

## **Our Waiting List**

1<sup>st</sup> Catisfield Scout Group sadly has to operate waiting lists for all of its sections. We accept as many children as we can each year but we have to refuse far more than we accept. All of our leaders work full time and are volunteers and we run all the sections at maximum capacity.

As much as we would like to take all children as soon as they are interested in joining a section, we only have a limited supply of leaders and have to set safe limits on the number attending meetings.

Where possible, we look to prioritise siblings of members of the group.

### **When to apply for the Waiting List**

Children can join our youngest section, Squirrels from the age of 4. The Waiting List is open to any children before their 4th Birthday. We will hold your child's name on the waiting list until we can offer them a space, or your child has reached the age where they would not be able to join the section.

If we do not receive a response to an offer, then we will remove your child from the list, so it is important to keep your contact details up to date.

### **Waiting List Criteria**

Existing committed members of the Group will automatically be moved up to the next section as a priority when they reach the relevant age.

The date of joining the Waiting List is the order places will be allocated in and not by age.

When a parent joins our Waiting List you will be asked to provide the following information: child's name, parent's/guardian's name, child's DOB, address, email and telephone number of parent/guardian, and if they are a Leader or have a child in another section of our Group already.

We can only accept applications from the child's parent or legal guardian.

We only accept applications via our website.

The 1<sup>st</sup> Catisfield Scout Group is primarily for children living in the west Fareham and Catisfield area. If you are not close to our HQ, you may wish to consider other scout groups within the Fareham area.