



Scouts

51st Bath

Annual Report and Accounts

2019/20

For the year ended 5th April 2020

Administrative Details

Charity Name: 51st Bath (Ascension Church) Scout Group

Known as: 51st Bath Scout Group

The Scouts Registration Number: 23288

Scout County / District: Avon / City of Bath

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Our Trustees

Ashley Russell

Group Scout Leader

Lisa Hayward

Group Chair

Lillian Weiss

Group Treasurer

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Group Secretary

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Our Constitution

The Group's governing documents are those of the 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 Group is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.

What We Do

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.

Public Benefit

The Group meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.

Financial Policies

All the Group's policies can be found at www.51bathscouts.org.uk/our-policies/

Reserves

The Group's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the group should income and fundraising activities fall short. The Trustees consider that the Group should hold a sum equivalent to 3-6 months expenditure (excluding capitation and capital expenditure).

At the year end the charity held £795 in cash funds, all of which was unrestricted and available as reserves of the charity.

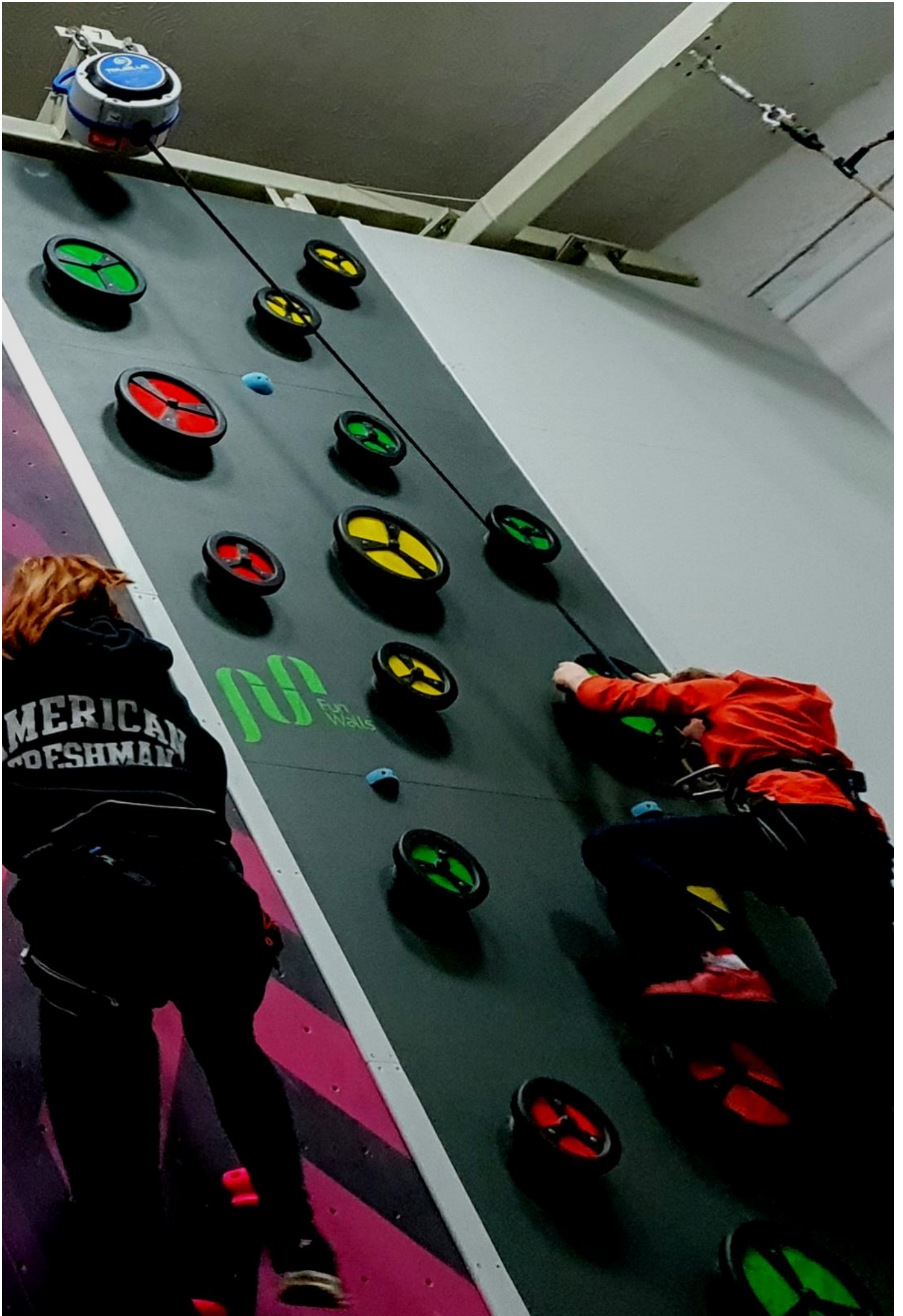
Investments

The Group does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer term investments. The Group has therefore adopted a risk averse strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or building societies.

