

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting



of the

Ely District Scout Council

Date/Time: Friday 4th June 2010, 7.30 p.m.
Location: 1st Ely Scout Centre
Chaired by: Terry Day - District Chairman
Minutes by: Ian Weatherall - District Secretary

In Attendance:-

David Allen; Valerie Allen; David Bent; David Briston; Yvette Briston; Jane Carter; Adam Clow; Mick Clow; Stuart Cree; Terry Day; Irene Dewsbury; Mark Dival; Julie Elsey; Jared Fortin; Mark Gordon; Paul Grimmond; Ben Groom; Bob Groom; Richard Hames (County Commissioner); Brian Harding; Stella Johnstone; Roland Lewis; Diane Philbey; Mike Philbey; Louise Smith; Dick Till; Derek Wakefield; Ian Wakeling; Erika Wedgwood; Richard Wedgwood; John Wells.

Apologies Received from:-

James Allen; Jill Allen; Tracy Allgood; Michael Angel; Sharon Bannister; Marisa Brown; Tim Chapman; Ali Davis; Gerd Ellsmore; Angeline Fortin; Lindsay Frost; Jane Green; Stuart Green; Penny Hamlyn; Stuart Hobbs; Sarah Jay; Caroline Knott; Kenneth Lee; Maureen Lee; Jess Lupton-Pike; Nigel McCurdy; Megan Miles; Richard Miles; Paul Mitchell; Mary Newman; Lawrence Noble (County Chair); Gary Oldershaw; Anna O'Leary; Astrid Orme; Julian Orme; Jeff Parker; Rachael Peryer; Giles Philbey; Claire Phipps; Miranda Pratt; Clair Roe; Chris Seymour; Nick Shipp; Tony Sigrist; Jacky Smeaton; Graham Smith; Wendy Smith; Rachel Spitzer; David Taylor; Sue Taylor; Adam Thorpe; Yvonne Turner; Ian Walker.

1 Welcome

Terry Day, District Chairman, welcomed everyone to the AGM, especially Richard Hames the County Commissioner.

2 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the previous AGM on 5th June 2009 were presented, and Terry asked for approval by a show of hands to sign them as a true record of events.

- Approval was given unanimously, and Terry signed them as a true record.

3 District Constitution

An amendment to the Constitution for Ely Scout District was offered to the meeting. This is based on changes in POR January 2010 that replace references to the District Scout Fellowship with references to the District Scout Active Support Unit.

Terry offered the amendments to the District Constitution for acceptance.

- Proposed by: John Wells
- Seconded by: Stella Johnstone

The Constitution was approved unanimously.

[The amended Constitution is attached to the end of these Minutes]

4 Trustees Annual Report

The Annual Report of the District Executive Committee, including the Annual Statement of Accounts to 31st December 2009, was presented to the meeting. Terry asked for the meetings approval of the Report by a show of hands.

The Report was approved unanimously.

[The Report is attached to the end of these Minutes]

5 District Officers

5.1 Approval of District Commissioner's Nomination of District Chairman

David Briston thanked Terry Day for all the work he had once again done throughout the year. He asked the meeting for approval that Terry carry on the good work he is doing.

- **Terry Day** - Appointment approved unanimously.

5.2 Election of District Secretary

Terry Day thanked Ian Weatherall for all the work he had done throughout the year. Ian was happy to continue in his role - no other nominations were made.

- **Ian Weatherall** - Appointment approved unanimously.

5.3 Election of District Treasurer

Terry Day thanked Derek Wakefield for all the work he had done throughout the year. Derek was happy to continue in his role - no other nominations were made.

- **Derek Wakefield** - Appointment approved unanimously.
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6 Appointments to the District Executive Committee**6.1 Ex Officio Members**

- **Terry Day** - District Chairman
- **David Briston** - District Commissioner
- **John Wells** - District Explorer Scout Commissioner
- **Ian Weatherall** - District Secretary
- **Derek Wakefield** - District Treasurer

6.2 Elected Members

The following were elected for another year:

- **Mick Clow** - Explorer Scout Parent
- **Rachael Peryer** - Explorer Scout Parent
- **Mark Gordon** - Group Scout Leader Representative
- **Jared Fortin** - Young Person's Representative

Appointments approved unanimously.

6.3 District Commissioner's Nominations

- **Diane Philbey** - Assistant District Commissioner (Beaver Scouts)
- **Lindsay Frost** - Assistant District Commissioner (Scouts)
- **Stella Johnstone** - County Executive Representative
- **Nick Shipp** - District Appointments Advisory Committee Chairman

Terry asked for the meeting's approval of the Nominations by a show of hands.

Appointments approved unanimously.

6.4 Right of Attendance

- **Richard Hames** - County Commissioner
 - **Lawrence Noble** - County Chairman
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7 Other Appointments**7.1 District Accounts Examiner**

- **Whiting & Partners** - Appointment approved unanimously.

7.2 District Representatives to Cambridgeshire County Scout Council

The following were put forward for election:

- **Diane Philbey** - uniformed
- - no non-uniformed representative was proposed.

Terry asked for the meeting's approval by a show of hands.

Appointment approved unanimously.

8 AGM 2011

Date, venue & hosts to be decided by the District Executive Committee.

9 District Commissioner's Address

David Briston thanked everyone for helping to make 2009 such a successful year for Ely District, with a 15% growth in membership over the year, and 30% over the past 2 years. New units have opened and there has been some good pro-active Scouting. The new District Active Support Unit will be up and running in the near future – news will be sent out soon. The aim is to get more involvement from outside the current membership.

