

## Minutes of the Annual Review and AGM

Online via Zoom, 8:00 pm, Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2020

19 people were in attendance, from the Group; including Executive, members and parents.

### 1. Welcome and Apologies:

The Chair, Kevin Mead, welcomed all those online to the meeting. Apologies had been received from Phili Coley, Paul Carpenter, Leigh Hogarty and Les Marrill (Leaders), as well as a few parents.

### 2. Outline of the Year:

The Group Scout Leader (GSL), David Shickle covered some of the activities that had been undertaken before and since the COVID-19 pandemic which had led to activities being online, emphasising that these were only possible with the continued support and dedication of the Leaders and helpers who gave their time voluntarily. He highlighted the disappointment felt by all of having to cancel the International trip to Madagascar but emphasised the successful completion of the new store which has enabled the Group to be completely self-contained on the EMC site.

### 3. AGM

The **Minutes** of the 2019 meeting had been circulated in advance of the meeting and were approved without amendment.

**Proposed: Kevin Mead; Seconded: Simon Williams**

The **Annual Report** for 2019-20 had also been circulated prior to the meeting: it included the **Audited Accounts** for the year to March 31<sup>st</sup> 2020. The Treasurer, Simon Williams, highlighted the main points: broadly the Group was in a solid financial position and recommended them for approval.

**Proposed: Tony Marshall; Seconded: Jacqui Raggett**

The Executive Committee: The **GSL proposed** that Kevin Mead continue as Chair: **Seconded: Steve Barden**

The **Chair proposed** that:

- Simon Williams continue as Treasurer: **Seconded: Kathy Castledine**
- Steve Barden continue as Secretary: **Seconded: Kathy Castledine**

The Chair highlighted that there were ongoing vacancies for Windfall, Apache and Sioux Parent Reps to support the Section Leaders and sit on the Executive Committee. Also noting that the Explorer PR role would become vacant in early 2021. He asked that all Leaders of the respective Sections attempt to identify parents willing to take up the support role. **Action: all**

The other Section PRs were re-elected unopposed.

The **Treasurer proposed** that Andrew McDonald continue as Auditor for the forthcoming year: **Seconded: Clare Knight**

4. **Section Updates:** The GSL remarked that the Annual Report contained a summary of each Section's activities for the year to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020. He also reminded everyone that the current Risk State of 'Amber' meant that all activities were planned to be outdoors with all relevant Risk Assessments taking account of Government and TSA guidelines.
5. **Ways to Help Us:** The Chair, brought the meeting to a close with a timely reminder of the need for continued support from adult helpers for Section meetings even though camping and our various fundraising activities were currently paused. **Action: all**