Four Border Abbeys u3a

Committee Meeting – Thursday 30th March 2023 2pm

Abbey Row

Present JS CB MC LM AG PS DS

1 Welcome; apologies from RA HH. CB apologized for the timing error on the original agenda

2 Minutes and matters arising

Minutes of 21.2.23 accepted. Matters arising

LM to continue as Groups Coordinator as well as Vice Chair, LM to go onto bank mandate when RA returns.

HH gift to GO - done

Alnwick trip to have sign –up table at Open Meeting. CB to advertise to members.

Provisional cost 20.00.

AGM went smoothly. Excellent turn out from members. Gardeners' Question Time – excellent – make an annual event.

3 Chair's report

Plaque JS met with Hazel Woodsel – will plan dates and co-ordinate with Visit Kelso.

Suggested dates 11th April (18th reserve for bad Weather.)

JS has quite a lot of roles – volunteers please for Facebook site and Speakers. John Alexander has offered to support Beacon role.

4 Vice chair / Groups coordinator's report

2nd Book Group up and running,

2nd New Age Kurling – up and running

Barbara Hogarth is in BGH – AG to send a card on behalf of the Committee.

5 Treasurer's report

Thanks to RA for her very detailed report, and best wishes for her recovery. RA/JS to arrange for AG to have permission to view Beacon accounts.

6 Secretary's report

CB/JS went to Abbey Row meeting – and will continue to represent u3a at these meetings to facilitate continuity and support ht enew Chair in her attempts to improve the Centre. Groups must have an attendance list for fire purposes. They must also make members aware for fire exits and muster points. Groups must also leave Abbey Row clean and tidy after sessions.LM to include in Group Leader's Meeting.

7 Membership report – 341 full + 11 Associate

8 Speakers

Kim Ritchie – April

Matt at Floors – AW chasing. MC to contact him too.

June – social – bring and share afternoon tea? Music? Poetry? Playreading? Quiz?

Other Speakers – Faberge? Astronomy? Wooler Museum – local history?

9 Arrangements for April meeting

Tech JS Reception CB DS Refreshments JM AG HB Raffle HH Book/dvd swap PS Groups LM

JS requested help in clearing up the equipment after the meeting.

10 AOB

Gift Aid – revisit at next meeting.

11 Date of next meeting -27^{th} April 2pm Abbey Row. Followed by Group Leaders Meeting 3.00 CB to reserve a room. Refreshments to be served.