## Minutes of Committee Meeting on 13th March 2024

Present: Adrian Wakeford, Marilyn Kemp, Jackie Treacher, Hazel Irwin, Sandy Bell, Ken Laing, Gail Wynne-Jones

- 1. Apologies for absence: Gill Davies
- 2. Minutes of previous meeting accepted
- 3. Matters Arising:
  - a. Christmas lunch. It was agreed to book the College again. The room layout will be better this year.
- 4. Committee Reports see attached
  - a. Treasurer
  - b. Chairman
    - i. The group leaders party was a great success
    - ii. New Secretary (Gail) appointed at AGM
  - c. Speakers Sec
    - i. The dog lady talk was a great success
    - ii. In future speakers should be asked to bring their talk on a memory stick as well as any equipment they choose to bring
    - iii. It is not clear that Crossland Nursery is in fact open for visits
    - iv. Gill may be back for next meeting but not certain.
  - d. Groups Coordinator
    - i. Trying to get a new history group together, but need to find out what type of history is of interest and who might lead such a group
    - ii. There has been a suggestion for a new very short walking group with lunch to be explored a bit more
  - e. Members Sec
    - i. Issues arising from the SCN need addressing and will be on the agenda for the next meeting
  - f. Tech
    - i. See next item
  - g. Secretary
- 5. New website builder called SiteWorks has been released and we are able to request to receive it. Adrian agreed to sign the Terms and Conditions. A small subcommittee was formed of Sandy and Gail, and also Mike Polgreen if he will agree. We will then register to do the training course and report back.
- 6. Emsworth Show August 28<sup>th</sup>. Strong committee members and/or friends need to be there early to erect the tent. All the committee need to be present during the day to help out. It was agreed that Jackie will buy a wavy flag to hang by our tent

- to attract passers by, All groups will be requested to send information about their group for display in the tent. The new tablecloth from the Craft group will be an extra welcome adornment.
- 7. Local Well Being Group we missed participating last time but should consider doing it next time.
- 8. Group Leaders Thankyou party. Agreed the date of Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January. **Action**s: Gail to book the room and the kitchen. Adrian's daughter will be asked to prepare the meal.
- 9. Jackie will be away from mid-September to late October
- 10. National Spring Bridge Festival in April. Graham Crane is coordinating participation from our u3a.

## 11. A.O.B.

- a. Jackie: Do we participate in local doctor's Health & Wellbeing initiatives... we have a poster in the Emsworth surgery
- b. Gail do committee members have to sign a Trustee form to show they are proper people to handle members data?
- c. Ken retirement gift for David Bittles
- 12. Date of next meeting: 10<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at Hazel's house