

## Minutes of the Great Glen Committee Meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> May 2020

**Present:** Robert and Patricia Mansfield, Janet Fanko, Roger Edwards, Lynda Williams, Rachael Snashall, Bill Maxted, John Johnson, Stella Orbell and Elaine Batchelor.

**The Minutes of a Meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2020** were agreed as a correct record.

- 1. Matters Arising:** Instead of sending out the full time table it was agreed to produce a list of available groups and contacts with indications of which were 'meeting' at present. A full timetable remains on the website.
- 2. Membership Matters:** (Paper B attached)

Still some members have not renewed. This will be reviewed when the period of grace runs out at the end of June.

- 3. Finance matters:** (Paper C attached)

- 50 p interest from CAF Bank is expected at the end of the year!
- Elaine does not need the new committee member 'trustee pack'.

- 4. Analysis of Attendances:** (Paper D)

- All queries had been answered by the treasurer - see paper.
- How the various groups will react to a re-start of their activities only time will tell. It was felt that the manner of the re-start would be crucial - enthusiastic, welcoming etc.

- 5. AGM arrangements:**

- Peter Russell, webmaster, reports that a number of people do not open their emails. This may be because of technical problems or change of email address or some other reason. (He identified 30 names of those who had not opened their April Newsletter). This is a significant number with regard to the AGM papers being sent out. Committee members are to ring those concerned after Peter has identified them as not seeing the AGM papers.
- We will do our best to answer any questions received with regard to the AGM information.
- The actual AGM meeting will be committee members only.

- 6. Beacon Update:**

- A number of group leaders have not yet asked for access. The benefits are not very clear to them especially as many are not meeting at the moment.
- Familiar names. So far about 4 people have been identified as using a different name for emails as compared with daily use. These are to be substituted but changed back on Beacon for Gift Aid purposes.
- Names of group members not so far on Beacon could probably be put on by a third party. Bill to ask Peter re this possibility.

## **7. Sustaining Engagement and Wellbeing:**

- Discussion took place as to the requirements needed to re-start groups when and where this is possible. Leaders may need to think things through bearing in mind social distancing. Kitchen will not be available.
- Couples will be able to sit together. Table Tennis could play singles. Various other options discussed.
- The back room at the village Hall might provide more space. John to look into this.
- Who is being supported by the U3A? Are leaders in touch with their group members?

**Room Bookings.** It was agreed to wait for a government announcement before making further plans.

## **8. Network Matters/ Correspondence:**

- No Network correspondence.
- After discussion it was decided not to purchase U3A diaries this year due to payment and distribution difficulties.

**9. Newsletter:** Lynda described the reduced content of the May Newsletter which will be either emailed as normal or posted together with AGM papers to those without internet access.

## **10 Other Business:**

- All U3A members resident in Great Glen have been offered a free V.E. Day Tea! Military History has signed up all G.G. members and partners for this.
- June main speaker cancelled. July to be postponed if possible.

**Next Zoom Video Conference Meeting June 2<sup>nd</sup> 2020 2.15 p.m.**