

Record of the Meeting of the Sanderstead Village WI

Held on Monday 5 January 2026

Our President, Sheila Freeman, welcomed 32 members and one visitor.

She thanked Maureen Rowlands for the flowers and Caroline Hinkes for the cake.

Members sang Jerusalem.

Record of Last Meeting – this is available on the website. Agreed.

Matters Arising – None

News of Members –

Members have attended funerals of Chris Denney and Elizabeth Bennett.

President's Remarks:

Our President reminded members that they would be asked to select their preferred resolution and ran through the details of the 5 proposed resolutions.

She asked members if they knew of anyone who would be interested in setting up the hall before the meetings.

Members were reminded that we were still looking for volunteer/s to organise the outings.

Treasurer's Report:

Current account £2287.56

Deposit account £2220.03

Total £4507.59

Income included £6.57 interest and £132.00 from Christmas raffle.

Expenditure included £106.00 to 4 Effect, £795.29 for Christmas lunch, £43.00 expenses for the Christmas meeting, £26.00 raffle expenses, £165.00 hall rent, and payment to Cherrill Print for the programmes.

Secretary's Report

Secretary updated on Surrey events, including planned visits to the air ambulance in Redhill.

Sub Groups:

Dorcas – Dorcas members are knitting baby hats and blankets.

Rambling – No walk in January. February will be along Regent's Canal to Little Venice. Numbers will be needed for the restaurant.

Keep Fit - continues at Sanderstead United Reformed Church. Term starts on Wednesday 7 January until 1 April.

Pilates – is back to normal twice a week online sessions.

Book Club – is reading "The Ocean Between Us" and will be having a post Christmas meal.

Lunch Bunch – Next lunch bunch will be at "Med Kitchen" on 19 February.

Members selected their preferred resolution by secret ballot.

Results were: Toilets -15
Women's homelessness – 3
Nature - 5
Love your vulva - 2
Every child needs a friend - 5

Joanna Bogle then gave a very inspiring talk about Sue Ryder.