

18TH Edmonton Scout Group Leaders Meeting Friday 2nd September 2011 at 7.00p.m.

Present:	Richard Clark (RC)	Secretary
	Simon Fouracre (SF)	Pack Assistant
	Cheryl Keen (CK)	Assistant Scout Leader
	Pete Miskin (PM)	Troop Assistant
	Pat Powell (PP)	Colony Mentor
	Graham Reid (GR)	Scout Leader
	Paul Symons (PS)	Group Scout Leader
	Sally Symons (SS)	Cub Scout Leader

1.	<p>Apologies for Absence Apologies were received from Kevin Bird (KB), Dave Edwards (DE), Vickie Green (VG) and Stuart Symons (StS).</p>	
2.	<p>Matters Arising Mary Bird will not be continuing as Church Representative and Karen Cook will be taking over this role.</p> <p>Dave Fox is the new Group Treasurer.</p> <p>There was general agreement that the AGM had gone well.</p> <p>Re Section 4.2 of previous minutes (06/05/11), it was noted that CCI Camp had taken place at Scout Park rather than Phasels Wood.</p>	
2.1	<p>Re transport, discussion took place concerning the Low Emission Zone policy coming into force on 3rd January 2012, with PS reporting that it would not be viable for the Group to retain either existing vehicle after this date. Preferences were expressed by the leaders as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Group ownership of both a minibus and van 2. Group ownership of a minibus, with a van being hired as necessary for camps. <p>The leaders were not keen on the possibility of use of a trailer (or trailers).</p> <p>It was proposed that activities be organised to raise funds for a minibus – in the meantime, the Group should hire/borrow for the interim period.</p> <p>Finally, it was noted that, despite the preference expressed for a minibus over a van, this should not preclude purchase of a van ahead of a minibus should a feasible opportunity arise for the Group to acquire a van.</p> <p>This discussion will be referred to the Group Exec Committee.</p>	PS
2.2	<p>Re the Church Hall, PS reported that the stage had been removed, and the Group needed to leave the Hall empty with everything packed away at the end of Friday meetings. In</p>	

	order to protect the floor, cooking is banned and children should wear non-marking trainers.	
2.3	It was agreed that PS would purchase Diamond Jubilee Badges for 2012 for all sections.	PS
2.4	PS would like as many leaders present as possible for the District Leaders Meeting on Sunday 22 nd January 2012 at Gilwell Park. This will be a non-uniform day.	
3.	Health and Safety There have been no serious incidents since the last meeting.	
4.	Moving On Beavers to Cubs: none due to move until after Christmas. Cubs to Scouts: 3 due to start link on return from Summer holidays, then no further moves until after Christmas. (GR proposed investing these 3 on Friday 7 th October.) Scouts to Explorers: none due to move at present. PS commented that Scouts moving to Explorers needed to be presented with an adult scarf moving forward. GR added that records also needed to be passed on.	
5.	Event Planning (in chronological order)	
5.1	<i>Harvest Festival Service (Sunday 9th October)</i> The October Parade Service will be the Harvest Festival Service.	
5.2	<i>District Fireworks (Saturday 5th November)</i> This event will again be held in the Town Park and PS is looking for volunteers to assist with stewarding.	ALL
5.3	<i>Anniversary Service (Sunday 6th November)</i> PS asked all leaders to think of possible themes for the Anniversary Service. (Diamond Jubilee and Olympics were noted as obvious themes for next year, although Olympics was a possibility for this year should Diamond Jubilee be next year's theme.)	ALL
5.4	<i>Lord Mayor's Show (Saturday 12th November)</i> It was agreed that this would again be held as a family event. The London Transport Museum at Covent Garden will be the venue for the afternoon, and SS will investigate group rates.	SS
5.5	<i>Remembrance Sunday (Sunday 13th November)</i> PS is making working assumption that there will be a Service in Edmonton in the morning, which will be a Group event. Leaders and Explorers are welcome to join the Enfield Service in the afternoon.	
5.6	<i>Panto- Aladdin (Friday 9th December)</i> It was agreed the Group would attend what will be First Night and will continue to use	

	the balcony. Stuart and Rachel are both participating again.	
5.7	<i>Christmas Party (Friday 6th January)</i> It was agreed that a Group Christmas Party would be held between 1800 and 1930 on Friday 6 th January, ahead of the next Leaders Meeting.	
5.8	<i>Family Quiz Night (Friday 20th January)</i> It was agreed that this popular event should continue and a date was set. This will be referred to the Group Exec Committee.	PS
5.9	<i>Wellie Walk (Sunday 12th February)</i> Wellie Walk will take place after Church Parade. A donation of £2 per head to go to the Group's charity will be requested. [It was noted that the District are holding a Wellie Walk for Cubs and Beavers on Saturday 24 th September at Tolmers.]	
5.10	<i>Group Camp (Saturday 2nd June – Tuesday 5th June, Scout Park)</i> The leaders decided that this event should take place over the Diamond Jubilee Weekend at Scout Park, after other possible venues had been discussed.	
5.11	<i>District Olympic Camp (Friday 22nd June – Sunday 24th June, Tolmers)</i> PS strongly recommended that the Group participated and encouraged all children to attend. The leaders were in agreement with this recommendation.	
5.12	<i>Group Sponsored Event 2012</i> The possibility of repeating the Bridge Walk as a fundraising event in 2012 was discussed. It was agreed to discuss this further at the next Leaders Meeting on 06/01/12 and also to refer this to the Group Exec Committee	PS
6.	Leader Team	
6.1	Re the Beaver Colony, Jane Topping is standing down and VG is taking over. PP is acting as mentor and there are 2 Young Leaders. The Group desperately needs Assistant Beaver Scout Leaders and all are urged to be on the lookout for possible candidates.	ALL
6.2	SS remains Cub Scout Leader and KB should finally become Assistant Cub Scout leader once his CRB Check comes through. SF is still assisting as regular helper and there are 2 Young Leaders. Jo Watson has left.	
6.3	GR is now Scout Leader with CK Assistant Scout Leader and PM Troop Assistant. There are no Young Leaders. PS stressed once again the need for everybody in the Group to constantly be on the lookout for more leaders.	ALL
7.	Any Other Business GR commented that there often seemed to be very short notice given of District Events. PS recommended that GR raise this at the District Leaders Meeting on 22/01/12.	GR

8.	Executive Committee Referrals There are 3 items to refer to the Executive Committee: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Leaders thoughts re minibus/van• Family Quiz Night on 20/01/12• Group Sponsored Event 2012 (Bridge Walk?).	PS
9.	Date of Next Meeting The next meeting will be held on Friday 6 th January 2011 at 8.00pm at the Church.	