

**Minutes of Committee Meeting**  
**Held on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2026 at 2.00 p.m. at Christchurch, Clarendon Park Road**

**Host & Chair:** Bob Collins (Chair)

**Present:** Bob Collins (Chair); Angie Barnes (Vice Chair & Membership Secretary); David Ager (Treasurer).  
Glyn Bray (Publicity); Phil Proud (Asset Keeper & Audio Visual); Pam Harrison

**Apologies:** Sue Took (Secretary, Groups & Trips Co-ordinator); Barbara Beyst (Newsletter); Cherilyn Norris

**1. Chair Business**

- a. Bob said that there had been a request from Leicester University to take part in a research project and this will be circulated to members.
- b. Bob has booked himself on to Beacon on-line training on 12<sup>th</sup> May.

**2. Secretary Business**

- a. As the Secretary was ill the updates on the charity commission were deferred.
- b. There was a discussion about what we should do to celebrate Leicester u3a's 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Cream tea on the steam train, 31<sup>st</sup> August 2026 costing £40
- c. U3a Festival 2026 is now fully booked. **ACTION SUE**

**3. Treasurer's Report**

- a. Dave Barnes has provided a one-page summary of the financial situation with David Ager.
- b. David Ager is still getting to grip Beacon & receiving tuition. **ACTION DAVE**

**4. Membership Report**

- a. Membership stands at 342 **ACTION ANGIE**

**5. Groups Report**

- a. As Sue was ill this item was deferred to discuss next month. She is still looking for an assistant.
- b. Trips during 2026 is still being considered.
- c. Beacon access for Group Conveners deferred to next month. **ACTION SUE**
- d. Avid Ager said that he may be interested in setting up a chess group.

**6. Wellbeing & Hospitality**

- a. No report given.

**7. Publicity**

- a. Glyn said that he had published the May speaker in all the usual media.
- b. He advised Phil of the speaker's requirements as regards kit. **ACTION GLYN**

**9. A.O.B**

- a. Pam has made further investigations regarding the Christmas meal at the Freemasons Hall provisionally booked Christmas Lunch at the Freemasons Hall for the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday in December. The cost would be £33 for a 3-course meal. The menu does look particularly good but Taste at Leicester college charged £23 last year, not sure how the members would react. The final decision was deferred but a decision will have to be made in May so that a firm booking can be made.

**10. Next Meeting** – is at 2pm. On Tuesday 26/05/2026, at Christchurch.

**11. Holiday Dates –**

**Phil – 20/06/26 – 28/06/26**

**Sue – 01/07/26 – 04/07/26, 17/07/26 – 20/07/26, 07/09/26 – 11/09/26, 14/10/26 – 23/10/26**

**Cherilyn – 30/05/26 – 02/06/26, 17/07/26 – 10/07/26, 05/09/26 – 01/10/26**

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11. Meeting closed at 3.45pm

APPROVED