

THE ILKLEY & DISTRICT THIRD AGE GROUP

England & Wales · Charity number 1070945

Details

Other names	ILKLEY & DISTRICT U3A
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1998-08-11
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: Monthly meetings at Clarke Foley Centre for a presentation, coffee and social interaction.130 groups including:arts, languages, humanities, science and environmentbridge, crossword compiling, discussion and debating, mah jong, scrabblephysical activities: circle dancing, croquet, table-tennis, Tai Chi, Yoga,variety of walking groupsvisits in this country and abroad

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources
- **What:** Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport, Environment/conservation/heritage, Recreation
- **Who:** Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Defined Groups

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** ILKLEY AND ITS SURROUNDING LOCALITY
- Bradford City
- Leeds City
- North Yorkshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-07-31	£157,318	£161,951	-	-
2024-07-31	£144,660	£131,847	-	-
2023-07-31	£126,707	£112,699	-	-
2022-07-31	£86,177	£84,725	-	-
2021-07-31	£30,754	£24,259	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
RICHARD WILLIAM BELL	Chair	2022-11-19
Carol Daphne Oswin-Bateman		2025-11-22
Caroline Margaret Walker		2025-11-22
David William Eadon		2025-11-22
Deborah Allis		2025-11-22
Evelyn Anne Gregory		2025-11-22
Helen Elizabeth Billings		2024-11-16
John Blewitt		2024-11-16
Margaret McCabe		2021-11-20
Nicola Jane Falconer		2024-11-16

Accounts



ILKLEY & DISTRICT u3a

ANNUAL REPORTS

2024 – 2025

Registered Charity no. 1070945

Chair of Trustees Report 2025

This report from the Trustees to Ilkley & District u3a membership complies with the requirements of the Charity Commission and the Third Age Trust and covers the period between December 2024 and November 2025. Ilkley & District u3a is an independent charity registered with the Charity Commission. The Management Committee (MCoT) currently has 9 members, all of whom are trustees. The Management Committee is supported by a number of Action Teams covering specific areas.

We are a learning cooperative, and depend on members contributing by participating in groups, courses, open meetings and visits, and by joining supporting roles and/or teams.

Management Committee

Name	Office	Date Started
Richard Bell	Chair/Communications	19.11.22
David Eadon	Secretary	22.11.24 (co-opted)
Liz Billings	Treasurer	16.11.24
Jean Smith	Membership Secretary	16.11.19
Jacqui Wellbrook	Groups Coordinator	19.11.22
Margaret McCabe	Asst. Groups Coordinator	20.11.21
Catherine Pulle	Asst. Groups Coordinator	22.11.24 (co-opted)
Nikki Falconer	Fitness Coordinator	18.11.23
John Blewitt	Events Coordinator	18.11.23

The committee has met 10 times in the last 12 months and continued to support Drop ins, New Member Meetings, events and Yorkshire Region meetings.

Ilkley & District u3a continues to thrive. We are attracting new members almost daily and we now have well over 2,100 members.

It is part of the core ethos that the u3a experience be available to all those who would like to join and therefore waiting lists either for groups or membership should be kept to a minimum. We set out a Development Plan at the start of last year recognising our priority area to be increasing the number of groups along with widening the geographical spread of our activities. The Ambassador work has continued in Otley, Silsden, Guiseley and Yeadon and our membership in those areas is increasing.

A selection of Short Courses has provided additional offerings and, in some cases, have led to new Interest Groups. There is much more work to be done.

We have also focused on compliance with Charitable Law (Risk Assessments, Finance) guidance for Group Leaders.

We have targeted digital inclusion via a venture with Clarke Foley to run digital drop ins in Ilkley alongside our u3a drop ins. This has proved popular and has been supported by volunteers from u3a, Clarke Foley and Virgin Media.

Constitution

Our new constitution has been approved by the Charity Commission, but they have asked for a specific resolution relating to the Object clause and then a confirmation of the new Constitution.

These are mere technical points to satisfy Charity Commission requirements, and I would be grateful if you would vote for them.

Finance (Liz Billings)

The Treasurer's Report and Annual Accounts follow this report.

Secretary (David Eadon)

Our governance, compliance, risk assessments and incidents have been efficiently dealt with through our secretarial function.

Heather Dunlop-Jones, who has acted as minutes secretary in recent years, is stepping down shortly to take up grandparenting duties and is being replaced by Elizabeth Ainscoe. My thanks to Heather for her hard work, especially making sense of some of the Trustees convoluted discussions.

Events (John Blewitt)

The Christmas Cracker featured a variety of our Groups who entertained us royally. There were some excellent acts and a visit from Santa. Group Leaders were thanked during a supper event in May.

Our annual Showcase event in June at Clarke Foley was very well attended as was the excellent Summer Programme. A total of 296 members participated in 47 sessions, with walks, talks, tasters and visits. An incredible team effort led by Angie Grain who stepped in to lead it.

Our monthly meetings have also continued to be popular, with a remarkable range of subjects covered by our speakers over the past year, thanks to the programme put together by our speaker finder, John Blewitt. To my mind at least, the meetings alone are worth the annual membership fee – not to mention the free tea coffee and biscuits.

We started the year with a trip to the Tan Hill Inn, bringing memories of the Everest Double Glazing advertisement with Ted Moul. We then moved on behind the Iron Curtain with Gregory Mendel and later in the year left Barrow and ended up in Baghdad. Closer to home, our own Sue Stevens valiantly battled sound system

issues to explain the Environmental Impact of Burying the Dead, and we had a history of Leeds Playhouse among other fascinating talks.

We continued to participate in local community events all over the valley.

The Members Market Place has been used to find new owners for a number of unwanted items which have found new homes. We have supported and advertised community events via our social media.

