

Chair's Report

Year's Highlights

- **Thoroughly enjoyed my second year as I have become acquainted with the role.**
- **Membership now over 900. No active publicity.**
- **Highly successful Open Morning targeted at members.**
- **The Groups Have developed successfully with about 80 in number.**
- **New website running well.**
- **Talks programme and coach trips augmented with funds from the Community Foundation. Donation to URC for larger screen for our talks**
- **Full social Programme. Social Committee to look at alternatives for advising members of event bookings following AGM question.**
- **Developed Reserves Policy and new payment system using bank cards to phase out cheques. membership fees held constant.**
- **Very busy regional study days.**
- **Personally involved in last year's Quiz and a cookery class.**

Going Forward

- **Must continue to reduce admin burden for the Membership Secretary, Treasurer and Event Organisers.**
- **Too many cheques. If you can please pay by BACS and use the new payment portal on renewal.**
- **Five-year rule means Group Coordinator, Secretary and Treasurer will step down at this AGM after dedicated service to our organisation. The Social Secretary will also step down.**
- **I would like to thank them all for their hard work and successful results. I would also like to thank our new volunteers who are stepping into the roles.**