

DARLINGTON U3A
COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: 28th July 2023

Time: 10.30 am

Place: Bannatyne's Hotel (Library)

Present: Kathy LeRoy (Chairman) Tom Vout, Victoria Laing, Joyce Spanswick, Sue Murton,
Linda Mellis (Sec.)

Apologies: Ken Gray

1. The meeting was opened by the Chairman, Kathy LeRoy.
2. Attendance and Apologies: see above.
3. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and agreed.
Proposed by: Joyce Seconded by: Victoria
4. Matters Arising:
 - 5) Ken and Linda have dealt with the Charity Commission and our submissions are up to date. A new Mailing List has been provided to Third Age Trust re: TAM
5. Treasurer's Report
Ken provided Linda with his usual update.
Finances are still healthy, and Ken thanked Sheenah Adkins for her help in ensuring Gift Aid forms have been successfully uploaded to HMRC.
6. Progress Report: Membership Secretary
We now 157 paid up members.
There were 59 at the Main Meeting and 35 at the History Meeting. Those who attend, enjoy the meetings and our speakers are among the best, we just need to encourage more members to come!
There was a good, positive response from the public to our stand at the GOLD Tea Dance and consequently we have more members.
7. Progress Report: Project and Development Lead
Victoria is working hard to try and engage members into various activities. 2 ideas she is investigating are a Lunch Group and a Quiz.
Tai Chi may not be able to continue (lack of numbers), and sadly Wine Tasting this afternoon is cancelled but will resume in September.
Computer training is available to all at First Stop and Age Concern.
8. Northumbria Region Contact
We've had a request from Cecelia Coulson to visit us at our convenience. Linda will reply and suggest a visit in the new year. She will liaise with Victoria.
9. Any other Business
 - a) Sue has already been thinking about (and actioning!) ideas for our Christmas celebrations. She will need help from other members as a lot of work is involved co-ordinating such a time-consuming activity.
 - b) Kathy has had an invitation to be involved in Zoom meetings with other u3a Chairs but is unable to commit at the moment. She will advise them of this.

The meeting closed at 11.45am

Signed.....

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