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Annual Report 2021

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Scouts

9th Muswell Hill

Annual General Meeting 2021

Date/ Time: Monday 27th June 2022 from 8pm

Venue: Ben Nevis Hall, Scout Park

Agenda

- 1) Welcome and Introduction**
- 2) Apologies for Absence**
- 3) Approve Minutes of Previous AGM**
- 4) Group Report**
- 5) Treasurer's Report**
- 6) To appoint the Group Chair**
- 7) To elect/re-elect the following officers**
 - 7.1- Group Secretary**
 - 7.2- Group Treasurer**
- 8) Appoint the Independent Examiner for the coming year**
- 9) To elect members to the Executive Committee**
- 10) To approve the co-opted members to the Executive Committee**
- 11) AOB**
- 12) Presentations and Closing Remarks**

Group Chair's Report

Welcome to the Annual General Meeting of the 9th Muswell Hill Scout Group and thank you for joining us. The Committee is extremely grateful for your ongoing support.

The reports in this pack provide a retrospective view of our operations during the calendar year 2021 and, as we look back now - with the Group having returned to a more normal operating rhythm of face-to-face weekly meetings, camps, hikes and a multitude of other expeditions and activities - it's perhaps easy to forget that for a large portion of last year our endeavours continued to be materially impacted by the various lockdown restrictions. We spoke at the last AGM about the heroic efforts of our Group Scout Leader, Dan Sheehan, and the Section Leaders to deliver a programme of engaging Scouting activities wholly online and it feels appropriate to place on record again now our thanks for the work that they all did to sustain 9th Muswell Hill during that difficult period. The Group as a whole, including our adaptable and resilient young people and their tremendously supportive parents and carers, can be proud of the way in which it has coped with and emerged from the pandemic – in many ways, with a growing membership, a strong team of volunteers and robust finances, in better shape than we have ever been.

You will read in the Group Scout Leader's report and those of the Section Leaders about the wholehearted way in which the Group embraced a return to in person Scouting during the course of last year, and for all that we believe our online provision compared favourably with that offered by many other similar organisations, I'm sure we all recognise that the true heart of the Scouting movement lies in the life skills that our young people learn, the fun that they have and the friendships which they forge through shared experiences. It is an inherent part of the appeal of modern Scouting that it provides screen-free stimulation, a taste of independence and the opportunity to engage in activities which are not mundane or mainstream – all of which was lost during the pandemic – and so perhaps now, with the perspective of what has occurred in the last couple of years and as we settle back into more familiar routines, we can look forward with a renewed appreciation of what Scouting offers.

On the theme of looking forward, and as mentioned above, I believe that the Group is in rude health – for which we are indebted to a number of people:

- We have six thriving sections all of which are led by energetic, passionate and skilled Section Leaders, ably supported by a band of equally brilliant Co-Leaders and Youth Leaders.
- Our new Squirrels section is now fully up and running. It's worth noting that we were one of the first Scout Groups in the country to be entrusted with creating a new Squirrel Drey, which itself is testament to the high regard in which 9th Muswell Hill is held within the Scouting community.
- We are fortunate to have in place an Executive Committee that is comprised of volunteer members who take their responsibilities seriously and discharge their duties in a thoughtful way and with care. I would like to place on my record, at the end of my first year as Group Chair, my personal thanks to each of them for their diligence and support.
- In particular we must acknowledge the sterling work of our Treasurer, David Turnbull, who has steered us skillfully through the choppy financial waters of the last couple of years and is in no small part responsible for the healthy financial state which the Group presently enjoys and about which you will hear more this evening.

· Above all, the Group owes a huge debt of gratitude to our outstanding Group Scout Leader, Dan Sheehan. It's impossible to do justice to Dan's immeasurable contribution in just a few words here, but suffice to say that he is truly the linchpin of the Group's recent and ongoing success.

Of course we must not be complacent and there are undoubtedly challenges on the horizon, not least those presented by current inflationary pressures.

In this context the Group is keen, per my recent email correspondence, to recruit a dedicated Fundraising Manager to help us maximise additional sources of revenue. Please do let us know if you are interested in volunteering in this capacity.

We are also mindful of the impact that cost of living increases, and our own rising costs, may have on our membership and in this context I was heartened by the response to our appeal for donations to the Group's Hardship Fund. Many thanks to those of you who have contributed so far. The Hardship Fund is managed expertly and sensitively by one of our longest-serving Committee members, Philip Hogg, and is a tangible demonstration of the Group's commitment to ensure that 9th Muswell Hill's brand of Scouting is kind-hearted, inclusive and accessible to all.

