



Scout Fellowship Review Questionnaire

The proposed model provides options for a social network of likeminded individuals along with a more active support element. The provision is open to adults aged 18 or over (with no upper age limit). Members will be required to pay the annual membership subscription fee.

This paper uses the terms “social unit” and “support unit” to describe the two options. The formal titles are yet to be determined.

The Social Unit

The Social Unit’s remit is primarily for social interaction amongst adult members. The Social Unit might also provide some occasional support to events and activities in the local area.

Members are required to pay the annual membership subscription fee (to headquarters, the County and the District as appropriate). It is expected that individuals will pay their own membership fees.

The Support Unit

The support unit’s remit is primarily for adult members to provide active support to the provision of Scouting for young people and in support of the adults in Scouting. Support will be in one or more of the following areas:

- logistical support (e.g. communications, event support, catering, fundraising, campsites);
- activity support (e.g. single or multi activity specialists providing programmes for young people and training/support for adults); and
- programme support (assisting with or providing weekly programme support to Section Leaders, providing specialist resources in support of the youth programme, providing specialist advice in support of the youth programme).

It is expected that membership fees for active support units will be financed in the same way as the local area covers membership fees for Section Leaders (e.g. by increasing the cost of youth membership fees, by holding fund raising activities or by adult members paying themselves).

Relationship With The Scout Network

The Scout Fellowship provision is an option for adults aged 18 plus, it does not replace the Scout Network. The Scout Association will continue to encourage 18 – 25 year olds to join the Scout Network and to enjoy the challenges of the programme (particularly the Diamond Chief Scout’s Award and the Queen’s Scout Award).