MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF WINCHESTER U3A AT 2.30 ON MARCH 8TH 2016 AT LITTLETON MEMORIAL HALL

Clive Boot, chairman, welcomed all to the meeting.

Apologies were received from Patricia Rogers, June Handley, Margaret Henstock and Jean Coveyduck.

Minutes of the A.G.M. held on March 10th 2015 were approved unanimously. **There were no matters arising.**

Chairman's report (delivered verbally)

Clive Boot regretted that other responsibilities necessitated his stepping down as chair. He said our U3A is in good shape. The finances allow the subscription of £8 to remain the same for the moment. The membership is stable around 1300 and there are 103 different activity groups. There have been significant improvements to our website due to the work of webmaster Barrie Brinkmann to whom many thanks. Our excellent monthly meetings are well supported with an average attendance of 80. Sadly Hazel Booth, speakers' secretary, is not standing for re-election, so this means we shall need help with finding speakers in the future. Encouraging links have ben developed with Winchester University and the Hampshire Health Authority. C.B. gave sincere thanks to committee and non committee members who ensure the smooth running of our U3A. without which he would have found his time in office very difficult.

He specially wished to thank Margaret Henstock and Jean Coveyduck for their generous and wise support.

Treasurer's Report had been circulated and there were no queries. Thanks were extended to Andrew Beadle as the independent examiner of the accounts. Martin Hogg was proposed and accepted as I.E. for next year.

Election of Peter Smith as new chairman was unopposed.

Clive Boot ceremonially handed over his name badge, the vast tome of guidance for the chairman and the key to Littleton Hall. P.S. thanked C.B. for his enthusiastic and successful time in office. He then introduced Andrew Beadle as the new deputy chairman. He announced that Bill Convery would be new group secretary with Margaret Henstock (without portfolio) to help and advise with the role. Other members of the committee were voted in en bloc. The A.G.M. closed at 3.00 p.m. and was followed by the usual monthly talk.

A.G.M for 2017 would be at 2.30 on March 14th 2017 at Littleton Hall.