

## **44<sup>th</sup> Norwich (1<sup>st</sup> Old Catton) Scout Group**

Over the last few months, we've been exploring the six different programme zones we follow so that scouting keeps being fresh, interesting and exciting. This month we're introducing the "friendship" zone.

### **Scouts in Old Catton**

The scouting definition of friendship is rather more than mucking around with your mates. By following the zone, our scouts discover more about people from other countries; meet people from the local community (whether by helping out or through a visit) as well learning some practical skills along the way.

The result is that our scouts know more about where the community we live in: *our* community. This has included visits by our community police, local dentist, the fire station, Catton Park, church trips, as well as entertaining residents at a local care home.

We can't ignore that Scouts is friendly too. Many activities are with other groups, this month the scouts are joining other groups from across the district at the annual "Water and Mayhem" weekend. A highlight in the calendar, the shared experience of such intensely fun (and wet) activities as canoeing, raft building and very wet games helps forge friendships across scout groups.

If you have an ideas that you think may be good for a section of our scout group to take part in or discover, please contact our Group Scout Leader Simon Clarke on [simon-scouts@virginmedia.com](mailto:simon-scouts@virginmedia.com) or call 07818 455833 or Keith Coles on 405 438 or Email [keith@colesk.plus.com](mailto:keith@colesk.plus.com).