



BUCKINGHAM & DISTRICT U3A

MINUTES

For the 294th Committee Meeting held at 10:00 am Monday 24th November 2025 online via Zoom

Present: Howard Mordue (Chairperson), Mark Owen (Vice Chair), Katerina Owen and Arthur Newman (Group Liaison Officers), Steve Warnes (Membership Secretary), Sheryl Hargreaves (Newsletter Editor), Sue Geary (Treasurer), Heather Haydock (Secretary) (8)

Apologies: Roland Simpkins, Dorothy Morgan, Andrew Richardson

- 1. Welcome**
HM welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- 2. Minutes of the previous Meeting held on Monday 20th October 2025**
The minutes were approved with no changes.
- 3. Matters arising**
HH reported that nearly 50 people have signed up for the AGM, and we need 42 people to be quorate. A count will be taken at the AGM rather than a register of attendees. The new Speaker Secretary will be identified by the Committee and agreed at a future meeting.
- 4. Treasurer's Report**
SG reported that the finances are sufficient going into the new year. HH will notify the Charities Commission about replacing SG with AR after he has been voted in as a Trustee. The diaries have arrived. HM and the other Committee members thanked SG for her work as Treasurer.
- 5. Newsletter Editor's Report**
The latest newsletter has been published and distributed, and the next one is due in February.

6. Membership Secretary's report

SW provided a written report for the year. This report will be summarised verbally at the AGM and placed on the website.

7. Speaker Secretary's Report

RS was seeking volunteers for the Christmas Social and Committee members are happy to help.

8. Group Liaison Officers' Report

It has been proposed to mark badminton courts in the Community Centre and the GLOs are exploring whether U3A badminton and table tennis would be interested in moving to the Community Centre.

MO and KO are looking at Milton Keynes U3A's excursions group as an example. No-one has come forward to help organise the excursions. It is planned to start excursions in the Spring.

9. Webmaster's Report

DM reported before the meeting that matters are much as usual with spam emails to block, some website updates and general maintenance. An updated groups list has been sent out.

10. Technical Support

SM provided a brief update and will be at the AGM and Christmas Social to provide technical support. The band at the Christmas Social needs lots of microphones so he will bring a sound system to use. No projector is needed for either event.

11. Any Other Business

HM suggested that for the 2026 AGM we should have a speaker and keep the AGM component short.

Next Committee Meeting (295th) to be held on Monday 26th January at 10.00.

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