

Minutes of the Warsash U3a meeting on Tuesday 5th July 2022

This meeting was at 21 Hollybrook Gardens

Welcome to those present:

Dianne Hammeraley (DH), Judith Sims(JS), George Pickburn (GP), Bob Goodson (BG), Audrey Sawdon (AS)

Also Brian Mason was welcomed as a visitor.

Thank you to JS for hosting.

Apologies : Simon Hamersley (SH), Sue Snape (SS), Pam Benson (PB), Kumi Coulthard (KC), Jan Myatt (JM).

The amended Minutes of the meeting held on 7th June 2022 were approved and signed by DH

Matters arising:

GP is still missing some of the previous minutes to complete the set.

After the last meeting Gill Rock unexpectedly resigned as secretary and committee member - her resignation has been accepted.

SH has agreed to take on the role of secretary. GP and AS will notify the charity commission and head office.

Treasurers report: The group is still in a good financial position. GP is looking at how to show that some groups have surplus funds brought forward. The Jubilee party slightly overspent but that was agreed to be worthwhile.

GP says he is due to receive a bill for the recent Third Age Matters magazine.

The bank is changing the account terms and conditions but GP didn't think there was any significant effect on us.

The financial policy discussed at the last meeting was approved and signed by DH.

GP asked whether to renew the copyright licence at £60, it was approved.

GP had provided the asset list and the location of items was discussed now that a cupboard is available.

Rosemary had asked if there was a policy regarding deposits taken for events if the member dropped out. It was agreed that it depends on the event and venue - SS may be revamping the group leader guidance and include some guidance.

Jubilee party - all agreed that it went very well - helped by the lovely weather. A vote of thanks was given to the organising group.

Membership - 2 new members so current total 223. The Hamble Valley U3a (300 members) has folded as they couldn't form a committee, so we may have some of them joining.

The application for joining is still a paper one to obtain a signature agreeing to abide by our policies. At some point, it would be good if it can be done online with an "Agree" button to send it to the membership secretary. AS to coordinate with the webmaster.

Group news : SS away but AS reported that the recent art group meeting went well - the next one is at Victoria Country Park; and the first practical craft group session is booked for 10 August; a few members of the Live music group went to the Sailing Club to enjoy a music night; both the Theatre group and Live Music group plan to go to events at Titchfield Abbey 27/28 August.

Storage - the cupboard at Victory Hall will be £10pm from 1 July ; the banners are now in there but the display boards probably won't fit. We should be able to keep microphones and laptops there. There is currently only 1 key for it. The Mahjong group already have a small cupboard next to it.

Warsash Festival - unfortunately the committee member coordinating this was absent so there was uncertainty about arrangements. BG and Brian offered to set up the stand and put it away at the end. BG will ask his contact if he can borrow a gazebo and table. DH to ask PB where the leaflets are. BG to have some printed membership forms available. JS passed the cupboard key to BG to access the banners.

The rota for manning the stand to be discussed on Friday but it is believed that JM, AS, Rosemary, Tony will help

There is no meeting in August

AOB. In the absence of PB it is believed that Tony will give a short talk on Friday. Brian suggested that Vic might have a prepared short talk about his walk in Spain to add to the meeting. DH wasn't sure if the Shepard Singers would do a spot.

It was noted that there were issues with the sound setup last time. It was agreed to ask Rob to do a set of instructions - perhaps with photos of the switches - in case he is not present. Brian will read the guidance on being a trustee (GP to provide) and decide whether he will join the committee.

No other AOB

Next meeting - Wednesday 7 September 10am, venue to be decided.

LB Hammesley  
7/9/22

