

Monmouth u3a Committee Meeting
14th February 4.30pm Bridges

1. **Present-** Val Baker, Mike Brewer, Tricia Dodd, Simon Durrant, Cherry Lewis, Averil MacDonald, Mary Ross, Diana Wilkinson
2. **Apologies** -Sue Cobourne, Estelle Stevenson
3. **Minutes of the last meeting** – agreed
4. **Action Grid** – Actions complete or in progress
5. **Laptop upgrade-** It was agreed that the u3a laptop was no longer fit-for-purpose and that we should investigate costs of buying a new one (Subsequent to the meeting it was discovered that an upgrade would be cheaper and meet all our requirements and it was agreed by correspondence to proceed with this)
6. **Joint report** -Agreed
7. **Coffee mornings-** Until further notice coffee mornings will be held upstairs at Coffee #1. The website has been updated with this information.
8. **New members meeting** -date set for 16th February 10.00am till noon. A reminder note will be sent
9. **TAT insurance-** We have had a response about the insurance excess confirming that individual u3as are responsible for covering this
10. **Easter Party** – It was agreed that the Easter party would go ahead on 19th April in place of the members meeting. There would be refreshments, a quiz, an easter bonnet competition, an egg decorating competition and a Simnel cake competition. The event will be advertised in the March newsletter with a reminder being sent in mid-March.
11. **Jubilee Party-** It was agreed to hold a Platinum Jubilee Party in place of the July members meeting but starting earlier with a lunch provided. It was hoped to hold this in a marquee in the grounds of Bridges. It was agreed that the Stan Armstrong bequest will be used to fund this. There will be advance warning in the March newsletter but at a later date we will need to get an estimate of numbers for the catering. It was agreed to have a separate meeting to discuss.
12. **Future programme-** Agreed until July (including 'Show and Have a Go' in June).
13. **Convenors meeting and news from the groups**– There will be about 30 attendees at the convenors meeting. It was agreed up to £5 per head for catering plus homemade contributions from the committee. Convenors will be encouraged to use Beacon for communicating with their groups. There had been considerable interest in a new local history group. One photography group and European History group had ceased to function. The details will be removed from the website.
14. **Website-** There will be a presentation at the convenors meeting about the importance of keeping the website up to date. It was agreed to look at how the website role interacted with other committee roles as there is currently no role profile for the website manager.
15. **Timing of committee meetings-** it was agreed to look at what time/days were most convenient for committee meetings
16. **Items for newsletter**–next month's meeting; Future programme; Easter celebration; advance warning of Jubilee celebration; S&T; cinema group; local history group; coffee mornings; independent age booklets (see under AOB)
17. **AOB- Independent Age booklets**– It was agreed that these should be made available for members to see at the March meeting with a note to this effect being put in the newsletter
Constitution- It was agreed to look at length of service of committee members specified in the constitution
18. **Date of next meeting-** To be decided (see item 15 above)

Joint Report for February 2022 committee meeting

Membership

Current membership (from Beacon 11/02)	417
January meeting (War and peace)	27 in person and 8 via Zoom

Main account

	January	Year to date
Receipts	30	3890
Payments	10	3345

	January	December
HSBC Current a/c (inc £1350 bequest)	3568	3548
HSBC deposit a/c	4325	4325
COIF	3338	3338
Total	11231	11211

Receipts and payments include uncleared
Bank figures from statements rounded to nearest pound

Lloyds main current account and deposit account- January 2022

Main account	2077
Deposit account	1000
Total	3077

Convenors Account

	January	December
Bank	3234	3833
Uncashed cheques	0	0
COIF	1604	1604
Total	4838	5437

Individual accounts

Breakdown not available this month