



BUCKINGHAM & DISTRICT U3A

MINUTES

For the 260th Committee Meeting held at 10:00 am Monday 20th June 2022 online via Zoom

- 1. Welcome:** Howard Mordue (Vice Chairman) welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- 2. Apologies:** Lilia Bogle (Chairperson); Paddy Collins (Treasurer); Mark and Katerina Owen (GLO)
- 3. Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 23rd May 2022:** These were approved subject to an amendment.
- 4. Matters Arising:** The event on 2nd June had been cancelled with the Town Council and the volunteers were informed.
A card has been sent to June Lewis for her birthday; the party on 23rd has now been cancelled, so no need for anyone to attend.
- 5. Treasurer's Report:** PC had sent a report that there were no issues with finances. He was in process of submitting the Annual Return, but unfortunately there was a problem with the online form, and he was waiting for this to be resolved by TAT.
- 6. Membership Secretary's report:** JM had sent in a report with current active member numbers standing at 745. He is ready to use Simple Membership for online joining, but this needs a link from our website and some updates to enable it to be used. DJM will contact the developer on this matter.
There are 2 people interested in helping, and he is meeting one of them to demonstrate the system. He is also writing user manuals. Anyone joining from 1st July will have an extended membership until 2023. Simple Membership can be used to send out renewal notices in August.
- 7. Speaker Secretary's Report:** There has been a last-minute change of speaker due to Julian Hunt being unwell. It will be David Pickering instead who will talk on the topic of "Superstitions".
- 8. Group Liaison Officer's Report:** Two of the GLOs were away on holiday. AN has been looking at the group pages, and suggests contacting all the GCs to ask for them to update their web page, many of them being out of date.

DJM suggested AN also sends out an "All Members" message informing them about the new group information, as quite a few only attend one or two groups and don't come to the Open Meetings or look at the web site.

AN suggests looking into "Murder Mystery" parties to see if there is any interest in setting one up.

- 9. Newsletter Editor's Report:** This had been sent out with help from DMM. The deadline for the next issue would be 31st July. DJM requested that the Quick Ref be attached to the next issue, so people have the group details.

SK will take along some printed copies of the Newsletter to the Open Meeting for people to take if they wish.

HM mentioned that our banner is rather generic and perhaps should be changed to reflect the local activities, he would welcome any relevant photos for that.

- 10. Webmaster's Report:** DJM will contact the SM developer to try and progress the setting up, which requires some amendments to our website for the look and feel to match and links to go to our site. Otherwise, the bulk email is working well, and the membership side is ready to go.

11. Any Other Business:

DMM reported that information had been received about the TAT AGM, and this would be held on 6th October at Kents Hill, Milton Keynes. We can send delegates if we wish, and it will also be accessible online. The candidate statements will be forwarded in due course, we can then decide on how to allocate our votes.

Summer Social numbers are currently around 87. The caterers need to know final numbers on 20th July. The U3A ensemble will play in the background from around 2.15, as people come in, and will do a set piece at around 3.30. A schedule will be sent round before the event.

Newsletter Editor will be away on 25th July.

Next meeting (261st) to be held on Monday 25th July 2022 online via Zoom.

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