

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE STOKE ON TRENT SOUTH U3A EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD ON THURSDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> APRIL 2021 AT 87 DRUBBERY LANE BLURTON COMMENCING AT 2PM

PRESENT

Keith Ward  
Andrew Devin  
Fay Howell  
Alan Stevenson  
Lynne Stevenson  
Valerie Greatbatch

1) MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> October 2020 were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record

2) MATTERS ARISING

Further to minute 6c (8<sup>th</sup> October 2021) it was reported that the Mexican Dominoes Tray had been returned to the Myatts.

3) FINANCE

A statement of income and expenditure was submitted which showed that at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 the balance was £18,015.56 It was reported that several group payments were outstanding and which would be written off unless payment was received. The annual accounts for 2020/2021 were to be examined by an independent auditor

4) MEMBERSHIP

The current membership stands at 238

5) TAM

Pursuant to minute 3 (8<sup>th</sup> October 2020 ) it was reported that the magazine was no longer being sent to those former members who had not renewed their 2020/21 membership It was noted that the bill from the National Office for the purchase of the magazine has not yet been received .

6) COMMITTEE

It was noted that Catherine Pomeroy had resigned from the Committee.

It was reported that Joe Neilson, Philip Rowley and Karen Bowers had expressed an interest in joining the Committee

7) MEETINGS

Consideration was given to the possibility of meetings being held at the present time. It was agreed that the situation may become clearer if the current Covid 19 restrictions are eased on the 17<sup>th</sup> May It was noted that the walking group continue to meet and that the bowls group can use the green at Florence but are unable to do so because of the unavailability of the pavilion and other restrictions imposed at the venue.

The request from the National Office for U3As to hold open days on the 2<sup>nd</sup> June be considered at the next meeting

It was agreed that contact with group leaders should be maintained during the current restrictions.

8) RISK ASSESSMENTS

Before meetings recommence there needs to be a risk assessments of their activities and the venues used. It was felt that to comply with these assessments, venues may review their charges .

9) BRANDING

The National Office have suggested that U3As should use the new logo on publicity and other material. SOTS will use the new branding wherever possible but will not change the image currently on the banner and table cloth.

10) CORRESPONDENCE

An invitation had been received from the Chairman of Leek U3A inviting SOTS members to to join him in a holiday to Northern Ireland. This will be included in the next newsletter.

11) ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Lynne to consider, after the 17<sup>th</sup> May, the possibility of organising a coach trip

12) DATE OF NEXT MEETING.

Thursday the 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2021 commencing at 2pm at a venue to be decided

The meeting closed at 3.18 pm

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Chairman

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Date