



# Annual Reports for 2017/18 & Annual General Meetings

7th January 2019

## 1<sup>st</sup> Hillsborough Scout Group

*Northern Ireland Charity NIC 103838*

## 1<sup>st</sup> Hillsborough Squirrel Drey

*Northern Ireland Charity NIC 104854*

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# Chairperson's Report

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# Squirrel Leader's Report

- Intake of 44 children in September 2017
  - continue to be split over two sessions, Monday night / Wednesday night
- Extensive waiting list still in place
- Squirrels registered with the Charity Commission



# Squirrel Leadership

September 2017

Welcome to our new leaders Susan Hill, Shauna Sammons, Neeta Cubitt & Mark Gibson

Monday night – Emma Wilson, Naomi Spence, Susan Hill & Shauna Sammons

Wednesday night – Natalie Wray, Christine Scott, Neeta Cubitt & Mark Gibson



# Squirrel Activities

Work continued on Smile Badges programme

2 badges achieved:

I'm Friendly

I'm Caring

- Two Dreys brought together for visit from PSNI
- Sponsored scoot / cycle around the Down Royal racecourse
- Visit from Debbie Doolittle and her animals
- Releasing Rhythms drumming session
- Jumping Clay night
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# Beaver Section Leader's Report

- In September 2017, we started off with 2 strong colonies with 24 Beavers in each. Approximately half of these Beavers were invested in November.
- These were held on:
  - Thursday nights led by Tara, Rosemary, Richie and Michael.
  - Friday nights led by Jo McCue, Joanne Kelly, Mark G and Mairi.
- This year, it was decided with a new team of leaders that as badges were completed, these should be presented, rather than waiting until prize night in June. This encouraged and motivated the Beavers throughout the year. Badges completed included: Animal Friend, Cook, Global Challenge, Safety in the home, Hikes Away, Nights Away, Collector.







# Beaver Activities



- Other activities throughout the year included:
- Christmas at Crawfordsburn – Christmas Trail and Santa
- Visit from the fire service
- Visit to Pets at Home
- District Activity Night at Hillhall.
- Beaver Rally Day
- Winter Camp at Cultra (1 night).
- Summer Camp at Lorne (2 nights).
- Sponsored Fun Run: At the end of May we held our first official Fun Run in Hillsborough Forest Park. This was a great night supported by most of our parents and Beavers. A group of 4 Beavers were allocated to an adult with lanyards made specially for the occasion. All Beavers successfully completed the course, raised an amazing amount of money for Beaver funds and had a lot of fun along the way.

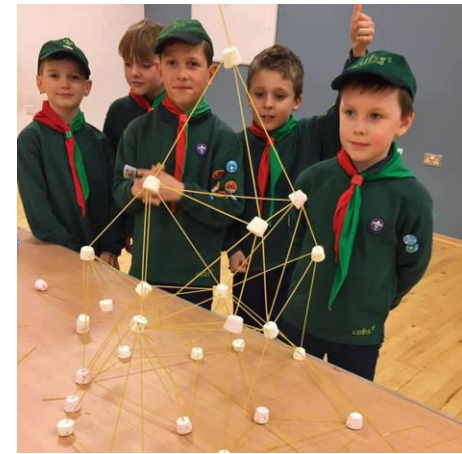






# Cub Section Leader's Report

- Lots of new faces this year – young people and new leaders
- We continue to create and deliver a challenging and exciting programme, we also try to be creative and inspiring with our Badge programme
- great Summer Camp at Lorne in June – with some fantastic outdoor activities – enjoyed by Cubs and Beavers
- visited the Ulster Aviation Society to complete the Air Activities Badge
- Winter Residential at The Ulster Folk Museum to which the Beavers were also invited
- final event of the Cub Year was a trip to Lisburn Bowl for some great fun and a Christmas extravaganza





# Forthcoming Activities

- another adventurous programme
- Summer Camp & Winter Residential already booked
- We are also looking several other exciting experiences along the way.
- With the support of both leaders and parents we look forward to a very interesting year!



# Scout Section Leader's Report

- 36 scouts
- Completed Navigator / Emergency Aid/Pioneer/ Entertainer / Sports Enthusiast badges
- Slieve Croob night hike
- Night hike and Bivouac in the Mourne
- 4 scouts on Summer camp, 2-3 badges earned.



