

ARNOLD u3a

Minutes of Committee Meeting held on Tues 10 March 2026 10.00am at

The Salvation Army, High Street, Arnold

PRESENT

Hazel Ward Chair

Viv Purkiss Vice Chair

Glynis Hunt Treasurer

Gwen Whitehouse Business Secretary/Minutes

Barbara Eustace Assistant Treasurer

Sue Matthews Groups Coordinator

Heather Roberts Committee Member

APOLOGIES John Heeson Cathy Van Baalen Tina Palingedge Kevin Fallon

1. Minutes of Last Meeting:

February Minutes approved and signed.

2. Matters Arising

Item 8 Hazel/Viv will chase change of Portal Contact

Item 9 2026 Charity Hazel/Heather to arrange for the Speaker in July to come from the Nottinghamshire Hospice.

Item 10 Hazel voted at the Election for a Council Representative. Hazel and Viv attended the Hustings.

3. Good Feedback received from Pauline Green – Speaker at March Meeting. She was very impressed with the Group Boards.

4. Glynis reported we now have a Sum Up Machine which cost £118. She has submitted our Charity Commission Annual Return.

5. Arnold Summer Fair – 20 June

Hazel has submitted an application for a stand. Viv suggested the purchase of a gazebo and that maybe we could obtain a donation towards this. Need to buy some display boards. Also to have a rota of people to be on the Stand throughout the day.

6. Publicity Poster

Viv advised there is an urgent need for a Corporate Publicity Poster to provide continuity when advertising our u3a. Group Leaders could adapt for their own Groups.

The Website, Facebook and Handbook to be used more.

7. East Midlands Region Workshop Day

Hazel reported on the Workshop Day and will send out slides and feedback to the Committee.

There are 116 u3a Groups in the East Midlands.

8. Volunteer of the Month

Discussion took place around the possibility of introducing a Volunteer of the Month picked out at the main meeting.

9. Marys Meals

The question was raised as to how the currency is collected for this Charity. Box on Reception at main meeting.

10. Vote of Thanks

Glynis thanked our Chair and Vice Chair for the excellent way in which they have raised the profile of Arnold u3a and the u3a generally.

Meeting Closed at 11.45

Date of Next Meeting 14 April 2026

*Hazel Ward*