

Scouting has a lot to offer both young people and adults. There are almost 100,000 adults who are regularly involved in Scouting across the United Kingdom as Members of the Movement. Many more provide back-up support as members of Executive Committees. Go on, be one of them!

Being a charity Trustee

All members of our Group Executive Committee are charity trustees of the Scout Group. As such they are responsible for complying with the Policy, Organisation & Rules of The Scout Association and all legislation applicable to charities in the UK.

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FUN, TEAMWORK
AND ADVENTURE!**

Who can be a trustee?

Our Scout Group relies on the support and help of volunteers to enable it to thrive! Trustees come from all walks of life and generally the wider range of people we can have represented on our Executive Committee, the better. However there are some people who are not able to serve as trustees. If you answer 'yes' to any of the following you will not be eligible:

- under 18 years of age,
- convicted of an offence involving deception or dishonesty, unless the conviction is spent,
- an undischarged bankrupt,
- previously been removed from trusteeship of a charity by the court or The Charity Commission,
- under a disqualification order under the Company Directors Disqualification Act 1986.

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HELP MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

Getting involved in Scouting as a member of our Group Executive Committee.

“Our Group Executive Committee supports the work of our leaders helping them provide everyday adventure to our members”



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i.VOLUNTEER WILL YOU?

Being involved in Scouting doesn't mean making a regular commitment every week!

Ask a young person why they stay in Scouting, and they will probably say because its fun! This is true for our adults too!

If you would like to help out but don't have the time to be a Leader or Helper then our Group Executive Committee is a great way of helping the Group with minimal time commitment.

Our Group Executive Committee plays a very important part in the running of our Scout Group, in fact, the Scout Group could not function properly without it.

What is a Group Executive Committee?

The Group Executive Committee is responsible for the management of our Scout Group. It is accountable to the Group Scout Council, which is made-up of all the people involved in Scouting in our Group: leaders, helpers, parents, administrators, Patrol Leaders, and a few others.

Who is a member of the Group Executive Committee?

Our Group Executive Committee is made up of the following people:

- our Group Officers (Chairperson, Treasurer, Secretary),
- those who are nominated by our Group Scout Leader and approved by the Group Scout Council at our Annual General Meeting (AGM).
- parent representatives who are elected by the Group Scout Council at the AGM,
- those who are co-opted by the Executive.

You don't need to know anything about Scouting - we provide an induction, optional training which can result in an Open College Network qualification in 'Providing Voluntary Youth Services' and ongoing support.



What does the Executive do?

The Committee has several responsibilities. These include:

- ensuring we have a good place to meet,
- providing equipment for the Scout Group,
- ensuring that the Scout Group is suitably insured,
- raising funds for the Group,
- administrating the Scout Group's finances,
- assisting in the recruitment of leaders,
- organising social events.

Who are we?

Although the 'executive' bit in our committee's title makes it sound very formal, it is actually not like that at all! Our committee is made up of parents of children from within our Scout Group just like you!

Some of our members are 'ex-officio' and have proper titles. These are the Chair, Treasurer and Secretary. Ideally there should also be a parent from each section in the Group on the Executive Committee. This means that we have a good spread of opinion. We very much believe that many hands make light work and that no one person should ever have to do too much! Our meetings are very informal. We enjoy chatting about the things going on in the Group and making the right decision to support the work of our leaders.

Can I help?

Of course you can! The Executive Committee is open to anyone who has an interest in helping our Group to function.

What is the commitment?

There is no fixed time commitment - the time required to fulfill the role varies. It is probable that you will have between three and six two hour Executive meetings during the year. In addition you may choose to support fundraising and other Group events.

Before you decide

We really hope that you can help us support Scouting in our Group and we will be delighted if you say "yes". We only ask that you attend the Executive meetings as often as you are able to. You won't be signing your life away! Roles can be flexible too.

