

Annual Report from Treasurer

2024-2025 has been a settled financial year. We have been able to run a number of extremely well received camps and activities, but also invest for the future in training, equipment and our building.

We have been successful in being awarded a number of grants, for example from our Police & Crime Commissioner's fund, Cheshire East Council and from Tesco. These have allowed us to purchase a fantastic new Gazebo, which you will see at our camps and also when we run barbecues and other events, plus a number of tents and our popular new tomahawk range.

In addition, we have invested in our building, with additional security features and further steps on our journey to lower utility bills with new power management and LED lighting in one area, which we hope to expand.

Whilst rental income was slightly down, with the introduction of our second Squirrel section and extremely high retention of our scouts of all ages, our subscription income was up. However, as you will see in the accounts overview, a large proportion of the income we receive from our Scouts is then sent on to District in the form of Capitation, which is their charge per scout. This is set by the central Scouting organisation and has increased dramatically over the past few years and we expect it to increase again this year. Add to this the seemingly unending rise of utility bills and we can clearly see why our efforts to raise money from events and grants is so important.

Gift Aid, the extra 25p that HMRC gives us from every £1 raised, is really important for us. If you do give and are able to allow us to claim Gift Aid (it doesn't cost you any extra), then we can help you to sign-up.

The position of Treasurer is now vacant. If you can spare time to help us to manage our finances, please let us know, or go to our website for further details about becoming a Trustee Treasurer.

Thank you all for your continued support.

Rebecca Hughes

Treasurer, 1st Holmes Chapel Scout Group

	2024/2025	2023/2024	Difference +/- YOY
Income			
Other Income (Rent)	£13,229	£15,332	-£2,103
Subscription Income	£20,780	£15,560	£5,220
Donations/Grants	£8,501	£1,101	£7,400
Bank Interest Received	£1,322	£1,148	£174
HMRC – Gift Aid	£1,080	£1,868	-£788
Total Income	£44,912	£35,009	£9,903
Expenses			
Group activities & Events	£6,668	£4,279	£2,389
Badge Shop expenses	£1,494	£1,852	-£358
Capitation paid to District	£10,285	£7,794	£2,491
Utilities	£13,304	£11,609	£1,695
Vehicles	£1,035	£2,365	-£1,330
Bank Charges	£2,047	£999	£1,048
HQ & Equipment	£7,768	£8,602	-£834
Total Costs	£42,601	£37,499	£5,102
NET PROFIT/LOSS (£)	£2,311	-£2,490	