



Dear Limebrook Maldon Member,

As you will be aware from my recent letter, your committee has spent some considerable time discussing the arrangements for membership renewal and the fee to be paid.

Further to these discussions I write to inform you that for next year, April 2021 to March 2022, it has been decided that the membership renewal fee will be £15 i.e. a reduction of £5 on previous years. However, if you wish to continue to pay £20 this will be very much appreciated as it will enable us, as a non-profit making organisation, to maintain our reserves at a more appropriate level and be in a much stronger position to respond immediately to any unforeseen circumstances. Details of how much has been paid by individual members will not be made known to any committee member other than the Treasurer and Membership Secretaries.

Many of you will be aware that the current membership fee of £20 has been unchanged since 2012. Despite this, Limebrook Maldon u3a continues to offer its members excellent value for money and has developed and grown into the successful and highly regarded community organisation it is today.

Your committee decided to reduce the renewal membership fee for next year only, because it has not been possible to run a full programme of activities since the first lockdown commenced in March 2020. The reduced fee is a thank you to you all for your continuous support and for helping us to get through these difficult and uncertain times. Obviously new members will not benefit from this reduction and their fee for 2021/22 will be £20.

When renewing your membership, I would encourage all UK taxpayers to Gift Aid their annual fee by ticking the box on the renewal form as this will result in Limebrook Maldon u3a receiving additional funding from HMRC.

Finally thank you for your contribution to Limebrook Maldon u3a. We shall meet again and all of us are looking forward to the time when we can come together face to face at both our monthly and Interest group meetings.

In the meantime, look after yourselves, continue to promote our u3a and stay safe.

Brian Harris,

Chairman

On Behalf of your Committee.