



Dear Supporter,

Why 1st Aylesford Scouts deserve the best possible future

Scouting does incredible work helping young people develop the skills they need to succeed.

It gives them a huge sense of optimism, fun and adventure and the experience to take decisions when it counts. Most of all, it helps nurture the best qualities in young people – kindness, care, helpfulness and the courage to do the right thing.

All of these words describe Charlie Girling, a 12 year old Scout who tragically lost his life while on a trip to Finland in summer 2016. We are determined never to forget him or the values he lived by.

So when I heard that his group, 1st Aylesford Scouts wanted to build a new Scout Headquarters in Charlie's memory, I jumped at the chance to support them.

They are currently operating out of a local priory with very basic facilities, which is limiting the number of people they can safely accommodate and the range of activities they can offer. With 120 members and many more waiting to join, it is essential they can provide the best possible environment for young people.

They have a plot of their own, a huge number of willing volunteers and most importantly the energy to get this project started as soon as funds will allow.

Our promise is never to forget Charlie – his cheerfulness, friendship and love of life. With your help we can carry this spirit forward by providing the benefits of Scouting to thousands more young people for a generation to come.

Please support me in remembering Charlie by showing your generosity and supporting the 1st Aylesford with their building appeal. Your kindness will not be forgotten and every donor will be acknowledged.

Thank you so much in advance for your support; let's do this for Charlie.

Bear Grylls
Chief Scout

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