



Bewdley Scout Group (20th Wyre Forest)

Annual Report To: Bewdley Town Council

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I am happy to report that we have a thriving, busy and above all, fun Scout Group but the pandemic has obviously caused a dramatic downturn in our activities.

I would like to acknowledge the fantastic contribution of time and enthusiasm given by the various Section Leaders and the Section Assistants to this Scout Group. I also wish to praise the time, energy and enthusiasm put into the Group by the Group Scout Leader and the members of the Executive Committee. The contribution of all these people to the smooth running of the Group is essential and greatly appreciated. The various sections often require additional help during certain activities, and I would like to thank all those parents who have given their time to help with activities.

Obviously, it has been a difficult year due to the pandemic and the lockdowns. However, when we have been allowed to meet, the Group Scout Leader and Section Leaders have done an excellent job of producing risk assessments and arranging for our young people to meet outdoors following social distancing rules and keeping everyone safe. Some sections have also met via Zoom when it has not been possible to have face-to-face meetings.

During the year we explored numerous fundraising ideas and opportunities, some of which, were more fruitful than others. We can never do enough to raise more funds to support the Group, the upkeep of the hut and the continuity of our scouting activities for now as well as for future generations of Bewdley in the years to come. We are most grateful to Bewdley Town Council and Bewdley residents for their grants and donations, which, are gratefully received.

Our major maintenance and development projects for the hut are ongoing and we have made great progress. It has been good to subsequently see this coming to fruition and the change should be transformational, which, is very exciting. We have made every effort to be cost effective. However, this is a very expensive exercise so future support is welcomed.

We hope to invite everyone to see the changes once finalised and when we are allowed to do so.

I hope we can return to close to normality in the near future.



Kindest regards and very best wishes,

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