



University of the Third Age

BUCKINGHAM & DISTRICT U3A Minutes

**For the 201st Committee Meeting to be held at 10.00am
Monday 24th October 2016 in the Council Chambers at the Buckingham
Community Centre.**

- Welcome
Attendance: Paddy Collins (Treasurer), Don Horne (Publicity), Janti Mistry (Membership Secretary), Jo Taylor (Shadow Secretary), Maggie Pringle -Christmas Social.
- Apologies: Clive Cowdy (Chairman), Lilia Bogle (Group Liaison Officer), Rosemary Gadd (Secretary) Martin Paul (Vice Chair)
- Christmas social

Maggie Pringle has concerns about numbers as last year's numbers had not been envisaged and hence not catered for.

As event is closer to Christmas this year, fewer are expected: 170 to be catered for.

Roland to help at the door if too many people seem to be arriving.

Budget of £500 agreed.

£1 entrance fee. Cost to be included in any Christmas Social publicity as this is an increase on last year.

Draft running order (to be refined at next meeting).

2.00 Recorders to play as people arrive.

2.30 Clive's welcome and entertainment (to be finalised).

3.00 Food served

Social to be advertised on the website and group coordinators to pass on information to groups.

- Minutes of the Meeting held on 26th September 2016
Signed by Paddy
- Matters Arising:

No action

- Chairman's Report:

In Clive's absence, Paddy thanked those in attendance.

- Treasurer's Report

Accounts with David Everson (the examiner) at present.

Overspend of around £3500 primarily due to the council charging for room use which started in April.

Do not want increase £10 subs.

Groups will need to self-finance use of rooms? Discuss next meeting.

Social fund has a surplus of @ £3000. Possibly transfer some of this?

- Secretary's Report

None.

- Group Liaison Officer

Lilia absent but she would like the new Beginners' French Group promoted as well as the Sing A Round group. Chairman to be asked to plug these at the AGM.

- Membership

Past members – 238

Current paid-up members -663

Currently 154 not paid yet

14 not renewing

22 double payments

27 have paid old fee of £13. This is despite reminders, so over-pay is to be regarded as a donation.

New cards out in a couple of weeks.

- Website

Roland has lost track of the tea rota.

Can we get someone to take responsibility for this at next meeting?

Paddy to check with Clive who will be serving teas at this Wednesday's meeting.

- Any Other Business:

Wednesday meeting discussed. Cost for speaker will be £110 + £44 (petrol).

Do we need to increase entry to £1? Increase in January? To be discussed.

Next meeting to be held on Wednesday November 21st in the Council Chambers at the Buckingham Community Centre.