

Drinks & Dialogue October Meeting Recap

We had requested RSVPs. The day before the event, numbers were 12-20. 35 people arrived at the Onion Tied House on South Blvd. People liked the ability to order a meal and our waiter was great - he did not mix up the League tab from the individual tabs. Noise was an issue. It apparently was the busiest Thursday evening they have ever had. The manager was greatly surprised as the time we had worked with the venue to choose is typically fairly slow. David Pope provided handouts, spoke about the work of the Taxing Bodies Efficiency Task Force, and answered questions from the group. The attendees were a mixed lot. Some knew little about the taskforce or upcoming non-binding referendum. A small group came prepared for emotional debate. Leslie Lauderdale interrupted on occasion to call "time" and help people who had not yet spoken have an opportunity to speak. Maureen McLachlan and Peggy Kell helped in pointing out who had hands up, etc. The conversation was clearly not complete as we wrapped up. David Pope provided Leslie contact information. Everyone who had signed in with an email address was sent his contact information, a link to the presentation Mr. Pope had used as the handout, and a link to the LWVOPRF website.