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MINUTES OF WINCHESTER U3A ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON  
ZOOM AT 14.00 ON 8th JUNE 2021

**1. WELCOME:** Freda Bates, Chairman, welcomed 69 members to the meeting.

**2. APOLOGIES:** Anne Bristow, Barbara and Colin Chase, Derek Crapper, Eileen Lukes, Daphne Rice, Peter and Angela Smith, Phil Waterton.

**3. MINUTES of Annual General Meeting held on 10th March 2020:** These were accepted.

**4. MATTERS ARISING** from the minutes: None.

**5. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:** Freda Bates read her report to those attending. A copy was on the website and in the newsletter, but she wanted to add the welcome information that committee vacancies had been filled (see Item 8).

**6. TREASURER'S REPORT AND ACCOUNTS:** Vernon Tottle had published the accounts on the website and in the Newsletter. He noted that at present there was no need to increase subscriptions as our financial position is strong. He invited questions, in response to which:

- Clive Boot asked if the committee had considered lending money to local U3As that are in a weaker financial position. Vernon replied that while this may not be legal, he would look into it if another U3A asked us for a loan;
- Julia Whitburn questioned the timing of National U3A considering raising subscriptions by 50p, at a time when they are discontinuing some services (such as the DVD collection);
- Marion ?? (I could not see the speaker, but thought I heard Freda say 'Marion...') asked what proportion of our subscription goes to National – Vernon advised that we keep £4.50 and send £3.50 to National;
- Clive Boot asked if the Treasurer could outline the benefit of being part of U3A National – Vernon replied that he would happily reply in the next Newsletter.

As there were no further questions, the Treasurer proposed that the meeting accept the accounts, which it did unanimously.

David Smith was also thanked for his work as Independent Financial Examiner.

**7. MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTION:** This will remain at £8.

**8. ELECTION OF COMMITTEE FOR 2021-2022:** Freda Bates is standing down as Chairman, as are Julia Whitburn as Groups Secretary and Lianne Hill as

Membership Secretary. Richard Costard had retired as Vice Chairman during the year on grounds of ill-health.

Nick Vernon, Barrie Brinkman, Vernon Tottle and David Boddy were all prepared to serve another year. All had been nominated and seconded, and were unanimously re-elected.

Robert Shemilt (Chairman), Freda Bates (Vice-chairman), Marion Schiesser (Membership Secretary) and John Craig (Groups Secretary) had all been proposed and nominated for the vacant roles, and were unanimously elected. Julia Whitburn had been proposed and seconded as a committee member and was unanimously elected.

In her report the Chairman had thanked Sheila Ayling and Judy Smith for their work as Newsletter Editors.

The formal meeting ended at 14.30 and continued with the usual monthly talk. NEXT A.G.M: 8th MARCH 2022 AT LITTLETON MEMORIAL HALL. DOORS OPEN 14.00 FOR 14.30 START

David Boddy

Secretary

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