

SUSS-EX CLUB
Notes of the 70th Steering Group meeting
4.30 pm on Friday 15th March 2024, via Zoom

1. Welcome

Present at the start were Colin Finn, who chaired the meeting, Jackie Fuller, Charles Goldie, Tony Moore, Steve Pavey and Helen Walker. Paul Tofts joined during item 6.

2. Apologies for absence

None.

3. Minutes of the 69th Meeting, of 12th January 2024

Approved.

4. Matters arising

None.

5. Financial report

Jackie reported our balance was unchanged.

6. Future events

(a) Meeting with VC, Friday 26th April, 6 pm+

Tony has booked the Terrace Room in Bramber House. Agreed that wine, and canapés or equivalent (not just nibbles) need to be offered and that members will book and pay (£10 suggested) in advance; **Steve** will collect the payments as for the Christmas Party. **Tony** and **Steve** will agree the booking form, which **Jackie** will post on our Facebook page and send to DARO for circulation to our mailing list. Deadline for providing numbers for catering is 16th April.

(b) Drop-in Social

Steve and **Helen** will propose a date in May for The Dépôt in Lewes.

(c) Meal followed by guided walk

Tony's proposal, for late spring or summer, of a walk around Henfield led by Prof. Fred Gray, following lunch at the Plough there, remains in consideration. **Steve's** observation remains valid that a similar arrangement would work for a tour of the Lewes Railway Land nature reserve preceded by lunch at the Dépôt.

7. Staff newsletters, obituaries

Charles has enquired of Marion Hamilton, Head of Staff Communications, about the proposed sign-up mechanism for circulation of staff newsletters to anyone who wants them, and has been promised something after Easter.

Posting of obituaries among the University's news items and in its staff newsletters seems to be getting rarer and is likely in future to depend even more than formerly on individual initiatives.

8. Membership

(a) Steering Group

Nothing to report.

(b) Mailing list

Nothing to report.

(c) Facebook

Jackie reported that membership stands at 156. She will post an item on the forthcoming memorial service for former Registrar Geoff Lockwood.

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9. Other business

None.

10. Next meeting

Friday 17th May 2024 at 4.30 pm via Zoom, **Charles** to convene.