**Omagh Probus Club**

**Zoom Meeting Wednesday 25th November at 10.30am**

In Attendance : Jim McBain, Bob Lingwood, Oliver Loughran, Kenneth Collins, David Haddow, Jim Alderdice, Michael Cooney, Hugh Ward, Desmond Smart, and Alistair Orr

Jim McBain as host to the Zoom meeting admitted and welcomed members to the meeting.

President Michael Cooney informed members that Felim O’Neill’s poem about lockdown would be available to put up on the club’s website.

Jim McBain reported on two members who had recently been unwell. This was followed by a general discussion on Covid 19 and as to the month of the first cases in Omagh possibly being as early as last November.

Vice President Hugh Ward gave an update on the proposed Omagh Probus Members book of memories. He has presently ten contributions. He asked members to source suitable pictures that could be included with the stories.

He also mentioned the 70th anniversary of the Omagh Railway accident when five local railway workers were killed.

Smaller “in fills” between stories would also be welcome . Kenneth Collins asked if the proposed history of Omagh Probus Club was to be included in the book.

It was suggested it could be a introduction to the book or a separate publication.

Secretary Alistair Orr said he had the Christmas Cards for widows and club members addressed and ready to go to the president to add his greeting and to post. David Haddow suggested hand delivering the cards. Some members agreed whilst other thought that due to present Covid19 restrictions posting would be preferable. No final decision was made. Alistair Orr said a decision would need to be made next week at the latest.

The meeting ended at 11.10am