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Your Woodcraft Folk. Your Voice. Your Gathering.

Dear Friend

You are an essential part of Woodcraft Folk and as always, we need your voice in shaping the way we work and the issues we focus on as we head towards our centenary in 2025.

Please join us for the **2019 Annual Gathering** - the democratic heart of Woodcraft Folk, where we **celebrate** our achievements over the past year, **share** skills & experiences, **elect** our General Council, **discuss** future plans for the movement, , and **enjoy** each other's company in true Woodcraft style.

After the success of last year, we'll be holding the Gathering on the weekend of **22-23 June** at our wonderful campsite – **Biblins** – in the beautiful Wye Valley.

Bookings open on Monday 11th March and there will be discounted prices for those who book before Friday 19 April, so please start discussing who will represent your District and groups. There is a new cheaper rate for DFs, as well as a reduced under 16s rate; we would love to see as many young delegates as possible representing our groups and districts from across the country.

There will be **workshops** and **training** as well as formal business using a combination of '**open space**' and traditional **motions**. If you have something you think we should be discussing (whether as a motion or in a new way), please talk to your group or district coordinator. There will also be evening entertainment brought to you by the organisers of VCamp, and plenty of new people to meet and friends to make.

All the details and deadlines are in the attached convening notice or on our website at: woodcraft.org.uk/annual-gathering-2019.

Annual Gathering is also your chance to **hear from your General Council**, to hold them accountable and to **elect new members**. A nomination form for General Council and Standing Orders Committee (who run our internal democracy) is attached.

We look forward to welcoming you to Biblins!
Blue Skies

Sarah Welsh & Deborah Mccahon
Joint General Secretaries

Pip Sayers
Chair