

DOWNHAM MARKET AND DISTRICT u3a

COMMITTEE MEETING - 6 April 2021 - 11am (Held via Zoom).

1. **Present:** RG; BG; JC; CH; RM; MP; FG; GT; SD.
2. **Apologies:** HS.
3. **Minutes of the March meeting:** these were agreed; **RG will sign and scan them to CH.**
4. **Matters arising:** there were none.
5. **AGM – format, voting etc:** to facilitate this via a Zoom meeting, it was decided that objections would be counted, since these would be fewer in number. **BG agreed to use the Zoom tools to calculate percentages, with BG and GT including those members who have voted by post.** Using this method will ensure we have a quorum for decisions. Membership will be given the opportunity to voice any unlikely opposition to JC as the new Chair and Linden Leeke as Vice Chair. Nominations have also been received for Tim Stamp (Membership Secretary), Fiona Bembridge, Fay Greaves and Carroll Cowin, with other possibilities, including Elizabeth Hendry, for co-opting additional committee members. Vacant roles to be filled at the next committee meeting after consultation with new members. GT confirmed that the voting forms will be sent on Friday 9 April, thus allowing adequate time for correlation and objections before the AGM.
6. **AOB:**
 - BG raised the possibility of the unavailability of the Town Hall. RM informed the meeting that she had had an email stating that it would not reopen before August or September. **RG committed to update members if that situation changed and to check on what other u3as were doing.** JC added it might be necessary for our u3a to look elsewhere for a venue.
 - **FG confirmed she has Zoom speakers for May, June & July.**
 - RM informed the committee that all was up to date, with a bank balance of £2110 and a contribution to bulletin postage. JC stated he will pass on subscription information to RM. Spreadsheet information will be passed to Tim Stamp in due course.
 - GT explained that she is currently the account holder for Microsoft & McAfee but this will be transferred, together with passwords, to JC who will then receive any updates.
 - SD confirmed that all group details will be passed on to the incoming Group Coordinator..
 - BG stated that there had been no communication from our Business Secretary who is reported to be recovering from Covid19. CH suggested we wait until new committee members had been appointed: one of them might be willing to step into that role which BG has been filling, recently.
 - JC asked for an opportunity to confer with RG & BG to receive information.
 - **RG thanked all committee members for their support in a difficult year without precedent.**

The meeting closed at 11.40am. Date for the next meeting to be decided.

Signed:..... Roger Gee (Chairperson)

Date:.....