Our partnership with Ilkley Lawn Tennis Club continues successfully. The offer of reduced priced gym membership for all u3a members has reached the agreed of 150ty and now has a waiting list.

We continue to connect with other u3as via WestNet. Members of other u3as attend our activities by joining us as Associate Members with a reduced fee.

Groups (Jacqui Wellbrook, Margaret McCabe, Catherine Pulle)

Fitness Hub (Nikki Falconer)

Each year we report that we have insufficient groups to meet the needs of our members. We have over 450 people who are not members of any group. Some may not want to join a group, but others do and, sadly after a frustrating time they resign their membership. This is not good for Ilkley u3a, both in reputation and for future existence.

Your Trustees would be grateful for any help or assistance that any member can provide.

Jacqui and her team have worked tirelessly to develop new Groups, both broadening the offering and duplicating existing groups, but we are now only at about 145 and we really need to be closer to 180-200.

As Neil Stevens emphasised last year, the issue remains a strategic goal for our u3a. We need to emphasise to both new and existing members one of the key principles of the u3a movement: -

“As an Educational Co-operative there is an expectation that members will share their interests and skills.”

Of course, we don't expect everyone to take part in this way, but we do encourage some of our more active members to come forward with offers to lead new groups particular in those subject areas with waiting lists.

Communications (Richard Bell, assisted by John Hancock)

I must emphasise that I merely represent the Communications Team at the Trustee meetings.

John Hancock, who is not a Trustee, heads up the team and does an inordinate amount of work as do all the rest of the team.

Their brief continues to be to engage with existing members and raise awareness of u3a in the wider community which they do very successfully.

The website

Our primary shop window for non-members to discover u3a, a place for existing members to find the latest updates and for u3a to manage membership records. A search on Google for “u3a near me” always returns top of the page links to our online content.

Nothing is worse than a website that looks the same on every visit so the main links (e.g. Summer Programme, short courses, renewal of subscriptions, AGM) are regularly changed. Our images are mainly of people “doing stuff” with text kept to the minimum. The ability to join and pay subscriptions online is prominently featured along with testimonials from existing members.

The list of events shows activities still to come, and the latest newsletter is available to read on the day of publication. Our daily Facebook postings are shown in real time. The Market Place continues to successfully recycle unwanted items.

There was also significant time devoted to supporting registrations for c40 events in the summer programme and a number of short courses.

News Flash (our emailed newsletter)

The primary way of communicating to our existing members about opportunities to join groups and other activities. Publication is generally twice per month with roughly 80% of each issue being opened. Links to additional information on the website and social media allows text to be kept to a minimum. A paper copy is provided to around 30 members who do not have an email address.

Social Media

Both our Facebook and Twitter (now X) accounts have sizable followings. The range of topics covered in posts is of interest to the demographic that might be also interested in u3a. Links to our website provide more information for those that need more detail. Social media is also the way we can engage with other organisations, so, for instance, we post to the Silsden Facebook Group about u3a activities locally. Our posts also lead to others reposting our content. A recent example is the retweeting of a u3a post by Ilkley Literary Festival and provision of a discount voucher offered exclusively to our members.

Press and Media coverage

Ilkley Chat, Otley Matters and Ilkley Gazette have all prominently featured our u3a content and stories. Details of the coverage available to see on our website.

Looking ahead

It is anticipated the continued campaign to increase the number of active groups will involve the Communications team to a significant extent.

Membership (Jean Smith)

Our membership continues to grow, and we recruit c350 new members each year. This rate of increase comfortably compensates for c250 who do not renew for a variety of reasons.

The membership role is complex and time consuming and I am grateful to Gill Burrell who has organised drop in rotas and Pam Lamming who updated the Gift Aid part of the database.

Membership renewals and the database have run smoothly as usual, albeit with some furious paddling below the water on occasions. The work of the Webteam assisting Membership is also very much appreciated.

Thanks

Our u3a could not be managed effectively by just a small group of trustees. We rely on so many volunteers who give their time and experience to support our extremely hardworking Action Teams. Our social media presence, website and NewsFlash is envied by other u3as. Gillian Morse and her willing band of volunteers are always on hand to do refreshments and the enthusiastic meeter-greeters welcome our first time visitors.

Most importantly, I need to propose a huge vote of thanks to those members who lead our groups. Without such people there would be no Ilkley and District u3a. Thanks to all our Coordinators and Deputies and all our members who contribute so much to our success story.

Goodbyes

It is always difficult to say 'goodbye' to those you have worked closely with over a period of years.

At this AGM we are losing Jacqui Wellbrook, my immediate predecessor, who has just served a year as Groups Coordinator and retires to grandparenting duties. Also, Catherine Pulle, who was co-opted after the last AGM, has family health issues to manage and leaves us. Finally, Jean Smith who steps down as a Trustee having served for the permitted nine years. She will continue with membership, in a non-Trustee role. I am delighted she wishes to continue. My thanks to all of them.

Other u3a members have stepped down from their roles and I thank them all for their contributions to our organisation. One I mention in particular is Peter 'Venues' Maufe who has kept, expanded and updated our comprehensive Venues schedule for more years than anyone can remember – many thanks Pete.

Conclusion

u3a is run by the members for the members and relies on everyone putting in their share of the work to get their share of the benefits. Being a Trustee or Action Team member is not only an essential and important role but can also be rewarding and enjoyable. Could you help us with this? With a regular input of new members learning from experienced members and then taking over key roles and training their successors we will assure the continued success of our u3a for years to come.

May I, once again, wish you all lifelong learning, great fun and enjoyment for 2025/26 within the family of the u3a.

