

## **Llanelli u3a AGM 2020**

**Minutes of the 28th AGM held on 3rd March 2020 at Ty Gwyn Church, Llanelli**

**The meeting commenced at 11am**

### **1. Minutes of the previous AGM held on the 5th March 2019**

Owing to technical problems, the Chairman, Mr. John Ivinson apologised for the fact that these minutes were unavailable for distribution at this meeting. This situation was accepted by the floor.

### **2. Matters Arising**

It was not possible to discuss matters arising, owing to the problem outlined in item 1 of the Agenda.

### **3. Receiving & Approving the Annual Report**

John Ivinson outlined the Annual Report, and thanked all U3A Officers, Committee Members, Group Leaders, and everyone who had contributed in any way to the continued success of our U3A. John indicated that the membership had almost doubled over the past few years, and that, at present, we have 25 groups. John continued to urge members to take on responsibility and to encourage the recruitment of new members. The existence of a suggestion box is meant to receive any new ideas from members in order to further enhance the U3A. The Report was adopted on a proposal by Sandra Ivinson, and seconded by Sarah Dew.

### **4. Receiving & Approving the Annual Accounts**

The 2020 Accounts were Independently Examined by David Factor, Chartered Accountant. Keith Vincent our Treasurer presented these Accounts to the meeting. There were increases in membership income, gift aid recovery, and Coffee morning receipts and also a profit of £177 on trips organised by the Travel Group. In total income had increased by £884. Expenses also increased by £399 mainly due to an increase in Lecture costs and the purchase of a Sound System costing £228. There was a profit for the year of £14 as opposed to a loss in the previous year of £471. Our reserves at 31 January 2020 stood at £4938. The Committee had agreed a membership fee of £16 for the coming year. There were no questions from the floor, and the Accounts were approved upon a proposal by Sarah Dew, seconded by Peter Chin.

### **5. Approval of the Independent Examiner for 2020/2021**

It was unanimously agreed that David Factor be asked to continue as Independent Examiner. This was proposed and seconded as in item 4 and unanimously agreed.

#### **6. Election of Officers for 2020/2021**

Nominations have been received for various posts resulting in the Committee for 2020/21 being as follows:-

**Chairman - John Ivinson**

**Vice-Chairman - John A. Hughes**

**Treasurer - Keith Vincent**

**Secretary - Sarah Dew**

**Welfare Officer - Maralyn Field-Bryant**

**Membership Secretary - David Poulton**

**Minute Secretary - John Williams**

**Webmaster - Paul Cullen**

**Venue Secretary - Laurane Cocks**

**Publicity Secretary - Michael Morris**

**Group Co-Ordinator** - No nominations were received for this post, so it remains unfilled at present, but we hope to co-opt someone for this role in the coming months.

John Ivinson thanked Mary Sanday, the retiring Minute Secretary, for her outstanding contribution over the past few years, and also Cynthia Kirby, who is retiring from the post of Welfare Officer for personal reasons. He also thanked retiring secretary Caroline Vincent, John Williams who was Membership Secretary and Sandra Ivinson who was Group Co-ordinator, who have completed their three years on the Committee.

#### **7. To Set the Membership Fee for 2020/2021**

This item was covered in item 4. of these Minutes.

#### **8. AOB**

Sarah Dew thanked John Ivinson for his outstanding and valued contribution in his role as Chairman throughout the year. This was loudly applauded by the floor.

**As there was no further business, the meeting was declared closed at 11.25a.m.**