

Market Drayton u3a Executive Committee Meeting

Date: 09/06/2025

Time: 1:45 pm

Venue: 16 Wordsworth Drive, Market Drayton

MINUTES

Present/Apologies

Judy Cowdale	Chair/Membership Secretary	Y
Phil Glover	Vice Chair/Secretary	Y
Ann Swales	Treasurer	A
Kevin Read Jones	Programme Secretary	Y
Jill Glover	Website Administrator/Convenor Liaison	Y
Viv McVittie	Magazine Editor/Convenor Liaison	Y
John McVittie	Magazine Editor	Y
Alan Cartwright	Committee Member	Y
Peter Ingham	Committee Member	Y
Sue Walker	Committee Member	A
Jacqui Wright	Committee Member	A

- Minutes of the last Committee meeting**
Accepted.
- Matters arising**
None.
- Secretary's Report**
Correspondence from Iain Cassidy communicated.
- Treasurer's Report**
Statement of accounts 09/06/25. Balance: £3,925.11cr.
- Membership Secretary's Report**
Membership: 207 paid members + 1 honorary.
There were 20+ people at the social drop in event. To be repeated on first Thursday in July and August, then venue to be reviewed.
- Group Convenors' Report**
Information pack for new Convenors to be created by Jill and Viv.
New Groups: Discussion Group to start 23/6, Convenor Trish Dawson.
Breakfast Group Meet Wetherspoons at 10am on the 4th Wednesday. Convenor, Jackie Prichard.
External contact is offering to facilitate Ballroom Dancing. Judy to get more details.
Invitation from Whitchurch u3a received to attend their Summer Party Invitation to be passed on to Members by Judy.
It was agreed that financial support could be given to new Interest Groups if required.
- Website, Network and publicity reports**
New website: Convenors wanting to update their own will need authorization and training. Jill to prepare.

Network Feedback:

Facebook page to be closed. Subs are £15. Drop Box to be used. Newport are using Beacon.

8. **Programme Secretary's Report**

Bookings filled up to May 2026. Phil to obtain charity style bucket for collections.

Mary's Meals have provided collection equipment to be used at meetings.

It was agreed that AbilityNet could give a presentation at the end of the AGM.

9. **Magazine Editors' Report**

Published and very well received.

10. **Tasking update: previous tasks and future ideas/decisions/progress**

Next major project will be Beacon.

Potential venue change at FDC Jacqui investigating.

This Agenda item to be removed and tasks reallocated.

11. **FDC monthly meeting procedures update (refreshments, VOT, responsibilities for checking in, newbies, subscriptions, welcomes)**

Peter and Ann on Sign In duty.

VOT: Apr: Jun: Peter. July: Phil.

It was agreed to publicise the Interest Groups at the Monthly meeting. Phil/Jill to arrange.

12. **AGM**

AGM to be in similar format to last year.

Interest Group information to be available – Jill

Convenor contact form to be made available for those enquiring about groups. – Kevin.

Advert to be placed in local press – Alan

Theatre and Green room to be booked from 1pm – Kevin

Layout: Committee to sit at front. Tables required – Kevin.

Refreshments to be available after AGM.

Secretary will issue comprehensive details of all requirements and timing shortly.

Everything to be in place or planned by next Committee meeting.

13. **AOB**

14. **Date, Time and Place of next meeting**

1:45pm, 07/07/25, 16 Wordsworth Drive, Market Drayton, TF91ND.

The meeting closed at 4:15 pm.

Signed:

Date: