

# SOLENT U3A TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1028438

## Details

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Other names	SOLENT U 3 A
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1993-11-11
Register	<a href="#">View on the Charity Commission register</a>

## Contact

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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:** Educational lectures and visits. Study groups.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Human Resources
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** Elderly/old People, Other Defined Groups

## Geography

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- **Area of benefit:** FAREHAM AND SURROUNDING AREA
- Hampshire

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-01-31	£26,075	£26,208	-	-
2024-01-31	£16,363	£14,251	-	-
2023-01-31	£3,546	£3,662	-	-
2022-01-31	£4,372	£3,830	-	-
2021-01-31	£2,247	£3,951	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>Janet Lorraine Lee</b>	Chair	2023-03-23
Chris Veck		2024-03-28
Dennis Yeomans		2026-03-26
Frances MacEnri		2024-03-28
Gillian Smith		2021-03-25
JEAN RYAN		2019-03-28
Jean Ann Smith		2022-06-24
Jim Gilhooley		2023-09-01
Maureen Anne Brown		2021-10-22
RICHARD RYAN		2019-07-18
SUSAN JACKSON		2018-03-22
SUSAN KAVANAGH		2021-03-25
Susan Marshall		2023-03-23

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# Accounts

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**Charity:** Solent u3a

**Registration Number:** 1028438

**Address** (Of Secretary)

21, Green Walk,  
Fareham,  
Hampshire  
PO15 6AZ

**Trustees:**

Jan Lee	Richard Ryan	Jim Gilhooley	Francis Mac Enerie
Gillian Smith	Jean Ryan	Maureen Brown	Christine Veck
Susan Marshall	Susan Jackson	Jean Smith	Susan Kavanagh

We have a business account with Lloyds Bank

Our accounts are audited by different people, but this year have been audited by Katie Smith ACCA.

We are supported with workshops for Trustees, online learning and advice by the Third Age Trust

**Structure, Governance and Management**

Solent u3a is part of a wider organisation under the auspices of the Third Age Trust. U3a groups can be found all over the British Isles and abroad. Each group organises itself individually and we operate under a constitution drawn up by our trustees in the past and regularly reviewed.

The Solent u3a is run by the committee, all of whom are trustees. They organise speakers for meetings, oversee the running of groups, the management of monies, the links with the Third Age Trust and the organisation of seasonal events, quizzes etc. They are led by the Chairperson, who changes every three years. Other trustees have to stand for re-election at the annual AGM, if they wish to continue after three years. This year we have co-opted a new member to the committee who will stand for election at the AGM.

**Objectives and Activities**

It is the aim of u3as to provide activities and friendship for people who are in the 'third age' of their lives, either retired or semi-retired. The intention is to continue to learn about new ideas and skills, to continue using the skills they may have acquired previously and to do it in an enjoyable way.

Solent u3a is self supporting. Members share their skills and knowledge with other members through voluntarily running groups, sometimes in their own homes, sometimes in hired spaces. At present our u3a has such groups, covering physical activities (e.g.walking, adventure 4 Us, 10 Pin Bowling, Urban Explorers), skills based interests (e.g.crafts, card games, Mahjong, Scrabble) and cultural experiences(e.g. Opera, theatre) as well as discussion groups and book groups.

Our group also has larger meetings where members can come to listen to interesting speakers on a variety of subjects.

The overall aim, which we feel is a public benefit, is to ensure that members 'brains and bodies' are challenged with new ideas and activities which help to keep them functioning healthily and to provide them with social interactions which help to combat the loneliness that sometimes accompanies retirement and old age.

### **Achievement and Performance**

The number of groups that members can join has increased and for the first time in many years a trip abroad was arranged for members to the Netherlands. Also an overnighters group has started which gives members the opportunity to spend more than a day visiting places of historic and cultural interest in this country. This has increased the opportunities for members to learn new skills and have new experiences in a social setting.