10 Presentations

David Briston made the following presentations.

10.1 Certificates of Appointment:

- **Bob Groom** – District Nights Away Advisor & completion of "Assessing Learning".
- **Roland Lewis** - Group Chairman, Sutton

10.2 Chief Scout's Length of Service Awards:

- **Paul Grimmond** - 10 Years
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- **Yvette Briston** - 15 Years

10.3 Explorer Scout Training Awards:

- **Ben Groom** - Chief Scout's Platinum Award & Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award

11 County Representative

Richard Hames (County Commissioner) – thanked the District for the invitation and congratulated everyone, especially David Briston, for the growth shown over the past years. When David started as DC in 2002 his main aim was to grow the movement in Ely – this has been very successful with a growth of 51% over the 8 years that David has been DC. He thanked the Executive, the Leaders and, especially, the “other halves” who allowed them to be involved in Scouting. He said that Scouting in Ely District was offering fantastic opportunities to young people with fantastic facilities – especially the wonderful new 1st Ely Scout Centre that the meeting was being held in. He especially mentioned the ratio of Adults to Young People in the District – currently about 3½:1 – while the national average is around 4½:1 – this shows how good the District is at attracting adults into the Movement. He asked that his thanks should be passed on to everyone in the District.

12 District Chairman

Terry Day said that he was very pleased with the growth shown in the District over the past few years. He then talked about how that society was becoming very risk-adverse – whereas Scouting needs to be risk-assessing in order to continue to offer the fun & adventure to Young People within a secure framework. This is something that he felt Scouting in Ely District did very well – he mentioned that there was still a lot of depravation in the Fens, and he felt that Scouting could fill a lot of the gaps.

13 District Chairman

Terry closed the meeting by thanking everyone who came; and said how much he appreciated everything that everyone put into their Scouting.

The meeting closed at 8.17p.m.

The meeting was followed by refreshments provided by the Littleport Group.

These minutes have been approved as an accurate record of the meeting.

..... Date

Terence Day
Chairman



Ely Scout District

Constitution

4th June 2010

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Amendment History

Date	Detail
5 th June 2009	This Constitution was adopted at the Annual General Meeting of the Ely District Scout Council on 5 th June 2009.
4 th June 2010	This Constitution was amended at the Annual General Meeting of the Ely District Scout Council on 4 th June 2010 to reflect changes in POR January 2010. This replaces references to the District Scout Fellowship with references to the District Scout Active Support Unit.

Introduction

The following represents the established Constitution for Ely Scout District following the ideal constitution given in the Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR) of the Scout Association Rule 4.25.

	POR Reference
<p>1) Constitution</p> <p>a) Wherever mentioned in this document, 'The District' and 'The Scout District' shall both mean Ely Scout District; 'The County' and 'The Scout County' shall both mean Cambridgeshire Scout County.</p> <p>b) All elected and constitutional bodies within the District should have, as full voting members, at least two young people between the age of 18 and 25 years old.</p> <p>c) This policy, as a matter of good practice, should also be applied to any ad hoc, short or long term working groups or committees.</p>	<p>4.25(c)</p> <p>4.25(d)</p>
<p>2) The District Scout Council</p> <p>a) The District Scout Council is the electoral body that supports Scouting in the District. It is the body to which the District Executive Committee is accountable.</p> <p>b) Membership of the District Scout Council is open to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Commissioners; ii) District and Group Active Support Managers iii) Scouters; iv) Administrators; v) Section Assistants; vi) Skills Instructors; vii) Advisers; viii) All Explorer Scouts; ix) Chairmen of Troop Leadership Forums in the District; x) Members and Associate Members of the Movement registered in the District and including Members of District Scout Active Support Units; xi) All parents of Explorer Scouts; xii) Persons elected or reelected annually by the District Scout Council on the recommendation of the District Commissioner and the District Executive Committee; 	<p>4.25(e)(i)</p> <p>4.25(e)(ii)</p>

	POR Reference
<p>xiii)The County Commissioner and County Chairman are ex officio members of the District Scout Council.</p> <p>c) Membership of the District Scout Council ceases upon:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) The resignation of the member; ii) The dissolution of the Council; iii) The termination of membership by Headquarters following a recommendation by the County Executive Committee. <p>d) The District Scout Council must hold an Annual General Meeting within six months of the financial year-end to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Receive and consider the Annual Report of the District Executive Committee, including the annual statement of accounts; ii) Approve the District Commissioner’s nomination of the District Chairman and nominated members of the District Executive Committee; iii) Elect a District Secretary; iv) Elect a District Treasurer; v) Elect certain members of the District Executive Committee; vi) Elect Group Scouters to represent the District on the County Scout Council; vii) Appoint an auditor or independent examiner or scrutineer as required. 	<p>4.25(e)(iii)</p> <p>4.25(e)(iv)</p>
<p>3) The District Executive Committee</p> <p>a) The District Executive Committee exists to support the District Commissioner in meeting the responsibilities of the appointment and to provide support for Scout Groups, Explorer Scout Units and any District Scout Network in the District.</p> <p>b) The District Executive Committee consists of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Ex-officio members <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The District Chairman. • The District Commissioner. • The District Secretary. • The District Treasurer. • The District Scout Network Leader. • The District Explorer Scout Commissioner. ii) Nominated members 	<p>4.25(f)(i)</p> <p>4.25(f)(ii)</p>

