

Guidance notes for PVG applications for Blair Atholl Home Hospitality 2018

Home Hospitality for Blair Atholl is traditionally provided in the homes of Scottish Scouts for those from overseas contingents.

To comply with our child protection policies, the role of 'non member PVG only' at Group, District or Region level exists on Compass to support the process when we check those who are within the scope of PVG scheme membership. In practice this would be the parents or guardians of the child providing the home hospitality, all other adults over 18 resident in the home are not required to be checked (this is in line with the PVG regulations), however they must not have unsupervised access to the young person/s.

Each Jamborette will have potentially 500 or so families involved which could lead to as many as 1000 applicants for a PVG. Scout Shops have been advised so as they can prepare for having an influx of requests for forms.

With regard to the completion and submission of PVG for those providing home hospitality, following feedback from the 2016 event it was agreed that in 2018 clear guidance should be provided.

Once you have identified the adults who will be responsible in the Home Hospitality process the following will need to be applied:-

- An adult in Scouting who holds a valid PVG, obtained through Scouting, which will be in date until the end of the period of home hospitality will require to take no further action as they will be covered by a valid PVG. Their role/s on Compass will need to remain active until the end of the home hospitality.
- Any adult who has never been involved in Scouting and has no PVG scheme membership will apply as a new scheme member and be added to Compass as a 'non-member PVG only' at the appropriate level.
- Any adult who has never been involved in Scouting but has a valid PVG scheme membership through another body will apply as an existing member of the PVG scheme and will be added to Compass as a 'non-member PVG only' at the appropriate level.
- An adult who was on Compass as a non-member PVG only in 2016 for the purposes of Home hospitality and has been involved in Scouting since that date and has not had their role on Compass cancelled will be accepted as eligible.
- An adult who was on Compass as a non-member PVG only in 2016 for the purposes of Home hospitality and has had their role on Compass cancelled must re-apply for a valid PVG as an EXISTING member of the PVG scheme for the 2018 Home hospitality.
- An adult who was on Compass with a PVG who has had their role/s cancelled or ended will apply as an existing member of the PVG scheme and will be added to Compass as a 'non-member PVG only' at the appropriate level. If they are returning to Scouting after 30 days or less then their previous PVG through Scouting will still be valid (this will show on Compass when the role is added).
- An adult who currently holds active role/s in Scouting, however their role/s do not require them to hold a PVG will need to apply for a PVG (either New or Existing) and the a 'non-member PVG only' role will need to be added to their record on Compass.

It should be noted that those offering home hospitality, if they have no ongoing involvement with Scouting, should have their role cancelled on Compass following the event. If you know that this will be the case then a role end date can be added to the role when initially adding it to Compass (reducing the need to go back through Compass at a later date)