

## ROMSEY & DISTRICT u3a

Charity No.1082501

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 21 MAY 2025 at 10:30 a.m.

The meeting was held in the Crosfield Hall Romsey

<b>PRESENT</b>	Tim Holmes [Vice Chair] Trisha Meredith [Secretary] Diana Blakeman [Treasurer] Jan Tudball and Jean Wilks [Membership secretaries] Margaret Marchbank [Groups co-ordinator]
<b>APOLOGIES</b>	Bob Shemilt [Chair] has moved from Romsey and not able to attend. Linda Meyer [Treasurer] 5 apologies received by email from members

	<p>The Secretary Trisha Meredith welcomed members to the AGM and explained that our current Chair Bob Shemilt had now moved house and was therefore unable to attend and chair the meeting and she would therefore take on this role today.</p> <p>Following the AGM members will hear from our speaker Chris Hall [the Manager] of Romsey Young Carers charity who will tell us about the services and support provided to young carers within the area by his team and volunteers.</p>
<b>1</b>	<p><b>Minutes of the AGM</b> held 15 May 2024 The draft minutes from this meeting together with the full Trustees Report for 2024/25 and Agenda for today were made available to members via the Romsey &amp; District u3a website and were also circulated to members via email prior to this AGM.</p> <p>By a show of hands by members present the draft minutes for 2024 were agreed as an accurate record of the AGM and could be accepted as a final copy. Trisha asked for a proposer and seconder for this.</p> <p><b>Proposed by Janet Moody</b> <b>Seconded by Ken Short</b></p>
<b>2</b>	<p><b>Matters Arising</b> No matters received</p>
<b>3</b>	<p><b>Chair's Report</b> Bob didn't provide anything further to add to the trustees report already circulated. As Vice Chair Tim Holmes thanked the committee for taking on extra responsibilities following the sad passing of our treasurer David Percival and for getting us through to year end.</p>
<b>4</b>	<p><b>Treasurer's Report</b> The full audited report was circulated to members prior to the AGM; no queries were raised. By a show of hands by members present the financial report was accepted and Trisha asked for a proposer and seconder for formal recording</p>

	<p><b>Proposed by Alan Crisp Seconded by Janet Moody</b></p> <p>Diana acknowledged the high level of funds currently in our bank account which in the main was due to the small committee only being able to put on one event during the year with putting on any events during the year which was an afternoon tea for the Group Leaders as a thank you for all the work they do facilitating their various groups and to share information relating to the use of the new website and the importance of carrying out risk assessments for their various activities. As stated in the trustees report it was agreed to reduce the membership fee this year from £15 to £5 to avoid a further increase in the bank account. Members who paid their yearly renewal via standing order were reminded to ensure this was set at the correct amount.</p>
<p><b>5</b></p>	<p><b>Secretary's Report</b></p> <p>Trisha read out her report to the meeting which highlighted another difficult year and the uncertainty of whether Romsey &amp; District u3a would even be able to continue for a further year due to the lack of volunteers to help on the committee. Thankfully we received an offer of help from Linda Meyer to take on the role of treasurer for this coming year and she also played a major role in assisting Diana Blakeman our interim treasurer with preparing the year end accounts for us and the trustees would like to thank Linda for this work. Following an email out to all members we had one member Alan Crisp come forward to take on the role of Chair for this coming year which then enabled Romsey &amp; District u3a to continue for 2025/26 and provide members with their interest groups and monthly meetings with speakers on a variety of topics. The trustees also thank Gill and Tim Bailey for organising all our interesting speakers.</p> <p>Trisha again reiterated that if any member is interested in joining the committee at any time during the year and would like to know more please do contact any of us.</p>
<p><b>6</b></p>	<p><b>Election of Trustees</b></p> <p>The list of trustees standing for election was sent out to members prior to the meeting. They were all standing unopposed and would serve for the coming year.</p>
<p><b>7</b></p>	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p>No items received from members.</p> <p>Marion Fowler on behalf of the members thanked the trustees for all their work over the past year.</p> <p>Trisha thanked everyone for attending and introduced our new Chair Alan Crisp before formerly closing the meeting at 10:45.</p>