

## STEVENAGE SCOUTS

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## DISTRICT NIGHT HIKE Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2018 General Information

4<sup>th</sup> October 2018

Dear Scouts, Explorers & Parents,

The District Night Hike will be held over the night of Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November. Teams of 4 to 7 Scouts and an adult walking leader navigate their way around the route of around 10 miles, with incident bases along the way. Incident/activity bases are run by local Scout leaders and supporters and most will have a Scouting theme, testing Scouts' teamwork and Scouting skills, as well as providing a welcome break from the walking! One of these bases will be a food base providing hot drinks and food. Another will involve a First Aid scenario for the Scouts to deal with. The highest scoring team at this base will be awarded the First Aid trophy.

Teams will meet at the District HQ, Poplars early on the Saturday evening. The exact time will be provided nearer the time, but will be between 5:00 and 7:30pm. After the hike, teams will return to the HQ, Scouts will be sleeping in the HQ (separate halls for male and female sleeping) and Explorers will sleep in tents in the adjacent garden. Explorers can pitch tents on the Saturday afternoon. A basic breakfast will be served in the morning, followed by the presentation of the Night Hike and First Aid trophies at 9:00am.

At check-in there will be a basic kit check. Any team member without walking boots, waterproofs and adequate warm clothing will not be allowed to start the hike. A detailed kit list will be issued to each team entering on receipt of their entry form.

The cost is £10 per Scout. Cheques should be made payable to `Stevenage District Scout Council'. If you would like to attend the District Night Hike, please return the completed Nights Away Health Form to your Scout Leader with the appropriate fee.

Please note that this is a team event and your Scout or Explorer Leader will arrange the teams for each Troop/Unit. If you have any questions on the event, please ask your leader or contact myself using the details above.

Yours in Scouting,

Neil Ravilious. ADC (Scouts)