

**18<sup>TH</sup> Edmonton Scout Group Executive Meeting  
Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2007 at 8.00p.m.**

Present: Paul Symons (PS) Chairman/Quartermaster  
 Lilian Cooper (LC) GSL  
 Rob Bruce (RB) Treasurer  
 Richard Clark (RC) Secretary  
 Jan Ballett (JB)  
 Barbara Barnicoat (BB)  
 Sue Bateman (SB)  
 Paul Boulter (PB)  
 Dave Edwards (DE)  
 Brenda Kennedy (BK)  
 Ian Kirby (IK)  
 Karen Walker (KW)

1.	<b>Apologies for Absence</b> Apologies were received from Lucy Bragg (LB), David Cooper (DC), Heather McIsaac-Hall (HMH), Mike Morrissey (MM), Pat Powell (PP) and Sally Symons (SS).	
2.	<b>Minutes of the Last Meeting</b> One amendment is required to the minutes of the meeting held on 11 <sup>th</sup> June 2007: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Under Item 8, it was LB who had been invested into the Group recently, not LC. PS will make this amendment.</li> </ul>	PS
3.	<b>Matters Arising</b>	
3.1	PS reported that Claire Gopoulos (CG) had resigned from the Group Exec. PS had accepted her resignation and thanked her for all of her efforts whilst on the Group Exec.	
3.2	There were no actions taken since the last meeting requiring approval. It was agreed that Ron and Mary Bird's 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary should be marked at the Group Anniversary Service with a pair of bone china mugs (approx. £10 each), as suggested by SS.	
3.3	The 'Child Protection Policy' was reviewed and approved with no changes required. Review Date was set as September 2008. LC said that she would get a supply of Yellow Cards and provide these to adult helpers as she deemed appropriate.	LC
3.4	The 'Safety Policy' was reviewed and approved subject to one change: it was agreed that the word "undue" should prefix the word "risk" wherever appropriate throughout the Policy. Review Date was set as September 2008.	PS
4.	<b>Health &amp; Safety</b>	
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, CG had been going to perform a risk assessment. However, due to her resignation, PS will now investigate the requirements and see if he can carry out the	PS LC

	assessment himself. LC will email Irene to see how the electrical work being carried out by the Church is progressing.	
5.	<b>Resources</b>	
5.1	PS reported that both vehicles were running without problems. The minibus has just been taxed, and MOT is due in December. Vehicle insurance is due in October. The Explorers have now made use of the minibus. No expenditure was currently requested.	
5.2	The Quartermaster had no specific expenditure to request. He reported that, of the two new benches purchased, one had been broken at District Camp.	
5.3	Re the Fund Raising Hut, PS explained that MM was now looking at websites to investigate the possibility of receiving a grant. The local authority rules would appear to exclude us, and the Bridge Trust currently appears the most promising avenue. PS stated that there was now no possibility of carrying out any work this calendar year.	MM
6.	<b>Events Review</b>	
6.1	The District Fete on Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> June has been reported upon in the previous Minutes (11 <sup>th</sup> June 2007).	
6.2	£250 had been raised at the Raglan School Fete (7 <sup>th</sup> July), of which half would be going to Raglan School.	
6.3	£123 had been raised at the Hazelbury School Fete (14 <sup>th</sup> July), of which £35 would be going to Hazelbury School.	
6.4	Re the Sunflower Competition, SB reported that nobody had contacted her yet. She would issue a note as a reminder.	SB
7.	<b>Events Planning</b>	
7.1	PS reported that all plans were on place for Family Camp (21/09/07 to 23/09/07).	
7.2	Fireworks Night (03/11/07). PS explained that tickets for Enfield Fireworks Night in the Town Park could be sold through the Group. This is an opportunity for us to support Enfield, and a significant percentage of ticket sales will go directly to the Group. It was therefore decided that a Firework event would not be held at the Church as in recent years, but that, instead, an alternative event to bring the Group together would be considered. PS will include an item in the next Newsletter making parents aware of the benefits of buying tickets through the Group.	PS
	PS added that he would be a team leader for providing stewarding support for Fireworks Night, and that he would be issuing a general request for people to assist.	PS
8.	<b>Adult Support</b>	
	PS reported that PP had announced she would definitely be leaving Beavers after the AGM in May 2008, having been working with Beavers for ten years. Ideally we would like a replacement in place before then. Some Beaver parents had been informed on the previous Friday night, and LC will be sending out a letter to inform all parents after Family Camp.	LC

	<p>LC said that she had spoken to the County Development Officer, who would work with us to help us find leaders, and also to the District Commissioner. She added that the bottom line was that she would have to close down the Beaver Colony should no replacement be found by the AGM.</p> <p>PS added that the Group was still looking for Assistant Leaders across all sections, and that a Transport Manager was also still needed.</p>	
9.	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p>The trip to Southend for regular Church Parade attendees was discussed, and it was clear from previously-received comments and this discussion that the way this had happened had upset some parents and children. It was agreed that any similar exercise carried out in future should be made more transparent, and possibly based on attendance over a longer time period.</p> <p>RC reported that Saturday afternoon football between 1400 and 1500 would resume on 29<sup>th</sup> September. Anybody aged 8 or over was very welcome to come along.</p> <p>LC reported that, of her current 21 Scouts, 5 were due to leave to join Explorers by Christmas. The Explorer Scout Leader had attended the previous Friday night Scout Meeting, and been very well received by the Scouts concerned.</p> <p>LC stated that discussions were ongoing concerning amendment of the Church Groupings in the Circuit. It appeared that the Group might be sharing one Minister with Grange Park.</p> <p>LC informed the Group that, from October 2007, no warrants would be issued, and that all adult helpers would instead receive an Appointment Card.</p> <p>LC reported that Summer Camp had been very successful and enjoyable.</p> <p>In response to RB's question, PS confirmed that the authorised signatories for the Nationwide Account are LC and himself. LC agreed to follow up the problem RB was experiencing with the address for this Account.</p> <p>LC told RB that she does not yet know the figure for District capitation.</p>	LC
10.	<p><b>Date Of Next Meeting</b></p> <p>Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2007 at 8.00pm in the Garden Room.</p>	