

MINUTES OF THE DUKERIES THIRD AGE COMMITTEE MEETING

MONDAY, 10TH AUGUST 2020, AT MANOR RISE, OSSINGTON ROAD, KNEESALL

PRESENT:	
Leslye Henstock	Marie Bartle
Pam Hardwick	Christine Yates
Richard Titmus	Margaret Titmus
Ann Street	John Harris
Nick Mason	Valerie Saunders

1. A FRESH START

Leslye, in her new role as Chair, welcomed everyone to the meeting, particularly John and Nick who have agreed to join the Committee for the next twelve months.

She thanked Pam for hosting the meeting at her home and also for her efforts to keep the Dukeries Third Age Group alive during this difficult period.

John was given a special vote of thanks for his efforts in putting together, enhancing and sending out the Newsletter every month.

Marie and Christine announced that although they had intended to stand down at the next AGM, they were willing to continue in their present roles for the next twelve months. Richard and Margaret said that they will continue until the end of the next financial year.

SIGN OFF MINUTES

Leslye signed off the Minutes for July as correct.

3. FINANCE AND BANKING Richard had previously sent copies of the End of Year Accounts to March 2020 and also Projected Costings for 2021/22 and 2022/23 based on 100 members to the Committee.

Marie questioned two deficit items on the Social Account, one for £43.23 in respect of the Bridge Group and one for £13.00 in respect of the Uke and Sing Group. Richard said that he would chase these up.

Richard is currently in the process of setting up on-line banking for the Dukeries Third Age Group. At least three signatories are required for this. Sheila Reed and Terry Woolnough will be removed from the list which already includes Richard Titmus and Pamela Hardwick and Susan Leslye Henstock and John Gordon Harris will be added.

4. MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Currently we have no official members as, due to the Covid crisis, we have not asked members for subscriptions for the current year and we have yet to pay our Capitation fee to Head Office. It was felt by the Committee that it would be more logical for the members' subscription payment to run from 1st April to 31st March to bring it into line with our financial year.

After discussion, the Committee agreed that we would offer our members a non-refundable two year membership to 31st March 2022 for £19.00. This includes the Capitation fee, currently £3.50 per member but due to rise to £4.00, which has

to be paid to Head Office each year. Associate members will be charged £10. Leslye and Marie will put together a form to be sent to members setting out details of this and John will e-mail the form to members. Marie will identify those members who are not on the internet and a postal copy will be sent to them. Nick will design and produce an on-line membership card and receipt in conjunction with Leslye and Marie.

5. ROLES OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS

After discussion amongst the Committee, the following roles were allocated to continue to the end of March 2021:-

Leslye	Chair
Richard	Treasurer
Pam	Group Secretary/Assisting Chair
Christine	Co-ordinator of Activity Groups
John	Newsletter Editor
Marie	Membership Manager
Nick	IT and Zoom Advisor
Margaret	Catering Manager and Health & Safety
Ann	Co-ordinator of Guest Speakers/Communications local press
Val	Minute Secretary

Linda Bond, who has, until recent months, been involved in the production of the Newsletter and also served on the Committee in the past, has asked to relinquish her involvement in the Newsletter due to ill-health.

The Committee decided that, in recognition of her contribution to the Dukeries Third Age Group, a small gift and card would be appropriate. Pam volunteered to make arrangements for a bouquet of flowers to be delivered and Christine will organise a "Thank You" card.

After refreshments, the Committee discussed ideas about what activities we could offer members in the current climate. Christine said that she was planning to hold coffee mornings on alternate Sundays for a "bubble" Group. Marie was considering forming a WhatsApp walking group. Outings could be arranged quickly within this group, as and when the weather was reasonable. Leslye had various ideas including a Murder Mystery evening, a Christmas quiz, a Casino night, Keep fit sessions, etc., all of which could be done on Zoom. She also suggested to John that perhaps there could be a competition with a small prize in the next publication of the Newsletter.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING 14th SEPTEMBER 2020