

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
OF THE TETBURY AND DISTRICT BRANCH OF THE U3A  
HELD ON MONDAY 15TH NOVEMBER, 2021 AT 11.45AM AT THE  
GOODS SHED, TETBURY.

1. WELCOME:

Members were welcomed by the Chair.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies for absence were received from :

Liz Angela  
Veronica Barford  
John Latter  
Rosemary Latter  
Jane Stride  
Jane Haines  
Fiona James  
Dorothy Holland  
Julia Walter  
Anne Cox  
Saleah King  
Jan Hardy  
Caroline Langston  
Philip Langston

3. ANNUAL REPORT:

The Chair reported on the past year. She thanked Members for their support over the past year with all its difficulties. Some groups had been able to meet via Zoom and some, when permitted, outside in limited numbers. Group Leaders had worked hard to keep Members in touch.

Membership had fallen over lockdown but had now built up to 241 and was increasing. The Tetbury and District branch was growing and prospering.

The Annual Report by the Chair is available in full on the web site.

#### 4. TREASURER'S AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND REPORT:

The Treasurer said that it had been a quiet year, for obvious reasons, so expenses had been low, although some Zoom Speakers still had to be paid.

Whilst it was not required by Law, it was considered best practice that Accounts should be audited by a qualified person who could be a Member, but not on the Committee. The Accounts had, therefore, been audited, not only for the past year but for the previous year also. Thanks were extended to the Auditor, Julian Upton.

The Treasurer explained that, at the start of the year, payment per Member had to be made to the National Office, calculated on the membership for the previous year. In addition, allowance had to be made for the hire of the Goods Shed and for Speakers before receipt of the annual subscriptions. An appropriate sum of money had therefore to be in hand each year to ensure viability. Some branches had closed during lockdown due to lack of funds in hand.

The Treasurer thanked Jeremy Iles North and Stephanie Dale for the donation of over £500 they had made to the branch following sale of the plays they had written for the Play reading Group and subsequently sold widely throughout the u3a.

A vote was put to the Members that the Accounts should be accepted and it was unanimously voted:

THAT THE ACCOUNTS AS AUDITED FOR THE PAST YEAR BE DULY ACCEPTED.

#### 5. ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE:

The Chair explained that, under the Constitution, officers and members of the Committee had to be elected each year. Eight Committee members who were not officers were allowed and these could be elected en bloc.

##### (A) MEMBERS:

The following members had been proposed and seconded as members of the Committee:

Bernadette Bell

Audrey Hateley

Gail Moss

Judith Walker

A vote was put to the Members that the above Members should be elected to the Committee and it was unanimously voted:

THAT THE ABOVE-NAMED MEMBERS BE DULY ELECTED TO THE COMMITTEE.

The constitution allowed for co-opted Members throughout the year and the Chair asked that anyone interested in joining the Committee should get in touch with her at any time.

(B) OFFICERS:

Anita Stride had been proposed and seconded for the position of Vice Chair.

A vote was put to the Members and carried unanimously:

THAT ANITA STRIDE BE DULY ELECTED AS VICE CHAIR.

The current Treasurer, Douglas Looman, had expressed a wish to resign and Alan Harris had agreed to take on this role. Douglas was thanked for the considerable time and expertise he had extended on our behalf in the past.

Alan Harris had been proposed and seconded for the position of Treasurer.

A vote was put to the Members and carried unanimously:

THAT ALAN HARRIS BE DULY ELECTED AS TREASURER.

Lawrence Moss had been proposed and seconded for the position of Business Secretary.

A vote was put to the Members and carried unanimously:

THAT LAWRENCE MOSS BE DULY ELECTED AS BUSINESS SECRETARY.

The Vice Chair then announced that Carmel Burton had been proposed

and seconded for the position of Chair.

A vote was put to the Members and carried unanimously:

THAT CARMEL BURTON BE DULY ELECTED AS CHAIR.

The Chair then announced that it was necessary to confirm the Auditor in his position and that it had been proposed and seconded that Julian Upton should be confirmed as Auditor.

A vote was put to the Members and carried unanimously:

THAT JULIAN UPTON SHOULD BE CONFIRMED AS AUDITOR.

A request had been made on the web site for questions on any matters but none had been forthcoming. There were no questions from the floor.

The Chair therefore declared the Annual General Meeting at a close and once again thanked Members for attending.