

Minutes of the ssu3a Annual General Meeting on Monday 12th May, 2025 at 14:00

Welcome and Apologies for Absence

Dave Willis (Acting Secretary) opened the meeting and welcomed the 73 members present. He said that the following members had offered their apologies for not being present: Anne Faulkner, Maria Brown, Hedley Gittins, Maureen Highfield-Sykes, Mary Ing, Kim Jago, Ann Murray, Betty Norris, Celia Roberts, Anita Savin, Marjorie Stubbs, David Sykes and Joan & Tony Taylor.

Minutes of the previous AGM

Reminding the members that they had recently received a copy of the Minutes of the previous AGM (held on 13th May, 2024), Dave asked if any member who had attended that meeting would propose the Minutes for adoption. Marilyn Beswick proposed; Kris Clark seconded. The Minutes were approved by all members.

Chair's Report

Dave then invited Malcolm Clark (Chair) to summarize the Chair's Report, which had also recently been circulated to all members. Malcolm did so briefly, celebrating the increase in membership over the year, the successful social activities, new Interest Groups and the improved communication to members in the form of the e-mailed Weekly Update and the new website. He also thanked the retiring Committee members, Jan Ashcroft, Helen Clark, Pat Middleton and Rosemary Wisker, and thanked all other members who help in their various ways to make the organisation a success.

Acceptance of the Chair's Report was proposed by Christine Webb, seconded by David Hunter, and approved by all members.

Approval of Accounts

Dave reminded the members that the Accounts had also been circulated in advance. Approval was proposed by Kris Clark, seconded by Jenny George, and approved by the majority of members, with one vote against.

Election of Officers

Dave explained that he would seek approval for all Officers together. Nominations had been received for Malcolm Clark as Chair, John Bennett as Treasurer and Dave Willis as Secretary. Those candidates were proposed for approval since no others had been received. The approval was proposed by Pam Hunter, seconded by Peter Hunt, and accepted by all members.

Election of the Committee

Committee nominations had been received for Charlie Plain-Jones, Terry Powderhill, Richard Walton and Brenda Watson. The election of the Committee en-bloc was proposed by Alan Webb, seconded by Dave Hunter, and accepted by all members.

Any other business

No questions or comments had been received, but following up on Malcolm's earlier speech, Dave suggested that the members present thank the four long-serving and retiring Committee Members with a round of applause, which was duly given.

There being no other business, Dave closed the meeting at 14:18.