

## Lead Volunteer Vacancy for Tynemouth Scouts

### Nominations are sought for the role of District Commissioner

After four years in leading the District, Daren Bailey, stood down as District Commissioner for Tynemouth Scouts in 2021. Peter Thorp, County Commissioner, has been overseeing the District as Acting District Commissioner but we are now in a position to search for the next District Commissioner for Tynemouth Scouts.

Tynemouth Scouts will be moving into its next phase of development and we are looking for a new District Commissioner, a lead volunteer manager who will ensure all its Scout Groups, Explorer Scout Units, the District Scout Network Unit and the District's Scout Active Support Units are supported and developed to ensure young people get the best quality Scouting possible.

### **How can you help?**

A Search Group has been formed to assist the County Commissioner in the search for a new District Commissioner for Tynemouth Scouts. We know there are some amazing people out there and we want to ensure everyone gets the opportunity to nominate those they feel could undertake this role.

Therefore you are invited to contribute to this search by submitting a nomination, or multiple nominations of those (including yourself) whom you feel should be considered for this important and rewarding role.

Please do not be put off from nominating someone because you believe or think they would not accept the role; if you think they are capable then please put their name(s) forward. The Search Group is open-minded and will recommend a group of individuals to the County Commissioner who will consider making an appointment on a role for the right candidates and circumstances. It is genuinely hoped this will encourage individuals to self-nominate/apply who might otherwise not do so. Please do not discuss any of your nominations with the nominees or anyone else.

A copy of this letter, the Vacancy Pack along with Nomination and Application forms are also available on the District's own website at [www.tynemouthscouts.org.uk](http://www.tynemouthscouts.org.uk)

and the County's website at <https://www.northumberlandscouts.org.uk/news/>

### Who can I nominate?

Self-nominations are actively encouraged. Let's be honest, if you believe you can bring the right skills and expertise to the role and you are enthusiastic and motivated then why not nominate yourself? If you don't you may miss this rewarding opportunity if you are not nominated by someone else.

To nominate others or yourself please complete the nomination form included. You can of course at any point contact me as Search Group Delegate via the email address [dcsearch@tynemouthscouts.org.uk](mailto:dcsearch@tynemouthscouts.org.uk) to organise an informal chat with members of the search group about the role and what it entails.

It does not matter if the individual you wish to nominate is new to Scouting; we welcome nominations of and from external candidates. Scouting has a comprehensive training scheme which will provide training and support for anyone new to Scouting and indeed to someone familiar to Scouting to enable the individual to develop. What is important is for them to bring the leadership and skills which will continue to help move Tynemouth District forward.

### What's in it for them?

In the role of District Commissioner they can be safe in the knowledge that they are making a real difference to the local young people by working with a team of like-minded adults to develop the District.

They will be responsible for ensuring each adult has what they need to be confident in their role by creating a network of support to help and guide them. They will have access to the training relevant to the role and an induction to ensure they get the very best start in their new role.

### How do I nominate?

This is the easy part. Please complete the enclosed nomination form and forward it to me the Search Group Delegate. No nominations will be saved electronically; one month after the new District Commissioner's appointment is confirmed all nominations will be destroyed.

Nomination Forms should be submitted to the Search Group:

**By e-mail** to

Sean Mulligan at [dcsearch@tynemouthscouts.org.uk](mailto:dcsearch@tynemouthscouts.org.uk)

OR

We have an online form you are able to complete if you prefer. This is the same as the nomination and application forms below. [Complete here](#)

The submission of Nomination Forms closes at **9pm** on **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2022** so please ensure your Nomination(s) is/are received by this date at the latest. Late submissions regrettably cannot be accepted.

### What happens next?

Nominations will be reviewed by the Search Group and a shortlist drawn up for consideration by the County Commissioner.

If you are unsure or would like a non-committal chat about the role or any Nominations you wish to make then please do contact either me as Search Group Delegate and we can arrange an informal chat with members of the search group.

Yours faithfully,

Sean Mulligan – Deputy District Commissioner & Search Group Delegate  
David Littlefield – District Chairman & Chairman of the Search Group