A message from your trustees

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Now that we are getting ready for our new U3A year **we need more help**, yes yet again as we continue to grow! In particular we need help with the following activities:

- to summarise our Gift Aid records. This work, led by our Membership Secretary, Anne Eady (<u>membership@ilkleyu3a.org</u>) is administrative and can be done at home and at your convenience.
- To assist Groups Co-ordinator Mary Podesta with our 130 plus groups. (mezzapod@gmail.com)

Mary would like to set up three teams as follows:

<u>New groups team:</u> to work on ideas for new groups, advertising and offering the groups via website and Newsflash, registering interest and helping to set up the group by holding preliminary meetings, advising on venues and costs and dealing with correspondence.

Established Groups team: to deal with queries from Groups about group vacancies, Membership, etc. and liaise with website team about updating the website.

<u>Programme of Interests team</u>: to send out the updating letter in March, liaise with the IT team about updates to the website, to prepare the annual brochure of groups for publication, and to arrange printing and postage of the brochure.

• We will have vacancies for new Trustees in the autumn. For more information contact our Chair Sue Butler (<u>drsbutler@icloud.com</u>)

Importantly in November our U3A Secretary reaches the end of her term. We are looking for someone who can provide organisational support to the Committee of Trustees and liaise with other parts of the U3A such as WestNet, YAHR, and the U3A Trust.

For more information about any of these roles please come along to chat to the Trustees on Tuesday 2nd July between 2 and 3.30 in the Clarke Foley.

It would help if you register your interest in this event by contacting <u>drsbutler@icloud.com</u> or leaving a note in our post box at the Clarke Foley.

These are informal and friendly events. Coming along to find out more does not commit you to a job you may not like.

If you are not able to join us then please contact the relevant Trustee on the email address given above.

We do understand that at any one time many of our members are not able to help, for all sorts of reasons. If you are one of these members please don't feel anxious. Taking part and enjoying our U3A activities is important too. It is what makes our U3A the lively, friendly organisation that it is.

Finally we understand that some of you, who requested paper copies of the our Annual Programme and The Eye, have not received them. They were posted at the end of May. If you do not have the copies you expected please contact <u>drsbutler@icloud.com</u>.

Best wishes

Sue Butler

Chair, Management Committee of Trustees