

Annual General Meeting

for the financial year 6th April 2021 - 5th April 2022

Meeting held on 4th May 2022 at 18:00 at Bexon Lane Campsite

Minutes

In attendance:

Kyle Mortimer, Candice Sterling, Gary Chadwick, Janice Chadwick, Laura Bartlett, Louise Winzar, Steph Manktelow, Laura David, Jo Warner, Rob Warner, Kate Hix, Anita Righton, Kerry Martin, Philip Martin, Vicky Chant, Lauren Turner, Jim Turner, Jason Woodcock, Joanne Woodcock, Rob Hook, Hannah Mitchell, Liz Sutehall, Catrina Nunn, Hayley Crompton, Liam Bedford, Bethany Gates, Chanelle Ferguson, Rachelle Coote, Simon Perkin, Julija Kaminska, Lisa Springate, Shellie Nicholson, Angela Palmer – District Commissioner

1) Welcome

Candice welcomed everyone in attendance. She introduced herself as Chair and introduced the executive committee to the new parents and thanked everyone for attending the AGM. It is a legal requirement for us to carry out the AGM within 6 months of our year end which was 06th April. The AGM is important to look back and celebrate everything we've done the past year.

2) Apologies

We received no official apologies for the meeting.

3) Minutes from 2020 AGM

Candice recapped the minutes and they were approved.

4) Receive & approve the annual report for the 2021/22 year

Kyle thanked everyone for attending. Kyle advised we have good numbers in the group currently and these have increased since last year. Many groups in the District have had to close since Covid. Kyle recapped the groups growth plan and covered the governance of the group.

5) Receive & approve the Financial Statement for the 2021 financial year

The current balance in the bank account is £2384.79.

The group had to purchase a new trailer the end of last year because the existing trailer was no longer fit for purpose.

We are currently on the ASDA green token scheme and will be given a donation at the end of the period May 22.

Steph has successfully applied for the Reconnect grant with the local council and we are waiting for the funds to be paid to us. This money is being used for new tents, shelters, tables etc.

The group paid for 4 leaders to undertake Archery training in January. They all passed.

The group have also spent money on updating the storage cupboard located at the hall which is used alongside our weekly meets.

The group ran a very successful Easter event which we hope to make a yearly event.

Kyle advised we need to get the bank account back to £6000 to cover a year of insurances etc. We will be able to achieve this with successful grant applications and fundraising.

6) Approval of the Group Scout Leaders nomination of Chair

Group Chair and all trustees retired from post at this point. GSL assumed chair. Every year we have to elect the executive committee members for the forthcoming year.

Kyle nominated Candice Sterling for **Chair** and this was seconded by Lisa Springate.

7) Election of Group Officers & Trustees

Secretary – Kyle nominated Laura Bartlett and this was seconded by Candice Sterling.

Treasurer – Kyle nominated Louise Winzar and this was seconded by Simon Perkin.

Fundraiser – Kyle nominated Steph Manktelow and this was seconded by Candice Sterling.

We were unable to elect a Beaver or Cub parent rep but Lisa Springate is happy to be the **Scout parent rep**.

Auditor – Stephen King of PHSC – he has agreed to audit for 5 years.

8) Closing remarks from the Group Scout Leader & District Commissioner

Angela thanked all the members of 1st Sittingbourne for the invite to the AGM. Angela said that the group is an amazing group that really pushes the children to achieve their Chief Scout awards. The group has really bounced back well since Covid. The Scout Association was not prepared for the influx of the children that would want to return. The District are struggling with a lack of leaders across the board but our group has done well to retain the leaders we have.

Simon Perkin the Salvation Army Chaplain said it is a privilege to have such a great scout group in the Salvation Army at Sittingbourne.

Kyle thanked everyone for attending and also thanked all the leaders and the executive committee for their hard work this past year.

9) Presentation of Group Special Awards

Kyle and Simon awarded trophies as below:

Beaver of the year: Logan David

Cub of the year: Jason Burns

Scout of the year: Zak Brown

10) Thanks, and Closing Prayer

Thanks were given to everyone in attendance and Simon closed with a prayer. The meeting ended at 18:37