

# THE UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE FARNHAM AND DISTRICT

England & Wales · Charity number 1019078

## Details

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**Other names** U 3 A FARNHAM, U3A FARNHAM

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 1993-03-24

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION AND, IN PARTICULAR, THE EDUCATION OF OLDER PEOPLE AND THOSE WHO ARE RETIRED FROM FULL TIME WORK, BY ALL MEANS INCLUDING ASSOCIATED ACTIVITIES CONDUCIVE TO LEARNING AND PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT.

**Activities:** The education of middle aged and older people

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport
- **Who:** Elderly/old People

## Geography

- **Area of benefit:** IN PRACTICE, FARNHAM AND DISTRICT
- Surrey

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-06-30	£77,968	£70,006	-	-
2024-06-30	£69,093	£63,808	-	-
2023-06-30	£63,144	£58,816	-	-
2022-06-30	£49,651	£63,059	-	-
2021-06-30	£26,748	£36,484	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>Philip Henry Oliver</b>	Chair	2022-09-12
Annette Kratz		2022-09-12
Charlotte Elizabeth Hurst		2026-04-20
Jane Moberly		2020-09-28
Lynda Robinson		2025-02-10
Margaret Ann Popovic		2025-02-17
Sally Elizabeth Bowden		2024-01-22
Shree Devi Merriman		2021-09-13
Stephen Tilburn		2022-09-12
VIVIENNE MARY MILLER		2022-09-12

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# Accounts

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## **Farnham u3a Annual Review 2024/5**

This year has been a year of consolidation and some new challenges. Last year we set a number of changes underway, all of which have borne fruit. The additional activities which we started last year have, I'm delighted to say, gone from strength to strength; the quizzes, the workshops and the offers from local business seem to be very popular and the increasing number of days out seem always to be overbooked. The publicity work by the marketing team has brought in many new members.

This success has brought us new challenges; more members and more volunteers suggesting new groups and activities and too many groups which are full. These problems are not susceptible to wholesale changes. Fixing them requires patient, painstaking work from the Groups team. The Maltings is a wonderful venue and we are grateful to all the staff and the volunteers there for the support they give us. We are however increasingly having to seek out external venues as the Maltings is full to bursting point and scheduling is an increasing problem. We are becoming victims of our own success; a recent call to see if there was interest in strength training classes for our members elicited over 200 positive responses!

The safety of our members is an essential element of our responsibilities and we have been working hard this year with the Maltings to make their processes for dealing with the less able more effective in case we should ever have to evacuate the building. This work is almost complete but we will not rest until all of our concerns have been addressed.

We raised our subscriptions by £5 to £50 this year. The cost of hiring the Maltings and other external venues eat up the vast majority of the subscriptions and our expenses beyond this are modest. We continue to steadily build reserves in line with the u3a Trust's recommendations.

'By the members, for the members' is one of the founding principles of the u3a and our volunteers number well over two hundred; running groups, organising meetings and events and running our now sizable organisation is an enormous effort and I thank each and every one of them for every minute that they put into our work.

I cannot finish without thanking the committee. At the end of next year there will be several changes and we seem now to be well on the way to a smooth transition. This year we lose Cynthia Barnett, our membership secretary who has dealt with membership queries through our move online with immense patience and understanding and I thank her for her hard work. She is succeeded by Margaret Popovic who has been shadowing Cynthia all year, a model we will repeat.

The committee are an amazing group, with a very wide range of skills and a willingness to work some very strange hours on occasion. I thank them all.