	POR Reference
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Persons nominated by the District Commissioner. • The nominations must be approved at the District Annual General Meeting. • Persons nominated need not be members of the District Scout Council and their number must not exceed that of the elected members. 	
<p>iii) Elected members</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In addition to the District Secretary and District Treasurer, 4 persons elected at the District Annual General Meeting, each to serve for a period not exceeding three years, subject to re-election annually. • In addition to those listed above, 2 young people between the age of 18 and 25 years old elected at the District Annual General Meeting, each to serve for a period not exceeding three years, subject to re-election annually. 	
<p>iv) Co-opted members</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Persons co-opted annually by the District Executive Committee. • The number of co-opted members must not exceed the number of members who may be elected. 	
<p>v) Right of Attendance</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The County Commissioner and the County Chairman have the right of attendance at meetings of the District Executive Committee. 	
<p>c) The District Executive Committee may establish any sub-Committees that it deems necessary. Sub-Committees consist of members nominated by the Committee.</p>	4.25(f)(iii)
<p>d) The District Commissioner and the District Chairman will be ex officio members of any sub-Committee of the District Executive Committee.</p>	4.25(f)(iv)
<p>e) Any fund raising committee must include at least two members of the District Executive Committee, in addition to the ex officio members. No Section Leader or Assistant Leader should serve on such a fund raising sub-Committee.</p>	4.25(f)(v)
<p>f) The Scout District is an educational charity. Members of the District Executive Committee are the charity trustees of the District.</p>	4.25(f)(vi)
<p>g) Only persons aged 18 and over may be full voting members of the District Executive Committee because of their status as charity trustees.</p>	4.25(f)(vii)
<p>h) Certain people are disqualified from being charity trustees by virtue of the Charities Acts.</p>	4.25(f)(viii)

	POR Reference
<p>i) Charity trustees are responsible for complying with all the legislation applicable to charities.</p> <p>j) Ely District Scout Council is registered as a charity (registration number 301094) and the District Executive Committee is required to make an annual return to the Charity Commission.</p> <p>k) The District Executive Committee is responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Promoting the development of Scouting in the District and arranging for harmonious co-operation with other organisations; ii) The raising of funds and the administration of the District's finance and property, including Explorer Scout Units, any District Scout Network and District Scout Active Support Units; and oversight of subsequent issues; iii) Appointing a District Appointments Advisory Committee, Appointments Chair and Appointments Secretary as per POR: The Appointment Process; iv) Appointing other sub-Committees and their chairmen as the Committee may require; v) Supervising the administration of Groups, particularly in relation to finance and the trusteeship of property; vi) Attending to District administration, particularly: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Matters relating to Leader, Manager and Supporter appointments; • The appointment of Section Assistants and Skills Instructors, Administrators and Advisers; • Registrations, membership of the Movement, appointing an Assistant Secretary as Badge Secretary for the District; • The presentation of an Annual Report and annual statement of accounts to the Annual General Meeting of the District Scout Council. 	<p>4.25(f)(ix)</p> <p>4.25(f)(x)</p> <p>4.25(f)(xi)</p>
<p>4) The District Appointments Advisory Committee</p> <p>a) The District Appointments Advisory Committee is a mandatory Committee of the District; and operates in accordance with <i>POR: The Appointment Process</i>; which provides the rules for the appointing of adults in Scouting. The rules form part of Policy, Organisation and Rules and must be adhered to.</p>	<p>POR: The Appointment Process</p>
<p>5) The District Team Meeting</p> <p>a) The District Team, comprises of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) The District Explorer Scout Commissioner; ii) All Assistant District Commissioners; 	<p>4.25(h)(i)</p>

	POR Reference
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> iii) District Scout Network Leader; iv) District Scouters; v) District Scout Active Support Managers, b) The District Team meets as frequently as necessary under the chairmanship of the District Commissioner. c) The purpose of the District Team Meeting is to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Review the progress, standards and effectiveness of programmes of Groups, Explorer Scout Units and any District Scout Network in the District. ii) Plan a programme of visits to Scout Groups, Explorer Scout Units and any District Scout Network. iii) Give support and encouragement to Leaders. iv) Plan the support of adults undertaking Adult Training. v) Plan any programme of District events deemed to be necessary to supplement Scouting in the Groups, Explorer Scout Units and any District Scout Network. vi) Secure the support of District Scout Active Support Units in the work of the District. vii) Keep the District Executive Committee advised of the financial requirements of the training programme in the District, including Explorer Scout Units and any District Scout Network. 	<p>4.25(h)(i)</p> <p>4.25(h)(ii)</p>
<p>6) Conduct of Meetings in the Scout District</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Only members as defined at paragraph 2.b. above may vote in meetings of the District Scout Council. b) Only members as defined at paragraph 3.b. above may vote in meetings of the District Executive Committee. c) Decisions are made by a majority of votes cast by those present at the meeting. In the event of an equal number of votes being cast on either side the chairman does not have a casting vote and the matter is taken not to have been carried. d) The quorum for meetings of the District Scout Council shall be not less than 10% of the eligible members and must include not less than three ex officio members of the Executive Committee including the District Commissioner or nominated representative. e) The quorum for meetings of the District Executive Committee shall be equivalent to half the number of members' in office and must include the District Commissioner or nominated representative and not less than two ex-officio members. 	<p>4.25(i)(i)</p> <p>4.25(i)(i)</p> <p>4.25(i)(ii)</p> <p>4.25(i)(iii)</p> <p>4.25(i)(iii)</p>

7) Amendments to the District Constitution

- a) The District Constitution may only be amended by resolution of the District Scout Council.

8) Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR) of the Scout Association

- a) Where any conflict arises between this constitution and the Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR) of the Scout Association, POR shall have precedence.



Ely District Scout Council



Trustees Annual Report

For the period

From (start date) 0 1 0 1 0 9 to (end date) 3 1 1 2 0 9

Section A Reference and Administration Information

Charity Name	Ely District Scout Council
Other names the charity is known by	Ely & District Scouts
Charity Commission registered number	3 0 1 0 9 4
Charity's principal address	65 Station Road
	Haddenham
	Ely
	Postcode C B 6 3 X D

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

Trustee Name	Office	Dates acted if not for whole year
Terence Day MBE	District Chairman	
David Briston	District Commissioner	
Derek Wakefield	District Treasurer	
Ian Weatherall	District Secretary	
John Wells	District Explorer Scout Commissioner	
Diane Philbey	Assistant District Commissioner (Beaver Scouts)	
Lindsay Frost	Assistant District Commissioner (Scouts)	
Richard Miles	District Scout Fellowship Chairman	1 st Jan-5 th Jun 2009
Tymon Strawson	Youth Representative	1 st Jan-5 th Jun 2009
Dick Till	District Scout Representative	1 st Jan-5 th Jun 2009
Richard Wedgwood	District Cub Scout Leader	1 st Jan-5 th Jun 2009
Stella Johnstone	Group Scout Leader Representative	1 st Jan-5 th Jun 2009
	County Executive Representative	5 th Jun-31 st Dec 2009
Mark Gordon	Group Scout Leader Representative	5 th Jun-31 st Dec 2009
Mick Clow	Explorer Scout Parent Representative	5 th Jun-31 st Dec 2009
Rachel Peryer	Explorer Scout Parent Representative	5 th Jun-31 st Dec 2009
Jared Fortin	Youth Representative	5 th Jun-31 st Dec 2009
Nick Shipp	Appointments Representative	5 th Jun-31 st Dec 2009

Names & addresses of advisers

Type of Adviser	Name	Address
Independent Examiner	Whiting & Partners	41 St Marys Street, Ely CB7 4HF

Section B Structure, Governance & Management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document	The District's governing documents are those of The Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, which in turn gives authority to the Bye Laws of the Association and The Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.
How the charity is constituted	The District is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.
Trustee selection methods	The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.

Additional governance issues

The District Executive Committee	<p>The District is managed by the District Executive Committee, the members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' of the Scout District which is an educational charity. As charity trustees they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities. This includes the registration, keeping proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate.</p> <p>The District Executive Committee consists of:</p> <p><u>Ex-officio members</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The District Chairman.• The District Commissioner.• The District Secretary.• The District Treasurer.• The District Scout Network Leader.• The District Explorer Scout Commissioner. <p><u>Nominated members</u></p> <p>These are persons nominated by the District Commissioner. The nominations must be approved at the District Annual General Meeting. Their number must not exceed that of the elected members.</p> <p><u>Elected members</u></p> <p>In addition to the District Secretary and District Treasurer, 4 persons elected at the District Annual General Meeting, each to serve for a period not exceeding three years, subject to re-election annually.</p> <p>In addition to those listed above, 2 young people between the age of 18 and 25 years old elected at the</p>
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District Annual General Meeting, each to serve for a period not exceeding three years, subject to re-election annually.

Co-opted members

Persons co-opted annually by the District Executive Committee. The number of co-opted members must not exceed the number of members who may be elected.

Right of Attendance

The County Commissioner
The County Chairman

The Executive Committee meets four times per year.

This District Executive Committee exists to support the District Commissioner in meeting the responsibilities of the appointment and is responsible for:

- Promoting the development of Scouting in the District and arranging for harmonious co-operation with other organisations;
- The raising of funds and the administration of the District's finance and property, including Explorer Scout Units and any District Scout Network, and oversight of subsequent issues;
- Appointing a District Appointments Advisory Committee, Appointments Chair and Appointments Secretary as per POR: The Appointment Process;
- Appointing other sub-Committees and their chairmen as the Committee may require;
- Supervising the administration of Groups, particularly in relation to finance and the trusteeship of property;
- Attending to District administration, particularly:
 - Matters relating to Leader, Manager and Supporter appointments;
 - The appointment of Section Assistants and Skills Instructors, Administrators and Advisers;
 - Registrations, membership of the Movement, appointing an Assistant Secretary as Badge Secretary for the District;
 - The presentation of an Annual Report and annual statement of accounts to the Annual General Meeting of the District Scout Council.

Section B Structure, Governance & Management (continued)

Risk & Internal Control

Major Risks

The District Executive Committee has identified the major risks to which they believe the District is exposed. These have been reviewed and systems have been established to mitigate them.

The main areas of concern that have been identified are:

- Injury to Leaders, Helpers, Supporters or Members;
- Reduced Income from Fund Raising;
- Reduction or Loss of Volunteers;
- Mal-administration.

Injury to Leaders, Helpers, Supporters or Members

The District, through the membership fees payable to the County, contributes to the Scout Association's national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities are undertaken.

