

Boldon and District U3
Minutes of Committee Meeting held 12th June 2023

Present: Chair: Shirley Walkinshaw (SW) Pat Devenport (PD) Susan Soulsby (SS) Gillian Cucchi (GC) Bill Coombs (BC). Sheila Miller (SM.)Kath Jordan (KJ) Jim Jordan (JJ). Pam Marley (PM). Sue Masters (SM) Anne Witherington (AW) Joanne Frankie (JF)

1. Apologies for absence

None

2. Minutes of previous meeting

Approved

3. Matters arising

GC to send names to Tam enable magazine

Pat/Gill/Sue have access to list of members

4. Chairs report

On the 6th June 2023 I met with Pat Devenport for the handover of Chairmanship of Boldon U3A to me.

I sent email forms to committee members.

I read the constitution.

5. Treasurers report

Room rent £459.00

Kath Lodge last 2 trips. Subsidised

Bank balance. £4,593.29

6 Membership

There has been 1 new member this month (Jess Jones) making a total of 216 members. I have also updated the application form and sent it to Pat for her to update the website.

No new membership cards - use old ones as same number.

7. Group Report

All groups appear to be running smoothly.

It was a pleasure to see so many of our group's contributions at the AGM. Thank you to ALL who took part.

A special thank you goes to Jess Jones, who has hopefully inspired some of members to improve their strength and to Adam Walter for challenging our brains with his music quiz.

This month the 'Enjoy Singing' group resumes on Friday 30th June.

The next 3-4months will see a lot of members on holiday so I am expecting attendance to drop for some groups and we may have to supplement rental/ room hire.

10 members have signed up for the Defibrillator use with Sergio and I will contact him re a date.

JJ requested £48 for a hard drive for the Singing Group To await 6 months trial

SW to arrange for Whats App to be set up for Thursday walking Group

8. Speakers report

Tony Chapman has been arranged for Christmas

June Speaker : Peter Brennan £40.

9. Website

Number of page hits slightly down still using SiteBuilder and no news on when we will be moving to SiteWorks

10. Facebook.

Still 60 members, few comment but lots of Likes

11. Beacon

No changes this month, other than adding SW as chairman giving her the ability to send emails

12 Any other business

Summer Fair on 24th June 2023

SS & PD held a sub committee meeting last week.

There are 12 volunteers to man the stall so far, schedule has to be completed and sent out. Suggest a committee member is always in attendance. A 4 foot table has been allocated. We have a feather to stand by the stall and bunting to decorate. I suggest that we buy U3a sashes at £4 each from the Brand Centre, it is possible to buy T shirts but people may not want to wear one, sash can be worn and passed on easily while still identifying the group. Ask volunteers to wear U3a colours if possible. Need agreement of the committee AGREED

Leaflets can be given out on the day, AGREED to buy 100 glossy A5 leaflet for £45 plus postage from the Brand Centre. The boards would contain a description of the U3a ethos and a short description of active groups, SS suggests we finalise these at the next general meeting. We should take some membership forms just in case. £20 Contribution for church hall. AGREED

Jim Fairfull is preparing a slideshow with photos from the groups and events throughout the year, so we need a laptop, suggest the Lenovo. Not sure if we will be able to recharge it on the day

Post an advert specific to U3a in Pride in East Boldon, All things Cleadon and the Whitburn FB groups - The fair itself has already been advertised by the church, including a reference to U3a. Suggest I try this out in Boldon FB first

SW requested details of our fire drill in church hall.

13. Date and time of next Committee Meeting ~ 10.30 Monday 10th July 2023 at Gillians home, which is. Moorfield Cottage, Moor Lane, Cleadon SR6 7TT