

Minutes of the meeting of the U3A Isle of Man Committee, held in the Classroom, St Johns Mill, Tynwald, St Johns, on Wednesday 9th October 2024 at 10.30 am.

Present	Paul Dunderdale Evelyn Corrin Andy Corrin Pam Costain Glynis Duff	Pat Kneen Gill Dunderdale Tony Gurevitch Di Brown
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Apologies Kim Corlett

Min no	Decision	Actions
137/24	Minutes Minutes of the last meeting 11 th September 2024, having been circulated, were agreed and signed by Paul	
138/24	Treasurer's Report a) There is £7,584 in the account at present including some money already paid for the Christmas dinner. b) HSBC has still not been in touch with Paul yet to complete the paperwork needed to become a signatory on the account	
139/24	Membership Secretary's Report a) There are 244 members at the moment. b) Andy is in the process of tidying up the files. c) There was some discussion re the ordering of TAM. As this has to be done via the Portal, Pat will do it this month as she is the only one with access to the Portal	AC PK
140/24	Beacon There was nothing to report this month and Pat is happy to give anyone lessons on using Beacon if required.	PK
141/24	Web Site a) To date there have been 239 visits to the site, some from other parts of the world. There have been 16 visits from group leaders accessing their pages. The old web site will disconnect 2 months after the commencement of the new one. b) There was some concern regarding past 'events' disappearing from the web site. Di explained that was how it has been set up so that 'events' were always current. They will be stored in archives. c) There was discussion as to what goes in the 'Newsletter'. It was felt that one a month should be the aim although occasionally there may be important information to send out. Photos should be sent directly to Di, text to be included sent to Tony who will then forward to Di. Items should be sent as a plain text document Not PDF. d) Updating the web site will be done monthly, after the committee meeting	DB

142/4	<p>Special Interest Groups</p> <p>a)The walking group and archaeology group are restarting</p> <p>b) there is a possibility of a pop up event about Vikings run by Sue Nichol</p> <p>c) Tony presented information regarding The Roundhouse and NSC. The information to be disseminated via the website and newsletter to the members. Tony will talk to Tom at NSC about arranging a pop up taster session for members interested.</p>	TG TG/DB
143/24	<p>Critical Calendar</p> <p>a) Arrangements for the Christmas lunch have been completed and circulated</p> <p>b) Evelyn felt that our financial position was sound and it was agreed that next year's membership fees should remain the same.</p>	
144/24	<p>Network Meetings</p> <p>a) Speakers have been arranged through to next July.</p> <p>b) Paul will deputise for Pam when necessary.</p> <p>c) Approval given to make a gift of £25 to Thursday's speaker Lynn Bryant.</p>	
145/24	<p>Constitution</p> <p>Pat feels that there needs to some clarification and updating of the Constitution and finding a format that will comply with both the u3a and Manx legal requirements. Pat will attend a zoom meeting regarding this and will be followed up pending clarification following the zoom meeting It was suggested that a sub group should be formed to look at this. On going</p>	PK
146/24	<p>Branding</p> <p>a)Tony stated that he liked the format of the new Newsletter. Paul and Andy will compose it monthly.</p> <p>b) Minutes to remain in the existing format.</p>	PD/AC
147/24	<p>AOB</p> <p>a)Evelyn and Andy said they would be retiring from the committee in 18 months. Paul feels we should have a succession plan. To be added to next months agenda</p> <p>b) Glynis asked if the minutes could be made public in order to possibly stimulate some interest in the committee among the members. Agreed</p>	

There being no further business the meeting closed at 12.10 The next meeting will be held on 13th November 2024 at 10.30am

Minutes signed by

Date