

Saltash u3a Committee Meeting Minutes

December 2nd 2022

Present: Amanda Smith Gill Higgins Barry Olver
 Jennifer Gegg Marilyn Read Rose Olver
 Jason Lamb Angie Fisher Lesley Brunskill

Observer: Christine Nel

Chair: A welcome was given to new members of the committee also to Christine Nel who was here as an observer to potentially taking on the role as Treasurer. Handover of roles was proving to be taking longer as it is all electronic.

Previous minutes: Minutes from November meeting were accepted – Proposed Gill Higgins seconded Lesley Brunskill.

Action Points from previous meeting:

1. Treasurer to wait until new committee in place before submitting to Charity Commission.
2. Jennifer informed Plymouth University was about to launch a pilot run for the u3a's regarding the communication between the Faculties of Health & Health Sciences and Faculty of Science & Engineering. Delayed due to a health issue in the University's team. As JG was now on Beacon for Saltash u3a she could receive communications from the University & Plymouth u3a without breaching confidentiality of our members. Amanda suggested emailing Saltash u3a members in the New Year to ask if they were interested in this partnership and if so to reply positively to her. A new group would be set up in Beacon to receive these communications.
3. Mike Corber will be the editor of the online All About magazine. Denise Watkins will review member's responses to the new format.
4. Christine Nel is an observer for the Treasurer position.
5. Angie emailed Group Leaders to send in their submissions for the All About. Good feedback. To do a table of contents as requested. Jason to take over and find out how many members do not have email or request a hard copy. These will be hand delivered in Saltash, posted for those living elsewhere.
6. New members meeting was very successful with good feedback. 25 people attended.
7. Roger Fursier had borrowed the Forder Community audio system. The clip on mics were lost and new ones purchased.
8. Xmas tree in church needs to come down. Lesley & Marilyn volunteered.
9. Committee Christmas lunch was postponed and will be rearranged for the New Year
10. Help for catering for the Tamar Bridge was unanimously decided to be outside the u3a remit
11. Wesley church and other venues are putting up their rental prices
12. Christmas Social tea for members to be catered for by the committee

Secretary: No correspondence

Group co-ordinator: Lesley is having trouble with the iPad – Angie will fix this. Secretary will be using the lap top. Lesley will get in touch with those who want to join existing groups and also with those groups which are full. Lesley will visit groups to introduce herself and will also change the web page. All in agreement.

Publicity: Gill will hand over to Marilyn. We were informed that the membership had raised £156.00, after the talk about transplants.

Treasurer: The Wesley is putting up the rent from January 1st from £94.50 to £110.00. This is an increase of an extra £170.50 per year, other venues are also increasing their rental prices. The 2nd GPS unit was sold for £69.00 - Barry suggested that this money be put into the publicity fund. Jason was proposed as the 3rd signatory on our accounts which he accepted. For the new committee members Barry explained the four accounts held by Saltash u3a.

Membership secretary: Total membership is 264, 8 new members since the last meeting.

Webmaster: All About was sent out to members, needs to be reviewed in the future as all items were unedited, liaising with Mike Corber about future editions. Beacon training for new committee members was now completed and the handover to Jason is under way. Beacon was updated regarding the charges to personnel. The Fasthosts system will be reviewed soon.

AOB: No issues raised under this.

Meeting closed Next meeting Friday January 6th 2pm at Shado Centre