



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE u3a, NEWMARKET,
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 31ST JULY 2023 AT 2.30PM, AT THE EXNING ROAD CLUB,
NEWMARKET

Minutes of the 2022 AGM, together with the 2022-2023 Accounts Summary, had been made available on the website, plus hard copies were available at the meeting for viewing by members.

PRESENT: 59 members, including 8 current committee members

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Robert and Nicky Bates, Rose Baxter, Mitch Brown, Ann Eastham, Alison Giles, Joyce Hazelwood, Susan Howlett, Lesley Layt, Ann Molloy, Janet Neville, Elaine Roman, Jenny Webb, Margaret Webb, Tim Young

2. MINUTES FROM AGM 2022

The minutes of the AGM held on 25th July 2022 were agreed as a true and accurate record. The proposer was Trish Newell and the seconder Nick Angus-Smith. They were signed by the Chairman, Kath Gifkins.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

There were no matters arising.

4. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Kath Gifkins delivered her report (available as a separate attachment on-line).

5. TREASURER'S REPORT, including the ACCOUNTS 2022-23

Di Angus-Smith, Treasurer, delivered her report, which referred to the Accounts Summary for 2022-23. These had been verified by David Watson, an independent scrutineer (available as a separate attachment on-line). The accounts were approved. The proposer was Joan Watkinson and the seconder Cheryl Bampton. David Watson was approved as the independent scrutineer for 2023-2024. Proposed by Nick Angus-Smith and seconded by Niddy Walpole.

6. DECLARATION OF NOMINATIONS FOR POSITIONS ON THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND BALLOT IF NECESSARY

It was noted that as there were nine nominations for positions on the Executive Committee a ballot would not be required and all nominees were elected. The details of the nominees, proposers and seconds are as follows:-

Nominee	Proposer	Secunder
Diana Angus-Smith	Alan Gifkins	Margaret Unwin
Cheryl Bampton	Graham Briggs	Rosemary Foreman
Graham Briggs	Alan Bampton	Cheryl Bampton
Kathryn Gifkins	Nick Angus-Smith	Alan Gifkins
Margaret Jocelyn	Joan Watkinson	Mike Jocelyn
Bridget Kerle	Richard Rigby	Joan Watkinson
Doreen King	Nick Angus-Smith	Alan Gifkins
David Soanes	Richard Rigby	Tim Young
Chris Timmins	Graham Briggs	Pamela Melbourne
	Richard Unwin	Brenda Hastings

7. GROUP CO-ORDINATORS' REPORTS

Verbal reports on group activities were given by the following individuals. These are available on-line. The Chairman thanked the group leaders for their hard work and contributions to the running of the groups.

Speaker meetings	Trish Newell
Antiques	Niddy Walpole
Art appreciation	Anna Smith
Bridge	Andy Webb
Brunch group	Judy Herridge
Camera group	John Herring
Carpet bowls	Alan Gifkins
Cookery, Craft and Modelling	Stephanie Ellington
Discussion	John Herring
Garden group	Kath Gifkins
History	Niddy Walpole
History of Science	Jane Nurse on behalf of Alison Giles
Local History	Jane Nurse on behalf of Alison Giles
Lunch group	Rosemary Foreman
MOTO	Rosemary Foreman
Music appreciation	Mike Jocelyn
Realm of books	Margaret Jocelyn
Rummikub	Chris Timmins on behalf of Rose Baxter
Scrabble	Jane Nurse on behalf of Janet Neville
Tablet computers	Andy Webb
Walking	Rosemary Foreman
Wings, Wheels and Water	David Soanes

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- a. There were no any other business items raised by the members
- b. The proposal made by the Committee to hold the annual subscription at £12.50 for 2023-24 and to increase the fee to £15 from August 2024 was accepted. The proposer for acceptance was Richard Rigby, seconded by Alan Bampton.

The meeting closed at 3.40 pm.