

# **Northampton District Scouts Annual General Meeting**

**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017**

Including 2017/2018 Appointments

**Present:** Sue Robinson-Smith, Stephen Humphrey, Tom Law, Steve Tilley, Bunny Ingram, Ian Malcolmson, David Hamilton, Alistair Cochran, Caroline Lomas, Steph Hines, Alistair Brooker, Alan March, P Banks, PM Banks, John Tilley, J Russel, V Russel, A Pearce, Harry Whiting, Lee Jones, Sheila Shrivvers, Ian Rivett, James Collison, Marie Mawby, Deborah Bromley, Kevin Dillow, Dean Smith, Chris Robinson-Smith, Charlie Mackenzie, Lou Ousley, J Sharman, John Russell

**Reflection:** The reflection was led by Alan March. We remembered those in scouting who have passed away recently ; Ian Pugh, Peter Jones and Beryl Bromidge

**Welcome:** Bunny Ingram welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming. Dean Smith (County Commissioner) and Lee Jones (DCC) were welcomed

**Apologies for Absence:** Karen Simpson, Esther Phillips, Pennie Crow, Carole Tapping, Chris Bayley, Elaine Farr, Tim May, Graham Wiseman, Malcolm Dyer, Tiffany Marron, Mel Minor, Karen Boon, Jen Woollett, Alison Smart, Chris Wiseman, Jordan May, Steve Layt, Kay Layt, Rebecca Whiting, Doug Dillow, Dave Watts, Andrew Pearce, Sara Philips, Dolores Behan, Shelley Beddoe, Dave Ogden, Emily Stone, Nick Tew, Graham Tew, Jessica Brooker, Amanda Brooker, Laura Parry, Gill Walker, Tim Walker, Sue Graystone, Stuart Little, Derek Bampkin, Karen Law,

**2016 AGM Minutes:** Bunny Ingram read through the Minutes for the last AGM on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2016. These were subsequently signed as a true and accurate record. Bunny Ingram passed the meeting to chairperson Alistair Cochran

**Annual Report & Accounts:** Alistair Cochran apologised for the change of date for the AGM due to a delay in having the accounts ready. Alistair noted a thank you to all that Ian Pugh had done and reported that this had left a huge hole which highlighted the importance of succession planning. Alistair also thanked

the members of the Exec and also thanked Caroline Lomas and Penny Short who had taken on the roles of Treasurer and District Secretary respectively. The Trustees Annual Report and Accounts were approved by the District Executive at the Exec meeting on the 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017 prior to the AGM. The Annual Report and accounts had then been circulated

The Adoption of the Annual Reports and Accounts was proposed by Lee Jones and Seconded by John Russell.

Craig Kidd talked through the District Report which has been circulated prior to the meeting. Craig thanked everyone who had been involved in running scouting in Northampton. Some highlights have been the 100 years of Cubs celebrations, the opening of Knights Lodge at Overstone, the Cubs trip to Disneyland Paris, Beavers trip to the Sea Life Centre and Birmingham, the Explorers trip to Croatia and the Gang Show.

Craig also talked about the development of the new District team. This is a strong team and Craig thanked everyone involved. Particular thanks were made to Audrey Pearce for her remarkable years as the ADC for Beavers. This role has now been handed over to Chris Robinson-Smith. Other new members include Malcolm Dyer in the development role, Elaine Farr as ADC Group Support and Appointments Advisory Committee Chair, Tim Walker as District Explorer Scout Commissioner and Ian Claris as adult support

**Approval of the District Commissioner's Nomination of District Chairman:**

Craig Kidd asked for approval for Alistair Cochran as Chair for the forthcoming year. Agreed by a show of hands.

Bunny Ingram then passed to meeting back to the Chairman Alistair Cochran.

**Election of the District Secretary:**

Alistair Cochran proposed Penny Short for the role of District Secretary. This was seconded by Sheila Shrives.

**Election of The District Treasurer:**

Alistair Cochran proposed Caroline Lomas for the role of District Treasurer. This was seconded by Audrey Pearce

**Election of Members of the District Scout Council to The District Executive Committee:** Alistair asked that the elected members be John Sharman, Dave Watts, Karen Simpson and Steve Tilley. Proposed by Alistair Cochran and Seconded by James Collinson.

**Approval of the District Commissioner's Nomination of Members of the District Executive Committee:** Craig Kidd asked for approval for his nominations for Rebecca Whiting, Elaine Farr, Malcolm Dyer and Michael Lomas. Agreed by a show of hands.

**Approval of Appointment of President and Vice Presidents:** Craig would like the approval of Bunny Ingram as President and as Vice Presidents Ken Briers, Bill Reason, Brian Bodily, John Sharman, Sheila Shrives, Dave Watts, John Tilley, Wally Loweth, Bob Stubbs, Stuart Little and Derek Bampkin. This was agreed by a show of hands.

**Election of Group Scouters to the County Scout Council:** Alistair asked that Karen Simpson, Bunny Ingram and Tom Law be elected. Proposed by Sue Robinson-Smith and Seconded by James Collison.

**Election of Accounts Examiner:** Alistair requested that the Exec have time to look into the appointment of Accounts Examiner and details will be included in the minutes.

## **Presentations**

Craig Kidd has some presentations to be made but these will be arranged for an event later in the year.

Dean Smith (County Commissioner) addressed the meeting. He talked about the Northampton Scout Gang Show and the facilities available at Overstone. He also talked about the promotion of Queens Scout and Chief Scout awards and encouraging young people to take on the DofE awards. He also reminded everyone that scouting is part of what we do but is not everything in our lives.

Bunny Ingram thanked everyone for attending. The meeting closed at 8.30pm