

**Minutes of 28th Annual General Meeting of Rutland U3A
held at 10.00am 4th July 2024,
Victoria Hall, Oakham**

1. Welcome and Introductions by the Chair.

Stuart Mason as Chair welcomed everyone. Stuart then confirmed that having circulated the paperwork by email and collating responses that the responses received exceeded the number required for a quorum.

2. Committee Participants at the meeting

Stuart Mason, Hedley Greaves, Keith Townsend, Christopher Clark, Wanda Allen, Janice Ferguson, Flic' Brewster.

3. Apologies

Bryan Howard (Committee) Michael Gillon, Ros Kenny, Ron Jenkins, Bob Bennet, Ian Parsons, Mike Churchill, Mike Shea, Michael Seccombe, Caroline Stark

4. Matters Arising from AGM Minutes 2023. Distributed by email prior to meeting.

None

Approval of Minutes of AGM 6th July 2023. Votes For 218 Against 3

Proposed Christopher Clark

Seconded Rosanne Greaves

5. Matters Arising Chair's Report for 2023-24. Distributed by email prior to meeting.

None

Approval of Chair's Report Votes For 220, Against 1

Proposed Janet Bilby

Seconded Anne ?

6. Matter's Arising from Treasurer's Report 2023-24 Distributed by email prior to meeting.

Treasurer took us briefly through report using a PowerPoint presentation.

Presentation of Accounts.

Thanks were made to retiring Treasurer Bob Bennett in transferring the 2024 accounts to Keith Townsend and the support given through the transition. The clarity of the accounts was noted.

The successful transfer of subscriptions to U3A from cheques to BACS was achieved overcoming the difficulties in subscriptions during & after Covid.

The Certificate of Approval of Accounts was passed 220 votes to 1.

Keith drew attention in the accounts the rather large surplus accrued due to Covid and the need for a reduction as it was far greater than required by the organisation. Hence the subscription had been

reduced to £1.00. This has now gone back to £10.00 for 2024-25, to be reviewed in 2025.

The Social Element of the accounts has decreased as participants in Christmas lunch has reduced and there is no longer a Social Committee organising outings etc (lack of members offering to lead this committee.) We do however have 2 members who have offered to organise the 2024 Christmas Lunch.

There was a larger than expected amount in the Liabilities. This was due to very slow invoicing from Langham Village Hall for groups held there. This has now been paid after a period of considerable prodding by Keith.

There was a vote of thanks for the succinct and clear presentation of the accounts.

Report Votes For 218 against 3
Final Accounts For 219 Against 2
Proposed by John Redshaw
Seconded by Gillian Hoggs

7. Re - Appointment of Financial Examiner

Nick Greenwood kindly did this for 2024 but has now indicated that he would like to step down. Murray Walne FCA has kindly offered to step into the role for 2024-25.

8. Proposals Received from Members

None

9. Results of Election of New Committee Members

Wanda Allen for 218, against 2
Hedley Greaves 218, against 2
Keith Townsend 220, against 1
Stuart Mason 218, against 1
Christopher Clark 218, against 2
Janice Ferguson 219, against 1
Flic' Brewster 220, against 1
Caroline Henry 219, against 1

Membership is 661
Quorum 15%
Valid Votes Required 100
Quorum Achieved 221%

10. AOB - None

11. Date & Time of Next Meeting

5th June 2025 @ 10.00 in Victoria Hal