

AGM 15th October 2016
FoDA Membership Secretary's report 2015/16.

The new rates of subscription came into effect on 1st October 2015 and most members have continued their subscriptions at the new rates. However, where former members have not paid any subscription in the “year” from 1st October 2015 to 31st December 2016 despite being reminded, I have deleted them from our list of members.

Our total paid-up membership at 2nd October 2016, counting Family members as 2, stands at 181 – compared with 203 last year. These include:

120 individual members - a loss of 5

16 Life members – 2 more than last year

13 Group members – a loss of 1

30 Family members – an increase of 5.

In some cases members omitted to increase their Standing Orders to include the extra subscription for the current year but changed their payments from 1st January 2017. I have left them as paid-up members.

People who volunteer at the archives in Exeter have also been invited to sign up to receive details of the Friends’ events without subscribing. So far 12 have taken advantage of that offer.

We have sadly lost some good friends: Professor Bob Parker, Mrs Eileen Larsson and Professor Ian Mercer died earlier this year.

At this AGM it will, for the first time, no longer be necessary for me to collect next years’ subscriptions. They are not due, under the new arrangements, until 1st January 2017. Any members who note that their banks are continuing to pay the old subscriptions on 1st October, or on any other day of the year, are invited to inform their banks of the new subscriptions and dates.

Anyone who normally pays by cash or cheque and wants to pay me now, please buttonhole me today. In case you are not sure, I have a list with me.

Peter Towey
Membership Secretary

2nd October 2016