

# Scouts



## East Goscote



**Welcome to East Goscote Scout Group!**



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# What is Scouting?

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**Scouts**

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# Scouting creates young people who...

- Master new skills and try new things.
- Have fun and go on adventures.
- Make friends.
- Are curious about the world around them.
- Help others and make a difference, in their own communities and beyond.

Since opening the doors to East Goscote Scout Group in 1976, we have grown into three popular sections - Beavers, Cubs and Scouts. Within wider Scouting, we are part of Charnwood District which is made up of 12 groups and Leicestershire County which comprises of 10 districts and 115 groups.

	4 & 5 years old	Nearest is Barrow Upon Soar or Mountsorrel
	6 to 8 years old	Wednesday 5:45pm until 7pm
	8 to 10½ years old	Wednesday 7:15pm until 8:45pm
	10½ to 14 years old	Monday 7pm until 9pm
	14 to 18 years old	Nearest is Syston



# Badges

Your young person will receive the opportunity to earn badges through exciting activities whilst they are at the Scout Group. There are several different types of badges that can be awarded:



World Promise  
Badge



District Badge



County Badge

Name Tape

**EAST GOSCOTE**

Activity Badges



Staged Activity  
Badge



Challenge Badges

By earning these, young people can eventually earn their section's Chief Scout Award.



Chief Scout Award

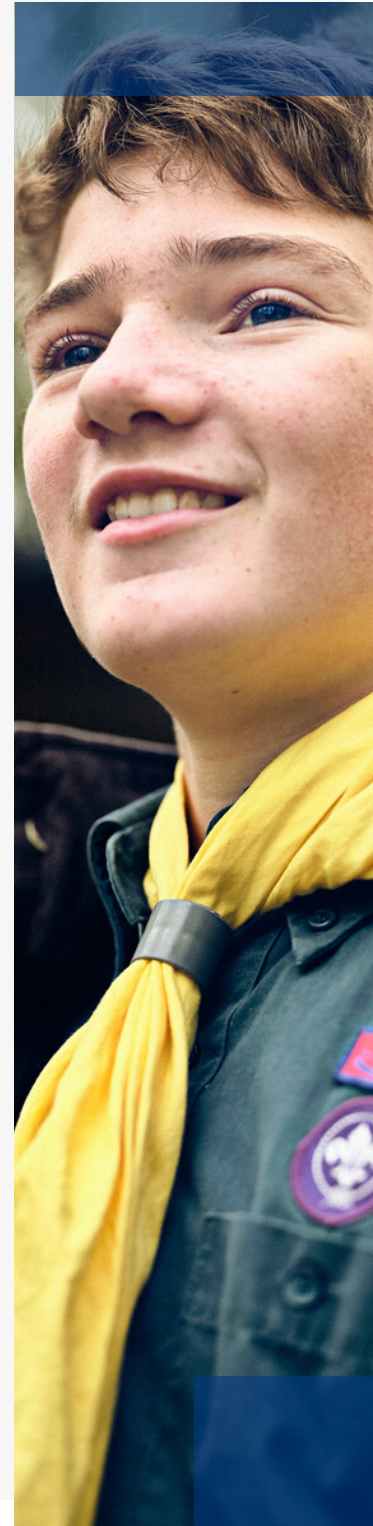


Joining Award

Received annually on the anniversary of joining Scouting.

A diagram of the uniform and badge placement is available under each section.

We ask that you sew any badges received onto the uniforms as soon as possible. The young people are often very proud to be receiving a badge so they should be able to show them off with pride.



# BEAVERS

6-8  
years old

## Your Beaver Leaders:



ROBIN



WREN



PIPIT



OWL



FALCON

We meet on a Wednesday at 5:45pm until 7pm.

We run a varied programme of activities and try to complete all the Challenge badges so the young person has the opportunity to earn their Chief Scouts Bronze Award.



