

Minutes of the 28th Barnsley and District AGM Held on June 3rd 2024, at Priory Centre, Barnsley

1. Approximately 90 members of Bu3a attended the meeting.
(Quorate. 5% being 63 members)
2. The Chair welcomed members to the meeting
3. A moments silence was held in memory of Bu3a members who had passed away during the past 12 months.
4. There were no matters arising from the Minutes of the 27th AGM which had been published in the Spring edition of The Buzz and available on the website.
Fred Brookes proposed accepting the Minutes as a true record; seconded by Mac McKechnie. A majority of members approved the Minutes.
5. The Chair summarised her annual report, previously circulated by email and published in the Summer edition of The Buzz:
 - Volunteers at all levels within Bu3a were recognised for their invaluable contribution to sustaining and developing the opportunities for current and future members.
 - Attention was drawn to the changeover of committee membership and the ongoing need for members to volunteer to participate.
 - Membership of Bu3a has continued to rise steadily. Bu3a has attended several events around the borough to raise awareness as well as members alerting others of the value of Bu3a life.
 - Progress had been made, and is ongoing, re Activity Safety Checks and associated policies and procedures produced during the year.
 - The issue of Copyright compliance has been addressed with the production of a video, documentation and a presentation to members.
 - The variety of groups has continued to demonstrate the vibrancy of Bu3a's offer to members.
 - Several groups have been recognised for their prowess on national television, as well as regular features in local publications, and invitations to attend local and regional events and local organisations.
 - The issue of raising funds for other (unrelated) charities was addressed and a policy and procedure has been produced.
 - Bu3 is well placed for going forward. The new committee will consider priorities for the future, including how to celebrate our 30th anniversary.
 - The Chair expressed thanks to the previous Chairman for contributing to the complete report.

Acceptance of the Annual Report was proposed by Niall Clarke and seconded by Jeff Jones. A majority of members approved the Annual Report.

6. Approval of the Annual Accounts. The Treasurer spoke to the accounts as published in summer edition of The Buzz.
 - Income remains steady and reliable with a small surplus on running expenses (Income c. £69,000 v's expenditure c. £66,000).

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- Savings of about £18,000 provide a cushion against cost increases or unexpected expenditure.
- The Blue Box income is up about £5,000 on last year.
- Overall printing costs are down and membership subscriptions are up.
- Financial plan is to look at subscription rates, what investment we need in equipment and an approach to supporting Groups.
- Thanks were given to Christine and Ken Audin for their work with the Blue Boxes, and to Hilary Newton and Steven Hyner for their thorough audit of the accounts.

The approval of the Annual Accounts was proposed by June Rolfe and seconded by Chrissie White. A majority of members approved.

7. Election of Executive Committee Officers. Nominees were:

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| • Pauline Buttling | • Jo Kasperek |
| • Hannah Lucas | • Jean Embury |
| • Trudy Atkinson | • Helen Rose |
| • Helen Dew | • Jane Barry |
| • Vanda Outram | |

All the above were Proposed by Lynn Maloney and Seconded by Mac McKechnie. A majority of members approved the election of nominees.

Members were reminded that the committee have vacancies for a Vice-Chair and a Development Officer.

An Editor for The Buzz is also requested. This could be a team approach.

8. Alan Swann to continue as President of Barnsley and District u3a was proposed by Trudy Atkinson and seconded by Vanda Outram. A majority of members approved.
9. Appointing examiners for the accounts for the year ending 5th April 2025. Stephen Hyner and Hilary Newton were nominated. Proposed by Lynn Maloney and seconded by Kath Jones. A majority of members approved.
10. There were no resolutions, nor any other business previously submitted
11. Thanks were offered to Sue Stokes and Helen Simms for their work for Bu3a, both stepping down.
12. The AGM concluded at 2.10pm. The date of 29th AGM was confirmed as Monday 2nd June 2025

Minutes submitted to Executive Meeting on 28 June 2024. Passed as accurate.

Chair. Pauline Buttling.