

MINUTES OF THE TENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Held on Monday 24th June 2019, 10:15, at Heswall Hall, there were 132 members present

- 1) **Minutes of the AGM held on 25.4.2018** were received and approved as a correct record, proposed by Julie Davison, seconded by Pamela David.
- 2) There were no matters arising from the minutes.
- 3) **Treasurer's Report**
 - a) Sue Mousley, Treasurer, formally submitted the Treasurer's Report including accounts for the 12 months to 31st March 2019 noting this was the first year that income and expenditure from groups and activities have been included. Interest Group Leaders and Activities Organisers were thanked for their understanding and full co-operation whilst the new reporting procedures settled in. These required changes take us to a new level of reporting for the Charity Commission hence the change to the annual report. On the main account there was a surplus of £3,504, due to continued high membership numbers, resulting in accumulated reserves of £12,998. Events and Activities account was roughly break even as planned. Sue advised she would be in the Hall all morning if any member wished to ask questions relating to her report. Jenny Constantine proposed acceptance of the Treasurer's Report, seconded by John Quinn.
 - b) Restrictions apply to the use of accumulated reserves which are now higher than necessary so, as it is one of the principles of U3A that everything is run at minimum cost, it is proposed to decrease our subscription rate from £15 to £10 for our financial year 20-21, so that all members can benefit from these monies. At the next AGM the following year's subscription rate will be proposed. The proposal was carried by a show of hands.
- 4) There were no matters arising from the Treasurer's Report.
- 5) **Election of Trustee Committee.** Following the limited response to the request for new Trustees, the following agreed to stand for the forthcoming period until the next AGM; Sue Mousley, Liz Stewardson, Beryl Ashburner, Liz Davenport, Alison Adlard, Keith Foggin, David Lewis, Bill Ashburner, Neil Jones and newly appointed Cees Parmentier.
- 6) **Chair's Report.** Bill Woods introduced and thanked the Trustees, past and present, noting this last year has required two Trustees to completely rethink the financial and legal demands of our organisation, he also reminded members without volunteers to fill these roles our U3A would have to close.

Due to the efforts of numerous Organisers, Helpers and all Trustees we continue to thrive with membership maintained around 700 once again providing a wide range of interest groups, learning and social activities for all our members.

Bill reminded members that in March he had advised he was choosing not to put his name forward to the new Trustee list at this AGM, planning to remain involved in the future success of our U3A and the development of the U3A movement in other ways.

We will shortly be celebrating our 10th anniversary as a community organisation, with celebrations held at the 9th September Monthly Meeting.
- 7) There was no other business.
- 8) Planned date of next AGM. – 22nd June 2020.