



## Wingham Scout Group

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25<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Dear Parents and Carers

### Changes to Subscription Fee

Every year we have to make an annual membership payment per young person within the group to district, this payment is divided up between the UK HQ, county and district. A large proportion of the annual membership goes towards insurance for every individual.

This year that payment is set at £41.50 per child. As you can see, this payment represents more than half the annual subs of £75 that we receive per child. The remaining money we receive in subs must go towards maintaining the hut and grounds, paying utility bills, purchase of materials and equipment for section nights and badges, with each badge costing almost £1. There can be a misconception that leaders are paid, however this is not the case and all roles in local scouting are voluntary.

As the amount we have left for running the group is reducing with each year, we have reluctantly taken the decision that from the beginning of January 2019, the subscription fee at Wingham must be increased. The new **annual payment** will be **£90** per child, the fee for two terms will be £30 and if paying termly it will be £15; this is an increase of £15 per year.

Please note that we do not have a weekly fee and do not accept weekly payments; we have a flat fee paid in advance with no reduction for missed weeks. Payments must be paid online or by cheque (to Wingham Scout Group) or cash; cash must be in an envelope with the name of the young person clearly marked on the outside. Fees should be paid promptly, within 2 weeks of the start of term. **Failure to make payment will mean your child cannot continue until the payment has been made.**

If you wish to become more involved in the group the committee has agreed that under certain circumstances the subs for your child will remain at £75 per year. To receive the reduction, you need to be a leader, join the committee or become a parent helper committing to at least 6 sessions per year. Roles that we currently need to fill are as follows: **two Explorer Leaders, a Beaver Leader, a Secretary for the Committee, ordinary committee members.**

Please can you complete the attached form, even if just to confirm receipt of this letter, and either return it to the leaders or email it to Matthew at [winghamscouts@gmail.com](mailto:winghamscouts@gmail.com).

With best wishes

**Group Scout Leaders and Executive Committee**

8<sup>th</sup> Deal (Wingham) Scout Group



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Please complete this form and return it by 20<sup>th</sup> December 2018 to your section leader or email to [winghamscouts@gmail.com](mailto:winghamscouts@gmail.com)

Please tick/cross one or more of the boxes below

I have seen the letter regarding the increase in subscription fees to £90 per year.	
I would like to be considered as a leader in the group.	
I would like to be considered as the Executive Committee Secretary	
I would like to be join the Executive Committee as an ordinary member.	
I would like to support the group 6 times a year.	

Name of Young Person(s)

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Name of Parent

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Signature of Parent

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