Thank you again for your support and I hope that you find the reports in this pack, as well as the AGM itself, interesting and informative. Please do take this opportunity to ask questions of the Group's extended leadership team, to hold us to account and to provide the scrutiny and challenge which will allow us to evolve and improve.

The Group has much to look forward to and is well placed, with your assent, to face the future with confidence and optimism.

Simon Oliver
Group Chair

Group Scout Leaders Report

2021 was still a very different year from the norm and whilst we did eventually begin to see the return of something close to "normal" the challenges along the way should not be underestimated.

Activities continued to be remote and online for a significant period at the start of the year. Lessons and experience from the previous year were invaluable in sustaining a quality programme in such difficult circumstances, especially as digital fatigue kicked in amongst leaders and young people. It was a tremendous achievement that throughout the year we were able to continue to offer weekly sessions to all sections every week of term time either online, face to face or in some cases both!

As we got back into the rhythm of meeting face to face and restrictions continued to relax to a more manageable level we were able to find ways to offer many of our traditional activities however it was clear that some of our usual camps, trips and expeditions would still be difficult to achieve. We focused on ways we could offer adventure close to home with activities such as "camp that isn't a camp", urban hikes and invested heavily in training and equipment for home based adventurous activities such as archery, climbing, tomahawk throwing and crossbows which we are now able to offer entirely in house.

After a break of 494 days (yes, we counted) the news that camping was permitted again just in time for the best of the summer season reached us, so in keeping with our approach since the start of disruption in 2020 we jumped straight in and organised series of summer camping weekends with the target of offering every young person in the Group who wished to the chance of a camp by the end of the summer. Within 24 hours we had various camps advertised and just 7 days later the first group pitched their tents. Of course things were still a little different but it is safe to say that everyone was delighted to be out and about getting back to what Scouts do best.

Throughout the year remaining restrictions largely continued to focus on group sizes and mixing of sections meaning the Group Programme was not able to resume at normal levels (especially for such a large Group!) however it was great to be able to get some sections joining forces for end of term activities before the summer break. By November we were able to come together as a Group again for the Haringey Remembrance Day event. We were incredibly proud to have over 150 Squirrels (their first public outing), Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Young Leaders and Leaders on parade looking smart and representing Scouting brilliantly making up more than half of the entire parade. This was followed by a social and some formal presentations back at Scout Park with the County Commissioner in attendance to award a trophy to the winning Chiltern 20 team from the Scout Troop.

The highlight of the year has to be the opening of our newest, 6th section- Squirrel Scouts. Opening any new provision is a huge undertaking and 9th Muswell Hill are no strangers to such growth projects but this was a particularly special opening as one of the first “dreys” in the country alongside the national launch of this brand new age range. My huge thanks to the team that have thrown themselves into this new opportunity. They went in completely blind, volunteering when the name of the section wasn’t even confirmed let alone any badges, uniform or activities!

Each time the goalposts moved and a new plan was needed I would nervously call a leaders meeting preparing a range of options to move forward with and expecting eventually, that the enthusiasm and good will would run out. This needn’t have been a concern as without fail on each and every occasion the leadership team spoke with a collective voice always supporting the option in the best interest of the Group and the young people.

The Group owes its success to having such a dedicated team of volunteers both across the section leadership delivering such brilliant programmes and behind the scenes keeping the administration and logistics of such a large and active Group on track.

Looking forward to 2022 we already have plans in place for the return of some of our more ambitious programme highlights as well as a number of new projects in the pipeline and I believe we are in a strong position to continue to offer a quality Scouting provision to, what we hope will be, an ever growing number of young people.

Dan Sheehan
Group Scout Leader

Squirrel Scouts Report

It's been so much fun starting the brand new Squirrel section at 9th Muswell Hill. It has been something of a challenge to design a programme from scratch which introduces the Squirrels to 'Scouty' activities that are sufficiently safe for a four year old yet exciting and engaging enough for six year olds. However, it's been brilliant to see how much all these young people are capable of. We now have 20 Squirrels in four patrol 'Nests'.

In the Autumn term, we spent a lot of time getting to know each other and exploring Scout Park culminating with a campfire and marshmallows before half term. Back in the church for the second half of the term, we worked on the 'Let's Celebrate' badge, learning about different festivals and celebrations from around the world and also had a small contingent who behaved impeccably at the Remembrance Sunday Parade. The Squirrels had their first introduction to knife skills whittling carrot noses for snowmen.

