

Minutes of the AGM Gosport held at Thorngate Hall last year

Apologies Maggie Perry, Joy Hammond, Sheila Goddard, Geoff Piper, Jane Piper, Sonia Robinson.

Pt welcomed all to the meeting. There were no matters arising from the last AGM. Minutes acceptance- proposed by Keith Randall, seconded by Alison Burns.

Chair Report

Pat said it had been a challenging year with lockdown restrictions until last June. However, she has kept the u3a committee active by holding zoom meetings every month until June, she thanked the committee for their support, especially Kathy Parker for her work in getting u3a up and working with appropriate covid restrictions.

She thanked the Group Leaders who used zoom and other methods to engage their group members. The Dance group met at Hedca in June and other groups started to meet together from September.

She thanked all the members for their loyalty in renewing their membership- the latter has gone from 400 members and now stands at 268 to date, u3a Gosport has continued to be involved in SCN meetings.

A successful picnic was held at Stokes Bay, the Heritage Days at Trinity Church were well attended and the dance at Hedca was well supported.

All members have received monthly updates on events and other achievements throughout the year.

She thanked the committee for all their support through the year- Kathy Parker Group Co-ordinator and Updates, new members leaflets, Maggie Gavin Secretary and Speakers Secretary are standing down.

Pat also thanked non committee members- Jennifer Bellamy Website Co-ordinator, Geoff Piper for looking after the audio equipment at general meetings, the late Yvonne Riddell for her work on the Beacon system and Libby McKay for hosting zoom meetings.

Future plans-Pat is standing for Chairperson for the coming year to help new committee members meet the challenges ahead.

Pat closed her report by reminding members to come forward to stand on the committee and/or share roles to ensure the future of u3a Gosport.

She thanked all members for attending the meeting

Treasurer Report,

Members have been sent a copy of the year's accounts, Keith Randall queried 'unacceptable cheques', Jim explained these were now sorted out. The accounts are now on Beacon and Jim is now trying to sort out BACS. Subscriptions to remain at £28.

Acceptance of accounts proposed by Stephanie Dobranska, seconded by George Cantrill.

Election of committee

Pat Luke Chairperson

Jim Luke Treasurer

Linda Clachan Membership Secretary

Linda Dorsett Secretary

George Cantrill News Updates

Proposed by Lynne Irvine, seconded by Richard Glaysher.

Any Other Business

Kathy Parker informed members re a sponsored walk she did with Jennifer Bellamy, c18 miles, in memory of Yvonne Riddell. Her funeral Mass raised £2,000, sponsorship for the walk £1,000 plus £138 Gift Aid, all funds go to Medicins Sans Frontieres.

AGM closed at 11am.