Grange & District u3a

Minutes of Committee Meeting Held on Friday 13 May 2022 in the Committee Chamber, Victoria Hall

	ACTION
Present Brian Loader, Michael McCormick, Susan Jones, Mick Love, Tricia Thomas, Ged Jones Amanda Hunter (part time) Apologies Hilary Wade, John Eakins, Julia Nicholson, Christine Patrick	ACHON
1 Minutes of the previous meetings (held on 15 April 2022) The minutes were accepted.	
2 Matters Arising/Actions Check Brian welcomed Amanda Hunter (who has taken over as Manager of the Victoria Hall) who had been invited as a "getting to know you" exercise.	
Roger Handley has kindly agreed to continue (temporarily) producing poster advertising our monthly general meeting.	
Brian had attended a large hybrid meeting which had worked well and may provide guidance if we wish to explore future hybrid monthly general meetings.	
3 Newsletter It was agreed that we will go back to producing a quarterly newsletter. The deadline for submissions for a Summer 2022 newsletter is 21 June 2022 but there is no indication thus far of any copy (if any) received by Erline.	
Ged to invite Erline to the June committee meeting	Ged
4 Future meetings AGM . There were 69 people at the AGM which was down on previous years but Tricia pointed out that the meeting was on Easter Tuesday which may have reduced the number in attendance.	
Brian thought it had been a successful meeting especially since it was the first face-to-face AGM for the Honorary Officers.	
Michael suggested that for future AGMs a roving, floor microphone be provided during the Any Other Business (AOB) question and answer session as it had been very difficult to hear the questions being asked this year.	
Amanda commented that she thought the AGM had been a lively meeting.	
Summer event Nothing to report in the absence of Hilary and Julia	
Amanda mentioned that there are various catering options available for consideration.	
Brian will ask Hilary to contact Amanda regarding the catering for the summer event	Brian

5 Membership

Susan had circulated a report prior to the meeting. There are 6 new members.

44 members have not yet renewed and Susan will contact them a final time before marking them as lapsed.

Susan

6 Finance

Michael had circulated the latest reconciliations prior to the meeting and he commented that we are in a healthy financial position. The accounts were approved.

Michael has issued £100 in refunds for the cancelled Out & About trips and there is approximately £200 left to refund.

Michael has made 2 payments to the national u3a covering our membership (previously the capitation fees) and the Third Age Magazine (TAM).

Michael asked about the status of the CLA licence and Ged confirmed that he had heard nothing yet from national office.

Michael is almost ready to submit the Gift Aid application to HMRC.

Ged will email the signed, audited accounts and the Treasurer's report to members

Ged

7 Group Coordinators/Leaders (GC/Ls)

Sheila is kindly progressing a couple of outstanding issues but it was agreed that filling the role of Group Liaison Officer is urgent. Add the item to the Agenda for the June committee meeting.

Ged

7 Report items

Nothing to report

8 Any Other Business

Amanda asked for details of the speakers who will be presenting to the monthly General Meetings for the remainder of 2022.

Amanda also mentioned that over time a number of keys to the Victoria Hall have been distributed to, inter alia, Grange u3a GCLs and would like those no longer needed to be returned to her.

Brian will contact GCLs to ask them to contact Amanda if they have a key to allow her to compile of a list of key holders and/or to return the key if they no longer need it. Furthermore, if a GCL has transferred the key to another member could they inform Amanda.

Brian

9 Date of next meetings

Friday 17 June 2022 10:00, Council Chamber Victoria Hall.