# Scout Section Leader's Report

- Parents
- Commitment to Scouts from Sept to June
- Focus on taking care of possessions and uniform
- Opportunities to earn badges outside Scouts, i.e. music, sports etc. Let us see certificates, reports etc. on progress
- Duke of Edinburgh Bronze



# Explorer Section Leader's Report

## EXPLORERS

- 30 members during 2017/2018 plus 3 new leaders (Mark, Naomi, Dave and Peter\*)
- Belfast Lough Boat Tour
- Nijam 2017 – Northern Ireland Scout Jamboree
  - 2 Explorers attended
- Summer Camp – Todd's Leap - Tyrone
- Mourne Hike – 10 Invested on Hare's Gap
- Winter Camp 2017 – Belfast Activity Centre
  - Camped at Pathfinder Ardnally- Outdoor Activities
  - Explorers brought their own food and cooked in teams.



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## EXPLORERS

- Boulder World – Indoor Climbing Centre
  - Went well, all enjoyed
- Momentum 2 – Magilligan
  - Attended by 3 Explorers and 3 Leaders (inc. 2 Networks)
  - Youth Shape Scouting Event
- Bronze Practice Expedition
  - Mourne Mountains.



## Highlights after March 2018

- Summer 2018 – Summer Party @ Cable and Wake
- Canada 2018 event attended by 3 members
  - Haliburton – Summer 2018 – Presentation Done



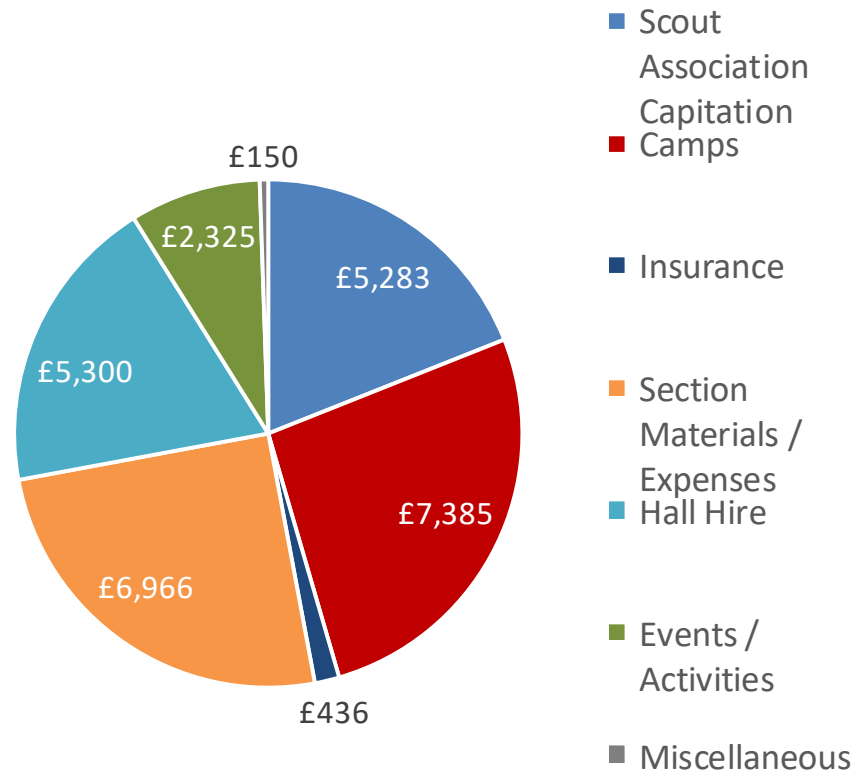
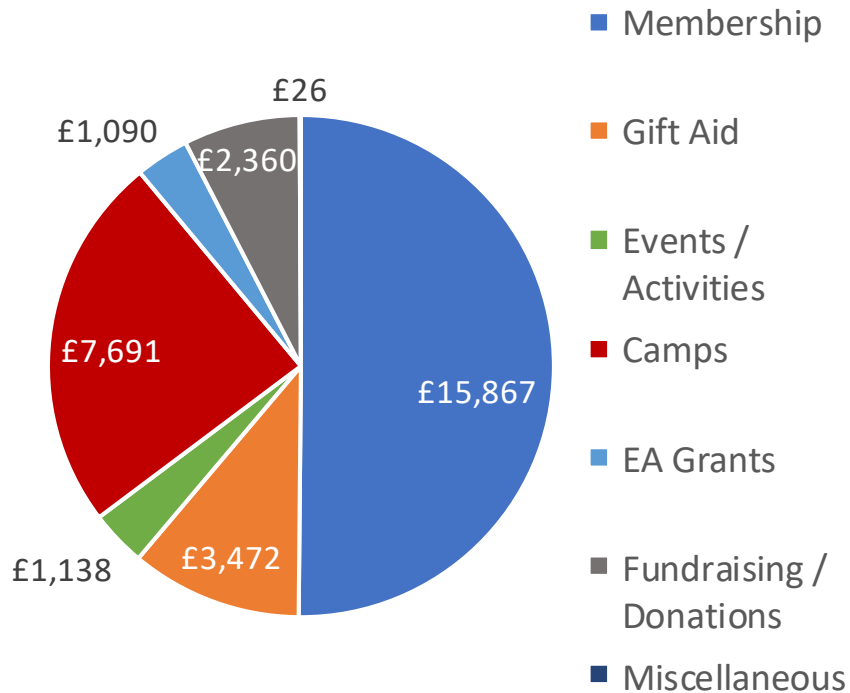




