

MINUTES OF THE EASTCOMBE

SCOUTS & GUIDES GROUP AGM

Tuesday 13th June 2019

Held at Group HQ

Present:-

David & Mary Lodwig, Sarah & Lottie Dalby, Michele & Adam Wheeler, Rob Butcher, Linsey, Mat, Erin & Matilda Symons, Kate West, Sue, Lilly & Jack Harrison, Rebecca, Samuel & Isabel Lupton, Sheila & Alan Ponting, Laren Palmer, Jill Goldsmith, Petra Hall and Steve Jackson Scout DC.

Apologies:-

Tigz & Guy O'Malley, Jim Ward and Tony & Brenda Dendy.

Welcome

Keith welcomed everybody to the meeting thanking them for coming on such a wet evening.

Scout Group AGM

David explained the need for appointment of a Scout Group Executive Committee as a legal requirement. However the said committee ceded all its work to the Eastcombe Scout & Guide Group Committee. For the Scout executive committee David in his capacity of Group Scout Leader and his responsibility appointed Keith Walker as its Chairman.

Keith as chairman then proposed that the existing ES&G Executive committee members be voted en-bloc as the Scout Executive Committee this was seconded Petra Hall. The members so elected were K Walker(Chair) and T Dendy(Treasurer), the position of secretary was left vacant in the absence of a volunteer. The Eastcombe Scout Group AGM was declared closed.

Eastcombe Scout & Guide AGM

The Group Guider –Jill Goldsmith and Group Scouter – David Lodwig as is their responsibility appointed Keith Walker as Group Chairman.

Keith confirmed that the Scout & Guide Group Executive Committee would be responsible for all aspects of the Scout, Guide and Group business.

Keith as chairman then proposed that the existing ES&G committee members be voted en-bloc as the Scout the Group Executive Committee this was seconded Steve Jackson & Sarah Dalby. The members so elected were K Walker(Chair), T Dendy(Treasurer) and Committee Members S Ponting, A Ponting, M Creed and M Lupton, the position of secretary was left vacant in the absence of a volunteer.

Chairman's report

2018/19 proved to be generally a reasonable good steady year.

On the negative side 2 of the 11 units had to close due to the lack of Leaders namely Tuesday Beavers & Thursday Cubs.

On the positive side the committee continued to provide necessary general support across the board to the sections in provided new equipment and importantly maintaining a good standard for the hall and grounds. Hall letting has reduced a little but the income remaining reasonable consistent.

A big thank you to local Parish Councils for their financial support Chalford £250 & Bisley £500.

We said thank you and goodbye to secretary Michele and we are now looking for a replacement.

Applicants for the post please contact the chairman.

A big thank you to all the leaders for their continued volunteering and to the committee for their support.

Particular thanks to Sheila Ponting for maintaining the hall booking diary, to the retiring Secretary Michele

Weaver for her contribution over several years and Tony Dendy for his significant input to the Group both as Group Treasurer and for his hall maintenance work.

Treasurer's report

The treasurer was unable to attend the meeting and a copy of the Group balance sheet was displayed for all attendees to view.

In his absence the Chairman read the Treasurers report as follows:-

Quote

The Income and Expenditure account for the financial year 1st January to 31st December 2018 shows a surplus of approximately £1420.00. Both normal running income and expenditure were broadly similar to previous years and there was no significant expenditure on improvements to the property. A smaller surplus had been expected due to expenditure on equipment however the section leaders did not in the event make a significant purchase of equipment.

The major items of Hall Maintenance were the repair to the car park surface and the replacement of the kitchen floor covering. Hall Cleaning and Utilities are major expenses and continue to increase as would be expected. Hall Hire was a major source of income and is expected to continue to be so in the 2019 year but a large user has had to stop using the hall due to personnel circumstance and this will affect that source of income in 2019.

I would request that the meeting approves the appointment of Mrs G. Sharpe as auditor for the 2019 Group Accounts and Mr C. Bourne as auditor for the 2019 Consolidated Group Accounts.

Tony Dendy Group Treasurer

Unquote

Approval of the Treasurers report was proposed by Sarah Dalby and seconded by Petra Hall and agreed by the meeting.

Section Reports

These included reports from:-

- * David Lodwig providing an overview of Scouting Sections.
- * Jill Goldsmith providing an overview of the Guiding sections
- * Petra Hall who outlined the interesting activities of the Thursday Cubs.
- * Mary Lodwig for both Wed Guides & Rangers.
- * Steve Jackson – District Scout Leader providing an overview of District activities and the on-going improvements to the recent significant development of the District Committee.

Closing remarks

The Chairman thanked everybody for attending and for their input into the meeting.

Keith reiterated the challenge to all in finding new Leaders in particular so that Thursday Cubs and Tuesday Beavers could be reopened.

In addition the committee is looking to appoint a new secretary.

Please let us know if you have any ideas on these matters so that we will follow-up.

Attendees were then invited to participate in a BBQ (cooked in the kitchen due to inclement weather!!!!) and a *chin wag*.

Thank you to the COOKS for the scrumptious food .

Keith Walker Chairmann
Eastcombe Scout & Guide Group