



FUNDRAISING UPDATE

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Farewell Old Friend!

The heart of Scouting in Stocksfield for over 50 years, we have begun the process to replace this hut with new premises fit for the 21st century.

The old wooden Scout Hut made it through winter, but only just. After a detailed inspection the Group Executive decided it was no longer economic to repair - both the walls and roof were failing. New designs were drawn up with a local architect, planning permission obtained and the building work was put out to tender. After many years of fund raising, the Group have now

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DEMOLISH OLD HUT

Phase 1 planning, demolishing the old hut and a new base.

£46,982

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NEW BASIC HUT

Phase 2 adding a new basic hut, making the space usable again.

£98,541

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FULLY FEATURED

Phase 3 adds a separate kitchen and equipment store.

£27,600



Sponsored Cycle

One Cub shows how it's done - raising over £500



Waterboy

Ex-Scout Stephen Harpin rowed the Atlantic and then the length of the Amazon, dodging pirates and crocodiles to raise funds!



Local Heroes

Parents and children walked the length of Hadrian's Wall to raise money.

started construction of its replacement. We have raised over £65,000 - enough to demolish the old hut and commence phase 1 of the new build.

Well-loved but worn out

In May we emptied the hut, with activities moving outside to take advantage of the Summer weather

The decision to move out was made with heavy heart, but the Group was unanimous - the hut would not last much longer and needed replaced. Had the winter brought heavy snow there was a risk that the roof would have failed under the extra weight. Water was only kept at bay thanks to a temporary polythene skin donated and fitted by a local roofing company. Replacement is the only sensible way forward. Building a new hut allows us to overcome two obstacles to greater usage by the Scouts *and* the wider community, identified in the Group Plan:

“The current hut is limiting our ability to grow & preventing others from using it”

We need a more accessible building, one that everyone can use. The new design includes wider doorways, an access ramp and wheelchair accessible toilets. The internal space will be partitioned, allowing multiple use and offering the possibility of overnight stays for visitors.

Demolition (**phase 1**) began in July and we have now laid the foundations for the new hut. We were overwhelmed by the community support when we appealed for temporary space to store our equipment. We had offers of space in barns, garages and attics. The winning offer included free collection by tractor!



The temporary roof repair - Winter 2015-16



The old hut emptied for demolition



Moving the equipment into storage



Demolition in progress

Fundraising

This section provides some insight into our activities to date

Our star fundraiser is ex-Scout **Stephen Harpin**, who has undertaken two gruelling rowing challenges. He was part of a team who rowed across the Atlantic (setting a World Speed Record on the way) and another that rowed the full length of the Amazon. He has raised over **£11,000** in sponsorship.

Other recent fundraising efforts include a Beaver raising **£40** by selling home-made cakes, **£450** raised by delivering Christmas Cards locally as part of the nationwide *Scout Post* service and **£5,000** from **Hadrian Scout District**. We have also received generous donations from **Tynedale Lions (£2,000)** and **Broomley Parish Council (£1,500)**.

The highlight for the Beavers and Scouts was probably helping Santa Claus on his rounds around local villages, raising another **£300** with the **Tynedale Lions**.



ROWING THE ATLANTIC

Stephen Harpin and his crew of 5 had to dodge crocodiles, ships and pirates on their sponsored row down the Amazon from source to mouth - a total of 2,077 miles.



SPONSORED CYCLE RIDE

Cub (and now Scout) Oscar Mitchell earned himself his Fundraising Badge by organising his own sponsored cycle ride. He cycled 25 miles across the Tyne Valley, travelling from Newcastle to Hexham, raising over **£500**.



THERE & BACK AGAIN

Two parents led this challenge - walking and running the length of the wall in just 3 days. Groups of Beavers, Cubs and Scouts then walked sections in the other direction, attempting to repeat the total distance walked.



On with the New

A community resource

The leaders, youth members and a local architect worked together to design the new hut. It is built on foundations specially designed to avoid flooding. It is larger, to allow more number of people to use it, with improved access for everyone (ramps replacing steps, wider doorways and corridors).

Inside we plan more space for activities, better equipment storage and improvements to the washing and cooking facilities. We hope the hut will become a home from home not just for the Group, but also for the people of Stocksfield village, and disabled and disadvantaged groups across the North-East.

In **phase 2** of construction we will place the core wooden hut onto the new foundations and fit out the inside. This allows us to use the site as soon as possible.

Phase 3 will see the plans completed, with a separate kitchen and equipment store added.

These phases can only take place when we have raised sufficient funds.