After the Christmas break, we looked at people who help us and how we can be helpful in our community. We had a visit from our local Police Officers, did some litter picking at the rec, (who knew finding old crisp packets was so compelling!?), star gazed and spotted the International Space Station and talked to an equivalent group of Kia Scouts in New Zealand. We also held our first Squirrel event; taking a group to the London Transport museum. Joining the Beavers for the end of term group laser tag went down very well with the Squirrels too.

This term, we have had our first Squirrel hike in Coppetts Wood, taken part in a brilliant District Fun Day meeting the other Squirrels in the District and visited Hornsey Fire Station. In preparation for the transition to Beavers, this past weekend we will have held our 'Camp That Isn't a Camp' where the Squirrels will learn camp set up, some backwoods cooking as well as whittling, archery and climbing.

We've been able to be increasingly adventurous and confident with our sessions largely due to Dan's excellent support and patience with a pair of completely novice leaders, so, many thanks Dan!

Cassie Lahoud

Section Leader- Squirrel Scouts

Beaver Scouts Report

9th Muswell Hill Beaver Scouts had a successful year in 2021 which, though starting in a lockdown, later saw the welcome return of normal sessions, outings and camps. For years our numbers have remained steady at 20, though in September 2021 due to ever-growing demand we increased our colony size to 24. The Beavers team consists of me, Natalia, as Section Leader, working alongside Catherine as Assistant Section Leader and Brigita as Section Assistant, and often with much-appreciated extra support from Dan. We were also pleased to have Kika and Robyn with us as Young Leaders.

The start of 2021 saw us going back online with our weekly sessions. Luckily we had learnt how to best manage this from our online sessions in the 2020 lockdowns and so we were pleased with the programme we were able to provide and we had great engagement from the Beavers. Our online activities included making pizzas in mugs, making cards to send to a care home and a virtual visit to an alpaca farm.

We were very happy to get back in-person sessions at Scout Park for the summer term. Activities included archery, pioneering, learning to sew badges onto camp blankets, playing rounders and a water fight!

In the autumn term we returned to our usual pre-pandemic pattern of holding sessions at Scout Park until half term and then moving indoors to St Peter-le-Poer Church. Activities this term included drama, campfires, a hike in Coldfall Wood, and the new Money Skills badge.

We offered two opportunities for overnights in 2021 - first in tents at Thriftwood Scout Campsite in Essex in July and then an indoor camp at Scout Park in November. Both were well attended and great experiences to introduce the Beavers to Scout camps. We also held our annual Water Day at ESSA in September where the Beavers could try out sailing and paddlesports.

Despite the adaptations in programming of the past two years, we are very pleased that the majority of the Beavers were still able to earn their Chief Scout's Bronze Award by the time they moved up to Cubs.

Natalia Scorer

Section Leader- Beaver Scouts

Cub Scouts Report

Tuesday Cubs

2021 started off Virtual/Online again, we tried to keep it interesting with activities such as scavenger hunt, lego puzzle challenges and the good old escape room. The "Drawing with Rob" session brings back fond memories, copying Rob drawing dinosaurs and bears, never having such a silent session! We also did some serious sessions and worked on our Disability Awareness badge. I had a colleague at work whose son is in the Boy Scouts of America in Seattle, so we arranged a joint Zoom session with their pack and our pack learning about each other's scout activities, culture, city and...roblox. Leaving with: we're off to bed and you're off to school! We continued online after half term, we built things at home and showed them off, gave the Cubs a live demo on 3D printing, then it went fuzzy. I don't remember the other sessions we did, then I remember I was in hospital recovering from a bowel cancer operation.

I'm really grateful to my Cub Leader colleagues, they did an amazing job covering my absence. Coming back after was awesome, we were finally able to meet outside in person, so we were back at the traditional stuff that the Cubs enjoy: Fires and Wide games!

The Cubs were given a challenge to build a flying or floating vehicle from recycled materials, we had some really amazing inventions which they demoed at scout park in Phil's paddling pool.

Teamwork and leadership is something we like to thread into our programme, eg: while they learn how to put up and take down a tent, they also learn to work with each other in a team, same goes to shelter building, wide games and Orienteering. It's really important to us that we encourage them to self-organise, bond and work together as a team, this quality is an absolute requirement for when they go up to scouts.