Philip Oliver - Chair Farnham u3a

**Farnham u3a**  
**charity number 1019078**

**Income and Expenditure account for the year ending 30 June 2025**

	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2023-2024</u>
	£	£
<b><u>Income</u></b>		
<b>receipts</b>		
membership subscriptions	63,787	58,446
bank interest received	1,255	1,058
donations received	520	52
gift aid recovered	10,680	9,537
net proceeds from local shows and events	617	0
net proceeds from quiz, Christmas and disco meetings	1,109	0
<b>Total income</b>	<u>77,968</u>	<u>69,093</u>
<b><u>Expenditure</u></b>		
<b>payments</b>		
bank charges	120	120
committee & administration costs	1,483	972
equipment costs and it expenses	396	944
member communications	561	4,567
monthly and theme meetings	494	1,381
PayPal and other commission	1,094	868
pr and promotions	5,056	593
other group costs - equipment	233	188
Third age trust costs	7,250	6,844
Venue hire costs	44,942	41,970
Maltings	7,769	4,915
other venues	607	446
website costs	607	446
	<u>70,006</u>	<u>63,808</u>
<b>Profit - Excess receipts over expenditure</b>	7,963	5,285
General funds brought forward at 1 July 2024	42,606	37,321
<b>Unrestricted general funds c/f at 30 June 2025</b>	<u>50,569</u>	<u>42,606</u>
<b><u>Represented by</u></b>		
NatWest bank	21,490	8,387
CAF bank	5,645	11,282
CCL bank	22,935	21,852
PayPal	499	1,085
petty cash	0	0
	<u>50,569</u>	<u>42,606</u>

**Notes to the accounts**

1. The accounts have been prepared on a Receipts and Payments basis in line with prior years.
2. Purchases of equipment is accounted for in full in the year of purchase.

**Farnham u3a**  
**charity number 1019078**

**Group balances - Restricted funds**

Group funds are held on behalf of the respective groups and represent monies collected from their members towards activities such as trips, wine tastings, etc These funds are not available to Farnham u3a for general purposes.

group	balance b/f at 1/7/24 £	net movement in the year £	balance c/f at 30/6/25 £
theatre	3,691	2,157	5,848
concert	2,583	-1,097	1,486
Shakespeare	635	0	635
photography	308	38	346
wine discovery	481	334	815
wine for fun 1	1,335	-591	744
wine for fun 2	268	0	268
taichi 4	123	0	123
classical	209	0	209
architecture	45	0	45
croquet	0	0	0
	<u>9,677</u>	<u>842</u>	<u>10,519</u>
<b><u>Represented by</u></b>			
NatWest bank	7,374		7,664
CAF bank	2,303		2,855
	<u>9,677</u>		<u>10,519</u>



**THE UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE FARNHAM AND DISTRICT**  
**Registered charity number 1019078**

**Report to the trustees**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30 June 2025.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



**Glennis Turner**  
**89 Crondall Lane**  
**Farnham, Surrey GU9 7BZ**

Date

31/8/2025

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# Accounts

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## **Trustees Annual Report for the period 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024**

### **Objectives and Activities**

Objectives: As set out in our constitution, the objectives of Farnham and District u3a are the advancement of education and, in particular, the education of older people and those who are retired from full-time work by all means, including associated activities conducive to learning and personal development.

### **Public benefits**

The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit. The Public Benefit of our organisation is that our u3a helps keep our members educated, fit, socialising and thus healthier than might otherwise be the case, thus reducing the demand on public health services. The opportunity to meet people in a learning or social situation is of especial benefit to those members who live alone. We have over 1400 members who benefit from the activities we provide, and we are always happy to welcome new members, undertaking promotional campaigns to make ourselves known locally.

We run over 100 groups approximately half of which are academic, run by members and covering subjects such as languages, philosophy, history, current affairs etc. We also have many fitness and social groups and run social activities such as monthly coffee mornings and regular quiz sessions. We have an on-going process of checking what new groups our members would like to see and endeavouring to find leaders for such groups. In the period of this report, we also facilitated our members in learning basic first aid and how to be a dementia friend, which may benefit the general public. We also provide a series of monthly meetings with generally non-member speakers where any member can learn about a huge variety of topics, and a second series of themed monthly open meetings. These are usually led by members and the theme in 2023/24 was cities.

### **Contribution made by volunteers**

Our u3a is entirely run by volunteers, in accordance with the u3a principle 'by members, for members'. The committee are all volunteers and are responsible for running Farnham u3a in accordance with the wishes of the members and in line with our stated objectives. They are assisted by various volunteers who help with new members, using technical equipment, etc.

