



# Scouts

Lea  
Air Scouts

Adult Welcome Pack

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## Welcome

Welcome to Lea Air Scout Group!

We are excited to welcome you as an adult volunteer. This pack is designed to give you the information you need for your role. If anything is left unanswered, please speak to one of the team.

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We also have other section team members, trustees and young leaders who support the teams they are in.

## Lea Air Scout Group

Lea Air Scout Group is open to all young people aged 5  $\frac{3}{4}$  to 14. The group has existed since 1937 (although has had several names since then).

The section times are as follows:

### Beavers (5 $\frac{3}{4}$ to 8 years)

Tuesdays during term time from 6 – 7:15pm

### Cubs (8 to 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ years)

Thursdays during term time from 7 – 8:30pm

### Air Scouts (10 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 14 years)

Mondays during term time from 7 – 8:45pm

### Non section volunteers

Our trustee board meets every other month. These dates are arranged annually and are shared once they are agreed.

Our Group Leadership team meets once a term. These dates are arranged and shared once they are agreed.

There is no cost for adult volunteers. Young people pay a subscription cost of £42 per term reduced to £37.50 if you have more than 1 child in the group and further reduced to £21 where a parent/carer volunteers with the group.

## How you fit into the group

We have a range of teams in the group which each have different roles. The Group Lead Volunteer works with each team to ensure successful growth and management of the group.

### Section teams (Beavers, Cubs, Scouts)

**Section team leaders** lead our sections and their teams. They get involved in everything in the section and work together with their teams to distribute tasks to the section team members.

**Section team members** are involved in the programme delivery and support the section team leader by completing allocated tasks.

**Helpers** support the section teams by helping out every now and then.

### Trustee Board

The **Chairperson** leads the trustee board. They are elected by the Group Scout Council (our members and their parents/carers) at our AGM annually. They lead meetings and ensure that administrative tasks are completed. The chairperson works closely with the Group Lead Volunteer, ensuring effective management of the group.

The **Treasurer** handles all things money. They work closely as part of the trustee board to ensure that the group has the funds to continue providing scouting and that all of the bills and costs are paid.

**Trustees** work as part of the trustee board. They ensure effective administration of the group by working closely with the chairperson and treasurer.

### Group Leadership team

**Group leadership team members** work with the other teams in the group. They mostly support with programme delivery and typically have skills that can be used to support the group. Our Section team leaders are also Group leadership team members.

**Fundraising team** supports the group by ensuring that we are constantly fundraising and generating funds to support the group. They work closely with Group Lead Volunteer and the Treasurer.

### Social media

The group has a presence on the following social media platforms:

Facebook: [fb.me/leascoutgroup](https://fb.me/leascoutgroup)

Instagram: [Instagram.com/leascoutgroup](https://Instagram.com/leascoutgroup)

X(formerly twitter): [@LeaScouts](https://twitter.com/LeaScouts)

## The uniform

As a member of the Scouts you are eligible to wear a uniform. For our section teams this should be worn to section meetings and events, except where activities make the uniform unsuitable. It comprises of the Air Scout Shirt, navy trousers/skirt and the group neckerchief. The shirt and trousers can be bought from the Scouts store and the group neckerchief is provided by the group.

## Training

There is an adult training scheme in place. All of our volunteers must undergo some mandatory 'growing roots' training within their first 6 weeks. There is also a selection of training available specific to your role. You can view & complete your training at any time through [scouts.org.uk](https://scouts.org.uk).

## Safeguarding & the rules

Safeguarding all of our members is the most important role for anyone in the Scouts. Our safeguarding policies/rules ensure that Scouting remains safe for Young People and adults.

There is a [yellow card](#) entitled 'Safeguarding, code of conduct for adults' that outlines our adult code of conduct. This card must be always adhered to.

All members of the Scouts undergo an enhanced DBS check as we work with or around young people. All disclosure checks are paid for by the Scouts. You will also need to provide references for certain roles (more information can be found on [scouts.org.uk](https://scouts.org.uk))

The rules for the scout association are outlined in the Policy, Organisation and Rules found at [Scouts.org.uk/POR](https://scouts.org.uk/POR).

**We think we have covered everything that you need to know. But if you have any questions, please speak to you Team Leader or the Group Lead Volunteer.**

**We hope you have an amazing time with us at Lea Air Scouts and look forward to having you on board!**