

**18TH Edmonton Scout Group Executive Meeting
Monday 16th April 2007 at 8.00p.m.**

Present: Mark Dowsett (MD) District Commissioner, Enfield
 Paul Symons (PS) Chairman/Quartermaster
 Lilian Cooper (LC) GSL
 Rob Bruce (RB) Treasurer
 Richard Clark (RC) Secretary
 Jan Ballett (JB)
 Sue Bateman (SB)
 Lucy Bragg (LB)
 Claire Gopoulos (CG)
 Brenda Kennedy (BK)
 Ian Kirby (IK)
 Mike Morrissey (MM)

0.	<p>Welcome MD was welcomed to the Group Exec Meeting, and introduced to everybody.</p>	
1.	<p>Apologies for Absence Apologies were received from Barbara Barnicoat (BB), Dave Edwards (DE), Heather McIsaac-Hall (HMH), Pat Powell (PP), Sally Symons (SS) and Karen Walker (KW). Absent: Ben Saul (BS)</p>	
2.	<p>Minutes of the Last Meeting The minutes of the meeting held on 22nd January 2007 were agreed and signed by the Chairman as being a correct record. PS reported that no change had been required to the 'Transport Policy' to state that payment should be made upfront, as this was already specified in the Policy.</p>	
3.	<p>Matters Arising</p> <p>3.1 There has still been no further contact with the ex-member of the Group who had sent an email offering to help out.</p> <p>PS reported that SS sent her thanks to the Exec Committee for subsidising the trip to see 'Oliver', adding that 22 members of the Group had attended the performance.</p> <p>3.2 There were no actions taken since the last meeting requiring approval.</p> <p>3.3 MD explained that the Edmonton Groups had been moved into the Enfield District, for which he is District Commissioner. It would, however, take some time to sort out all of the associated changes relating to finance and paperwork. The 18th Edmonton Group name will remain. With the addition of the Edmonton Groups, Enfield will number over 1,200 members. MD invited everybody to the Enfield District AGM, to be held at the Civic Centre on 24th May 2007. He also informed the meeting that the Enfield District Newsletter, "Bangers and Mash", is issued quarterly (January, April, July, October), and that everybody is welcome to contribute to this. LC stated that she would be happy to receive any</p>	

	contributions in the first instance.	
4.	Health & Safety	
4.1	There have been no serious incidents since the last meeting.	
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 carried out a risk assessment for fire safety for the hall. Therefore, as agreed at the previous Group Exec Meeting, the Group will now carry out their own assessment. CG volunteered to perform the assessment, and pass this on to the Church when complete.	CG
5.	Resources	
5.1	PS reported that the white van was having a quick look-over on 18 th April, with a view to ascertaining what work might need doing. The minibus is in generally good condition. BK reported that HMH had asked her to pass on the information that Latymer currently thought we would be able to borrow their minibus for 'Kip on a Ship'.	PS
5.2	The Quartermaster has purchased ropes, however he is still working on finding the blocks he requires.	PS
5.3	Re the Fund Raising Hut, IK issued details of an email he had received containing quotes for a new hut, and removal of the old hut. The Group's preferred option was Option 3: a building partitioned into 4 with access door into each 24'x 9', quoted at a cost of £3,389, inclusive of VAT. The Group also felt that the quoted cost of £685, inclusive of VAT, for removal of the old hut was a reasonable cost, and that this option that should be taken up. PS will check out heights and widths of items that will need storing in the new hut, and ensure that the new hut has the necessary capacity. LC will see if the Church would be prepared to contribute to the costs. Rather than going down the time-consuming route of applying for a lottery grant, two alternative sources of funding, thought to be quicker and easier, were suggested: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bridge House Estates, City of London; • London Councils; both of whom are believed to have their own websites. MM agreed to work with RB to investigate these possibilities. It was felt that the Summer Holiday would be the best time to carry out the hut replacement exercise. LC will check if the Garden Room can be used for storage, based on the assumption that work is indeed carried out during the Summer Holiday. Given the timescales involved, it was agreed that decisions as to how to move forward with this project could be made prior to the next Group Exec Meeting. PS agreed to keep Group Exec members informed of progress.	PS PS LC MM RB LC PS

6. 6.1	<p>Events Review</p> <p>The Quiz Night was deemed to have been a great success, and formal thanks were recorded to MM for organising the hall. £482.02 had been raised. It was decided that £180 would be donated to the Church, and that the rest of the money would be put towards paving the side passage to the Fund Raising Hut. LC will inform the Church that we will be laying this path.</p>	LC
7. 7.1 7.2 7.3 7.4 7.5	<p>Events Planning for 2007</p> <p>The AGM will be held on Friday 18th May. PS will be talking to all current Group Exec members re their intentions for the following year. IK will sort out refreshments, assisted by CG.</p> <p>The Edmonton District Fete will be held on Saturday 9th June, at Eldon Road School. It was decided that the Group would support this event, and take the Jackpot Dice stall.</p> <p>The Enfield Town Show will be held over the weekend of 8th/9th September. It was decided that the Group would not have its own stall, but would provide support for the planned Enfield District activities.</p> <p>SS is planning a Family Quiz Night on Friday 8th June. It was decided that teams, and the mixture of scouts, beavers and cubs within each team, would be sorted out on the night.</p> <p>St George's Day Parade will take place on Sunday 22nd April. LB will assist with cubs, and David Cooper with scouts. RC will coordinate the marshalling support being provided by the Group.</p>	PS IK CG
8.	<p>Adult Support</p> <p>LC reported that LB would be attending Appointments Committee on 17th April, with a view to taking up the position of Assistant Scout Leader. Formal thanks were recorded to LB.</p> <p>LC formally commended SB for all of her help on Friday evenings.</p>	
9.	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>LC explained that she had received a Jack Petchey Award of £1,000 to be spent on the Group. To date, £225 is paying for SB to attend Summer Camp, and purchases have been made of a new toilet tent, 10 new hike tents for the scouts and 20 high-visibility jackets displaying the 18th Edmonton name. The Award will also be used to buy the compasses required by PS.</p> <p>LC explained that the Group had been unable to do bag packing at Waitrose over the Easter holiday. It was agreed that 25% of the takings from Red Nose Day (approximately £120) would be given to Noah's Ark Children's Hospice in lieu of bag packing money.</p> <p>LC asked that all Exec Group members let her know their CRB check status.</p> <p>It was agreed that LC and SS could receive up to £150 towards the costs of 'Kip on a Ship'. PS acknowledged JB's concerns about security arrangements, saying that he had</p>	ALL

	<p>been led to believe that the Group would be provided with its own secure area.</p> <p>PS stated that he thought there was a need for a Working Party Day to tackle some of the tasks needed around the Church premises, and issued a plan of suggested activities. It was agreed that Saturday 19th May would be earmarked for this purpose, with Saturday 12th May as a backup date.</p> <p>MM reported that the Group was claiming back £1,201.54 via Gift Aid.</p> <p>MD reported that the Enfield District cub 5-a-side tournament would be taking place on Saturday 12th May.</p> <p>RC agreed to write to Noah's Ark Children's Hospice inviting them to receive their donation at the AGM. LC will provide RC with the contact name and address.</p> <p>MD told the meeting that Jack Petchey awards were available for children who had achieved suitably, not just for adults.</p>	<p>RC LC</p>
10.	<p>Date Of Next Meeting Monday 11th June 2007 at 8.00pm in the Garden Room.</p>	