



BROXBOURNE U3A 25TH ANNIVERSARY: 2000 - 2025

THURSDAY 20TH NOVEMBER 2025

Held at The Spotlight Hoddesdon.

Speaker

The Lord Lieutenant of Hertfordshire

Robert Voss, CBE, CstJ.

Distinguished Guests

MP for Broxbourne – Lewis Cocking

Mayor of Broxbourne - Cllr Patsy Spears

Cllr Mark Mills-Bishop

Dr Sue Rayner-Jacobs – u3a Chair

Alison Gordon – BArts

Lee Rayner – BArts

The proceedings were opened by Barbara Cordina Chairperson of Broxbourne u3a, supported by the current committee.

The committee also recognised and thanked some of our own members for their help and support by awarding honorary membership to twenty-four original members: Shirley Cato, Jean Chatterton, Vivienne Edwards, Margaret Ellis, Sylvia Ellis, Elizabeth Elve, Davis Costellow, Jean Hart, Mary Howard, Patricia Jay, Margaret Kelly, Dennis Lacey, Shirley Lacey, Jacqueline Margetts, Rosalind Nendrick, Stephen Nendrick, Rosemary Roles, Rita Shepherd, Anne Sims, June Smith, Glen Travell, Pam Travell, Barbara Tulley, and Vernon Tye. The audience warmly applauded the recipients.

The distinguished guests also gave short speeches congratulating Broxbourne u3a on achieving their 25-year milestone and our MP Lewis Cocking, commented on the work he is doing in respect of local bus services, and mentioned that his Nan may be joining us for the meeting - something which the audience really appreciated. The Mayor explained her role and also told us that she is part of the Windrush Generation. She offered to attend a meeting and tell us about this part of her personal history. Councillor Mark Mills-Bishop was very appreciative of the work Broxbourne u3a do in this area and Dame Pauline Green, a Board Trustee of the Third Age Trust, brought us up to date on how the u3a movement works.

Our main speaker, the Lord Lieutenant of Hertfordshire Robert Voss, CBE, CStJ, gave an extremely enjoyable presentation to the assembled members, outlining his role as representative of the monarchy and the many Charitable organisations that he is involved with.

A buffet lunch was served to all attending members after the formal part was completed.