u3a Romsey Archway

AGM 2023

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**** APPROVED at AGM on 11th APRIL 2024 ****

MINUTES OF THE 6TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY 13TH APRIL 2023 at 2.15 pm
MAIN HALL, CROSFIELD HALL, ROMSEY

The Chair welcomed the members to the sixth Annual General Meeting of Romsey Archway u3a. There were 87 members present, and 7 visitors attended.

1. **Apologies for absence.**
   The Secretary reported that 18 apologies had been received from the following members: Richard Barry, Janet Binns, Alan & Kate Douglas, Barry & Linda Drummond, Mary Hoather, Bob Jones, Linda Kaill, Kay & Dave Lovell, Denise & Richard Maxwell, Janet Moody, Kathy & Kevin Purkis, Jacqui Simmons-Jacobs, Lesley Stone and Alan & Sandra Vigar.

2. **Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 14th April 2022 (previously circulated).**
   The minutes of the 2022 Annual General meeting were approved as a correct record of last year's AGM. No comments had been raised by the members concerning the minutes (or any of the items on the agenda).

   Proposed: Andrew Bealing Seconded: Richard Crowder

   Approved by a show of hands with two abstentions.

3. **To receive the Annual Report & Accounts for 2022-23 from the Chairman (previously circulated).**
   The Chair gave a slide presentation of the highlights of the Annual Report & Accounts. The Treasurer had sent her apologies but no aspects concerning the annual accounts were raised at the meeting. The Chair confirmed that Romsey Archway u3a was in a favourable financial position with approx.. £7,500 held in the bank account. He invited members to ask any questions concerning the report but none were raised.

4. **Election of Officers and Committee for the year 2023-24 (previously circulated).**
   The Chair expressed his thanks to two outgoing committee members for their hard work and invaluable support.

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Sue Edwards, Groups Co-ordinator and Barbara Vincent, Membership Secretary had resigned after serving on the committee for several years. The incoming committee was introduced, including the two nominated committee members. All members of the 2023-24 committee had been proposed and seconded by a Romsey Archway u3a member.

The Secretary called for a motion to approve the election of the new committee, as follows:

Officers:

Chairman	Dave Green
Vice-Chairman	Andrew Bealing
Treasurer	Janet Binns
Secretary	Anita Barry

Committee:

Groups' Co-ordinator	Margaret Bealing
Webmaster	Richard Crowder
Speaker's Secretary	Judy Duncan
Development & Liaison Officer	Steve George
Social Secretary	Sue Keith
Groups' Co-ordinator	Marion Slattery
Membership Secretary	Heather Trim

Proposed: Ivor Demain Seconded: John Roe

The 2023-24 committee was unanimously approved by a show of hands.

5. **Appointment of the Independent Advisor for the accounts**.
The Chair confirmed that Pater Stuckey had agreed to audit the accounts for a further year during the current Treasurer's final year in office. It was therefore proposed that Peter Stuckey be appointed as Auditor for the Romsey Archway u3a accounts for the year 2023-24.

Proposed: Elvin Mullinger Seconded: Hilary Mitchell

Approved unanimously by a show of hands.

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6. **To approve an amendment to Clause 9 (3) and 4 (a) of the Constitution: to substitute the time referred to in those clauses to 8 weeks instead of 12 weeks. (This relates to the time permitted for the renewal of annual membership or any other fees unpaid after being due).**
The Secretary provided background to this item on the agenda and requested approval for the committee's decision to revert to 8 weeks' grace period post-COVID for the payment of membership and any other unpaid fees. She called for a vote on this motion.

Proposed: Dave Green Seconded: Lucy Crowder

Approved unanimously by a show of hands. Recorded as 87 in favour, with no objections or abstentions.

7. **Closing comments from the Chairman.**
The Chair thanked the committee for their continued support and welcomed the two new committee members. He expressed his appreciation to the members for attending the AGM and looked forward to another successful year ahead. The guest speaker was introduced and the AGM was brought to a close at 2.50 pm.

Anita Barry
Secretary
14/04/23

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