

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE NETWORK OF u3as
MINUTES OF THE NOTTS NETWORK MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 24TH JULY 2024 AT 10am
AT ST PETERS RAVENSHEAD

<u>PRESENT:</u> =	Maria Gabrielyczk Vice Chair and Newsbites Sue Blackley Secretary, Margot Gale Network contact Jean Hogg Treasurer John Lewis Regional Trustee, Paco Saucedo Officer Carole Harrison PSG Support, Ann Lewis, Peter Shreyhane, Melvyn Francis, Valerie Wilkinson, Pat Lockett, Jane Lowe, Brian Platts, Hazel Ward, Sue Taylor, Wendy Walker, Paul Martinez, Paul Childs, Paul Harris, Ken Brown, Tina Holmes, Stella Hall, John Butler, June Hall, Ann Pinnock, Roger Hancocks, Sandra Hart
<u>ITEM 1</u>	<u>WELCOME & APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u> Maria Gabrielyczk welcomed everyone and accepted apologies from Rosie Allen, Sue Braynt, Peter Edge, Leslye Henstock, Peter Harding, Sarah Spilsbury Ged Clarke, Hazel Stenson, Nina Sedgwick, Martin Holden, Claire and Ian McGrath, Veronica Perry, Marion Edwards, Chris Niven
<u>ITEM 2</u>	<u>Minutes of meeting on APRIL 24TH and matters arising.</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The minutes were approved. • The PSG for Visits and Social Events is in abeyance as only twelve groups replied to the initial message. Margot Gale will send out another message. • We await statistics re the success of Boom Radio. Liz Drury has been contacted for further feedback.
ITEM 3	REPORTS Treasurer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The account holds a balance of £1395.60. • Lloyd's bank would like us to move to paperless statements. • Jean Hogg would like to resign as treasurer. Any interested members in the post to approach the Chair. Support Officer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The recent workshop 'Dealing with complaints' was very successful and attended by thirty members. • It is planned to hold two workshops for the network each year in May and November. Next year workshops are planned for 'Equality, Diversity and Inclusion' and Contingency planning. • There was a request for some in house support for Facebook, Instagram etc. News bites <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The next News Bites will go out on August 7th. • Please ensure article writers are aware of the guidelines. • Please send photos as attachments rather than embedded in the article.
ITEM 4	REGIONAL TRUSTEE SEE ATTACHMENT
ITEM 5	BREAK FOR COFFEE
ITEM 6	Members were given a reminder and update about the forthcoming Notts Network conference on September 21 st at the Squire Performing Arts Centre which is part of the Girls' High School in Nottingham.
ITEM 7	NOTTS NETWORK FACEBOOK PAGE – JOHN BUTLER SEE ATTACHED PRESENTATION
ITEM 8	RISK ASSESSMENTS – JEAN HOGG AND ROGER HANCOCKS SEE ATTACHED PRESENTATIONS
AOB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corporate membership for groups in Care homes was not considered as a possibility or something that we would wish to pursue. • GP surgeries can pay membership fees through a social prescribing fund. Important to remember that u3a does not provide a service. • Arnold u3a has started a Short Lawn Bowls group and would be very happy for other u3as in the network to join the group. • There is a Chairs' PSG group on Monday July 29th. • Members present were delighted to hear that Allan Walmsley has been elected as the new Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Third Age Trust. Many congratulations to Allan.
	DATE OF THE NEXT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING WILL BE ON WEDNESDAY 25th October 2023 AT 10AM AT THE CENTRE, ST. PETER'S, RAVENSHEAD, NOTTS. NG15 9FD

Chair..... Secretary..... Dated July 2024