

Minutes of the Ninth Annual General Meeting of Rayleigh Grange U3A held on Wednesday 4th July 2018 at the Grange Community Centre, Little Wheatley Chase, Rayleigh at 2.00 P.m.

The Chairman opened the meeting by thanking everyone who had helped to prepare the Ploughman's Lunch which preceded the meeting.

1. Apologies for absence

There were no apologies for absence.

2, Minutes of the 2017 Annual General Meeting

The minutes of the Eighth Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 4th October 2017 at the Grange Community Centre had been published on the website.

The minutes were signed as being correct on a proposal by Peter Laker and seconded by Ian Springall. All were in favour.

3. Matters arising from the minutes:

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

The report of the Executive Committee was given by the Chairman, Lyn Farrow

Copies of the report are available on request.

The Chairman then made presentations to the retiring committee members:

Derek Few. Retiring Secretary. She thanked him for all his assistance which helped to make her job as Chairman easier.

Ann Clark-Overy. Retiring News Letter Editor. She commended Ann on a splendid job she had done as the News Letter editor. Ann was not present at this meeting but a presentation to her was made at an earlier event.

5. To receive the Treasurer's Report and Accounts

Steve Yates, Treasurer, advised this was his second report. Copies of the Main and Social Accounts income and expenditure had been circulated to members.

The transition from the year end 31st May to 31 March had not caused any undue problems. After sending out further reminders we now have 50% of our members who have returned Gift Aid forms.

The Treasurer explained, for the benefit of new members, that the Main Account is the Primary account which is used for all activities which are in line with the primary purpose of our U3A. The Social account is a holding account which deals with activities that do not relate to the primary purpose.

Main Account.



At the end of the period the Bank account was healthier by about €3,200. This was due to the receipt of further gift aid refunds together with certain payments, such as hall hire, U3A capitation fees and magazine fees, becoming due in April & May which now falls in the year 2018/19.

Social Account.

This account is purely a holding account and is used for theatre trips and social gatherings open to all members.

The Treasurer had proposed to the committee that the membership fees for the coming year remain at £15 per person paid by March 2019. This will be at a cost of £ to the reserves to reduce the balance.

6 To receive the report of the Social Secretary & Group Co-ordinator.

The Group Co-ordinator reported that, this year, most groups had flourished but one group, The Serendipity group, had folded due to a lack of a leader.

The Social Secretary listed the trips which had been undertaken during the year. She thanked Linda Stringer and Lynda Rooke for their assistance during the year both in collecting funds and the organization of trips. She thanked those members who helped with the preparation etc. of the ploughman's lunch before and after the meeting proper.

1.1 Election on Officers on the Executive committee Derek

Few took the chair for the election of the Chairman.

Election of Chairman

It was proposed by Steve Barnes and seconded by Heather Moore that Linda Stringer be elected Chairman for the coming year. All were in favour and the motion was carried.

Election of Secretary

It was proposed by Carolyn Chittock and seconded by Julia White that Gillian Lilleker be elected as Secretary. All were in favour and the motion was carried.

Election of Treasurer:

It was proposed by David Baughan and seconded by Glyn Overy that Stephan Yates be elected Treasurer. All were in favour and the motion was carried.

Election of Vice-Chairman:

There were no nominations for the position of Vice Chairman so this position will be elected from amongst the committee members at their first meeting following this AGM.



8 Election of trustees to serve on the Executive Committee for the year 2018/19.

The following nominations had been received for the trustee vacancies:

- Jill Cogger proposed by Peter Laker and seconded by Pat Laker proposed
- Phil Cogger by Peter Laker and seconded by Pat Laker
- John Patmer Proposed by Keith Hodgson and seconded by Hilary Hodgson
- Cyril Stringer proposed by Linda Stringer and seconded by Steve Barnes
- Mark Wiseman proposed by Jane Green and seconded by June Trumm
- Pam Green proposed by Ann Rawlinson and seconded by Linda Stringer
- Veronica Palmer proposed by Keith Hodgson and seconded by Hilary Hodgson
- Jane Gee proposed by Christine Few and seconded by Frank Robertson
- proposed by Linda Stringer and seconded by Steve Barnes

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The Chairman explained that all post-holders would be appointed by the trustees at the first meeting.

9 To debate any motions submitted by members

No motions for debate had been received by the closing date.

10 Subscriptions for 2019/2020

The Treasurer recommended to the meeting that the rate of subscription for the year 2019/20 should be £15.

11 Appointment of independent Examiner

It was unanimously agreed that Alan Grewcock, who had examined our accounts for the last six years, be asked to undertake the task again.

12 Date and place of next AGM