### **Achievements and performance**

Farnham u3a helps members keep their minds active and helps them keep physically fit. Meeting together to learn or to enjoy social activities staves off the loneliness which can be a problem for many older people. We carry out surveys from time to time and these show that our members are happy with what we do and appreciative of the opportunities for learning and being sociable that we provide. Members who find themselves on their own in their later life are particularly appreciative. Keeping elderly people as mentally and physically fit as possible alongside providing them with opportunities to socialise is of benefit to society as a whole.

## **Financial Review**

At the end of the financial year the accounts resulted in a profit of £5.3k, replenishing our reserves somewhat after the losses in previous years as a result of the Covid epidemic. Our general funds at the end of the year were £42.6k.

Our main source of income is membership subscriptions and our main outgoings are room rental. Our reserves policy is to hold reserves of 6 months general running costs of a minimum of £28k enabling the organisation to cope with a loss of some 50% of membership income leaving it still able to fund the running costs – largely room rental - for the remaining members of the organisation. Our reserves of £42.6k are within the requirement of our policy.

## **Structure, Governance and Management**

Our governing document is our constitution.

Our u3a is an unincorporated association affiliated to the Third Age Trust.

Trustees are members, and are selected by members at the annual AGM

## **Reference and Administrative details**

Charity name : Farnham and District University of the Third Age

We are generally known as Farnham u3a

The registered charity number is 1019078

Our principal address is 17 Kestrel Close, Ewshot, Farnham, GU10 5TW

## **Trustees in 2023/24**

Andrew Morgan – Chair (Until Sept 2023, but trustee all year)

Philip Oliver – Chair (from Sept 2023, but trustee all year)

Jane Moberly – Vice-chair

Val Atkinson – Secretary (resigned Sept 24)

Shree Merriman – Treasurer

Malcolm Ellis (Resigned Sept 24)

Annette Kratz

Vivienne Miller

Steven Tilburn

Cynthia Barnett

Sally Bowden (Trustee from Jan 24)

Trustees are members of the committee and are elected from the membership of Farnham u3a. The committee meets monthly and is responsible for the overall direction of the organisation. It is supported by a large number of volunteers in smaller sub committees or as Group Leaders.

## **Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others**

None

## **Declarations**

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees



Sally Bowden, Secretary

<b>Income and Expenditure accounts for the year ending 30 June 2024</b>					
				<b>2023-2024</b>	<b>2022-2023</b>
				£	£
<b>income</b>		<b>receipts</b>			
membership subscriptions				58,446	53,642
bank interest received				1,058	390
donations received				52	200
gift aid recovered				9,538	8,912
<b>Total income</b>				<b>69,093</b>	<b>63,144</b>
<b>expenditure</b>		<b>payments</b>			
bank charges				120	133
committee and administration costs				972	907
equipment costs				944	308
local shows and events				10	0
member communications				4,567	4,488
monthly, theme, quiz and christmas meetings				1,381	672
Paypal and other commission				868	805
pr and promotions				583	137
other group costs				188	329
Third Age trust costs				6,844	6,240
Venue hire costs	maltings			41,970	44,346
	other			4,914	
website				446	452
<b>total expenses</b>				<b>63,808</b>	<b>58,817</b>
Excess receipts over payments				<b>5,285</b>	<b>4,327</b>
General Funds brought forward at 1 July 2023				37,321	32,994
<b>Unrestricted general funds c/f at 30 June 2024</b>				<b>42,606</b>	<b>37,321</b>
<b>Represented by</b>					
Natwest bank				8,387	647
CAF bank				11,282	15,266
CCLA bank				21,852	20,839
Paypal				1,085	568
				<b>42,606</b>	<b>37,321</b>
<b>Restricted group funds</b>					
total receipts				33,884	35,016
total payments				33,577	33,988
<b>Excess receipts over payments</b>				<b>307</b>	<b>1,028</b>
group funds brought forward at 1 July 2023				9,370	8,342
<b>Restricted group funds c/f at 30 June 2024</b>				<b>9,677</b>	<b>9,370</b>
<b>Represented by</b>					
Natwest bank				7,374	7,746
CAF bank				2,303	1,624
				<b>9,677</b>	<b>9,370</b>