# Treasurer's Report 2017/2018: Group Core Income & Expenditure

Income £31,643  
(16/17: £32,709)

Expenditure £27,844  
(16/17 £20,566\*)



Excludes loan repayments (next slide)

\* 16/17 £5K understated due to delayed hall hire payment



# Other Financials



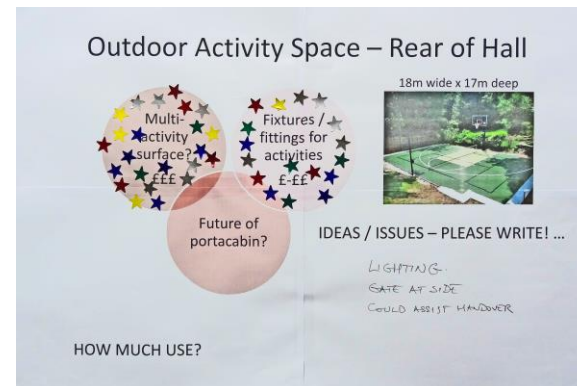
## ➤ Loans

- Scout Association loan 79 fully repaid (final payment of £5,125 in 17/18)
- Hillsborough Scout & Community Hall Group reduced its debt to the Scout Group with consolidated payment for 16/17 & 17/18 of £11,844

## ➤ 1HSG will use remaining loan repayments to improve on-site facilities.

Ideas from Scout leaders:

- Play surface at rear of hall
- Easier access to the forest
- Audio-visual facilities



## ➤ **Overall Balance across Group accounts £27,456.77 (2016/17: £16,939.52)**

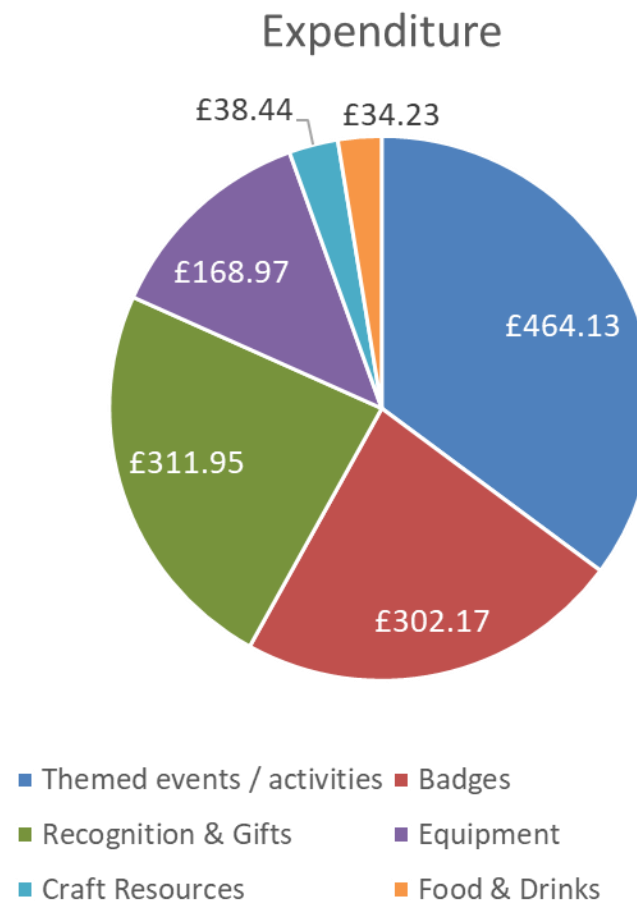
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# Squirrel Account 2017/2018

- 1<sup>st</sup> Hillsborough Scout Group pays hall hire and capitation
- Income: £2123.14 from Scout Group – including £803.14 from sponsored walk
- **Closing balance £1665.59 (2016/17: £877.46)**

