

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 4th August 2026

PRESENT: DT, JS, RB, BB, RG, CG, MM, PS, RC.

APOLOGIES: SP

Minutes of last meeting read and signed as a true record.

MATTERS ARISING: None

EVALUATION OF JULY'S MEETING: All agreed that the July meeting was enjoyable.

Good attendance with

71 members

2 visitors

2 new members

membership now stands at 169

ARRANGEMENTS FOR AUGUST AGM MEETING:

PS door. JS and MM offered apologies as on holiday.

No raffle and no books as we are taking renewals.

RB, RG, CG, BB taking renewals. RB to provide printed lists to record renewals.

We will encourage people to sign up for gift aid.

Nibbles to be placed on the tables.

Audiovisual slides prepared by RB to go on screens. RB will control remotely from the front of the room. As per last year, the committee to sit at the front of the hall, facing the membership.

Nibbles for the day to comprise of plain crisps, cheese, straws, sausage, rolls and cakes and to offer a free from and vegan option . Dougie to put the tables out for the AGM.

Food to be placed on all the tables. The second drink to be offered before the answers are given for the quiz.

BB and DT to swap roles. DT to retain role as vice chairman.

DT has prepared five rounds to the quiz and quiz sheet for members to write their answers on. Each table will be a team and there will be a small prize for the winning table. The quiz questions will be displayed on the screen as well as Di reading them out.

RB. Confirmed that renewals will be £15, if members join in August and September, but from October onwards it will revert to £17.

We previously discussed offering a 50% discount to members recommending a friend to join our u3a. It was decided to disregard this option as it would be too complicated to administer.

LUNCH CLUB:

DT. Confirmed that Sandra Walker will arrange lunch club at Kettering golf club for August.

REPORTS:

CHAIRMAN/PUBLICITY/PROGRAMME:

RB. Reported that if you're a member you can do a bank transfer for renewals. RB has put bank transfer details online and a link for people to ask to pay via card online.

RB reported that he had circulated a questionnaire for members and the result was that a request came back for groups for short walks, crocheting, historical houses visit ,and pop in session locally in the evening .

TREASURER:

RG. Main account £6,111.38.

No. 2 account £429.28.

SECRETARY/GROUPS COORDINATOR: No report

VICE CHAIR/MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY: No report

AOB. – Nothing

Date of next committee meeting: 1st September at Jane's

Signed

Date