

Minutes of Trustee Meeting
09.12.19 at 10.0a.m.
Ministry Centre.

PRESENT – P.Jones. A. Starkie. S. Watkinson. M.Faza. D. Fewings. M. Tomlinson

1. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. There were no Apologies
3. The Minutes of the last meeting were agreed and signed as a true and accurate copy.
4. Matters Arising – none
5. Correspondence – none

6. Treasurer's Report

The finance report to end November 2019 was given.

Session attendance fees were 12% down on last year but up on the previous year so reasonably stable.

Use of outside premises are being subsidised to the tune of £20,000 to £24,000 p.a.

It is difficult to use H.Q. to full capacity but there is scope for alteration to timing of groups.

There was discussion on attendance fees and subscriptions and conclusions of Trustees forwarded to Management Committee.

Discussion on Capital reserves. We are still awaiting statement on VAT from TAT.

Gift Aid received was £4273 and some 72% of membership subscribe to this,

7. Safeguarding

Care for vulnerable members was discussed and the Trustees felt that we as an organisation did everything we could to care for members and this would be reviewed periodically.

8. Planning and Recruitment of Trustees

Information has already been in magazine regarding this and there is a lack of volunteers to come forward as Trustees.

The Constitution could be amended to allow existing Committee members who have served the full time to continue and various considerations were put forward to be passed on to the Management Committee to ask that this be looked at with possibly a Working Party.

9. Open Forum 23.01.20 10.30 Horizons

It was decided that the smaller room at H.Q. be used for coffee and people not wishing to attend the Forum and the larger room just have chairs and no tables thereby allowing access to all interested members.

10. U3A Day 03.06.20

It was thought we should celebrate this and this to be passed to Management Committee.

11. Parking Outside H.Q.

It was thought it possible to adjust timing of group meetings to help alleviate this situation.
This to pass to Group Support.

12. Membership Trends

Membership appears to remain stable.

13. A.O.B.

Some discussion on use of U3A premises for non-U3A activities and that should this occur it should be financed by the users and not U3A.

Discussion on whether or not to move Speaker Meetings to a different venue. This to be passed to Management Committee.

Date of next meeting Monday 9th March, 2020 at 10.00 a.m. in the Ministry Centre