

**Enfield District Council Executive Committee**

Minutes: 10<sup>th</sup> March 2014

Location: Hop Poles

**Present:** Jeremy Webb – District Chairman; Paul Symons– District Commissioner; Paul Dockley – deputy DC; John Dockley – District Treasurer; Alan Garner & Jane Jenner – District Secretary; Graham Gardener, Mark Dowsett , Mike Thurston, Andy Heath, Grant Murray, Jo Allen

Paul S introduced Grant as the new Danemead Rep and new exec member.

	Item	Detail	Action
1	Thoughts	Hoping they find the missing jumbo jet. There's lots of space to find something very small.	
2	Apologies	None	
3	Minutes	Minutes from 13 <sup>th</sup> January 2014 accepted	
4	Matters arising	<p>a. Finalised budget – this year not finalised. Previously not set one; items were discussed as they occurred. John itemises the budget in the end of year accounts. Paul S wants to set one for the financial year April 2014-15.</p> <p>b. Tree plaque still on going.</p> <p>c. Ray Hatton Memorial – church do not want a planter. It was suggested that the flower beds be packed with spring bulbs.</p> <p>d. Tristram Drive buggy store - ongoing</p> <p>e. 21<sup>st</sup> Enfield garage – had email stating we are no longer responsible for this, but are still waiting for confirmation by letter. Insurance cancelled. We do not have the keys. It was proposed that the assets be equally split between the 16<sup>th</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> as they are the 2 groups who have taken on the young people. In the meantime any money to be transferred to the District to finalise any bills then at the end of June divide the money.</p> <p>f. Turkey Street – lighting all done. Electrical inspection to take place. First install an external double socket.</p> <p>g. Gazebo – still to be purchased. Quotes on the way (Mark D)</p> <p>h. Debit/Credit card payment at District shop – Barclays say not usually economic for small volume turn over; £25 + vat/month. Decided to continue as present arrangements.</p> <p>i. Screen at Tristram Drive installed.</p> <p>j. Radios for fireworks – still on going.</p> <p>k. Younger Leaders to be invited to the exec –Sarah and Jake.</p>	<p>To be discussed and finalized next meeting.</p> <p>Paul S and John to meet to discuss.</p> <p>Paul S to email sections to propose a requested budget.</p> <p>Jeremy to contact the stone mason.</p> <p>Paul S to take back to church.</p> <p>Jeremy come back with costs</p> <p>Mark to follow up</p> <p>Mark following up electric and water bills with GSL Bob Clarke.</p> <p>Paul S to talk to Steph</p> <p>Jeremy to speak to Sarah. Andy to speak to Jake. Their emails to be forwarded to Jane.</p>

5	DC's report Paul S	<p>a. Jack Petchey: 24 awards this year.</p> <p>b. Membership fee for adults: currently paid per person and the District has paid for the last few years. The rules are changing so that the young people fees are increasing to incorporate adults.</p> <p>c. Tristram Drive: camera at entrance – ongoing</p> <p>d. Band: Richard Bennett wants somewhere to store the band equipment. It was suggested Turkey Street (assuming there was enough space) and agreed. Thought the insurance would not be affected.</p> <p>e. 6<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup> merger: working well and are now the 4<sup>th</sup> biggest group. Now happy to formalise the merger. Question over sponsorship by the churches was raised.</p> <p>f. Tristram Drive again: tables and chairs are not comfortable / practical. It was proposed that the old wooden tables be moved to Turkey Street for outside use, all the chairs were disposed of and keep the smaller tables. Then buy some bigger tables. It was agreed to purchase 6 x 6' 'go-pak' tables and 36 chairs. Estimated cost £1000.</p> <p>g. Census: numbers down slightly on last year.</p> <p>h. Mark D has never received the vouchers promised to him.</p> <p>i. Kick-Start 2014:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o More people attend this than any other meeting.</li> <li>o Is it a good idea to have a summer event?</li> <li>o GSLs have been asked and hard to find a date.</li> <li>o Suggested an evening event at Turkey Street – separate sausage sizzles for each section.</li> <li>o Estimated cost for 200 sausages and rolls £600.</li> <li>o Kick start in January needs to change.</li> <li>o Suggested all section meetings were held on the same night say 4 or 5 times a year. If given enough notice people can make arrangements – venue?</li> </ul> <p>j. Cancer Relay for Life information has been circulated to all. Find out interest then arrange a meeting. Publicity opportunity.</p>	<p>Paul S meeting Claire soon.</p> <p>Paul S to find out how much space they want.</p> <p>Name of group to be decided by them.</p> <p>Paul D and Teresa to sort out.</p> <p>Alan to enquire about Holtwites – Kingsland Drive.</p>
6	DDC's report Paul D	<p>a. 5 Chief Scout Awards. The GSL had written a reference for each Scout outlining what they had done to achieve this award.</p> <p>b. Amalgamating groups – more leaders gives better Scouting opportunities.</p> <p>c. As an exec we need to think about recruitment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Personal contacts are a good route; but how do we reach a wider audience? Twitter?</li> <li>o Paul has been talking to Caroline about 'love your doorstep' part of Facebook.</li> <li>o Facebook communities are growing.</li> <li>o Big organisations are supporting local communities – a way forward?</li> <li>o How do we break into ethnic minority communities</li> </ul>	<p>'Love your doorstep' worth looking into. Jeremy to speak to his contact.</p>

