Sully U3A – Chairman's Report to 2022 AGM

Since my last report in June 2021 we have experienced anticipation that normality might be returning and then disappointment when that prospect receded. But the increased protection of jabs has enabled a gradual return to the activities we previously enjoyed.

Most Sully u3a interest groups are now operating and general meetings restarted last October. See our website <u>www.sullyu3a.co.uk</u> for details of dates and speakers.

Your Committee continued meeting throughout the last year and has issued regular Newsletters to keep you updated about National u3a and Sully u3a news.

Last year we took the decision to waive the 2021 membership fee for existing members but the £10 fee for 2022 became payable from the recent enrolment date.

Some previous members decided not to renew but we've welcomed a number of new members and at 31st March there were 327 paid up members.

We currently have 9 members on the Committee. Our constitution allows up to 16 but limits the period individual Committee members can serve to 6 years. So we have to consider succession planning and have already put out a call via our newsletter for members who would like to consider serving on the Committee to step forward.

We recently welcomed Gill Mathias, who was one of the founding members of Sully u3a in 2011, back onto the Committee as Social Secretary after a break of 5 years.

We would like to reinstate visits to places of interest and hope to be able to publicise our plans for these soon.

I would like to take this opportunity to send best wishes to all our members and hope to see many of you at our general meetings on the second Thursday of each month.

> Roger Pattenden May 2022