

Cambridgeshire County Scout Council

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

Sunday 26th June 2016

Mepal Outdoor Centre

In Attendance

Steve Taylor (County Commissioner)

Ian Weatherall (County Chairman)

Malcolm Robinson (County Treasurer)

Jo McGowan (County Secretary)

34 other members of the County Scout Council

In addition, there were 38 other members of the Cambridgeshire Scouting present.

1. Welcome

Ian Weatherall, County Chairman, welcomed everyone to the AGM, especially Sir Hugh Duberly, CBE (County President). He thanked Elaine Chamberlain (ACC Activities) and her team for all their hard work organising the activity afternoon that preceded the AGM, and the refreshments to come afterwards. Ian reported the death of Roger Almond and gave details of his funeral on 7th July. He also mentioned the loss of several other scout friends. Lastly, Ian introduced Jo McGowan (County Secretary).

2. Apologies

18 members

3. Minutes of the Previous AGM

The minutes of the AGM held on 17th June 2015 were unanimously approved as a true record of the meeting. Arthur Smart proposed the motion which Sandy Mackintosh seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

4. Trustees Annual Report and Accounts

Malcolm Robinson, County Treasurer presented the Trustee Report and Annual Accounts for 2015. The three main elements were:- mainstream, World Scout Jamboree and CamJam. He also answered various questions from the floor. With regard to one questions from Chris Ward which asked did CamJam make a success finance wise. The answer is yes. Explained as follows:-



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Patron HM The Queen **President** HRH The Duke of Kent **Founder** Robert Baden-Powell OM **Chief Scout** Lt Cdr (Hon) Bear Grylls RN

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Receipts:	2014	18304
	2015	<u>271746</u>
		289780

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Payments	2014	5212
	2015	<u>280789</u>
		286001

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Net 3779

No vote needed.

Malcolm Robinson proposed the continued appointment of Rawlinsons as auditors for 2016 – the County Scout Council approved the proposal unanimously.

Steve Taylor answered questions regarding Abington land registry difficulties. He stated that once funds were available there would be a cross county consultation of 6-8 people to obtain ideas for investment and spending. The Committee would be made up of trustees and nominations from County. Once resolved the consultation would start immediately. The school currently using the site wish to complete the process as soon as possible.

5. Appointments

The County Executive Committee appointments were listed as:-

Ian Weatherall	County Chairman
Steve Taylor	County Commission
Jo McGowan	County Secretary
Malcolm Robinson	County Treasurer
Tony Claydon	Elected Member
Colin Daniels	Elected Member
Simon May	Elected Member
Arthur Smart	Elected Member
Cheryl Taylor	Elected Member
Martin Whelan	Elected Member
David Briston	Nominated Member
Nigel Poulter	Nominated Member
James Traynor	Nominated Member
Alex Fogg	Nominated Member

Simon May proposed the motion and it was seconded by Katy Thompson. It was carried unanimously. The post of County Youth Commissioner is still vacant.

6. County Constitution

A copy of the proposed constitution was enclosed in the paperwork handed to all attendees. Ian Weatherall gave a presentation on the proposed constitution and Steve Taylor answered questions from the floor. Proposed by Cheryl Taylor and seconded by Arthur Smart. 31 voters agreed with the proposal. Unfortunately, the current constitution states that 2/3 of the eligible voters need to agree and that number were not present at this meeting. Ian Weatherall to speak to Headquarters to discuss how to advance this proposal.

7. Presentation by the County Commissioner

Steve Taylor gave a presentation which included the following:-

Growth: Census results, all sections grew except explorers and there is now 27% female membership in the county. Now concentrating on putting plans in place to recapture the numbers lost and empowering GSL's to recruit more adults.

14 to 25 years olds: providing more dedicated support to the Explorer Scout sections, Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme, Explorer Belt and more international opportunities. Supporting the new District Network provision and the Youth Media team. Support of the Queen Scout Award and the Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award within Network.

Youth Involvement: Appointing a Youth Commissioner before Christmas. Support more youth involvement across the Districts. Enabling our young people to have a voice.

Inclusivity: New group formed in a special needs school in Ely. Supporting those groups that still only have token girls or no girls in the sections. How we can make Scouting more accessible to minority groups.

Events: CamJam 2015 (2019?). CAW100. Beavers 30th Birthday party trip. Beaver/Cub/Scout Challenger and Activities Days. ES/Network 2017!

Compass and Awards: Challenges over the last 18 months. DBS clearances. Executive members now to be recorded. Training across the County.

8. Awards

Steve Taylor gave the following awards:-

Wood Badges to Diane Philbey and Colin Daniels

Services Awards to Martin Whelan for 10 years service and Mike Philbey and Colin Daniels both received 30 years service awards.

Commissioner Commendation Awards were given to John Mathimore and Sir Hugh Duberly CBE

9. World Scout Jamboree

A presentation was given by some of the attendees of the World Scout Jamboree in Japan. This presentation was led by Mark Royle.

10.

A short speech was given by Sir Hugh Duberly CBE as this is his last year as County President.

11. Close of Meeting