

4th Newbury (St Johns) Scout Group

SUBSCRIPTION POLICY

Subscriptions known within the group as "Subs" covers the cost of young people attending the regular weekly Monday evening meetings, badges, the Capitation fee (currently £54.30 per head) payable to Scout HQ and County for insurance and administration, rent and other general costs.

There may be extra charges for Camps. Weekend and other evening activities plus a small surcharge if there is a special evening planned with substantial extra costs involved.

The Group is run solely by volunteers and none of the leaders receive any payment for their time and efforts in organising the activities. Therefore all money received is spent on providing scouting for Young People in the Group.

Currently our subscription rates are:

£26.00 per term (3 terms in scout year) payable at the start of each term.

New Starters will be charged a one-off payment of £18.00 to cover initial uniform and badge costs

We would prefer subs are paid electronically, if this is not possible, please speak to your leader.

Online payment details are included on the latest copy of the Subs form

We also ask that any UK tax payers kindly sign the form to allow us to claim back gift aid from the government on your payment. This costs you nothing extra but can help us raise much needed funding and keep the subs at the lowest possible level.

The Group has a fixed policy of never excluded any young person as a result of family hardship or temporary cash flow issues so if there is ever a problem over the payment of subscriptions please do not hesitate to discuss the matter with the section leader or the Group Scout Leader to see what alternative arrangements can be made.

Subs are reviewed regularly by the Executive committee and leaders and we ensure that we do our best to keep them as low as possible while managing to cover running costs.