Tu Anh joined us as a new Leader, everyone brings something different to the table and Tu Anh excelled at that, our Campfire cooking sessions were well planned and stocked. She is also an amazing photographer and has captured some beautiful images of our meetings.

Summer ended with the traditional water-pistol battle, this time we teamed up with Thursday Cubs and mixed in some pioneering, adding water balloon slingshots to the event!

9th Muswell Hill Cub leaders played a large role at the District badge day, covering Pioneering and Cycling, made easier due to its warmer, summer time-slot this time round. We also took part in the District Sixers/Seconders Camp which led to an amazing discovery: they took part in a blind-trail and I asked our sixers if they'd be willing to copy and repeat that blind trial for a Tuesday Cubs Session, they agreed, spoke to the Leader on the day running it to get more information and put together a plan for running it on the following Tuesday. Because of this, we now seek out opportunities for Sixer led activities, giving them the responsibility for the evening, youth shaped scouting and all!

Summer camp was amazing, Paccar! What a wonderful campsite. Axe throwing, karts, high ropes, sing-alongs around the fire with instruments (thanks Neal, Cleo). And plenty of cricket during free time, it seemed to be the thing to do, lots of ad-hoc games cropped up, so much even the leaders joined in!

In October, we planned a day hike in North London, navigating around the Folly Brook, which was just like being in the countryside at the end of the 134 Bus. My Spaniel, Lady, came for morale support!

Great stamina shown by the Cubs, paying enough attention to the surroundings and the map so they could respond to my "show me where you think we are ; where are we going next".

We went Sailing at ESSA in June, it was like pirates of the caribbean out there! Trying to board each other's dinghys! Nobody came out dry!

We finished off the colder parts of the year with activities the Cubs really relish: climbing, shooting, archery, whittling, axes and saws with our first aid kit remaining ever present but closed! Eyes in the back of our heads! As Leaders, we do get "boring" sometimes and drill in some focus and discipline, because it's for times like these we need their full attention and best behaviour so they can enjoy these activities safely. Very proud of our Cubs on Remembrance Sunday, it was uplifting to have us all walk from Scout Park to the Civic Centre, smartly dressed and well mannered.

For the more adventurous, we took part in a 10K Night Hike in the darker, colder month of November, the Cubs walking in Groups with a Leader from 8pm to Midnight, Hot Chocolate served at the midway point. A chance for the accompanying Leaders to catch up on the latest gossip in the world of Minecraft, Fortnite and Roblox....

We ended the year creating campfire christmas pudding and mulled apple juice. Thank you Lucy from Thursday Cubs who came to decorate the spinney and turned it into an inviting sparkling grotto area!

Finally, I wanted to call out Josie, our young leader for being on-point and on-time. There with the young people, running activities herself (also on camp) and being amazing at taking in and internalising some last minute instructions on the evenings activities.

Elliot Moore

Section Leader- Cub Scouts (Tuesday)

Thursday Cubs

The main thing Covid meant for Scouting is that we had to adapt (and quickly too). I like to focus on the positives and this has led to some real upsides. Here's just three:

1. Online programme – all the Cubs amazed us with their enthusiastic participation. We particularly loved hearing about all their various hobbies. In the dark days of last Winter's lockdown it was a true beacon of light to see smiling faces and hear amazing stories every week . Thank you for keeping us all sane!
2. Badge day – moved from freezing February to sunny Summer. Looks like this will stick now (great for those of us who run the Bicycle badge).
3. Outdoors longer - enforced in 2020, we now stay at Scout Park until Christmas instead of heading indoors after October half term. The Cubs love it and it feels much more like true Scouting.

So out of bad comes good. Things will never be the same again – thankfully!

Happy Scouting

Adrian Haysome

Section Leader- Cub Scouts (Thursday)

Scouts Report

January 2021 saw us continuing our online scouting – and we empowered the Patrol Leaders to lead a short section of the session with a physical exercise for everyone to do to keep them active.

Because we were still not able to meet in person, we set the Scouts a geocaching challenge where they had to go outside and take photos of local landmarks to prove they'd been there. The time online was also spent with various sessions such as team online games, cooking challenges and a session on the importance of recycling. We also used the time online to go over the theory of first aid and home fire safety (with everyone having to test their smoke alarms (sorry for the noise!!)). Then, as if by magic – we were back outside at Scout Park for the last session of the term. This was great for everyone as we were able to see each other properly – albeit from a distance.

