U3A Chairman's Report

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This year's committee has had a new Chairman, Business Secretary and Treasurer as well as people new to the committee and or new to the roles they have taken on. We have all worked as a team and I thank everyone for their hard work. It was a year that started with committee meetings on Teams and then progressed to actual face to face meetings. We planned very carefully for the first Face to Face Conveners Meeting and then restricted numbers for a General Meeting. Some groups restarted on Zoom or Teams and eventually some managed to hold face to face meetings, many still very cautiously outdoors or in large venues, well spaced apart .

Thank you to all the Conveners who have kept their groups going. We appreciate all the hard work that has gone into running the groups and sadly some conveners have had to say they can no longer run their group.

We held a promotional stall at the Gardener's Market and several members have joined us as a result. Thank you to all the crafts people who made the display materials and to all who helped on the day. We also spent a day in the library promoting u3a.

This organisation needs every one of us to continue to contribute what we can, whether it is as a convener, committee member, greeter or someone on refreshment duty or as an enthusiastic member of a group. This u3a is run by us for us so do not think it will be run for you. We all have to help in our own way. Please remember to be kind to each other and if you have something to say about how a group is run do it carefully and ask yourself am I willing to put in as much effort.