# 9th Carshalton Scout Group Annual General Meeting 2023

### Meeting held on Monday 4th July 2022

Minutes taken by Gary Cox (Secretary)

Version – Final

- Attachment A Group Accounts for 1 January to 31 December 2022
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- Attachment C Scout Report 2023
- Attachment D The Barbara Jackson Award (Nominations)



Date: Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2023

Venue: Bishop Andrewes Church Hall Wigmore Road SM5 1RG

#### In Attendance:

| Ann Gilbert  | Group Chairperson |
|--------------|-------------------|
| Gary Cox     | Group Secretary   |
| Bridget Dale | Group Treasurer   |
| Julie Cox    | Cub Scout Leader  |
| Kelly Rice   | Cub Scout Helper  |
| Paula Wilson | Scout Leader      |

### Co-opted Executive Committee members

| Jo London  | Parent Representative (Scouts)                                |
|------------|---|
| Vic Foster | Quartermaster   |
| Apologies: | Paul Littlechild (DC)<br>Sarah Bartholomew (Cub Scout Helper) |

### Introductions

The Chairperson welcomed all parents and young people from the Group.

The Chairperson introduced herself, the Executive Members and the wider committee.

### **Previous Minutes**

The minutes from the 2022 AGM were referred to and agreed by the Committee.

### **District Speaker**

The DC (Paul Littlechild) had hoped to be at the AGM, but clearly had been held up somewhere so we would come back to this section if necessary.

### **Treasurers Report**

The Treasurer introduced herself as the replacement for Karen North, who had held the appointment for many years, and thanked her all the work she done previously.

Funding was one of the basic keys to the Group's continued existence, and now that we had passed the 'Covid' era it was important to continue the work of fundraising.

Unfortunately, there are a couple of items missing in the Annual Accounts, notably Gift Aid and the Carshalton Roundtable donation. This is due to a change over of Treasurers and these items will appear in the next Annual Accounts.

As you are all aware, the Leaders and Assistants are all volunteers and none of the subscriptions you pay go to anyone in the Group. The subscriptions go towards the Capitation costs, rentals and insurances. Full details are attached at Appendix A.

### **Group Report**

The Group is still without a Group Scout Leader. A GSL's role is all about providing direction and support in order to develop your group and ensure its sustainability. If anyone is interested in taking on this challenging role then please contact the Chair after the meeting.

Section Reports would follow but as an overview, the Scout Troop is at its maximum but the Cub Pack had a very up and down years. At one point it was down to just 2 cub members, but has since risen to 9.

The Beaver colony was closed last year but there is a small chance of setting up a new Beaver colony in September but this is at an early stage.

The Chair commented that she was pleased that the finances through fundraising and donations was doing very well.

Just to give some examples of our fundraising, we have a stall at the upcoming St Helier Festival and we also help marshalling at the Carshalton Roundtable Firework Display.

This year was the Group's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday. This was marked by a Funday at Oaks Park where Leaders and parents celebrated its birthday. There will also be a birthday camp in September.



Finally, a big thank you to the Leaders who make things happen, also the Executive for their contribution and all section assistants, and Vic Foster (our Quartermaster) and to the Church, who have been very supportive over the many years.

#### Nominations & Approval

Group ChairpersonNominated & SecondedGroup SecretaryNominated & SecondedGroup TreasurerNominated & SecondedExecutive CommitteeNominated & Seconded(To be known as Board of Trustees with immediate effect)AuditorNominated & Seconded

### Section Reports (attached)

These are attached at: Cub Scout Report: Appendix B Scout Report: Appendix C

### Any Other Business

The Barbara Jackson Award was in memory of the lady who helped open and run the Beaver Colony. Barbara sadly died from cancer in February 2009. We remember her every year by nominating someone from the Group; it can be a Beaver, Cub, Scout or adult.

This year's winners are at Appendix D1 & D2.

There being no other business, the AGM closed at 19.50.

#### 9TH CARSHALTON SCOUT GROUP ACCOUNT FOR 1 JANUARY TO 31 DECEMBER 2022

#### INCOME

| Bank Balance & Cash in Hand               |   |          |
|---|---|----------|
| Balance as at 01/01/2022                  | £ | 6,614.06 |
| Cash Subscriptions                        | £ | 2,488.00 |
| Subscriptions by Cheque                   | £ | 272.00   |
| Subscriptions by Bank Transfer            | £ | 20.00    |
| Scarf and Badge Payments for New          |   |          |
| Recruits                                  | £ | 80.00    |
| Gift Aid - 2021                           | £ | 234.95   |
| Asda Green Token Giving                   | £ | 200.00   |
|   |   |          |
| Charities Aid Foundation (CAF) - donation |   |          |
| from Group Auditor's Employer (L&G)       | £ | 100.00   |
| Scout camp payment by bank transfer       |   |          |
| (DL)                                      | £ | 15.00    |
| Easy Fund-Raising                         | £ | 29.60    |
| Cash Donations                            | £ | 12.00    |
| AmazonSmile Fundraising                   | £ | 5.00     |
| Christmas Fayre                           | £ | 448.95   |

