

Glenfield u3a Committee Meeting

Held on Tuesday 18th February 2025 at 14.00 hours

at Park House Council Office, Glenfield

1 Present: Judith Harriman (Chair) Sue Bicknell, Alistair Exon, Susan Hodkinson, Paul Linnett, Jan Parris, Gill Speechley, Andrew Thomas, Joan Thomas, Kim Thorogood.

Paul Marriott joined the meeting as an invitee.

2. Apologies: Stuart Galloway, Alan Hodkinson **Not in attendance:** Bill Jones

3. Minutes: The minutes of the previous meeting held on the 21st January 2025 were accepted.

4. Matters arising: Judith has arranged a Dementia Awareness session for 2.00pm on March 12th and has 17 people wishing to attend. A payment of £50 for the speaker, Chris Birkby, is to be made to the charity, Leicester Musical Memory Box.

5. Correspondence: Nothing to report.

6. Planning:

6.1 Paul Marriott was welcomed to the Committee meeting and has completed a nomination form to stand as Speaker Secretary. Lorraine Tolley who expressed an interest in joining the Committee has not completed a nomination form. **Stuart (via Judith) to contact to see if she is willing to join as member without portfolio.** Susan Lamprell has also completed a nomination form and offers her IT skills.

6.2 Preparations for the AGM are in hand. Group Co-ordinators' reports are still required. **Kim to send her report to Stuart.**

7. Reports:

Chairman: The plaque has been replaced on Millenium Green alongside a beech tree. The walkers' coach trip to Newarke is in hand for Monday 2nd June. Andrew is preparing 3 walks. The Walking through Time group is also sorting a walk. **Jan to book a coach for the day.**

Membership Secretary: 366 members

Speaker Secretary: Dr Ann Featherstone is to give the February talk on "The History of the Music Hall". **Judith to contact Bill to ensure this is in hand.** Paul Marriott has met with Bill and is aware of what is needed for Speaker Secretary.

Treasurer: Accounts for the period ending 31st January were accepted. The last year accounts are with the auditor and will be ready for the AGM. The presentation of the accounts has been tidied up to make them easier to understand.

Events Secretary: The coach trip to Anglesey Abbey went well and members expressed their appreciation of how well run our trips have been. The pub games evening is in hand. 9 members have booked for the Symphony Orchestra next Sunday. **Information on the Garden Group's trip to Oxford in July to be sent to Stuart for wider distribution.**

Groups Secretary: The 6 activity groups have been contacted for their updated membership lists but have not yet replied. **Andrew to chase up.** The Co-ordinator for the Sunday Lunch group has changed.

Business Secretary: A list of duties has been passed to Linda who has also been involved in the AGM preparations. The Committee was reminded of the need to change the contact for the Charity Commission to the new Business Secretary after the AGM.

Webmaster: nothing to report

Publicity Officer: next newsletter should be out before the AGM. Paul Marriott to forward photos of Anglesey Abbey to Colin for use in the newsletter.

8. Any other business: Gill has attended Beacon Zoom meeting and is preparing to take over administrator from Stuart. Alistair drew attention to the fact that Beacon was not fitting for the accounts as it could not link to payments.

9. Date of the next meeting: 14.00 at Park House Council Offices on Tuesday 18th March 2025.