**Notes to the accounts for the year ended 30 June 2024**

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theatre	3,198	-1,498	1,701
concert	1,565	3,008	4,573
shakespeare	1,675	-1,040	635
photography	158	150	308
wine discovery	814	-333	481
wine for fun 1	865	470	1,335
wine for fun 2	718	-450	268
taiche 4	123	0	123
classical	209	0	209
architecture	45	0	45
	<u>9,370</u>	<u>307</u>	<u>9,677</u>

**Treasurers Report**

Another good year, resulting in a profit, mainly due to the increase in number of new members. This surplus is used to bolster up our depleted funds resulting from covid circumstances and to maintain the membership fees at their current value, despite an increase in the cost of living and costs of new venues enabling us to meet our objectives.

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### **Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others**

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### **Declarations**

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Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees



Valerie Margaret Atkinson, Secretary

22/01/24

The University of the Third Age Farnham and District  
Registered Charity Number 1019078  
Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 30 June 2023

	2022- 23 £	2021- 22 £
<b>General Fund</b>		
Income - receipts		
Membership subscriptions	53,64	43,58
	2	0
Tax recovery	8,912	5,962
Donations	200	70
Bank interest received	390	39
Total income received	<u>63,14</u>	<u>49,65</u>
	4	1
Expenses - payments		
Bank charges	133	192
Committee & general admin	907	793
Equipment purchases& repairs	308	1,208
Group costs	329	2,452
Member communications	4,488	8,102
Monthly meetings	284	955
PayPal commission	805	635
PR & promotions	137	0
Projects / theme	50	395
Quiz	338	0
Third Age Trust subscriptions	6,240	4,996
Venue hires and costs	44,34	42,60
	6	1
Website	452	730
Total expenses paid	<u>58,81</u>	<u>63,05</u>
	6	9
Net Income receipts (expenses)	<u>4,328</u>	<u>(13,40</u> <u>8)</u>
<b>General and Restricted funds</b>		
General fund balance b/f 1/7/22	32,99	44,34
	3	9
Restricted fund balance b/f 1/7/22	0	770
Current year net income / expenditure	4,328	(13,40
		8)
Group funds b/f 1/7/22	8,342	9,636
Group funds movement	1,028	(11)
Total funds	<u>46,69</u>	<u>41,33</u>
	1	6
<b>Group Funds</b>		
Group receipts	35,01	9,921

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Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 30 June 2023

	6	
Group payments	33,98	9,932
	8	
Net group income/expenditure	<u>1,028</u>	<u>(11)</u>
Balance b/f 1/7/23	8,342	9,636
Net group balances moved	1,028	-1,282
Net group expenditure	0	-11
Group balances c/f	<u>9,370</u>	<u>8,342</u>

	<u>2022-</u>	<u>2021-</u>
	23	22
	£	£

Balance Sheet  
**General and Restricted funds**

NatWest current	647	176
CAF bank current	15,26	11,36
	6	6
PayPal	568	945
CCLA deposit	20,83	20,50
	9	6
General funds c/f	<u>37,32</u>	<u>32,99</u>
	1	3

Group funds		
NatWest current	1,624	391
CAF current	7,746	7,952
Group funds c/f	<u>9,370</u>	<u>8,343</u>
Total assets	<u>46,69</u>	<u>41,33</u>
	1	6

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 30 June 2023

1. The accounts are prepared on a receipt and payment basis, in line with last year.

2. The accounts have resulted in a much need profit this year of £4,328, resulting from an increase in fees of £10 per member as well as an increase in the number of new members joining our movement. The last 2 years have produced losses depleting our reserves by almost £23,000, as a result of the Covid pandemic.

3. Purchases of equipment is accounted for in full in the year of purchase.

4. Group funds

Group funds are held on behalf of the respective groups., and represent monies collected from members towards activities such as trips, wine, tastings, etc. These funds are not available to Farnham U3A for general purposes.