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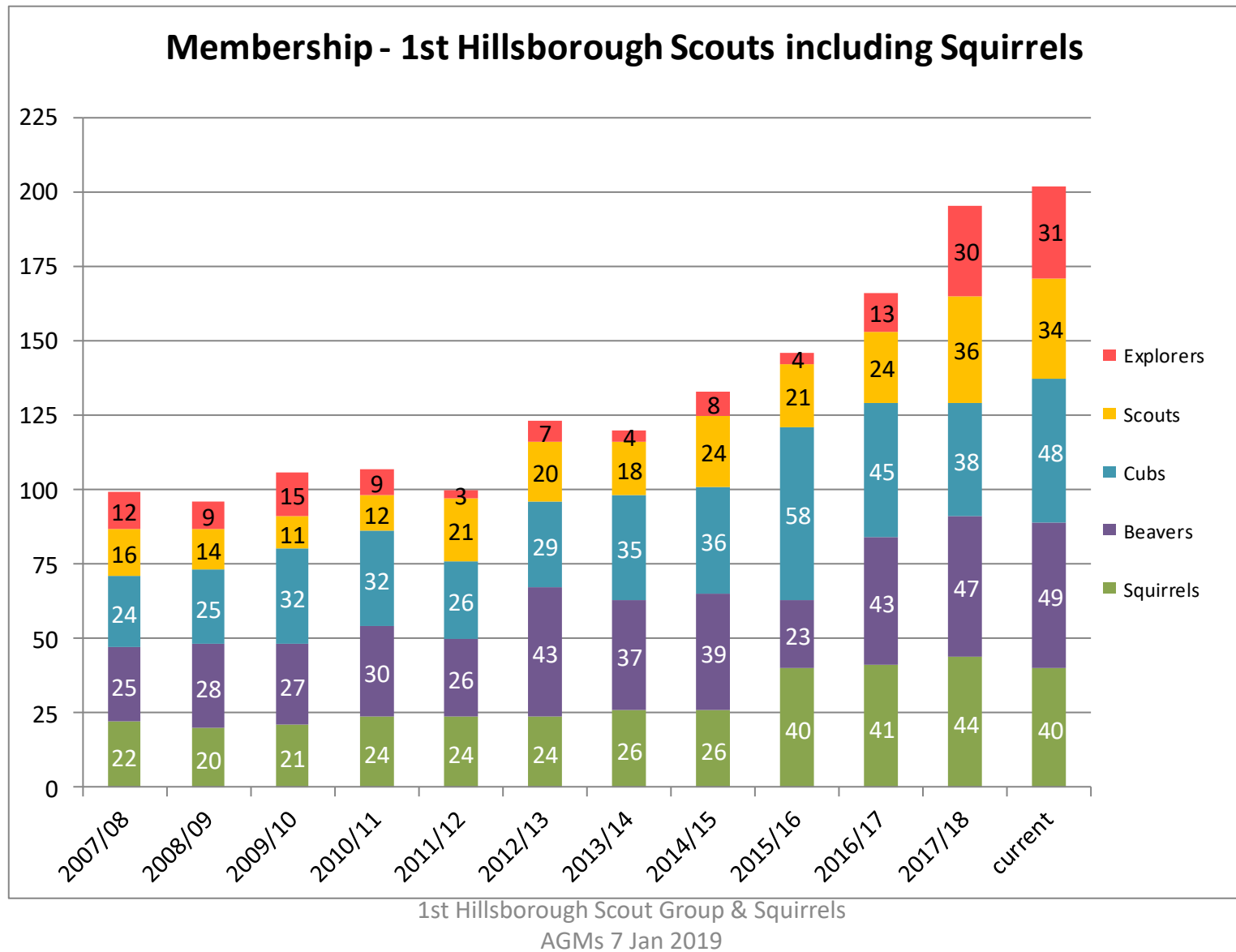
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at AGM, Nominate Chairperson	Group Scout Leader, David Anderson	Chairperson: Claire Leckey
Elect Chairperson, Secretary & Treasurer	Group Scout Council	Secretary: Paddi Herron Treasurer: Robert Mackinnon
Confirm Section Leaders on Exec Committee	Group Scout Council	Mark Mckeag, Lindsay Reid, Tara Jones
Agree number of Elected Members (generally 4-6)	Group Scout Council	No limit set
Elect Members of Exec Committee	Group Scout Council	Anne Thompson, Ana Sanchez, Christine Scott, Natalie Wray
