

THE UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE (LUTON)

England & Wales · Charity number 1064863

Details

Other names U3A LUTON

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1997-10-14

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

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Activities

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: Education and Training

Classification

- **How:** Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport
- **Who:** Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** BEDFORDSHIRE
- Bedford
- Central Bedfordshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£28,555	£28,570	-	-
2024-03-31	£27,089	£25,979	-	-
2023-03-31	£30,509	£32,012	-	-
2022-03-31	£16,957	£19,773	-	-
2021-03-31	£13,769	£15,001	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Georgina Lillian Indge	Chair	2020-05-01
ANDREW CLINE		2012-06-07
CAROLE MAUD CHAMBERLAIN		2020-07-13
Gillian Isobel Becket		2026-02-16
Hilary Corfan		2017-04-01
Mark Billington		2026-02-16
Paula Ann Carey		2021-06-14
Pixie Elizabeth Mayes		2025-05-18
Richard Putman		2017-04-01
Sidney Rutstein		2022-09-12
Winifred Kinninmonth		2018-06-11

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Achievements and performance

The charity has once again held regular face to face monthly meetings for members throughout the year. The social activity groups have once again held face to face activities. The organisation has carried out its activities within its budget for the year.

Financial review

The income for the year amounted to £28,555 and has been used to fulfil the objects of the charity. The deficit for the year was £15.

Reserves policy

Unrestricted funds

In accordance with guidelines issued by the Charity Commissioners, the Trustees have adopted a policy regarding reserves which should ensure that there are adequate funds to enable the charity to meet all current and known future liabilities.

The level of reserves is considered and reviewed at regular intervals by the Trustees.

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing document

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Organisation

The names of the Trustees who served during the year are set out below.

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Risk management

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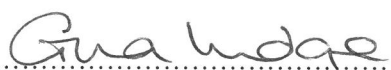
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Trustees

The charity is administered by an Executive Committee as follows:

Mr S Rutstein
Mrs E Allam
Mr A Cline
Mr R Putman
Mrs H Corfan
Mrs W Kinninmonth
Mrs G Indge
Mrs C Chamberlain
Mrs P Carey
Mr A Russell

For and on behalf of the Executive Committee


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Mrs G Indge
Chair

Date 30 June 2025

UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE - LUTON

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

	Unrestricted Funds	
	2025	2024
	£	£
INCOME FROM:		
Donations and gift aid	1,798	2,299
Charitable activities:		
Membership fees	10,560	11,053
Meetings subscriptions	8,764	5,880
Diary sales	72	81
Other income:		
Social group activities	7,243	7,681
Investments:		
Bank interest	118	95
	<u>28,555</u>	<u>27,089</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:		
Charitable activities:		
Diary purchases	250	385
General Meetings room hire	9,619	8,896
Speakers fees	1,171	1,115
Administration expenses	892	875
Marketing	897	205
Subscriptions	35	64
Committee meetings	554	508
Independent examiner	822	744
Equipment	761	95
Group support	-	56
In Touch	1,398	1,822
Affiliation fees and beacon licence	3,059	3,145
RHS affiliation	-	45
U3A News	1,259	1,312
Other activities:		
Social group activities	<u>7,853</u>	<u>6,712</u>
	<u>28,570</u>	<u>25,979</u>
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	(15)	1,110
Reconciliation of funds:		
Total funds brought forward 1st April 2024	<u>18,411</u>	<u>17,301</u>
Total funds carried forward 31st March 2025	<u>18,396</u>	<u>18,411</u>

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BALANCE SHEET - 31ST MARCH 2025

	2025	2024
	£	£
CURRENT ASSETS		
Bank - current account	10,055	10,456
Bank - social account	7,592	8,021
Bank - deposit account	8,059	7,941
Cash in hand	254	254
Prepayments	<u>250</u>	<u>250</u>
	26,210	26,922
LESS: CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Income in advance and accruals	<u>7,814</u>	<u>8,511</u>
	<u>7,814</u>	<u>8,511</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS	<u>18,396</u>	<u>18,411</u>
Represented by:		
ACCUMULATED FUND	<u>18,396</u>	<u>18,411</u>

The committee approve these accounts and confirm that they have made available all relevant records and information necessary for their preparation.

For and on behalf of the Committee



Mr R Putman
Treasurer



Mrs G Indge
Chair

Date 30 JUNE 2025

UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE - LUTON

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of preparation

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The presentation currency of the accounts is in Pounds Sterling (£), which is the functional currency of the charity.

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102.

(b) Fund structure

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The cost of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund.

(c) Income recognition

Income is accounted for on a receivable basis.

(d) Expenditure recognition

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities.

2. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

None of the trustees claimed expenses from the charity during the year (2024 - £nil). None of the trustees received any remuneration from the charity during the year (2024 - £nil)

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF
UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE - LUTON**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of University of the Third Age - Luton (the Charity) for the year ended 31st March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Charity 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 Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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:

- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity 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 applicable requirements concerning the form and content of the 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.