### Examples of badges recently completed:



Builder



Cook



Faith



Cyclist



Disability Awareness



Emergency Aid Staged



Digital Maker Staged



Creative



Photography



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# Beaver Investitures



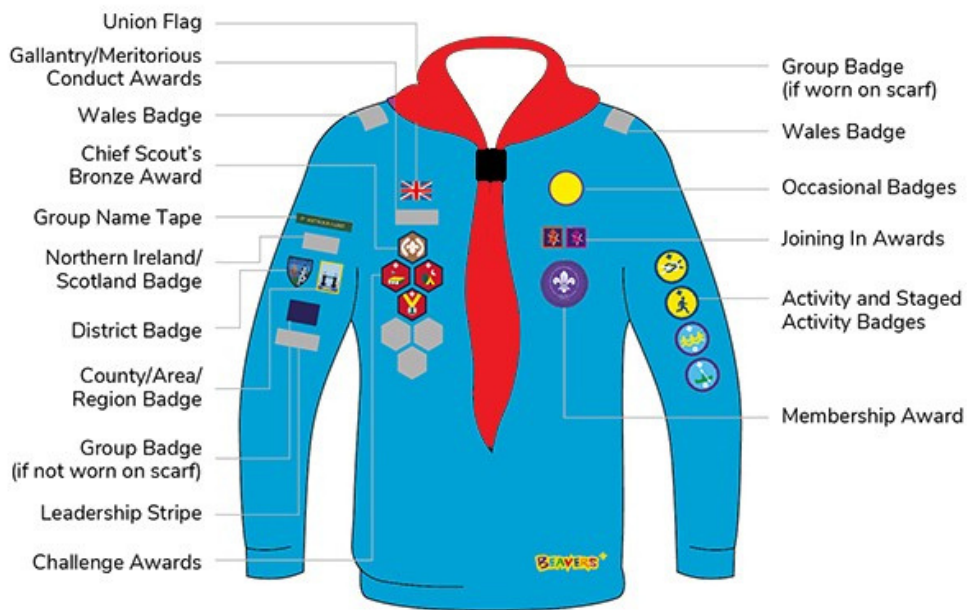
## Beaver Scout Promise:

I promise to do my  
best,  
To be kind and  
helpful,  
And to love God.



After a few weeks the new Beavers will be invested into the group at the end of a session. This is where they will say their Beaver Scout Promise and be presented with their necker and badges.

You will be welcome to come along to watch and take photos.



# Beaver Uniform



Beavers uniform includes a turquoise sweatshirt, turquoise t-shirt and dark trousers/shorts.

**This is available to buy from the [National Scout Shop](#) or [Leicestershire Scout Shop](#).** There are also other accessories include hats and hoodies available.

The red necker represents East Goscote Scouts. This will be given to the Beaver upon investiture along with their woggle. The woggle represents the Lodge (group) they are a part of. **There is a £7.50 investiture fee to be paid before investiture.** This is to cover the cost of the badges and necker.

Please make sure all uniform pieces, including the necker, are named as it all looks the same.

Uniform should be worn to all meetings unless stated otherwise. In addition to this, please ensure the young person dresses appropriately for the weather as we could be doing activities outside.



# cubs

8 - 10½  
years old

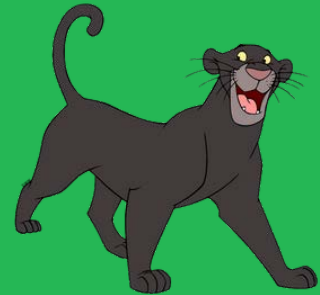
## Your Cub Leaders:



AKELA



CHIL



BAGHEERA

We meet on a Wednesday at 7:15pm until 8:45pm.

We run a varied programme of activities and try to complete all the Challenge badges so the young person has the opportunity to earn their Chief Scouts Silver Award.



### Examples of badges recently completed:



International



Athletics



Scientists



Communicators



Chef



Pioneering



Animal Carers



Hike Away Staged



Photography



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# Cub Investitures



## *Cub Scout Promise:*

*I promise that I will  
do my best,  
To do my duty to God  
and to the King,  
To help other people,  
And to keep the Cub  
Scout Law.*



After a few weeks the new Cubs will be invested into the pack. This is where they will say their Cub Scout Promise and be presented with their necker and badges.

You will be welcome to come along to watch and take photos.





