



Annual General Meeting

Date: 28 November 2025

Venue: The Beacon, YMCA St Helens, St Helens, WA10 1TF

Minutes

Welcome

- Meeting opened by Group Chair (Frank) at 19:03, and thanked parents for attending.

Treasurers Report

- Group Chair reported to the Group Scout Council that Pam, our treasurer of 20 years would be retiring and handing over the job to Mark Johnson, our new Treasurer.
- Group Chair reported that the Group finances are currently healthy.
- The Group is currently having an issue with Santander, our main banking provider. They have yet to process the paperwork to change the signatories on the bank account.
- Group will keep the current financial year for reporting, pending discussions with the YMCA regarding finances.

Group Lead Volunteers Report

- The Group Lead Volunteer (GLV) reported that the Group is currently struggling for numbers in the Beaver and Cub sections.
- GLV asked that is parents know of anyone who would like to send their young children to Scouts, to please pass along our details.
- GLV reported that he will be putting together a set of social media posts in the new year to aid in recruitment – asked if parents could support by sharing these when they are released.
- The Scout section is currently operating normally, with healthy numbers and plenty of events organised.

Trustee Appointment

- Group Chair explained that Scout Groups are now required to have Trustee Boards, as a replacement for parent committee or executive committees.
- The Group Scout Council was asked to approve of 5 nominations for the new Trustee Board, the results of the vote are as follows:

- Frank Grayson (Group Chair) – UNANIMOUS
 - Mark Johnson (Group Treasurer) – UNANIMOUS
 - Dawn Mason (Trustee) – UNANIMOUS
 - Vince Roberts (Trustee) – UNANIMOUS
 - Pam Grayson (Trustee) – UNANIMOUS
- These individuals will form the new Trustee Board, in addition to Gavin Jones-Verity, who is automatically a Trustee by virtue of their position as Group Lead Volunteer.
 - Trustees were elected for a term of 1 year – Trustees will need to be reappointed at the next Annual General Meeting of the Group Scout Council.

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- Suggestion of a Group event to 10-pin bowling – GLV to investigate venues and organise an event.
- Bev (Scout Leader) mentioned upcoming fundraising events, such as the Christmas raffle, Easter Bingo and the annual Car wash – Bev asked if parents had any other suggestions for fundraising events, please pass these ideas along to Leaders.
- Collette (Cub Leader) mentioned that there are hand-made knitted items available at all times for purchase that go towards fundraising for the Group.

Meeting closed by the Group Chair at 19:30.