



SUBSCRIPTIONS 2027

As you may be aware, the subscriptions approach is changing for 2027, with subscriptions applying to young members only. As a result, the overall subscription per young member will increase. Girlguiding HQ has set its 2027 subscription at £46.50 per young member, and Anglia Region will add £19.50 per young member to support the opportunities and services it provides.

County Trustees have reviewed expenditure carefully and reduced costs wherever possible, while continuing to provide valuable opportunities and support for Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Rangers, Young Leaders and adult volunteers. To maintain this support, the County subscription for 2027 has been set at £14.00 per young member.

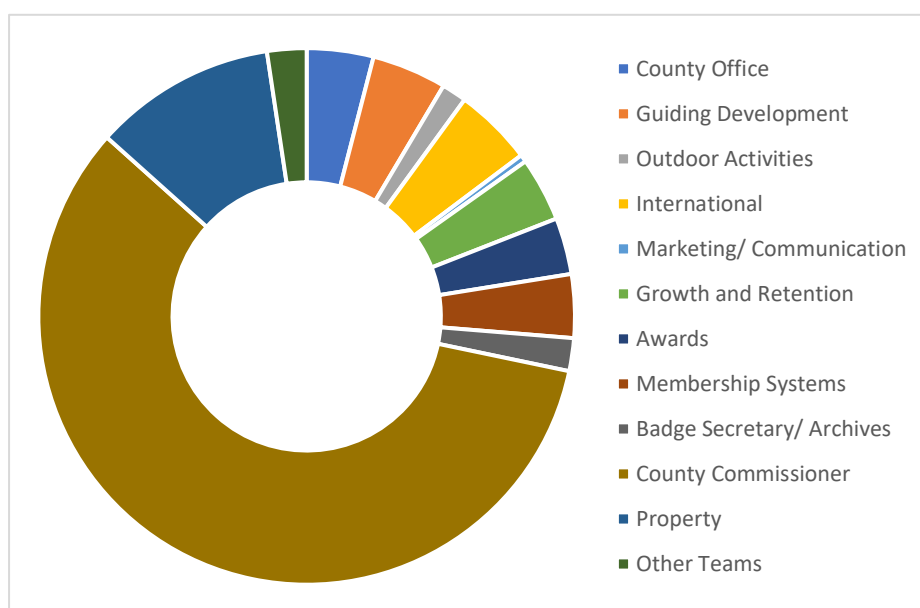
Our current young member numbers are around 6,700, although we expect this may reduce further before February. Please only remove young members from your unit if they have actually left, as lower membership numbers generally increase the future subscription amount for everyone else.

Reports will be released on 22 July to show the impact of removing volunteer charges at all levels. Limited financial support may be available from HQ for units where the overall subscription has increased significantly, and further support may also be available locally. Please ask if you need help or would like to discuss your unit's position.

The total subscription, excluding any District and Division amounts, will therefore be as follows:

	2025	2026	2027
HQ	£33.00	£36.00	£46.50
Anglia	£14.00	£16.00	£19.50
Hertfordshire	£10.00	£9.00	£14.00
Total	£57.00	£61.00	£80.00

How we use your subscription



County Office - Our admin team supports communication across the County, administration for events and the County Centre, charity compliance and other essential operational work.

Marketing and PR - This helps us promote Girlguiding Hertfordshire through our website, communications and events.

Property - This supports our County Centre at Cottered, helping to meet costs that are not fully covered by the income it generates.

Guiding Development - This funds resources for new leaders, Safe Space training, First Response training and County Training Days.

Membership Systems - This supports Go training for leaders, support for District and Division Commissioners, and the purchase of service awards.

County Commissioner - This budget supports County leadership, strategy development, staff costs, insurance, finance costs, volunteer support and visits to units and events. It also includes the County Bursary for anyone in the County who may need additional funding for an event or other guiding-related expense.

Growth and Retention - This funding supports work to promote the County, grow membership and retain current volunteers and young members.

Member Events - This includes grants for international events, County-run activity days, camps and the work of the Youth Opportunities team.

Awards - Our annual awards afternoon is the County's opportunity to thank volunteers for their service and recognise outstanding contribution across the County.

Archives - This supports the preservation of Girlguiding history and records within the County.

We hope this update is helpful and supports your planning for the rest of this year and into 2027.

Elaine Wilson
County Treasurer