

**AUGHTON & ORMSKIRK u3a**  
**Registered Charity No. 1105255**  
**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
**THURSDAY 29<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2023 at 11am**  
**MINISTRY CENTRE**

Members present: **102**

**1 Opening remarks**

John Tomlinson (Chair) opened the meeting by welcoming everyone, thanking them for coming and confirming that more than 100 members were in attendance so we had a quorum and the meeting could go ahead.

**2 Apologies**

Apologies had been received from several members and recorded by the Secretary.

**3 To approve minutes of previous EGM of 21<sup>st</sup> July 2022**

Approved

**4 Matters Arising**

None

**5 Chairman's/Trustees' Report**

John Tomlinson (Chair) gave a report highlighting:

- 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our u3a this year
- Finances are in a healthy state
- Approximately 1600 members with 70+ groups
- Volunteers are needed to step forward into roles, particularly IT and Finance where they can shadow existing incumbents
- Thank you to all current volunteers

**6 Treasurer's Report**

Derrick Fewings (Treasurer) gave a report highlighting:

- Accounts for the year ending 31/03/2023
- What we owed and what we'd paid up front at the 31/03/23 snapshot in time
- Thanked John Tomlinson for all his work as Deputy Treasurer
- Call for someone to shadow Derrick with a view to taking over the position of Treasurer

### 3 Resolutions

1. To approve 2022/23 accounts – **Approved**
2. To appoint JVSA as independent examiners for the 2023/24 accounts – **Approved**

### 4 Election to the Management Committee of existing members (who will remain Trustees)

Approved – Management Committee members were thanked for their work during the year.

### 5 To approve an amendment to the constitution to include the power to appoint Honorary Life President/Vice President(s)

Approved

### 6 To approve the appointment of Jeff Roberts, Ted Morrell and Sue Watkinson as Honorary Life Vice President(s) as an acknowledgement of the exceptional service given to Aughton & Ormskirk u3a.

Approved

### 7 Open Forum / Questions

**Investment Bonds** - Mia Faza asked for more detail on the bonds that some of the funds are invested in. The Treasurer said they were with United Trust Bank, all 1 or two year terms (set to mature at different times) and all are protected by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme. MF was happy with the answer.

**Membership Numbers** - Alan Starkie asked whether we were happy with the current membership numbers and whether we should actively recruit from the local community. John Tomlinson said he'd take the topic to the Management Committee.

**Membership Fee** – Willem Wiechers asked what the subscription fee would be for the next year. John Tomlinson said the Management Committee had agreed to keep it at £15 and asked for a show of hands in the room. Approved.

### 8 Chair's closing remarks

John Tomlinson thanked everyone for coming and wished everyone well for the coming year.

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