

Salisbury & South Wilts District Scout Council

Annual General Meeting



Date & time: 13 September 2021, 20:00 hours

Venue: Dennis Marsh house and <https://zoom.us/j/96617675006>

Minutes

1. **Welcome & introductions**

The meeting was formally opened at 20:00, and the District Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting & in particular our special guests Steve Barley, County Commissioner and Justin Purkis County Chair.

2. **Housekeeping**

The Zoom call had said it was recorded and the District Chair advised to mute mikes on Zoom and put their name on the Zoom ID. For attendees in Dennis Marsh House the Fire Exits were pointed out if needed.

3. **Apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence received from Sharon Cottrell, Pete Anscomb, Ann Smallwood, Rebecca Cornell, Tanya Gamble, Hugh Sturdy and Andy Chisholm

4. **Minutes of Last meeting held on 26th September 2020**

Roger Demain-Griffiths, District Chair advised that the minutes of the last meeting held on 26th September 2020 have been published and circulated and available on the Scout website and asked for the Council to approve them. Proposed as correct by Dave Waspé, seconded by Ian Jack, was met with the general approval of the District Scout Council.

5. **Prayer from District Chaplain – Katy Ulliyatt**

Katy Ulliyatt, District Chaplain, at very short notice, gave us a thought and recollection followed by a prayer, for the proceedings.

6. **Presentation of Annual Trustee's Report 2020/21**

Ian Porter, District Commissioner, introduced the Annual Trustee's Report and the District Review, and summarised the content of both. With the current climate papers copies have not been printed but it is available on the Scout website. Ian thanked Paul Prince for compiling and editing the District Review which shows pictorially what the District has been upto in the year. Ian looked at the last week of what is starting up again, and new ventures like the Squirrels section for 4-5 year olds. Ian gave thanks to the wider membership of the District, for all their efforts during 2020-2021, and also for their support and efforts during the last 12 months and beyond. The District Commissioner proposed the adoption of Annual Trustee's Report, which was seconded by Paul Prince and was met with the general approval of the District Scout Council.

7. **Presentation of Statement of Accounts 2020/21**

District Chair, advised that the accounts had been approved by the District Executive but are currently with the Independent Examiner, so the version presented to the District Scout Council are currently unaudited.

Ivor Davies, District Treasurer, went through & explained the main points of the accounts which were presented in the Charity commission layout year, the more detailed Management accounts are available. The District is in a strong financial position, and budget allocation and funding priorities will be looked at by the District Executive committee in due course, with particular focus on hardship, grass-roots Scouting and growth & development. With Covid financial problems over the last year a hardship fund has been put aside. Ivor thanked Dave Waspe for all his efforts with the Campsite Quest fundraising, currently at £89,000. Ivor mentioned the grants that Dennis Marsh House management has received due to the closures from Covid.

Ivor Davies, District Treasurer, proposed the adoption of the Statement of Account – however they could not be seconded as Justin Purkis, County Chair, pointed that they had to be deferred as not yet been audited. This was noted and they would be adopted outside the meeting once they are audited.

8. **DC's nomination of District Chair**

Ian Porter, District Commissioner, nominated Roger Demain-Griffiths which was met with the general approval of the District Scout Council.

9. **Election of Officers of the District Scout Council**

District Treasurer - Ian Porter, District Commissioner, proposed Ivor Davies to continue as District Treasurer – this was met with the general approval of the District Scout Council.

District Secretary – Vacant position and everyone present was encouraged to assist in the search for someone to fill this role and for any suggested name to be forwarded to the DC or District Chair.

10. **Election of Members of the Executive Committee of the District Scout Council**

Deana Cook, Michael Chalke & Peter Handford stand as elected members of the Executive Committee – proposed by Beverley Turner, seconded by Mark Warner, and this was met with the general approval of the District Scout Council.

11. **Approval of DC's nominations of Members to serve on the Executive Committee of the District Scout Council.**

Ian Porter, District Commissioner, nominated Katy Ulliyatt, David Waspe and Mike Hiley and this was met with the general approval of the District Scout Council.

12. **Declaration of Co-opted Members of the Executive Committee of the District Scout Council**

Roger Demain-Griffiths, District Chair advised that there were no co-opted members at present on the Executive Committee of the District Scout Council, but the District Executive retain the option of co-opting representatives from the Dennis Marsh House Management Committee and from the Salisbury Campsite Quest Committee, as required.

13. Election of Representatives to the County Scout Council

Ian Porter, District Commissioner nominated Mike Hiley and this was met with the general approval of the District Scout Council.

14. Appointment of Auditor of the Statement of Accounts for 2020/21

Ivor Davies, District Treasurer, proposed that the same auditors, Clifford Fry & Co. of Netherhampton, be used for the 2021/22 audit of accounts. This was met with the general approval of the District Scout Council.

15. Presentation of Awards

Ian presented wood badges Catherine Labdon, Tanya Gamble, Eloise Jack, Dan Bavister, David Waspe had two, Mike Hiley had two.

Steve presented Award for Merit to Roger Demain-Griffiths and Sliver Acorn to Paul Prince,

16. Address: Steve Barley County Commissioner

The County Commissioner gave a short address.

17. Any other business

Closing the meeting

Ian thanked everyone from leaders down to parents for all the support during this difficult year for all that they do for Scouting in the District.

Roger thanked everyone for attending live and on the Zoom call, which seemed successful.

Roger said that the date of the Annual General Meeting 2021/22 has not been set, but hopefully closer to April.

Roger also thanked Ian and Dan on putting the technical side together to allow the AGM to run successfully live and on Zoom.

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List of Attendees at Dennis Marsh House

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| Roger Demain-Griffiths (District Chair) | Steve Barley (County Commissioner) |
| Ivor Davies (District Treasurer) | Deana Cook |
| Ian Porter (District Commissioner) | Diane Greenaway |
| David Wasp (Deputy District Commissioner) | Sandy Yeates |
| Olwen Brockway (SASU) | Kay Putman |
| Rachel Squire MBE (SASU) | Shirley Moores |
| Jane Wasp | Jon Moores |
| Mike Hiley (Deputy District Commissioner) | Paul Prince |
| John Wyeth (DESC) | Dee Prince |
| Daniel Bavister | Samantha Jack |
| Tom Scott | Ian Jack |
| Barbara White | |

List of Attendees on Zoom (apologies for anyone missed off)

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| Graham & Elaine Murrell | Sandra McKenna |
| Justin Purkiss – County Chair | Kelvin King |
| Peter Handford | Kay Putman |
| Mark Warner | Beverley Turner |
| Katy Ulliyatt | |
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