Richard Bell

Chair – Ilkley & District u3a

20 October 2025

Treasurer's Report on the Financial Statement for the Year Ending 31 July 2025

I am pleased to present the year-end financial statement for Ilkley & District u3a for the year to 31 July 2025. Susan Fisk came on board as Treasurer Support in June and is doing an excellent job. She is also bringing insights from previous experience in similar roles to help us develop working practices.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank my fellow Trustees, Group Leaders and Treasurers for their help and support this year for Susan and myself. I hope the finance team can count on your continued support in the future.

The financial statement shows a deficit of £4633. Some explanation around this might be helpful, as the figures are not a true reflection of how we spend members' subscriptions and any other small sums of income we receive.

Charity Commission rules and Charity law require us to show the gross income and expenditure received and paid out in relation to all parts of our activities including interest groups. Our annual financial statement therefore shows the income and expenditure relating to the money that interest groups deposit to pay for their outgoings such as room hire, equipment or travel costs. The interest groups deposit the money in advance to pay for these services, and the service provider invoices the Treasurer who then pays the bill on behalf of the interest groups. The interest groups fully fund their outgoings in accordance with the u3a rules.

Unusually this year, there was a deficit (£8,229) shown in the money deposited (£122,435) by interest groups versus what was paid out on their behalf (£130,664). This was because a few suppliers were slow in submitting invoices for the term ending July 2024, so although money was taken during 2023/2024, it was not paid out until 2024/2025 (£7,616). All these suppliers caught up with their invoicing during 2024/2025, so we effectively paid out 15 months of venue hire during the financial year.

Outside of the group income and expenditure we also have money in and out covering the day to day running of our charity, which we call our Operating Income and Expenses. It is the members subscriptions that by and large fund our operating expenses, so this is something the management board has to keep a close eye on.

In 2023/2024, operating income was £43,779, compared to £34,883 this financial year. These figures are skewed due to two years gift aid being claimed last year and none this (documentation is still being processed). Gift Aid equates to approximately £5,000 per annum.

Expenses were £33,892 in 2023/24 compared to £31,2287 this financial year. So relatively consistent.

So, even without the Gift Aid, we showed an operating costs surplus of £3,596.

For the forecast for 2025/26 we are anticipating operating with a deficit. Our reserves are well in excess of requirements, so we are looking to spend money in a proactive manner. The Committee of Trustees are looking at a variety of options and initiatives, whilst closely monitoring our reserves.

If any members have any ideas for spending our reserves constructively, please contact any Trustee. This can be for group activities, standalone events or other initiatives.

In summary, our finances remain very healthy and are in an excellent position should there be any sudden impact on our day-to-day business.

I will be stepping down as Treasurer and will be succeeded by David Eadon who should more naturally fit into the role as an experienced accountant.

Many thanks for your support.

Liz Billings
Treasurer
Ilkley and District u3a

25th September 2025

Ilkley & District U3A: Accounts for the year ended 31 July 2025
Income & Expenditure Account: Year to 31 July 2025

Income	Notes	2024/25	2023/24
Membership fees receivable	1	32,595	32,468
Groups income	2	122,435	100,881
Summer programme and events	3	-	88
Gift Aid received		-	9,584
Bank interest received		1,321	862
Other income	4	967	777
		157,318	144,660
Expenditure			
Groups expenditure	2	130,664	97,955
Stripe admin fees		710	736
Subscriptions and licences	5	19	6,560
Summer programme and events	6	7,510	5,179
Communications	7	1,188	872
Third Age Trust	8	12,664	11,867
Governance and compliance	9	2,110	1,071
Drop-in and new member meetings		2,236	2,187
AGM		123	494
Miscellaneous	10	2,772	3,211
Depreciation		1,955	1,715
		161,951	131,847
(Deficit)/surplus for the year		(4,633)	12,813

Balance Sheet as at 31 July 2025

	31 July 2025	31 July 2024
Fixed assets		
Equipment & other assets	11,545	10,589
Depreciation reserve	(8,171)	(6,216)
Total fixed assets	3,374	4,373
Current assets		
Current account	16,924	17,300
Deposit account	68,899	56,029
Membership account	8,910	23,755
Total current assets	94,733	97,084
Total assets	98,107	101,457
Current liabilities		
Membership fees for 2025/26 received in 2024/25	23,394	23,666
Total current liabilities	23,394	23,666
Total net assets	74,713	77,791
Accumulated funds as at 1 August 2024	77,791	66,435
(Deficit)/surplus from income and expenditure account	(4,633)	12,813
Surplus/(deficit) held in individual group bank accounts	1,555	(1,457)

Accumulated funds as at 31 July 2024	74,713	77,791
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Accounting Policies

Accounts have been prepared on an annual basis following the Charity Commission's Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of recommended practice (SORP), 2005. The financial statements are prepared on a receipts and payments basis with the exception of membership fees which reflect the fees receivable for the 2024/25 accounting year on an accrual's basis and in accounting for depreciation on Fixed Assets.

The Northern Towns, Drama, Railway, Science & Technology, Pickleball and Circle Dance (Otley) Groups

Appropriate accounts and financial statements, where available, showing their current financial position have been prepared and are consolidated in the main Ilkley & District u3a accounts.

Gift Aid

Gift Aid for 2024/25 is being claimed in 2025/26.

Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Fixed assets are capitalised and depreciated where appropriate. Depreciation is calculated at 25% of the net book value of the assets brought forward plus any expenditure on fixed assets incurred during the year.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1) Membership Fees

Membership Fees Received in 2024/25	£32,323
Plus fees relating to 2024/25 received in 2023/24	£23,666
	£55,989
Less fees relating to 2025/26 received in 2024/25	£23,394
Total fees receivable on accruals basis for 2023/24	£32,595

2) Groups

Income (deposits, transfers)	£122,435
Group Expenditure (Room Hire, Travel and other costs)	£130,664
Group balances surplus for the year	(£8229)

Surplus groups balances at 31 July 2025

£21,911

3) Summer programme and events income

Summer programme	£-
Study Days	£-
	<u>£-</u>

4) Other income

Riviera Travel	£967
Unidentified deposits	£-
	<u>£967</u>

5) Subscriptions and licences

2 year software licence	£-
Other licences	£19
	<u>£19</u>

6) Summer programme and events expenditure

Summer programme	£2,173
Study days	£-
Saturday talks and other events	£5,337
	<u>£7,510</u>

7) Communications

Postage	£157
Printing and copying	£911
Other expenses	£120
	<u>£1,188</u>

8) Third Age Trust

Membership subscriptions (capitation)	£8,528
Contribution to Third Age Matters magazine	£4,136
	<u>£12,664</u>

9) Governance & compliance

Trustee meetings	£1,192
Other inc. First Aid training	£918
	<u>£2,110</u>

10) Miscellaneous expenditure

Storage rental at Clarke Foley	£780
Admin charges	£-
Other smaller items	£1,992
	£2,772

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Ilkley & District U3A

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of Ilkley & District U3A for the year ended 31st July 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 Charity'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 the Trust 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 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.

Independent Examiners Qualified Statement

The Northern Towns, Drama, Railway, Science & Technology, Pickleball and Circle Dance (Otley) Groups interest groups, while part of Ilkley & District U3A, have traditionally prepared their own accounts which are now consolidated into the Charity's accounts. I have not examined these group accounts and therefore I am unable to report on them.

Signed: **Mike Roberts**

Name: Michael Leslie Roberts

Address: 1, Bark Lane, Addingham, ILKLEY, LS29 0RA

Date: 1st October 2025

Accounts

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Income & Expenditure Account: Year to 31 July 2024

Income	Notes	2023/24	2022/23
Membership fees receivable	1	32,468	27,971
Groups income	2	100,881	92,436
Summer programme and events	3	88	593
Gift Aid received		9,584	3,843
Bank interest received		862	537
Other income	4	777	1,327
		144,660	126,707
Expenditure			
Groups expenditure	2	97,955	81,604
Stripe admin fees		736	761
Subscriptions and licences	5	6,560	19
Summer programme and events	6	5,179	6,887
Communications	7	872	3,800
Third Age Trust	8	11,867	13,162
Governance and compliance	9	1,071	1,049
Drop-in and new member meetings		2,187	1,766
AGM		494	402
Miscellaneous	10	3,211	2,037
Depreciation		1,715	1,212
		131,847	112,699
Surplus for the year		12,813	14,008

Balance Sheet as at 31 July 2024

	31 July 2024	31 July 2023
Fixed assets		
Equipment & other assets	10,589	8,135
Depreciation reserve	(6,216)	(4,500)
Total fixed assets	4,373	3,635
Current assets		
Current account	17,300	18,614
Deposit account	56,029	20,635
Membership account	23,755	46,150
Total current assets	97,084	85,399
Total assets	101,457	89,034
Current liabilities		
Membership fees for 2024/25 received in 2023/24	23,666	22,599
Total current liabilities	23,666	22,599
Total net assets	77,791	66,435
Accumulated funds as at 1 August 2023	66,435	53,187
Surplus from income and expenditure account	12,813	14,008
Surplus held in individual group bank accounts	(1,457)	(760)
Accumulated funds as at 31 July 2024	77,791	66,435

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Gift Aid

Gift Aid has been claimed for 2022/23 but was not received until September 2023 (financial year 2023/24). Gift Aid claimed for 2023/24 was received in the year, thus giving rise to two credits in the year.

Fixed Assets and Depreciation

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Plus fees relating to 2023/24 received in 2022/23	£22,598
	£56,134
Less fees relating to 2024/25 received in 2023/24	£23,666
Total fees receivable on accruals basis for 2023/24	£32,468

2) Groups

Income (deposits, transfers)	£100,881
Group Expenditure (Room Hire, Travel and other costs)	£97,955
Group balances surplus for the year	£2,926

Surplus groups balances at 31 July 2023	£28,584
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3) Summer programme and events income

Summer programme	£88
Study Days	£-
	£88

4) Other income

Defunct groups	£777
Unidentified deposits	£-
	<u>£777</u>

5) Subscriptions and licences

2 year software licence	£6,410
Other licences	£150
	<u>£6,560</u>

6) Summer programme and events expenditure

Summer programme	£998
Study days	£343
Saturday talks and other events	£2,840
	<u>£4,181</u>

7) Communications

Postage	£-
Printing and copying	£652
Other expenses	£220
	<u>£872</u>

8) Third Age Trust

Membership subscriptions (capitation)	£8,196
Contribution to Third Age Matters magazine (21/22 and 22/23 paid in 2022/23)	£3,671
	<u>£11,867</u>

9) Governance & compliance

Trustee meetings	£846
Other	£225
	<u>£1,071</u>

10) Miscellaneous expenditure

Storage rental at Clarke Foley	£600
Admin charges	£100
Other smaller items	£2,511
	<u>£3,211</u>

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Date: 24 Sept 2024

Accounts

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Membership fees receivable	1	27,971	23,930
Groups income	2	92,436	54,643
Summer programme and events	3	593	6,993
Gift Aid received		3,843	0
Bank interest received		537	164
Other income	4	1,327	448
		126,707	86,178
Expenditure			
Groups expenditure	2	81,604	50,627
Stripe admin fees		761	673
Subscriptions and licences	5	19	3,059
Summer programme and events	6	6,887	9,257
Communications	7	3,800	6,378
Third Age Trust	8	13,162	7,268
Governance and compliance	9	1,049	1,242
Drop-in and new member meetings		1,766	1,682
AGM		402	989
Miscellaneous	10	2,037	2,081
Depreciation		1,212	1,469
		112,699	84,725
Surplus for the year		14,008	1,453

