

NOTES FROM NOTTS u3a NETWORK MEETING JULY 19TH 2023 ON ZOOM.

1. Allan Warmsley, vice Chair of the TAT, spoke to the meeting about the proposed changes to the management structure of TAT. **The slides have been circulated.** His presentation was followed by Q&A.
2. CN gave an update on the Officers' meeting.
 - Terry Hardman is ill and no longer able to be treasurer. Jean Hogg will be taking over for the time being.
 - A new bank account without business charges is being negotiated. Annual subs will be collected from u3as very soon.
 - A local conference is being planned for a Saturday in the Autumn 2024. Any ideas for workshops/ speakers will be appreciated. A venue is being sought.
 - Important that Newsbites is circulated to all members not just the committee.
3. Carole Harrison gave an update on PSGs and reminded members of their purpose and the different ways they are run. She will resend the document she has prepared giving further explanation. The contact information needs to be kept up to date, and Margot Gale needs to be informed of any changes. Committee members should be encouraged to attend these meetings. Pat Lockett was thanked for starting a Membership Secretaries PSG.
4. Looking ahead to the AGM in October CN invited any interested members to put their names forward to join the Officers' committee.
5. John Lewis the East Midlands Regional Trustee gave an update on his activities over the past few months.
 - A rep from each Network region is needed to join his support team.
 - He stressed the need for a new regional publicity advisor. He said the role could be shared.
 - The system for applying for grants to support u3a events at a local level should be simplified.
 - Need to look at how to make u3a attractive/relevant for younger members.
6. The North Notts Neighbourhood Group is planning a special event to take place on Wednesday June 12th at the John Fretwell Centre. All Notts u3as will be invited to participate. More details to follow. This will be part of u3a week.
7. The next workshop for Notts u3as will be on November 1st the subject being Running your u3a.