The University of the Third Age Farnham and District  
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Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 30 June 2023

Group	Balance b/f	NET movement in the Year	Balance c/f
Architecture	45		45.00
Art outings			0.00
Classical studies	209		209.00
Concert group	1,300.66	264.15	1,564.81
Photography	175.00	-17.00	158.00
Shakespeare trips	174.00	1,501.25	1,675.25
Theatre group	4,677.60	1,479.40	3,198.20
Tai Chi 4	123.00		123.00
Wine discovery	645.43	168.65	814.08
Wine for fun 1	575.00	290.00	865.00
Wine for fun 2	418.00	300.00	718.00
	<u>8,342.69</u>	<u>1,027.65</u>	<u>9,370.34</u>

Treasurers report

I am pleased to report that we have made a small surplus this year, after 2 years of losses which had depleted our reserves following the effects of the Covid Pandemic. This surplus is partly due to the increase in the subscriptions to £45 as well as new members joining our U3A. Although we need to build up our reserves, we are holding on to current membership fees for this year due to the current economic climate. Availability of funds will be tight this year however we will look to create another surplus if opportunities arise. We may need to revisit the fees next year when our contract with the Maltings is up for renewal.

**THE UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE FARNHAM AND DISTRICT**  
**Registered charity number 1019078**

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30th June 2023.

**Responsibilities and basis of report:**

As the charity trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent examiner's statement:**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

1. the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
2. the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
3. the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Glennis Turner

Date: 21/8/2023

89 Crondall Lane, Farnham, Surrey, GU9 7BZ

**Examiner's Observations**

I completely support the Treasurer's comments regarding the level of the reserves and the need to keep this under review. Given the level of annual expenditure the reserve is currently a little light.

I would recommend that the return CC16a to the Charity Commission includes the net movement on the Group Accounts. Otherwise the return will not give a complete picture of the financial situation.

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## **Chairman's Annual Report on the activities of Farnham u3a**

I am delighted to report that our branch of the u3a organization continues to thrive.

Recovering from the impact of the pandemic fully, will take a few years but the signs are very positive. We continue to offer the Farnham community many subject groups that tend toward the academic such as learning or improving foreign language skills. However, to ensure we maintain the u3a ethos, we also provide activities that are purely for the pleasure of interacting with other like-minded members. Some of our most popular groups are those that precisely facilitate this requirement such as cycling or rambling.

Ours is a dynamic organization. Planning and delivering the annual programme to our circa twelve hundred members is complex. We try to ensure all member activities are so far as possible held within the Farnham Maltings community hub. The annual programme, planning and management is undertaken by an elected committee of volunteers. More impressive, is that each of our one hundred plus groups is led by a subject expert from our community.

I am confident that Farnham u3a both fulfils its commitment to offer a stimulating range of activities and almost as important, provides opportunities to meet a wide variety of people while so doing.

## Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 30th June 2022

Registered Charity Number 1019078

	<u>2020-21</u>	<u>2021-22</u>
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>		
<b>Income</b>	<b>£</b>	
Subscriptions	23,378	43,580.00
Tax Recovery	3,201	5,962.10
Donations	0	70.00
Bank Interest	13	39.16
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>26,593</b>	<b>49,651.26</b>
<b>Expense</b>		
Venue Hire & other costs	17,675	42,600.84
Third Age Trust Subscription	3,756	4,996.00
Project (Theme)	50	395.30
Monthly Meetings	395	955.10
Member Communications	7,778	8,102.29
PR/Promotions )	1,140	0.00
WebSite )	0	730.20
Equipment Purchase & Repairs	742	1,208.44
Licences & Subscriptions (Central) )	2,364	1,310.00
Group Costs )	0	1,142.59
Miscellaneous Expenses	115	0.00
Bank Charges	156	192.00
PayPal Fees	0	634.50
Depreciation	2,121	0.00
Committee & General Admin	37	792.47
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>36,329</b>	<b>63,059.73</b>
<b>Net Ordinary Income/(Exp)</b>	<b>-9,735</b>	<b>-13,408.47</b>
<b>GROUP FUNDS</b>		
Group Receipts	2,880	9,920.75
Group Payments	1,799	9,932.06
<b>Net Group Income/(Expenditure)</b>	<b>1,081</b>	<b>-11.31</b>

