



# WIRRAL & WEST CHESHIRE EXPEDITION COMMITTEE OPERATING AUTHORITY



17<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Dear Participant & Parent/Carer,

## **Cancellation of Silver Expedition Activities 2019/2020**

**With the current and ongoing situation regarding the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, I have had to take the unprecedented decision to cancel all of our Silver Expedition activities for the 2019/2020 expeditions season.**

This decision has not been taken lightly and is only the second time in our 50 year history that we have had to cancel Silver Expeditions, the first being Foot & Mouth Disease in 2001.

I appreciate that you, like us, will be hugely disappointed with this, as we were looking forward to working with you to complete these expeditions.

I feel that the health and wellbeing of yourselves, your family members, and indeed, our team of volunteers must come first, and in line with current Government and Public Health England advice, have had to make this difficult decision.

Obviously, as this is beyond your control I will be arranging a full refund of all monies paid, as I cannot currently foresee when this situation will be resolved.

With this in mind, it is vital that you ensure that your home address and parent contact details are up to date on the eDofE website, as we are aiming to start posting cheques for the refunds from the 15th April.

Please can you assist me in double-checking the details I hold for you to ensure these funds go back to the right address with the correct name on the cheque. I appreciate your patience while this information is checked

All cheques will be made payable to the Parent detailed on eDofE.

In addition to contacting you, we have asked the Schools, who are supportive of our approach, to send notification via the Schools Communication systems to all your Parents / Carers advising them of this situation and asking them to advise us if they wish to provide alternative payees for the cheque.

Thank you for your patience, understanding and cooperation at this time.

Sincerest best wishes,

Jason Comber

Award Manager

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## Refund Details

Participant's Name \_\_\_\_\_ eDofE No. \_\_\_\_\_

School Attended \_\_\_\_\_

Cheque to be made payable to \_\_\_\_\_

If you wish the refund cheque to be made payable to an alternative name than that listed on eDofE, following Cancellation of Silver Expeditions for Season 2019/2020, please reply to [refunds@wwcecoa.org.uk](mailto:refunds@wwcecoa.org.uk), or complete the above and return to:

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award,  
PO Box 62,  
Upton,  
Wirral.  
CH49 6WE

The Cheque will be posted to the address recorded on the participants eDofE account from the 15<sup>th</sup> April 2020 and we would ask that you bear with us at this time.

