

Bradford u3a Annual General Meeting Minutes

Tuesday 16 September 2025

Minutes

Initial draft 24 Sept 2025

The minutes will be approved and agreed at the next AGM 15 September 2026

Apologies: Roger Broadie, Maggie Fleming, Anna Rewilak, Jean Blackburn, Debbie White, Mary Wilkinson and Vera Clark.

Ros Garside in the Chair welcomed everyone and said that there would be a general discussion at the end of the meeting. She noted that the meeting was quorate with 34 members present. The quorum must be 10% of the membership. We now have 278 members.

Minutes of the 2024 AGM

The minutes were proposed by Alison Wright and seconded by Dave Marshall. These were approved with no corrections.

Matters Arising

There were none.

Chair's Report

The Chair thanked the Committee, Jenny Gibbon and the members of the RUG Team. She reported that the last year had been challenging with the Bradford Club closing at very short notice. We managed that with the help of our partnership with Kala Sangam now Bradford Arts Centre. 2024 had been a good year with the membership having grown to 318 at the end of the membership year. We have an increased number of events and activities. The Chair also thanked John Caswell for his work and agreeing to stand for another year.

Treasurer's Report

Joan Spencer presented the report. Cathryn Iliffe asked what the McCarthy Stone money was. John Caswell replied it was a donation from McCarthy Stone and that there was a record of its use.

Bruce Barnes proposed and Judy Shorney seconded the report which was approved by the meeting

The Independent Examiner's Report

The Independent Examiner, John Caswell, said the accounts were well documented He was happy with them and found them satisfactory.

It was proposed and seconded that the Meeting accept the Accounts. The accounts were accepted unanimously.

John Caswell was re-elected as the Independent Examiner.

Resolutions

None

Election of Committee Members

Paul Webley was re-elected as the Business Secretary by 33 votes to nil.

Francis Marslen-Wilson who had been co-opted by the Committee was elected to the Committee in the role of Treasurer again by 33 votes to nil.

Alison Wright was elected to the Group Secretary role on the Committee by 33 votes to nil.

Ranjit Arora was elected to be a member of the Committee by 33 votes to nil.

Roger Broadie was re-elected to be a member of the Committee by 33 votes to nil.

Vote of Thanks

The Chair thanked all the members of Committee who stepped down this year.

- Maureen Grace for her sterling work as Group Secretary. Maureen stepped down during the year.
- Phil Barker for all her excellent work on Comms and tech work
- Joan Spencer who managed all the accounts and payments as Treasurer

Paul Webley thanked Ros Garside for her excellent leadership as Chair and said she will be sorely missed.

Election of the Independent Examiner

John Caswell was re-elected as the Independent Examiner unanimously by 33 votes to nil

Any Other Business

None

The meeting closed at 11.15am