# Cub Uniform



Cub uniform includes a dark green sweatshirt, dark green t-shirt and dark trousers/shorts.

**This is available to buy from the [National Scout Shop](#) or [Leicestershire Scout Shop](#).** There are also other accessories include hats and hoodies available.

The red necker represents East Goscote Scouts. This will be given to the Cub upon investiture along with their woggle. The woggle represents the Six (group) they are a part of. **There is an investiture fee to be paid before investiture. This is either £7.50 with a new necker or £5 if a new necker is not required.** This also covers the cost of the badges.

Please make sure all uniform pieces, including the necker, are named as it all looks the same.

Uniform should be worn to all meetings unless stated otherwise. In addition to this, please ensure the young person dresses appropriately for the weather as we could be doing activities outside.



## Cubs Parental Rota ○○○○

In order for our Cub Pack to run safely, there are ratios that we need to keep to. We do this by automatically allocating you a week to help. This will be done in advance.

If you are unable to attend your allocated week then this would need to be swapped.

On odd occasions we may need more help, for example if we are leaving the Scout Hut for an activity.

**Many thanks in advance as we know your time is precious, but your help is really needed and valued.**

The parental rota is crucial, without it we may have to cancel meetings.





# SCOUTS

10½ - 14  
years old

## Your Scout Leaders:

PHIL  
JAMES  
LEO  
OLIVIA  
TOM

We meet on a Monday at  
7pm until 9pm.

We run a varied  
programme of activities  
and try to complete all the  
Challenge badges so the  
young person has the  
opportunity to earn their  
Chief Scouts Gold Award.

We have 4 nights away activities  
each year:

- 1 night sleepover in February.
- 3 night Spring camp over the  
late May bank holiday.
- 6 night Summer camp in July.
- 2 night Autumn camp in  
October.

This gives the Scouts the  
opportunity to continue  
developing skills learnt at the  
Scout Hut and independence  
away from home.

### Examples of badges recently completed:



Mechanics



Pioneering



Survival Skills



Navigators Staged



Athletics



Model Maker



Digital Maker  
Staged



Emergency  
Aid Staged



Sports  
Enthusiast



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# Scout Investitures



## *The Scout Promise:*

*On my honour,  
I promise that I will do  
my best,  
To do my duty to God  
and the King,  
To help other people,  
And to keep the Scout  
Law.*

*There are key values that every Scout should know. These are the Scout Laws:*

1. A Scout is to be trusted.
2. A Scout is loyal.
3. A Scout is friendly and considerate.
4. A Scout belongs to the worldwide family of Scouts.
5. A Scout has courage in all difficulties.
6. A Scout makes good use of time and is careful of possessions and property.
7. A Scout has self-respect and respect for others.

After a few weeks, the new Scouts will be invested into the troop. This is where they will say their Scout Promise and be presented with their necker, lanyard and badges.

You will be welcome to come along to watch and take photos.





# Scout Uniform



Scout uniform includes a shirt, navy blue activity trousers and Scout belt.

This is available to buy from the [National Scout Shop](#) or [Leicestershire Scout Shop](#). There are also other accessories include hats and hoodies available.

The red necker represents East Goscote Scouts. This will be given to the Scout upon investiture along with their woggle and lanyard. **There is an investiture fee to be paid before investiture. This is either £7.50 with a new necker or £5 if a new necker is not required.** This also covers the cost of the badges and lanyard.

Please make sure all uniform pieces, including the necker, are named as it all looks the same.

Uniform should be worn to all meetings unless stated otherwise. In addition to this, please ensure the young person dresses appropriately for the weather as we could be doing activities outside.



There are also East Goscote Scout Group hoodies and t-shirts available to buy. If you wish to purchase one, please contact one of the Scout Leaders.





# YOUNG LEADERS EXPLORERS

14½ - 18  
years old



As a Young Leader, you can volunteer within Beavers, Cubs or Scouts.

You will be expected to complete YL training with the District. There are 10 modules. These give Young Leaders the skills and knowledge to act as part of the section's leadership team.

During weekly meetings, your section's Leaders will work with you to achieve the following four missions:

1. Game
2. Activity
3. Programme planning
4. Delivery

More information about the training and modules can be found [here](#).

