

Minutes of the AGM held 13th July 2023 North Cave Village Hall

The meeting opened at 19:30

1. **Scott Millard**, District Chair, opened the meeting and welcomed all those present and thanked them for taking the time to attend.

Attending, Jean Butler, Jo Cook, Frank Cook, Alan Hayward, Scott Millard, Linda Thelwell, John Jobling, Neil Begbie, Barbara Simpson, Wendy Macadam, Paul Daniel, Patti Pittock, Andy Wales, Carl Cooper, Shaun Wilson, Rachael Macadam, Colin Fitch.

2. Apologies for absence were received from Gary McCune, Joy Milestone, Andy Eavis, Christian Carver, Rory Kershaw, Josh Morablanco,
3. The minutes of 11th July 2022 Annual General Meeting were read; and approved as a correct record.

Proposed: Shaun Wilson

Seconded: Colin Fitch

4. To adopt POR Rule 5.4 as our future constitution.

Scott explained that POR Rule 5.4 recognises the shift over the coming months from District Exec and Exec members to District Trustee Board and Trustees, it will be updated as and when needed by HQ so we will always be compliant with Charity Law. Groups are advised to do the same at their next AGM.

Proposed Frank Cook

Seconded Paul Daniel

5. The Blacktoft Beacon District Scout Council Annual Accounts for period ending 31st March 2023, were reviewed, and approved. The Chair thanked **John Jobling**, Treasurer, for his continued support and “due diligence” in preparing a very informative & “full” set of accounts.

Proposed: Jo Cook

Seconded: Wendy Macadam

6. **Scott Millard** was nominated by Alan Hayward as Chair for the coming year. This was unanimously agreed by all members present. Alan also confirmed a further 2 Ex Officio

Blacktoft Beacon District Trustee Board

District Secretary: Linda Thelwell, 4 The Forge, Little Weighton, HU20 3UJ

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Founder Robert Baden-Powell, Chief **Scout** Bear Grylls.

members, **Josh Morablanco** as District Explorer Scout Commissioner and **Rory Kershaw** as District Youth Commissioner. The role of District Scout Network Leader remains vacant.

7. **Linda Thelwell** was Elected as District Secretary.

Proposed by Scott Millard

Seconded by Patty Pittock

8. **John Jobling** was elected as District Treasurer.

Proposed by Paul Daniel

Seconded, by Jo Cook

(It is hoped that Claire Norman will take over in the Autumn with John becoming a co-opted member to help Claire with handover & completing 23/24-year end accounts?)

9. The following 5 members were approved as nominees to the District Executive Committee. **Rachael Macadam**, Deputy County Commissioner (Programme), **Paul Daniel**, Assistant Group Scout Leader Hessele, **Liz Fraser**, Group Scout Leader Ferriby and Swanland, **Joy Milestone**, District SASU member, and **Andy Wales**, Manager Tablers Wood SASU.

10. The following 5 members were Elected, un-opposed, to serve on the District Executive Committee for the coming year, (no vote was required). **Jo Cook**, District SASU member, **Wendy Macadam**, District LTM and Beaver Leader, **Colin Fitch**, Chair of the District Appointment Advisory Committee, **Shaun Wilson**, Member of Tablers Wood SASU and **Carl Cooper**, Chair Anlaby Scout Group.

The following member was Co-opted to serve on the District Executive Committee for the coming year, **Frank Cook**, District Scout Active Support member.

Proposed: John Jobling

Seconded: Scott Millard

(This leaves a max of 4 vacant to be co-opted by the future DC/DC team if and when required)

11. To elect **Rory Kershaw** as the District representative to the County Scout Council.

Proposed: Andy Wales

Seconded: Wendy Macadem

12. It was proposed that **P. Sargeson**, be appointed as District Auditor, John Jobling confirmed that P. Sargeson would be happy to be our auditor for the next year, along with auditing South Cave Group accounts.

Proposed: John Jobling.

Seconded: Scott Millard.

13. The Acting District Commissioner, **Alan Hayward**, went on to say.

All the annual awards were presented at St Georges Day and a role of honours list appeared on the website and is listed within the annual report. Alan presented a 50-year service award to **Jean Butler**. He also passed some length of service awards and Wood badges to GSLs to present at Group level in front of the young people.

Alan explained to the meeting that he had met with many very competent people over the past year to discuss taking on the role of District Commissioner either as an individual or as a team approach.

All were more than capable of taking on the role and doing an excellent job; however, none could be encouraged to make that 'leap of faith' and commit. He went on to say his role over the coming year, along with other members of the County Team, would be to actively advertise and promote the opportunities available to adults within Blacktoft Beacon. Whilst doing this he would focus on compliance, including DBS completion and renewals, Mandatory learning, Personal Permits including Nights Away and completion of NAN forms.

14. **Scott** closed the meeting by giving a massive thank you to volunteers within our District. He made reference to Blacktoft Beacon District continuing to maintain numbers and in some sections increase numbers, commenting on how exciting it is to see 4 Squirrel Dreys now open and delivering fun and adventure to our 4 – 6-year-olds. He went on to give a massive thank you to **Barbara Simpson** and present her with an Orchid, as she is retiring from Scouting. Scott recognised the amazing commitment she had given to Gilberdyke Group, originally as a Cub Leader and then for many years as their GSL, along with the work she had carried out at District level, as an Exec member, as a member of the Appointment Advisory committee, as a Nights Away adviser and as our District Badge secretary.

15. The meeting closed at 20.05.

16. Dates of exec meetings for the coming year.

Thursday 21st September 2023

Thursday 16th November 2023

Thursday 18th January 2024

Thursday 21st March 2024

Thursday 16th May 2024

Thursday 18th July 2024 (AGM)