For that, we still need your help:

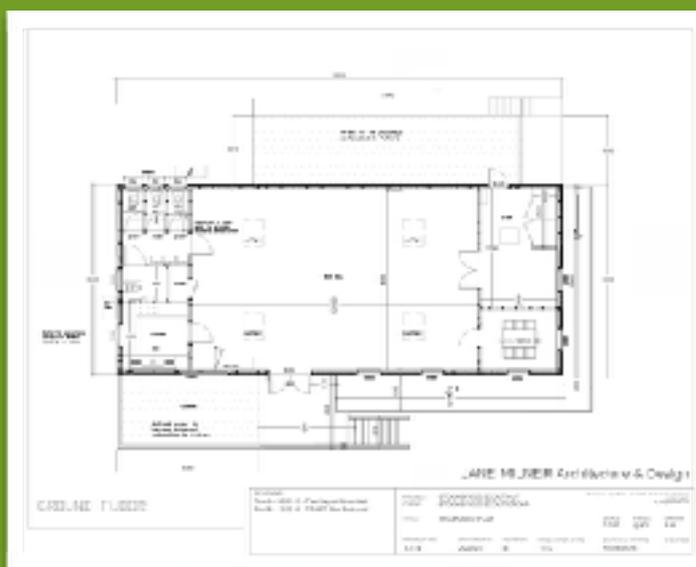


<http://virginmoneygiving.com/fund/stocksfieldscouthut>

PLANS



The new hut occupies a different location, to allow us to make better use of the remaining ground - for activities, games and overnight camps.



Plans for the core hut to be built in phase 2, which will sit on the foundations designed for the full footprint.

Costings

Estimates for each phase

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DEMOLISH OLD HUT

Architect fees	£605.00
Bat survey	£103.75
Site survey	£1,080.00
Land evaluation	£1,020.00
Line loads	£450.00
Planning application	£1168.00
Electricity disconnection fee	£769.20
Demolition	£2,500.00
Construct new foundations	£38,500.00
Subsequent Inspection	£786.00
PHASE 1 TOTAL	£46,981.95

✓ This phase is complete



The new foundations

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NEW BASIC HUT

Make & fit timber frame	£20,330.10
Insulation	£3,402.00
External cladding	£12,000.00
Roof	£6,195.00
Windows & external doors	£4,000.00
Drainage	£1,380.00
TOTAL: EXTERNAL WORKS	£47,307.10

Internal walls & doors	£10,925.00
Ceilings	£8,268.50
Decoration	£2,000.00
Sanitary ware	£6,670.00
Heating system	£7,500.00
Electrical	£5,750.00
Floor finishes	£10,120.00
TOTAL: INTERNAL WORKS	£51,233.50

PHASE 2 TOTAL: £98,540.60

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FULLY FEATURED

Grasscrete/landscaping	£13,225.00
Gas cylinder cage	£1,150.00
Fencing	£2,300.00
Access ramp	£3,450.00
Veranda	£1,725.00
TOTAL: EXTERNAL WORKS	£21,850.00

Kitchen & fittings	£5,750.00
TOTAL: INTERNAL WORKS	£5,750.00

PHASE 3 TOTAL: £27,600.00

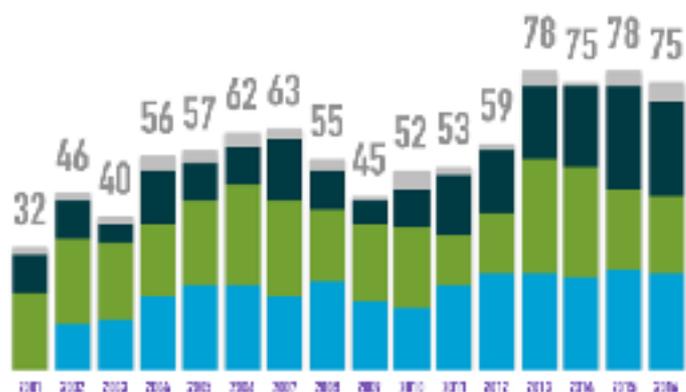
About Us

Offering fun, challenge and adventure to young people

The **1st Stocksfield Scout Group** is based in the rural village of Stocksfield in Northumberland. Like other Scout Groups, it promotes the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potentials, as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of the local, national and international communities.

The Group comprises three sections open to girls and boys: Beavers, Cubs and Scouts. Each section is supported by adult leaders. The Group is managed by an Executive Committee, the members of which are the charity trustees of the Scout Group. It is a registered charity with the Charity Commission, charity number **522405**, meeting the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the *advancement of education* and the *advancement of citizenship or community development* headings.

Scouting in Stocksfield is popular, with the annual census figures showing a rising trend over the period 2000-2016. The Group had reached the maximum capacity of the old hut - limiting the potential for further growth.



Beavers are the youngest section, aged 6 to 8. Activities are based around making things, outdoor activities, singing, playing games, going on visits, investigating nature, listening to stories, learning how to be safe and making new friends.



Cubs are young people aged between 8 and 10½. They take part in activities designed to be interesting and challenge them.



Scouts are aged 10½ to 14. They create and follow a programme which explores beliefs and attitudes, community, fitness for life, creative expression, global issues, outdoor and adventure.

After Scouts, young people can join Explorers or the wider Scout Network.