Droitwich Spa & District u3a Minutes of the 12th Annual General Meeting
Monday, 21st July 2025

1. **Apologies for Absence:**

Apologies had been received from 5 members: -
Kathleen Simmons
Ruth Morgan
Sue Thomas
Vicki Anne Davies
Marilyn Leach

2. **Chairman's Welcome**
   The Chair, Mike Bracey (572) welcomed the 134 members who were in attendance (Quorum for the meeting was 83 members, based on a membership of 550 on 21 July 2025.) Thanks were given to retiring Officers: Vice Chair John Donnelly (1049), Accessibility Officer Alan Meyrick (512) Committee member Jan Smith (899)

3. **Approval of 2023 Minutes and Matters Arising**
   The minutes of the previous AGM had been circulated by email to members prior to the meeting. These were accepted by the members present, proposed by Steve Hawley (2), seconded by Alan Meyrick (512).

4. **Charity Trustees Report**
5. **Chairman's Report**
6. **Secretary's Report**

These reports had been previously circulated and were accepted without further comment.

7. **Approval of the Accounts 2024-2025 and Treasurer's Report** The accounts had previously been circulated. Approval of the accounts was proposed by Roger Smallwood (158) and seconded by Peter Bassano (295) and were agreed by those present. Carole Smallwood (21) raised a query about the increase in the cost of Room Hire. The Treasurer, David Hibbitt (1028) said he would forward the breakdown to the Business Secretary Lesley Short (1062) to email out to the full membership.

8. **Approval of Independent Accounts Examiner**
   Margaretta Swann (782) has kindly offered her services as Independent Examiner for 2025-2026 and this was agreed and proposed by Carole Smallwood (21) and seconded by Anne Owen (666)

9. **Appeal for Candidates**
   The Chair Mike Bracey (572) appealed for candidates for the roles of Vice Chair, Accessibility Officer and Committee Members. There were no volunteers.

10. **Election of Officers**
The following nominations had been received and were agreed en block.

Chair Mike Bracey (572)
Treasurer David Hibbitt (1028)
Business Secretary Lesley Short (1062)

11. **Election of Committee**
The following nominations had been received:

Susan Ackrill (911)
Anne Everard (336)
Clare Waite (897)
Geoff Stollard (971)
Les Hazlewood (42)
Barry Tait (900)

The election of Officers and other Committee members, was agreed en block

12. **AOB**
Gay Enoch (46) kindly agreed to continue as Honorary President, and this was agreed. Thanks were given and appreciation shown to those who contribute to the smooth running of our u3a as follows:

Val Hibbitt (926) as Newsletter Editor
Barry Tait (900) as Website Administrator
Les Hazelwood (42) as Beacon Administrator.

13. **Date of Next AGM**
The next AGM will be held on15th June 2026. The meeting was then closed at 2.50 pm