

Hastings and Rother u3a
Minutes of 2025 Annual General Meeting
2.00pm 28th July 2025

Held at St Peter's Community Centre, Church Street, Bexhill, TN40 2HE
95 members attended the meeting which was therefore quorate.

1. Welcome

Chair of H&R u3a, Derek Hussey, welcomed members to the meeting and introduced the current committee. He asked that attendees switch off or mute their mobile 'phones.

2. Apologies for Absence

Josephine Noyce

3. Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting

The minutes of the AGM held on 2nd July 2024 which were on the website were presented as a true record of the 2024 AGM.

The motion to accept the minutes was proposed by Robert Hadland, seconded by Virginia Edwards and carried unanimously by a show of hands.

4. Matters Arising

None.

5. Treasurer's Report and Accounts

The Treasurer, Josephine Noyce was not present but she had prepared a Statement of Accounts which had been circulated. The association has been in profit every year but there is a problem with the fall in membership numbers.

In 2024 the membership was more than 600 but approximately 100 subscriptions have been lost this year – there are various reasons for this.

The acceptance of the Statement of Accounts was proposed by Lorna Couldrick and seconded by Richard Collisson.

6. Chair's Report

Derek informed the membership that H&R u3a would be moving towards accepting payments via BACS, introducing the use of a card machine and producing the summer newsletter in due course. He also noted that there were some changes and

vacancies on the committee. He welcomed newcomers and thanked the committee both past and present for their support.

7. Election of committee 2025

The following posts were elected unanimously:

Chairman:

Richard Stanton; Proposer: Derek Hussey, Seconder: Virginia Edwards

Minutes Secretary:

Janet Smith; Proposer: Lynda Wood, Seconder: Josephine Noyce

Business Secretary (Officer):

Claire Williams; Proposer: Virginia Edwards, Seconder: Richard Stanton

Newsletter editor

Sheila Dyke; Proposer: Derek Hussey, Seconder: Virginia Edwards

8. Any Other Business

Richard Stanton, the incoming chair, thanked Derek for his service to H&R u3a throughout his time as chair. Richard Stanton gave a short introduction including his background, the need for volunteers to fill current and expected committee vacancies and also to assist at u3a functions.

9. Date of next Annual General Meeting

27th July 2026