

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF TADLEY & DISTRICT u3a

Minutes of the meeting held on 9 May 2025

Present:

Gail Biggs; Diane Carter; Jacki Cassidy; Sue Geater; Colin Hewitt (Chair) ; Tricia Kearney; Andy Imms (Minutes); Carol Phipps; Steve Sharpe; Sue Thomas

Absent:

Mike Batson; Hadassah Davis; Pam Hastie

Colin welcomed Tricia Kearney as a prospective new Committee member

Matters arising from the Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on 11 April 2025:

The bullet point, **“Andy to send information to group leaders on how to edit their group description and add photos to the website”** to be deleted. It was previously agreed that there should be one point of contact (currently Andy) for any amendments to the website as it would be impossible to train all present and future group leaders how to make changes.

Jacki has passed on to George Porter details of members who have expressed an interest in a Classical Music group.

The Wisley visit is going ahead.

Otherwise, the minutes were agreed.

Chairman's report: Nothing to report

Secretary's report: Nothing to report

Treasurer's report:

All subs are now in. Steve said that there is confusion over Lloyd's change of policy about accepting cheques and or cash.

Membership Secretary's report:

344 members have used the Beacon portal to join or renew.

Due to the confusion which arose when two members with the same email address tried to renew using Beacon, we need to encourage those members to use separate email addresses.

Membership shows as 771 on Beacon but this is not a true figure as it does not show those who have not renewed. Andy is to create a new poll on Beacon to allow the figure to be corrected.

48 new members have joined since January.

Next year there will be no open day for renewals and they will only be processed at Speaker Meetings

Any other business:

The monthly update email is to include information relating to the speaker and a reminder that the AGM is on the 17 July.

The August tea may have a '40s theme. This is yet to be decided.

As Steve is away next week, Roland will need help with setting up the PA system.

A Speaker Secretary is needed and this may be dealt with by a sub-committee, with Roland's involvement.

Andy is to clarify the instructions for Group Leaders to enable them to access Beacon and manage their group details.

Jacki asked for permission to spend some money buying new equipment for the Croquet Group. The Committee approved the request.

Date and time of next meeting:

2pm, 13 June 2025