

Minutes of the 6th Annual General Meeting of Cheswick Green & District U3A held at Cheswick Green Village Hall on Thursday 17^h June 2018 at 2.00p.m.

The meeting was opened by the Chair who welcomed those present.

Apologies

Apologies were received from:

Julia Battle, Piers & Jenny Cockroft, Chris & Dick Cox, Stuart & Sadie Allen, Jacky Nolan

Chairman's Report

Andrew reported on our steady growth. We now have 240 members and over thirty interest groups with the possibility of even more, including Tai Chi, starting soon.

He thanked the committee for their hard work in keeping the organisation running smoothly. Stuart was thanked for keeping the web site up to date and Mary was thanked for her role in organising speakers for our Core meetings. Viv and Piers, who were founder members of our U3A and Margaret, who are all standing down, were thanked for their wise council on the committee. Elaine was also thanked for efficiently fulfilling her role as secretary and for remaining on the committee for a further year to assist Lynda in taking over this role.

Group leaders were also thanked for providing 'Education, Entertainment and Exercise' within each group. Andrew added that he had met many people who said that joining the U3A had not only transformed their lives but fostered new friendships. He suggested that we should all introduce ourselves to someone we don't know at each core meeting. Finally he thanked the members for making all things possible.

Treasurer's Report

A copy of the Accounts and the List of Equipment had already been circulated to members so Denise briefly discussed their contents. There were no questions arising.

As Denise is due to leave the Committee next year she asked for a volunteer to shadow her work this year before she resigns.

Secretary's Report

Elaine re-iterated Andrew's thanks to the committee and Mary and then proceeded with The Election of Officers

Details of Nominations were as follows:

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Andrew Cooper	Chairman	Anne Callanan	Jean Fletcher
Jacky Nolan	Vice Chair & Membership Secretary	Gillian Anderton	Norma Satterthwaite
Denise Swain	Treasurer	Denise Williams	Mick Swain
Lynn Barnes	Secretary	Mick Swain	Stella K. Smith

Election of the above was agreed by the members.

The Election of the Committee

Details of Nominations were as follows:

Sally Gittins	Group Co ordinator	B. Hancox	D. Hancox
Julia Battle	Newsletter Manager	Brenda Brown	Jenny White
Elaine Jones	Committee Member	Trevor Coldridge	Beverley Ridding
Denise Cooper	Committee Member	Anne Callanan	Jean Fletcher
Margaret Thompson	Committee Member	Chris Burgoyne	D. M. Baker
Una Townsend	Committee Member	E. Jones	Ruth Hubble
Dianne Howe	Committee Member	Mary Stokes	Jane Roby

Election of the above was agreed by the members.

Other members in significant roles but not on the committee are:

Mary Stokes	Speaker	Organiser
Stuart Allen	Web site	Manager
Heather Coldridge	Minutes	Secretary

Recommendations

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Object clause/ Charitable purposes:

Elaine explained how, following the E.G.M. in March, a general recommendation had been given to all U3A groups in order to update their constitutions. This had then been amended to be specific to our location. Although it had already been circulated to members in the Newsletter and on the Web site Elaine read it aloud.

A unanimous vote was taken to accept the changes recommended by the EGM which is as follows:

“The advancement of education and, in particular, the education of older people and those who are retired from full time work by all means including associated activities conducive to learning and personal development”.

And it was unanimously agreed that our constitution should be amended to the following:

“The advancement of education and, in particular, the education of older people and those who are retired from full time work (i.e. those in their third age) by all means including associated activities conducive to learning and personal development” for those residing in Cheswick Green and its surrounding locality.

Andrew then signed the new constitution and read it aloud.

A.O.B.

Brenda encouraged more people to join the Rummikub group.

Sally had details of a computer course.

The speaker at the next Core meeting is from Age Concern.

Date of next A.G.M.: 16th May 2019