**Tara Aldwin ACA
FKCA LIMITED
Chartered Accountants**

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10 July 2025

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Financial review

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Correspondence address

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Trustees

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Mr D Wilson	(Died 03.03.24)
Mr S Rutstein	
Mrs E Allam	
Mr A Cline	
Mr R Putman	
Mrs H Corfan	
Mrs W Kinninmonth	
Mrs G Indge	
Mrs C Chamberlain	
Mrs P Carey	
Mr A Russell	(Appointed 26.12.23)

For and on behalf of the Executive Committee

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Gina Indge
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Mrs G Indge
Chair

Date *20 May 2024*

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

	Unrestricted Funds	
	2024	2023
	£	£
INCOME FROM:		
Donations and gift aid	2,299	1,317
Charitable activities:		
Membership fees	11,053	9,536
Meetings subscriptions	5,880	5,487
Diary sales	81	87
Other income:		
Social group activities	7,681	14,062
Investments:		
Bank interest	95	20
	<u>27,089</u>	<u>30,509</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:		
Charitable activities:		
Diary purchases	385	310
General Meetings room hire	8,896	8,031
Speakers fees	1,115	948
Administration expenses	875	1,327
Marketing	205	-
Subscriptions	64	-
Committee meetings	508	536
Independent examiner	744	708
Equipment	95	201
Group support	56	144
In Touch	1,822	1,917
Affiliation fees and beacon licence	3,145	3,346
RHS affiliation	45	45
U3A News	1,312	1,292
Other activities:		
Social group activities	6,712	13,207
	<u>25,979</u>	<u>32,012</u>
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	1,110	(1,503)
Reconciliation of funds:		
Total funds brought forward 1st April 2023	<u>17,301</u>	<u>18,804</u>
Total funds carried forward 31st March 2024	<u>18,411</u>	<u>17,301</u>

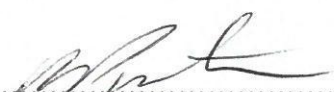
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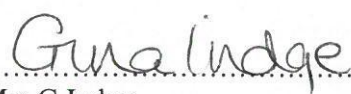
	2024	2023
	£	£
CURRENT ASSETS		
Bank - current account	10,456	10,156
Bank - social account	8,021	7,052
Bank - deposit account	7,941	7,846
Cash in hand	254	254
Prepayments	<u>250</u>	<u>250</u>
	26,922	25,558
LESS: CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Income in advance and accruals	<u>8,511</u>	<u>8,257</u>
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TOTAL NET ASSETS	<u>18,411</u>	<u>17,301</u>
Represented by:		
ACCUMULATED FUND	<u>18,411</u>	<u>17,301</u>

The committee approve these accounts and confirm that they have made available all relevant records and information necessary for their preparation.

For and on behalf of the Committee



 Mr R Putman
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 Mrs G Indge
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Date 20 MAY 2024

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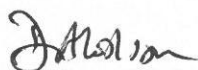
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Mrs E Allam	
Mr A Cline	
Mr P Kain	(Resigned 23rd May 2022)
Mr R Putman	
Mrs H Corfan	
Mrs W Kinninmonth	
Mrs G Indge	
Mrs C Chamberlain	
Mrs P Carey	

For and on behalf of the Executive Committee



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Mr D A Wilson
Chair

Date 22/5/23

UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE - LUTON

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

	Unrestricted Funds	
	2023	2022
	£	£
INCOME FROM:		
Donations and gift aid	1,317	1,318
Charitable activities:		
Membership fees	9,536	9,750
Meetings subscriptions	5,487	2,355
Diary sales	87	117
Other income:		
Social group activities	14,062	3,410
Investments:		
Bank interest	20	1
	<u>30,509</u>	<u>16,951</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:		
Charitable activities:		
Diary purchases	310	384
General Meetings room hire	8,031	2,790
Speakers fees	948	724
Administration expenses	1,327	624
Subscriptions	-	176
Committee meetings	536	410
New members meetings	-	49
Independent examiner	708	672
Equipment	201	-
Group support	144	-
In Touch	1,917	3,778
Affiliation fees and beacon licence	3,346	3,310
Regional fee	-	20
RHS affiliation	45	35
U3A News	1,292	1,282
Network quizzes	-	196
Other activities:		
Social group activities	<u>13,207</u>	<u>5,323</u>
	<u>32,012</u>	<u>19,773</u>
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	(1,503)	(2,822)
Reconciliation of funds:		
Total funds brought forward 1st April 2022	<u>18,804</u>	<u>21,626</u>
Total funds carried forward 31st March 2023	<u>17,301</u>	<u>18,804</u>


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BALANCE SHEET - 31ST MARCH 2023

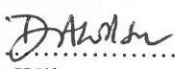
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Bank - current account	10,156	8,882
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Cash in hand	254	54
Prepayments	250	250
	<u>25,558</u>	<u>26,345</u>
LESS: CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Income in advance and accruals	8,257	7,541
	<u>8,257</u>	<u>7,541</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS	<u>17,301</u>	<u>18,804</u>
Represented by:		
ACCUMULATED FUND	<u>17,301</u>	<u>18,804</u>

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For and on behalf of the Committee



 Mr R Putman
 Treasurer



 Mr D A Wilson
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Date 22 MAY 2023

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Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities.

2. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

None of the trustees claimed expenses from the charity during the year (2022 - £nil). None of the trustees received any remuneration from the charity during the year (2022 - £nil)

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF
UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE - LUTON**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of University of the Third Age - Luton (the Charity) for the year ended 31st March 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Charity 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 Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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:

- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity 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 applicable requirements concerning the form and content of the 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.



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..... 30 May 2023