

## **Newsletter Editors meeting 3.10.2016**

Five representatives attended this meeting. The change of day meant that some were unable to come and others were on holiday. This was the first meeting not organised and chaired by Eric Rennie of Carlton and Gedling U3A.

Topics discussed were those raised by the editors present.

### 1. How are newsletters distributed?

Most U3As email the majority of the newsletters and have paper copies for those without computers. Nottingham U3A also has a 3 monthly programme printed for all members.

### 2. What is the content?

All include future events and group information. Most include some reports, these generally written by group leaders. These can include theatre reviews or restaurant recommendations.

### 3. Use of photos

Editors check that members agree to photos of them appearing in the newsletter and on the website. Members enjoy seeing pictures of themselves and friends. Query about photos of deceased members on website.

### 4. How is information collected?

All editors said they had to be proactive to get information. New groups are publicised as much as possible. Liaison problems can occur between the website and newsletter.

### 5. Publicity material.

Newer U3As had additional printed leaflets to distribute throughout their community.

### 6. What to do next?

The group made the decision to suspend meetings for the time being.

Possible workshop with a structured programme to learn and share organised by Network. Guidance from Bromley? Perhaps Francis Beckett editor of Third Age Matters as speaker?

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