Hucknall and District u3a. Minutes of the Executive Committee held via Zoom on Wednesday 3rd of February at 10,00 am

1 Apologies for absence were received from Sandra Green (Minutes’ Secretary) and Philip Attenborough (Equipment Manager)

2 In Attendance were David Rose (Chairman), Melvyn Francis (Vice Chairman and Short Course Coordinator), Dianne White (Speakers’ Secretary), Dianne Heenan (Member), Greg Umney (Membership Secretary}, Angela Cornish (Webmaster), Mark Jackson (Business Secretary), Christine Berrill (Treasurer), Siobhan Lee (Groups’ Coordinator), Barrie Saunders(Member)

3 Minutes of the last meeting.

These were accepted as a true record.

4 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

5 Groups’ Coordinator.

Siobhan reported that Craft Group one was now using a dedicated Facebook page. Some other groups are continuing to use Zoom to keep in touch.

6 Speaker’s Secretary

Dianne White and Diane Heenan reported that plans are in place for the Monthly Meetings in February, March and May with April still being planned.

February will see a talk on Poisons and Medicines.

Angela asked to be given full details so that she could put the information on the website.

A short discussion took place regarding other future speakers.

7 Social Sub-Committee

Three events are planned for 2022 in April, June and September. Ideas for possible events for later this year will be discussed at the next meeting

8 Webmaster.

Angela reported over three thousand visits to the site in the last month.

A number of likes had been registered on the Facebook page

Angela would welcome information to go on the website

9 Treasurer

Christine said that the accounts show very little change in the finances and that she is using the Post Office following the closure of Barclays Bank in Hucknall.

Membership cheques were coming in steadily.

10 Equipment Manager

All the equipment is still securely locked away.

11 Short Course Coordinator.

Melvyn reported that a new monthly film series will start in February. The first film being “The Quiet Man”

12 Membership Secretary.

Greg reported that renewals currently stand at 305 but continue to increase daily.

A reminder letter will go out shortly thanking those who have renewed and reminding others that they have until March 1st to renew.

The renewals are split between cheques (163) and Paypal.

Greg thanked Mark for his help with the process.

13 Business Secretary

Mark summarised the recent Notts Network meeting and that in common with most charities our proposed constitutional change to formally allow electronic meetings will be an item at the A.G.M.. Mark had contacted National Office over this issue

Mark reported that Beacon fees will not increase this year.

Mark outlined the communications that he had held with the National Office regarding changes to our constitution to allow virtual meetings including the AGM

14 A.O.B.

Dianne White reported that the River Cruise planned for this year has now been put back to 2022. Thirty one members will be attending.

David has asked John Tedstone to report back to members on his work on the High Street project

The meeting closed at 11.15. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday March 3rd at 10.00am