



LIFE CHANGING ADVENTURE

National Board of Trustees Update: Saturday 1 October 2016

On Friday 30 September and Saturday 1 October, the Board held two strategic sessions jointly with members of the UKCC and UKYC Teams, along with the Chairs and lead staff from Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland and the Association's Senior Leadership Team.

The attendees reviewed progress to date against our 2014-18 Strategic Plan, *Scouting for All*, noting that as a movement, we are proud that we are growing, becoming more youth-shaped and inclusive while making a positive impact in our communities. They discussed Scouting's future beyond 2018, thinking about our priorities, the work we wish to continue and any new areas where we can make a difference, in order to answer the question: how can we improve the life chances of young people and better support our volunteers?

The attendees agreed that as many members as possible should have the opportunity to contribute to the planning process – so we are now beginning to consult with adult volunteers at all levels and with young people (in and out of Scouting), as well as with parents and external decision makers relevant to Scouting. This is on top of the research we have already carried out with nearly 6,000 adult volunteers in Scouting.

The Board then met to confirm the decisions made in the joint sessions – as well as to consider a number of other important matters including approval of a new strategy outlining the need for Scouting Ambassadors and how we will use them to increase the relevance of Scouting, extend its reach and enhance its reputation. The Board also discussed the results of its annual review of its own effectiveness – building on the review of meeting effectiveness held at the end of each Board (and Board Committee) meeting.

You can find more information about the individual Trustees (including new Trustees Jack Bullon and Frances Craven) [here](#) and a copy of the October Minutes are available [here](#). And if you have any queries, please email governance@scouts.org.uk

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