

## **IBM Retirees Club (Midlands) Committee Meetings – 14 February 2022**

Present : John, Michael, Gary, Ray, Richard, Paul, and Terry

The previous meeting minutes were approved after John queried whether all expenses for the Xmas lunch had been settled. Gary and Paul have now completed this task.

### **Chairman's Report**

Nothing to report.

### **Treasurer's Report**

End of January closing balance on bank statement was £3,686.54  
This was after wine refunds for the Xmas party had been paid.

### **Membership Report**

Membership now **420** following the recent deaths of 4 members.

### **Technology Group**

For the January meeting John talked about network control via a Raspberry Pi using it for ad blocking and Spy blocking.

For the February meeting Ray will give a presentation on domestic electricity battery storage.

### **Annual General Meeting**

The AGM will be held via Zoom on Wednesday 16 March starting with coffee at 10.45 with the formal meeting starting at 11 a.m.

All members of the existing committee are willing to serve another year in their current positions.

Early notification of the date and time of the AGM was given in the January newsletter.

Full details of the meeting agenda and details of joining the meeting will be given in the February newsletter. This will also include a link to the minutes of the 2021 AGM. We will also ask members for any motions they wish to include in the AGM.

Robert Tickell, the joint chairman of the IBM Pension Scheme, will be giving an update on the IBM Pension Plan.

### **Potential 2022 Events**

Rambles – Starting in March (Terry)

Restaurant evening meal in late April. (Ray)

Pete's Place possibly on Sunday 15 May (Gary)

Visit to historic gardens including lunch in June (Ray)

Gloucester Warwickshire Railway trip with a fish and chip supper in July (Paul)

Summer lunch cruise on Thames in August (Paul)

September Holiday in Guernsey staying in St Peter Port Hotel. Travel by ferry. (Terry)

Triumph Motorcycle factory and museum tour in October (Richard)

Christmas Lunch in December

**Newsletter**

To notify members of AGM agenda etc. and ask who will potentially attend.

To check member's interest for the week's holiday in Guernsey.

**AOB**

**Next Committee Meeting - Monday 14 March 2022 at 10.30 a.m. via Zoom**