



University of the Third Age

**BUCKINGHAM & DISTRICT U3A
Minutes**

**For the 203rd Committee Meeting to be held at 11.00am
Monday 19th December 2016 in the Council Chambers at the
Buckingham Community Centre.**

Welcome

Present: Clive Cowdy (Chairman), Lilia Bogle (Group Liaison Officer), Derek Morgan (Webmaster), Martin Paul (Vice Chairman and Speaker Secretary), Rosemary Gadd (Secretary) Janti Mistry (Membership secretary) Dusty Rhodes (Publicity)

Apologies: Ani Savage, John White (Technical resources), Paddy Collins (Treasurer)

1. Minutes of the Meeting held on 21st November 2016
2. Matters Arising:
No Mike Weston for social as he is ill. Ukelele group playing instead. RG to phone TAT to find out re copywrite.
Liaise with Lorna/Lilia re MOOCs: Clive to talk to her about being co-opted to committee.
3. Chairman's Report: AGM
Clive welcomed new members. Processing for new trustees completed.
Clive liaising with Buckingham University re various projects including some research work and developing links.
4. Treasurer's Report
None received
Lilia to contact Glenys re payment (Yoga)
5. Secretary's Report
Diaries: Need help at party: Lilia
New Trustees declarations to go to Paddy.
Spam arriving in U3a emails. Derek aware.
TAT website out of date. RG emailed re recorder summer school.
Performance area for fundraising to be raised with Paddy.
June's embroidery for Maids Moreton School will be dedicated by Bishop in new year
6. Group Liaison Officer
Many new groups starting. Some groups now opened up for new members eg gardening/recorders.

Lesley Suggate to support Lilia in attending start of new groups to ensure GC's working well.

250 members not in any group so Lilia investigating

Need to encourage use of website.

Encourage GC's to have a shadow to assist.

Links to University: Lilia and Clive to work on this

Pending groups: Singing a round: Need to check numbers

Orchestra beginning to move.

Railway group

French lunch for English speakers.

Lilia will be away for January meeting

Theatre group liaises with GCs. Needs to come through Lilia? Website and open meetings also point of information. Clive proposed a monthly news from him which could cover the communication aspect. Will raise in next meeting

7. Membership

Very quiet at moment. 771 current members. Slow trickle of new members at this time.

New members need to contact Janti via open meetings or by e mail from Derek. Some members still join by post.

Derek to put registration on line back with CaptCha device (anti robot)

8. Website

Total Groups button still not working. Individual groups ok. Some dropdowns disappear from screen. Roland and Derek looking at it.

Some GCs need to update the pages. Lilia will follow this up.

Any Other Business:

Martin: Speakers booked until May. Psychologist back for part 2.

Still awaiting reply from John Bercow re personalised tour.

Send Information to Dusty for posters.

No shortage of speakers currently.

Dusty: GC's could let Dusty know of events and he will send to U3A magazine.

Still waiting contact with Project Street Life for Charity next year.

Suggested pm taster sessions to attract alternative members. Possibly liaise with new members session. Refer to this in Communication session in January

Check for You and Yours Eric Midwinter broadcast.

Clive has talked to Probus about U3a origins.

Christmas Social Check Completed

To be raised next meeting: Communication

Next meeting to be held on Monday 23rd January at 10 am in the Council Chambers at the Buckingham Community Centre.