Elect Additional Trustees	Group Scout Council	Jessica Kidd, Maurice Diamond, Christine Scott, Natalie Wray, Anne Thompson, Ana Sanchez (GSL, office holders and section leaders are automatically trustees)
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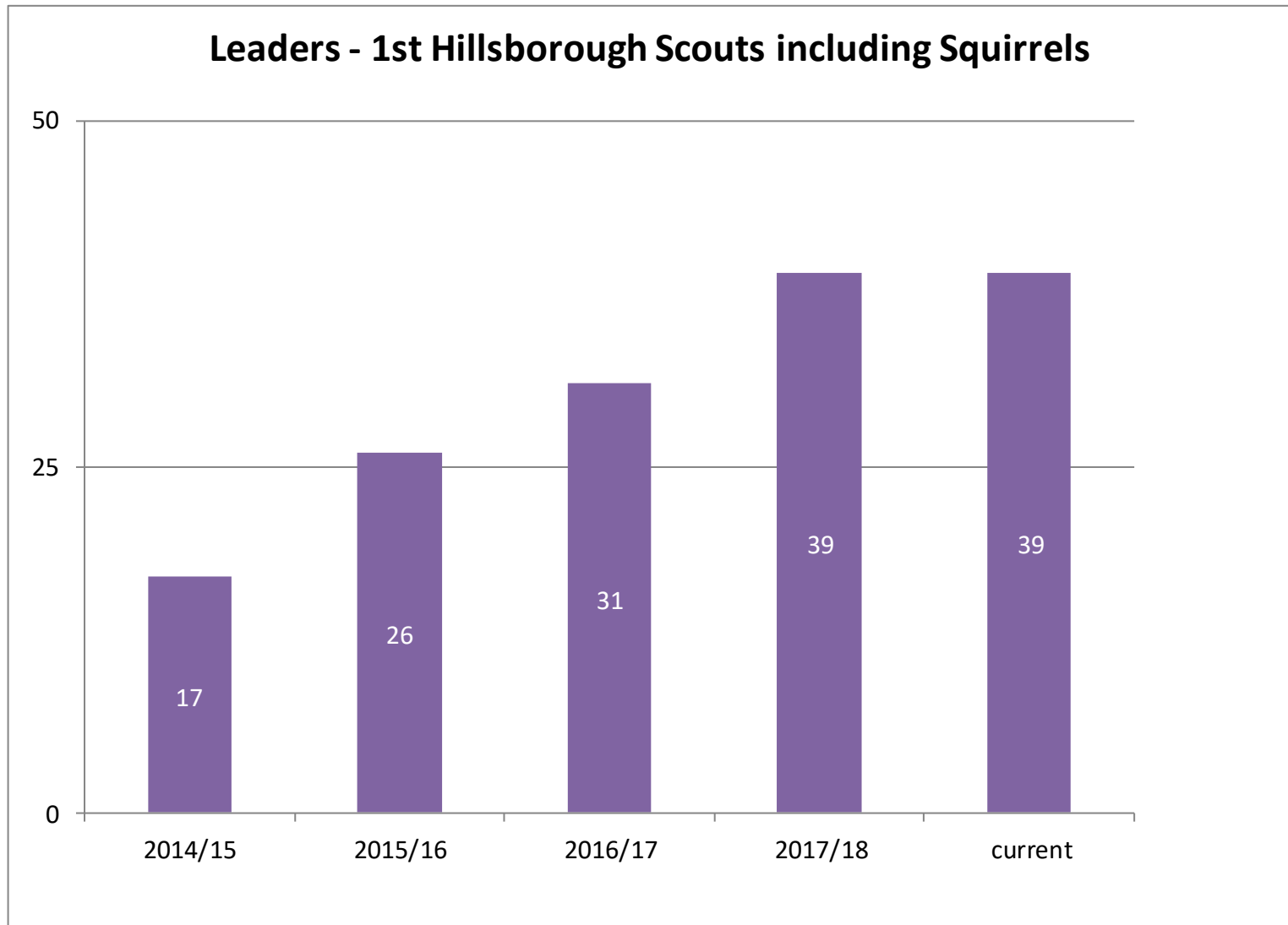
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# Appendix 1 – Youth Membership





# Appendix 2 – Leaders



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# Appendix 3 - Web Presence



- [Group web site: www.1sthillsboroughscouts.org](http://www.1sthillsboroughscouts.org)
- [Group facebook page: 1<sup>st</sup> Hillsborough Scout Group](#)