Reduced Income from Fund Raising

The District is primarily reliant upon income from membership fees and fundraising. The District does hold a reserve to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income. The Executive Committee could raise the value of membership fees to increase the income to the District on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently.

Reduction or Loss of Volunteers

The District is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the District. However, it is proactive throughout the summer weekends and into the autumn in taking a District roadshow (scouting in action) display to community events and school summer fairs to attract both extra youth members and, importantly, extra volunteer adults to scouting with new skills and ideas.

Mal-administration

The District has in place systems of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss. These include two signatories for all payments and insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered.

Regular meetings of the Executive committee are held at which updates on finances and administration are provided.

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The objectives of the District are those of the Scout Association.

The purpose of Scouting is to contribute to the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potentials, as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of their local, national and international communities.

Scouting uses a Method which is young people, in partnership with adults:

- enjoying what they are doing;
- learning by doing;
- participating in varied and progressive activities;
- making choices for themselves;
- taking responsibility for their own actions;
- working in groups;
- taking increasing responsibility for others;
- taking part in activities outdoors;
- sharing in prayer and worship;
- making and living out their Promise.

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

The District arranges large scale events during the course of the year containing a wide range of activities across all the programme zones of the Scouting programme, to add value to the smaller events organised by Groups.

Public benefit statement

The Group meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The District has provided a wide and varied range of large scale Beaver, Cub, Scout & Explorer Scouts events including District Beaver themed sleepovers, District Cub cyclo-cross, Scouts raft race competition and encouraged participation in County events. The District's growing Explorer Scout Units have included a training camp for young leaders, DofE expeditions and an increasingly varied programme.

One of the many highlights of the year was an extremely successful All sections Activity weekend at the local Mepal Outdoor centre attended by some 300 youngsters, with parent supporters being encouraged to help. Activities on offer included archery, fencing, rafting, climbing, sailing, snorkelling and many more. The inclusion of non-leaders in activities is part of the key to raising awareness amongst adults of the value, enjoyment and rewards of becoming an adult volunteer in scouting. Support is available to all adults and examples of this were the County Training day for Administrators at which most groups and the District were represented. District drop-ins were held through the year providing leaders the chance to visit our new Badge secretary, the district badge shop, to progress their training with training advisers or to receive advice on scouting in general.

The district has been proactive in promoting Scouting with its road-show displays of activities visiting numerous village & community events during the summer. The professional appearance/image of the road-show has received external praise and has helped in successfully leading to more adults being recruited. Leaders from 1st & 2nd Ely Scout Groups, along with a young leader and the District Commissioner, took part in filming for episodes 3 & 4 of The Scout Association's "Every Day Adventure", transmitted on Community Channel TV. The new Scout Centre at 1st Ely has attracted considerable interest and on the back of this an additional cub pack was on course to open early in 2010. Witchford Group re-opened its Beaver colony at Easter and Stretham Group opened its new cub pack in September, all with newly recruited leaders. Ely District's numbers increased 13% over 2008 and continues to enjoy a rapid growth rate with demand for Scouting continuing to exceed available spaces due to the quality scouting provided across the district.

The increase in want to join enquiries has led to a 0845 number being used for channelling enquiries to members of the district team.

By the year end, 35 Scouts & Explorer Scouts had expressed interest in joining the District's planned summer

2010 International expedition to the Rhineland which will enhance the already extensive range of activities on offer.

Ely District's success is in no small way due to the enthusiasm of its Leaders, its District Team, its Committee members and parent helpers to whom considerable thanks are due. Without them, it would not have been possible to encourage more adults to be part of the Scouting Adventure and in turn enable increasingly more young people access to the varied and challenging Scouting opportunities on offer.

David Briston
District Commissioner

Section E**Financial Review**

Reserves Policy

The District's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the District should income and fundraising activities fall short. The District Executive Committee considers that the District should hold a sum equivalent to at least 12 months running costs, circa £23,000.

The District held reserves of approximately £24,250 against this at year end.

Investment Policy

The District's Income and Expenditure is very small and as a consequence does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer-term investments such as stocks and shares. The District has therefore adopted a low risk strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or COIF Charities Deposit Fund.

The District Executive regularly monitors the levels of bank balances and the interest rates received to ensure the group obtains maximum value and income from its banking arrangements. Occasionally this may involve using an account that requires a period of notice before funds may be withdrawn, before doing so the District Executive considers the cash flow requirements.



Section F**Other Optional Information**

None.

Section G**Declaration**

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
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Full Name(s)	Terence Robert Day MBE	Ian Kendall Weatherall
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Position	District Chairman	District Secretary
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Receipts and Payments Account - Consolidated Accounts

	For the year from	01 January 2009	31 December 2009
Receipts and payments			
		Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
		2009 £	2008 £
Receipts			
Charitable Income by Section			
District Exec Account		4,623.27	5,893.96
Badge Account		2,350.87	1,739.97
District Beaver Scouts		1,335.00	3,093.00
District Cub Scouts		2,961.50	504.00
District Events Account		9,333.86	15,636.78
District Explorer Scouts		4,137.11	2,986.20
District Scout Fellowship		105.59	57.04
Total Gross Income		24,847.20	29,796.87
Asset and investment sales, etc.		-	-
Other Receipts (not counting as District Income)			
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Total receipts		24,847.20	29,796.87
Payments			
Charitable Expenditure (by Section)			
District Exec Account		9,218.80	5,894.70
Badge Account		2,178.77	667.45
District Beaver Scouts		1,459.30	2,811.50
District Cub Scouts		3,127.47	678.60
District Events Account		3,078.23	13,233.77
District Explorer Scouts		3,964.38	2,863.90
District Scout Fellowship		-	307.44
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Sub total		23,026.95	26,457.36
Total Gross Expenditure		23,026.95	26,457.36
Asset and investment purchases, etc.		-	-
Other Payments (not counting as District Payments)			
Total payments		23,026.95	26,457.36
Net of receipts/(payments)		1,820.25	3,339.51
Cash funds last year end		22,556.49	19,216.98
Cash funds this year end		24,376.74	22,556.49

Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year			
	For the year from	01 January 2009	31 December 2009
		Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
		2008 £	2008 £
Cash funds			
District Bank current account - Barclays		7,216.42	60.92
District - High Interest deposit account - COIF			11,740.69
Cash in hand			10.34
District Badge Account - Lloyds TSB		510.82	1,252.98
District Badge Account - CAF Cash	-	757.50	-
District Badge Account - CAF Gold		1,266.15	-
District Badge Account - Cheques to pay in		405.61	-
District Beavers current account		815.45	939.75
District Cubs Current Account		544.56	703.02
District Cub Scouts - Cash on hand			7.51
District Events Account - CAF Cash		6.75	4,650.45
District Events Account - CAF Gold		10,899.33	
District Explorers Current Account -Lloyds TSB		2,936.66	2,804.49
District Explorers - Cash in hand		87.76	47.20
Fellowship Current Account		282.31	177.11
Fellowship Deposit Account		676.66	676.27
		-	-
Total cash funds		24,890.98	23,070.73
Other monetary assets			
Debts due from Badge Sales		1,665.74	1,098.06
Mepal 2009 - Lantern Beavers		140.00	-
		-	-
Sub total		1,805.74	1,098.06
Investment assets			
		-	-
Sub total		-	-
Non monetary assets for charity's own use			
Badge stock (at cost)		2,319.38	1,791.33
		-	-
Sub total		2,319.38	1,791.33
Liabilities			
Owed to Badge Secretary, refund of badge purchases		-74.31	-632.15
Mepal 2009 Costs		-4,420.75	
Auditors Fee		-293.75	-293.75
Events Denmark costs			-291.00
Restricted Funds Held for Stretham Scout Group			-2,989.53
Interest			-164.42
Other liabilities			
Sub total		-4,788.81	-4,370.85
Net Assets		24,227.29	21,589.27

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 4th June 2010 (the date of the Executive Committee meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by

Signature	T Dey	Char
		
	D R Wakefield Treasurer	

Receipts and Payments Account - District Exec Accounts

For the year from	01 January 2009	31 December 2009
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Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds 2008 £	Unrestricted funds 2008 £
Receipts		
Donations, legacies and similar income		
Membership subscriptions	14,149.20	12,298.80
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County)	11,106.50	9,709.60
Net membership subscriptions retained	3,042.70	2,589.20
Lantern Beaver Colony		912.00
Stretham Beaver Colony	1,271.80	1,531.00
Donations	184.34	
Sub total	4,498.84	5,032.20
Grants		
		250.00
Sub total	-	250.00
Fundraising (gross)		
	-	-
Sub total	-	-
Youth Programme & Activities		
Sub total	-	-
Investment income		
Interest on COIF Deposit Account	124.43	611.76
Sub total	124.43	611.76
Total Gross Income	4,623.27	5,893.96
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-
Movement of funds on closure of other Group accounts		
Sub total	-	-
Total receipts	4,623.27	5,893.96
Payments		
Charitable Payments		
Danish Camp transfer		208.95
Adult support and training	408.00	727.00
Development	411.20	285.98
Insurance	351.75	501.29
DC's Expenses	1,162.09	600.14
Administration Expenses	585.74	65.40
Administration Expenses - Cash	10.34	
St Georges Day & equipment purchased for use at other events	344.34	241.00
AGM	123.02	65.00
Gifts		
ADC's Expenses	97.35	152.60
Owed by Badge Account	298.15	
Stretham Beaver Expenses	1,353.81	1,254.13
Stretham Beaver Refund of Funds held	3,071.94	
Loan to Badge Account	1,000.00	
Lantern Beavers expenses		1,393.21
Sub total	9,217.73	5,494.70
Grants made		
Interest to Stretham for 2009		
Ghana Trip	1.07	400.00
Sub total	1.07	400.00
Total Gross Expenditure	9,218.80	5,894.70
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	-	-
Total payments	9,218.80	5,894.70
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 4,595.53	- 0.74
Cash funds last year end	11,811.95	11,812.69
Cash funds this year end	7,216.42	11,811.95

