# Dear u3a member,

Welcome to this latest edition of our Newsletter which is concentrating on membership renewals and our forthcoming Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 5th September.

Yes, that time of year has come around again - membership renewals. Our membership fee is £12.50 for the year 1st August 2023 - 31st July 2024.

Membership renewal forms are included with this Newsletter. You can either pay by cheque and send it by post to the Membership Secretary or bank transfer using our Beacon system. The renewal form shows how this can be done.

If you wish to pay by bank transfer you must have an email address so that your renewed membership can be emailed to you.

John Trueman, Membership Secretary

### **NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of Saffron Walden U3A will be held at Saffron Walden Baptist Church on Tuesday 5th September 2023 at 2.30 pm, or at any adjournment thereof.

#### AGENDA:

- 1. Chairman's welcome
- 2. Apologies for absence
- 3. Minutes of the previous AGM
- 4. Chairman's report for the year ended 31 July 2023
- 5. Treasurer's report for the year ended 31 July 2023 and Adoption of Accounts
- 6. Appointment of the Independent Examiner of Accounts
- Election of the Committee for 2023-2024
  - Under the terms of the Constitution, all the members of the Executive Committee, including those serving as Officers, will retire at the Annual General Meeting.
  - All Officers and Non-officer members of the Executive Committee have a one-year term of
    office and may serve not more than six terms in the same role.
  - No individual may serve more than a maximum of nine years in any combination of Officer roles or Non-Officer member, after which there must be a break of at least one calendar year.
- 8. Any other business at the discretion of the Chairman of the meeting.

#### COMMITTEE

Written nominations by a proposer and seconder will need to be sent to the Secretary at least 28 days before the AGM (i.e. by 8th August 2023).

Nomination forms are available to download from the Saffron Walden U3A website.

Only current members are entitled to attend, vote and speak at the Meeting.

Anthony Treglown, Secretary

# **Annual General Meeting**

This year's Annual General Meeting will be held at the Baptist Church on Tuesday 5th September at 2:30 pm.

Doors will open from 1:00 pm for renewing your membership, that is if you haven't already done so by BACS or by sending your cheque. You are invited to stay and attend the AGM.

Should you wish to apply to become a member of the Committee, nomination forms can be downloaded from the website. Submissions must be made to the Secretary by 8th August.

## **Next Open Meeting**

The next Open Meeting is to be held on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July at the Bowling Club in Abbey Lane, doors open at 1:45 pm for a 2:30 pm start.

We are presenting Saffron Summerfield, who was originally due to appear in February but cancelled due to ill health. Saffron is a singer and guitarist, and her talk is entitled 'Milton Keynes to Mississippi' - telling her story from a small village to international fame and recognition. Her talk will be interspersed with musical interludes showing the many different styles she has adopted throughout her successful career - sounds great!

And of course we will have the usual free raffle plus refreshments and plenty of socialising - we look forward to seeing you there.





## **Coronation Summer Concert**

Remember that the Saffron Walden u3a Harmony Choir is holding its Coronation Summer concert on Saturday 15th July from 2:00 pm on the bandstand in Jubilee Gardens.

They have a wonderful musical programme lined up for your enjoyment including tributes to The Carpenters and Matt Munro plus selections from the musicals 'Oliver' and 'The Greatest Showman'. They will be supported by the Saffron Walden u3a Ukulele group.

Come along for a great afternoon's entertainment. All donations will go to EACH, East Anglian Children's Hospice.