

**Newham Watersmeet Woodcraft Folk
District General Meeting
17thth Match 2015**



Present: Angus, Suzannah, Alicia, Mary,
Apologies: Stuart, Iolo, Elliot, Mike, Bill, Danni

Item	action
<p>Matters arising Angus not done letter to Nicky yet. Go for it grant not submitted. DFs will attend district camp and do tent parenting Bill's confirmed dates with Rene Angus and Suzannah did play street session Angus not yet applied to CO-OP for residential support. Suzannah will add some safeguarding info to membership form.</p>	<p>Angus to do letter for Nicky Group to put in for go for it grant today for camp, Angus to explore. Suzannah to do a let's get the party started grant to support Rene's night in June. Suzannah to add some safe guarding to membership form Angus to apply to co-op. Plan for district to attend the London pageant.</p>
<p>Woodchips Woodchips going well. Review woodchips for registering</p>	<p>To include Woodchip registration when we next renew the groups with Folk House.</p>
<p>Elfins Numbers had dipped with move to Pioneers of 11 Elfins, numbers now around 14 with recruitment measures in place.</p>	
<p>Pioneers Group settling down with influx of new pioneers from Elfins and an exit of older Pioneers to Venturers.</p>	
<p>Venturers and DFs Venturer group is small with some new members needing to be settled into the group. They have Heritage grant and there will be a residential with song book and music themed around the M11 extension protest. Residential planned for early May to Debden. The project is called Voices of Leytontonia Venturers and they are working with East Side Herotage on an extended social history project researching events around the M11 protest and the role of songs and music in this process. ESH have been awarded a grant from HLF to support this. Venturers will benefit from having a professional project worker supporting us through the year, a subsidised residential in May and a series of incidental benefits such as hall costs.</p>	

<p>DFs lots of them doing exams at present so group a bit in flux. Two performances at Glamis Road and Oxford house. Palestine project planned for August. Doing preparation for this trip 23rd of August to 3rd of September. Suzannah suggested a gift to Palestine.</p>	
<p>Feedback from social Overall felt that social lacked some focus and energy this year. Need to think about the structure of the social as an event. Need to identify people to help with social, use Rene's party to try strategies for getting people involved. AGM to be done as a power point next year.</p>	<p>Angus to think about involving groups in debating ideas for future social.</p>
<p>Year Planner District calendar set up dates. Bond Between Us performances Apr 10th or 11th Visit Debden for stock taking 26th of April District Camp 23rd to the 25th May June Pioneer Day Woodcraft Pageant June 13th Rene History Talk June 20th July Stocktaking in Debden- date tbc August- possible Bushcraft camp with Steve Hamp National AGM 19th of September Stubbers camp 25th to 27th of September Oct Cycle Trip - tbc</p>	
<p>AOB: Angus suggested that we get new projector screen.</p>	<p>Bill to get portable lightweight projector screen.</p>
<p>Next District meetings DGM 9th of June 7.30 Lodge DGM 22nd of September 7.30 Lodge DGM 19th of Januarys AGM 5th of March DGM 15th of March</p>	
<p>AOB None</p>	