

MINUTES OF THE U3A CALPE GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 20TH MAY 2021  
AT 10.00AM FOR 10.30AM AT SALON BLAU, CASA DE CULTURA, CALPE

The Meeting opened at 10.33am.

Apologies were received from: Kerry Edwards, Freda Croasdell and Guy de Meester.

Minutes of the previous Meeting held on 19th November 2020, were taken as read as they are published on our Website and Proposed by Maureen Dunn and Seconded by Carol Withers.

Reports from Committee Members:

President: We are now lodged on the official website of the International u3a and we are celebrating our first ever International u3a Day on 2nd June 2021. We will be acknowledging our first ever Committee who started our u3a all those years ago.

Verity has worked very hard at getting our Constitution passed at the Associations Office in Alicante.

(Our Speaker Carole Saunders arrived at 10.45am and began her talk)

Some people are worried about their legality of residence and Carole explained that if you were legal on 1st January 2020 then you are still legal now. Any doubts then look on the website of gov.uk-living-in-spain. We have until the end of June to exchange our UK Driving Licences to Spanish ones if not already done so.

A massive Vaccination campaign is starting on Monday 24th May. The 2nd dose will be Pfizer. It will be done at the Blue Sports Hall. People will be telephoned with a day and time to attend. The Centro de Salud is opening up again 96 564 8604 and 96 183 9000. You can choose to talk on the phone to your Doctor if you prefer.

Town Hall news: The asfaling campaign is starting up again. The wall on the Fossa Beach damaged in the storm of January 2020 is not finished but is the responsibility of the Generalitat. The Promenade is the town responsibility. The Pedestrian Bridge over the N332 has stalled due to Government.

Escalators - A Face Book Survey has shown that people are very happy for it to start and you can check on latest news on Face Book daily or FB Residentes.es on Fridays.  
[www.calp.es](http://www.calp.es)

There will be more changes in June as long as there is no increase in infections.

Casa Nova is open to the public on some days. Casa Coco is to be renovated.

The Lifesavers are be supplied with Drones with their new contract for life saving on the town beaches it will include permission for use of said Drones.

The recent helicopter activity detected by a number of inhabitants was helicopters searching for migrants arriving by sea from Morrocco.

Discounts are still available for Paradors and on National Railways.

The talk terminated at 11.35am when our Meeting resumed.

Treasurer: Kuxta Bank 2489.70€  
Petty Cash 659.19€

Total 3148.89€

We are down 1342.07€ from the previous General Meeting in November 2020. This is mainly due to recent expenses, ie website hosting (233.53€) a bill from Jane Godfrey (693.28€) for digital signature, insurance renewal premium (497.27€) and other issues.

We are currently not receiving many renewal and new member subscriptions whilst, due to coronavirus restrictions, we have been obliged to suspend many u3a activities, resulting in little expenditure at this time. The financial situation is considered stable.

Note: the above total does NOT include the membership float (100€) or travel a/c funds or any new member or renewal subscriptions collected at this General Meeting. Nor does it include any expenses incurred at this General Meeting. However, it does include a 50€ surplus arising from the Christmas Toy Collection cash donations and 20€ donated by u3a Calpe on behalf of Jenny O'Neill. Most likely this 70€ shall be carried forward to next Christmas.

Forecast significant pending income/expenditure within the next month: nil

Membership: we have 388 paid up members and 4 new members today. Attendance is 36 today.

Travel: -

Travel Treasurer -

Groups Co-Ordinator: Pam talked about groups starting up. Mens Dining and JUGS dining meet once a month. Singles dining has not got off the ground yet. Badminton is suspended until 28th June. It has been hard work for Pam in these bad times as she tried to keep in touch with group leaders and gets a very poor response from them.

AOB:

We need to state the cost of renewals for 2022 Subscriptions at the AGM in November.

Our Alcaldesa paid us a visit today directly from her return from FITUR Exhibition in Madrid. She made it clear that our town welcomes us and appreciates the integration with the town.

THE NEXT GENERAL MEETING WILL BE ON 17th JUNE 2021 here at the Salon Blau.

The Meeting closed at 12.10pm.

Marion Fisher