

**Minutes from Enfield District Group Scout Leaders Meeting held on  
Monday 15th September 2014 at the 27<sup>th</sup> HQ, Alma Road.**

**Present :** Paul Symons (DC), Jaz Chadda (12<sup>th</sup>), Corinne Dowsett (27<sup>th</sup>), Peter Jones (6/13<sup>th</sup>), Cheryl Keen (18<sup>th</sup> Ed), Jackie Wheeler (10<sup>th</sup>Ed) – *There were more but I do not have the signed list.*

**Apologies :** Paul Dockley (DDC), Janette Earney (Sec), Andy Gill (10<sup>th</sup>), Darren Leonard (23<sup>rd</sup>), Jim Bailey (19<sup>th</sup>), Janet Owen (3<sup>rd</sup>), Linda Marchant (10<sup>th</sup> Ed), Beryl Davies (8<sup>th</sup>), Colin Ayres (20<sup>th</sup>), Nancy Azavedo (20<sup>th</sup> Ed).

**Noah's Ark Hospice** - The meeting opened with a presentation by Magrid from Noahs Ark Hospice. Noahs Ark currently works in the community (Enfield, Barnet, Haringey, Camden, Islington) with families who have a child with terminal or life restricting illnesses. They have secured private funding to build their brand new Hospice/Centre in Barnet but continue to Fund Raise to be able to continue their day to day work. There could be opportunities for Explorer Scouts to get involved in their work and fund raising activities. The Beaver/Cub Carols by Campfire this year will be supporting Noahs Ark by each Colony & Pack donating a gift for a child.

**Minutes of Last Meeting :** Agreed as a true record – Jaz Chadda & Peter Jones.

**Matters Arising :** Young Leader Training

Dates are being finalised for Module A – Looking at November 14 & February 15. A date and venue is also being sorted for another full Module Training weekend in 2015.

Please pass information of Young Leaders working within your Groups to Louise Azavedo who is now managing the list. Please assist her in keeping this list up to date. Mike will circulate the current list to GSL's.

If a Young Leader is helping for D of E from outside of Scouting, they do not have to be members but they can only do the length of time required by the Award they are working for.

**Health & Safety :** 18<sup>th</sup> Edmonton reported a broken thumb at Summer Camp.

**Safeguarding :** None

**DC Report :**

The 2015 County Levy will be £8

**Town Show :** We managed to obtain the pitch for nothing – had 2 Gazebo's and a traversing wall and it was a good 2 days. Good response of people wanting to join. Please respond to all joining e-mails even if your section(s) are full. Give the DC's e-mail address so the enquiry can be forwarded to another Group.

**Jack Petchey Awards :** Next round is now due, please submit your applications to Sally – the form is on the district website for you to download.

**Compass :** Waiting to hear about the revised start date.

**Equipment :** Grant Murray is listing and co-ordinating the district assets. Some assets are being held by Groups and can be booked via Grant and made available from the keeper. Equipment must be looked after and any damage or problems notified at time of return.

**Danemead** : No Chief Warden or Chairman at present. On Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September there will be various meetings during the day at Tristram Drive for those involved.

**Data Protection** : Be careful of what information you keep, make sure it is only what you actually need.

**Finance / Accommodation** : This was one of the topics referred to at the GSL's seminar in January. The Council are not consistent with their charging policy and Paul Dockley is trying to get the right contacts with a view to them looking more favourably Scouting and what we are trying to achieve.

Church's - depends on the incumbent – need to talk more to Anglican churches and again attempt to get them on side.

**Finance Issues** : Are there any Finance Issues ? None reported.

DC suggested to Exec that it might consider obtaining sponsorship for specific events rather than just general funds. Speak to Paul (DC) or Paul (DDC) if you have any contacts or any finance issues.

#### **Training :**

First Response Courses – 28<sup>th</sup> September & 23<sup>rd</sup> November at 27<sup>th</sup> HQ, Alma Road.

Module Weekend : 10<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> October at the Norfolk Lodge, Tolmers – please complete the booking form on GLN website.

#### **Any Other Business**

**Jaz Chadda** – Training/ Permits for those who have had a break from Scouting and have returned. CD responded, Nights Away Training and Information has changed quite considerably from 10 or 15 years ago and people should therefore attend at least the Nights Away Training Weekend. Individual cases should then be assessed by the DC, LTM & NA advisor.

Meeting Closed at 10.17pm

Date of Next Meeting : 24<sup>th</sup> November 2014

Venue : 1<sup>st</sup> Enfield Headquarters – Green Street

Chair : Keith Spong