EXPENDITURE

# Attachment A

| Capitation<br>Performing Rights Levy<br>Young Leaders (2) Capitation                                 | £<br>£<br>£ | 1,093.50<br>22.00<br>81.00 |
|--|-------------|----------------------------|
| Church Hall Rent ( Autumn 2021)<br>Church Hall Rent ( Spring 2022)<br>Church Hall Rent (Summer 2022) | £<br>£<br>£ | 622.92<br>562.77<br>456.21 |
| Network Rail - Rent Demesne Road<br>2022-2023<br>Property (Buildings & Personal Effects)             | £           | 527.39                     |
| Insurance  | £           | 232.49                     |
| Equipment & Money Insurance  | £           | 223.14                     |
| PA & Medical Insurance   | £           | 52.00                      |
| Business Rates - Demesne Road  | £           | 36.35                      |
| Group Website  | £           | 76.50                      |
| Sutton District Council Badges (Scouts)  | £           | 134.70                     |
| Sutton District Council Badges (Cubs)  | £           | 63.70                      |
|  |             |                            |
| Electric Bill  | £           | 96.87                      |
| Open Day Expenses  | £           | 46.79                      |
| Leaving Gift - Chair   | £           | 37.95                      |
| Leaving Gift - Assistant Beaver Leader   | £           | 14.99                      |
| Scout (JD) Camp payment paid back to   | £           | 15.00                      |
| Scout Leader   | £           | 21.50                      |
| Christmas Fayre Expenses   | L           | 21.50                      |
| HSBC Bank Charges (£5 monthly fee +  | £           | 77.25                      |
| cash/cheque transactions)<br>Colour Flyers - Treasurer - AGM   | £           | 6.00                       |
| Stamps & Postage   | £           | 6.55                       |
| Chair Expenses for AGM   | £           | 28.90                      |
| USB Memory Stick   | £           | 14.00                      |
| First Aid Course   | £           | 30.00                      |
| Total  | £           | 4,580.47                   |
|  |             |                            |
| Cash in Hand   | £           | 114.07                     |
| Bank Balance   | £           | 5,825.02                   |
| TOTAL  | £           | 5,939.09                   |
|  |             |                            |

There were no outstanding liabilities at 31 December 2022

This report is prepared in accordance with the books and reports of the Group

£ 10,519.56

Bridget Dale Group Treasurer

Matthew Donaldson Group Auditor

# Attachment B

### Cub Report June 2022 - June 2023

Once again, it has been a very quiet year with number's still low at around 7. We did creep up to 15 cubs at one stage but this didn't last very long.

The Cubs did a leaflet drop around the local area to see if we could increase our numbers but sadly this did not achieve the result we

wanted. We also tried the local schools.

The Cubs have been doing a selection of badges including creativity maps, compass and communications and knots and lashings. One evening we made Sudan chairs and had a race in the hall which they seemed to like.

They also made their own woggles which was fun.

The Cubs also had a fun-filled day at Oaks Park

when they had the opportunity to have a go at backwoods cooking which they have not had a chance to do before as we have not been able to go camping.

One of my helpers (Kellie Rice) has agreed to do training to become my Assistant Cub Scout Leader (ACSL) so I thank her, and to Sarah for all the help they have given me.



Two cubs received their Silver Award so congratulations to Liam and Katie.

Three cubs taking part in the District's Water Activities Day on 8 July.

Finally, can I thank the cubs and parents for their support in helping to keep the Cub section running.



### Scout Troop Report July 2022 to June 2023

The Scout Troop has continued to grow in numbers and we currently have 23 scouts with 2 young leaders assisting and 2 assistant scout leaders to help me. I'm pleased to say that both Cleo and Louisa have now taken out a warrant and are well into completing their training.

Last July we had a great summer camp in Bournemouth with super weather. We had a day trip at camp to the home of scouting, Brownsea Island, a day at Paulton's Park, Splashdown and the beach as well as an evening meal at the Toby Carvery!



In September we had an evening in Beddington Park playing a wide game, a day at Frylands Wood camp site doing activities and cooking on a fire, we did our Emergency Aid stage 3 badge and Navigator stage 3 badge which involved following a route in our local area. A team of 4 took part in the District Night Adventure Exercise and did very well.



We also did our usual annual trip to Hampton Court for ice skating.

In the New Year we completed the Meteorologist badge and had our usual camp at February half term in the hut. Enjoyed by all once again and it was at Walton Firs this time.

### Attachment C



This term we celebrated St Georges Day and the King's Coronation and did some litter picking to help out in our local community.

We had our annual evening at Wimbledon Park doing water sports and are currently doing our Air Activities badge.

We have just done the orienteering course at Beddington Park which goes towards the Adventure Challenge.

We have our annual summer camp booked for August at Butcher's Coppice camp site near Bournemouth again.

We've done some fund raising for the section and received some Jack Petchey Achievement Award money.

Many thanks to Cleo and Louisa for supporting the Scout section with me and to the Young Leaders Jake and Keira who have both completed their Young Leader Mission Belt and achieved the Chief Scout Platinum Award.



Thank you also to my regular camp helpers Lisa and Julian Taker and Jenny McCarron of course!

Thank you for your continued support.

Paula Wilson, Scout Leader

### Nomination for the

# Barbara Jackson Award for Outstanding Achievement 2022

### **Jasmine Doughty**

Jasmine transferred to the scout section last year and has always been very happy and cheerful. In the last few months she has had to deal with personal tragedy but has continued to come to scouts regularly and always remained very positive and upbeat. She represented the Troop in the Night Adventure Exercise and has shown great maturity.

### Attachment D2

### Nomination for the

### **Barbara Jackson Award for Outstanding Achievement 2022**

### Paula Wilson

Paula has been the Scout Leader at 9<sup>th</sup> Carshalton for many years and has been with the group longer than any other member of the group. She was a good friend of Barbara Jackson and she certainly deserves recognition for her loyalty to the group. The scout section has gone from strength to strength and is currently at full capacity. Paula also supports the scouts to continue in leadership roles which will also strengthen the group.

She has taken on additional leadership roles when required and runs a very full and varied programme.

During Covid she continued to run a programme that kept the scouts engaged within Covid rules.

Paula has not had an easy time in the last couple of years but this has never affected the running of the troop or Paula's commitment to the group.