



# Bedfordshire County Scouts

Paul Ibbotson Chairman

To:- District President  
Members of the District Team  
Group Scout Leaders  
Group Chairmen  
Section Leaders  
Members of the District Executive Committee  
Members of the Scout Fellowship

## Subject New District Commissioner Nominations for Icknield and Lea Valley Districts

As you may be aware District Commissioner positions are available in both Icknield and Lea Valley Districts.

The procedure has changed over the years and it is now a much more open process.

Our County Commissioner, John Duley has asked me to lead a small search group to identify and submit to him some recommendations for his consideration as a successor. I now invite you personally to contribute to the search by submitting a nomination (or nominations) of persons whom you feel should be considered for these important voluntary appointments.

We have decided to open this process up to all 3 districts in Luton in order to search for the best candidates from the whole town, rather than just the two districts concerned.

Nominations should be submitted, either using the enclosed form or by letter, in an envelope marked '*Personal and Confidential - District Commissioner Nomination*' to:-

*The County Secretary, Bedfordshire County Scout Office,*

*Leslie Sell Campsite, Molivers Lane, Bromham, Bedfordshire, MK43 8LD*

Nominations should be received on or before **27th March 2007**

In order to ensure the widest possible consultation you are asked, in addition to submitting your own nomination, to circulate this request for nominations to all members of the District and Groups, District and Group Scout Councils within your area of responsibility. This may be verbally, by mail or via newsletters. **Please note that in order to ensure confidentiality, and prevent building up false hopes, nominations should be submitted without approaching the individual concerned.**

Self-nomination is acceptable, however please be aware that unsuccessful candidates will not be contacted to inform them of outcomes.

I would therefore ask you to give serious and urgent consideration to people with whom you work in Scouting, at work, or in the wider community, and to identify anyone who you believe has the qualities to be your District Commissioner. When considering a possible candidate please do not compare them against the current or any previous DCs. At this stage it is important to draw up a list with as wide a cross section of people as possible, so that the search group can begin the process of preparing a short list.

Finally may I remind you that as a recipient of this letter you are likely to be in the best position to know the needs of the District and potential candidates. Please play your part in ensuring that due consideration is given to all possible candidates by submitting your nomination. Thank you in anticipation of your support.

Yours sincerely,

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