

 **Explorer Scout Unit**

**Role description for Explorer Scout Leader**

**Name:**

**Outline:** Manage and lead the Unit. In particular, the planning and delivery of the Balanced Programme with the support of the Unit leadership team. Some of the tasks of the Explorer Scout Leader may be delegated to others in the Unit leadership team.

**Responsible to:** District Explorer Scout Commissioner.

**Main Contacts:** Explorer Scouts, parents/carers, other volunteers in the Unit, volunteers in local Scout Troops, District Explorer Scout Commissioner, Assistant County Commissioner (Explorer Scouts), Young Leaders, District Explorer Scout Administrator, Explorer Scout Leader (Young Leader Unit), District Scout Network.

**Appointment requirements:** To successfully complete the appointment process (including acceptable DBS disclosure and acceptance of The Scout Association's policies).

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| Complete *Getting Started* training requirements within 5 months of appointment. Complete Wood Badge training within three years of appointment as well as ongoing safeguarding and safety training.

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| **Main tasks**  |
| **Manage the Delivery of a Balanced Programme by:*** Facilitating the planning of the Unit programme, ensuring there are regular opportunities for the Explorer Scouts to express their views and provide input to the Unit programme.
* Ensuring the programme is exciting and stimulating taking into account the needs, interests and abilities of the Explorer Scouts
* Ensuring the programme is delivered safely in accordance with Scout Association rules.
* Ensuring every Explorer Scout has the opportunity to attend at least one Nights Away experience each year.
* Promoting the achievement of awards, particularly The Chief Scout’s Diamond & Platinum Awards.
* Promote the participation of Unit members in District events
* Liaise with Scout Leaders in local / feeder troops to promote successful transfer of Scouts to the Explorer Scout Unit, by means of the Moving On Award.
* Promoting the further scouting opportunities available to Explorer Scouts on reaching the age of 18. (eg Scout Network, Scout Active Support and leadership appointemnts0.
* Ensure that those Explorer Scouts who wish to, have the opportunity to participate in the Young Leader Scheme.
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| **Manage the Operation of The Explorer Scout Unit, with the Unit Leadership Team by:*** Working with the District Explorer Scout Commissioner and others to promote recruitment and induction of new volunteers in appropriate roles for the Unit.
* Ensuring accurate records are kept of the Explorer Scouts and their progress. (In accordance with GDPR regulations).
* Reviewing the operation of the Unit regularly.
* Making good relationships with parents / carers of the Explorer Scouts and promote their support of the unit.
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| **Wider responsibilities within the Unit:*** Follow the District’s financial procedures, which must be in accordance with Scout Association rules
* Attend and contribute to relevant District meetings.
* Promote Scouting and The Unit to the wider community.
* Promote partnership agreements with feeder Scout Groups if appropriate
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| **Other tasks which may be agreed with the District Explorer Scout Leader** |
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