

## **Secretary's Report**

I was fortunate to take over the role of Secretary to Newmarket U3A from the very able Rosemary Foreman during a rather strange sort of year, so although things have been a little different and unusual, I inherited a well-ordered set of files and procedures. I attend and write minutes for the monthly Executive Committee meetings, which because of COVID, have all been by Zoom to date. I frequently and regularly receive email communications from The Third Age Trust, which I distribute to the Executive Committee members. Consequently, as Newmarket U3A Secretary, I have also attended virtually both regional and national U3A meetings and courses, and have reported back to the Executive Committee. I have worked with other Executive Committee members to organise and participate in the virtual AGM.

*Joanne Garner*

## **Treasurer's Report**

As can be seen from the Balance Sheet, there have been very few transactions this year due to restrictions on activities during the pandemic. Subscriptions were waived for existing members, and 5 new members paid a reduced fee of £5 each. Apart from overheads such as printing and postage, expenditure has mainly been on the monthly Speaker's fee although these meetings, like all others, took place on Zoom and therefore no room charges were incurred.

However during this period the registration for Gift Aid has been finalised and the first Annual Return to the Charity Commission completed. Online banking has been set up as many speakers required payment by internet of their fees; this should also enable easier payment of subscription fees.

Please note that while the Executive Committee have agreed that the membership fee will return to the previous cost of £10 per person for 2021-22 there will have to be an increase for 2022-23. Memberships can be paid either online or by cheque as shown on the Membership form.

*Di Angus-Smith*

## **Membership Secretary's Report**

Well, what a strange year this has been but I'm pleased to be able to report that our membership numbers did not suffer too much. Sadly over the past year we lost 28 members but we have been able to welcome three new ones. This gives us a total membership of 206.

*Cheryl Bampton*