



LLANDRINDOD WELLS & DISTRICT U3A

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 8 MARCH 2010.

Present: 75 Members.

Opening remarks: The Chairman of the Committee, Gareth Davies, welcomed all present to the meeting with a special welcome to new members and thanked members for the very good attendance at all of the meetings held during another successful year with excellent speakers. Thanks for which was conveyed to Patsy Godfrey in obtaining such a high calibre of speakers. Congratulations and best wishes were also conveyed to her on her nomination to the Third Age Trust National Executive Committee and the work she is undertaking as Trustee for Wales.

Interest groups are also flourishing with 3 additional new groups having been formed in recent months. Thanks were conveyed to all the Co-ordinators for leading the Interest Groups which greatly enhances membership of U3A. The invitation was extended for anyone wishing to start a new group to contact any officer or member of the Committee.

In March of last year, work commenced on forming a website under the guidance of David Coulson. This was kept in abeyance pending recovery from his illness. He was not able to continue because of his ill health and in December Martin Harvey agreed to undertake this work for which grateful thanks were accorded for his invaluable help. The meeting was informed that the website is not quite ready but it is hoped to be functioning in a few weeks.

A highlight of the year will be the forthcoming Key Lecture to be given by Sir Roy Strong, D.Lit., Ph.D., FSS on 31 March. A tribute and thanks were given to the Sub-Committee in organising this event as an excess of 400 tickets have been sold with members of other U3As coming from all quarters of the Principality.

Thanks also to be conveyed to the retiring committee member, Sue Margrave-Jones, who has been instrumental in forming two new interest groups – Golf and Indoor Bowls.

Gareth Davies gave his thanks for having been given the opportunity to act as Chairman for the past year having enjoyed the experience and for the support and encouragement received. He also wished to personally thank the officers and committee members for all their work and support throughout the year.

1. Minutes of the AGM held on Monday, 9 March, 2009. Fay Ramsden proposed and Max Booker seconded that these be adopted. All agreed

2. Matters arising from the Minutes: No matters arising.

3. Treasurer's Report. As per written statement which was circulated to the meeting by the Treasurer, Mr. Barrie Finnemore. There were no questions on the Treasurer's report. Robert Bevan proposed and Freda Horsfield seconded that the report be accepted. All agreed.

4. Election of Officers and Committee Members for 2010/11:

From nominations received the following Officers and Committee Members were unanimously elected for 2010/11:

- (a) *Chairman:* Penny Everett
- (b) *Vice-Chairman:* Peter Dummer
- (c) *Treasurer:* Barrie Finnemore
- (d) *Programme Secretary:* Patsy Godfrey
- (e) *Membership/Committee Secretary:* Ann Parkhouse
- (f) *Committee Members:* Ann Harvey, Jane Malvern, Fay Ramsden

Gareth Davies wished the officers and committee the very best for the coming year.

(5) Appointment of Examiner of Accounts: It was agreed that Mr. Martin Nosworthy be appointed to examine the accounts.

(6) Any other business: None.

The incoming Chairman, Penny Everett, thanked Gareth Davies for all his work and commitment during the past year as Chairman and during previous years as an active member of the Committee.