

Itchen South District Scouts

Adventure at the Next Level



ITCHEN SOUTH DISTRICT AGM

14th June 2023 19.30 – Cricket Camp

1	Opening Prayer	
	Adrian Mori	

	District Chair's Welcome	
	<p>Good evening, I would like to extend a warm welcome to you all for this year's AGM, and I would personally like to thank you for being here tonight. A special welcome to June Burton, our district president, and all our distinguished guests.</p> <p>Last year I started with a reflection on how the district had come through the trials and tribulations of lock down, and while I am not going to dwell on the issues faced by the district in the last twelve months, I will just say that obviously you 'can't keep a good thing down', and the District is once again 'going in the right direction' albeit slowly. I also reflected on why we are all here – the young people and I am pleased to say that with the hard work, dedication, and team work of the leaders within the District, and outside it has very much been 'business as usual' and I thank you for that.</p> <p>As you will know the District and Group Executive are now called Trustee Boards with basically the same roles and responsibilities but bringing us in line with the Charity Commission's rules and guidelines, we will cover this in more detail later on, but it does lead me on to how important it is to be following our rules and guidelines for the safety and security of our young people as well as our selves – Please make sure that you have a 'Yellow Card' and ensure you stick to it.</p> <p>We are a bit short on section reports this year, but I know that all sections have been as busy as usual. We had a very wet REEF camp which was still very well received, and I have only heard positive comments about it. Roverang too was up to its usual standard and growing again after its enforced break. Squirrels have taken off in the District with, I believe three Drays so far and plans for more in the future.</p> <p>Lastly, I make no apology for repeating what I said last year, and I would like to thank, not only the members of the District Executive for all the time and effort they have put in over the last year, but also all the adults involved in delivering or supporting scouting in Itchen South, without the time and commitment that you give none of this could happen.</p>	

	Apologies	
	Jane Axton 14 th Itchen South Mark & Derren Avis 7 th Itchen South	

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	Neil O'Sullivan Chrissy McManus Gordon and Susan Brakewell Peter Knott Jan Barfoot Mark Langdown Retired Members : None Received Canoe Club : None Received	
2	Minutes of District AGM 20th July 2022 – Previously Circulated Agreed and signed Proposed: Kevin Gilkerson Seconded: Janet Mori	
3	Treasurers Report – Circulated Prior to Meeting Any questions? No questions raised Adrian Morey - There was one comment from the Auditor, that being we have to much money and we need to spend some. Eric Gerry – We have a reserve policy as stated in our Annual Report and we are way above this agreed amount. We either need to change the Reserve Policy or decide on long term expenditure. If you look at Note 10A it shows you the position of all the various sections. District £44,000 Campsite £17,000 District Support £6,000 Canoe Centre £29,000 it has been asked do they need to have this large sum of money in their bank account. I know what Joans' feelings are regarding the Canoe Club, so a decision needs to be made regarding expenditure of some of these funds. Adam Bellamy – When was the reserve policy set Eric Gerry – Ages ago – there is a general reserve policy all charities should have Jayne Daudridge (4 th) - Are we able to apply for some of the funds	

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	<p>Charles Hockley , we need to be very careful and look at the reserves policy. For example if the septic tank needed replacing it would cost around £100,000.</p> <p>Adrian – Can we increase the reserve amount.</p> <p>Eric Gerry - The reserves policy is currently between £25,000 and £50,000 however currently we are at £119,000.</p> <p>Andy Hiscock – Perhaps we take a leaf out of Itchen North’s book and not charge sections the District amount for Captation next year.</p> <p>Adrian Morey - Learning from lockdown and covid would be good to keep a lump sum in reserve but spend some of it. Do we offer Groups the ability to put a ‘grant application’ into District.</p> <p>Charles Hockley – Applications need to benefit the young people directly.</p> <p>Proposal :</p> <p>Increase reserve policy and not charge Groups the District levy on Capitation next year and put another chunk for grants for groups to apply for but the money must benefit the young people directly.</p> <p>Proposed : Aileen Wood Seconded: Richard Rex</p> <p>EG - Our name on the bank account doesn’t reflect our charity so proposing to change the names to make it much simpler.</p> <p>Accounts</p> <p>Proposed: June Burton Seconded: Kevin Gilkerson</p> <p>All In Agreement</p>	
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4	Adoption of District Reports – Circulated prior to meeting	
	Proposed: Seconded:	

