



## **PAYMENT OF MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS**

To All Parents/Carers of Group Members

3<sup>rd</sup> Ashton collects membership fees or subscriptions by standing order each month. Attached is the standing order form to complete and send to your bank or building society for their action.

When completing the form, please add a reference number for ease of tracking which should be your child's two initials, followed by their date of birth. This will assist us in checking off payments against the membership list.

***For example – If you child is called John Smith and he was born on 13<sup>th</sup> September 2000 then the reference number would be: JS130900***

Membership Fees are **£12 per month** and cover the weekly costs of section meetings, materials, badges etc as well as the annual membership fee of the Scout Association. For families with multiple children in the Group (Scouts, Cubs and Beavers), the payment will be £10 per child.

Once a standing order is set in place, it will remain in place as your child progresses through each section.

Standing orders have no end date set and therefore please don't forget to cancel the standing order when your child leaves the Group. This is the responsibility of the person funding the order however, through regular checks; we will monitor membership against receipts, to try to ensure there is no extended payment period. Any overpayment will be refunded if this ever occurs.

Payment by standing order greatly reduces the administration time of the Group leaders and avoids the tasks of reminding parents and careers and it also evens out the cost of membership throughout the 12 months of the year.

For those without suitable bank or building society accounts, payment can continue to be made by cash in agreement with your child's leader.

Please complete the form below for each child and return it to your child's section leader. Also, please complete the Standing Order Mandate and send it direct to your Bank/Building Society.

Any parent or carer who has a problem with the scheme should contact their child's leader or please give me a call.

Thank you

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