

Committee vacancies

Hopefully you are already aware of how active our u3a is in the community, how wide a range of pastimes and activities is covered by our interest groups, and how our monthly meetings provide an opportunity to listen to an interesting speaker as well as socialise with like-minded people. I am sure you will appreciate that none of this just happens, and that some organisation needs to be done by volunteers in the background to ensure things run smoothly.

At least 2 of our existing committee members will not be standing again at our AGM in December. Our organisation cannot legally continue to function without a committee so there is an urgent need for some members to step up and indicate their willingness to help us out.

There are a few legal responsibilities inherent in becoming a committee member and Trustee, but these can be discussed if you express an interest. Our constitution only stipulates Chair, Secretary and Treasurer roles but we also need a Membership Secretary, Speaker Secretary and Groups Coordinator as well as people for publicity and networking duties: deputies for some of the roles can also provide continuity. We aim to have 12 members on the committee to spread the workload and ensure as diverse a range of views as we can get.

Our monthly committee meetings have a 2-hour time limit, and committee members are encouraged to attend meetings as often as they can. Other than that, any duties can normally be undertaken at a time to suit, and committee members are free to (and do) go off for extended holidays.

October 2024

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Members of the committee are elected by the membership at the AGM. In order for voting to take place, nomination forms should be sent/given to any committee member, not less than 28 days prior to the AGM. The relevant form is to be found below.

In order to be an elected member of the committee:

1. The nominee must agree to stand.
2. The nominee must be a current member of our u3a.
3. The nominee must not have been on the committee for one full year prior to the AGM.

After the committee has been elected by the membership there will be a special Committee meeting at which positions and offices will be decided.

Nomination Form for Committee Members of Higham and Rushden u3a

I, the undersigned, am willing to stand for election to the Higham and Rushden u3a committee at the Annual General Meeting to be held on 11th December 2024.

SignedPrint name

Proposed by..... Print name

Seconded by Print name

[Proposers and seconders must not be members of the current committee.]

This notice must be received by 13th November 2024.