

Minutes

Tiptree u3a Committee Meeting

Date 10th May 2023

Time 3.15p.m

Venue U.R.C.

Present: S.Ledwell (Chair) D.Ledwell, M Pattenden, Carole Harvey Pete Outen, Janet Carter and J.Elliott

No	Item	Action	Actionee(s)	Date
1	Minutes of last meeting	Were approved		
2	Matters arising	There were no matters arising		
3	Finance	Revised forecast now £890 surplus Gift aid is due next month Third age, Beacon and Magazine bill due. Final figures for the Coronation tea were not yet available but there will be a surplus. The bank mandate seems to be operating o.k. The group balances are close to £23,000 so we need to keep an eye on the balances	DL/PO	Ongoing
4	Membership	There are now 406 members. 13 new since the last meeting, 5 from the new members meeting, 1 from face book and 4 from referrals It was felt that the new members meeting could have been longer. Also that the 'drop in session' was not such a good idea as people were turning up even before the allotted start time so it was agreed not to repeat this.	JC	Ongoing
5	Groups	2 people had approached Mike regarding a French conversation group but were not prepared to lead it. Mike will contact Geoff Rouse to see if he would be prepared to take this on. Mike had also advised that Maldon have a Racket Ball group	MP MP	

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		who have asked us to advertise this to our members for them to go along. He will contact them to see how they would want this to be official.ie, would they want our members to become associate members.		
6	Associate members	<p>This matter was raised as several people had approached us to see if was possible to join our group. After some lengthy discussion it was agreed that they would be able to join at a cost of £7 per annum but would not be able to attend the monthly meeting and would not receive TAM. (This fee would be £4 for the rest of the 2023 year)</p> <p>Our membership fee for 2023/2024 was discussed. As it appears that TAT are thinking of increasing fees as are Beacon etc. It was agreed that the annual fee would stay at £15, any one joining in June or July this year would pay 50%</p> <p>Carol to send an email to members mentioning the position with associate members</p>	CH	
7	Site builder	<p>There had been complaints that the web site was not up to date. Carol had contacted group leaders regarding this but had had little response.</p> <p>SL has a guide on how the group leaders can do this and will provide it to Carol. Also Richard would be approached to see if he can help with this.</p> <p>Janet is still waiting for photos from the Coronation tea to be put on the website and will contact Alan.</p>	SL/PO JC	
8	A.O.B	1. Bulletin – Steve (?) has stepped forward to take this over		

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		<p>2. Debit card – Gareth has been taken off this and Peter and Mike have been authorised. This card should be coming through in 5 days, and hopefully working.</p> <p>3. Future membership events. It was felt that if the u3a choir are performing in future they should use the Elliott hall to warm up. Also consider trying to get a community band for some of the future events.</p>		
	<p>Future meetings 14th June 2023 12th July 2023 9th August 2023 13th September AGM 19TH October</p>			

Minutes to be agreed by the committee on

Signed _____
 Chair

	<p><i>Future meetings</i></p> <p><i>Wed 8th Feb</i> <i>Wed 8th March</i> <i>Wed 12th April</i> <i>Wed 10th May</i> <i>Wed 14th June</i> <i>Wed 12th July</i> <i>Wed 9th August</i> <i>Wed 13th Sept.</i> <i>AGM 19 Oct</i></p>			
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