

Minutes

Present: Sue McPhee (Chair), Mark Beaumont, Gwynneth Carmichael, Francis Davies, Angela Dixon, Sue Dyson, Lynn Quantrill, Judy Rogerson, Chris Toffolo, Mel Wood

1. Apologies for absence: Steve Clark, Chris Watson

2. Minutes of the last meeting

Agreed

3. Matters Arising

Nothing had been decided yet for the New Members Coffee Morning so would need to review a new possible date and agree a venue. See 7. for follow up.

SMc showed the Committee the new banners which everyone agreed were excellent and at a very low cost and ready for use. There was nothing to report on the purchase of new badges for Committee members as CW was not able to attend.

4. Chairman's Report

SMc was unable to access the YAHR Zoom Chairman's session despite contacting the organiser when the link didn't work.

SMc has not yet been in contact with Rob Haywood about the potential member session on restoration of old photographs.

Denise Roberts has advised SMC that she is now dealing with bookings for Willerby Institute but she should only be contacted in the morning.

5. Membership Secretary

As of 31st August 2025, AWAKE has 479 members of which 30 are ACCORD members. GC is still getting new membership requests. GC ran a check on Newsletter numbers to report 161 members requested paper and 261 requested email versions of the Newsletter.

Gwynneth Carmichael

Membership Secretary

6. Treasurer's Report

1) Beacon Finance Report up to this date.

Statement of accounts given at meeting.

2) July/August amounts of interest

Room hire payments in and out.

3) Debit Account.

No movement

4) Membership

Most payments up to date.

Lynn Quantrill

Treasurer

7. New Members Coffee Morning

Mel investigated the cost of using a room at Haltemprice Leisure Centre to the Coffee Morning but the cost of £27.50 with an additional £8.85 for a flask of coffee was too expensive so another venue needed to be found. After discussion, it was agreed to look at booking the Beech Tree in Kirkella for 1st October 2025 from 11 to 1pm. MW will follow this up.

8. Christmas Meeting

Plans so far include a Quiz which CW is organising. GC will check on availability of Ukulele and Guitar groups for Wednesday 17th December.

The theme will be 'The 12 Days of Christmas'. There would also be the opportunity for reading of Poems and the possibility of a Pass the Parcel. More discussion is required at the next Committee meeting.

9. Election of Vice-chair for Third Age Trust

Following a discussion about the 2 candidates for the election of a Vice Chair for the Third Age Trust, a vote was held where 100% of the Committee indicated their preferred candidate was Sheila Crawley. As the registered voting representative of AWAKE, SD will use our 2 votes for Sheila before the cut-off date of 11th September 2025.

10. Interest Group Co-ordinator's Report

Some investigation is underway to see if it is feasible to have a Table Tennis meeting every week rather than fortnightly at Men in Sheds as currently.

Barely AWAKE have lost some members due to factors such as illness and numbers are down to 12. There was some discussion about the possibility of moving from St Lukes to Willerby Institute. FD Commented that it might be helpful if an item about the Group could be provided for the Newsletter.

AD was pleased to report that there is a lot interest in Tai Chi for the start in September. With Sheila replacing Mike another 8 or 9 people have enquired and 7 People are on a waiting list too.

The AWAKE Social Committee have organised a Bingo Afternoon at Springhead Golf Club on Tuesday 14th October 2025 at 2pm with a limit of 30 people.

There is a Social at Mr Pips on Monday 15th September from 7 to 8:30pm

11. Newsletter

MW will report to next Committee meeting on how the distribution works with him liaising with Michael on the processes being used.

12. Website

Nothing to report

13. Speaker Finder

SMc has been looking at the possibility of getting Val Wood as a speaker although all meetings are booked up for next year at the moment.

14. Beacon

MW still having problems accessing Beacon. GC suggested it could be the number of password changes.

15. Health and Safety

All electrical items passed the PAT testing but there was some discussion about items on the inventory. LQ updated the Asset Register but some further clarification is required.

16. Any Other Business

There was a discussion about Microsoft Licensing and the issues with the current laptop used by the Business Secretary but it was agreed to wait until the end of October to review the situation.

17. Date, Venue and time of Next Meeting

Next Meeting will be held at 10am on Tuesday 7th October 2025, at Willerby Institute, Main Street, Willerby.

Meeting closed at 11:50

Signed by Date.....