

2024 AGM
At Friends Meeting House Thursday 21 March

Quorum 10% (23)

In attendance: Peter Holt, Sam Lewis, Neil Sharples, Glenys Moore, Pam Walker, Anne Peller, Irene Yarnell, Hisako Robinson, Jo Longland, Sue Fodyce, Malcolm Fordyce, Alisoun Cunningham, David Thornton, John Hopkins, Kath Hopkins, Martin Pape, George Wolfe, Rosemary Wolfe, Helen Parker, John Sanderson, Liz Galanos, Judy Hinsliff, marie Howes, Jan Chappell, Martin Davey, Kate Davey, Jean Bowler,

Proxies: Jen Coffey → John Anderson; Jonathan Wicksteed → Peter Holt; Susan Park → Sam Lewis; Pat Lewis → Sam Lewis; Val Cartwright → Sam Lewis; Nigel Bartlett → Peter Holt; Phil Kirk → Peter Holt

Apologies: were received from Jane Kayley-Burgess, Phil Clarke, Jill Ormerod, Sheila Sidebottom, Steve Marsh, Alan Webb and Nigel Bartlett.

Non-members: Ann McPhie and Julia Temple.

1. **Minutes** of 2023 AGM were approved unanimously, acceptance being proposed by Hisako Robinson and seconded by John Anderson.
2. There were no matters arising
3. **Chairman's report** is appended
4. **Treasurer's report.** Approval of 2023 accounts proposed by Sam Lewis, seconded by Rosemary Wolfe and approved unanimously.

5. Election of committee members:

Kath Hopkins (Membership Secretary) proposed by Sam Lewis, seconded by Glenys Moore and elected unanimously.

Phil Clarke (Database Manager) proposed by Sam Lewis, seconded by Peter Holt and elected unanimously

There were no nominations for the office of vice chairman.

6. **Beacon initiative:** Kath Hopkins gave an account of the Beacon record system recently adopted by Bu3a.

7. **Awareness of BU3A** Peter Holt gave an account of plans for action and emphasised:
1. An initiative to launch a “Chatsworth Group” - a questionnaire was circulated to those members who wanted to join. Stress was placed upon the importance of recruiting new members to Bu3a
 2. The “Open Day” which will take place at The Medway Centre on May 21. All groups were encouraged to participate. A marketing initiative will bring this to the notice of the general public with the intention of attracting non-members to participate.
 3. A survey of members will take place over the coming weeks to investigate their “new group preferences”
8. No other business was raised but scones, jam & cream were enjoyed by all.