

**Christchurch u3a Committee Meeting**  
**MINUTES**  
**Tuesday 11 July 2023**  
**Somerford ARC, Christchurch**

**Present:** John Bell (JB) (Chair) Sue Fillery (SF), John Fairbairn (JF), Kathleen Smith (KS), Eileen Lancaster (EL), Jackie Sherman (JS), Paula Watton (PW), Judy Hall (JH), ) Elaine Trayler (ET), Rosemary McCulloch  
**Apologies:** Ron Watson (RW), Helen Heatley (HH)

<p>JB welcomed Rosemary McCulloch to the meeting. Rosemary has recently moved from Australia to Christchurch and is interested in joining the u3a committee.</p> <p><b>Minutes of meeting on 9 May 2023</b> were approved and seconded by all attending</p>	
<p><b>Matters Arising</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. JB reported Vintage Brass had set up their own website and thanked EL for her support in the process.</li> <li>2. A quote of £2K has been received for replacing the Epicentre windows. Further quotes are awaited. It was agreed, that despite the cost, it is necessary to replace the windows to enhance the Epicentre as a group meeting venue. A decision regarding which quote to accept will be made at the next meeting.</li> <li>3. JB proposed that the Cu3A website should have the following documents on its website: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Constitution</li> <li>• The national u3a Constituion precedent which provides explanatory notes for the clauses</li> <li>• Policies</li> <li>• Reserves Policy</li> <li>• Financial controls document</li> <li>• Minutes of meetings</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	<b>Agreed</b>
<p><b>Chairman's Report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• JB reported the coffee mornings to launch the 23/24 Programme had been a success with new members recruited. He thanked everyone for their support.</li> <li>• It was agreed that JF would write an article about the Committee and their roles to give members an idea of how the committee runs, to encourage people to take part and bring new ideas and to fill the vacant roles. JS will send the article as a mail chimp to all Cu3a members.</li> </ul>	<b>JF</b>



**A.O.B.**

JF raised concern regarding the availability of Homelands as a venue on Saturday mornings as conflicting messages had been received. It was agreed to book Druitt Hall for the New Members meeting on 25 November.

**Date of Next Meeting** 19 September 2023 at 14.00 Somerford ARC, 20 Southey Road, Christchurch BH23 3 EH