Ilkley & District U3A: Accounts for the year ended 31 July 2023
Income & Expenditure Account: Year to 31 July 2023

Balance Sheet as at 31 July 2023

	31 July 2023	31 July 2022
Fixed assets		
Equipment & other assets	8,135	7,697
Depreciation reserve	(4,500)	(3,289)
Total fixed assets	3,635	4,408
Current assets		
Current account	18,614	6,011
Deposit account	20,635	20,479
Membership account	46,150	41,303
	85,39	67,79
Total current assets	9	3
	89,03	72,20
Total assets	4	1
Current liabilities		
Membership fees for 2023/24 received in 2022/23	22,599	19,014
	22,59	19,01
Total current liabilities	9	4
	66,43	53,18
Total net assets	5	7
	53,18	45,35
Accumulated funds as at 1 August 2022	7	6
Surplus from income and expenditure account	14,008	1,453
Surplus held in individual group bank accounts	(760)	(172)

**Accumulated funds as at 31 July
2023**

**66,43
5**

**53,18
7**

Accounting Policies

Accounts have been prepared on an annual basis following the Charity Commission's Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of recommended practice (SORP), 2005. The financial statements are prepared on a receipts and payments basis with the exception of membership fees which reflect the fees receivable for the 2022/23 accounting year on an accrual's basis and in accounting for depreciation on Fixed Assets.

The Northern Towns, Drama, Railway, Science & Technology, and Circle Dance (Otley) Groups

Appropriate accounts and financial statements, where available, showing their current financial position have been prepared and are consolidated in the main Ilkley & District u3a accounts.

Gift Aid

Gift Aid has been claimed for 2022/23 but was not received until September 2023 (financial year 2023/24)

Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Fixed assets are capitalised and depreciated where appropriate. Depreciation is calculated at 25% of the net book value of the assets brought forward plus any expenditure on fixed assets incurred during the year.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1) Membership Fees

Membership Fees Received in 2022/23	£31,736
Plus fees relating to 2022/23 received in 2021/22	£19,014
	£50,750
Less fees relating to 2023/24 received in 2022/23	£22,599
	£28,151
Total fees receivable on accruals basis for 2021/22	1
Less membership fees refunds	£180
	£27,971
Net Fees receivable on accruals basis for 2022/23	1

2) Groups

Income (deposits, transfers)	£92,436
Group Expenditure (Room Hire, Travel and other costs)	£81,604
	£10,832
Group balances surplus for the year	2
	£27,146
Surplus groups balances at 31 July 2023	6

3) Summer programme and events income

Summer programme	£581
Study Days	£12
	£593

4) Other income

Donations	£1,302
Unidentified deposits	£25
	£1,327

5) Subscriptions and licences

2 year software licence	£-
Other licences	£19
	£19

6) Summer programme and events expenditure

Summer programme	£4,484
Study days	£343
Saturday talks and other events	£2,060
	£6,887

7) Communications

Postage	£252
Printing and copying	£2,777
Other expenses	£771
	£3,800

8) Third Age Trust

Membership subscriptions (capitation)	£7,564
Contribution to Third Age Matters magazine (21/22 and 22/23 paid in 2022/23)	£5,598
	£13,162

9) Governance & compliance

Trustee meetings	£852
Other	£197
	£1,049

10) Miscellaneous expenditure

Storage rental at Clarke Foley	£480
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Admin charges
Other smaller items

£400
£1,157

£2,037

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Ilkley & District U3A

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of Ilkley & District U3A for the year ended 31st July 2023.

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 Charity'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 the Trust 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 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.

Independent Examiners Qualified Statement

The Northern Towns, Drama, Railway, Science & Technology, and Circle Dance (Otley) Groups interest groups, while part of Ilkley & District U3A, have traditionally prepared their own accounts which are now consolidated into the Charity's accounts. I have not examined these group accounts and therefore I am unable to report on them.

Signed: **Mike Roberts**

Name: Michael Leslie Roberts

Address: 1, Bark Lane, Addingham, ILKLEY, LS29 0RA

Date: 2nd October 2023

Accounts

ILKLEY & DISTRICT u3a

ANNUAL REPORTS

2021 – 2022



Registered Charity Number: 1070945

CHAIR'S REPORT: from Angie Grain

This is my third and final Annual Report to the AGM, as our constitution states that Chairs (and other Trustee officers), can only remain in post for three years maximum. This is a very good ruling to ensure that we get a turnaround in key posts and new ideas on the Trustee committee.

When I took on the role in autumn 2019, little did any of us know that news about a virus affecting a town in China would have such a huge impact on us all, on our lives and on our u3a. It has been a really challenging three years and it has really tested our mettle throughout. During the pandemic so many of our members rose to the challenge and adapted to new ways of doing things, whether it was running our groups and keeping them interactive, arranging on-line presentations or just showing that age is no barrier to learning to harness new technology via Zoom etc. Who would have thought that 'you're still on mute' would be such a frequently used expression for us all?

It is to the credit of a huge number of volunteers and helpers that our u3a managed to keep as active as was possible within the changing constraints through time to keep us engaged with each other via a range of virtual activities. Many of our Group Leaders managed to run their groups via Zoom and indeed, some are continuing to harness it as a preferred way of operating. Where some u3as struggled or 'hibernated' throughout the pandemic, our Ilkley members strived to keep us active and connected and we kept really healthy membership figures through to today. Indeed we did attract one new member from Hampshire who joined us for our on-line events as his own u3a had closed down – that took the 'and District' part of our name to a new level.

