

# Alpine U3A

## Life Membership Policy

### Purpose

To recognise outstanding contribution and service that is both exceptional and sustained for a significant period to the development of Alpine U3A.

### Criteria

A long-standing contribution (of at least 7 years – not necessary continuous) to the development and management of Alpine U3A preferably in at least *two* of the following areas:

1. Committee Executive: president, vice president, secretary or treasurer;
2. Tutor/Convenor of a class or activity;
3. Coordinator of courses, guest speakers and trip organisation;
4. Promotion and recruitment;
5. Other e.g. newsletter, website or membership

### Selection

1. Any current member can nominate a past or present member for a Life Membership Award.
2. Nominations can be made at any time.
3. The nomination must include a citation outlining the contribution and service the member has made to Alpine U3A. The nomination must be seconded by another member.
4. *Selection panel* – this is to comprise the current president and two other longstanding members (committee or otherwise) nominated by the committee.
5. If the selection panel deems the nominee worthy of the award, their decision is then tabled at a committee meeting where it is either rejected or endorsed.
6. If rejected the committee may decide to grant a *Distinguished Service Award* instead.

### Form of Award

1. The award is to be a coloured, printed, framed certificate.
2. The award can be presented to the member at an AGM, a Coffee Morning or Christmas Luncheon, or at a special function organised for the purpose.

### Privileges

1. No membership fees;
2. Full voting rights;
3. To receive newsletters and other member correspondence;
4. To be invited to all special events.

**Authorisation:** This Policy was adopted by the Committee of Management of Alpine U3A and minuted as such, on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2020

This policy will be published by the Committee of Management of Alpine U3A on its website following the date of this authorisation.

**Policy Review** This policy to be reviewed annually or when circumstances change.