



SANDBACH AND DISTRICT U3A
U3A Committee Meeting 15/7/19

1	<p>PRESENT Arnie Laing, Sandy Boyle, Alan Casey, Kevin Dean, Louise Adams, Don Rickards, Sam Boardman, Paula Reilly-Cooper, Alice Holmes, Pam Thomas, John Banyard</p> <p>APOLOGIES John Roome, Barrie Hacking</p>	
2	<p>MINUTES of 17/6/19 were accepted as a correct record and signed. They will be posted on the library noticeboard and the website.</p>	Pam, Alan
3	<p>MATTERS ARISING</p> <p>Sandy updated us on arrangements for Sign Up Day on 28th August where there will be slightly fewer group leaders (around 39) than in the past. Hopefully the tables will all fit in the main hall. Various opportunities to advertise the event are being explored. Tables will be set up from 5pm the night before and Alan Casey will open the event on the day with a short introduction.</p>	
4	<p>CORRESPONDENCE</p> <p>A request for payment for TAM (£2.90 for 5 issues) per household had been received and this has been paid by cheque.</p> <p>A voting paper for the Ordinary Director for the North West Region, Gillian Russell, was received and this has been actioned.</p> <p>Membership of the CVS was approved and the appropriate forms will be completed.</p>	Sam
5	<p>TREASURER'S REPORT</p> <p>John Banyard has spent some time with Louise trying to familiarize himself with the duties and responsibilities of the Treasurer.</p> <p>Louise outlined how she has a number of volunteers who are entering expenditure data on spreadsheets each month and checking the statements of income.</p> <p>Alan has added a system to allocate income to the correct courses directly from the bank statement.</p>	
6	<p>MEMBERSHIP</p> <p>Barrie had expressed concern that the rate of subscription renewals seemed slighter slower than last year.</p> <p>A further email reminder will be sent at the end of July to those members who have not yet renewed their membership; the email will have a link enabling them to renew on-line should they wish to do so.</p>	Alan
7	<p>PROGRAMMES AND VENUES</p> <p>Don had attended a meeting with ANSA regarding the condition of the lower green in Sandbach Park. The main issue seemed to have been poor irrigation in the very hot weather last summer causing the green to dry out, Their intentions for the Autumn and next Spring were outlined but there is no quick solution.</p> <p>Don has checked out Elworth Cricket Club as a possible venue for group activities. There is a large car park and kitchen facilities are available.</p>	

	<p>A number of problems have been reported by the Table Tennis groups with regard to the Scout Hut as a venue. A meeting is planned with the owners to consider what can be done to make the building safer. It may be possible to find another suitable venue.</p> <p>A new events coordinator has been appointed for the Town Hall.</p>	Don
8	<p>GROUP CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT</p> <p>The 2019/20 programme is almost complete and it was decided that an alphabetical list of group activities would be produced for the library desk and for sign-up day. A second version of the schedule would show which activities happened on which day.</p> <p>Yoga 4 will go ahead on Thursday mornings from September in the hope that enough members will attend to cover the cost of the venue and paid instructor.</p> <p>Tai Chi for Health will be offered from 10.45am to 11.45am on Fridays for a trial period of one month at Elworth Methodist Hall to assess its viability.</p>	Paula
9	<p>SWISH</p> <p>The group Finance Report has additional features and other improvements are being implemented during July.</p> <p>It was agreed that the Simple Membership Privacy Policy Statement would be added to the U3A website but Alan will request that data can be stored for six years for lapsed members since we need to store this information for gift aid purposes.</p>	
10	<p>MEMBERS MEETINGS</p> <p>Details of speakers from September through to May 2020 are on the website.</p>	
11	<p>DIARY UPDATES & NEWSLETTER</p> <p>New groups for September and details of Sign Up Day will be included.</p>	Kevin
12	<p>SOCIAL EVENTS</p> <p>All trips for the rest of this year are fully booked and there are no more tickets remaining for the Christmas party.</p> <p>A number of new trips are being planned for next year as well as scheduling some trips that have been a great success this year for which there are already waiting lists.</p> <p>Members can submit suggestions for trips for next year.</p>	
13	<p>AOB</p> <p>Pam will liaise with Paula regarding the material for the new member packs and publicity material for library sessions and Sign Up Day.</p> <p>Copies of a new Model Constitution were distributed so trustees could consider what amendments are proposed.</p>	
14	<p>Next meeting - Monday August 19th 9.30 CVS Hope Street</p>	

Signed Date