

Minutes U3A Javea General Meeting

Wednesday 26 October 11am

Casa de Cultura, Javea

1. President's Welcome and Apologies

- Claude welcomed all those present to the meeting, no apologies received

2. Approval of Minutes of last Meeting

- Minutes were published on the website on 4 July and notified to members - no comments received. Therefore approved.

3. Announcements

- We will now have 3 formal meetings, such as this each year, one of which will be the AGM.
- Other social meetings will be held in the intervening months of April, May, September, November, January and February
- Members were advised that Covid and Flu vaccinations were now available by appointment at the Health Centres in Javea.

4. President's Report

- There was nothing to add to earlier remarks.

5. Vice President's Report

- Krystyna thanked everyone who had helped with making the September Ball a success.
- Thanks also to the OK Band who donated their fee to our charity fund.
- The total raised for Todos Juntos Javea was a staggering 1.732€. Well done to all who contributed.
- U3A member also contributed to raising over 1.200€ for the Ukrainian Children's Cancer charity when they attended the Javea Players Showcase production.
- The next meeting will be held at the Social Centre in Javea Old Town when we will have tapas and drinks to start the Christmas season. Further details to follow on the website and by email.

6. Treasurer's Report

- The Treasurer Sally Rush announced the current bank balance available to spend was very healthy.
- Sally pointed out that we had spent over 10.000€ in the last 12 months which had depleted our reserves and personally felt that renewal subscriptions would be needed in 2023 but said that the Committee had not yet made a final decision.

7. Group Coordinator's Report

- Mike Frost announced that Satcine was starting up again with a bi-monthly film show at Javea Players Studio.

- The new group Talking Art had started and had been well attended. They will meet on the 4th Tuesday each month.

8. Membership Secretary's Report

- The Membership Secretary, Henrik reported that we had 1450 members, with 86 new members since the start of the year.

9. Introduction of Guest Speaker and Presentation

- Claude Grealy handed over to Peter Atkinson who needs no introduction.
- The presentation took us across the world looking at examples of Banksy's work on a variety of buildings. We heard how many of his works are now sold for millions of US dollars and how Banksy has donated a lot of money himself to good causes.
- Krystyna thanked Peter and presented him with a bottle of wine as a token of our appreciation followed by a round of applause from members present.

11. Closure of meeting

- Claude thanked everyone for coming and hoped to see them at the next Social Event Meeting.