



HAMPSHIRE SOUTH CENTRAL NETWORK of U3As

SCN Chair Persons Meeting Executive Summary

12th October 2017

Hosted by Solent U3A

PRESENT: Sally Ingledew (HSCN Manager Gosport), Richard Ryan (Solent), Kevin Stock (Waterlooville), Barbara Spiegelhalter (Portsmouth), Judy Foster (Gosport), Les Pallett (Emsworth), Kevin Connell (Rowlands Castle), Sue Gibson (Warsash) Tony Harrison (Horndean), Mike Young (Stubbington), Bob Duckmanton (Regional Trustee), Richard Galloway (Ems Valley), Stephen Kirby (Locks Heath), Beryl Shepherd (Portsdown).

APOLOGIES: Hayling Island, Chichester, Havant, Guernsey.

ELECTION OF HSCN MANAGER

Sally Ingledew was elected unanimously.

SE REGIONAL TRUSTEE

Regional Trustee Bob Duckmanton gave a short address. He introduced himself as our new regional trustee. Bob gave information about up-coming projects and answered a number of questions from members.

ROLES WITHIN THE NETWORK

A discussion took place concerning network roles. It was understood that at present Sally Ingledew was taking on most responsibility for the network with help from Kevin Stock Webmaster. This was seen as untenable.

After some discussion it was agreed that there should be a Report Secretary, and a Network Administrator.

The role of the Report Secretary would be to attend all meetings and take notes.

To write a report which would be sent initially to the Manager, and Network Administrator.

The role of Network Administrator would be to liaise with the Manager on matters relating to the running of the network.

To maintain the details of all contacts for the member U3As.

To communicate and send out information to member U3As.

It was agreed to ask individual U3As to seek a person to take the role of Report Secretary.

This person does not need to have a committee role, and it was agreed that anyone interested should contact Sally Ingledew to discuss what would be involved. Judy Foster (Gosport) raised the question of travelling expenses, and the agreement was that if asked, then a claim could be made to the U3A host.

Please make a real effort to fill these roles, as it is never ideal for any organisation to be run by one person.

The other roles would be considered at a later date, possibly some sort of Publicity / Liaison Officer.

PROGRAMME FOR 2018

It was agreed to consider the format for the Speakers Network Meeting. Action SI and Chair Horndean

Meetings and venues for 2018 were agreed as:

Chairs'	Early March (Waterlooville)	October (Hayling Island)
Membership	End of February (Locks Heath)	
Treasurer	April (Emsworth)	
Groups	May (Ems Valley)	
Webmaster	June (Stubbington)	
Secretary	July (Horndean)	
Speakers	October (Havant)	

Also agreed:

Research / funding workshop in late March (Portsdown)

Beacon workshop February (Warsash)

Quiz / Fish & Chip night Saturday 19th May (Portsmouth)

PORTSMOUTH UNIVERSITY PROJECT

Sally Ingledeew has had a discussion with Darren Gowers about a shared learning project which would be open to all network members. The project would be science based. Planning for this would be long term probably starting in the spring. It was agreed to look for sources to fund the project.

AOB

Portsdown were holding a talk on 29th November with guest speaker Hon. Nick Jellicoe. The subject would be the Battle of Jutland.

Beryl Shepherd (Portsdown) asked for clarification of insurance for non members taking part in U3A events. After a discussion it was agreed to await a reply from U3A National which Warsash U3A had requested.

Bob Duckmanton (Regional Trustee) advised that a number of subjects were under consideration by the National Committee: One of these is insurance. A new National Sub-Committee had been set up to look into Insurance issues and Bob will feed back any information. Portsdown are currently pursuing Insurance issues with National Office.

Inappropriate behaviour

Data protection

Committee disputes

A definitive list of what the NEC will finance

Bob will feed back the final versions.

Les Pallett (Emsworth) raised the question of a social account as well as an 'ordinary' one. There was not sufficient time to deal with this, but if anyone does have any information, please get in touch with Les.

Sue Gibson (Warsash) advised that the U3A was participating in a Senior Citizens' Fayre on 17th November at Fareham College. The fayre was to promote support & interest Groups

available to improve the quality of life for older people. Warsash U3A will have a stand at the event and Sue offered to take along promotional materials from other U3As..

Tony Harrison (Horndean) advised that there was a similar event at Horndean Technical College on 11th November.

Richard Ryan advised that Solent would be organising another memory course in the New Year. Details would be passed on as they became available.

Meeting ended 1530