

## 3.2 Developing your Scout Fellowship – Frequently Asked Questions



This factsheet is designed to help answer frequently asked questions (FAQs) relating to 'Developing a Scout Fellowship'. It provides short answers and links to additional factsheets where more detailed information can be found.

This should be used as a 'quick reference' and as a guide to further reading.

FAQ	ANSWER
How do I publicise my Scout Fellowship?	In any way that's legal, decent and honest! See factsheet 'Promoting your Scout Fellowship' and the Resources section Look at the Venture Scout book – 'Getting Noticed'
How do I recruit new members?	This really is everybody's responsibility – although some Scout Fellowships appoint a Recruitment Officer to co-ordinate this activity.  The factsheet on 'Recruiting' has ideas for approaching different groups of people who could possibly become members of the Scout Fellowship
Who can we get help from?	Your responsible commissioner or GSL Your District Public Relations Officer Area/County and District Advisers
Can we hold social activities?	Yes, and these are to be encouraged, although no Scout Fellowship should exist solely for it's Members to socialise within Scouting.  Every Scout Fellowship must provide some degree of Active Support to Scouting.  See factsheet "Overview – Running a Scout Fellowship"
Must all members of the Scout Fellowship be 'active' within Scouting?	Yes. Every member of the Scout Fellowship must provide some degree of Active Support within Scouting, although no 'minimum' level is defined.  Each member's contribution should be judged against 'their best', not to an arbitrary standard.  See factsheet "Overview – Running a Scout Fellowship"
The Scout Fellowship near us seems to be better than us!	The grass always seems greener on the other side! Why not arrange to visit them or for them to visit you, to exchange ideas, and share good practice.  The factsheet 'Building on success' is a start to develop your Scout Fellowship – it's a collection of good practice ideas.

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	<p>Try the various healthchecks in this file and see where your strengths and areas for development are. Then make an action plan to do something positive with the results.</p>
<p>Where can we get support for our Scout Fellowship?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Your GSL or appropriate commissioner</li> <li>• Your ADC or AAC/ACC (Scout Fellowship)</li> <li>• Other Scout Fellowships</li> <li>• The National Scout Fellowship Team</li> <li>• The Scout Fellowship File</li> <li>• Scouting Magazine</li> <li>• ScoutBase UK</li> </ul> <p>See factsheets in 'Support for the Scout Fellowship' section</p>