		<p>especially Greek and Turkish communities?</p> <p>d. Paul D is away for April. Forms for St Georges Day Parade are already completed.</p>	
<b>7</b>	Secretary's report – Alan & Jane	<p>a. London Borough of Enfield charges for events information circulated, makes interesting reading. Affects the fireworks mostly.</p> <p>b. See information sheet.</p>	
<b>8</b>	Treasurer's report – John	<p>a. See information sheet.</p> <p>b. Capitation – no confirmation from GLN yet.</p> <p>c. Quote for £2345 for Tristram Drive due 25.03.14 this is an increase of £70 on last year.</p> <p>d. £700 cash to Teresa to cover the cost of cubs and explorers seminars.</p> <p>e. £800 received from the Heathfield Award. The fund has been running for 45 years and is now being wound up for its 50<sup>th</sup> year.</p> <p>f. Refund from 21<sup>st</sup> Enfield insurance (see above)</p>	Agreed to pay it this year and look for different provider.
<b>9</b>	Kick-start weekend feedback	<p>a. Also see above under DC's report.</p> <p>b. GSL feedback is that an annual event is too much and suggested alternate years.</p> <p>c. Kick off day – ok, a similar format has been used for 4 years now.</p> <p>d. Section meetings need to be longer.</p> <p>e. A discussion followed and below are some of the points raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Maybe a good time for something new?</li> <li>○ What do we want from the day? Objectives for this were not clear and that came over.</li> <li>○ Important to project a clear message for the year.</li> <li>○ GSLs day was flat / struggles to motivate people. Some GSLs were not there.</li> <li>○ Kick-off day – fine, with good feedback.</li> <li>○ Needs to be exciting enough for people to want to go.</li> <li>○ Ask them what they want.</li> <li>○ Not always want what they need.</li> <li>○ If GSL do not know what they would like – do we decide for them?</li> </ul> <p>f. Next year's already booked. Objectives what?</p> <p>g. Suggested Saturday – team 10.00 - 14.00; followed by GSLs.</p>	<p>It was proposed to think about this and talk about it next meeting.</p> <p>In the meantime Paul to talk to the GSLs</p>
<b>10</b>	Danemead Grant	<p>a. The next meeting will decide on whether a new crew hut or new toilet block will be the priority.</p> <p>b. The revised constitution lead to heated discussion.</p> <p>c. The alarm system has a few teething problems.</p> <p>d. UTC ceiling leaks</p> <p>e. Natural England are looking at the SSSI status.</p>	Waiting for the chair to respond.
<b>11</b>	AGM	a. Still looking for a speaker.	

	Alan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>b. Food &amp; drink needs to be sorted. About 100 people.</li> <li>c. No confirmation in writing from Enfield.</li> <li>d. Reports to Alan. Dates have been circulated, but beginning of May at the latest, otherwise report will not appear.</li> </ul>	Email any thoughts. Paul D seeing Teresa and Mark.
Alan and Jo left at this point.			
12	Enfield District camp	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Dates: 10-12 June 2016</li> <li>b. Location: Tolmers</li> <li>c. Deposit of £200 paid</li> <li>d. Next instalment due by October 2015</li> <li>e. Need to focus on the structure of the organising committee. This camp needs to feel very different from previous District camps.</li> <li>f. Perhaps think of themes around Cub Scouting over the decades?</li> <li>g. Questions such as how much will it cost / what are we committing to / do people want to attend were raised.</li> </ul>	Paul S to put a team together
13	St George's Day Parade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Information sheet to be circulated – everyone needs to know what their role is.</li> <li>b. 2pm arrive at playground, 3pm depart.</li> <li>c. All same as last year.</li> <li>d. Flags to be used.</li> <li>e. District colours are in need of replacing as looking very old and tired, they are used at this parade and Remembrance parade. We need to ascertain what colours we have in District so we can make the right choice.</li> <li>f. Flags to be photographed at St George's Day parade ground so we can see what we have.</li> </ul>	Mark to circulate sheet  Photographer needed?
14	AoB	<p><b>Mike</b> Very good Queen's Scout Presentation evening. Showing Enfield Scouting is alive and empowering and engaging young people. It was an inspiration for everyone there. Costs – hire of venue and food £175</p> <p><b>Grant</b> Asked as a district exec member is it a requirement to attend all events invited to? Answer – what you can attend and in uniform where possible.</p> <p><b>Jeremy</b> Announced he will not be attending the next Exec meeting as he is being removed from the District Exec and not being nominated for the next year by Paul Symons. He is not leaving the District and looking into an appointment with a nearby group as an Assistant Scout leader.</p> <p><b>Paul D</b> Jeremy took over from Stan Dowsett as Exec chair. Jeremy has</p>	District agreed to pay.

		done a great job and has provided great support, he is a pure gentleman and it is a sad loss for this meeting. If district are to nominate ex-officio members this should be debated by District Executive Council if changes are to be made.	We need to review the meeting forum.
<b>15</b>	Privacy	None	
<b>16</b>	Date of next meeting	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> May 7.30 venue Tristram Drive	

Thanks to Graham for the catering

Thanks to Jane for assisting with minutes

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