

Minutes of the Great Bentley Scouts and Girl Guide Committee held at 7:30pm on 07/02/13 at the Scouts and Guides hut.

Present were:

Ian Watcham , Cherie Hipkins, Mark Renault, Jan Bovington, Karen Pigrim, Paul Bovington, Deborah Hesketh, Samantha Smith, Gary Smith, George Sher.

Key Points of Discussion were:

Hut Floor

- It was agreed to replace the existing floor with 8'by 4' boards
- To paint these over with floor paint or tough varnish
- To get a work party together for the first weekend in August ie 03/08/13
- Karen Pigrim to investigate a Scout Grant for hut maintenance
- Debbie Hesketh to investigate the a grant from Brownies for hut maintenance

Fire Extinguisher

- Keith Murray tested fire extinguishers in previous years
- Deborah Hesketh has his contact details
- Ian Watcham will contact him to check and replace extinguishers where necessary as the checks are due now.

Kitchen Scales

- 3 new kitchen scales have been purchased

Car Park Potholes

- Improved but not completely corrected
- 20mm gravel will be needed and has been priced up by Ian Watcham at:
£175 for 2 yard skip and 2 ton of gravel
£225 for 4 yard skip and 2 ton of gravel

Maintenance

- Toilet is broken ... Ian Watcham agreed to repair it
- Gate lock needs re-lubricating
- A fence panel is falling down and needs replacing
- It was agreed that scouts and brownies would have their own separate notice boards

Group website

- 1st.Great-Bentley.co.uk
- This only has scouting information on it and cannot contain any Brownie or Girl Guide contact information on it for reasons of girls safety from stalkers

AOB

- Hut Hygiene: all food waste and rubbish must be removed after each meeting
- Food and waste cannot be left on site because it attracts vermin
- On the weekend of 15th to 17th February the rubbish at the end of the plot will be burned
- Ground rent is due. Lee Olson is to inform all groups of that.
- Halloween party was overcrowded. It was agreed that the party this year will be limited to 30 places only.
- Big **Thank You** to Tracy Mills who prepped the Halloween party single handed after others who agreed to help dropped out. An amazing effort and inspiring dedication.

- A lawnmower driver is needed.
- The cesspit is overdue a clean. The cost of this has historically been £120
- Lee Olson needs to check the collected ground rent covers these expenses
- The proposed date for the next committee meeting is on 18/04/2013 at 7:30pm