Hardship

The Group believes that every child can benefit from Scouting and seeks not to exclude anyone on financial grounds. The Group therefore has a policy, and budgeted expenditure, which seeks to ensure we support any family in financial hardship who are struggling to pay for activities, including through payment plans and discounts.





Our Members

(2018/19 as of 31st January 2019, 2019/20 as of 31st January 2020)

| Section | 2018/19 | 2019/20 | Increase/Decrease |
|---------|---------|---------|-------------------|
| Beavers | 14 | 9 | -36% |
| Cubs | 22 | 19 | -14% |
| Scouts | 21 | 19 | -10% |
| Adults | 14 | 14 | +0% |
| Total | 71 | 61 | -14% |



Group Scout Leader's Report

At the end of this financial year, we've seen the very start of the crisis that will change and define how we deliver Scouting for a long time to come. It has meant that we have had to cancel our attendance at the Avon Adventure, and will push our meetings online for the foreseeable future. We will have to adapt to keep delivering on our mission. All this on top of the strains, stresses and worries our volunteers will be experiencing in their own lives. It certainly won't be easy.

That being said, we have achieved a lot in this year that has set us up for success. Not least, our fantastic new leadership team in Beavers and Cubs, Gaby and Kat taking the helm, respectively. I am grateful for their support to me and, more importantly, to our young people.

We have continued to have some brilliant adventures over the year. Winter Camp saw our Scouts overcome the chill and jump into the fun at Gilwell Park in London. Our Christmas activities heard us campfire singing and saw us speeding down the hill of Cleeve Hill on our sleighs. We've been swimming, making things, showing off our talents and getting out in nature. It's incredibly fulfilling to see our members having such fun and developing skills for life.

My gratitude goes out to all our section volunteers, whether they have helped once, or every week. Their selfless dedication ensures our young people have these wonderful opportunities.

Of course, a lot goes on behind the scenes to ensure the front of house runs smoothly. I am very grateful for the support of our trustees, who challenge my leadership (in a good way!), ensuring we're doing things safely and fairly, and that we're being financially prudent.

Lastly, thank you to our wonderful young people for their enthusiasm and commitment - and their parents for putting up with my many emails!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ashley Russell". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

Ashley Russell

Group Scout Leader

Group Chair's Report

51st has seen a delay in producing its annual report and accounts (issued annually in late Summer) as its leaders and volunteers adapted to the national lockdown, acclimatised to working from home and those with children adjusted to navigating on-line home schooling. Despite the pressures put on all leaders and volunteers 51st mobilised and managed to deliver on-line activities to all our sections. Huge thanks to all involved in adapting with proficiency and enthusiasm at such challenging times.

The trustees continue to work tremendously hard behind the scenes to ensure 51st meets its commitments in delivering quality programmes for all sections, continuing its recruitment efforts, reviewing policies, procedures and overseeing 51st Group finances. I would like to thank all Trustees and in particular Lil Weiss who has been our 'temporary' treasurer for over a year now and to Sam Ollason our Group Secretary. Sam's commitment, diligence and professionalism in every aspect of his contribution to 51st never ceases to impress not only myself but all of the trustees. Ben Mansbridge has, despite leaving the role of Cub Assistant Group Leader, continued to contribute as a trustee and has helped tremendously with rolling out the on-line activities with our other amazing leaders.

I announced in the last annual report that I was standing down as Chair after two years of service however one year on I am still in the role as succession planning has been slow, in part, due to the pandemic but also due to the lack of volunteers. The trustees do now have a plan and hopefully the new Chair will be announced soon.

It is evident that to ensure 51st continues to thrive in bringing opportunities to children in our local community then help is always needed! There are many ways in which parents, grandparents, older siblings, family and friends can contribute so please do think about how you might be able to help in some small way, to the running of the Group and supporting our young people to grow and flourish.



Lisa Hayward

Group Chair

Special Thanks

The Trustees would like to give special thanks to all the volunteers who give up their time, without remuneration, to allow the young people of 51st Bath (and wider Scouting) to go on some brilliant adventures, try new things and learn some extremely valuable skills for life.

