



## Woodstock and District u3a Society

### Chair Person's Report 2022

Dear members,

Another year and another virtual AGM. The past year has continued to be a challenging one for our Society – reduced mostly to online or restricted activities as the covid pandemic moved through different peaks and troughs.

Inevitably, this reduction in live, face-to-face meetings has taken its toll on participation, but we hope that, as restrictions ease, hopefully for the last time, we can work to re-establish our live activities.

The highlight of the past year was undoubtedly the garden party we held in the grounds of Marlborough School in August 2021, when about 40 members, plus a few guests, enjoyed some gorgeous weather and good company – we plan to do the same this summer although we will need to find a new venue as the school has converted their catering hall to a classroom.

A second piece of good news, and a possible venue for an open air party, is our switch to using the St Hugh's Centre in Hensington Road, Woodstock for our Speaker Meetings, now convened on the first Thursday of each month. The new facility is bright and airy with a high quality projection and sound system and kitchen facilities with adequate parking and I encourage all members to consider re-joining us for live and entertaining talks.

Our current membership is still just over 100 as 2022 subscription renewals are coming in – if you did not receive the renewal information, please email me or use the membership contact [button](#) on the website.

Finally, financially, we remain in relatively good shape, with around £7,000 in the bank, so we are in a good position to move into a more active “post-pandemic” mode as we move through 2022.

Best wishes

David Duthie