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Trustees' Annual Report for the period						
		Period start date			Period end date	
		01	01	2022	31	12 2022
From					To	

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name	U3A Canterbury & District	
Other names charity is known by		
Registered charity number (if any)	1026681	
Charity's principal address	8 Orange Street	
	Canterbury	
	Kent	
	Postcode	CT1 2JA

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Robin Terry	Chair	13.04.22- 31.12.22	
2	Trevor Peel	Vice Chair		
3	Keith Watson	Treasurer		
4	Mary Laslett	Membership Secretary		
5	Angela Tippet	Course Administrator		
6	Ursula Steiger	Director of Studies		
7	Robert Matthews	Business Secretary		
8	Jane Dennett			
9	Ian Ward		20.01.22-31.12.22	
10	Claire Alfrey		23.05.22-31.12.22	
11	Chris Plant	Chair	01.01.22 -13.04.22	
12	Miriam Westendarp	Business Secretary	01.01.22- 13.04.22	
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Section B

Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document
(eg. trust deed, constitution)

The constitution is based upon a model suggested by the Third Age Trust (TAT) to which the U3A Canterbury & District (U3A) is affiliated. This was last revised at the AGM on 13th July 2020 following further changes recommended by TAT and the Charity Commission.

How the charity is constituted

Trust

(eg. trust, association, company)

Trustee selection methods
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

Trustees are members of the U3A and collectively form the committee which runs it. The AGM elects the committee members, but more can be co-opted as required during the year. Each Trustee is required to answer questions regarding their suitability and probity to act as a Trustee for the charity.

Section C

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

Canterbury & District U3A is a learning co-operative which draws upon the knowledge, experience and skills of its members to organise courses, interest groups, events and activities in accordance with the wishes of the membership. Learning is purely for pleasure with no distinction made between group leaders and learners. No accreditation or certificates exist and there are no assessments or qualifications to be gained. The organisation exists for members to share and enjoy learning and members are encouraged to both lead and learn.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Chris Plant had ably led u3a through the Covid-19 Pandemic period. The 35th AGM voted Robin Terry to be the new Chair. His stated objective was to continue to promote the growth and stability of Canterbury u3a as we re-launched a range of activities and courses in the post Pandemic period.

Committee meetings were held mainly monthly, initially by zoom; and then returning to primarily face-to-face from April 2022.

The Chair, and President, attended the Third Age Trust (TAT) AGM in early October 2022.

The University of Kent supports u3a Canterbury through a Memorandum of Understanding, as part of their commitment to engage with the public through its research, and to strengthen its links with the community. Robin Terry took over from Rona Hodges as our Coordinator and attended the first post-Pandemic meeting, hosted by Professor Pothen at the University, in December.

Membership of the u3a at the year-end was 1,100. The national u3a Beacon computer database system enables us to comply with GDPR legislation by ensuring that membership details are held securely within the system.

For more details, see section D below.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

To assist in recruiting new members, joining days were re-introduced post Pandemic from the beginning of the year. Held on the first Friday morning of most months, they are hosted by the Membership Secretary and a band of volunteers. The objective is not only to recruit, but also to fully inform potential new members of our u3a's ethos and principles and to explain current courses and activities available. Refreshments are provided.

All new members receive a personal welcome letter from the Chair and a copy of our latest Courses programme. A Brief Guide to being a member was updated for use in recruitment.

An Open Day took place in the middle of May to "showcase" activities within Canterbury u3a for potential recruits. Information and taster sessions were provided and six new members joined. Our website also enables prospective members to join by following a link on the web site and this has proved to be popular.

An Information card is produced annually; available after the AGM; listing key personnel contact details and important dates including Monthly meetings. A News Bulletin is sent out at the beginning of each month using the Beacon email system, supplemented by post for members without email. We have also let a contract to improve our internal email system to the committee members, course leaders and certain volunteer post holders.

Our Canterbury office was staffed most Wednesday and Thursday mornings, offering photocopying and printing resources and general query resolution.

Like all u3as in the country, we experienced a temporary web site failure in late November. The Third Age Trust (TAT) appointed a new web-hosting contractor and our website was fully restored by our webmaster over the course of a few weeks.

Our courses and activities programme post pandemic began to grow again and, whilst we still ran some talks and courses on Zoom; face-to-face groups became the norm. We ran a total of around one hundred courses and activities in the year and are constantly recruiting new tutors and leaders from our membership. Walks, sea swimming, gardening and other outdoor activities complement a comprehensive and more academic learning programme, which also allows for such enjoyments as dancing and music making and other social activities.

Face-to-face courses were free during 2022 thanks to the savings accrued from much reduced hall hire requirements during the previous 18 months of Pandemic restrictions and lockdowns. A new Courses Booking system was successfully launched in September.

The Tutors, Leaders, Hosts and Coordinators are the "engine room" of Canterbury u3a. They are a committed and dependable group of people who share their knowledge, expertise and understanding of a subject or activity. The annual lunch for them took place at the end of April.

At our monthly meeting, we usually have an invited speaker. We learnt from and enjoyed the experiences of an immigration judge; a look back at the 1960s; and life as a private investigator. We also have Courses and Membership tables in the lobby to answer queries and facilitate easier access to information for some members.

Section D**Achievements and performance**

Other events included a Summer picnic and get together; an Autumn Quiz; a Bring and Share Christmas Lunch; and a Christmas Concert.

Two five-day coach holidays were organised. At the beginning of May we enjoyed "The Historic Houses & Heritage of Shropshire". In September we enjoyed touring through Essex and Suffolk.

