

## Brisley Age Uk 2016-2017

The year has been quite eventful for us, we have grown our membership by one to 20 with Mr Roger Carden joining our group. We currently have members from Whissonsett, Colkirk, North Elmham, Beetley and Brisley. We returned to Brisley as a base for all of our meetings during the year.

New Officers were elected at the AGM with Mrs Mavis Axman stepping down from the Chair after many years in office, she held the group together through some challenging times extremely well and almost single-handed, she worked very hard in organising outings, combining her role as Chair with that of Treasurer and Secretary, Brisley Age UK owes a great deal to Mrs Axman and we look forward to having her as a member for many years to come and now able to enjoy more the days out that we have without having to do all of the hard work.

Mr David Pearson was elected to try and fill Mrs Axman's shoes, a challenge in which he is assisted by Mr Slark and Mrs Ann English.

The aim of the group is to provide opportunity for our more senior residents to enjoy monthly outings to places they might not be able to go, in 2016 we tried a variety of different types of excursion, days out to Wymondham, Walpole St Peter and Bressingham, pub lunches in Weasenham and Litcham, a visit to Westacre Theatre and to Fakenham to watch Phantom of the Opera, A lunch prepared by Brisley Social in the Village Hall followed by 4 archive films from Britain on Film in November. Our Christmas lunch was once again at The Hourglass in Sculthorpe, one of our favourite places.

We are indebted to Age UK Fakenham who allow us to hire their minibus for outings at a very good rate per mile

Brisley Age UK is affiliated to Norfolk Age UK, we are financially independent and do not receive funding from any organisation, covering our own costs through a small membership and our monthly raffles. We showed a small surplus on our outings in 2016 which was used to subsidise our Christmas Lunch.