

Minutes of the meeting of the U3A Isle of Man Committee, held in the Classroom, St Johns Mill, Tynwald, St Johns, on Wednesday 12th February 2025 at 10.30 am.

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

Min no	Decision	Actions
12/25	Minutes Minutes of the last meeting 8 th January 2025 were circulated. Matters Arising: Evelyn queried whether financial records should be kept for 3 or 6 years. Paul noted that 3 years is the recommended retention time.	
13/25	Treasurer's Report Eve reported there is £8070 in the bank, which includes subs of £2300 for 25/26. 115 members have paid so far.	
14/25	Membership Secretary's Report a) There are 262 members at the moment. b) Andy reported that there have been some issues with access to 25/26 membership subs information but that has now been rectified. From 1/4/25 the list of paid up members can be viewed. c) Only one member has opted not to receive the TAM magazine, no other replies have been received. d) Andy has signed up to a Zoom course for membership secretaries on 1/2/25	AC
15/25	Beacon a)Pat has been circulating communications from the Northwest u3a to committee members via Beacon. b)There was some discussion about using Beacon's email facility. c) Paul requested greater access to membership details for the chair.	PK
16/25	Web Site a) Di reported she had circulated website access statistics to the committee b)Di reported some problems caused by manx.net outages. She is updating SIG pages as requested. c) Pat was asked to check that the version on the web site is the correct one.	PK

17/25	<p>Special Interest Groups</p> <p>a) Andy will add Manic Ukers performance at Peel Cathedral to the newsletter.</p> <p>b) SIG leaders seminar; Tony reported a good turnout and feedback.</p>	AC
18/25	<p>Critical Calendar</p> <p>AGM procedures will be put into February's Critical Calendar</p>	PK
19/25	<p>Network Meetings</p> <p>a) Pam confirmed Gary Jakeman (Island Games) for February Network meeting and Tim Earl (Birds of Mann) for March.</p> <p>b) Pam repeated her request for help over the coming period. Paul agreed to assist</p>	
20/25	<p>Insurance</p> <p>Following the SIG seminar, some doubts were raised re actual insurance coverage. Andy pointed out that this was universal! After some discussion it was decided that SIG leaders should be asked to do a simple risk assessment and that in all cases we should point out that each member has a duty of care for themselves.</p>	
21/25	<p>Succession Planning</p> <p>Paul, Andy, Eve and Tony all agreed to do another year. Paul would prefer not to remain as Chair. The need for younger committee members was stressed. It was suggested that a Publicity Officer be sought. Pat has made some enquiries, Di suggested that we check how the MRA deals with this.</p> <p>The matter to be addressed in future newsletters and network meetings.</p> <p>It was suggested that observers be invited to attend committee meetings with a view to taking over positions in the committee</p>	All
22/25	<p>Constitution</p> <p>Following email discussion with Kim, it was decided to leave the current Constitution in situ.</p> <p>Pat was thanked for her work and it was considered useful to leave her work on file against possible future developments.</p>	
23/25	<p>Magazine</p> <p>a) UK website online magazine is a thoroughly unrewarding reading experience.</p> <p>b)£4 of membership fee is towards postage for the magazine.</p> <p>c) Only one person told Andy that they didn't want the magazine: need to raise awareness! Therefore Andy proposed to continue with it</p>	AC
24/25	<p>AOB</p> <p>a)General IOM u3a costs were discussed.</p> <p>b) Older Persons Mental Health request someone to talk to a group. Di offered to do that</p> <p>c)EMCO refuse</p> <p>d) u3a Friends Xtra; links to be added to newsletter and web site</p>	DB

There being no further business the meeting closed at 12.04 The next meeting will be held on 12th March 2025 at 10.30am

Minutes signed by

Date