Scouts

Worcester District AGM

Date:

Saturday 20/09/2025, 16:00

Venue:

8th Worcester Scout Hut, 95 Cornmeadow Ln, Worcester WR3 7PL, United Kingdom

Attendees

Brian Jenkins (District Lead), Andy Hopkins(Trustee), Carol Silvester (Trustee), Callum Walters (Trustee), Sian Moroney (3rd), Carol Maroney (3rd), John Maroney (3rd), Dave Faulkner (6th), Mat Richardson-Jack (10th), Nicky Gingell (10th), Mark Gingell (10th), Sue Fairman (2nd), Toby Rhodes (20th), Claire Rhodes (20th), Jim Cowell (5th), Nicki Richardson-Jack (10th, District), Meg Larner (20th, District), Millie Roberts (20th, District), Phill Capewell (20th, District), Matt Wattis (A&W, District), Chloe Prince (5th, District)

Apologies

Stuart Bowen (Treasurer), Charles Schofield (Trustee), Owen Williams (Trustee), Sue Ranscombe (Trustee), Josh Sanders (A&W, District), Jason Carpenter (2nd, District), Steve Eddies (Network), Ellie Prince (5th, District), Josh Capewell (20th, District)

Minutes

Discussion	Actions
1. Introductions Sue Ranscombe (Meeting Chair) formally opened the meeting at 16:29. The chair welcomed all and thanked them for attending. Voting rights for those attendees who make up the District Scout Council clarified.	
2. Apologies for Absence Chair acknowledged the receipt of those apologies provided in advance as noted above. No further apologies were provided from the floor.	
3a. Approval of Previous Minutes Chair proposed that the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Worcester District Scout Council held on 24/09/2024 should be taken as read. Nicki Richardson-Jack seconded this motion. This motion was approved by the District Scout Council.	
3b. Adoption of the Model Constitution from Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR)	

In line with the recommendation from The Scout Association, the outgoing District Trustee Board proposed we adopt the model constitution for a Scout District from Chapter 5c of Policy, Organisation and Rules. The District Scout Council approved this recommendation.	
3c. Note the Districts Financial Year The District Scout Council noted the charities financial year as 01/04/2025 to 31/03/2026	
3d. Agree the number of members that may be appointed to the Trustee Board In line with recommendations from the Charity Governance Code and POR, the outgoing Trustee Board recommends that 11 people in total make up the trustee board, including 2 ex-officio members. This was proposed by Carol Silvester and seconded by Meg Larner. The District Scout Council approved this proposal.	
3e. Agree the quorum for future meetings of the District Scout Council (excluding this AGM) The outgoing trustee board recommended a quorum of 10 people for future meetings of the District Scout Council. This was proposed by Carol Silvester and seconded by Nicki Richardson-Jack. The District Scout Council approved this proposal.	
4a. Review of the previous year from the District Lead Volunteer Brian Jenkins provided a review of the previous year. For more details, see the Scouts Worcester annual report.	
4b. Review of the previous year from the County Lead Volunteer In absence of the County Lead Volunteer, Callum Walters provided a review of the previous year. For more details, see the Scouts Hereford & Worcester Annual Report.	
4c. Receive and consider the Annual Report of the District Trustee Board including the annual Statement of Accounts The District Trustee Board has prepared the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts, and has received and considered the report on the accounts from the Independent Examiner. These elements have been published on the website for reading in advance of the AGM. No questions were raised in advance. No questions were raised from the floor.	
5a. Appoint the District Chair, following recommendations from the open selection process initiated by the District Trustee Board The outgoing Trustee Board recommended that Callum Walters should be appointed as District Chair for a term of 1 year. The District Scout Council approved this recommendation. Carol Silvester continued to chair this meeting for continuity.	

5b. Appoint the District Treasurer, following recommendations from the open selection process initiated by the District Trustee Board The chair noted the departure of Stuart Bowen as he stepped down effective from this AGM and thanked him for his 2 years supporting the Trustee Board and the wider District. The outgoing Trustee Board recommended that Andy Hopkins should be appointed as District Treasurer for a term of 1 year. The District Scout Council approved this recommendation.	
5c. Appoint members of the District Trustee Board, following recommendations from the open selection process initiated by the District Trustee Board The following members of the District Trustee Board have come to the end of their appointed term as of this AGM. The recommendation to the District Scout Council is that the following should be re-appointed to the District Trustee Board for the specified terms: Carol Silvester - 1 Year Sue Ranscombe - 2 Years Owen Williams - 3 Years The District Scout Council approved this recommendation. Brian Jenkins (District Lead Volunteer) and Charles Schofield (District Youth Lead) both hold ex-officio roles on the trustee board and do not require approval. Chair noted that the trustee board may appoint co-opted members at a meeting of the District Trustee Board and not the AGM.	
5d. Appoint the Independent Examiner Following recommendations from our outgoing treasurer and consultation with the wider trustee board, Carol Silvester proposed OJW Associates as our Independent Examiner. Nicki Richardson-Jack seconded this proposal. The District Scout Council approved this proposal.	
5e. Nominate representatives of the District Scout Council to represent the District on the County Scout Council Chair noted that the District should nominate a District Representative to the County Scout Council should be appointed. This is in addition to the District Lead Volunteer(s), District Chair, District Treasurer and District Youth Lead(s). No volunteers were presented from the floor. Brian Jenkins proposed that Josh Sanders continue to hold the role as per the last AGM should he approve. Nicki Richardson-Jack seconded this proposal. The District Scout Council approved this proposal, pending Josh's approval after the	

meeting.	
Closing Remarks Callum Walters, the incumbent chair, thanked those present for attending the AGM and welcomed everyone to remain for refreshments following the close of the meeting. Meeting officially closed at 16:47	