### **Financial Review**

An audited summary of income and expenditure is attached. We hold £12,708 in reserve (at the present time) to deal with unexpected expenditure and to cover any costs were we to have to close the Solent u3a. At present we do not feel there are any financial risks due to the steady annual income from membership fees and the amount in our reserve fund.

### **Plans for the Future**

Our future aim is to continue giving people in their 'third age' as many opportunities as possible to make new discoveries, learn new skills and have a positive pro-active approach to aging. To this end we will encourage members, especially newcomers, to consider sharing their skills and interests with others and we hope to organise another trip abroad. Other overnight trips are being arranged for 2026.

## Solent U3a

**Income & Expenditure from 1.2.24 to 31.1.25**

	Feb 24 to Jan 25			Feb 23 to Jan 24		
	Income	Expenditure	Net	Income	Expenditure	Net
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Memberships/Capitation	5,443	2,277	3,166	6,145	2,208	3,936
Membership overpaid/refunded					30	(30)
Membership	<b>5,443</b>	<b>2,277</b>	<b>3,166</b>	<b>6,145</b>	<b>2,238</b>	<b>3,906</b>
Meeting Entrance	1,849		1,849	1,833		1,833
Talks Speaker Exps		1,384	(1,384)		1,351	(1,351)
Refreshments		119	(119)		122	(122)
Hall hire for meetings		1,279	(1,279)		1,248	(1,248)
Meetings	<b>1,849</b>	<b>2,782</b>	<b>(933)</b>	<b>1,833</b>	<b>2,720</b>	<b>(887)</b>
New members groups meeting		575	(575)		635	(635)
Group Grants		57	(57)	50	93	(43)
Quiz Night				400	415	(15)
Wine tasting	50	88	(38)	360	421	(61)
Summer Lunch	1,225	1,225		1,200	1,175	25
Summer Picnic		70	(70)		54	(54)
Trips & Outings	14,092	14,330	(238)	2,099	1,962	137
Christmas Lunch	2,311	2,174	137	2,723	2,671	51
Events	<b>17,678</b>	<b>18,518</b>	<b>(840)</b>	<b>6,832</b>	<b>7,427</b>	<b>(595)</b>
Card fees (Sumup)		36	(36)		18	(18)
Beacon Licence		365	(365)		339	(339)
Postage		58	(58)		117	(117)
Stationery/Printing		279	(279)		68	(68)
IT Costs		110	(110)		513	(513)
Printer & IT equipment		974	(974)		167	(167)
Meeting room Hire		229	(229)		196	(196)
U3a diaries/Lanyards		25	(25)	88	92	(4)
Sundry		250	(250)		104	(104)
Depreciation		305	(305)		250	(250)
Admin costs		<b>2,631</b>	<b>(2,631)</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>1,865</b>	<b>(1,777)</b>
Donations				26		26
Interest received	161		161	134		134
Gift Aid received	944		944	1,306		1,306
Donations/Gift Aid	<b>1,105</b>		<b>1,105</b>	<b>1,466</b>		<b>1,466</b>
Surplus(deficit) for ytd	<b>26,075</b>	<b>26,208</b>	<b>(133)</b>	<b>16,363</b>	<b>14,251</b>	<b>2,113</b>
Bal bf			<b>14,813</b>			<b>12,700</b>
Bal cf			<b>14,680</b>			<b>14,813</b>
<b>Assets</b>						
		£	£		£	£
Lloyds Bank		<b>19,700</b>			9,655	
Current Account (uncleared memberships)		<b>90</b>				
Charity Bank 100day Acc 3.06% int		<b>5,235</b>			5,073	
Accruals		<b>(10,347)</b>			(167)	
Equipment					250	
Stamps stock		<b>2</b>			2	
Total assets			<b>14,680</b>			<b>14,813</b>

**Solent u3a**

Year ending 31.1.25

I confirm that I have examined the annual accounts ending 31.1.25 for the Solent u3a and that these are a true and complete record of all the financial activities for the year.

Signed.....*Katie Smith*.....

Date.....*2/11/25*.....

Name.....*KATE SMITH*.....