

Minutes of the 2023 AGM of Chipping Norton and Area u3a

Held In Chipping Norton Town Hall on 1st March 2023

The meeting was opened at 14.15 by the Chair Christine Clinch and was attended by approximately 50 members.

1. Apologies for Absence

Received from Val Fletcher, Martin Davies, Mark Knight, Lovaine and Mike Irving, Linda and George Mottram.

2. Minutes of the 2022 AGM

The minutes of the 2022 AGM had been posted on the Chipping Norton u3a website. There were no comments. Acceptance was proposed by Anthony Benn and seconded by Kaye Freeman and unanimously passed as a true record.

3. Matters Arising from the previous AGM minutes – None

4. Chairperson's Annual Report

The Chair previously issued her report but wished to publicly thank the Committee members who had supported her and worked so hard over the last three years. Lockdown started almost immediately after the 2020 AGM and Val Higgins and Rennie Simpson used their enforced isolation to get to grips with the u3a Beacon system. Ian Finney mastered Zoom so that u3a members could socialise at Zoom Coffee mornings and later resume the monthly Speaker's meeting on Zoom. Martin Davies was a great support with technical problems when we were able to meet at the Town Hall and took on the Secretary's post to prevent closure. Finally, Kaye Freeman worked tirelessly to guide and encourage the Interest Groups and their Leaders.

5. Treasurer's Report

This has been emailed to members, having been audited by Rennie Simpson. The Chair noted that we remained financially well able to continue, having made a small profit during the year, confirming that setting the Membership Fee at £15 was the correct decision.

6. Approval of Accounts

The accounts were proposed by Keith Fowler, seconded by Anne Thompson and unanimously approved.

7. Appointment of new Examiner of Accounts

Rennie Simpson has agreed to examine the accounts again next year.

8. Election of Committee

The election of Yvonne Beaumont, Margaret Warbrick, Peter Smith, Janis Paxton, Christine Clinch, Keith Fowler, Christine Whetron, Heather Knight and Di Ewing to the committee was proposed by Ian Finney and seconded by Phillipa Martin and unanimously approved.

9. Election of Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Treasurer and Secretary

The appointment of Yvonne Beaumont as Chair, Margaret Warbrick as Vice-Chair, Peter Smith as Treasurer and Christine Clinch as Secretary was proposed by Anthony Benn and seconded by Ian Finney and all were unanimously approved.

10. Any Other Business There being no other business the meeting closed at 14.33.