**Minutes of Hucknall & District u3a Committee Meeting-**

**JGC on Wednesday 3rd September 2025 at 10 am.**

**Present: :** Tina Holmes, Gary Holmes, Bob McEwan, Kevin Varey, Liz Attenborough, Sue Tedstone, Melvyn Francis, Greg Umney, John Pretty, Lynda Smeathers. Sue Jackson (mins secretary)

**1. Apologies**: Christine Eagle

**2. Minutes of Previous Committee Meeting**: Signed and agreed

**3. Matters Arising from the Minutes**: The ‘Not So Grumpy Old Men’ are keeping their original name having now amalgamated with ‘The Grumpy Old Men’.

BM Flyers – the H&D u3a advertising flyers have been printed and are now available. A few laminated A4 posters have been produced also and will be placed in appropriate places such as the Library and Tescos. **BM to investigate price for large pull up stand and compare with TAT cost for a similar stand from their website.**

**4. Chair:**  Last month’s action points – the Death of a member notification has been done and will be placed in the next Newsletter as planned. ST action is currently ongoing. BM flyers are all sorted (as detailed above)

**5. Vice Chair**: The new signatories have received cards and card readers. **GH has offered to do some training for the new signatories shortly.**

**6. Business Secretary**: Policy review – The Data and Protection policy was circulated pre-meeting for review. The Committee agreed to the Policy.

**7. Membership Secretary**: Monthly report – 502 Members; 461 Full, 26 Associate, 15 Affiliated.

Temporary members - pay a fee of £1 – the Committee agreed that this fee should stay within the group leaders’ funds.

GU requested to drop the New Members fee to £15 (removing the admin fee) because we are now within 6 months of the renewal date. The Committee agreed to the price reduction, as this is standard practice.

**8. Treasurer**: Monthly report - report circulated pre-meeting – points of note from GH: YTD surplus is circa £500. A payment of £150 has been received from Barclays as compensation for difficulties with the mandate change. No concerns in this month’s accounts to report.

**9. Webmaster**: Updates and Statistics – Website Visitor numbers are 722 which is up about 13% from last month and Website views 2657, down about 2% from last month.

An invoice for a one-off fee of £12 for ‘consultancy’ has been received, this was unexpected. After discussion the Committee agreed to pay for this as the service and help provided while upgrading the website was very good.

JP –asked the Committee for their thoughts on keeping all the old Photos. **JP to investigate costs of pen drives for archiving the old photos.**

LS – Only photographs with people in are put in the Photo Gallery on our website, any photographs for the Photo Gallery should be sent to the Webmaster directly.

**10. Any other business**:

**ST** next Group Leaders meeting cannot be held in October as usual due lack of availability at JGC, the next available date would be 30th January 2026. ST will investigate holding a food only event at Tee House or the Legion in October. **ST to investigate venue options and associated costs, LA to assist in arrangements.**

**MF** asked if the SSC positions have been advertised? **TH to contact SCC to find out requirement/wording for an advert.**

Saturdays Market Square event (Rotary day) is all organized.

**JP –** JP has been notified of a gift aid error in which on-line new membership via Beacon automatically applies ‘Gift aid’. GH pointed out that this is a problem for Beacon to resolve as we have no control over that website, also, this does not affect H&D u3a as we do not use Beacon online for new members.

**TH via CE -** August Members Meeting talk by emics (East Midlands Immediate Care Scheme) raised £362.02 for the organisation. We have received a ‘Thank You to the H&D u3a Members’ certificate for donating the money.

**GU-** A new members meeting will be arranged shortly.

Meeting finished at 11:08am

**The next Committee meeting will be held at the JGC on Wednesday 1st October at 10.00am**