



### 30<sup>th</sup> Warrington West Scout Group AGM

MEETING RECORD		
<b>EVENT:</b> Annual General Meeting	<b>LOCATION:</b> virtual Zoom meeting	<b>DATE:</b> 26 <sup>th</sup> June 2020 <b>TIME:</b> 7:00pm

**Present from the executive:** Mark Tombs, Samantha Done, Kath Shaw, Ian Gornall, Steve Devers, Jane Renshall, Heather Harper, Medha Chitale,

**Also attending from the group:** Chris Williams, David Smith, Christine Smith, Gill Gornall, Alex Devers, Ashleigh Dean, Steve Pennington, Ryan, Zach, Joseph and Elliott.

**Apologies:** Barry McIlveen, Amanda Cross, Lewis

**Parents:** 7

**Proposed agenda:**

1. Welcome from the GSL
2. Approval of the previous year's AGM minutes
3. Chairman's report
4. Treasurers report
5. Scouter in Charge report
6. Section reports
7. Appointment of the members of the Executive
8. Presentations of awards
9. Any Other Business

**Welcome:** Mark welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduces Steve Pennington as the district representative for those who had not met Steve before.

**Approval of the previous year's AGM minutes**

The minutes of the previous year's AGM had been circulated. Approval of the minutes was proposed by Kath Shaw and seconded by Heather Harper.

**Chairman's report – Given by Mark Tombs in absence of a sitting Chairperson.**

Mark Tombs again appealed for someone to step up as new Chairman. MT also appealed for any parents who want to join the executive committee as Beaver or cub parent reps. Mark explained that the containers and storage issues were finally sorted and confirmed what these new arrangements are. MT thanked existing members: SJD as group secretary; KS as treasurer and for the plants orders and deliveries; JR for her fundraising; BM for fundraising and managing the van; and for all section leaders for their efforts and support over the past year.

**Treasurers Report – Kath Shaw**

Covering the period 01/01/19 to 31/12/19. Increase in funds on deposit this year of approximately £4,000 The main income for the group is still coming from subscriptions, gift aid (£2000) , plant sales (£2000) and fundraising. We have also had other donations of approximately £1,000. The sale of the containers also raised another £1,000.



Our main outgoings are payments to district (£3476), new equipment, storage and maintenance costs for the van, insurance, and ongoing costs of badges and the weekly meetings.

Donations made this year include £300 to Penketh Methodist Church for the use of their facilities, £900 to support our 4 leaders and 2 young leaders who attended Jamboree. We have also used approximately £700 across all 3 sections to subsidise activities.

WE don't know yet what effect Covid-19 will have on group finances. The Financial report has been sent to all executive committee members.

HH proposed acceptance of the report and SJD seconded this.

### **Group Scout Leader Report – Mark Tombs**

Our numbers this year have fallen from 87 to 79 though we have had an increase in the number of our adult leaders.

4 leaders and 2 young leaders attended the Jamboree last summer in America.

Alistair Tombs was awarded his Queens Scout Award, the highest youth award achievable in the scouting movement – well done Alistair!

All 3 sections have attended Remembrance services, Carol services and St Georges services over the last 12 months. They have also been involved in fundraising with the Christmas Bingo.

We now have new storage facilities for all our equipment at Fiddler's Ferry

MT thanked all the leaders and young leaders for all their work and support.

### **Section Reports**

#### **Beavers – Heather Harper**

Beavers have been working towards 5 challenge badges, 8 activity badges and 3 staged badges. So far 35 activity and 9 challenge badges have been awarded. The Beavers have also been working towards their Woggle Award.

This year Beavers have attended the Remembrance parade, District Carol service and St Georges service. They have had an RAF trip and to Tru Ninja (subsidised by the group).

The District Challenge has been ongoing and will end in July. So far 2 Beavers have completed 24 activities!

#### **Cubs – Steve Devers**

35 cubs on role with a number due to move up to scouts soon. Thanks to the cubs and parents for being involved.

Thanks to Gill, and the young leaders Joseph, Alastair, Toby, May and Elliott.

Cubs have been involved in the Remembrance service, District Carol Service, St Georges service, and the District swim gala. Cubs have also helped with all the fundraising activities for plant sales. They have also been to the play factory at the Trafford Centre. They have also been working towards their Global challenge badge, WWF, emergency and pioneering badges.

#### **Scouts – Ian Gornall**

There have been 12 new scouts this year with 19 in total in the section.

This year scouts have attended 7 Community events, 4 District/county events, 6 camp sites visited, 5 scouts did Blakfoot, 11 nights away on camp, 120 badges completed (this includes 20 challenge badges, activity and zodiac badges) and 2 Chief Scout Gold awards (Charlotte was presented with hers during the meeting)



Highlights for the last year: Snowdonia camp, Chariot race (3<sup>rd</sup> place), and Blakfoot. Kaden, John, Emma and Amy have over 80 nights camping since the lockdown. Looking at a week long camp in 2021 hopefully.

Thanks to the executive committee for all their support. Thanks to parents for their commitment, thanks to the scouts for always being pleasant and polite. Thanks to the leadership team for all your help and support with our section and scouting as a whole.

### **Exec Committee**

No one volunteered for the vacant posts

All existing members of the committee are prepared to serve for another year.

The following members of the committee were happy to continue:

Mark Tombs – Group Scout leader

Samantha Done – group secretary

Kath Shaw –group treasurer

Jane Renshall - Fundraising,

Barry McIlveen – transport manager

Medha Chitale – Scout parent rep

Vacancy – Chairperson,

Beaver parent rep Vacancy

cub parent representative – vacancy

MT proposed and CW seconded the continuation of the committee. Appeal for new people to volunteer for the vacant committee roles.

### **Section presentations**

**Beavers** (Heather Harper)

Beaver of the year – Benjamin Marsden

**Cubs** (Steve Devers)

Bagheera Award – Jack McCurry

**Scouts** (Ian Gornall)

Griffith Award – Charlotte Mason

### **AOB:**

Brief overview of current Covid-19 situation from MT.

MT thanked all for attending.

Meeting closed 8.30pm