

Minutes of the Meeting of the Filey and District U3A Committee

Held: 17 November 2025 at St John's Church Centre commencing at 2pm

Present: Chris Place (CP); Dave Thompson (DT); Howard Mitton (HM)
Dorothy Caller (Mins) (DC)

Apologies: David Smith (DS), Peter Crooks (PC), Tony Dawson (AD), Martin Hirst (MH)

CP opened the meeting receiving apologies from 4 members.

1. **Matters arising from previous meetings:**

The Minutes from Committee meeting held 13 October 2025 were approved and seconded.

- a. Recently elected committee members (Margaret and Ann) decided they did not want to continue on the committee.
- b. Brought forward from September meeting: HM asked what was the length of the lease/contract on Beacon and the website? DS to advise on return from holiday.
- c. The flowers delivered to both Sue and Brenda as a token of thanks for their years supporting the committee and carrying out the catering at the monthly meetings were well received and photographs were published in the monthly Newsletter (HM).

2. **Preparation for Members Monthly Meeting, 27 November**

- a. The meeting was advised that Malcolm Brookes talk on "The Cyprus Green Line" was organised, CP advised he will not be at the meeting and DS will have the keys to the Sea Cadets hall. CP to advise HM post meeting regarding the fee for the speaker.

3. **Chairmans' Report**

- a. The meeting was advised the Christmas raffle will not be going ahead.

4. **Treasurers' Report**

- a. HM advised the cash balance £184.19 and bank balance £2,664.08 (excluding calendar monies £381). The current membership increased from 307 to 324, with new members charged at the pro-rata amounts.
- b. DC advised HM that an invoice from "u3a matters" for 2x subscriptions may come through and to get in touch for members subscription, which she was one of.

5. **Secretary Report**

- a. AGM: DC advised a timetable had been set up by DS previously:
 - i. Notice and Nominations for the new committee to be issued and nomination forms available on the website and at the members meeting. The notice to include any motions to be raised:
 1. Motion to increase membership fee from £10 to £12 per annum – DC was asked not to include on the AGM alert as this was a committee decision and announced at the AGM.
 - ii. Committee Positions for 2026/27 becoming vacant will be
 1. Chairperson
 2. Speaker Finder
 3. Secretary
 4. Groups Co-ordinator

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- a. DS advised prior to the committee meeting that:
 1. The newly established Kurling group was now full, with a waiting list.
 2. The dinning out 2 group have advised that a curry on Christmas day was being organised for those on their own, with the option of mince pies afterwards at a u3a members house. This was also covered in the monthly newsletter (HM).
- b. AD advised by separate email that:
 1. The wreath laying at the remembrance gardens went well.
 2. The u3a choir sang in unison with the Hunmanby (non) u3a choir at the Methodist church Remembrance Festival and hoped to encourage new singers to join.

7. Membership Secretary Report

- a. HM will pass over the new membership cards in February to DT.
- b. No existing members fees will be accepted until the March meeting. The March meeting will be dedicated to receiving subscriptions with no speaker.

8. Speaker Finders Report

- a. CP advised that he has circa 7-8 speakers engaged for 2026 membership year.
- b. DT mentioned that he will hopefully source the speaker lists from Probis and also the Local History group.

9. Communications

- a. AGM notice to be included in the December issue.

10. Any Other Business

- a. DC was advised that the December meeting will consist of “nibbles” (mince pies, Christmas cake and biscuits). There will also be “nibbles” at the March (membership) meeting.

Date & Time of Next Meeting

Next Committee Meeting will be Monday 8 December 2pm in St Johns Church.
Next Members Meeting in will be Thursday 18 December at Sea Cadets.