

1st CHANDLERS FORD GROUP SCOUT COUNCIL

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Present:-

1. Colin Francis	11. Lynne Young
2. Heather Blake	12. Kerine Bambridge
3. Olly Mackley	13. Elaine Rowley
4. Phil Evans	14. Phil Rowley (Treasurer)
5. James Eldred	15. Jennie Evans (GSL)
6. Tom Eldred	16. Neil Grabham (Quartermaster)
7. Jon Bambridge	17. Lucy Smithwick-Eldred (Chair)
8. Kathryn Bambridge	18. Jillian Kness (Secretary)
9. Elizabeth Bambridge	19. Colin Floyd (District Commissioner)
10. Imogen Young	20. Rob Whittington (District Explorer Scout Commissioner)

1. Introduction & welcome

- 1.1 The Chair opened the meeting and welcomed the Attendees including guests Colin Floyd and Rob Whittington
- 1.2 No conflicts of interest were declared.

2. Minutes

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 2/9/2022 were approved with no amendments.

3. Annual Report of the Group Scout Leader

- 3.1 The Group Scout Leader provided a summary of the year.
- 3.2 There have been a number of changes during the year as a result of loss of leaders and changes to the Executive Team.
- 3.3 Thanks were extended to all volunteers for their continued support.
- 3.4 Deputy GSL is taking a break from role.
- 3.5 Section Leader reports were taken as read, with the Council noting the following:
 - 3.5.1 The Squirrel Drey has been established for 19 months. Initial number in Drey has been decreased naturally from 23 to a more sustainable 16. Badge system is lacking in quantity and breadth. Badges can easily be completed in 1 year leaving children no further opportunity to earn badges until moving to Beavers. Squirrel group utilises facilities at Cranbury Park where possible.
 - 3.5.2 Wednesday Beavers welcomed a new leader in February (Carla) and now run a joint programme with Friday Beavers. They have visited Pets @ Home, received a visit from a nurse, worked on the First Aid skills and had a teddy bear picnic.

- 3.5.3 Two Friday night Beavers have earned their Space Badge. They have had a visit from a guide dog, made keyboards for Father's Day and held a sleepover at the hut. Said goodbye to Joe Ray at the end of summer term and have also lost some of their helpers.
- 3.5.4 Cubs have been enjoying hikes, stargazing, climbing wall at Winchester and a trip to Winchester Cathedral. Unfortunately, summer camp at Foxlease was rather wet.
- 3.5.5 Scouts have 20+ members on both nights. Need a new Section Leader on Wednesday nights. Looking for further special needs training. Have enjoyed 3 camps this year at Foxlease, Fernycroft and Sandyacres. Aiming to be able to organise 1 camp per term.
- 3.6 GSL thanked Joe from Beavers for her support over the years.
- 3.7 The Group is part of Arrow District but there has not been much change to note.
- 3.8 GSL provided an update with regard to the Brickfield Build and Woggle JOGLE fundraising.

4. Accounts

- 4.1 The Group's financial year was noted as 1st April to 31st March.
- 4.2 The Group Scout Council received and considered the accounts for the year 2022 and noted that they had been verified by an independent accountant.
- 4.3 There has been a 19% increase in subscriptions due to Covid and newly formed Squirrels.
- 4.4 The Group recorded a surplus of £9,175.68 at the end of the period.
- 4.5 There has been an increase in Net Hut income due to rent from Audi.
- 4.6 The Big Build Fund recorded a surplus of £34,688.72 at the end of the period.
- 4.7 Funds are in the process of being spread between two new accounts to reduce totals below the £85,000 limit.

5. Executive Committee Membership

- 5.1 It was noted that several changes were proposed to the Executive Committee.
- 5.2 Nomination of Quartermaster by Group Scout Leader
- 5.3 Neil Grabham was proposed as Quartermaster. The motion was seconded by Chair and carried unanimously.
- 5.4 Nomination of Treasurer by Group Scout Leader
- 5.5 Phil Rowley was proposed as Treasurer. The motion was seconded by Chair and carried unanimously.
- 5.6 Nomination of Secretary by Group Scout Leader
- 5.7 Jillian Kness was proposed as Secretary. The motion was seconded by Chair and carried unanimously.

6. Constitution

The Chair proposed that the Group adopt the model constitution from Policy, Organisation and Rules with the following amendments:

- AGM to be 9 months after year end.

- Amendment to the minimum number of Trustees to 3 including the Chair and Treasurer.

This was agreed unanimously.

7. District Commissioner's Address

The District Commissioner advised that due to changes in Scouting he will in future be known as Lead Volunteer. Leaders and volunteers were thanked for their continued efforts. There are now 14 groups in Arrow District, of which the 1st Chandlers Ford is the largest.

The Group was congratulated for their achievements over the last year and in particular the success of the Woggle JOGLE in raising awareness of Scouting in the Community was noted. It was recognised that improvements in Financial Reporting for the group had been made since the last AGM.

8. Awards

- 8.1 Tricia Cherrett has achieved her Award of Merit in March 2023
- 8.2 Phil Rowley was presented with his wood bead award for Squirrels at the AGM.

9. Close

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed.

