Subs – what are they?



Subs are £45/term and to be paid AT THE START OF THE TERM.

This is more than some Scout Troops charge (those who just moved up from Scouts) but the key difference is that some of the costs for Scout Groups like equipment, admin, leader training etc. are spread across Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and other income whereas we just have one section. Also, the majority of Scout Groups don't pay rent and we do.

In a nutshell, Subs are your membership fee. What this means is that if you don't come for a couple of months and then start coming again, you don't pay in arrears for what you attended, you pay your annual membership that we split over three terms.

What we use the money for:

- We pay a 'capitation fee' annually for every young person which is distributed between 'The Scouts' (i.e. the national stuff like Safeguarding, child protection, insurance of every young person national programme and activities), County (leader training) and the District (all of the administration to keep our charity, Southgate District Scout Council going and to provide us with the support we need)
- We pay rent to Bourne Methodist Church, we pay Scout Park every time we use there, we pay Ashmole School every time we use their gym and throughout the term we try not charge you for activities that we have to buy in or pay instructors for etc.
- The Unit's equipment and resources (we are very fortunate to have a good stock of our own stuff which allows us to do more)
- The regular programme always incurs some costs
- We are currently trying to invest more in getting activity permits and qualifications for leaders so that we can deliver more adventure and in the long run, at a lower cost because we won't be instructors which are fees we often pass directly on to you in the shape of camp fees. Next on this agenda are mountaineering qualifications.
- Finally, we keep a small contingency that sometimes requires topping up so that we can
 provide help to those who are not able to pay for camps, events, activities, uniform,
 equipment or anything else. Inclusivity is really important in everything that we do, this is
 one of the ways that we can achieve that goal.





How to pay the Hatters Explorer Scout Unit...

Bank Transfer (please use helpful references, name and event/subs within reason).

Southgate District Scout Council - Hatters Explorer Scout Unit,

Bank sort code: 20-98-21, Account Number: 03387119

Cheques made payable to "Hatters Explorer Scout Unit" with the name and event (or subs) on the reverse.

Cash will only be accepted in a sealed envelope with name and event (or subs) on the outside.

Don't forget that money is never an acceptable barrier to a young person taking part, please speak to Dan if you need to (07977 185981 or hatters.esu@gmail.com)