The summer term, and back outside, saw us getting straight back into proper scouting. We went on a “Slow Ways” hike to help with an initiative to establish direct walking routes between major towns in the Home Counties.

Having not had proper Scouting for a while, we also did a 4 week rotation of scouting skills at Scout Park. This was followed by our first camp (that wasn't a camp). Because we still weren't allowed to run overnight sessions, the camp did everything we would normally do – except for sleeping in tents. This meant the scouts had to go home at night, and be dropped back in the morning to cook themselves (and the leaders) a full breakfast – which they did, and it was great!!

The latter part of summer term was spent rotating through axe-throwing, climbing, air rifles, reminders on how to light a fire, and backwoods cooking (cooking on a fire with minimal implements).

We started the last term of 2021 with some much needed navigation skills. This massively paid off by our group winning the Chiltern 20 (a 25km+ hike around the Chiltern Hills with 40 other teams competing, and without an adult with them!). This is the first time we have ever won –and massive congratulations to the winning team of Tom, Eric, Tim, Avi & Louis. Also, we had the team that came in last place – so we do cater for everyone!

We managed to get some scuba diving sessions back on the agenda, and these were as popular as ever.

To give our Scouts #SkillsForLife, we did some practical training on how to use the London Underground including how to use the maps and apps to navigate, and the all-important Stand On The Right, before then setting them loose on the tube network to navigate their way around and get photos at certain points. All teams were successful – with one team getting a friendly toot on the train whistle by one of the Piccadilly line drivers (who had all been tipped off about a large Scout presence).

In November we had a camp that the Patrol Leaders and Assistant Patrol Leaders planned and organised from beginning to end, including running the camp for the whole weekend while the leaders stayed away. This was a huge success, lessons were learnt, and we're very proud of how well they PLs and APLs managed.

Richard Groves & Nigel Laurens
Section Leaders - Scouts

Treasurer's Report

9th MUSWELL HILL SCOUT GROUP Receipts and Payments Account - 2020

Receipts and payments

	2020			2021		
	Funds: Unrestricted £	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted £	Restricted	Total
Receipts						
Donations, legacies and similar income						
Membership subscriptions	14,502		14,502	21,211		21,211
Less: Membership subs paid on (National/County/Area/District)	(4,538)		(4,538)	(4,788)		(4,788)
Net membership subscriptions retained	9,965		9,965	16,423		16,423
Donations			-			-
Legacies			-			-
Gift Aid	3,353		3,353	3,274		3,274
Other similar income	100		100	0		0
Sub total	13,418	-	13,418	19,697	-	19,697
Grants						
Maintenance grant			-			-
Other grants			-			-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fundraising						
Fundraising	186		186	5,933		5,933
Other fundraising activities			-			-
Sub total	186	-	186	5,933	-	5,933
Investment income						
Bank interest	499		499	113		113
Building Society interest			-			-
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service			-			-
Property Rent income			-			-
Other investment income			-			-
Sub total	499	-	499	113	-	113
Total Gross Income	14,103	-	14,103	25,743	-	25,743
Asset and investment sales, etc.			-			-
Total receipts	14,103	-	14,103	25,743	-	25,743

**9th MUSWELL HILL SCOUT GROUP
Receipts and Payments Account - 2020**

Receipts and payments

	2020			2021		
	Funds: Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Payments						
Charitable Payments						
Youth programme and activities	1,655		1,655	2,584		2,584
Adult support and training	1,224		1,224	96		96
Rent	2,475		2,475	5,065		5,065
Minibus (net) - excluding fuel	4,426		4,426	5,570		5,570
Electricity and Gas			-			-
Insurance	400		400	264		264
Repairs and Renewals			-			-
Materials and equipment (net)	390		390	7,776		7,776
Transaction & App Fees (collecting payments)			-			-
Printing and photocopying (includes stationery, postage)	9		9	192		192
IT	136		136	198		198
Contribution to camp (and other such activities) costs	(1,705)		(1,705)	(1,468)		(1,468)
Uniforms (and badges)	1,699		1,699	2,444		2,444
AGM and trustee expenses	60		60	287		287
Other	47		47	1,576		1,576
Sub total	10,818		10,818	24,584		24,584
Fundraising expenses						
	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other fundraising costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Gross Expenditure	10,818		10,818	24,584		24,584
Asset and investment purchases, etc.						
	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	10,818		10,818	24,584		24,584
Net of receipts/(payments)	3,285		3,285	1,158		1,158
Cash funds last year end*	12,010	1,600	13,610	15,295	1,600	16,895
Cash funds this year end*	15,295	1,600	16,895	16,454	1,600	18,054

* Note: 2020 cash fund numbers have been increased £0.89 to reflect the NatWest savings account which was omitted from the 2020 accounts. This account now has a zero balance.

Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	31 Dec 2020			31 Dec 2021			
	Funds:	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
		£	£	£	£	£	£
Cash funds							
Bank current account		15,295	1,600	16,895	16,454	1,600	18,054
Bank deposit account							
Building society account							
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service							
Cash/Floats							
Total cash funds Total cash funds		15,295	1,600	16,895	16,454	1,600	18,054
Other monetary assets							
Tax claim			-	-		-	-
Balance in badge account			-	-		-	-
Insurance claim			-	-		-	-
Sub total		-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment assets							
Investment property - detail		-	-	-	-	-	-
Quoted investments		-	-	-	-	-	-
CAF investment value at 31.1.20 and 31.1.21		15,717	-	15,717	14,987	-	14,987
Sub total		15,717	-	15,717	14,987	-	14,987
Non monetary assets for charity's own use							
Badge stock		-	-	-	-	-	-
Shop stock		-	-	-	-	-	-
Other stock		-	-	-	-	-	-
Land and buildings		-	-	-	-	-	-
Motor vehicles		-	-	-	-	-	-
Scouting equipment, furniture etc		-	-	-	-	-	-
Other		-	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total		-	-	-	-	-	-
Liabilities							
Accounts not yet paid		-	-	-	-	-	-
Expenses incurred but not invoiced		-	-	-	-	-	-
Subscriptions not yet paid		-	-	-	-	-	-
Loan - detail		-	-	-	-	-	-
Other liabilities		-	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total		-	-	-	-	-	-

Contingent liabilities and future obligations

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on _____ (the date of the Executive Committee meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by

Signature

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Print Name

	Chairman
	Treasurer

Annex: Breakdown of minibus expenditure

	2021		
	Receipts	Payments	Total
	£	£	£
Minibus			
Minibus income	-	-	-
Minibus insurance	-	(370)	(370)
Minibus lease	-	(4,268)	(4,268)
Minibus upkeep	-	(932)	(932)
Total	-	(5,570)	(5,570)

Annex: Schedule of 'Other' expenditure

Date	Amount	Item
19 January 2021	£850.00	Expenditure on gifts for leaders, offset by £814.85 of fundraising from parents
18 October 2021	£195.76	Leaders uniform, badges for Squirrels
28 September 2021	£122.35	Leader Uniform
28 September 2021	£104.40	Marketing collateral
19 January 2021	£73.65	Gifts / badges for volunteers
28 September 2021	£47.00	Squirrels flag
15 November 2021	£38.25	Church Hall key
28 September 2021	£36.90	Squirrels flyers
19 January 2021	£30.00	Leaving gift for leader
15 November 2021	£21.00	Store padlock keys
20 April 2021	£20.50	Storage box for badges
18 October 2021	£18.99	De-humidifier packs for stores
20 April 2021	£7.97	Storage box
24 June 2021	£4.71	PVC tape asset-marking
20 July 2021	£4.20	Matches for firefighting
Total	£1,575.68	

Scrutineer's Statement

Scrutineer's Report to the Trustees of the

9TH MUSWELL HILL SCOUT GROUP SCOUT COUNCIL

I report on the accounts of the Group/District for the year ended 31ST December 2021

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Scrutineer


As the Group's/District'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/District's constitution, I have scrutinised the records and the accounts set out on pages 10 to 13.

Scrutineer's Statement

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

Name: EVELYN BOULT AMANT 
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HANTS
Date: 14-06-2022.

Appendix 1: 2021 AGM Minutes

9th Muswell Hill Annual General Meeting 2021 Minutes

Meeting Date	Monday 18 th October 2021
Meeting Time	19:45 to 21:00
Location	Scout Park

Attendees	Dan Sheehan (GSL) Simon Oliver (Incoming Chair) Balbinder KaurGeddes (Outgoing Chair) David Turnbull (Treasurer) Jon Mann Phill Hogg Ellie Carroll Nigel Barton-White Paul Barnard Louise Bailey Natalie Scorer (Section Leader Beaver Scouts) Elliot Moore (Section Leader Cub Scouts Tuesday) Nigel Laurens (Section Leader Scouts Thursday) Richard Grover (Section Leader (Scouts Tuesday)) Members of the Group Scout Council
Apologies	North London District Commissioner

Open Actions:

Action ID	Responsible	Action	Status / Update
A0001	Parent Reps	Email out to all parents of 9th Muswell Hill who the Parent Reps are for each of the groups and what role they play.	

