

**The Wrekin U3A**  
**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting, held at**  
**Shifnal Village Hall at 2pm on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

**1. The Chairman** (Alan Cartwright standing in for Sheila Etherington) welcomed 97 members and 2 visitors.

**Apologies** were received from: Sheila Etherington, Tony Etherington, Sylvia Harris, Jane Apley, Marilyn Higson.

**2.** The Minutes of the AGM held on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2018, which had been available on the Wrekin U3A website, were taken as read.

**Approval** of the Minutes was proposed by Henry Wilkinson and agreed unanimously. There were no Matters Arising.

**3. The Annual Report**, of which hard copies were available, was summarised by the Secretary who highlighted:

- All Group leaders – whose contribution is key to the delivery of our objective of “Making life-long learning a reality for all third-agers in the Wrekin locality”.
- Anne Tranter, Editor of the Wrekin U3A Review.
- Gill Whitehouse who has edited the monthly e-Newsheet, and co-ordinated refreshments with the assistance of Valerie Brown
- Barbara Burtenshaw and Jane Bannister for running the Bookstall
- Judith & Colin Myers for staffing the Registration Desk
- Jo and Ron Haseman who have manned the “Visitors Welcome Desk”
- Carol Winterbottom for sending cards to members who have been unwell or in need of emotional support.
- John Bailey and Graham Higson have continued to provide excellent audio facilities at our monthly meetings.
- David Winterbottom and Sheila Purbrick for managing our web site.
- Jane Apling and Sheila Jukes for managing the publicity.
- Rog Phillips for his work as Beacon Administrator, rolling programme manager and IT support.
- John Boydell for arranging Veolia visits and providing ‘message in a bottle’.
- For all those who have contributed to setting up and taking down arrangements in the Village Hall, stewarding and providing refreshments for monthly and other meetings.

Adoption of the Report was proposed by John Boydell, seconded by Sheila Davis and agreed unanimously.

**4. The Annual Finance Report** was available as part of the Annual Report. The Independent Examiner had found the accounts to be in compliance with Charity Commission rules.

In answer to a question from a member, asking who 'The Friends' were, the Treasurer confirmed that they were a group organised by Eileen Dowell to visit places of interest.

**Acceptance** of the Finance Report and accounts was proposed by Barbara Burtenshaw, seconded by Sheila Purbrick and agreed unanimously.

**Appointment** of 2019/2020 Independent Accounts Examiner will need to be discussed by the executive committee at their next meeting as the present examiner is not available to stand.

**5. Election of Committee:**

**Nominations of Officers:**

Chairman	Sheila Etherington
Secretary	Linda Tipper
Treasurer	No Nomination
Vice Chair	No nomination

**Proposer:**

Anne Tranter
Carol Winterbottom

**Secunder:**

Ann Kirby
Sheila Purbrick

**Committee:**

Tony Etherington
Agnes Leishman
Susan Luchetti
David Tipper
Derek Horton
Anna Griffiths

Simon Harwood	B Morse
Barbara Burtenshaw	Gill Whitehouse
Denise Smith	Sue Richards
Carol Winterbottom	Sheila Purbrick
Jill Le Brun	J Myers
M Cullen	B Comley

There were no further nominations.

Alan Cartwright noted that at present we have two new committee members but as yet no Treasurer or Vice Chairman.

No nominations were invited from the floor for these positions, but members were asked that should anyone be prepared to put their name forward they should contact him.

It was proposed by Roger Phillips that the Committee should be elected en bloc. The proposal was seconded by Bob Vincent and agreed unanimously.

**Any Other Business:**

None.

**The business closed** at 2.35pm.

There followed a talk entitled 'Wellington Remembers' by Mary Rogers.