

**Minutes of Warsash u3a Committee Meeting held on Friday,
11th July 2025 at 10.30am in the Newbury Room, Victory Hall**

- 1. Present:-** Catherine Hallam(CH), Rosemary Scott(RS), Laurie Page(LP)
Jenny Hamer(JH), Bob Goodson(BG), Audrey Sawdon(AS), Christine
Matcham(CM), Sue Pearce(SP), Rob Johnson(RJ), Pauline Hill(PH),
Lorraine Sexton(LS)

Apologies:- Kumi Coulthard(KC)

CH welcomed the Committee to the meeting.

2. Minutes of Meeting held on 13th June 2025

These were read and approved by the Committee and signed by CH.

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes

To put in the Newsletter a note that proposed new members can attend one monthly meeting and one Group meeting. To attend a Group meeting they must contact the Group Leader and not sign in the appropriate sheet.

CH has printed a leaflet outlining the u3a which will be on display at this afternoon's meeting.

AS will email the number of members attending meetings.

After a lengthy discussion the following points were raised:-

- Have overhead photos of a Group activity and someone to talk about that Group – perhaps half-yearly.
- Put this on the website.
To have a session/workshop on using PowerPoint.
- Ask Pam Benson if an extra box could be added to the Newsletter.
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4. Treasurer's Report - KC

In the absence of KC the report, which had been distributed to members prior to the meeting, was agreed.

5. Membership Secretary's Report – BG

There are now 325 members. After the Warsash Fair it is hoped new members will join.

6. Group Leader's Report – CM

CM had received an email regarding a Bridge Club to be held at Locks Heath. After discussion it was decided to announce the details of the Club after the u3a notices at this afternoon's meeting and to put a notice on the steps of the stage for members to read at tea time.

Quiz Group – 65 members have signed up. JH mentioned that the Silver Fern PH had kindly offered for a quiz night to be held once a month purely for Warsash u3a. There is also a possibility of holding one at the Jolly Farmer and the Hook.

7. Speaker's Report – JH

The speaker for August is Trevor Rutter on Billy the Kid and other Bad Eggs. Speakers are booked for the remainder of 2025 and except for next January, which is our anniversary, the whole of 2026.

8. Refunds to members unable to attend event

RS – if someone cannot go there is a waiting list. As the member has to be covered by the u3a insurance policy, a member wishing to replace another member for an event must pay any relevant money to the u3a Treasurer and not to the member they are replacing. The exception to this rule is if money is paid to an organisation outside of the u3a eg Angela's Tours.

9. Warsash Fair Report

This was very successful and it was nice to have a chat and talk to the public. It is hoped to have a few new members. On this note RS mentioned a "buddy" system whereby new members have someone to help them integrate into the various Groups on offer. CM will bring this up at the Group Leaders' Meeting.

10. Update of Chair and Vice-Chairs Meeting

The following points were discussed:-

- Have a separate table for the tea and biscuits?
- A table for stand-up information which will be more obvious to see than laying flat.
- Anyone who is retired, not working full time or no longer working is welcome to join the u3a.
- A new u3a guidance leaflet to be printed.
- CH has spoken to a partner at Brook Lane Surgery regarding social prescribing.
- Transport for members who would like to come to meetings but are unable to attend due to a disability.

11. Any Other Business

We have to be out of the hall by 4.00 pm today.

RJ will let the Committee have a list of other u3a Groups in the area and their membership fees. Members who sign up for events but have no email address to contact them.

12. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Friday, 8th August 2025, at 10.30 am in the Newbury Room, Victory Hall.

Agreed.