

BURTON JOYCE & DISTRICT U3A

Committee Meeting Minutes 13/2/26

1. Apologies sent from Dave Hoskins, Colin Berry Graham Wood and Rupert Williams
2. Minutes of the previous meeting accepted.
3. Matters Arising: AM proposed that action points be highlighted in minutes.
JW/SB
4. Treasurer reported £11.5k in account after microphone expenditure and she would transfer the £750 in the trips account to Deposit Account **JK**
5. Anna reported that a proposed new Pickleball group would be put on hold for the time being.
6. Gemma reported that there only 4 people whose membership fees are still outstanding. Membership is now 400 and she proposed a new members welcome event after the March meeting. **GG**
7. Beacon system has been updated and Anna amended it so that addresses were visible for use by GCs
8. Rupert had sent an email alerting committee to necessity of confirming future speakers. He has offered to continue until Christmas: **MD TO CONFIRM** It was agreed that November meeting would be a singer proposed by Rupert and that Christmas would be a quiz adopting Gemma's suggestion of a request to all groups to supply a few questions. **MD TO LIAISE WITH RUPERT**
9. Elaine reported that 10 Pin Bowling was the next event. The current minibus provider is no longer available and she is pursuing Acorn as an alternative. **EB** It was agreed that Elaine's title would change to Social Secretary and Outings to better reflect her role. **JW/SB/GG**
10. Alan confirmed that Graham's name had been removed as Business Secretary and replaced by Gemma's with both email and phone links redirected to Gemma. It was agreed that Alan would ask in the next Newslines for all members to check their phone nos etc with u3a records. **AC**
11. Succession Planning an ongoing necessity. Suggestion made to raise at new members' meeting and identify potential interest. **GG**
12. 13 and 14 are linked. Anna detailed a specific problem at Line Dancing which had been very difficult to deal with. Less serious issues had been encountered at Aerobics. Whilst advice could be sought from u3a HO, it was felt that we need to be mindful of how our actions could be misinterpreted. The importance of conversations being witnessed and supported by another committee members was stressed by MD. Unplanned attendance at some groups is also a problem, especially where groups are full and lack of communication about non attendance at groups is both disrespectful and stressful for GCs. The website makes the protocol clear as does information given out in new members' packs.
AC/JK/GG

15 October event will be a disco on 2nd October. It was agreed to book Freddie Vokes and ask him to sing too for agreed price of £200. 8pm start. **JK to confirm booking.**

16. The Village Hall has been booked for 5th June for a Quiz. Hall booked from 4pm for set up with a £5 ticket price. **JK to arrange promotion from March**

17. Jackie summarised her research into possibility of changing constitution. It was agreed that she should check with the Third Age Trust whether the 9 year rule is set in stone. It was proposed that this would be carried forward as an agenda item for the next meeting. **JK/MD**

18. Anna confirmed that the ADHD talk would go ahead and she would confirm with the speaker and Rupert who will organise the event **AM/RW**

A First Aid training event will be investigated for April/May **CS**

19. D Yates to be informed that his Christmas Quiz was at the right level but we have new plans for Christmas 2026 (see item 8) **MD**

20. The enquiry about discounts will be responded to politely in the negative. **MD**

21. As there was no offer of storage for the display boards, Alan agreed to take them.

22. Radio Mic system a great improvement. Warranty to be copied to JK. **MD**

23. AOB JK reported back from the Village Hall Committee: there is a continued problem with parking and users must be instructed not to park at the front of the building; those GCs who use the hall to be given training on the use of the Fire Alarm and Fire Drills; request for lighting at the front of the building to be fixed, and for the side passage to be cleared of weeds. **JK to contact Hazel of the VH**

BJu3a AGM will move to October and Gemma will act as Business Secretary until a replacement is found.

24. Date of next meeting **TUESDAY 24TH MARCH. MD to investigate use of Carnarvon Rooms as an alternative - Carnarvon Rooms now booked.**