The Trustees would also like to recognise the families of both our young people, who enable them to take part in our adventures, and our volunteers who put up with the time they dedicate to their voluntary work.

Trustees' Approval

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

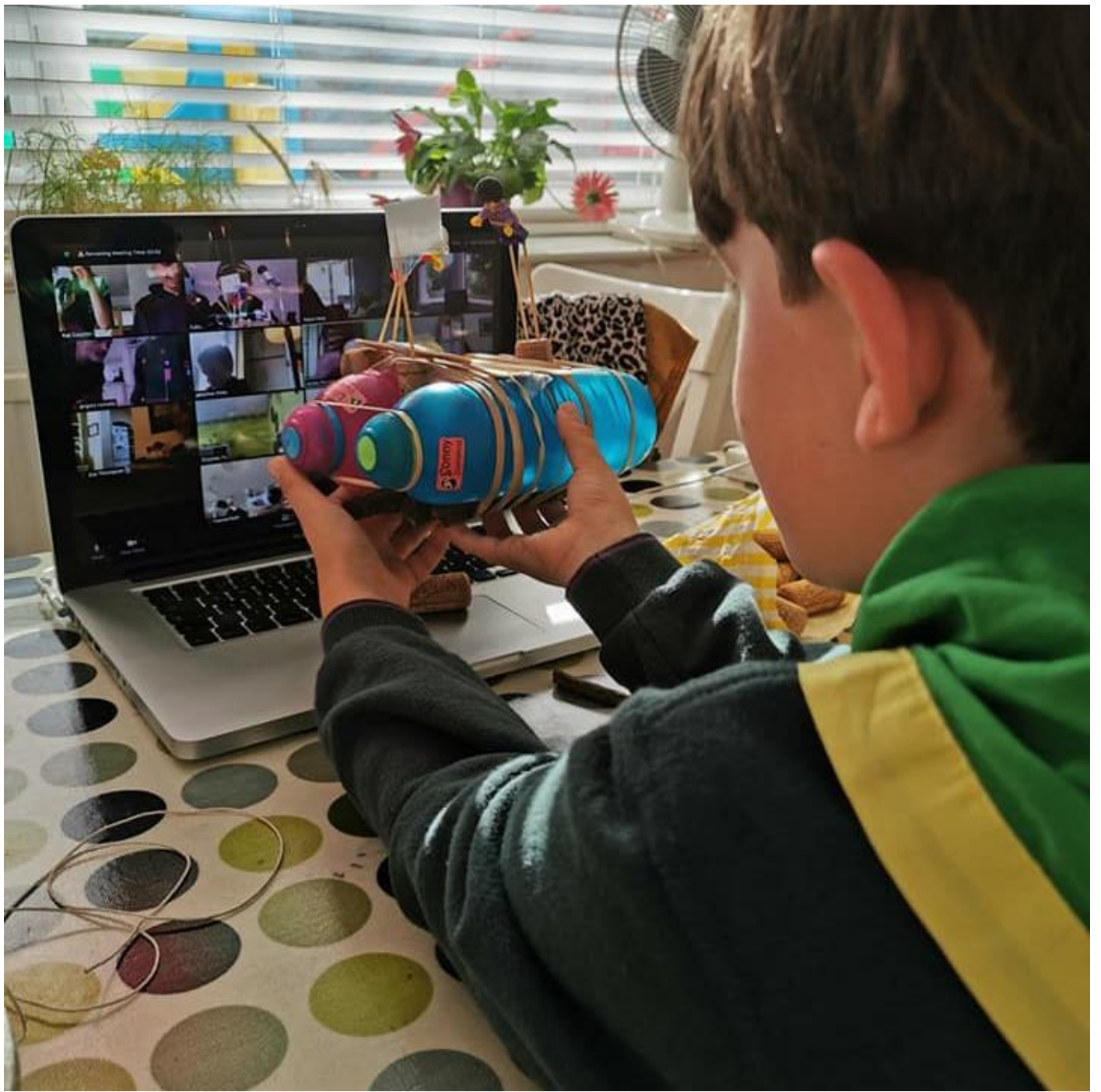
Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

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Lisa Hayward

Group Chair

19/11/2020



Receipts and Payments Accounts

For the Year Ended 5th April 2020

Receipts

| | £ 2019/20 | | | £ 2018/19 | | |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| | Unrestricted Funds | Restricted Funds | Total Funds | Unrestricted Funds | Restricted Funds | Total Funds |
| <i>Membership Fees</i> | | | | | | |
| Beavers | 770.00 | - | 770.00 | 1,150.00 | - | 1,150.00 |
| Cubs | 1,584.00 | - | 1,584.00 | 2,130.00 | - | 2,130.00 |
| Scouts | 1,404.00 | - | 1,404.00 | 1,620.00 | - | 1,620.00 |
| Uniform Sales | 34.00 | - | 34.00 | 41.00 | - | 41.00 |
| Event Income | 2,785.68 | - | 2,785.68 | 2,967.50 | 80.00 | 3,047.50 |
| Transfer of Funds | - | - | - | 153.26 | - | 153.26 |
| Donations | 288.23 | - | 288.23 | 722.23 | - | 722.23 |
| Gift Aid | - | - | - | 932.69 | - | 932.69 |
| District Fee Transfer | - | - | - | - | 3,732.00 | 3,732.00 |
| Grants | - | 67.98 | 67.98 | - | 67.44 | 67.44 |
| | 6,865.91 | 67.98 | 6,933.89 | 9,716.68 | 3,879.44 | 13,596.12 |

Receipts and Payments Accounts

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Payments

| | £ 2019/20 | | | £ 2018/19 | | |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| | Unrestricted Funds | Restricted Funds | Total Funds | Unrestricted Funds | Restricted Funds | Total Funds |
| Event Costs | 3,294.53 | - | 3,294.53 | 3,583.12 | 80.00 | 3,663.12 |
| Hardship | 34.00 | - | 34.00 | 161.00 | - | 161.00 |
| Payment Collection | 179.00 | - | 179.00 | 188.79 | - | 188.79 |
| Equipment | 370.33 | - | 370.33 | 495.13 | - | 495.13 |
| Hall Hire | 1,050.00 | - | 1,050.00 | 988.00 | - | 988.00 |
| Marketing | 77.71 | | 77.71 | 320.87 | | 320.87 |
| Software | 239.20 | 67.98 | 307.18 | 231.49 | 67.44 | 298.93 |
| Insurance ¹ | - | - | - | 72.63 | - | 72.63 |
| Grants | - | - | - | 400.00 | - | 400.00 |
| Volunteer-incurred | 166.34 | - | 166.34 | 67.05 | - | 67.05 |
| District Fee Transfer | - | 3,732.00 | 3,732.00 | | - | 0.00 |
| Section Programme | 482.86 | - | 482.86 | 179.36 | - | 179.36 |
| Badges | 91.96 | - | 91.96 | 216.06 | - | 216.06 |
| Capitation | 1,880.00 | - | 1,880.00 | 2,156.00 | - | 2,156.00 |
| | 7,865.93 | 3,799.98 | 11,665.91 | 9,059.50 | 147.44 | 9,206.94 |
| Surplus/(Deficit) | (1000.02) | (3,732.00) | (4,732.02) | 657.18 | 3,732.00 | 4,389.18 |
| Surplus Brought Forward | 1,794.78 | 3,732.00 | 5,526.78 | 1,137.60 | - | 1,137.60 |
| | 794.76 | - | 794.76 | 1,794.78 | 3,732.00 | 5,526.78 |

¹ The Trustees were in the process of renewing insurance for 2019/2020 at time of publication.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

For the Year Ended 5th April 2020

| | £ 2019/20 | | £ 2018/19 | |
|----------------------------|-----------------|------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Cash Funds | Unrestricted | Restricted | Unrestricted | Restricted |
| Lloyds Treasurer's Account | 668.09 | - | 1,751.52 | 3,732.00 |
| Cash | 151.00 | - | 1.00 | - |
| Expense Cards | 20.66 | - | 42.26 | - |
| Stripe | (45.00) | - | - | - |
| GoCardless | - | - | - | - |
| Sub-Total | 794.76 | - | 1,794.78 | 3,732.00 |
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| Non-Monetary Assets | | | | |
| Badge/Uniform Stock | 373.53 | - | 250.39 | - |
| Total | 1,168.29 | - | 2,045.17 | 3,732.00 |
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| Liabilities | | | | |
| Unpaid Expense Claims | - | - | 164.93 | - |
| Net Assets | 1,168.29 | - | 1,880.24 | 3,732.00 |

Approval by Trustees

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 19/11/2020.

and signed on their behalf by:

Lisa Hayward

Lil Weiss



Scrutineer's Report to Trustees of 51st Bath Scout Group

I report on the accounts of the Group for the year ended 5th April 2020.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Scrutineer

As the Group's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that neither the audit nor independent examination requirements of the Charities Act 2011 apply. It is my responsibility without carrying out an audit or independent examination to scrutinise the accounts and to report to you.

