



University of the Third Age

BUCKINGHAM & DISTRICT U3A Minutes

**For the 197th Committee Meeting to be held at 10.00 am on Monday
23rd May 2016 in the Buckingham Town Council Chambers**

Attendance:

Present: Clive Cowdy (Chairman), John White (Technical resources), Lilia Bogle (Group Liaison Officer), Roland Simpkins (Webmaster), Martin Paul (Vice Chairman and Speaker Secretary), Rosemary Gadd (Secretary) Janti Mistry (Membership secretary) Paddy Collins (Treasurer)

1. Welcome

2. Apologies: Carolina Kenealy

3. Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 25th April 2015

4. Matters Arising: Signed as accurate. Thanks to Lilia for stepping in.

5. Chairman's Report:

Ruth Cox (Community Practice worker) letter: Re person who has recently moved into area. Request for lifts from Twyford. Janti also involved as no one from Twyford on records. Bus timetable given for access to open meetings. Lilia commented family responsibility. General thinking that own responsibility to attend. Carer could attend free. (TAT)

Beds Plus meeting this Thursday. Discussing future of committee. Paddy to attend. Useful for speaker liaison.

Annual conference/AGM at Univ Nottingham Conference centre. 23rd-25th August. Volunteers required. Preferably 2.

6. Treasurer's Report

Bucks CC Charging for all rooms at library. Yearly invoice around 2K
Attendance at groups has no track record so will need to consider in time that attendees pay £1 a session to cover costs. AGM proposal possibly.
Paddy monitoring. Cancellations need to be a month in advance.

Red Cross centre: steven.tayfield@btinternet.com
£7 an hour.

Group communication re costs via Lilia for future. Groups may opt to move or stay and pay the £1. This year already paid.

Church on Well Street could be available or Lace Hill Community centre. Decision by the AGM.

£10631 in funds plus social account.

7. Secretary's Report

Readers uptake now at 13. 8 for Bourton Meadow
Provisional dates for 2017 see below

8. Group Liaison Officer

No issues

9. Membership

783 Current members

Annual reduction around 50 members.

Possible survey to ascertain whether membership content with U3a provision.

Could have comment box at each open meeting or brown paper exercise.

General feeling that wider membership would be reached through e survey.

Janti to action and bring to next meeting.

10. Website

All quiet.

Email traffic active with GCs.

Some group pages may need updating. Roland to email them.

Any Other Business:

Open Meeting: Check tea and coffee for open meeting. RG.

New dates October Committee: Now Monday 24th October.10am.

Maggie Pringle to be invited to June meeting

Invitation to summer social proposed by Maggie: Unlikely to get accurate returns. Better to over cater. Cascade invite through GCs. Clive to email.

PAT testing £4-£5 per test

New dates

January 23rd 10 – 12

February 20th 11 – 1

March 27th 10 – 12

April 24th 11 -1

May 22nd 10 - 12

June 26th 10 -12

July 24th 11 – 1

August 28th 10 - 12

September 25th 10 - 12

October 23rd 10 - 12

November 20th 10 - 12

December 18th 11 - 1

Next meeting to be held on Monday 20th June 2016 in the Council Chambers at the Buckingham Community Centre at 10 am.