balances and the interest rates received to ensure that the Area obtains maximum value and income from its banking arrangements.

During the year Penarth District repaid the final £2000 on their loan. North District made a final repayment of £1,000 on their loan, and Tir a Mor paid £909.60 towards their loan.

DESIGNATED FUNDS

At the end of the year the Area had five Designated Funds:

Grants	9,574
Scout Post	8,256
Contingency	40,000
Jubilee	10,758
Scout Shop	5,000
TOTAL	<u>73,588</u>

RESTRICTED FUNDS

At the end of the year there were two Restricted Funds:

Iceland Trip	International Trip	7,484
	Jubilee	<u>0</u>
	TOTAL	<u>7,484</u>

ENDOWMENT FUNDS

The Area does not hold any endowment funds.

Approved by the Trustees on

and signed on their behalf by:



G EVANS (Chairman) and J RAY (Treasurer)

	2023	2023	2023	2023	2022
	<i>Unrestricted Funds</i>				
	General Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
TOTAL INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS (page 6)	94,710	49,325	12,021	156,056	137,567
TOTAL EXPENDITURE (page 7)	98,633	70,331	4,537	173,501	141,476
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	<u>-3,923</u>	<u>-21,006</u>	<u>7,484</u>	<u>-17,445</u>	<u>-3,909</u>
PROPERTY REVALUATION	0	0	0	0	-2,888
REPAYMENT OF LOANS	0	0	0	0	0
ADJUSTMENTS TO FUNDS	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>-2,888</u>
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS					
- GENERAL FUNDS TO DESIGNATED FUNDS	0	0	0	0	3,473
- DESIGNATED FUNDS TO GENERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,473</u>
FUND BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD	<u>804,546</u>	<u>65,484</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>870,030</u>	<u>876,826</u>
FUND BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD	<u>800,623</u>	<u>44,478</u>	<u>7,484</u>	<u>852,585</u>	<u>873,502</u>

Statement of Financial Activities

for the year ended 31st December 2023

	2023	2023	2023	2023	2022
	<i>Unrestricted Funds</i>				
	General	Designatec	Restricted	Total	Total
Notes	Funds	Funds	Funds		
	£	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
DONATIONS AND LEGACIES					
Membership subscriptions collected as agent	199,320			199,320	163,301
Area Levy	0			0	16,495
Area Levy - Jubilee Development Fund				0	0
Area Levy - OSM	3,607			3,607	3,780
	202,927			202,927	183,576
Less: paid to The Scout Association					
Less: paid to ScoutsCymru	(183,012)			(183,012)	163,301
	19,915	0	0	19,915	20,275
Grants sub-committee					-
Donations	342			342	1,843
Grants Received	5,000	-		5,000	6,500
	5,342	0	0	5,342	8,343
INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES					
Jubilee Camp Site	0	8,906		8,906	2,381
Area Training Team (Miscellaneous income)	0			0	0
Activities (previously Operation or P&D)	926			926	1,012
Ty Hafan Scout Group	247			247	3,509
One half share of Miskin Campsite	7,289			7,289	16,382
One half share of Cardiff Gang Show	17,127			17,127	12,729
Iceland trip 2023					0
	25,589	8,906	0	34,495	36,013
OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES					
Area Scout Post	130			130	781
Badge sales	2,647			2,647	2,306
Hiring of the Hub	10,929			10,929	19,688
Scout Shop	27,838			27,838	28,296
	41,544	0	0	41,544	51,071
INCOME FROM INVESTMENTS					
Interest on Short Term Investments	2,189			2,189	476
	2,189	0	0	2,189	476
OTHER INCOME					
EXPLORER BELT 2024	0	0	12,021	12,021	
ICELAND 2023	0	40,419		40,419	21,314
Sundries	131			131	76
	131	40,419	12,021	52,571	21,390
TOTAL INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS	94,710	49,325	12,021	156,056	137,568

Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended
31st December 2023

		2023	2023	2023	2023	2022
		Unrestricted Funds			Total	Total
EXPENDITURE ON:	Notes	General Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	£	£
		£	£	£	£	£
EXPENDITURE ON RAISING FUNDS						
Area Scout Post		120			120	762
Catering costs at The Hub					0	0
Badges		3,713			3,713	1,244
Scout Shop		28,507			28,507	23,930
Iceland 23		0	-	-	0	0
		32,340	0	0	32,340	25,936
EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES						
Lord Mayors Own		1,393			1,393	1,511
Jubilee Camp Site		0	8,470	-	8,470	26,429
Area Training Team		245		-	245	1,137
Activities (previously Operations; P&D)		1,332		-	1,332	1,504
Ty Hafan Scout Group		661		-	661	7,325
ONLINE SCOUT MANAGER		4,320		-	4,320	3,780
One half share of Cardiff Gang Show		9,607		-	9,607	15,659
The Hub premises costs		4,939		-	4,939	8,284
One half share of Miskin Campsite (incl. depreciation)		14,426		-	14,426	14,506
KickStart Expense				-	0	0
Office Costs		3,244		-	3,244	3,953
Licences, Subscriptions and Equipment Insurances		2,061		-	2,061	2,077
Grants sub-committee	3(a)		7,540	-	7,540	1,115
Utilities		4,334		-	4,334	4,020
Administrator	4(b)	17,952		-	17,952	15,588
Cost of Annual Report & AGM				-	0	0
Trustees Expenses	4(a)	-		-	0	-
		64,514	16,010	0	80,524	106,888
OTHER EXPENDITURE						
ICELAND 2023		0	54,321		54,321	7,411
EXPLORER BELT 2024		0	0	4,537	4,537	
Sundries		1,779			1,779	1,241
		1,779	54,321	4,537	0	60,637
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		98,633	70,331	4,537	173,501	141,476

	Notes	2023	2023	2022	2022
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	5		676,183		681,168
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stock	6	6,787		7,215	
Debtors falling due within one year	7	1,572		10,497	
Short Term Deposits & Investments	8	130,000		130,000	
Cash at bank and in hand	9	<u>43,224</u>		<u>51,725</u>	
		181,582		199,437	
Less: CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10		5,179		7,102
NET CURRENT ASSETS			<u>176,404</u>		192,335
NET ASSETS			<u>852,587</u>		<u>873,503</u>
FUNDS OF THE AREA					
Unrestricted Funds: General Funds	11		781,723		804,546
Designated Funds	12		63,381		65,484
Restricted Funds	13		7,484		3,473
TOTAL FUNDS			<u>852,587</u>		<u>873,503</u>

Approved by the Trustees on

and signed on their behalf by:



G EVANS (Chairman) and J RAY (Treasur



The notes on pages 9 to 15 form part of these accounts

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
CARDIFF AND VALE AREA SCOUT COUNCIL**

I report on the accounts of Cardiff and Vale Area Scout Council for the year ended 31 December 2023

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is required.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the account presented with those records. It includes a consideration of any unusual items of disclosure in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act, and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act.

have not been met, or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Signed _____

Dated _____ 07/07/2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Basis of accounting

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2015.

The accounts have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

Going concern

The accounts have been prepared on the basis of being a going concern as the trustees do not have any concerns about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern as there are sufficient resources in reserve to meet any liabilities that may fall due for at least the next 12 months from the date these accounts are approved.

Public Benefit

The charity is a public benefit entity.

Cashflow statement

The trustees do not have to prepare a cash flow statement on the grounds that the charity is not considered "large" under the Charities SORP (FRS102).

Incoming resources

General:

Incoming resources are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity becomes entitled to the resources, the trustees believe it is probable they will receive the resources, and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Membership subscriptions are collected on behalf of other parts of the Scout Movement are reported in the SoFA net of any amount paid out. This is because these subscriptions are in effect held as agents before being paid out.

Where incoming resources have related expenditure the incoming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the SoFA.

Grants and donations receivable:

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

General Volunteer Help:

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

Investment Income:

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

Expenditure and Liabilities

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation which commits the Area to the expenditure.

Funds structure

General Unrestricted funds represent resources available to be applied by the trustees for the general purposes of the Area. Designated funds are amounts set aside from the General Unrestricted funds to be used for particular purposes in the future. They remain part of Unrestricted funds.

Restricted funds are resources which may only be applied for particular purposes within the Area's objects, as specified by the donor.

Details of each fund are given in notes 11 to 13, with narrative as to the purpose of each fund in the Trustees' annual report.

Joint venture arrangements

Miskin Campsite and Cardiff Gang Show are both joint venture arrangements as detailed in the Trustees' Annual Report. The accounts report Cardiff & The Vale of Glamorgan's share of the income and expenditure and assets and liabilities relating to these joint venture arrangements.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont.)

b) Fixed Assets

Provision for depreciation of fixed assets held for use by the Area is made at annual rates calculated to spread the cost (less anticipated residual disposal value) evenly over their expected useful life. The depreciation rates currently in use are at the following percentages of the original cost:

> Land & Buildings	2%
> Plant and Machinery	20%
> Scouting equipment etc.	10% to 50%

Miskin Land and Buildings have not been depreciated because the vast majority of the value of the assets is attributable to the land and hence has a high residual value which would not be depreciated in accordance with FRS102.

