

**18TH Edmonton Scout Group Executive Meeting
Monday 22nd January 2007 at 8.00p.m.**

Present: Paul Symons (PS) Chairman/Quartermaster
 Lilian Cooper (LC) GSL
 Rob Bruce (RB) Treasurer
 Richard Clark (RC) Secretary
 Barbara Barnicoat (BB)
 Sue Bateman (SB)
 Lucy Bragg (LB)
 Dave Edwards (DE)
 Brenda Kennedy (BK)
 Ian Kirby (IK)
 Heather McIsaac-Hall (HMH)
 Karen Walker (KW)

0.	Welcome KW was welcomed to her first Group Exec Meeting, and introduced to everybody.	
1.	Apologies for Absence Apologies were received from Claire Gopoulos (CG), Mike Morrissey (MM), Pat Powell (PP) and Sally Symons (SS). Absent: Jan Ballett (JB), Ben Saul (BS)	
2.	Minutes of the Last Meeting The minutes of the meeting held on 6 th November 2006 were agreed, with one addition being required to the 'Transport Policy' to state that payment should be made upfront.	PS
3.	Matters Arising	
3.1	The ex-member of the Group who had sent an email offering to help out has not been in contact again, and has not responded to any replies to his email. At a Meeting at Group HQ on 8 th November 2006, the County Commissioner had sought views on the future of the District. This had been a fact-finding exercise only, and no change (if there were to be any) was predicted for 12 – 24 months. Options discussed were for the District to merge with another District, for Groups to move independently to other Districts, and for Groups from surrounding areas to move to the District. (RB arrived.)	
3.2	The December numbers draw has taken place. The winners are 1 st Mrs Scott £60, 2 nd Mrs Bragg £40, 3 rd Mr Wilson £20.	
4.	Health & Safety	
4.1	Alex Chetty had hurt himself playing football on 18 th November 2006, although had suffered no lasting ill-effects. An Accident Report had been compiled by RC.	

4.2	With regard to the 'Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005', coming into force from October 2006, LC reported that she still did not believe the Church have yet physically carried out a risk assessment for fire safety for the hall. LC will chase them re this at the Church Council Meeting during w/c 5 th February 2007. The Group will carry out their own assessment should nothing have been done by the next Group Exec meeting.	LC
5.	Resources	
5.1	PS reported that the Transport Manager (BS) had resigned from this post (although it was not currently clear whether or not he had also resigned from the Executive Committee). The minibus has passed its MOT. The van has a flat battery, which Jim Cooper will be sorting out.	PS
5.2	The Quartermaster was granted permission to purchase 1 bale 12mm Staplespun rope coil (£50) and 1 bale 24mm Staplespun rope coil (£170). (LC commented that she would like to see a portion of the money raised from bag packing put towards the purchase of pioneering equipment.)	PS
	Permission was also granted to purchase a replacement photocopier for PP (approx. £100).	PS
5.3	Re the Fund Raising Hut, RB reported that gaining a lottery grant was feasible, but that it would entail some effort to put together the relevant details for any such application. IK has had a verbal quote from one company [from Minutes of 6 th November 2006 Meeting, this was £2,200 to replace the hut, plus extra to dismantle and remove the old shed should this be required] and will arrange for a contact from this company to come and view the hut towards the end of the current school term. IK will ask for a formal written quote both for the cost of the new hut and for the cost of dismantling and removing the old shed. A view can then be taken as to whether we might wish to undertake the latter task ourselves.	IK
	LC will mention this at the Church Council Meeting during w/c 5 th February 2007, with a view to seeing if the Church might be prepared to share costs. A decision as to whether or not to proceed via the lottery grant route will be made when we have both the formal written quote and the views of the Church with regard to cost sharing.	LC
6.	Events Review	
6.1	The 60 th Anniversary Social had made a profit of £28.36. The general feedback was that this had been a wonderful event, greatly enjoyed by all those who had attended. Thanks were recorded to HMM and MM for their efforts in helping to organise this event.	
6.2	The Church will shortly be discussing their views as to the success of Christmas Bazaar. It was reported that the same amount of money had been made as in previous years when the event had been spread over two days.	
7.	Events Planning for 2007	
7.1	Quiz Night. Following the success of the 60 th Anniversary Social, Bush Hill Park Bowls and Tennis Club is the preferred venue, with the preferred date being Saturday 24 th March. No food will be provided on the night. PS will ask MM to investigate whether the Club is available for booking on that date, and will speak to Keith Kimber to see if he is available to act as quiz-master.	PS

