

## **Branston and District Committee U3A Meeting 17<sup>th</sup> November 2020**

### **Minutes for the meeting held by Zoom at 2.00pm**

Present: John Tyerman (Chair) Janet Foster, Gary Selson, Elaine Johnson, Chris Hodson, Mary Corbould, James Hewson, Rick Smok, Brian Sentance, Heather Sharpe.

**1 Apologies** – none

**2. Minutes of the previous meeting** - accepted

#### **3. Matters Arising**

Brian's surname incorrectly spelt in last minutes. Website managers report; Add “u3a “ to Housestyle website. Change Beacon meetings to “cancelled to end of the year”.

#### **4. Chair's Report**

No change due to Covid restrictions, Country in lockdown until 2<sup>nd</sup> December.

More Zoom meeting to be arranged. Request by a member to have a local u3a Facebook account. Discussion held, but it will need a person to act as moderator for it. No walking groups at present due to lockdown

#### **5. Treasurer's Report**

Account up to the end of October presented. Cheque sent out to pay for the December speaker. Outstanding invoices to be given to Janet as soon as possible for end of year accounts in January.

#### **6. Membership Secretary's Report**

No change in membership.

A condolence card has been sent to relatives of Jean Meechan, a former member of Branston u3a.

#### **7. Group Coordinator's Report**

Not been contacted by anyone on anything.

Considering walking groups, when allowed, to be Monday- Friday. Maximum of 6 people. Only one walk per person per week with an online booking system. Five miles maximum length.

Rick to register for free one year trial online for Dropbox to help with bookings.

James said it would be good to get plans in place quickly for the walking group so all in place when u3a's are allowed to walk again.

Mary said the Cycle Group hope to go out in December.

#### **8. Programme Secretary's Report**

December Zoom speaker requested his cheque before the meeting, this has been sent. Talk will be approx 45-1 hour long. Chris will look into getting a speaker arranged for the January meeting. She asked for any ideas to be e-mailed to her.

#### **9. Website Manager's Report**

Monday's trial Zoom meeting which was arranged by James was well received with 37 devices online.

**10. Croquet** - situation report -All problems now resolved and working fine.

### **11. Follow up on Zoom Talk by James**

See item 9.

James giving Zoom tutorials to members who request it.

Pat Butler hoping to use zoom for the readers group.

It was noted that the Zoom account will have to be managed. James said it was manageable at the moment and he would be able to pass the hosting over to the main speaker or group.

Talk for 24<sup>th</sup> November in hand. James will send out the link.

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### **12. Other Reports- none**

### **13. Keeping in Touch**

James to continue with his weekly online letter which has been well received by members.

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### **14. Any Other Business**

Inquiry re opening times of outreach Post Office in the Church Hall.

Every Thursday afternoon for two hours.

### **15. Date of next meeting- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2021 at 2.00pm**

The meeting closed at 2.45pm

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