

**MINUTES OF
ERU3A COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 11 MARCH 2024
AT 1.30PM IN EASTWOOD HEALTH CENTRE**

Present: Marbe McNeill (Chair), Roy Bryce, Allison Kershaw, Susan Bulleid, Mary Fyfe (Secretary), Shirley Thorogood, Avril McAllister

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1	WELCOME	
	MM welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
2	APOLOGIES	
	Ann Scott, Robert Humphries	
3	MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING	
	The Minutes for February 2024 were accepted as an accurate record of the meeting.	
4	MATTERS ARISING	
	There are no matters arising which are not covered elsewhere in the Minutes.	
5	CORRESPONDENCE	
	MF briefed the meeting on correspondence received related to u3a Scotland Spring Event. Notice of this has been emailed to ERu3a members.	
6	UPDATES	
(a)	<p>Beacon AK reported no issues with Beacon. Occasionally there are issues with certain email addresses, but this is something we will work around.</p> <p>MM had received correspondence from LDunlop requesting Beacon access to allow her to contact members to promote her Afternoon of Jazz and raise funds for Cosgrove Care. Agreed this access can be granted.</p>	
(b)	<p>Website RB reported no issues with the website. Still no news related to the transfer to the new WordPress website. MM reported several other u3a groups already had this new website up and running, hopefully ERu3a will be changed over soon.</p>	
(c)	<p>Group Coordinator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email from BM requesting authorisation to purchase a tripod (£12.99) for the FTA projector. Committee have approved the purchase of this item. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Trustee for Scotland representative Liz Ervine would like to visit ERu3a. Unfortunately, Liz isn't free on Wednesdays to attend our monthly meeting so suggested we issue an invitation for Liz to join the April or May Committee Meeting. • Glass Fusing second Pop Up group 25th April. • Mahjong Group reported very low numbers attending the group. • Following discussion, decided not to arrange a New Members Meet & Greet meeting at this time. • Community Magazine misprints: 'The u3a network is aimed at people who are no longer working and refers to 60 rather than 80 groups.' MM will speak with her contact to ensure clarity in our published announcements/notices. • FFTF- An SGM will be held on 18th March at 10am via Zoom to approve a small change to the constitution. Liz Thackeray to join the online meeting as there will be a presentation on Fit for the Future / Pilot Council. All members are welcome to attend. • 10-14th June, opportunity to meet Liz Thackeray during her Scottish visit. • Conversational French: The room at Broom Church is now too large for this group and they have moved to Nuffield in Giffnock. • Theatre Group: Everything appears to be running fine since payment for outings went direct to the organisers of these groups. MM will contact other u3as to find out how they arrangement payments on theatre outings. • Archaeological History: This group has been proposed by Susan Hunter. We will hear more about this towards end of April. • The Urban Sketching group will possibly restart in the Spring. • MM will update the Committee in April regarding tutor-led groups. <p>(d) Treasurer's Report In her absence AScott requested that any outstanding receipts be forwarded to her before end of March to ensure settlement before the financial year end. Also any subscriptions received during March.</p> <p>(e) Membership Secretary RB reported the current membership is 597 which includes 5 new members. Many potential members have delayed paying their subscription until the new financial year.</p>	<p>MM</p> <p>MM</p> <p>MM</p> <p>MM</p>

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7	MONTHLY MEETING	
	The replacement Speaker for March will be Graham Greenhalgh and his talk will be related to the Spanish Flu. MM raised the issue of the screen at Broom Church, as it is difficult to see from the back of the hall. Committee to check this at the Monthly Meeting, and purchase a new screen if required. Space will be found at Broom Church to store this.	ALL
8	HATWALK FEEDBACK	
	MM congratulated u3a's Hatwalk Team for the success of this event. Feedback has been hugely appreciative from all attendees. This was a massive event for such a small team to pull-off. As a result of the success of this event, a piece will appear in the u3a Scotland Newsletter and the Mearns Community magazine. Barrhead News and Southsider have also said they will publish items on this event, and TAM. MM has sent photographs for these publications. A fantastic video of the event was created by Vicky Blainey. MM will send a reminder about the next Monthly Meeting to members, and will include a link to this video.	MM
10	AOCB	
(a)	MM reported publicity opportunities from Giffnock Theatre Players in their programme. This advert was free of charge.	
(b)	RB reported the company who distributed the u3a magazine has changed. He will send distribution details to the new company.	RB

The meeting closed at 2.40pm.

The next Committee meeting will be held on Monday 8 April 2024 at 1.30pm in The Oak Room, Eastwood Medical Centre.

Signed Date 18/03/2024.....