## Young Leader Badges:



Charnwood District YL Contact - [youngleaders@charnwoodscouts.org.uk](mailto:youngleaders@charnwoodscouts.org.uk)



# Young Leader Uniform .....

Explorer uniform includes a shirt, navy blue activity trousers and Scout belt.

**This is available to buy from the National Scout Shop or Leicestershire Scout Shop.** There are also other accessories include hats and hoodies available.

The red necker represents East Goscote Scouts. This will be given to the Explorer upon investiture.

Please make sure all uniform pieces, including the necker, are named as it all looks the same.

Uniform should be worn to all meetings unless stated otherwise. In addition to this, please ensure the young person dresses appropriately for the weather as we could be doing activities outside.



There are also East Goscote Scout Group hoodies and t-shirts available to buy. If you wish to purchase one, please contact one of the Leaders.



# Moving Between Sections



When it is time for your young person to move onto the next stage in their Scouting adventure, your section's Team Leader will be in touch about the process and how we can support your young person with the transition.

**There is an investiture fee to be paid before investiture. This is either £7.50 with a new necker or £5 if a new necker is not required. This also covers the cost of the badges.**

The young person will also get the opportunity to earn their Moving On Award. There is one for each section.



## Moving On Awards:



Squirrels to Beavers



Beavers to Cubs



Cubs to Scouts



Scouts to Explorers



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# Attendance



When arriving with your young person, please ensure there is a Leader present and they are happy for you to leave.

If your child is unable to attend a meeting, please let the Team Leader know before the meeting.

If your child would like to leave Scouting altogether, please let the Team Leader know so their place can be given to another child.

**Please encourage your young person to come to all meetings. We plan our activities around gaining badges and some things we can't catch up with if it is missed.**





# Expectations of Parents

The support of all parents is crucial in ensuring that Scouts runs well and your young person can get the most out of it.

Keep up to date with any communication sent out.

Return all letters and forms by the date requested. Where appropriate this also includes ensuring any payments reach us by the date requested.

Informing us of anything that is likely to affect your child's involvement in Scouting, for example a change of address/contact details and any additional needs.

Remember that all Leaders are volunteers and freely give their time.

Lastly, our Board Of Trustees that governs our Scout Group has the opportunity for a parent representative from each Section. This is to represent the young people from that section. If this is something you are interested in, please speak to Sarah Haywood at [chair@eastgoscotescouts.org.uk](mailto:chair@eastgoscotescouts.org.uk).







# Money

An investiture fee is paid before your child's investiture to cover the cost of necker and badges given at the investiture ceremony. This is either £7.50 with a new necker or £5 if a new necker is not required.

Subs help us to ensure our building and equipment is safe for the young people to use and allow us to organise exciting activities.

Non payment of subs may result in your child being asked to leave the group. It is our group policy that subscriptions are non-refundable and non-transferable.

Sometimes there are additional charges for activities outside of the hut. We try to keep these charges to a minimum and always subsidise trips where possible. Examples of additional costs can be found on our [website](#).

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**£7.50 investiture fee.**

**£174 annual subs in 12 monthly instalments of £14.50.**

***Paid via OSM.***

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## Gift Aid



Gift Aid is tax relief set up by the Government to enable charities to claim back 25p for every eligible £1 donation that is made to your charity. Every Scout Group is a registered charity, therefore we are also able to claim 25% on eligible donations. A key requirement is the person paying must be a UK taxpayer.

When creating your direct debit for payments on OSM, you will be asked to declare if you are a UK taxpayer and if you would like to opt into Gift Aid. If you choose to opt in, there are no extra costs to yourself, but it will really help our Group's finances and cut down the pressure on the essential fundraising!

For more information about Gift Aid, please see the [Scouts website](#).

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# Financial Help



**Our group has a deprivation fund available to families in need.**

We would like to support as many children involved in Scouting as possible, so they continue to develop skills whilst having fun.

If you are struggling to make payments, whether this is monthly subs, uniform or an activity, please speak to the Team Leader in your section, in confidence. We are also able to support the loan of equipment for camps.



