



The Annual General meeting of the Soulbury W I was held on Tuesday 9th November in the Clubroom. A very warm welcome was given to all members and it was agreed that getting back to normal was very good. The meeting opened with the singing of Jerusalem Following the reading of the Minutes, Gay went through the recent correspondence and the information on up and coming events from the Green Letter, a copy of which is available for members to look at. It is hoped that in 2022 a more normal programme can be enjoyed, including County events and the Annual Meeting.

As this was our AGM, Chris Bryant then presented the Annual Accounts which were gone through and agreed. With so little activity during the year, it was very simple to see our current financial situation and we will ensure we have some fund raising events in the coming year to keep us afloat. Andrea then read the brief Annual Report which was agreed and seconded.

Gay then gave a big thank you to the Committee who have kept everything going through this very difficult and unusual year. Members were thanked for their generous donations to the Food Bank and the toys for the Salvation Army Christmas appeal. Julie will continue to accept toys throughout this month if you can get them to her.

Our Christmas meal was then discussed and after a lot of options having been put to the members, The Unicorn at Cublington was agreed on and Gay will go ahead with the booking for 14th December. Once again we will be holding our social evening on the 7th December, with wreath making, Secret Santa and the usual mince pies and wine. We look forward to welcoming as many members as can make it.

We are definitely going to have a recruitment drive in 2022 to try and attract some of the new Soulbury residents who have moved in over the past year or so, since we have lost a few members for various reasons over this period. All are welcome, of course, and we really would like to encourage new residents to come along and give us a try.

When the formal business of the evening was completed, members were served delicious platters of cheese and pate with wine prepared by the Committee. The raffle was drawn and the meeting closed at 9.45 p.m.