	<p>The AGM will be held on Friday 18th May.</p> <p>Family Camp will be held over the weekend of 22nd/23rd September at Gilwell Park.</p> <p>Firework Night will be held on Friday 2nd November.</p> <p>No attendance at fetes is currently planned.</p>	
8.	<p>Adult Support PS reported that Mary Bird is helping out Beavers, and that PP has volunteered to stay on. However there is still a pressing need for leaders. A new transport manager is also required.</p> <p>LC reported that, as a result of a letter to parents asking for help with badges, one new volunteer Mum would be helping with the Chef's badge. Additionally, SB, LB and CG would be assisting with the Outdoor Challenge, Librarian and World Faith badges respectively.</p> <p>PS informed the meeting that he had received a 100 Club Leaflet from Enfield Council. LC will investigate this and see if there are any opportunities or possibilities for the Group.</p>	LC
9.	<p>Any Other Business Two Cubs are taking part in Enfield Operatic Society's production of 'Oliver' on the evening of Friday 30th March. Tickets are priced at £13, with no concessions, for that performance. It was agreed that the Group would offer a £5 per ticket subsidy, meaning that tickets would be offered to Cubs at £8.</p> <p>LC stated that Census figures were now due in, and that Mary Bird would be added as a helper.</p> <p>Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers will be available to Scout Groups from February this year. HMH will ask Sainsbury's if they can have a box for the 18th Edmonton Scout Group into which shoppers can easily place their vouchers if they wish to do so.</p> <p>To celebrate 100 Years of Scouting, a badge and an official centenary scarf are available to all members of the Association, and to any volunteers/helpers. It was agreed that all children and leaders would be provided with the badge for their uniforms. Scarves will not be provided, although anybody can choose to buy a scarf at their own expense should they wish to do so.</p> <p>Bag packing raised a total of £1,574.93 . Waitrose had invited the Group back at Easter, which LC would organise. It was agreed that we would donate £525 (one third of the total raised) to our chosen Charity, which would also be receiving from the Church a donation of all collection money taken on Christmas Eve.</p> <p>It was further agreed that a further £525 be made available to LC towards the costs of the Summer Camp. (Included within this amount would be the cost of two leaders, estimated</p>	HMH LC

	<p>at approx. £450.)</p> <p>IK asked if the question of which District the Group should belong to would be raised at the AGM. It was agreed that this item would only be raised if there was any definitive news to impart. In response to DE's question, LC replied that she was aware of sensitivities surrounding the possibility of changing Group name, and that any decision would only be reached after careful consideration.</p> <p>Thanks were recorded to SB for organising the visit to the Pantomime.</p> <p>In response to RB's question, LC replied that she had the vehicle registration documents for the van, but that RB should have a folder containing the minibus documentation. RB will check that this is the case.</p>	RB
10.	<p>Date Of Next Meeting Monday 16th April 2006 at 8.00pm in the Garden Room.</p>	

Executive Committee Information Sheet

22nd January 2007

Actions taken on committee's behalf since last meeting:

By GSL	
By Chair	December numbers draw done with Sue Bateman. 1 st Mrs Scott, 2 nd Mrs Bragg, 3 rd Mr Wilson
By Others	

Health and Safety:

Reportable Incidents	Alex Chetty injury at football 18/11/06 – Accident Report compiled by Richard Clark
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From the GSL:

	Beavers	Cubs	Scouts
Numbers in section	21	18	
Number on link to next section	1	2	
Other information from GSL			

From Treasurer:

	Investment	Current	Petty Cash	
Balance on accounts	£2,674.51	£2,066.98	£1,266.41	
	Membership Fees	Numbers Draw	Van	
Income since last meeting	£840.00	£65.00	£35.00	
	Group	Beavers	Cubs	Scouts
Expenditure to date	£(3,713.26)	£121.68	£176.23	£210.92
Other information from Treasurer	Supermarket packing		£1,574.93 income	
	Anniversary party		£28.36 income	
	Xmas panto		£40.00 cost	
	Lord Mayor Show		£7.60 cost	
	No significant expenses paid since last meeting			

Resources Reports:

Transport	Minibus MoT done. Van to be done, SORN in place.
Quartermaster	Request to buy rope as follows: 1 bale 12mm Staplespun rope - coil - £50 1 bale 24mm Staplespun rope - coil - £170