**GENERAL AND RESTRICTED FUNDS**

General Fund balance b/f	54,084	44,349.42
Restricted Fund balance b/f	770	770.00
Net Ordinary Income/(Expenditure)	-9,735	-13,408.47
Group Balances moved		1,282.00
<b>General &amp; Restricted balances c/f</b>	<b>45,119</b>	<b>32,992.95</b>

**GROUP FUNDS**

Balance brought forward	8,555	9,636.00
Net Group Income/(Expenditure)	1,081	-11.31
Group Balances moved		-1,282.00
<b>Group balance carried forward</b>	<b>9,636</b>	<b>8,342.69</b>

**BALANCE SHEET****Current Assets****General and Restricted Fund\***

NatWest	20,430	176.28
CAF Current	4,183	11,366.32
PayPal	0	944.50
Cash Floats	38	0.00
CCLA Deposit	20,468	20,505.85
NatWest Reserve	0	0.00
	<b>45,119</b>	<b>32,992.95</b>

**Group Funds**

NatWest	9,417	391.11
CAF Current	219	7,951.58
	<b>9,636</b>	<b>8,342.69</b>

<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>54,755</b>	<b>41,335.64</b>
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**\*Restricted Funds**

Maltings Garden Project	360	0.00
Oral History Project	410	0.00
	<b>770</b>	<b>0.00</b>

## NOTES to the Accounts for year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022

1. This year the accounts were moved from a manual based system to the Beacon Finance System developed and supported by the Third Age Trust. This resulted in a change in accounting methodology from an accruals basis to cash accounting.
2. The accounts reflect the continuing impact on the activities of the various groups through the second year of the Covid pandemic.
3. The reported loss for the year, and for the previous year, was covered by funds held in reserve. The Trustees have agreed an increase in fees of £10 per member for the 2022/3 year and believe this will restore the finances to a small surplus.
4. With effect from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2022 all income and expenditure is accounted for as and when it is received and paid.
5. Previous assets were depreciated to nil value at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021.
6. All purchases of equipment etc. are now accounted for in full at the time of purchase.

### Group Funds

Group Funds are held on behalf of the respective groups. These represent monies collected from members towards group activities such as trips, wine tastings etc. These funds are not available to Farnham U3A for general purposes.

	Balance			Moved to	Balance
	B/F	Income	Outgoings	General	C/F
				Fund	
Architecture	45.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	45.00
* Art History	35.00	0.00	0.00	-35.00	0.00
Classical Studies	209.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	209.00
Concert Group	1,407.00	1,600.00	1,706.34	0.00	1,300.66
MOTO	0.00	804.75	804.75	0.00	0.00
Photography	295.00	100.00	220.00	0.00	175.00
Shakespeare Trips	174.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	174.00
Theatre	4,535.00	4,548.00	4,405.40	0.00	4,677.60
Tai Chi 4	123.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	123.00
Wine Discovery	849.00	1,172.00	1,375.57	0.00	645.43
Wine for Fun 1	535.00	720.00	680.00	0.00	575.00
Wine for Fun 2	182.00	976.00	740.00	0.00	418.00
* Unclassified/Inactive	1,247.00		0.00	-1,247.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9,636.00</b>	<b>9,920.75</b>	<b>9,932.06</b>	<b>-1,282.00</b>	<b>8,342.69</b>

\* Funds held in respect of dormant groups and restricted funds where there was no likelihood of these being required in the future were transferred to the General Fund with the consent of the groups involved.

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Date: 4/8/2022

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Date: 4/8/2022

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## **THE UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE FARNHAM AND DISTRICT**

### **THE TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30 June 2021**

The University of the Third Age Farnham and District (Farnham U3A) is a registered Charity No. 1019078 with a constitution adopted on 13 May 1991. An amended constitution was adopted on the 26<sup>th</sup> March 2021.

Its object is to advance the education of the public and in particular the education of middle aged and older people who are not in full time gainful employment and who live in Farnham and its surrounding localities.

Farnham U3A is affiliated to the Third Age Trust UK.