Financial Review

Income and Expenditure 1st Chandlers Ford Scout Group

Year to 31 December 2021	Year to 31 December 2022	
£	£	£
Scout Activities		
Sections		
1. Squirrels		
Not applicable	Start Up Costs	(12.60)
Not applicable	Grant to Start Up Costs	0.00
Not applicable	Activities Costs	0.00
Not applicable	Membership Subscriptions	1,360.00
Not applicable	Net Total Squirrels	1,347.40
2 Beavers		
Not available	Activities Costs	(202.72)
Not available	Membership Subscriptions	5,160.00
Not available	Net Total Beavers	4,957.28
3 Cubs		
Not available	Activities Costs	(150.45)
Not available	Membership Subscriptions	6,980.00
Not available	Net Total Cubs	6,829.55
4 Scouts		
Not available	Activities Costs	0.00
Not available	Membership Subscriptions	6,700.00
Not available	Net Total Scouts	6,700.00
All Sections:		
0.00	Start Up Costs	(12.60)
0.00	Grant to Start Up Costs	0.00
(380.34)	Activities Costs	(353.17)
17,072.50	Membership Subscriptions	20,200.00
Total - All Sections		
16,692.16	Subscriptions less regular meeting expenses	19,834.23 +19%
Group Items		
(7,345.00)	Capitation	(9,104.00)
(314.18)	OSM	(297.60)
(1,133.28)	Badges/Woggles/Neckerchives	(2,004.69)
(820.33)	Equipment Purchases	(704.11)
0.00	Sundry	(242.03)
(9,612.79)	Sub-total	(12,352.43)
Group Clothing		
874.50	Receipts	1,297.50
(1,259.40)	Expenditure	(1,868.00)
(384.90)	Net Group Clothing	(570.50)
(9,997.69)	Sub-total Group Items	(12,922.93) +29%
Camps & activities		
2,636.50	Receipts	8,129.00
(2,232.52)	Expenditure	(5,864.62)
403.98	Sub-total Camps/Activities	2,264.38 +461%
7,098.45	Scout Activities net income/(outgoings)	9,175.68 +29%
Hut Income/(Expenditure)		
10,273.75	Hut Hire	12,068.25 +17%
Hut costs/general overheads		
(1,612.98)	Electricity	(2,783.19)
(108.00)	Gas	(476.86)
(476.85)	Water	(486.16)
(1,277.86)	Insurance	(2,405.30)
0.00	Legal & Professional	(540.00)
(675.83)	Other Administration	(781.28)
(4,865.12)	Inspection & Maintenance	(2,594.38)
0.00	Building Equipment	(92.92)
(168.76)	Sundry	(244.26)
(9,185.40)	Sub-total hut cost/general overheads	(10,404.35)
1,088.35	Net Hut Income/(Expenditure)	1,663.90 +53%

Financing			
0.70	Interest Received	145.61	
(627.06)	Go Cardless Fees	(896.26)	
(1.35)	Square Fees	(19.52)	
(96.50)	Bank Charges	(108.93)	
(724.21)	Net Financing Cost	(879.10)	+21%
General Fundraising			
0.00	Receipts	0.00	
0.00	Expenditure	0.00	
0.00	Net General Fundraising	0.00	
Donations			
152.83	Amazon Easy Fundraising	141.71	
17,389.00	Grants (General)	0.00	
1,389.30	General	250.00	
2,572.54	Gift Aid	2,033.20	
21,503.67	Total Donations (excl Big Build Specific)	2,424.91	-89%
28,966.26	General Fund Surplus for the year	12,385.39	-57%
Big Build			
8,000.00	BB Grants (Specific)	8,619.71	
4,545.25	BB Fund Raising Events	15,844.80	
(263.20)	BB Costs of Fund Raising Events	(2,161.18)	
12,282.05	Big Build Surplus for the year	22,303.33	
41,248.31	Surplus of Income over Expenditure	34,688.72	
Of which:			
Big Build Special Fund			
0.00	Balance B/fwd	12,282.05	
0.00	Tfr from Gen Fund per Trustee meeting 7.12.21	35,000.00	
0.00	Tfr from Gen Fund per Trustee meeting 29.9.23	20,000.00	
12,282.05	Current year's surplus	22,303.33	
12,282.05	Closing balance C/fwd	89,585.38	
General Fund			
34,496.95	Balance B/Fwd	63,463.21	
0.00	Tfr to B. Build Fund per Trustee meeting 7.12.21	(35,000.00)	
0.00	Tfr to B. Build Fund per Trustee meeting 29.9.23	(20,000.00)	
28,966.26	Current year's surplus	12,385.39	
63,463.21	Closing balance C/fwd	20,848.60	
Represented by:			
69,815.78	Balance at CAF Bank	104,446.65	
5,929.48	Balance at COIF	5,987.33	
75,745.26	Total Closing Bank Balance	110,433.98	

I certify that the accounts as presented above are correct

Kimberley Neve
Independent Examiner

Signed K. Neve Date 2/10/2023

Group Executive Committee

Lucy Smithwick-Eldred
Chairman

Signed [Signature] Date 8/10/23

Jennie Evans
Group Scout Leader

Signed [Signature] Date 6/10/2023

Phil Rowley
Group Treasurer

Signed [Signature] Date 6/10/2023