



## BUCKINGHAM & DISTRICT U3A

### MINUTES

**For the 268<sup>th</sup> Committee Meeting held at 10:00 am Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2023  
online via Zoom**

**Present:** Howard Mordue (Vice Chairman), Paddy Collins (Treasurer) from 10.27am, Janti Mistry (Membership Secretary), Katerina and Mark Owen (Group Liaison Officers), Roland Simpkins (Speaker Secretary). Guest: Ruth Newell (Minute taker)

**Apologies:** Lilia Bogle (Chairperson), Sarah Katz (Newsletter Editor), Derek Morgan (Webmaster), Dorothy Morgan (Secretary), Arthur Newman (Group Liaison Officer)

**Absences:** None

- 1. Welcome:** The Vice Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting, and the apologies were accepted, and the Treasurer had advised he would be late. There were no absences.
- 2. Minutes of the previous Meeting held on Monday 22 March 2023:** These were approved.
- 3. Matters arising:** None.
- 4. Treasurer's Report:** Deferred to end of meeting.
- 5. Newsletter Editor's Report:** SK had apologised, noted the next deadline would be the 12<sup>th</sup> May.
- 6. Membership Secretary's report:** JM reported there were three more new members so membership up to 781. A total of twelve new members since the previous report. Most members were now on the Simple membership system and Group Coordinators were assisting members where needed.

7. **Speaker Secretary's Report:** RS confirmed all was set up for Wednesday and PC would set up the equipment. HM to introduce the speaker but needed to leave at 3pm so RS agreed to do the questions and thanks at the end.

RS had also found a group willing to play at the Christmas Social, Dave Roy was a member of the group Rat Pack that play Ceilidh music but wanted to play more acoustic folk music and would play for 3 hours at a cost of £300. We had paid £200 in the past. **AGREED to proceed. ACTION: RS.**

8. **Group Liaison Officer's Report:** KM reported that Astronomy would happen from next month. Pickleball was another new group starting up. The Science group was on the way to meeting again.

MO had sought quotes for the tablecloth with the logo on it from a company at Brackley, and it would cost £30 to load the design onto the computer and the total cost would depend on the size and type of cloth, estimated at £200 to £250. MO to advise LB to agree the measurements and material. **ACTION: MO/ LB**

9. **Webmaster's Report:** The report had been sent by email, with an update on current numbers of groups set up on the Simple Membership system.

10. **Any Other Business:**

**3B Radio** - HM to mention at the monthly meeting to get a small rota set up of members willing to work on it. **ACTION: HM**

**U3A leaflet in Community Centre** - JM had been asked by a member about an U3A leaflet that had a photograph of Twisted Chimneys in the background, and had asked why? Agreed our publicity and website shows local photographs of Buckingham.

**First Aid Training** – The request from a GC of a Table-tennis group to investigate training possibilities had been circulated, with the accident reports from the table tennis/ badminton groups following injuries suffered by members. Agreed to check with Group Coordinators whether appropriate clothing/ footwear is worn, but all agreed that we should not organise first aid training. Agreed we could organise an appropriate talk at a monthly meeting, and RN suggested Richard Watkins who was part of the AED project and a first responder and was willing to do talks. JM also suggested Amanda, a local Doctor who had recently retired and had joined the U3A. RN to pass contact details for RW to RS so he could pursue a talk with RW.

**ACTION: RN/RS**

4. **Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer joined the meeting at 10.27am and confirmed that he agreed with not providing first aid training. The Gift Aid paid by members had been reclaimed, received, and capitalised. Payments were due for the Third Age Trust magazine and Medical Detection Dogs for the talk on Wednesday. The Treasurer was advised that the committee wished to book a Folk Music group costing £300 for the Christmas Social, and he agreed this would be fine.

The GLOs thanked PC with his assistance in finding a venue for the Astronomy group.

The meeting closed at 10.33am

**Next Committee Meeting (269<sup>th</sup>) to be held on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2023 at 10.00 a.m. via Zoom.**

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