



1st Leichhardt Scouts Group Support Committee AGM Meeting Minutes

Date	2 nd February 2026, 8:00 pm	Action	Due
Agenda	<p>Welcome</p> <p>Apologies</p> <p>Absent</p> <p>Acceptance of minutes of the previous committee meeting</p> <p>Work Health & Safety</p> <p>Review current items on previous minutes</p> <p>Leader status</p> <p>Parent roster</p> <p>Parent support roles</p> <p>Close</p>		
Present	<p>Ann Maguire, Chairperson</p> <p>Victoria Walne, Group Leader</p> <p>Helen O’Riordan, Treasurer</p> <p>Patricia Del Favero, Secretary</p> <p>Sasha Case</p>		
Apologies	None reported		
Absent			
Minutes	Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted by Helen		
Group Leaders Report	Membership numbers: 9 Joeys, 19 Cubs, 28 Scouts and 18 Venturers		
Treasurers Report	<p>As at 31st January 2026</p> <p>#1 account (operating) balance at \$43,101.58</p> <p>#2 account (fundraising) balance at \$10,602.04</p>		
Agenda Items	<p>Work Health & Safety</p> <p>Fire Safety Inspection undertaken without notice and inspectors had access to hall access code. Requested 2 weeks notice before an inspection and change access code. Fire Safety Report lists exit light in downstairs internal stairwell requires replacing.</p> <p>Leader Status</p> <p>Three more Leaders have resigned in addition to the six who left last year leaving the Scout Group at risk of closure due to insufficient Leader membership (currently 7 Leaders are left in the Scout Group). Most at risk are Cubs and Joeys as the Leader pool is too small to sustain Leader absences putting pressure on Noel and Ken to attend multiple sections. Drummoyne Scouts have closed and another Scout Group in our region is about to close due to lack of Leaders highlighting the seriousness the lack of Leader members has on the viability of the 1st Leichhardt Scout Group. It is a legal requirement to have two registered Leaders in the Group.</p> <p>As an interim measure, Victoria has instated a compulsory temporary roster for parents to attend a Scout session as a parent helper while new Leaders are sought. Parents have been notified of this requirement. A parent who participates once or twice per year as a parent helper is not required to undertake a Working with Children Check. A Leader Build session will be scheduled.</p> <p>Parent Helper Jobs</p> <p>Scouts no longer subscribe to Operoo and have cancelled the service. Scouts operations have said that they have/will extract data from Operoo and archive it. Victoria has saved interim data and is looking for help assigning parent names with parent helper roles.</p> <p>Meetings to be scheduled for 1st Monday of each month. (NB: NSW School Holiday calendar: Autumn—7 to 17 Apr 2026 Winter—6 to 17 Jul 2026 Spring—28 Sept to 9 Oct 2026 Summer—18 Dec 2026 to 27 Jan 2027)</p>		
Next Meeting/s	2 nd March, 4 th May, 1 st June, 3 rd August, 7 th September, 2 nd November, 7 th December, 8:00 pm via Teams		
Close	8:29 pm		