

Hornsea & District u3a Committee Meeting

Tuesday 29th June 2021, 10.30am

18, Shaftesbury Ave, Hornsea

Present: Jane Hardman – Chair, Hazel Adamson – Vice-Chair, Groups Co-ordinator and Joint Speaker Seeker, Sue Gray – Secretary, Ken Hooper – Communications Officer and Acting Treasurer, Paule Senior – Membership Secretary, Barbara Cowan – Welfare Officer

1. Apologies: Rita Bremer, Brian Clarvis, Suzanne Keam

2. Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 25th May 2021

10) Hazel asked that the wording be clarified to say that "all cancelled speakers will be contacted".

The minutes were then accepted and will be signed, filed and a copy added to website.

3. Matters arising from the minutes

3.6d) The u3a "Click and Save" discount scheme is too complicated to sign up to, so Jane has decided that we will not join at this point in time.

8.a) The Bridge group has ended with Catherine as contact.

4. Chair's Report

1) Jane will send another letter to members telling them the revised start date of August 3rd. Ken has put this on the website.

2) **Action: Sue to send the letter and u3a Bitesize newsletter to members without email.**

5. Treasurer's Report

1) We now have 142 paid up members.

2) Our finances are healthy. There is a question mark over a sum which

may belong to the theatre group.

6. Secretary's Report

- 1) A couple of items from the latest u3a newsletter were mentioned:
 - a. Painted pebbles advertising u3a.
 - b. "Fashion and Ageism survey". Short discussion on findings.
- 2) YAHR website – no one had joined the "alternative ways of working" workshop.
- 3) Hazel did know about the list of speakers on the YAHR website.
- 4) Sue asked whether we were still thinking about a u3a day event in August. Jane thought we had decided to make it an open day event at the August monthly meeting. Everyone agreed. We could publicise ourselves at various events such as the Hornsea Carnival in the future.
- 4) Having looked at bunting in the u3a Branding Centre the committee decided to buy two packs.

Action: Sue to order two packs of u3a bunting.

7. Communications Officer's Report

Ken has updated the website.

8. Group Co-ordinator's Report

- 1) Hazel is in favour of trying to recruit new Group Contacts when we start up again. She believes people may be reluctant to open up their homes for meetings. Barbara pointed out that meetings do not have to be in homes – could be in cafes such as the Floral Hall café or Lucien's.
- 2) A Group Contacts meeting will not now be held. Instead, Hazel hopes to see most of them at the August monthly meeting.
- 3) Two lists of group contacts have been prepared one with and one without contact details. Sue asked for the list to be sent to her.

Action: Hazel to send group list to Sue.

- 4) Paule suggested that dates for group meetings could go on the Community

News calendar.

- 5) **Action: Barbara will organise “thank you” cards for group contacts who are finishing. She will ask Jean to personalise them.**
- 6) **Action: On the website, Ken will mark the group pages of groups that no longer have a contact as “currently suspended” and ask whether any group member would like to take over.**

9. Membership Secretary’s Report

- 1) Cheques are being sent to Ken.
- 2) Receipts and membership cards are being sent to members paying by cheque or cash.
- 3) Paule has a lot of membership forms from previous years.

Action: It was agreed that membership forms for 2018 and 2019 should be shredded. Also forms for people who are not rejoining.

10. Speaker Seeker’s Report

- 1) Brian and Hazel intend to move speakers booked for this year on to next year where possible.
- 2) It is important that we have interesting speakers to make the monthly meeting worth coming to, and pay more for them if necessary.
- 3) Discussion around the opening up meeting in August. Paule suggested her son, a musician could play, which everyone thought was a nice idea. Barbara proposed that it could be for the last hour.

Jane said she would like to speak first and introduce the committee. She feels that the speaker we have organised for September, “The Siege of Sarajevo” is a bit of a heavy subject for our first speaker after the break. Could we swap it for something more light hearted?

Action: Hazel will organise a more suitable speaker for September.

11. Welfare Officer’s Report

- 1) Barbara has two ladies organised to help with the refreshments at the August monthly meeting.
- 2) We had thought to have wrapped biscuits, but Barbara thinks unwrapped biscuits with sanitizer at the end of the table will suffice. Discussion on the type of biscuits. "Posher" biscuits were suggested and agreed on as an extra to the Floral Hall biscuits.

Action: Barbara will buy a few packets of "posher" biscuits.

- 3) The arrangement of the tables and chairs at our opening up meeting in the Floral Hall on August 3rd was discussed. No firm conclusion was reached and it was decided to leave it to the next committee meeting.

12. Any other business

There was none.

13. Next Meeting

Tuesday 27th July 2021, 10.30am at Jane's home – 23, Tranmere Park,
Hornsea

The meeting ended at 12.05pm