OSM Spring 2018 Scouts - Friday  
Change section/term

Members


















- Personal Details
- Attendance Register
- Patrols
- Flexi-Records
- Census Aggregator
- Section Size Planning
- Email Mailing Lists
- Programme
- Badges
- Section Admin

Admin  
Help  
Settings

Ed Jellard  
Account Details  
Logout

Personal Details

Display Select

 <b>Jack Wood</b> 17 yrs + 0 mths Three APL	 <b>Charlie Davies</b> 14 yrs + 11 mths Four PL	 <b>Luke Thomas</b> 14 yrs + 8 mths Four APL	 <b>Charlie Jones</b> 14 yrs + 6 mths Two	 <b>Josh Evans</b> 14 yrs + 3 mths Four	 <b>Hannah Cooper</b> 14 yrs + 0 mths Three PL	 <b>Thomas Johnson</b> 13 yrs + 8 mths Two PL
 <b>Jane Harris</b> 13 yrs + 5 mths Two	 <b>Clare Jackson</b> 13 yrs + 2 mths Two APL	 <b>Charlotte Wilson</b> 12 yrs + 11 mths Four	 <b>Clare Roberts</b> 12 yrs + 8 mths Three	 <b>Hannah Taylor</b> 12 yrs + 5 mths Four	 <b>Luke Johnson</b> 12 yrs + 3 mths One APL	 <b>Luke Wright</b> 12 yrs + 2 mths Four
 <b>Ed Jellard</b> Leader	 <b>Anne Holdoor</b> Leader	 <b>Luke Corridor</b> Leader	*example not real young people			

# Online Scout Manager

A website that allows parents and Leaders to:

- Share and sign up for events,
- Share and view the programme,
- Take payments,
- See your child's badge progress,
- See your child's contact details and
- Ensure your child's medical information is up to date.

If you do not have an email address or do **not** want to be signed up to OSM, please let your Team Leader know.

We automatically sign up all parents to OSM using your email address. You will then receive an email to set up your account.

For more information about OSM security and GDPR, [click here](#).





# Key Events



EVENT	DATE
SUMMER FETE	2ND WEEKEND IN JUNE
ANNUAL GROUP MEETING	SEPTEMBER
BONFIRE NIGHT	SATURDAY CLOSEST TO 5TH NOVEMBER
REMEMBRANCE PARADE	SUNDAY CLOSEST TO 11TH NOVEMBER
CHRISTMAS FAIR	NOVEMBER
CHRISTMAS CAROL CONCERT	DECEMBER

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# East Goscote Scout Group hoodies are ..... available to buy!



**£18**



To purchase please speak to a Leader.

# Volunteering



Anyone is welcome to volunteer within Scouting, whether this is occasionally or even weekly. We are always looking for new help. Without adult supporters, the young people wouldn't be able to attend.

Volunteers help for many different reasons, some include:

- To give something back to the community
- To support the Leaders
- Because volunteering is a 'good thing'
- As an enabler, so the Leader can do more
- To spend more quality time with your child
- To develop your own skills
- To make friends and meet new people
- To try something new and challenge yourself
- To create vital opportunities for young people
- To enjoy and rediscover adventure for yourself
- To make memories that'll last a lifetime.

Roles are available within the group as a team member or even as a trustee or parent representative within our board of trustees. If you would like to know more, please contact our Group Lead Volunteer, Dawn Manning, [gsl@eastgoscotescouts.org.uk](mailto:gsl@eastgoscotescouts.org.uk) or our Chair, Sarah Haywood, [chair@eastgoscotescouts.org.uk](mailto:chair@eastgoscotescouts.org.uk).







## Scouting Trustees .....

As a charity, each Scout Group is also governed by a group of trustees, including a chairperson, treasurer, and a parental representative. A clerk supports the trustees by recording the minutes.

They are crucial in ensuring our Scout Group can function whilst the Leaders run the weekly meetings.

Some of their key responsibilities include money management of group accounts, building management, fundraising and representing the young people.

Trustees meet once a month meaning the hours are more flexible for volunteers. We are always looking for new, creative ideas to improve our Scout Group. If you would like to know more, please contact our Chair, Sarah Haywood, [chair@eastgoscotescouts.org.uk](mailto:chair@eastgoscotescouts.org.uk).

