

HAXBY & WIGGINTON u3a Committee Meeting
Monday 18 March 2024
St. Nicholas Church Hall at 3pm

Present: Chris Jaques (Chairman), Margaret Edwards (Secretary), Anne Hysted (Social Events), Maxine Kutler (Membership Secretary), Gordon Moore (Vice Chairman), Liz Ball and Paula Wills (Joint Groups Coordinators)

1 Apologies: Peter Murray, Mike Calvert, Jenni Rutland, Judy Moore

2 Minutes of Committee Meeting held on 19 February 2024

The Minutes were accepted as a true record, and signed.

3 Matters arising from the Minutes

Action 1: Sound quality at the March monthly meeting was good using an alternative microphone. Operator competence is an important factor. No further action at the moment.

Action 2: Fire Precautions. For discussion after move to new venue. See item 7 below.

Action 3: MK to signpost information highlighting the Beacon Members Portal in the New members Welcome Letter.

Action 4: GM to pursue instigation of a direct link to the Beacon Portal from hawu3a website

4 Correspondence

From: **Margaret Fiddes** via Yorks & Humber Region U3A 08/03/2024 Subject: Events - YAHR in Wakefield and the Yorkshire Forum Regional Management Committee Friday 22nd March at 1pm Wakefield Unity Hall and Business space: <https://www.unityhall.co.uk/> Second Yorkshire Forum in Leeds on Friday 12th April. Book online at <https://yahru3a.uk/events/upcoming-events/>

Sam Mauger TAT March Update. Use of Portals– Updating Portal information, Getting ready for Annual Return Submission, Advice and Volunteering News: Dates of workshops.

5. Officers Reports

a) Treasurer: The current financial situation is as follows: There is currently have a bank and cash balance of £18,811. An updated income and expenditure is attached plus an updated balance sheet as of the 16th March 2024. The major invoices still to pay relate to the U3A fees, magazine and beacon which are due to be paid during April and May 2024. On the report the difference between the income and expenses against the outings relates to trips to Tropical World/Abbey House Museum, Harrogate Flower Show and Tennants.

b) Groups Coordinator: A report from the Group Leaders Meeting, 24 February was received. Only one person turned up for the Jigsaw Exchange Group. No further dates to be arranged.

c) Membership Secretary: Current Membership Total Number: 591, Third Age Matters: 337, Members Without Email: 33, Deaths: 0 MK has received confirmation of her submission for members to receive copies of 'u3a Matters' (formally known as TAM). Should commence in April. Now managed by a company called 'MAMs'.

d) Speaker Finder: Nil to report

e) Social Events: The Leeds trip is confirmed and the trip to the Harrogate Spring Flower Show will now go ahead as there are sufficient numbers. Further trips planned include; Tenants (May), Shibdon Hall and Halifax Piece Hall (June) led by Terry Prebble, Bridlington and Flamborough Head and the Driffield Agricultural Show. (July) TBC. At risk are trips to the Cooper King Distillery and the Thursford Christmas Spectacular. The proposed trip to Ireland is unlikely to go ahead. Dorothy Croft is leading a 'Mystery Coach Tour' 15 August 2024. The Social Team is due to meet 27 March 2024.

f) New Members: Seven new members attended the New Members Coffee Morning. Currently there are a further 5 new numbers and a meeting will be arranged when there is a more sizeable group.

6 MK enquired whether the Beacon 'Membership Application and Payment Facility' which can be accessed on the York u3a website could be made available on the hawu3a site? Geoff Ball to be asked whether this would be possible? **Action** LB to enquire of GB

- 7 Monthly Meetings- WRH (CJ) From May 2024 the monthly meeting will take place at Wigginton Recreation Hall on the 3rd Friday of each month at 2.00pm. Speakers to be advised of the change of venue. **Action** MC
- 8 Photographs taken of Committee members present. MC, PM, JM and JR absent. Photos to be published in the news sheet and placed on the Secretary's notice board at monthly meetings. **Action** GM & ME
- 9 New members: Three month courtesy call. Phone numbers distributed to Committee members present. **Action** All
- 10 **AOB**
 Call for volunteers to assist with 'Meet and Greet' functions at the monthly meetings was very successful and yielded in excess of 12 volunteers. Dorothy Croft and Hugh Dillon assisted at the March monthly meeting. GM is creating a rota and will email volunteers with instructions. **Action** GM
 CJ has signed the requisite permissions to allow hawu3a to participate in the development of the new u3a website, 'Siteworks'. Need to establish the number of volunteers needed to assist. Roger Kendall has expressed an interest. **Action** GM
 Concern regarding the number of members participating on trips who have not provided Emergency Contact details. CJ will speak to those on the Leeds trip. **Action** CJ
 MK confirmed that Newsletters are only posted to members without email. GM requested items for the March Newsletter. Quote to be obtained for 50 copies (to cover new members). **Action** CJ & GM

Date of next meeting:

Monday 15 April 2024 at 3pm at St Nicholas Church Hall, Wigginton.

The meeting ended at 4.30pm

Signed: Date:

Chair

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