The trustees continuously monitor whether there are any indications an asset may be impaired.

Fixed assets costing more than £1,000 are capitalised by the Area.

c) Stock

Stocks have been valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

d) Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with FRS102 requires trustees to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. The estimates and associated assumptions are based upon historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis of making judgements about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily available from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates. The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period or in the period of revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods. Certain critical accounting judgements in applying the charity's accounting policies are described below:

- > The trustees have considered the recoverability of debtors and valuation of stock balances and have concluded no impairments are necessary.

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2023

	2023	2023	2022	2022
	Incoming	Outgoing	Incoming	Outgoing
	Resources	Resources	Resources	Resources
	£	£	£	£
3(a). Grants paid -				
For general purposes	-			
	12,021	7,540		2,171
	<u>12,021</u>	<u>7,540</u>	-	<u>2,171</u>
3(b). OTHER GRANTS AND DONATIONS - RECEIVED				
Donations	342		3,018	
Grants				
Local Giving	0		500	
Jubilee Campsite	0		8,963	
Cardiff Council	0		2,000	
YMCA 1910 Trust (Jubilee)	5,000		0	
ScoutsCymru	0		4,000	
GVS			0	
Wcva			.	
Kickstart			0	-
	<u>6,173</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>18,481</u>	<u>0</u>
4(a). TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES				
Travel and other expenses		-		0
		<u>-</u>		<u>0</u>
(a) Number of trustees reimbursed		<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>
(b) The total expenses waived by the trustees during 2023 is considered immaterial and so not calc				
4(b). WAGES & SALARIES		2023		2022
		£		£
Salaries		17,952		15,589
Employers NI (Employment Allowance claimed)		-		-
		<u>17,952</u>		<u>15,589</u>

The average number of persons employed in the year was 1 (2022:1). There were no employees earning £60,000 during the year (2022: Nil)

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2023

5. TANGIBLE ASSETS	Land & Buildings	Land & Buildings	Plant & Machinery	Plant & Machinery	Office Equipment	Total
	CAVA	fiskin (50%)	CAVA	Miskin (50%)		
	£	£	£	£	£	£
COST						
Brought forward	94,002	610,000	19,170	39,739	24,428	787,338
Additions	-	-	-	171	-	171
Revaluation	-	-	-	-	-	0
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	0
Carried forward	94,002	610,000	19,170	39,910	24,428	787,509
DEPRECIATION						
Brought forward	28,200	0	19,170	36,123	22,678	206,219
Charge for year	1,880	-	0	1,526	1,750	5,156
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	0
Carried forward	30,080	0	19,170	37,649	24,428	211,375
NET BOOK VALUE						
As at 31 December 2023	63,922	610,000	0	2,261	0	676,183
As at 31 December 2022	65,802	610,000	0	3,616	1,750	681,168

Depreciation is allocated as follows in the SOFA:

The Hub (inc Plant Adjustment)	1,880	-	-	-	1,750	3,630
Miskin	-	-	-	1,526	-	1,382
Jubilee	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	1,880	-	0	1,382	1,750	5,012

6. STOCKS	2023	2022
	£	£
Area stock of badges	1,294	1,294
Scout Shop	4,382	4,840
Miskin Campsite (50% share)	1,110	1,081
	6,787	7,215

7. DEBTORS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		2023	2022
Short Term Investment accrued interest -			
- General Funds		0	0
- Designated Funds		0	0
Other Debtors -	Area	291	1,657
	Cardiff Gang Show (50% share)	277	4,020
	Vale / Tir a Môr District loan on behalf of St Brides	910	1,820
	Afon/Cardiff North District loan	0	1,000
	Penarth & District loan	0	2,000
	Scout Shop	87	0
	Miskin Campsite (50% share)	8	0
Prepayments -	Area	0	0
	Scout Post	0	0
	Activities	0	0
	Training Team	0	0
		1,572	10,497

8. SHORT TERM DEPOSITS & INVESTMENTS

Split by Provider: -

- The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	0	0
- Charity Bank	85,000	85,000
REDWOOD BANK	45,000	45,000
	130,000	130,000