We are indeed fortunate to have such expert and enthusiastic website and communication teams, who keep us all well informed of events, manage our membership data, update the website and keep in touch via social media and the local press. Our communications serve two main functions – to serve our existing membership and also to be our 'window on the world' showing who we are and what we do, in a very attractive manner so that potential members can judge if what we offer is of interest to them. The team has always been reliable, efficient, innovative and supportive both to myself, the Trustees, our members and others from outside our u3a; it is very much appreciated.

A while ago we were invited by the Third Age Trust to be one of the Pathfinder u3as on a 'Recruitment and Retention' project. This has been very valuable as this for us is an on-going priority and not just a finite project. All our Trustees have worked in this area and we continue, via Drop Ins, attendance at local events etc, to reach out to attract new members. There is no possibility of our u3a becoming too large though we may have to adapt how we do things. As long as there are people out there who could be benefit from our u3a, then raising awareness continues to be a vital part of our work.

We have welcomed lots of new members in recent years and we hope that they are enjoying our u3a experience, keeping mentally (and possibly physically and socially) active, meeting new people and gradually contributing to the future well-being of our u3a. This injection of 'new blood' is vital to u3a, like any other organisation. We hold regular New Members' meetings so that we can all meet each other, explain what the u3a is all about and discuss their interests, experiences and expectations. They are announced via personal e-mails, the Newsflash and the Events page of the website. If you have missed one, please look out for the next one when it is arranged.

In an effort to make ourselves less Ilkley-centric, we are trying to ensure there are more activities and a wider membership beyond the town. The Otley Ambassadors have helped us more than double our membership in the town and greatly increased the number of Interest Groups meeting there. We have already started a similar movement in Addingham and have our sights set on our other discrete towns – so if you live in Silsden, Menston, Burley, Guiseley etc – just get in touch with us and we will be exploring improving things in your area too.

We are fortunate to have large number of Interest Groups, across a very diverse range of subjects and activities. For these we are always thankful to all our fabulous Group Leaders who put in a huge

amount of work to run their Groups so successfully. In many cases, they could do with more support so do please offer to help. As the u3a is essentially a cooperative movement, we all have to do our bit and not leave tasks to others. It might be just small things that you can do but all contributions are appreciated.

Because of our growing membership, there is a constant need to establish new groups and this has been done continuously through the years. You will see new ones announced via the NewsFlash and the new 'Prospective Groups' part of our website. If you have any expertise you could share, or an interest you would like to pursue with others, please do not hesitate to contact us and we can work with you to make it happen. As I know from my own experience (starting a group years ago in a subject I knew little about) one does not have to be an expert to lead or coordinate a group, with only a few expert-led exceptions. The u3a is about sharing our expertise and interests and learning together is far more enjoyable than 'going it alone'.

Being conscious that many of our groups, especially the indoor ones, operate through the autumn and spring terms, we have long been conscious that the summer months could be a long time with limited u3a activity. This is why we have our Summer Programme of individual events and activities that are open to any and all of you. Feedback shows how important this is to members, perhaps especially single folk who appreciate the continuity of social interaction throughout the summer. The work of all the contributors and the organising group is very much appreciated – thank you.

One new development this last year has been our Showcase event in September. It has taken the place of the old 'Meet the Leaders' meeting but has morphed into something much bigger. In addition to encouraging members, especially new ones, to meet our Group Leaders, to see the variety that is on offer, it also provides a real showcase of what we do for non-members and/or potential members and guests. About twenty new members signed up on the day and many members gave feedback about how much they appreciated the chance to meet with old friends whom they had not seen for a long time. Hopefully, this will become an annual feature in our diaries.

During the course of the last year two Trustees (Mark Hall and Sandra Nistri) had, for their own good reasons, to step down as Trustees. However, during the year MCoT co-opted two new Trustees: Neil Stevens to coordinate Established Groups and Jacqui Wellbrook as Secretary.

At this 2022 AGM, we are also losing some more as they come to the end of their Trustee periods. Steve Moorcraft has been our Treasurer for three years and has taken this role to a new level. The MCoT (Management Committee of Trustees) now has far better financial information and forecasting to aid their discussions and decision-making. Steve has always been totally reliable, helpful and knowledgeable and has helped Group Leaders and many others who have needed his advice. Marten Koopmans has been our Events Coordinator, a job which he has done efficiently for the past three years. We have regular and occasional events and Marten has handled them all. Alison Middleton has only been with us for one year but took over as the Editor of the EYE for the latest edition, has been our link member with the Clarke Foley Centre and has coordinated the Community Links area.

In addition to losing Trustees, we have also lost some key Action Team members who have contributed lots of time, energy and expertise to our u3a and all will be sorely missed. All this explains why we are now campaigning to get more volunteers and Trustees to share the workload and keep up the high standards and variety of activities we have had in the past. Please do get in touch with us if you feel you can help and support us.

In reviewing our u3a's activities, achievements and growth, it could be easy to be complacent. However, we must all be aware that a rosy future for our u3a is not guaranteed. As an educational co-operative charity, it can only thrive with a wide base of volunteers across a wide spectrum of activities (Trustees, Group Leaders, Action Team members etc). It has grown increasingly difficult to recruit members to take on these roles and this places our u3a in jeopardy. Without increased member involvement it will not thrive and grow.

As I heard someone on a TAT Zoom meeting state – ‘in an ideal u3a, every member is a volunteer, we’re all in this together. If asked why volunteers aren’t paid, the answer is that they are priceless!’

