



# The Malverns District Scout Council

Registered Charity number 1030019

## District Fund Allocations

Excluding Warren Oak

July 2024 v1

District fund allocations will be reviewed as necessary at each District Trustee Board meeting. If you are applying for one of the funds, please submit your application in writing (so that there is no confusion about what is being asked for and from which fund) a few weeks before the next District Trustee Board Meeting if possible. For The Arthur Dickin Fund, there is an online form to complete on the website. In case of an emergency, please contact the District Lead Volunteers and District Chair as soon as possible.

The allowances will be reviewed and set each year during the annual budget meeting to approve appropriate levels of finance within each part.

### 1. District Loan Fund

1.1	Purpose:	A bridging fund to supplement District/Group/Unit funds to facilitate emergency repairs of fixed assets owned by the District/Group/Unit within the District.
1.2	Loan Period:	Not more than 5 years.
1.3	Repayment:	A plan must be agreed for regular monthly payments to be made.
1.4	Interest applied:	12 months or less no interest will be applied otherwise interest will be applied at the Bank of England base rate.
1.5	Security:	The District/Group/Unit must have demonstrated the ability to develop and hold an emergency reserve of its own and demonstrate that it is sufficiently stable to continue beyond the length of the loan period being negotiated.
1.6	Applications:	Via District Lead Volunteers and District Chair.
1.7	Approval:	Agreement by the District Trustee Board.
1.8	Amount Reserved:	£15,000 (as per 2024 TAR)

## 2. Reserves Fund

2.1	Purpose:	To provide a financial reserve, as required by the Charities Commission, to enable the District to be dissolved without debt in the event of it folding and provide a 'reserve' in case of unforeseen difficulties.
2.2	Amount:	Equal to one years' operating costs (excluding subscriptions received and paid out to County & Headquarters)
2.3	Approval:	Agreement by the District Trustee Board.
2.4	Amount Reserved:	£ 3,000 (2024 Budget)

## 3. Arthur Dickin Fund

3.1	Purpose:	To provide financial assistance to ensure children of families unable to afford camp fees can attend camps, and any subsidies agreed for children or leaders attending major events, such as World Jamborees
3.2	Applications:	Please use the online form available via our website. If a case is very urgent, please contact the District Lead Volunteers and District Chair.
3.3	Approval:	Agreement by the District Trustee Board.
3.4	Amount Reserved:	Current amount £2,500

## 4. District Activities & Equipment Fund

4.1	Purpose:	To provide financial support for major District activities and equipment for agreed District activity teams – such as District Camps, Gang shows, archery equipment, etc.
4.2	Security:	District activities must have already been planned (at least in outline) and agreed by the District Leadership Team. District equipment must be securely stored, on the District register of assets and be well looked after by named individuals.
4.3	Applications:	Via District Lead Volunteers and District Chair.
4.4	Approval:	Agreement by the District Trustee Board.
4.5	Amount Reserved:	For 2024/5 initially set at £1,850 in budget.

## 5. Development Fund

5.1	Purpose:	A fund to provide start up packs, advertising, promotional material and assistance for the development of the District - such as activities to attract new leaders into the District and/or start new Sections.
5.2	Applications:	Via District Lead Volunteers and District Chair.
5.3	Approval:	Agreement by the District Trustee Board.
5.4	Amount Reserved:	Initially set at £1,000. Not explicitly in 2024/5 budget

## 6. Operating Fund

1.1	Purpose:	Working Balance / Finance for the general operating of the District, such as training, web hosting, expenses, etc.
1.6	Applications:	Via District Lead Volunteers and District Chair.
1.7	Approval:	Agreement by the District Trustee Board and as delegated.
1.8	Amount Reserved:	To be maintained between Zero (less subscriptions received) and the annual budget as agreed by the District Trustee Board in the annual budget meeting. For 2024/5 initially set at £840 in budget.