

Odiham District u3a

Minutes of the 15th Annual General Meeting

Held at the Cross Barn Wednesday 5th November 2025

Voting was completed online ahead of the AGM

1. Chairman Ian Green welcomed the members present at the Cross Barn to the 15th AGM of the Odiham District u3a.
2. Apologies for absence were received from u3a members Christopher and Susan Fitzpatrick, Roger Booth and Viv Needham.
3. The Chairman introduced the meeting saying that the Odiham District u3a now has over 850 members.
4. The Odiham District u3a Constitution states that 10% of members must have voted in order for the results to be valid so the meeting was quorate as over 30% had voted. Four motions had been approved by the voters:
5. APPROVAL of the MINUTES OF THE 2024 AGM – Proposed by Ian Green, Seconded by Anne Murray and approved by 158 members with 11 abstentions.
6. APPROVAL of the 2024/25 ACCOUNTS – Proposed by Ian Green, Seconded by Sue Mitchell and approved by 248 members with 22 abstentions.
 - The Chairman explained that the accounting period had been extended for this financial accounting period in order to align it with the academic year going forward.
7. APPROVAL of the ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR 2025/26. Proposed by Ian Green, Seconded by Marion Sharp and approved by 261 members with 9 abstentions.

Confirmation of the Leadership team for 2025/26:

- **Chair:** Ian Green
- **Treasurer:** Albert Boniface
- **Business Secretary:** Julie Aldridge
- **Membership Secretary:** Anne Murray
- **Groups Coordinator:** Shirley Robottom
- **Beacon & Website:** Marion Sharp
- **Operations and Monthly Meetings:** Sue Mitchell

8. There were no new motions put forward and no members offered to join the Committee.
9. The Chairman said the following “Thank You’s” and “Welcome” to:
 - Gill Harden who is retiring from the Committee after 7 years and her position as Groups Coordinator – Gill was presented with a bouquet.
 - Chris Gotla, also retiring from the Committee after 7 years and from his position as Treasurer.
 - Jane Osgood who is retiring from the Committee and from her position as Communications.
 - Mike Shaw who is leaving the Committee for personal reasons and from his position as Webmaster.
 - Shirley Robottom who is joining the Committee as Groups Coordinator.
10. The Chairman also said thank you to:
 - The Leadership Team for staying to support him
 - The many helpers for helping
 - The Group Leaders for leading
 - Graham Deverill for examining the accounts
 - To the members for making Odiham District u3a so welcoming
11. There were no questions from the floor and so the Chairman introduced the Guest Speaker, Timandra Slade to talk about her book “From a Hard Place to a Rock”.