Action Teams

All the many and varied activities going on across the u3a could not be managed effectively or realistically by just the Trustees alone. Instead, in typical u3a fashion we rely on many volunteers who give their time and experience to support our Action Teams; these are themed to cover our main areas of activities, but always keep each other informed of developments and also rely on each other for occasional support.

We are very grateful indeed for the support of all these volunteers who help our u3a function and thrive and retain its dynamism; many of these teams are seeking new volunteers to help in their work.



All teams are not 'silos' and will need good communications to work together and/or seek assistance where needed; this may include overlapping membership

Communications Team: Coordinator's report (Peter Mate)

Communications are at the heart of all our u3a activities, keeping our Members, our Group Leaders, and the wider community, updated and informed.

Internal Communications are provided through the regular NewsFlash, the bi-annual Eye magazine, and through the comprehensive website. Our members are offered regular opportunities for collective meetings, through monthly Saturday Talks, and a full events programme through the Summer Programme. Additional collective celebration and social events run throughout the year,

Our external communication is provided through the public section of our website, through social media, and through regular wide coverage featured in the local Press/Ilkley Chat. The recent 'Showcase' event featured an enhanced 'Meet the Leaders', attracting lots of local residents through the Clark Foley Centre, with a taste of what we have to offer. Our many Groups regularly exhibit and display their achievements at venues around the area, giving our u3a a highly visible profile.

Our u3a website is widely considered to be exceptional, and the envy of u3as across the UK. It is well designed, and easy to navigate, even for those who struggle with IT. Perhaps most important, content is always fresh, with updates highlighted on the entry Homepage.

Events Team: Events Coordinator's report (Marten Koopmans)

In this year we were able to almost resume normal services but the turn-out to some of the events such as the Saturday Talks – now called Saturday Socials – has not yet fully returned yet to the 'BC' (Before Covid) levels.

The 2021 AGM could be held as before the lockdown at All Saints Church and the Saturday Talks/Monthly Socials at the Clarke Foley Centre. Only the Christmas Cracker event had to be cancelled last minute in December due to a surge in Covid cases. This was compensated by having an alternative Summer Cracker event in July as part of the 'normal' Summer Programme which now could also be done with 'real' trips, talks and other activities.

The 2021 Meet the Leaders event could also take place again, albeit in September instead of in June as before. The Thank You dinner for the group leaders and other helpers was also reinstated in April. This year the Meet the Leaders event was expanded to a Showcase event held in September, not only as a celebration of the 40th anniversary of u3a nationally and the 25th anniversary of the Ilkley & District branch, but also to show to the general public what good work our u3a is doing for the wider community. The turn-out of groups and visitors was so great that this event looked more like an Arabian Souk.

Groups Action Team: Groups Coordinators' report (Margaret McCabe and Neil Stevens)

Our 115 interest groups span an amazing range of subjects and activities and without the members who lead them our u3a would not exist.

Providing help and support to these Group Leaders is a big job and the team splits into two - one sub-team that encourages and supports new groups and the other that looks after established groups.

New Groups (MMcC)

From November 2021, the New Groups Team's aim was twofold; to keep a record of each group and to give support to new Group Leaders. The difficulty in starting new groups was the reluctance of members willing to be Group Leaders so a procedure was set up to try to answer both these problems.

When anyone expresses an interest in a new group the first step is a meeting between them and the New Groups' Coordinator when they are shown a 'New Group Leaders' Pack' which contains help in setting up a new group and this is discussed in relation to the topic of the group. Help is available at every stage and the next stage is advertising the group on Newsflash. If the Group Leader is satisfied with the response, the group is then classed as belonging to **Prospective Groups**. This was recently created for groups which has interested members but still needs advertising. It can be found on Newsflash and with the Established Groups listed in the A – Z on the website. After the first meeting it becomes an Established Group.

It is now working well as proved by the 32 new groups since February until now. However, it could not have been possible without the ever-present support from other members, especially the Website Team and New Groups Team who have had to cope with the new procedures.

Established Groups (NS)

We would like to thank Mark Hall who was the Established Groups Coordinator for the first part of the year. He very effectively dealt with the hangover from the lock-down during which many groups had become inactive. Neil took over from him in the middle of the year. One of our major challenges

is helping leaders manage waiting lists and finding leaders for second groups. This is particularly acute in the languages area.

Our job would be impossible without the help of the Website Team who maintain the information about groups on our website and provide the route for members to contact group leaders. The team has recently introduced two forms that give members a chance to have their say about groups. "Suggest a New Group" can be accessed from the What's New list on our home page and "Advise us of a Full Group" is at the top of every group listing. NewsFlash is our essential communications channel and provides the hot news on new groups and changes to existing groups. We would like to thank the editors.

Welcoming and Engaging and Membership Team: Membership Secretary's report (Jean Smith)

Ilkley & District u3a continues to enjoy a large and growing membership which is keen to uphold the principles of the u3a movement. The u3a movement is based on mutual aid and as an Educational Co-operative there is an expectation that members will share their interests and skills. Thank you so much to those of you who already support your fellow members in this way. As you read through this report, please may I make a plea that if you are not already doing so, you could consider what you might offer to do in the forthcoming year, however small.

Our membership continues to grow from 940 in 2012 when records were first recorded online, to 1635 in October 2021, to a current total of 1752 active members.* At the time of writing 121 members have not yet renewed their membership this year and a further 80, mainly for reasons of ill health, relocation, being over-committed or not having participated in group activities, have chosen not to re-join this year. However, since 1st August 2022 we have already welcomed 112 new members. We are also looking forward to ten members of the Ukrainian community living in Ilkley joining us. We know that you will go out of your way to welcome them.

