

Charity registration number: 1029447

Tewkesbury & District U3A

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 August 2024

Tewkesbury & District U3A

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Reference and Administrative Details

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| Trustees : | N Leyden J Gowthorpe I Barber D Fraser R Hart M Jones G Webb C Price R David V Croudass R Mackintosh M Barrett (appointed 11 December 2023) |
| Charity Registration Number | 1029447 |
| Principal Office | 27 Twixtbears Tewkesbury Glos GL20 5BT |
| Independent Examiner | Devereux & Hunt 51 Basepoint Business Center Oakfield Close Tewkesbury Glos GL20 8SD |

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Trustees' Report

The trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2024.

Objectives and activities

Public benefit

The organisation provides educational and recreational services for those who are no longer in full time employment. This is done mainly through small self-help groups.

The objectives 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 (revised at AGM December 2018).

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Achievements and performance

The Charity delivers what we aim to do i.e. bring education and social contact and activities to those who are no longer in full time work through more than 30 regular interest groups.

We are run by members, for the members and with members.

Current membership is 579 (2023- 563), and it has been recognised by health professionals that those of the 60+ demographic group who are gainfully occupied live longer and remain fitter

Financial review

The Trustees try to maintain a strong balance sheet, with ample reserves. The Charities Commission have told us previously that our reserves are too high for a charity of our size and to reduce them. To that end we have continued to suspend some minor attendance fees and encouraged groups to request any improvements to the equipment that they use. This has resulted in a reduction of £3,552 this year (£602 last year).

We have seen a slow increase in membership this year as a result of our continued advertising and showing a presence at local events.

Overall, the Trustees consider the current financial position to be acceptable, given the current economic climate, but continue to keep all finances under review.

Structure, governance and management

Nature of governing document

The organisation is unincorporated by standard registration and registered as a charity on 30 November 1993. The Charity was registered under a constitution adopted on 9 February 1993 and amended on 14 October 2002 and further amended on 10 December 2018 and 13 December 2021.

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

The Trustees assume their duties on election to the Committee and are voted by the members at the Annual General Meeting each year. They are appointed by majority vote on the basis that at least 10% of the members are present.

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Trustees' Report (continued)

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

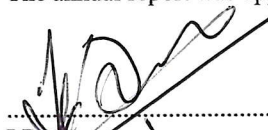
The law applicable to charities requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 28/11/24 and signed on its behalf by:


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I Barber
Trustee

Tewkesbury & District U3A

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Tewkesbury & District U3A

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Tewkesbury & District U3A for the year ended 31 August 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of Tewkesbury & District U3A 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 Tewkesbury & District U3A'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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of Tewkesbury & District U3A as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting 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.



M Devereux
Certified Accountants

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Date: 18/11/24

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 August 2024

| | Note | Unrestricted funds £ | Total 2024 £ | Total 2023 £ |
|------------------------------------|------|----------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Income and Endowments from: | | | | |
| Donations and legacies | 2 | 7,502 | 7,502 | 7,272 |
| Other trading activities | 3 | 20,416 | 20,416 | 19,617 |
| Investment income | 4 | 690 | 690 | 547 |
| Other income | | 110 | 110 | 196 |
| Total income | | <u>28,718</u> | <u>28,718</u> | <u>27,632</u> |
| Expenditure on: | | | | |
| Raising funds | | (23,547) | (23,547) | (20,953) |
| Charitable activities | | <u>(9,000)</u> | <u>(9,000)</u> | <u>(7,281)</u> |
| Total expenditure | | <u>(32,547)</u> | <u>(32,547)</u> | <u>(28,234)</u> |
| Net expenditure | | <u>(3,829)</u> | <u>(3,829)</u> | <u>(602)</u> |
| Net movement in funds | | (3,829) | (3,829) | (602) |
| Reconciliation of funds | | | | |
| Total funds brought forward | | <u>25,066</u> | <u>25,066</u> | <u>25,668</u> |
| Total funds carried forward | 9 | <u><u>21,237</u></u> | <u><u>21,237</u></u> | <u><u>25,066</u></u> |

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

The funds breakdown for 2023 is shown in note 9.

