MINUTES OF OSWETRY TRAVEL GROUP'S AGM AND GENERAL MEETING 6TH NOVEMNER 2026 HELD IN THE MEMORIAL HALL,

Membership 140+ Members attending 50

Prior to the monthly general meeting the 2026 AGM was held. Apologies received from Eric Clare, Treasurer so Jim gave the Financial report

JENNY Opened the meeting, welcoming members present saying membership continues to grow well. We have had a season of good trips, MARCH to Weston's Cider Mill (weather was glorious), APRIL Avoncroft Buildings Museum (rain) MAY five Day break to Weymouth (weather mixed). MAY was also the visit to the Black Country Museum, JUNE Mystery trip to the Cotswolds (very hot), Southport Flower Show and Town in AUGUST (wet), A Day out to Worcester in SEPTEMBER, OCTOBER was our annual theatre visit to the PLAZA in Stockport to see "Chess" As there were very mixed reviews of this musical, Jenny will make enquiries about the production for 2027 but we may decide to find a new venue. Finally, we have our Christmas lunch at the end of NOVEMBER to look forward to. Jenny then offered thanks to Marjorie (Secretary), Peter, Jim for organising trips, Ruth Reeves for "Meeting and Greeting", Richard for putting out the tables and chairs for our meetings (also Dilys and Francis Jones) Phil for his great work on the Website for both Travel Group and the main u3a and as a trip organiser.

JIM gave the breakdown of expenditure for the year which sees us having an overall reduction in funds on the years breakdown of £12.20p Full details available.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS Jenny had informed the Group of her decision to stand down as Chair of Travel Group at the last meeting. She has been a stalwart in the amount of time she has given to TG over the last nine years, organising visits/ short breaks, leading meetings and generally bringing interesting places to the attention of the Group. Marjorie had been proposed by Pam Drewell, seconded by Richard Newell to take on the post. Voted in by members. This now means there is a vacancy for the Minutes Secretary. Interest has been shown by a member but this has not been confirmed. This post remains to be filled. Marjorie offered thanks to Jenny for all her hard work and presented her with gifts and a bouquet from the Group, we hope she can sit back and enjoy other people arranging things!

ALTERATION OF FINACIAL YEAR AND MEMBERSHIP YEAR. This is to come into line with the main Oswestry u3a. It will mean that three months membership will be forgone with our dates for payment/registration now running from APRIL to MARCH. This was put to the meeting and voted in unanimously.

AGM concluded with Jenny handing over the Chairs Gavel to Marjorie!

GENERAL MEETING 6/11/26

FINANCES JIM gave the month's report, there is free money, after all deductions, totalling £1,736.51p, this includes petty cash. Payment for Hall hire is up to date into 2027, monthly hire is settled with the Memorial Hall by Oswestry u3a, when this is known we will be able to set our registration fee for 2027/8. JIM has emailed members re seating preferences for the pantomime visit Sunday 10th January 27. Unfortunately, there are no end of row seats available. There are 3 people on the reserve list. Jim will try to put people together with those they wish to sit by.

PETER Christmas lunch at the Down after time in Bridgnorth. Usual pickup times with some members going by car. People are requested to be ready to leave Bridgnorth for the Down at 12.15pm to arrive

at 12.30 for 1pm meal. Cost of tea/coffee is included, please inform Peter of any dietary needs asap. The meal is provisionally booked for Decmber2027 but if members feel a change is needed it will be minuted for Jan/Feb meeting. He made a plea for someone to take on the Minutes Secretary's post.

MARJORIE Further details of the proposed break in Northumberland, there are 20+ members with definite interest, Marjorie will need to collect deposits (£ 75) asap.

JIM Looking at dates for next year, January's meeting falls on 1st Jan, so should we have a meeting on the 8th Jan or not meet until February? Jim has booked all the dates for 2027 with 8th January still under review.

AOB None

MEETING Closed at 11.30am