

MINUTES OF 4th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF AUGHTON &
ORMSKIRK U3A 4th MAY 2006 AT CHRIST CHURCH, AUGHTON.

The meeting was attended by about 320 members. Alex McMinn chaired the meeting, welcomed everyone and explained that 2005 AGM Minutes had been approved, after publication, by the Committee.

(NB Items marked * denote papers attached and posted on website. Also all such are available by request).

1. Ted Morrell gave the Secretary's Report *.
2. Norman Platt explained Constitution* Changes and proposed changes in the first Resolution. This was seconded by Sue Watkinson and carried unanimously.
3. Jeff Roberts delivered the Financial Report* & Accounts* empathising key points.
4. Resolution 2 that the Finance Report be accepted was proposed by Bob Roscoe and seconded by Marguerite McBride and carried unanimously.
5. Resolution 3 that the Accounts be accepted was also proposed by Bob and seconded by Stan Bryan and carried unanimously.
6. Alex McMinn delivered the Groups Sub-Committee report*.
7. Stan Bryant the Publicity Sub-Committee report*.
8. Ted Morrell the Social Sub-Committee report*.
9. Alex McMinn the Sustainability Project report*.
10. Alex then delivered his final chairman's report*. (He is staying on Committee).
11. Dorothy Harrison presented gifts to Kath and Alex McMinn on behalf of the U3A after expressing our gratitude for their vision, drive, hard work and enthusiasm.
12. COMMITTEE CHANGES. Chairman Elect Geoff Maitland then took the chair. (i) Joan Colquitt, Doreen McGiveron, Ian Kelty and Roy Baxendale are retiring from Committee (but continuing other involvement in U3A). Meeting thanked them for their hard work by applause. (ii) Dorothy Harrison, Wendy Wilkinson and Sue Watkinson retired by rotation and were eligible and stood for re-election. (iii) New nominations have been received for Bob Roscoe, Chris Proctor, Beryl Campbell and Pat McKenzie. The 7 elections were proposed by Geoff Maitland and seconded by Richard Taylor. These were carried unanimously.
13. OPEN FORUM. Audrey Laird spoke with warmth about how she enjoyed the U3A and went on to ask about whether it was time we closed to new members because of pressure on numbers at some Groups. The matter will be a major item before committee at June meeting. Martin Williams was surprised Financials were not ready in advance before meeting and suggested such could be sent by email. We currently have only about 100 U3A members email addresses. The quarterly Newsletter is our main document of communication but it was also mentioned that Thursday Notices and our website will be the main means of communication Group updates etc. Members were encouraged to visit site regularly
14. A provisional date for next AGM was Thursday 10 May 2007.

The AGM was followed by an interesting and informative talk by Lin Jonas the U3A National Administrator.