



## Penrith Town Council

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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

#### **£2,090 grant to support Penrith Scouts**

Penrith Town Council has provided a grant of £2,090 to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Penrith Scout Group to replace their oil tank storage tank which no longer met fire protection regulations.

The oil tank storage provides heating and hot water for the Penrith Scout Hut, providing a safe and welcoming space for the 111 members aged 6 to 14 (split between Beavers, Cubs and Scouts) who meet weekly at the Scout Hut for events and regular activities.

The grant has also enabled the Scouts to replace their oil tank storage tank without having to direct subscription fees from the young people's activities towards the project, maximising the impact that scouting has in the local community.

#### **On Friday 10 May 2024, Doug Lawson, Penrith Town Council Chair & Mayor of Penrith visited the 2<sup>nd</sup> Penrith Scout Hut and said:**

*"Supporting local groups in the community, enabling them to improve resources, opportunities, places, and spaces is what our grant scheme is all about – which is why I am particularly pleased that we have been able to support the Penrith Scouts with this project.*

*"It may not be the most glamorous of projects, however it is a very necessary one which will have a real impact in enabling more activities to take place at the Penrith Scout Hut.*

*"Supporting community groups in Penrith is a priority for the Council, so I would encourage any groups with a project in mind to get in touch with the office to find out if your organisation and project could be eligible for funding."*

#### **Tim Taylor, 2<sup>nd</sup> Penrith Group – Chairman of Executive said:**

*"On behalf of the trustees and members of 2<sup>nd</sup> Penrith Scout Group, I would like to thank Penrith Town Council and also Penrith Rotary for their financial support towards our oil tank project.*

*"This support has allowed us to meet current safety and compliance standards in providing a safe and welcoming space for both our members and for local community use, without impacting the planned program of inclusive and developmental activities.*

*"About to enter our centenary year, Penrith Scouts is thriving with over 111 members between Beavers, Cubs and Scouts and 35 adult volunteers who meet weekly.*

*"To get involved with the group as an assistant, leaders or trustee or to share your Scouting story at Penrith, please email:*

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*"To sign your young person up to wait to join the Scouts, please visit:  
[www.edenscouts.org.uk](http://www.edenscouts.org.uk) and complete the form."*

More information about our grant scheme can be found on the Penrith Town Council website: <https://www.penrithtowncouncil.gov.uk/council-finance/grants/>

This grant also marks the first community organisation to take part in a new series of short videos entitled "Penrith Town Council in the Community". This series will visit local community organisations which have been awarded a grant by the Council to find out more about the organisation and the project which the Council has helped to fund. The first video can be accessed by the link:  
<https://youtu.be/dmRBI37bL24>