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Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2024

| | Note | 2024 £ | 2023 £ |
|----------------------------------|------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Fixed assets | | | |
| Tangible assets | 8 | 68 | 206 |
| Current assets | | | |
| Cash at bank and in hand | | <u>21,169</u> | <u>24,860</u> |
| Net assets | | <u><u>21,237</u></u> | <u><u>25,066</u></u> |
| Funds of the charity: | | | |
| Unrestricted income funds | | | |
| Unrestricted funds | | <u>21,237</u> | <u>25,066</u> |
| Total funds | 9 | <u><u>21,237</u></u> | <u><u>25,066</u></u> |

The financial statements on pages 5 to 10 were approved by the , and authorised for issue on and signed on behalf by:



 R Mackintosh
 Trustee

Tewkesbury & District U3A

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2024

1 Accounting policies

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the second edition of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Basis of preparation

Tewkesbury & District U3A meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Income and endowments

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings, they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

| Asset class | Depreciation method and rate |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Computer equipment | 33% on cost |

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2024 (continued)

2 Income from donations and legacies

| | Unrestricted funds General £ | Total 2024 £ | Total 2023 £ |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Donations and legacies; | | | |
| Donations from individuals | - | - | 76 |
| Gift aid reclaimed | 964 | 964 | 952 |
| Membership fees | 6,538 | 6,538 | 6,244 |
| | <u>7,502</u> | <u>7,502</u> | <u>7,272</u> |

3 Income from other trading activities

| | Unrestricted funds General £ | Total funds £ | Total 2023 £ |
|----------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Events income; | | | |
| Groups | 18,672 | 18,672 | 19,489 |
| Events | 1,744 | 1,744 | 128 |
| | <u>20,416</u> | <u>20,416</u> | <u>19,617</u> |

4 Investment income

| | Unrestricted funds General £ | Total 2024 £ | Total 2023 £ |
|---|---------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Interest receivable and similar income; | | | |
| Interest receivable on bank deposits | 690 | 690 | 547 |

5 Other income

Total
funds
£

6 Trustees remuneration and expenses

During the year the charity made the following transactions with trustees:

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

The amount of combined expenses reimbursed to the trustees during the year totalled £99 (2023 - £335).

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2024 (continued)

7 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

8 Tangible fixed assets

| | Furniture and equipment £ | Total £ |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------|------------|
| Cost | | |
| At 1 September 2023 | 1,664 | 1,664 |
| At 31 August 2024 | 1,664 | 1,664 |
| Depreciation | | |
| At 1 September 2023 | 1,458 | 1,458 |
| Charge for the year | 138 | 138 |
| At 31 August 2024 | 1,596 | 1,596 |
| Net book value | | |
| At 31 August 2024 | 68 | 68 |
| At 31 August 2023 | 206 | 206 |

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 August 2024 (continued)

| | Total 2024 £ | Total 2023 £ |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|
| <i>Donations and legacies</i> | | |
| Appeals and donations | - | 76 |
| Gift Aid tax reclaimed | 964 | 952 |
| Membership | 6,538 | 6,244 |
| | <u>7,502</u> | <u>7,272</u> |
| <i>Other trading activities</i> | | |
| Events | 1,744 | 128 |
| Groups | 18,672 | 19,489 |
| | <u>20,416</u> | <u>19,617</u> |
| <i>Investment income</i> | | |
| Interest on cash deposits | 690 | 547 |
| | <u>690</u> | <u>547</u> |
| <i>Other income</i> | | |
| Other income | 110 | 196 |
| | <u>110</u> | <u>196</u> |
| <i>Raising funds</i> | | |
| U3A Affiliation fees | (2,675) | (2,500) |
| Groups | (17,513) | (16,440) |
| General meetings | (1,747) | (1,396) |
| Events | (1,612) | (617) |
| | <u>(23,547)</u> | <u>(20,953)</u> |
| <i>Charitable activities</i> | | |
| Equipment | (1,720) | (352) |
| Sundry expenses | - | (27) |
| Depreciation | (138) | (134) |
| Administration | (7,142) | (6,768) |
| | <u>(9,000)</u> | <u>(7,281)</u> |