

**Extra-Ordinary Annual General Meeting of the
South Solihull U3A held on Monday, 14 December 2020 via Zoom**

Due to the exceptional circumstances that we have experienced this year following the COVID 19 lockdown, it was not possible to hold our Annual meeting on Monday, 13th May 2019. Therefore, the Financial Statement, Minutes of the last Annual Meeting, together with the Chair's Report have been circulated to all members via email with an invitation to join the AGM via Zoom (with thanks to John Eveson for organising the distribution of papers). Also accompanying the papers was an Addendum to the Constitution of the South Solihull University of the Third Age dated 14th December 2020. Members were asked to consider the documentation circulated and if they wished to raise a query, to contact the Secretary prior to the AGM. No queries were received prior to the meeting.

The Chair welcomed 26 members who had joined the AGM. Apologies were received from Mary Ing, Pam and Paul Latham, Ken & Anne Thompson, Helen and Paul Woodcock and Marjorie Stubbs.

The minutes of the AGM held on the 13th May 2019 together with the Annual Accounts, having been circulated to members, and there being no queries raised, were approved by a show of hands of those members present.

The members also approved the Chair's report by a show of hands.

The meeting was then briefed on the Election of Officers and the Committee. It was confirmed that Kris Clark, Pam Latham and Marjorie Stubbs were standing down from the Committee. Helen Clarke was stepping down from her role as Chair but would remain on the committee and was happy to take up the role of Membership Secretary. John Eveson was stepping down from his role but would continue to have responsibility for the web site. David Hunter had also indicated that he would be happy to take up the role of Group Co-ordinator support.

The meeting then considered the position of Chair. Members were informed that it was possible to appoint a new Chair from the general membership and that Malcolm Clark had expressed an interest in this role. Following discussions John Eveson proposed Malcolm Clark be appointed as Chair and this was seconded by Richard Walton and approved. The remaining committee were happy to stay in post for the current year.

The Committee for 2020/2021 will be:

Chair – Malcolm Clark; Secretary - Pat Middleton; Treasurer - Jan Ashcroft;
Membership Secretary - Helen Clarke; Group Co-ordinator support - David Hunter;

Website - John Eveson; Speaker Secretary - Peter Hunt; Richard Walton and Rosemary Wisker.

Malcolm thanked the committee for their continued support and looked forward to attracting more members to take up the vacant places on the committee. He thanked all members present for their support now and in the coming months.

Richard Walton then briefed the meeting on the proposed amendment to the Constitution. When looking through paperwork and the Constitution, a number of oversights were found which have been in place from the very beginning when the SSU3A was formed and to rectify this, members present were asked to approve the Addendum to the Constitution of the South Solihull University of the Third Age dated 14th December 2020 circulated previously. By a show of hands this was approved unanimously by those present.

Under AOB members asked if there were any plans for the new year. Members were hopeful that we will once again have face to face meetings but obviously this was dependent on future Government guidance. Members were reassured that as soon as it was possible to do so, a Core meeting will be arranged, and details circulated to everyone.

Rosemary Wisker proposed a vote of thanks to Helen Clarke who is standing down from her role as Chair for the past 4 years. Helen has worked tirelessly and with great enthusiasm, and her commitment and hard work has been greatly appreciated by the wider SSU3A community and the committee in particular. The committee would also like to extend sincere thanks to Kris Clark for her work as Group Co-ordinator, and to Pam Latham and Marjorie Stubbs for their contribution and commitment, they will all be missed.

There being no further business, the meeting closed.