Members of the Committee during the year were:

Mike Love - Chairman  
Ian Lapworth – Vice Chair  
Malcolm Ellis - Groups Co-ordinator  
Val Atkinson - Hon Secretary  
Ann Vickers - Events Secretary  
Glennis Turner - Hon Treasurer  
Jane Moberly - Communications  
Shree Merriman – Member/Trustee

The Charity's bankers are CAF Bank Ltd., 25 Kings Hill Avenue, Kings Hill, West Malling, National Westminster Bank plc, The Borough, Farnham, and CCLA Investment Management Ltd of 80 Cheapside, London EC2V 6DZ.

The independent examiner of accounts is Mr Ian Johnson of Westbrook Cottage, The Street, Crookham Village, Hampshire, GU51 5SJ

During the year there was a full committee which met monthly to deal with the activities across all groups.

#### **Chairman's Annual Report on the activities of Farnham U3A**

I am pleased that, in spite of being through such a traumatic year as a result of Coronavirus, the committee and our dedicated volunteers and group leaders managed to keep Farnham U3A operational. Many groups embraced technology to enable them to continue "meeting". I would like to thank all those who have helped see us through this last year's uncertainties. Zoom has been a most useful tool in enabling groups to meet online. It has also allowed me to work extensively with other local u3a Chairs and representatives across the S E Region Network to contribute, promote Farnham u3a and keep abreast of what is happening within the u3a.

This past year we have embraced the recent u3a rebranding and promotional activities which are designed to retain current members, recruit new members and help re-invigorate the organisation for the future.

Statement of Financial Activities for Year Ending 30 June 2021					
	Total 2019-20	General Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2020-21	Notes
	£	£	£	£	
<b>Income</b>					
Subscriptions	50,734	23,533		23,533	1
Tax Recovery	6,585	3,201		3,201	
Project (Theme)	360	0		0	
Miscellaneous Receipts	62	0		0	
Bank Interest	108	13		13	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>57,849</b>	<b>26,748</b>		<b>26,748</b>	
<b>Expense</b>					
Venue Hire	31,305	17,675		17,675	2
Third Age Trust Subscription	5,151	3,756		3,756	
Project (Theme)	455	50		50	
Monthly Meetings	906	395		395	
Member Communications	5,480	7,778		7,778	3
PR/Promotions	61	1,140		1,140	
Equipment Purchase & Repairs	1,287	742		742	4
Licences	1,439	2,364		2,364	
Members Refunds	1225	155		155	
Miscellaneous Expenses	516	115		115	
Bank Charges	120	156		156	
Depreciation	567	2,121		2,121	5
Committee & General Admin	596	37		37	
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>49,108</b>	<b>36,484</b>		<b>36,484</b>	
<b>Net Ordinary Income/(Exp)</b>	<b>£ 8,741</b>	<b>(£ 9,735)</b>		<b>(£ 9,735)</b>	
Balance brought forward	46,114	54,085	770	54,855	
<b>Balance carried forward</b>	<b>54,855</b>	<b>44,350</b>	<b>770</b>	<b>45,120</b>	
<b>Group Funds</b>					
Group Receipts	26,259	2,880		2,880	
Group Payments	27,145	1,799		1,799	
Net Group Income/(Expenditure)	(£ 886)	£ 1,081		£ 1,081	
Balance brought forward	9,441	8,555		8,555	
<b>Balance carried forward</b>	<b>8,555</b>	<b>9,636</b>		<b>9,636</b>	
<b>Total balance carried forward</b>	<b>£ 63,410</b>	<b>£ 53,986</b>	<b>£ 770</b>	<b>£ 54,756</b>	
<b>Net Total Income/(EXP)</b>	<b>£ 7,855</b>	<b>(£ 8,654)</b>		<b>(£ 8,654)</b>	
NOTE	1 Reflects reduced subscription levied and reduced membership numbers				
	2 Includes payment of Zoom subscriptions to Group Leaders				
	3 In 2020-21 our website was redesigned and relaunched. The total cost of £3,300 is included her				
	4 Includes the cost of 2 new laptops for £696				
	5 See Notes to the Balance Sheet 'Fixed Assets and Depreciation'				

