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|  | **OFFICER NOTES** *For distribution to HFWI Presidents, Secretaries & Treasurers* | **Logo  Description automatically generated** |
| **--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------**  **IT’S ALL CHANGE AT WI HOUSE**  It is with a sad heart that this month, we must announce that Caroline Wright (HFWI Fed Secretary) will be retiring, and Marcia Brown (HFWI Book-keeper) is resigning due to family commitments. We wish them both our very best wishes, as we will miss their dedication to duty and friendly faces. We are delighted to announce that Roz Simcock and Caroline Miller have been appointed Joint Federation Secretaries. Roz will work Tuesdays and Wednesdays and Caroline will work Thursdays and Fridays. You will be able to contact them both on a joint email: [fedsec@herefordshirewi.org.uk](mailto:fedsec@herefordshirewi.org.uk) The [admin@herefordshirewi.org.uk](mailto:admin@herefordshirewi.org.uk) email will still be monitored. In the interim, Roz Simcock will provide additional hours to cover book-keeping duties.  **--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------**  **CHANGE TO SPEAKER DETAILS – RALPH BARBER**  Please note that if you are wishing to contact Ralph, for him to give a talk, his email is: [ralph.barber@btinternet.com](mailto:ralph.barber@btinternet.com)  **--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------** | | |
| **RESOLUTIONS FOR 2025**  A discussion of the shortlisted resolutions has been arranged on Tuesday, 19 November 2-4pm at Wellington Community Centre (HR4 8AZ). This is a FREE event for members, so that you can take the information back to your WI before each member casts their vote. Votes due to HFWI 9 February 2025.  **--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------**  **HFWI 103RD ACM – TRUSTEE REPORT**  After a fun-packed ACM last Tuesday, please take some time to read and relay the account given by Georgina Voogd (HFWI Trustee) of her attendance at her first ACM. It makes very interesting reading and provides some suggested links that members might wish to pursue. Enclosure: HFWI 103RD ACM Trustee Report  **--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------** | | |
| **ELECTION OF NFWI BOARD OF TRUSTEES 2025-2027**  Encourage your members to read the profiles of the nominated Trustees. These can be found at <https://www.mi-nomination.com/wisupport/form/Support> However, you might prefer your members not to read these online as only ONE response per WI will be accepted by NFWI. If members then let you know their preference(s) you will be able to co-ordinate your WI’s response. A WI can select the profiles of more than one candidate. Suggestion: copy the profiles and email them out to members, so as not to compromise your WI’s online submission.  **--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------**  **PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES – SESSIONS FROM NFWI**  Please encourage your members to explore the proposed Constitutional changes. NFWI will be running a series of constitution review member consultation meetings. These meetings will be an opportunity for members to explore the proposed changes to the constitution documents, and raise any questions they might have, before sharing formal feedback. Sessions are open to all, but NFWI would encourage WI Secretaries to represent their WIs. A strict reminder that feedback via the official survey is to be completed per WI, and not per member. Duplicate entries will be discarded. The meetings will be hosted on Zoom on the following dates and times:  1. Monday 21 October – 7pm to 8.30pm  2. Tuesday 5 November – 3.30pm to 5pm  3. Wednesday 13 November – 10am to 11.30am  If you or your members are interested in joining one of these meetings, please register for the session most suitable for you. Meeting access details will only be shared with those registered to attend. Please register here: <https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=8p80-eQfkEe0GavdVe2P1dGNS8Ohf6tDt1KUTebX4BtUOE9PSVdXRTJXNUE2V0tBVFk2RE9MNkJIVC4u&origin=lprLink&fbclid=IwY2xjawF_d1NleHRuA2FlbQIxMQABHT61GkhLqjxUUKQQIH8xaBfdS7AXA_exiKNrk2QvFbGvHBfWD0Ha978Zqw_aem_pYRzfWtr0wNN81JG88msEg&route=shorturl>  **--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------**  **YET TO CHOOSE YOUR CHARITY FOR 2025?** Perhaps consider St Michael’s Hospice. An idea that you, and your fellow WI members might consider is to support SMH 40-hour crowdfunding campaign to raise £400k towards the cost of our care staff. The campaign will run on charityextra.com - for ‘champions’ (supporters like you). In addition, generous donors, known as ‘Matchers’, pledge to match each donation that SMH receive from the community. Consider signing-up as a ‘champion’ and help to raise much-needed funds. The campaign will be taking place between 7am on 27th October to 11pm 28th October.  You would have your own fundraising page on charityextra.com and will be provided with a bespoke link/URL which you can circulate to all your contacts via email or What’s app/text. Clicking on the link they will be able to donate to your page. Further info from: Amy Johnson, Events and Community Fundraiser, SMH, 01432 851000, Ext: 2603, [www.st-michaels-hospice.org.uk](http://www.st-michaels-hospice.org.uk/)  **--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------**  **MARCH FOR CLEAN WATER – SUNDAY, 3RD NOVEMBER**  Organised by [River Action](https://savethewye.us21.list-manage.com/track/click?u=c3f20e2198052565f9d769501&id=01718980ef&e=a44df52d0e), this march is to show the new Government how important caring for our rivers and seas is locally, nationally and internationally.  The river needs YOUR voice to be heard on the day! For details on coach transport from Herefordshire/Gloucester, please see the enclosure.Enclosure: March for Clean Water **--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------**  **DEADLINE FOR YOUR IFE REQUEST YEAR END JANUARY TO DECEMBER 2024**  A polite reminder to send in your IFE request before 25 Nov. See October’s enclosures for the IFE Request form.  October Enclosure: HFWI IFE Request YE2024  **--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------**  **WE ARE HERE TO HELP**  If you need assistance with MCS, your WI email account, MyWI, etc, please do not hesitate to contact us.  [admin@herefordshirewi.org.uk](mailto:admin@herefordshirewi.org.uk) Assistance can be given over the phone or in person. Contact us: 90 St Owen Street, Hereford, HR1 2QD. Telephone: 01432 272268. Office hours: Tuesday-Friday 9.30am–2.30pm.  **--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------** | | |
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