

MINUTES OF THE 2017 ANNUAL GATHERING OF THE
BROADSTONE SCOUT GROUP COUNCIL HELD AT BUTCHERS COPPICE
CAMP FIRE CIRCLE
15th SEPTEMBER 2017

1. Welcome

1.1. On behalf of the group, Andrew Williams, Chairman of the Broadstone Scout Group Executive opened the meeting, thanked everyone for attending, explained the procedure.

1.2. Apologies from Sue Rice, Andrew Walker, Pete Moore, Mike King, Jon Bowrey, Tony Wainwright

2. Group Executive: Andrew outlined the make up of the Executive and invited any members of the Council who might be interested to contact himself or other Trustees for a discussion.

2.1 Ex-Officio members (members of the committee by default of their position)

Group Scout Leader

Gillian McDonald

Assistant Group Scout Leaders: Lez Terry, Alison Bowden, Simon Lawford

2.2 Chairman

Gill McDonald, Group Scout Leader nominated Andrew Williams as Chairman for the Broadstone Scout Group and this was approved by the Group Council.

2.3 Treasurer – Andrew gave the position of Treasurer as an example of how even major tasks within the Group can be shared. Sue Rice and Andrew Walker had agreed to continue in post : proposed by Sue Cracknell and this was seconded by Adrian Kyte

2.4 Secretary –Mike King has offered to continue in the role: proposed by Alison Bowden and seconded by Gill Macdonald.

2.5 Section Leaders opting into the Executive Committee

Alison Bowden

Sue Cracknell

2.6 Members for Election:

Louise Vincent

Lisa Friberg

Fiona Khan

Jon Bowrey

Adrian Kyte

Graham Davies

- proposed by Sue Cracknell and seconded by Alison Bowden

3.7 Members nominated by the Group Scout Leader

Ken Pearce

Peter Moore

3. Treasurers Report and Accounts

In the Treasurers' absence, Andrew Williams explained that the accounts (notified in advance) had been approved by the Executive Committee on 29th June and approved by the Independent Scrutineer on 5th September. Current finances are in good health, due to energetic fund raising. He alerted the Council to the need for Group subscriptions to be raised to £12 per month from January (after six years at the current rate) due to District's withdrawal of the previous £2,000 pa subsidy as a strategic realignment of its priorities.

4. Appointment of Accounts Scrutineer

Phil Taylor has agreed to continue as scrutineer : proposal by Gill McDonald and seconded by Adrian Kyte.

5. Group Scout Leader's comments

Gill reflected on the success of this event, the sausage sizzle & brief Annual Council Meeting, and looked forward to similar success of next May's Group camp –thanking all the leaders, assistants, exec members and parents for their support in making this past year so successful., particularly the creation of two new units at Cub and Scout level. She stressed the importance of continuing volunteering of help with tasks large and small.

6. Chairman's Comments

As the rain curtailed any further business (!) including an opportunity for the District Commissioner's to make comments, Andrew thanked everyone for attending and called for three cheers for all of the leaders and assistants who make scouting in Broadstone possible.

The meeting closed at 8pm