Basis of Scrutineer's Statement

In accordance with the directions given in the Group's constitution, I have scrutinised the records and the accounts set out on pages 12 to 14.

Scrutineer's Statement

In my opinion the accounts are in accordance with the records produced to me and comply with the constitution.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Gavin Kelly". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'G' and 'K'. Below the signature is a simple, hand-drawn rectangular box.

Gavin Kelly ACA FCCA

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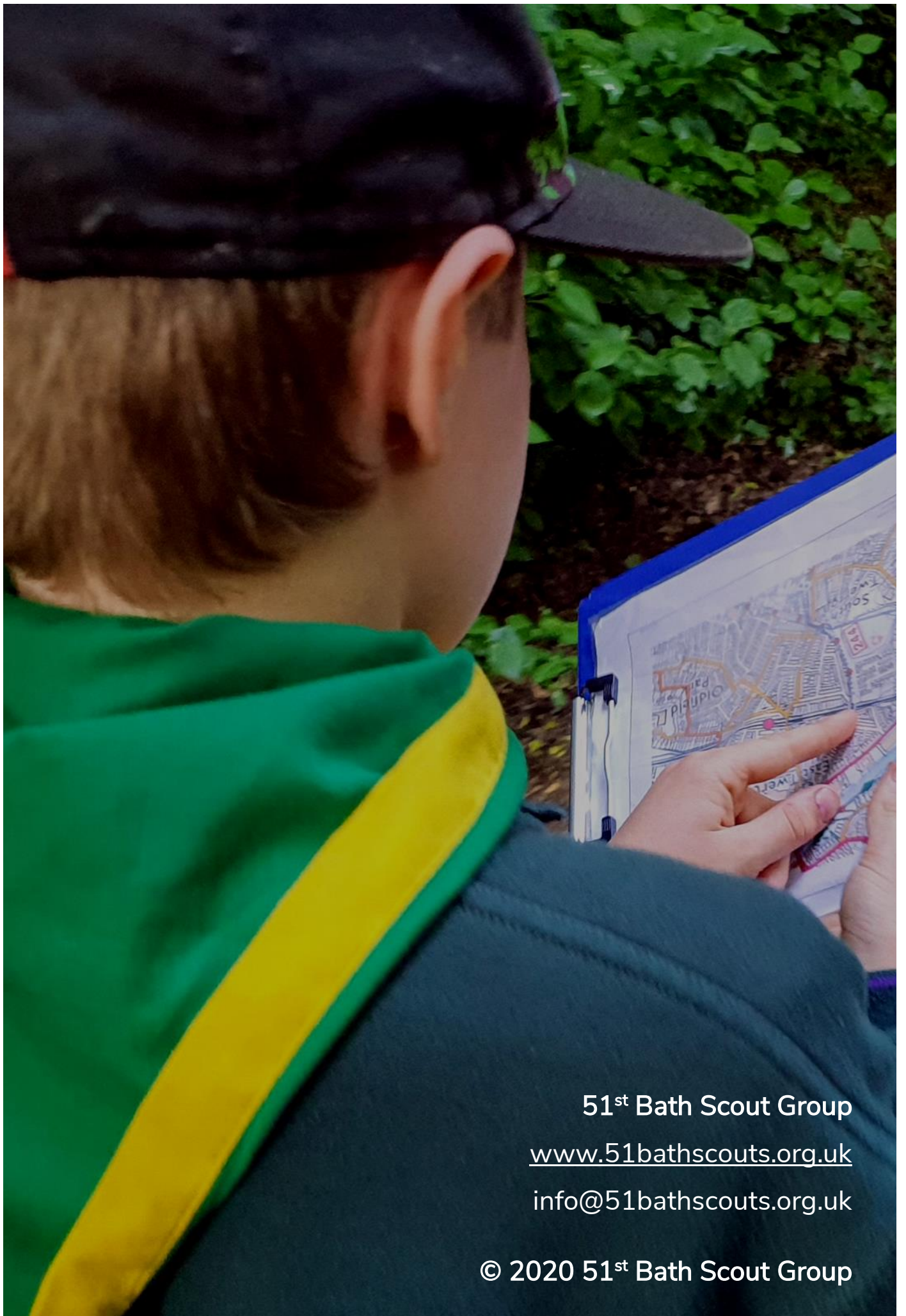
A young boy with light brown hair, wearing a grey long-sleeved shirt and blue jeans, is looking down intently at a campfire. Several marshmallows are on sticks over the fire. The background is a blurred outdoor setting.

No one looks back on their life and remembers the nights they had plenty of sleep.



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