

Barlaston and Tittensor Scout Group AGM Friday 16th February 2024

		Action Points
1. Welcome from Group Chairperson	P.W. welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending and confirmed the meeting open at 7:35pm	
2. Present	<p>Paul Westwood: Chairperson – P.W. Julia Spight: Treasurer – J.S. Christine Westwood: minute taker Suzanne Evans: District Chairperson – S.E. Stefan Park: Parent Representative – S.P. Gareth Westwood: G.S.L. - G.W. Marj Jopson: Scout Leader – M.J.</p> <p>Apologies: Phil Elliot: District Commissioner</p>	
3. Minutes of A.G.M. 2023	J.S. proposed that the minutes should be accepted. M.J. seconded this.	
4. Matters arising	<p>The Secretary: Liz Peck had taken on the role but had now resigned due to family commitments. S.E. reported that the secretary position could be a none Board position.</p> <p>Debit Cards: the group now had one debit card and planned to obtain another as this system was working well and avoided Leaders having to pay for items themselves and then put in a claim for expenses to be reimbursed.</p>	
5. Trustees Report	<p>P.W. reported that this year's report followed a template from Headquarters in which all sections of the group were included in one report, rather than individual reports.</p> <p>P.W. went through the report highlighting key points.</p> <p>S.E. suggested that following on from the report the group could consider setting up a Risk Register. P.W. confirmed that this was already in hand.</p> <p>S.P. asked about training for Board members. P.W. confirmed that there was essential training for members available on Compass.</p> <p>It was suggested by G.W. that recruitment for leaders needed to be on a District level rather than group level. S.E. agreed that she would look into this with the District Board.</p>	G.W./P.W. to check that S.P. was registered on Compass.
6. Treasurers Report	<p>The accounts were presented by J.S. who confirmed that the group was in a sound financial position.</p> <p>S.E. proposed acceptance of the accounts S.P. seconded this.</p>	

7. G.S.L's Report	<p>G.W. gave a verbal report to the Board, giving thanks to both Section Leaders and Board members for their continued support.</p> <p>He reported that the group was stable with consistent numbers of young people joining the group which was only limited by the number of available leaders.</p> <p>He had reluctantly accepted the resignation of M.J. as Scout Leader, which will take effect from the end of the summer term. He was confident that one of the Assistant Scout Leaders would step up into the Leader role. M.J. confirmed her continued commitment to the group and that she would help out whenever she could. G.W. thanks M.J. for her support over many years.</p> <p>There was discussion around the need to recruit new leaders and parents and the constraints placed upon the group due to scouts leaving the group at 14 to join the District Explorers.</p>	
8. Other Items	None	
9. Election of Officers and Members	<p>a) Chairperson G.W. proposed Paul Westwood to continue as Chairperson. J.S. second the nomination.</p> <p>b) Secretary currently there were no nominations.</p> <p>c) Treasurer G.W. nominated Julia Spight to continue as Treasurer. S.E seconded the nomination</p> <p>d) Section Representatives Gavin Statham and Kay Royle to be asked if they would continue as representatives.</p> <p>e) Section Representatives (Parents) Stefan Park agreed to continue as a Parent Representative.</p> <p>f) G.S.L Nominations None</p> <p>Leigh Whiteside to continue as Accounts Scrutineer</p> <p>Rebecca Loughhead to be asked to continue as Active Support</p>	<p>G.W/P.W to ask</p> <p>G.W/P.W to ask</p>

10. Nominations to "Joint Committee" for Land and Property Trust	To continue as last year	
11. A.O.B	None	
12. Date, Time and Place of next meeting	Friday 14 th February 2025 (although this may be subject to change)	
13. Meeting closed	The meeting closed at 8:55pm	