

## Brent Scouts Contingent to the Larkin International Jamboree 2024

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Dear parents and carers of Brent Scouts,

Following the success of our contingent to the Forest Fest International Jamboree in July and August of this year, Brent Scouts are launching our next summer camp project – the Larkin International Jamboree in North Yorkshire from July 27<sup>th</sup> to August 3<sup>rd</sup> 2024.

For those who might be unaware – a 'Jamboree' is a large gathering of Scouts and Guides from all over the country or even world-wide. Baden-Powell, the founder of Scouting, thought that Jamborees were the best way of showing the young people in Scouting that they are part of a world-wide family of Scouts and to bring them closer together and build relationships with people from around the world.

With attendees from many different countries, Larkin will be a week-long international camp experience in the North of England with everything you can expect from a Scout camp and more – a wide variety of activities from skills and creative workshops to water activities and caving, and an evening entertainment programme including live music, talent shows and films. As a contingent we will also be planning activities off-site, provisionally including a hike in the North York Moors and a day visit to the city of York. We hope to provide an adventurous, fun and enriching start to the Summer of 2024 for all contingent members!

Attendance is open to those who will be Scout age (10.5 – 14) before 27<sup>th</sup> July 2024 – if your young person will be joining Scouts from Cubs in the next year, they are eligible to attend. We will be carrying out a programme of preparation for the long camp, but it would be desirable for young people applying to have been on at least one Nights Away experience (preferably a tent camp) with their Group before applying. Those who haven't camped will be supported by their peers and the leaders to bring their skills up to speed.

Cost to parents and carers to take part in the whole project will be £300 with participants expected to raise an additional £200 to cover costs as well. They will be supported through this by leaders at District level and in their Groups and will be working in small teams to pool resources and increase their fundraising potential. Furthermore, 50% of the total cost can be funded for participants who meet the requirements of the Brent Scouts Access Fund.

Any questions regarding the camp can be directed to me at the email above, and I look forward to hearing from members across Brent District who would like to participate in this excellent opportunity.

Best wishes,

#### Michael Edwards

Contingent Team Lead – Larkin International Jamboree Unit Group Scout Leader, 25<sup>th</sup> Willesden Scout Group Preparing young people with Skills for Life in the London Borough of Brent





### **Brent Scouts Summer Camp**

#### Larkin International Jamboree 2024





7 days - Saturday 27th July -Saturday 3rd August

Duncombe Park, Helmsley, York (Yorkshire)

Scouting activities during the day - ranging from mountainbiking and bouldering to circus skills and baking!

**Evening entertainments** - discos, live music, films and talent shows

**Exploration day** - visiting nearby York for the day.

Scouts Summer Camp (must be 10.5 - 14 before 03/08/2024)

# Price - £300 (paid in instalments)

District Access funding available for those in financial need

£200 fundraising expected per Scout - support will be provided