Receipts and Payments Account - Badges

	For the year from	01 January 2009	31 December 2009
Receipts and payments			
	Unrestricted funds	2008 £	Unrestricted funds
			2008 £
Receipts			
Donations, legacies and similar income			
		-	-
Sub total		-	-
Grants			
CAF Bank set up loan from District		1,000.00	
Sub total		1,000.00	-
Fundraising (gross)			
Badge receipts for 2007 invoices			545.61
Badge receipts for 2008 invoices		209.69	1,194.36
Badge receipts for 2009 invoices to May		63.95	
Badge receipts for 2009 invoices from May		1,075.75	
Sub total		1,349.39	1,739.97
Investment income			
Interest on CAF Gold		1.48	-
Sub total		1.48	-
Total Gross Income		2,350.87	1,739.97
Asset and investment sales, etc.		-	-
Total receipts		2,350.87	1,739.97
Payments			
Charitable Payments			
Badge Secretary's Expenses to May 2009		632.15	-
Badge Purchases to May 2009		340.00	667.45
Badge Purchases from May 2009		1,206.62	
Sub total		2,178.77	667.45
Fundraising expenses			
		-	-
Sub total		-	-
Total Gross Expenditure		2,178.77	667.45
Asset and investment purchases, etc.		-	-
Total payments		2,178.77	667.45
Net of receipts/(payments)		172.10	1,072.52
Cash funds last year end		1,252.98	180.46
Cash funds this year end		1,425.08	1,252.98
Stock purchased but not invoiced_Badge Sec		74.31	632.15
Stock purchased but not invoiced_District		298.15	

Receipts and Payments Account - District Beaver Scouts

	For the year from	01 January 2009	31 December 2009
Receipts and payments			
		Unrestricted funds 2008 £	Unrestricted funds 2008 £
Receipts			
Donations, legacies and similar income		-	-
Sub total		-	-
Grants		-	-
Sub total		-	-
Fundraising (gross)		-	-
		-	-
Youth Programme & Activities			
Sleep Over		140.00	180.00
Strikes		790.00	670.00
Cubs camp		405.00	
Gilwell			2,243.00
3rd Beaver Subs			85.00
Subs Transferred to Distirct			85.00
Sub total		1,335.00	3,093.00
Total Gross Income		1,335.00	3,093.00
Asset and investment sales, etc.		-	-
Total receipts		1,335.00	3,093.00
Payments			
Charitable Payments:			
Youth Programme & Activities			
Sleep Over		160.05	181.00
Strikes		691.25	636.50
Cubs Camp		608.00	
Gilwell			1,941.00
Sub total		1,459.30	2,758.50
Fundraising expenses			
Uniform			53.00
Sub total		-	53.00
Total Gross Expenditure		1,459.30	2,811.50
Asset and investment purchases, etc.		-	-
Total payments		1,459.30	2,811.50
Net of receipts/(payments)		- 124.30	281.50
Cash funds last year end		939.75	658.25
Cash funds this year end		815.45	939.75

Receipts and Payments Account - District Cub Scouts

	For the year from	01 January 2009	31 December 2009
Receipts and payments			
		Unrestricted funds 2008 £	Unrestricted funds 2008 £
Receipts			
Donations, legacies and similar income Bank error			
Sub total		-	-
Grants			
		-	-
Sub total		-	-
Fundraising (gross)			
		-	-
Sub total		-	-
Youth Programme & Activities			
Strikes (Bowling)		290.50	379.00
Football		10.00	60.00
Camp		2,661.00	
Cyclocross			65.00
Sub total		2,961.50	504.00
Total Gross Income		2,961.50	504.00
Asset and investment sales, etc.		-	-
Total receipts		2,961.50	504.00
Payments			
Charitable Payments			
Youth Programme & Activities			
Strikes Bowling		460.50	678.60
Camp		2,659.46	
Cyclo-cross			
Football			
Stationery			
		7.51	
Sub total		3,127.47	678.60
Fundraising expenses			
		-	-
Sub total		-	-
Total Gross Expenditure		3,127.47	678.60
Asset and investment purchases, etc.		-	-
Total payments		3,127.47	678.60
Net of receipts/(payments)		- 165.97	- 174.60
Cash funds last year end		710.53	885.13
Cash funds this year end		544.56	710.53

Receipts and Payments Account - District Explorer Scouts

	For the year from	01 January 2009	31 December 2009
Receipts and payments			
	Unrestricted funds		Unrestricted funds
	2008 £		2008 £
Receipts			
Donations, legacies and similar income			
Membership subscriptions	1,057.50		920.00
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County)	435.10		526.70
Net membership subscriptions retained	622.40		393.30
Other similar income			
Sub total	622.40		393.30
Grants			
	341.77		
Sub total	341.77		-
Fundraising (gross)			
	-		-
Tent Hire	60.00		
Refund of Expenses	89.44		28.40
Sub total	149.44		28.40
Youth Programme & Activities list for 2008			
October Camp	440.00	YHA Trip	1,245.00
First Aid	90.00	Monopoly	630.00
Fire & Ice Camp	330.00	Aquafest	50.00
Mepal Climbing	93.50	YL Camp	68.00
Ice Skating	8.00	Climbing	27.00
Driving experience	3.00	Mepal	181.00
Mepal Camps	358.00	Cardingto	42.00
DOE	121.00	Cathedral	76.00
Horse Riding	88.00	Mepal	88.50
Ely Cathedral	24.00	Archery	50.00
Monopoly Camp	460.00	DOE	55.00
North Wales	480.00	Fire & Ice	20.00
Fireworks	60.00		
Brownsea Island	465.00		
Bowling	3.00	Marathon	32.00
Sub total	3,023.50		2,564.50
Total Gross Income	4,137.11		2,986.20
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-		-
Total receipts	4,137.11		2,986.20
Payments			
Charitable Payments			
Badges & training books	205.33		80.00
Youth programme and activities: list for 2009			
October Camp	382.66	YHA	1,183.43
Fireworks	84.28	Firework	57.47
First Aid	140.00	Monopol	343.44
Aquafest	5.00	Aquafest	5.00
Monopoly Camp	305.94	YL	51.53
Mepal Climbing	93.50	Climbing	
Mepal /Brahms farm Camps & other activities	662.06	Mepal	270.15
Cater for St Georges Day	69.44	Cardingt	20.00
Ely Cathedral	34.50	Cathedr	70.00
Horse Riding	88.00	Mepal	136.00
DOE		DOE	75.00
North Wales	487.93	Maratho	176.00
Brownsea Island	118.62		40.00
Fire & Ice Camp	315.00		61.83
General Expenses including Website	63.00		92.84
Rent	550.00		
Equipment	359.12		201.21
Sub total	3,964.38		2,863.90
Fundraising expenses			
	-		-
Sub total	-		-
Total Gross Expenditure	3,964.38		2,863.90
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	-		-
Total payments	3,964.38	;	2,863.90
Net of receipts/(payments)	172.73		122.30
Cash funds last year end	2,851.69		2,729.39
Cash funds this year end	3,024.42		2,851.69