Balance Sheet as at 30 June 2021				
	Total 2019-20	General Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2020-21
<b>ASSETS</b>				
Fixed Assets	£	£	£	£
IT Equipment	2,121	0		0
Current Assets				
Accounts Receivable	6,585	0		0
Payments in Advance	1,187	0		0
Cash at bank and in hand				
CAF Bank - Current Account	1,897	3,413	770	4,183
COIF Deposit Account	20,460	20,468		20,468
Floats	38	38		38
Group Bank Accounts	8,345	9,426		9,426
Nat West Current Account	22,961	20,640		20,640
Total Cash at bank and in hand	53,701	53,985	770	54,755
Total Current Assets	61,473	53,985	770	54,755
Current Liabilities				
Accounts Payable	43	0		0
Receipts in Advance	140	0		0
Total Current Liabilities	183	0		0
NET CURRENT ASSETS	61,290	53,985	770	54,755
NET ASSETS	£ 63,411	£ 53,985	£ 770	£ 54,755

## Treasurer's Notes to the accounts:

### 1. Reserves

Due to the effects of the pandemic and the cessation of most of our 'normal activity we had a loss of revenue for the financial year 2020-21. This has resulted in our reserves being reduced by £8,655. However, our starting position was extremely healthy and you will see from the Balance Sheet that we still hold reserves of over £54,000 at the end of the year. In accordance with our reserves policy this is still sufficient to fund our contractual obligations and running costs and, in the short term, cope with potential loss of income from reduced membership. In a year's time, and hopefully after the resumption of normal activity, the situation will need to be further reviewed. If membership numbers are not sufficiently recovered at that time your committee may need to consider an increase in subscriptions to maintain reserves at a level sufficient to cope with the aims and obligations of the organisation.

### 2. Fixed assets and Depreciation

It has been the practise of Farnham U3A to capitalise individual fixed assets costing more than £250 and depreciate them over their useful life. With effect from 2020-21 this practise has changed to facilitate the transfer in 2021-22 to the Beacon Finance Module. This module does not produce a conventional balance sheet that carries fixed assets, depreciation, debtors and creditors. It was therefore necessary to write out to revenue our remaining asset value.

<b>Fixed Assets at 30 June 2021</b>				
	2020-2021			
	IT Equipment			
	£			
<b>Cost</b>				
As at beginning of year	9,152			
Additions	0			
Disposals	0			
As at end of year	9,152			
<b>Depreciation</b>				
As at beginning of year	7,031			
In the year	2,121			
Disposals				
As at end of year	9,152			
<b>Net Book Value at year end</b>	<b>0</b>			
Net Book Value at year start	2,121			
<b>3. Restricted Funds at 30 June 2020</b>				
	Balance at 30/06/2021			
Maltings Garden Project	360			
Oral History Project	410			
<b>Total Restricted Funds</b>	<b>770</b>			
<b>4. Group Funds at 30 June 2021</b>				
	Brought Forward			Carried Forward
	01/07/2020	Total Income	Total Expense	30/06/2021
	£	£	£	£
Concert Group	1,657	0	250	1,407
Photography	590	0	295	295
Pilates 2 , 3 & 6	0	743	743	-
Shakespeare	174	0	0	174
Theatre Group	2,459	2,137	61	4,535
Wine Exploration	849	0	0	849
Wine for Fun 1	535	0	0	535
Wine for Fun 2	632	0	450	182
Classical Studies	209	0	0	209
Unclassified and Inactive	1,451	0	0	1,451
<b>Total</b>	£ 8,556	£ 2,880	£ 1,799	9,636

In addition to the above, some minor petty cash balances are held by Group Leaders.

**THE UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE FARNHAM AND DISTRICT**

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES**

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ending 30 June 2021

**Respective responsibilities of Trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility:

- To examine the accounts (under section 43(3) (a) of the 1993 Act);
- To follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 43(7) (b) of the 1993 Act); and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

**Independent examiner's statement**

It should be noted that the accounting policy on capitalisation of Fixed Assets has been changed during the year. Previously held Fixed Assets have been written off. The amount is not material (£2,121).

In connection with my examination, no other matter has come to my attention:

- (1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the 1993 Act, and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 Act have not been met; or
- (2) To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Ian Johnson  
49 Anthony's Avenue,  
Poole  
Dorset

28 August 2021