



**SHAPING YOUR
SOCIETY FOR THE
FUTURE**



THE ARTS SOCIETY
WESSEX AREA



**THANK YOU ALL FOR
TAKING THE TIME TO
COMPLETE & SEND IN
THE SWOT'S**

THE FUTURE?????

STRENGTHS

- ❖ SOCIETIES WELCOMING AND FRIENDLY
- ❖ HARD WORKING COMMITTEES
- ❖ HIGH QUALITY LECTURES & STUDY DAYS & VISITS TO SPECIAL PLACES
- ❖ PERSONAL TOUCH
- ❖ REPUTATION
- ❖ COMMON INTERESTS
- ❖ GOOD COMMUNICATIONS
- ❖ EXCELLENT LEADERSHIP
- ❖ VALUED SOCIAL OCCASION WITH INTERESTING LECTURES FOR OLDER PEOPLE
- ❖ HYBRID LECTURES CATERING FOR ALL MEMBERS

WEAKNESSES

- ❖ MEMBERSHIP NUMBERS
- ❖ AGING MEMBERSHIP
- ❖ FINANCIALS
- ❖ MEMBERSHIP FEE INCREASE
- ❖ RISING COST OF LIVING
- ❖ RESISTENCE TO CHANGE
- ❖ TECHNICAL KNOW-HOW
- ❖ COMMITTEE RECRUITMENT
- ❖ VENUE AVAILABILITY & COSTS
- ❖ ADMINISTRATION

OPPORTUNITIES

- ❖ PARTNER WITH OTHER SOCIETIES
 - ❖ VISITS & STUDY DAYS
- ❖ INCREASE LOCAL AWARENESS
- ❖ TARGET RETIREES
- ❖ POTENTIAL SHARING OF TECHNICAL EXPERTS
- ❖ FINE-TUNE ADMINISTRATION

THREATS

- ❖ ONGOING IMPACT OF PANDEMIC ON MEMBER NUMBERS
- ❖ COST OF LIVING
- ❖ AGING MEMBERSHIP
- ❖ FINANCIAL IMPACTS
- ❖ RISING COSTS – VENUE, LECTURERS
- ❖ RESISTENCE TO CHANGE
- ❖ LACK OF TECHNICAL KNOW-HOW
- ❖ COMMITTEE RECRUITMENT
- ❖ ADMINISTRATION OF A SOCIETY

AGEING MEMBERSHIP

- ❖ COMING OUT TO A LECTURE MEETING COULD BE A HIGHLIGHT OF THEIR WEEK
 - ❖ AGE DOES NOT MEAN LACK OF INTEREST IN LISTENING TO TALKS ETC.
- ❖ ASK MEMBERS TO BRING OLDER MEMBERS TO THE MEETINGS
- ❖ ONE TO ONE HELP FOR ONLINE LECTURES
 - ❖ GIVE THEM A PAGE OF CLEAR INSTRUCTIONS TO FOLLOW WHEN YOU TELEPHONE THEM TO TALK THROUGH THE PROCESS OF JOINING A ZOOM TALK

URBAN

VS

RURAL

- ❖ EASE OF ACCESS
- ❖ POTENTIAL FOR NEW MEMBERS
- ❖ EASIER TO TARGET COMMUNICATIONS
- ❖ MORE LOCAL COMPETITION FOR MEMBERS
- ❖ SOCIETIES LIKELY TO HAVE BETTER EQUIPPED VENUES

- ❖ DIFFICULTIES OF ACCESS DURING WINTER
- ❖ IMPACT OF HIGHER FUEL PRICES
- ❖ DIFFICULT TO TARGET PUBLICITY ACROSS WIDESPREAD COMMUNITIES
- ❖ LESS CHOICE OF VENUES

HYBRID LECTURES ARE AN OPPORTUNITY TO RETAIN MEMBERS

WHERE TO TARGET FOR NEW MEMBERS

MARKETING MATERIAL IS ESSENTIAL

- ❖ LOCAL RADIO
- ❖ COMMUNITY WEBSITES 'WHATS ON'
- ❖ PARISH NEWSLETTERS
- ❖ LOCAL EVENTS
- ❖ GYMS, LIBRARIES, COFFEE SHOPS, ESTATE AGENTS
- ❖ CARE HOMES, HOME WORKERS, NEW PARENTS AT HOME
- ❖ SOCIAL MEDIA












THE DREADED TECHNOLOGY ISSUES

- ❖ OFFER ONE TO ONE HELP TO MEMBERS WHO ARE TECHNOLOGY-PHOBIC
 - ❖ Wessex Area can help here
- ❖ YOU HAVE A **FREE** WEBSITE ON THE HQ PLATFORM
 - ❖ Full training will be given for using this.
- ❖ TRAINING FROM CENTRAL OFFICE
 - ❖ They can come to you to run a training session – let Wessex know if you would like a training day
- ❖ ASK FOR HELP FROM AREA
 - ❖ For zoom, mailchimp / sendinblue, google drive, google forms, etc.

TECHNOLOGY.....

AREA MICROSITE HAS SOME HOPEFULLY HELPFUL DOCUMENTS FOR DOWNLOADING

Downloads

-  Hybrid lectures info.docx
-  Diary of Area meetings and Wessex team meetings for 2021 / 2022
-  A list of scheduled Winter Study Courses - 2021/2022/2023
-  Arts Volunteering Project Proposal form re criteria for grants
-  Information for 'live' streaming of lecture to venue & homes
-  How to use Google Forms for your surveys and questionnaires
-  How to use Google Drive as a secure place for your membership data
-  How to view the zoom video on your "smart" TV
-  Guidance for connecting a projector to a laptop for lectures and study days.

ADMINISTRATION

SECURITY OF DATA:

- ❖ USE A CLOUD STORAGE FACILITY SUCH AS GOOGLE DRIVE, ONE-DRIVE, DROPBOX
 - ❖ THESE SYSTEMS HAVE PASSED GDPR SECURITY ASSESSMENTS
 - ❖ ALL REQUIRE PASSWORD ACCESS
 - ❖ ENSURE MORE THAN ONE PERSON HAS ACCESS
- ❖ ALL DATA MUST BE BACKED-UP IN CASE OF EQUIPMENT FAILURE
 - ❖ CLOUD STORAGE IS A FORM OF BACKING-UP AS THE FILES ARE NOT ON YOUR COMPUTER

ADMINISTRATION

GDPR - SECURITY OF DATA:

- ❖ ALL PERSONAL INFORMATION (MEMBERSHIP DATA) MUST BE STORED SECURELY
 - ❖ IF THE DATA IS IN A SPREADSHEET ON A COMPUTER, THE FILE **MUST** BE PASSWORD PROTECTED
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GDPR - SECURITY OF DATA:

- ❖ ALL BULK EMAILS MUST USE 'BCC' FOR EMAIL ADDRESSES TO ENSURE RECIPIENTS ONLY SEE THEIR OWN EMAIL ADDRESS