

**Minutes of Warsash u3a Committee Meeting held on Friday,
14th November 2025 at 10.45 in the Newbury Room, Victory Hall**

Present: - Catherine Hallam(CH), Rosemary Scott(RS), Laurie Page(LP),
Kumi Coulthard(KC), Jenny Hamer(JH), Bob Goodson(BG),
Christine Matcham(CH), Audrey Sawdon(AS), Sue Pearce(SP),
Rob Johnson(RS0), Pauline Hill(PH), Lorraine Sexton(LS)

CH welcomed the Committee to the meeting.

Minutes of the Last Meeting

These were agreed and signed by CH.

Matters Arising from the Minutes

There were no matters arising.

Treasurer's Report – KC

The Statement of Account had been emailed to all members prior to the meeting.

KC mentioned the difficulty of reconciling balances as members are continually paying into the account. As from 31st December the Post Office will no longer take cheques. There have been a few minor changes. George Pickburn has suggested a wording for the members to Gift Aid their membership or retract this if they are no longer eligible.

KC emphasised members should not pay their subscription fee before January 2026. At the December meeting to push the importance of Gift Aiding - there will be forms at the back of the hall.

Membership Report – BG

We have three new members who came to last month's meeting making a total of 345.

Group Leader's Report – CM

Judith Sims(JS) has started a Mayflower Theatre Group and Nick Hammond will be starting an AI Group in January. Groups are well attended. Potential new members can attend an initial monthly meeting and then either two monthly meetings, two group meetings (having informed the Group Leader that they wish to attend), or one group meeting and one monthly meeting.

Group Matters

RJ enquired when our Financial Year began – the 1st January when our membership year commenced or 6th April? KC – the 1st January.

Speaker's Report – JH

Dawn Gracie, a Vintage Entertainer, is the speaker this month.

10th Anniversary

CH – there will be a £5 charge per person to help cover the cost of the afternoon tea. An invitation will be sent out to all members. Bob Duckmanton, the first chairperson, to be invited as a guest. To have early members memories of Warsash u3a at its inception on tables.

JM is happy to collect the replies and to check whether they are fully paid up members.

Chair's Discussion Points

Newsletter- can Group Leaders be persuaded to encourage members to provide articles for the Newsletter.

December Meeting – JS has offered to organise mulled wine, mince pies and shortbread.

Any Other Business

The Warsash Festival will be held on 4th July 2026.

BJ asked the Committee for Katherine Kanji to be deselected when sending emails to all the members. This was agreed.

SP - there was again a discrepancy when paying a MOTO lunch bill and Tony Jackson paid the underpaid amount. It was agreed by the Committee that this payment should come out of the group's concerned funds and not u3a finances.

To put in the Newsletter the whereabouts of the defibrillator and to repeat this every two months.

Date of next Meeting

This will be held on Friday, 12th December at 10.45 in the Newbury Room.