

## **MINUTES OF THE FIFTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF BAILGATE U3A**

Held at the Nightingale Rooms, Nettleham Road, Lincoln.

On Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April, 2017

1. Mrs Pam Simpson, our Chair, welcomed 49 members and 7 other committee members to the meeting.

### **2. Apologies for absence**

There were no apologies for absence

### **3. Minutes of the fourth AGM**

of the Bailgate U3A, 19<sup>th</sup> April, 2016 were agreed as an accurate record of proceedings.

Proposed: Chris Elsmore. Seconded Margaret Walch

### **4. Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising.

### **5. Report from the Chair.**

Pam said that the past year was very successful. We had new groups that formed: music appreciation, mediaeval history, a breakfast discussion group and a presently forming German group.

Pam listed the outings that took place over the year including our exceptionally well supported holiday in Melrose, plus trips to many other towns and cities, near and far. We heard many memorable speakers make memorable presentations.

Groups are flourishing, too and this reflects the commitment of members to the wide range of activities available. Pam pointed to the many displays mounted by Group Convenors and thanked them for their valuable efforts.

Pam expressed thanks to the Committee for their work in maintaining our U3A processes. She thanked Derek Cottrell for his membership of the Committee as he resigned this year. She also thanked William Neighbour, our Treasurer, for the careful and competent way that he guided us through the four years of his financial management.

## **6. Treasurer's Report**

William Neighbour provided the balance Sheet for our financial affairs over the last year and emphasised that our accounts are in good order from which the new Treasurer will be able to work.

The report was accepted by the meeting. Proposed by Tony Wass and Seconded by Ronwyn Preston

Pam our Chair proposed a vote of thanks for William, in view of the exceptional amount of responsibility he has carried for the last four years. Proposed by Hillary Maughan and Seconded by Clare Loryman.

## **7. Amendment to the Constitution of the Bailgate U3A** (See information emailed to members 17<sup>th</sup> March 2017, along with AGM Agenda and Minutes)

Peter Elsmore briefly outlined the purpose, content and process for a U3A that wanted to make changes to its constitution. The proposals themselves are set out in the papers associated with this meeting. The changes were read out loud and the meeting agreed to pass them with 44 votes in favour, no votes against and no abstentions.

## **8. Appointment of Examiner of Accounts.**

This role is presently pending.

## **9. Election to the Executive Committee.**

Three members were proposed and seconded and duly voted in by the membership to be Committee members for the year 2017-2018. These were: Penny Forsdyke, proposed by Peter Elsmore and seconded by Val Skelton, Ranbir Bali, proposed by Susan Sproson and seconded by Pam Simpson Baz Aveyard, to be Treasurer, proposed by Rosemary Palmer and seconded by Pam Simpson.

Existing Committee members who wished to continue serving for the forthcoming year were collectively agreed by the meeting to be part of the new committee.

## **10 Any Other Business** (previously notified to the Chair or the Business Secretary)

Several group convenors took this opportunity to advertise their group's focus.

