The Chair reported that as previously noted, this is our 8th year since we began and despite Covid, 2022/2023 has been very successful with our membership standing at 176.

Other local u3as have found their membership declining. Every month we welcome new members and she hoped that each person felt welcomed when they came into meetings. She hoped that this friendly atmosphere was one of the reasons for our success.

We have many successful groups and 2 new groups started this year. Cycling and Men's Sheds (although the concept for Men's Sheds started at our u3a, it has now moved to be part of the wider Men's Sheds group)

She also took the opportunity to thank our Tea Ladies who help at every meeting, Paul the Caretaker who arranges the room for us, then clears away afterwards. She thanked all our members and our Group Leaders.

Last but not least, she thanked the Committee who carry out the various roles. She noted that Gordon Hill is stepping down this year as Group Coordinator but will still be on the Committee. Sharon and Sandra will share the role for this year.

The Secretary then asked the members to thank our Chair for all her work as well.