Receipts and Payments Account - District Events Account

	For the year from	01 January 2009	31 December 2009
Receipts and payments			
	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds	
	2008 £	2008 £	
Receipts			
Donations, legacies and similar income			
Donations			32.62
Sub total	-		32.62
Grants			
Sub total	-		-
Fundraising (gross)			
For Denmark Camp			2,415.01
Sub total	-		2,415.01
Programme & Activities			
Aquafest	30.00		30.00
Branching Out - BBQ	150.00		
Mepal 2007 DVDs			37.50
Mepal 2009	9,135.00		
Denmark Camp 08			12,997.84
Sub total	9,315.00		13,065.34
Investment income			
Interest	18.86		123.81
Sub total	18.86		123.81
	Total Gross Income	9,333.86	15,636.78
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-		-
	Total receipts	9,333.86	15,636.78
Payments			
Charitable Payments			
Aquafest	30.00		30.00
Mepal 2009 Costs	2,586.87		
Branching Out - BBQ	95.27		
Hire of meeting rooms	75.00		
Denmark Camp 08	291.09		13,203.77
Sub total	3,078.23		13,233.77
Fundraising expenses			
Sub total	-		-
	Total Gross Expenditure	3,078.23	13,233.77
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	-		-
	Total payments	3,078.23	13,233.77
	Net of receipts/(payments)	6,255.63	2,403.01
Cash funds last year end		4,650.45	2,247.44
	Cash funds this year end	10,906.08	4,650.45

Receipts and Payments Account - District Scout Fellowship

	For the year from	01 January 2009	31 December 2009
Receipts and payments			
	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds	
	2008 £	2008 £	
Receipts			
Donations, legacies and similar income			
Donations			3.26
Membership subscriptions 2009	310.00		26.00
Membership subscriptions 2007			185.00
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/Area/District)	274.80		343.50
Net membership subscriptions retained	35.20		132.50
Sub total	35.20		129.24
Grants			
Sub total	-		-
Fundraising (gross)			
Tent Hire	70.00		60.00
Sub total	70.00		60.00
Programme & Activities			
Sub total	-		-
Investment income			
Bank interest	0.39		12.20
Sub total	0.39		12.20
Total Gross Income	105.59		57.04
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-		-
Total receipts	105.59		57.04
Payments			
Charitable Payments			
Support for Project Meridian			200.00
Materials and equipment - Batons			63.95
Sub total	-		263.95
Fundraising expenses			
Expenses			43.49
Sub total	-		43.49
Total Gross Expenditure	-		307.44
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	-		-
Total payments	-		307.44
Net of receipts/(payments)	105.59		364.48
Cash funds last year end	853.38		1,217.86
Cash funds this year end	958.97		853.38

Receipts and Payments Account - Stretham Group

	For the year from 01 January 2009	31 December 2009
Receipts and payments		
	Unrestricted funds 2008 £	Unrestricted funds 2008 £
Receipts		
Donations, legacies and similar income		
Funds from Stretham Beavers	1,077.00	1,562.50
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County)	- 865.20	- 45.80
Sub total	211.80	1,516.70
Grants		
	350.00	120.10
Sub total	350.00	120.10
Fundraising (gross)		
	-	-
Sub total	-	-
Programme & Activities		
	710.00	609.00
Sub total	710.00	609.00
Investment income		
Other	1.07	-
Sub total	1.07	-
Total Gross Income	1,272.87	2,245.80
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-
Total receipts	1,272.87	2,245.80
Payments		
Charitable Payments		
Activities	748.31	1,869.35
Sundry	605.50	
Sub total	1,353.81	1,869.35
Fundraising expenses		
Expenses		
Sub total	-	-
Total Gross Expenditure	1,353.81	1,869.35
Funds Transferred to Stretham Scout Group	3,073.01	-
Total payments	4,426.82	1,869.35
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 3,153.95	376.45
Cash funds last year end with interest	3,153.95	2,613.08
Cash funds this year end	-	2,989.53

ELY DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees

Year Ended 31 December 2009

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2009 which are set out on the attached pages.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Independent Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act), as amended by section 28 of the Charities Act 2006) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 43(3)(a) of the 1993 Act, as amended);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 Act, as amended); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view'.

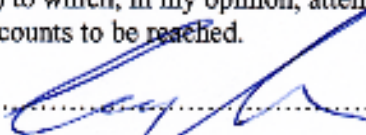
Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that:

- proper accounting records are kept (in accordance with section 41 of the Act); and
- accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.


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Dated 4/6/10

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