

Monthly Meeting 15 August 2018

The Chair, Graham Jermyn opened the August monthly meeting by welcoming 110 members and guests.

Graham went on to confirm that Committee members have now been assigned roles leaving a couple of gaps to fill. In addition to having a Convenor, groups now have a Group Support person to provide assistance. The lengthy process of updating email addresses and who receives the emails has now been completed and the Business Secretary, Mary Wright is looking at options for a Beccles U3A telephone number to deal with general enquiries.

The idea of a Group Grant system was announced a couple of meetings ago. Guidance notes and an application form will appear soon on the website for convenors to complete if necessary. The first grant has already been awarded to one of the Historic Walking Groups.

The Convenors lunch will be taking place in the Public Hall on 7th September between 1pm and 3pm. We would like as many convenors as possible to attend but if they can't, to nominate a "responsible person" to stand in. Please respond to your Group Support.

A working group is currently looking at Events and how we meet members needs going forward. If anyone has any suggestions regarding trips, then please let a committee member know.

The Stardust trip for 7th September is full but if there is sufficient interest another could be organised for October.

There are vacancies on the U3A exclusive Earsham Hall tour on 25th September at a price of £20.50 including afternoon tea. Please contact Irene if you are interested.

The Third Age Trust's Conference and AGM takes place between 28th and 30th August in Nottingham. The AGM and a preceding lecture will be screened on the U3A YouTube channel from 9.30 am for anyone who wants to watch.