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2023

9.	CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND	<u>Equals CC</u>			2023	2022
		Current a/c	Deposit a/c			
	£	£	£	£	£	
	General Funds-					
	- Area	239	8,495	-	8,734	14,930
	- Scout Shop		10,824		10,824	10,045
	- Cardiff Gang Show (50% share)		10,193		10,193	1,040
	- Miskin Campsite (50% share)		5,989		5,989	11,807
	Explorer Belt	1,620	5,864		7,484	0
	Iceland 2023		0		0	13,903
		<u>1,859</u>	<u>41,364</u>		<u>43,224</u>	<u>51,725</u>

10.	CREDITORS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		
	Area	747	1,295
	Area - deferred income	0	-
	Scout Shop	4,333	3,257
	Cardiff Gang Show (50% share)	99	2,550
	Miskin Campsite (50% share)	0	0
		<u>5,179</u>	<u>7,102</u>

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
11. UNRESTRICTED FUNDS- GENERAL		
Balance at 1st January 2023	804,545	800,253
Net Movement in Funds this year-	0	
- Area & Sub-Committees	(23,548)	(1,092)
- Miskin Camp Site	(7,137)	30,398
- Cardiff Gang Show	7,862	(25,014)
Balance at 31st December 2023	<u>781,722</u>	<u>804,545</u>

ANALYSIS OF GENERAL FUND
BY SUB-COMMITTEE

	Scout		Scout				2023	2022	
	Area	Post	Iceland	Shop	Ty Hafan	Miskin	Gang Show	TOTAL	TOTAL
								£	£
Balance at 1st January 2023	146,170	8,256	13,902	10,045	0	624,894	1,279	804,546	800,253
Movement in year-	0								
- Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	(8,575)	10	(13,902)	(669)	(414)	(7,137)	7,862	(22,823)	(1,092)
- Transfers to Des. Funds	0	0						0	30,398
- Transfers from Des. Funds	-	0						0	-
- Depreciation recharge to Area		-						0	-
-Revaluation of Property									
- Transfers between sub-committees	-4,973	(10)		3,372	-	1,611	-	0	-25,014
Balance at 31st December 2023	<u>132,622</u>	<u>8,256</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>12,748</u>	<u>-414</u>	<u>619,368</u>	<u>9,141</u>	<u>781,723</u>	<u>804,545</u>

12. UNRESTRICTED FUNDS- DESIGNATED

	Iceland	Grants	Scout Post	Contingenc	Jubilee	2023	2022
		Fund	Site			TOTAL	TOTAL
						£	£
Balance at 1st January 2023	0	13,914	0	40,000	11,570	65,484	54,616
Movement in year-						0	0
- Income during the year	0	5,000	0	-	8,906	13,906	12,519
- Expensed during the year	0	- 7,540	-	-	8,470	-16,010	(27,544)
- Transfer to Restricted Funds						0	0
- Transfers to Gen Funds						0	
- Transfers from Gen Funds						0	25,893
Balance at 31st December 2023	<u>0</u>	<u>11,374</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>40,000</u>	<u>12,007</u>	<u>63,381</u>	<u>65,484</u>
Represented by the following assets-						0	0
- Cash at bank						-	-
- Debtor for interest						-	-
- Other debtor (District loans)						-	-
- Short Term Investments	5,000	9,574	8,256	40,000	10,758	73,588	54,616
		<u>13,914</u>		<u>40,000</u>	<u>11,570</u>	<u>73,588</u>	<u>54,616</u>

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2023

	2023	2022
13. RESTRICTED FUNDS	£	£
Balance at 1st January 2023	3,473	3,473
Receipts in year	12,021	
Expenditure in year	(4,537)	
Transfer from Designated Funds	-	
Expenditure in year in line with grant conditions	(3,473)	-
Balance at 31st December 2023	<u>7,484</u>	<u>3,473</u>

14. COMMITMENTS

	2023	2022
	Land & Buildings	Land & Buildings
	£	£
Less than 1 year	500	500
2 to 5 years	2,000	2,000
More than 5 years	15,000	15,500
	<u>17,500</u>	<u>18,000</u>

The lease payment relates to ground rent on the Hub payable to Cardiff

15 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year the Area had no commercial transactions with Trustees (2022: £nil). No amounts are therefore outstanding as at 31 December 2023 (2022:£nil).

As detailed in note 4(a) Trustees claimed £0 expenses incurred in their role as Trustees of the Area during the year (2022 £0). Of this £nil is outstanding as at 31 December 2023 (2022: £nil).