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5	<p>Governance Oversight</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That Itchen South District re-adopt the Constitution for a District Scout Council and Board of Trustees as detailed in Rule 5 of The Scout's 'Policy, Organisation and Rules'. <p>Adrian explained the reasons behind the changes. Proposed: Sami Lewis Seconded: Steve Doncom</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To agree the maximum number of Elected Members on the Board of Trustees be set at six. <p>Adrian explained current and POR recommendation Eric Gerry at the moment we have 3 Proposed : Adam Bellamy Seconded : Kevin Gilkerson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To agree a quorum for all meetings of the Scout Council, Trustee Board and Sub-Committees. <p>Adrian explained this to the meeting DC + Chairman and 5 members approx. 50% of committee</p> <p>Proposed : Sami Lewis Seconded : Aileen Wood</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Note the dates of The District's financial year. 31st December 	
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6	<p>Approve District Commissioners Nomination for Chair of the Trustee Board</p> <p>Meeting was handed over to Andy Hiscock, District Commissioner.</p> <p>This is the formal part where Adrian steps down and I now move forward to nominating a chair.</p> <p>I would like to nominate Adrian again into the role of Chair.</p> <p>Does anyone have any objections? No Objections</p> <p>Adrian was nominated back into post.</p> <p>All In Agreement</p>	
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	Election of Secretary of the Trustee Board	
	Secretary – Michelle Doncom Proposed: Steve Doncom Seconded: Sami Lewis	
	All in agreement	

	Election of Treasurer of the Trustee Board	
	Eric has advised this will be his last year and if anyone would like to work along side Eric this year please let us know.	
	Treasurer – Eric Gerrey Proposed: June Burton Seconded: Sami Lewis	
	All in agreement	

	Approve District Commissioner’s Nomination for the Trustee Board	
	None received	

	Election of Trustees of the Trustee Board	
	These members have been put forward for re-election : Kevin Gilkerson, Gary Foote & Jan Barfoot	
	Name Kevin – Proposed : Steve Doncom Seconded: Sami Lewis	
	Name – Gary Foote - Proposed : Sami Lewis Seconded : Aileen Wood	
	Name – Jan Barfoot – Proposed : June Burton Seconded : Aileen Wood	
	All in agreement	
	Co-Opted Members :	
	Mark Langdown	
	All In Agreement	

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	<p>Elected Members :</p> <p>Charles Hockley – Proposed : Janet Mori Seconded : Kevin Gilkerson</p> <p>ALL IN AGREEMENT TO ALL ELECTIONS</p>	
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	<p>Approve the Appointment (re-appointment) of any Presidents or Vice Presidents</p> <p>President – June Burton Vice Presidents – Joan Veal, Aileen Wood & Charles Hockley</p> <p>Adrian : Proposed that we re-appoint the above for the forthcoming year</p> <p>Proposed – Sami Lewis Seconded Kevin Gilkerson</p> <p>All In Agreement</p>	
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	<p>Appoint (or re-appoint) an auditor</p> <p>Re-Appoint Knight Goodhead, Chandlers Ford</p> <p>Proposed : Eric Gerry Seconded : Steve Doncom</p>	
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	<p>Nominate representatives of the District Scout Council to represent the District on the County Scout Council</p> <p>Adrian – Sarah how often are the meetings Sarah - People can attend trustee board meeting every couple of months currently held via Zoom.</p> <p>Eric – Perhaps this could be the first item on the Agenda at the next Scout Council</p>	
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7	<p>Presentations</p> <p>Andy Hiscock</p> <p>I won't keep you very long I have 4 presentations to make</p> <p>Nigel – complete his Wood Badge</p> <p>Robin – 10 Year Service Award Adrian - 40 Year Service Award Aileen - 40 Year Service Award</p>	
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8	<p>County Representative</p> <p>Sarah County Office</p> <p>I am the Deputy County Commissioner for the area and it is always a pleasure to attend AGM's and hear about what's going on in the District. The other key thing is thank you very much for all the work in the last year</p>	
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	and all for the benefit of our young people in Itchen South and ensuring it can carry on and set the young people up with Skills for Life.	
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Adrian – Would like to leave you with a few thoughts. We lost Izzy Parker this last year, she was GSL at the 11th for about a 1000 years and was a big character within this group/ We also lost Zoe Andrews who was a cub leader at the 7th for a while. I also just wanted to say you may have heard on the news the young man who lost their life at Bournemouth. Joe Abbess was a beaver and cub at the 7th and his brother was a scout and the whole family were all involved. We also lost Paul Goodhand 4th Netley. **I wanted to mention this to get all the bad and sad news out of the way and draw a line under it to enable us to move forward and grow like we were a few years ago.**

Thank you for coming I appreciate your time and look forward to seeing you all next year.

Meeting closed at : 20:04

Attendees : 27 - Signing in Sheet was scanned for filing purposes.