# Minutes of Pocklington & District U3A Committee Meeting

## Tuesday, 18 July, 10.00 a.m. Pocklington Scout Hut, Burnby Lane

Present: Neil Barrett (Chair)

Christina Burn

Jane Cole

Simon Eggleston

**Gerry Hutchinson** 

Jean Key

Moira Laverack

**Pauline Slater** 

Liz Storey

**Margaret Stubbs** 

Ralph Vokes

- 1. Introduction/Welcome and Apologies for absence (NB)
  - 1. Apologies had been received from DH, GB, JS, LSm and VH AS RW had notified a late arrival, MS took minutes for the interim.
- 2. Approval of Minutes of June 2023 meeting.
  - 1. Proposed by LSt, seconded PS, and passed.
- 3. Matters arising from Minutes of previous meeting.

#### 1. Pockdown.

- 1. It was agreed that a timetable for Committee presence would be circulated for all available members to sign in, so that presence can be continuous throughout.
- 2. Leaflets and Welcome packs will be needed NB will check with DH on supplies of these.
- 3. A range of TAM issues would be helpful for visitors to see.
- 4. Chairs can be provided from the Rugby Club, and JS will bring the new gazebo.
- 5. We will offer coffee and biscuits.

## 2. Archive

- 1. ML can update all the online archives, to build up the background for the anniversary in 2025.
- 2. NB has a box of files to go through with MS.

## 3. Website update

- 1. ML reported that the site appears to be working well now.
- 2. Chris Smith has been involved with a lot of online discussions resolving 'snagging' issues.
- 3. RV reported that online renewals were being achieved through screenshots.
- 4. ML made the point that because of GDPR issues, the hard copy booklet should not be handed out until the recipient is a signed-up member, as it contains personal contact details.

- 4. Chairman's Report (NB)
  - 1. Voting for Regional Trustee. After a brief discussion it was agreed that the P&D's three votes would be cast for Nick David (proposed RW, seconded CB) and that NB will vote to this effect.
- 5. Group Activity (NB, in absentia JS)
  - 1. Group Leaders will be asked to return a three-monthly report on changes in their groups. These will be sent to their Link Co-ordinators.
  - 2. Messages of confirmation have been sent to all the Link Co-ordinators. In connection with this, JC reported that HM's groups are still appearing under her aegis, and need to be re-assigned.
  - 3. Group Leaders should be reminded that they should check membership cards sometimes attendance of non-members/lapsed members could lead to possible invalidation of insurance.
  - 4. Although some members have picked up specific activities within the Archaeology Group, no-one has stepped forward as willing to take on the leadership, which could lead to the folding of this large and popular Group.
- 6. Treasurer's update (RW in absentia DH, who had sent the following:)

Our up-to-date balances as at 30<sup>th</sup> June are as follows.

Total Funds	£10	295 08
Cash Held	£	280.24
PayPal	£	0.00
Subscription a/c	£7977.35	
Main Bank Account	£2037.48	

I usually only report Cash on the Year end accounts.

This is made up of a small amount of Petty cash that I hold and various floats for the Drop-in and the floats used at the Renewals Desk.

I have no outstanding bills however the Third Age Trust have yet to issue an invoice for our subscription for the current year which will be in the region of £2750-£3000

- 7. Membership Secretary's update (RV)
  - 1. There are currently 687 members on roll.
  - 2. The next New Members' Meeting will be at 1.30 on Thursday, and Committee members were invited to attend.
- 8. Secretary's update (RAW)
  - 1. Timings of meetings Committee members were reminded that the August meeting will be at 9.00.
  - 2. Trusteeship forms these were distributed to new Committee members and signed, as a back-up to the online forms held by DH.
  - 3. Venues Burnby Hall has now been booked for all 2024 Drop-in dates, and will be on the first Thursday every month.

## 9. AOB

- 1. U3a blog. NB and MS have proposed a short monthly blog to highlight the activities of a specific group, such as an outing or a creative project. This will have a link from the website and also be available to the world on a free blog platform.
  - This was agreed to be a good idea, as long as groups can be persuaded to supply input.
- 2. The Town Council is holding a public meeting on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> August at 7pm in Burnby Hall to discuss saving the Hall for future use as a Community Building. It is open to anyone to attend. It was agreed that as many Committee members as were able would attend the meeting, and support the saving of the Hall. RW will also publicise the meeting in the August Newsletter.

No other business being raised, the meeting closed at 11.01.

Date of next meeting Tuesday, 15 August, 9.00 a.m, at the Scout Hut, Burnby Lane