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RIP Exmouth & District u3a Facebook Group

The Exmouth & District u3a Facebook Group was started up around the time of the pandemic so that members could continue to learn, laugh and live online, and we certainly did that!

Four years later, the Committee told the Facebook Group Administrator that the Facebook Group was no longer required, so he decided to close it down, but paused it initially to allow for comments. I asked why at the AGM. The reply I received was that they had decided it was surplus to requirements and had run its course, the new website being the main portal.

Real reason? One person complained that the contents of the Facebook Group were not relevant to the u3a and it was updated too frequently (!) The 80-odd comments of disappointment, praise for the Facebook Group and explanation of the difference between a website and Facebook Group were ignored. The 1,000 members of our u3a were not consulted before the closure, so we now have a non-functioning Facebook Group.

The expression: "If it ain't broke, don't fix it" comes to mind.

Many thanks to our talented Facebook Group Administrator for facilitating us to live, laugh and learn via the Exmouth & District u3a Facebook Group. Our u3a will be worse off without it.



Phoenix Rising?

Members – do you agree or disagree with the closure of the Exmouth & District u3a Facebook Group? Comments please!

If you disagree and would like it to continue, please could you, or someone you know, volunteer to take over the Facebook Group which is now called 'Exmouth Social'?

This would continue with the same Facebook Group membership as before, similar posts, but with additional local issues. Help will be available should you require it.

You can get a message through via the Website contact on our 'Contact Us' section at https://exmouthu3a.online/contact-us/ or by sending an email to website@exmouthu3a.org.uk.

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