2022 has been particularly challenging from a financial point of view. All courses were free during 2022 (due to reduced hall hire during the previous 18 months of Pandemic restrictions and lockdowns), but income was restricted to members subs. The Treasurer had therefore to maintain careful control of the finances in order to ensure the viability of the u3a.

Section E**Financial review****Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves**

The committee agreed the reserves policy in June 2013. It takes account of advice by the Charity Commission and that of the Third Age Trust. The committee on recommendation by the Treasurer determines the actual level.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Our U3A is supported through funds received from its members from subscriptions. These are used to fund our objectives as detailed in section C and D of this report through the hire of course venues, rental of the office accommodation at Orange Street, payment of speaker fees etc.


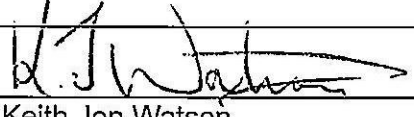
A very small sum is received as interest payments from the bank. A 5 year look forward financial management plan is used to assist in ensuring the financial security of the U3A. Progress is regularly reviewed by the committee.

In order to continue to fund our activities the committee intend to resume a policy applied in earlier years that a course fee will be applied for each course in our Main Programme 2023/4.

Section F**Other optional information****Section G****Declaration**

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Robin Stuart Terry	Keith Jon Watson
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Treasurer

Date 20/4/ 2023

U3A Canterbury & District
Consolidated Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2022

All funds listed are Unrestricted

		2022			2021		
		£	£	£	£	£	£
Cash at Lloyds Bank A/C	Current	51,628					46,002
Cash at Lloyds bank A/C	Outings	2,635					2,635
Cash at Lloyds bank A/C	Deposit	15,000					15,000
PayPal A/C		20					20
Total cash 1st Jan 2022		69,283	69,283		63,657		63,657
Net Movement of Funds ex Financial Statement			-9,437		5625.83		
Fixed Assets @Y/E	2022		327		139		
Total Value at Y/E	2022		60,173	60,173	69,422	69,422	

REPRESENTED BY;

CURRENT ASSETS

Cash at Lloyds Bank A/C	Current
Cash at Lloyds bank A/C	Outings
Cash at Lloyds bank A/C	Deposit
PayPal A/C	
Sub Total at year end	

31.12.22	Total	31.12.21	Total
£	£	£	£
42,192		51,628	
2,635		2,635	
15,000		15,000	
20		20	
59,847	59,847	69,283	69,283

FIXED ASSETS

B/Fwd
Purchased in Year
Total Fixed Assets
Less depreciation/written off
Net Fixed Assets

139	171
292	0
431	171
104	32
327	139

CREDITORS

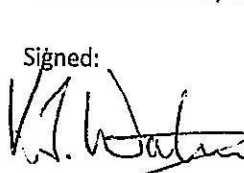

Amounts falling due within 3 months	Bookings
PayPal/Chqs bfwed ex last year-	
PayPal/chqs not cld	

0	0
-20	-20
20	20
0	0
60,173	69,422

Net Assets

This Financial Statement has been examined by the Independent Examiner Jonathan Butchers, whose statement is provided seperately.

Signed:

Keith Watson
Treasurer

Robin Terry
Chair

Date: 13/03/23

Date: 13/03/23

U3A CANTERBURY & DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE PERIOD
1ST JANUARY 2022 to 31ST DECEMBER 2022

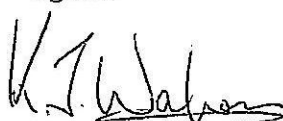
	2022	2021
	£	£
INCOME & RESOURCES		
<i>Activities to further the charity's objectives</i>		
Incoming Resources		
Net Subscriptions	22,189	22,518
Courses and fees	0	0
Miscellaneous	88	0
Donations	752	59
Bank Interest	8	2
Third Age Trust Grant	0	0
TFR ex Outings A/C	0	0
Outings -Receipts	0	0
Gift Aid	2,829	3,027
Total Income	25,866	25,606
Resources Expended		
Course Expenses	2,426	68
Administration	4,084	2,791
Rents	20,025	11,462
Communications: Printing	1,040	582
Communications: Post	1,729	129
TAT Affiliation Fee	4,092	3,472
Beacon Usage Fee	1,023	1,032
Speakers	590	445
Outings Expenditure	0	0
Sub Total	35,010	19,980
Asset Purchases		
Laptops PCs	0	0
Orange St Equipment	292	0
Total Resources Expended	35,302	19,980
Net resouces less net expenses	-9,437	5,626
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		
Funds bal. B/F at 1st Jan	69,283	63,657
Chqs cld ex last year & Chqs not cld at Y/E	0	0
Total Funds balance at year end	59,846	69,283

Bank Accounts total at Year End

£59,846	£69,283
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This Financial Statement has been examined by the Independent Examiner Jonathan Butchers, whose statement is provided seperately.

Signed:



Keith Watson

Treasurer

Date: 13/03/23



Robin Terry

Chair

Date: 13/03/23

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of U3A Canterbury & District Registered Charity 1026681

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st December 2022, which are set out below.

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 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act
- 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 Commission.

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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the next statement.

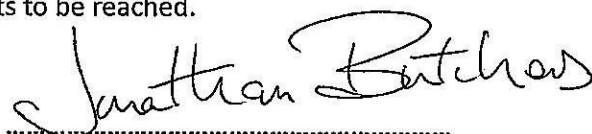
Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no 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 130 of the 2011 Act and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 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.



Name: **Jonathan Butchers**

Relevant professional qualification or body: **None**

Address: 10 Homersham, Canterbury, CT1 3RG

Date: 17/01/2023