Decisions:

Decision ID	Owner	Action	Details
D0001	Bally KaurGeddes	Agree minutes from AGM 2020	Agreed - amendment required for Item 7b in AGM 2020 minutes - David Turnbull accepted appointment as Treasurer not Chair. Approvals - All Abstention - 0 Rejection -0

Decision ID	Owner	Action	Details
D0002	All	Group Chair Role appointment	Bally KaurGeddes will resign from being the Chair after many years successfully leading the 9th MH Scout Group. Nomination of new Group Chair - Simon Oliver Nominated by Dan Sheehan (Group Scout Leader)
D0003	All	Treasurer Appointment	Nomination of David Turnbull to continue as Treasurer Nominated by Paul Barnard Seconded by Phil Hogg Decision - Approved
D0004	All	Secretary Appointment	Jack Timbrell resigned from being Secretary during the 2020/2021 year after many years of successfully running the Secretary (and other key roles) for 9th MH Scout Group. Nomination of Nigel Barton-White as Secretary Nominated by Phil Hogg Seconded by Nigel Laurens Decision - Approved
D0005	All	Elected Members	Retain existing Parent Representatives: Nomination by Nigel Laurens Seconded by Richard Groves Decision - Approved
D0006	All	Co-Opted Members: QuarterMaster Appointment	Nomination of Paul Barnard to continue as QuarterMaster Nominated by Bally KaurGeddes Seconded by David Turnbull Decision - Approved
D0007	All	Co-Opted Members: Group Administrator (Governance)	Nomination of Phil Hogg to continue as Group Administrator Nominated by Paul Barnard Seconded by Natalia Scorer
D0008	All	Accounts Scrutineer Appointment	Agreement to proceed with existing Accounts Scrutineer, Evenlyn Boulton.

Meeting Discussion Items:

Meeting ID	Owner	Notes
M0001	N/A	Bally KaurGeddes - Introduction to the AGM and welcoming the return to face to face Scouting given the past 18 months of predominantly virtual meetings due to Covid-19.
M0002	Bally KaurGeddes	Group Chair Report on 2020/21 activities. Bally will be stepping down from her role as Chair after many years successfully leading the 9th MH Scouts in the Chair capacity.
M0003	Dan Sheehan	GSL Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Key call out to Section Leaders for their response during Covid-19 Lockdowns and the shift to virtual scouting sessions. ● Also a huge thanks to Bally for her contribution as Chair and for many years of service in that capacity leading the Exec Committee. ● Winter Camp 2021 had the largest ever attendance.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Youth Led Scouting initiative taking place in 2021/22.
M0004	Dan Sheehan	Presentation to Jack Timbrell for 15 years of service to 9th Muswell Hill Scout Group. His organisation and dedication to the group has made a significant contribution to how smoothly the group runs today.
M0005	Natalia Scorer	Beaver Section Report Virtual scouting sessions made for interesting times. Great fundraiser opportunity via Bear Grylls - Race to the Moon challenge.
M0006	Elliot Moore	Cub Scouts Section Report Mention of challenge organising socially distanced activities. New Forest Camp in 2022.
M0007	Nigel Laurens	Scouts Section Report Mention of challenge organising socially distanced activities. Wild Camp on South Downs Way planned for 2022. Opportunity to connect with Scouts over GoogleMeet during lockdowns was challenging and fun at times.
M0008	Catherine Haigh	North London Jamboree Leader and mentioned the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> August 2023 World Jamboree is in South Korea and available to Scouts aged 12-15 years. August 2027 World Jamboree is in Poland 50 Scouts will be selected across the Greater North London area.
M0009	Dan Sheehan	New Scouting will commence in 2021 known as Squirrels. This is the first new section introduced in 33 years. It is available to children aged 4 - 6 years. The first 9th Muswell Hill Squirrels section will have 16 participants.
M0010	David Turnbull	2020 Accounts signed off by the Scrutineer. Overall cash position improved by GBP 3,000 from 2019.