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# Health and Safety



*The Scout Association takes pride in its safety record.*

Leaders complete extensive training on safety, including risk assessments. There is the [Purple Card](#) which also sets out the emergency procedure. Support and guidance is also provided to all Leaders from the District and County. Key risk assessments can be found on our [website](#).

Occasionally, we may run activities that involve food and drink, for example offering the young person a biscuit and squash or a cooking night. Therefore, **it is important that we know if your child has any dietary requirements or allergies.**

## Other Activities:

Some other activities, such as camps, you will be asked for another health form.

Some will also require a permission form, such as archery and shooting. These include a health information section, please include anything you think may be relevant to the activity.

For more adventurous activities such as water sports, caving and mountaineering, we have special authorisation arrangements to ensure Scouts are in safe hands.



The Scout Association rules stipulate that no young person is allowed to undertake any activity without a Health Information Form.

For regular activities, we ask that each young person's parent/guardian completes a Member Details form, which is kept on file by the section's Team Leader.

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# Safeguarding



**The safety of  
your young  
person is  
paramount to  
us in  
Scouting.**



The Scout Association's child protection policy is known as the 'Young People First' policy. It's often referred to as the 'Yellow Card' policy because of the pocket sized reminder card all adults are asked to keep and carry with them. It is an example of best practice and praised by child protection agencies.

**All Leaders have Safeguarding training which is renewed every 3 years. DBS checks are renewed every 5 years. Adults, including parent helpers, who have not completed a Scouting DBS will never be left alone with young people.**



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# Safeguarding Commitments



**The Scout Association is committed to:**

- Taking into account, in all its considerations and activities, the interests and well-being of young people;
- Respecting the rights, wishes and feelings of the young people with whom it is working;
- Taking all reasonable practicable steps to protect them from physical, sexual and emotional abuse, and
- Promoting the welfare of young people and their protection within a relationship of trust.

**It is the policy of  
The Scout  
Association to  
safeguard the  
welfare of all  
members by  
protecting them  
from physical,  
sexual and  
emotional harm.**



# GDPR and Data Protection



GDPR and Data Protection is the responsibility of anyone who has access to the personal data of individuals. Therefore, all Leaders and Trustees follow The Scout Association policy and participate in mandatory training every 3 years.

## What information do we hold?

The data we hold is classed as personal or sensitive. Personal data comprises of Name, Date of Birth, Address, email and phone numbers. Sensitive data such as Health records, Religion etc.

## Why do we hold this data?

Personal and Sensitive Data is gathered to fulfil the requirements of the joining process. Data gathered is for Health and Safety reasons and to understand the needs of the Young People in Scouting.

## Where do we hold this data?

The data we hold is kept in different ways for different reasons. All data is kept in a secure location which is locked or password protected (Eg, One Drive Cloud storage, Online Scout Manager). As a Scout Group, we ensure that we comply with GDPR and PECR EU regulations regarding Personal Data. We will **never** pass your personal details to any third party without your specific consent.

Occasionally, we may need paper data records, for example during a camp where there is no WIFI/data signal. If this is the case, they too will be stored securely.

## How long is data stored for?

Data is kept until the Young Person leaves or moves to the next section.

For the full in depth copies of the Privacy, GDPR and Data Retention policies, please see our [website](#).





# Our Contacts



Click the icons to visit



**Dawn Manning - Group Lead Volunteer**  
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**Sarah Haywood - Group Chair**  
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**Our Website -**  
<http://eastgoscotescouts.org.uk>



**Facebook - East Goscote Scout Group**



**X (Twitter) - @EGoscoteScouts**



**Instagram - @EastGoscoteScouts**







# Useful Websites



Click the icons to visit



**National Scout Website**  
<https://www.scouts.org.uk/>



**Leicestershire County Scout Website**  
<https://www.leicestershirescouts.org.uk/>



**Charnwood District Scout Website**  
<https://charnwoodscouts.org.uk/>



**Scout Shop Website**  
<https://shop.scouts.org.uk>



**Leicestershire Scout Shop Website**  
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