

Ash u3a

Minutes of the 26th Annual General Meeting of Ash u3a

held on Thursday August 27th 2026 at 3.00pm at The Ash Centre, Ash Hill Road

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and reminded all attending that the 2025 minutes, agenda, Trustees and Treasurers reports and the nominations had been circulated to all members on 3 August.

Apologies for Absence were received from: Sheena Riley, Monica and Phillip Atkins, Catherine and Terry Hirst, Eileen and Derek Monds, Michelle Smith, Rosie Hampson.

1. Minutes of the 2025 Annual General Meeting

Proposed by John Pask and seconded by Paddy Inskipp that the minutes are accepted. No dissenting votes.

2. Matters Arising

None.

3. Trustees' Report

Key points: Membership rising year on year, lack of succession planning for some groups, website improvements and engagement, updated constitution, policy reviews, risk assessments and attendance registers.

The Chair thanked the following group leaders who have stood down: Monica Lock, Peter Barker, Penny Thomsett, Peter Churchley, Rod Dengate and Sandra Tilley

The Chair also thanked the following Trustees who will not be standing for re-election: Adrienne Evans, Meg Wilson, Tom Gardner, Diana Wilson and Eileen Monds.

There were no comments on the trustees report

4. Treasurer's Report

Key points: the membership fee has been raised from £10 to £11 to cover the increased cost of running Ash u3a. Members were encouraged to renew via beacon. Members wishing to receive the Third Age Matters magazine will now be required to pay for the postage.

There were some questions about the methods of payment but the Treasurer assured members that everyone would be catered for.

Post Meeting note: An email will be sent to all members detailing the new subscription details and methods of payment.

5. Updated Constitution

The updated constitution had been circulated for approval in May 2026 with subsequent endorsement by the Third Age Trust.

All voted in favour of adopting the updated Constitution. This will be signed by the trustees at the September Committee meeting.

6. Election of Officers and Committee

The nominations for the 2026 committee are:

Name	Proposer	Secunder
Graham Smith Chair	Sally Barnard	Terry Hirst
Debbie Milton Treasurer	Carol Ford	Ali Woodford
Michelle Smith Secretary	Adrienne Evans	Judith Hill
Peter Stratford Trustee	Angie Childs	Jill Gilbert
Gay Buckingham Trustee	Audrey Leftwich	Rosemary Coleman
Shelagh Kidd Trustee	Monica Lock	Susan Kiy

All voted in favour of the nominated members forming a new committee.

7. Any Other Business

The Treasurer stated that Shelagh Kidd is to be added to the Bankline approval list.

It was also noted that Adrienne Evans would be continuing in her role as the Venues Secretary.

The Meeting closed at 15:17 and there were 119 in attendance.

Signed