**For a range of fascinating statistics about our u3a, please look on our website (Ilkley u3a.org) and under the 'For Members' tab scroll down to Managing our u3a/ Ilkley & District Member Statistics.*

It would be great if everyone in our district had heard of u3a, whether they wished to join or not. It is too wonderful an organisation to keep it to ourselves. We have therefore continued to support promotional events, including regular Drop Ins, Otley Farmers' markets, Otley Buttercross event, Burley Summer Festival and Audley Clevedon. Following its success in Otley, our aim is to create Ambassador groups in all areas of our District, to promote u3a and begin new groups operating in local venues. We would like Ambassadors to telephone new members two or three times in their first year. We would like to thank those kind members who regularly print and deliver Newsflash to our members who do not have email access.

We have a team of wonderful 'Welcomers' whose support at Saturday socials and other events such as the Showcase, has been greatly appreciated. We also seek to welcome and support new members at New Members' Meetings and the newly initiated coffee morning.

We are always mindful to include all our members, and to this end would like support for the Accessibility of members who may have particular needs resulting from hearing, mobility, sight, social isolation, health etc. If you have expertise or an interest in supporting others in this area, please make yourself known.

Finally, I would like to express sincere thanks to the 1163 members who have agreed to support our u3a by the completion of a Gift Aid form. If your circumstances have changed and you now find that through paying tax you are in a position to offer to Gift Aid your annual subscription, please contact the Membership Secretary. At no cost to yourself, we can claim 25% of your subscription from HMRC. This obviously helps to keep the running cost of our u3a as low as possible for all of us.

Conclusion:

It has been an honour and a privilege to be the Chair of such a great u3a; it is so active, innovative and supportive, it is no wonder that it has such an excellent and well-earned reputation – at all levels. Although I am stepping down as Chair, I believe so much in the u3a that I have already volunteered to be part of some of the Action Teams in the future so I will still be around.

I have met some wonderful people through the u3a, in a wide variety of roles and would personally like to thank them all for the help and support I have had over the past three years; I certainly could not have done it without them.

I wish my successor and all the Trustees and voluntary helpers all the very best for the future, being confident that our u3a will continue to grow and thrive and serve such a valuable purpose within your communities.

Angie Grain

Treasurer's Report on the Financial Statement for the Year Ending 31 July 2022

I am pleased to present the financial statement for Ilkley & District u3a for the year to 31 July 2022. This is my final report as Treasurer as I step down as both Trustee and Treasurer at the AGM on 19th November 2022. I have been a trustee for 4 years and Treasurer for over 3 years. I've worked with a great team of Trustees over this time who do a fantastic job for our members. I wouldn't hesitate to recommend the role of a Trustee in this team.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their kindness, help and support during my time in office.

It was fantastic to see our organisation get back to some order of normality so soon after the lifting of the Covid 19 restrictions and this year's financial statement reflects that change. Thanks to all the group leaders and their support for getting things up and running again so quickly after the lifting of the restrictions.

The financial statement shows a surplus of £1,453, although this doesn't show the true financial position for the members in terms of how we spend members' subscriptions and any other small sums of income we receive. I'll try and explain this issue in this report.

In accordance with our parent organisation's (The Third Age Trust) financial rules, income and expenditure received and paid out in relation to interest groups are part of our charity's income and expenditure and are therefore included as part of the annual financial statement. This income and expenditure relate to the money that interest groups deposit to pay for their outgoings such as room hire or travel costs. The interest groups deposit the money in advance to pay for these services and the service provider invoices the Treasurer who then pays the bill on behalf of the interest groups. The interest groups fully fund their outgoings in accordance with the u3a rules. However, as a matter of pure timing, there will generally be a surplus on the money deposited by interest groups before money is paid out. This surplus masks the actual results of the money paid in and out on behalf of the day to day running of our charity, which I call our Operating Income and Expenses. It is the members subscriptions that by and large fund our operating expenses, so this is something the management board have to keep a close eye on.

The diagram below shows the different results produced by including and excluding interest group income and expenses over the last 6 years.

Year Ended	31/07/17	31/07/18	31/07/19	31/07/20	31/07/21	31/07/22
Total Income & Expenses						
Gross Income	58,520	62,038	80,370	82,940	30,754	86,177
Gross expenses	52,423	58,278	77,677	76,396	24,259	84,725
Surplus/deficit	6,097	3,760	2,693	6,544	6,495	1,452
Operating Income & Expenses						
Gross Income	26,556	27,592	25,679	32,254	25,490	31,535
Gross expenses	21,647	26,659	27,765	24,131	20,711	34,098
Surplus/deficit	4,909	933	-2,086	8,123	4,779	-2,563
Group Income & Expenses						
Group Income	31,964	34,446	54,691	50,686	5,264	54,642
Group Expenses	30,776	31,619	49,912	52,265	3,548	50,627
Surplus/deficit	1,188	2,827	4,779	-1,579	1,716	4,015

As you can see, when excluding interest groups income and expenses, the operating results are quite different. This year, we have actually made a deficit of over £2,500 on our operating results. When we produced our forecast at the beginning of the year, we anticipated a larger deficit but some of the expenditure we expected to lay out in 2021/22 wasn't actually invoiced/paid out until this current year, 2022/23.

The ever-increasing costs in the current economic climate and our anticipated deficit were the main reasons why the management board made a decision earlier in the year to increase the annual membership subscriptions for 2022/23, the first increase in subscriptions for over 12 years.

The benefit of the increase in subscriptions will be reflected in the 2022/23 financial statement which you will see this time next year. The forecast for 2022/23, on the back of a tough financial climate, is that we aim to break even. However, the management board will be keeping a close eye on this given the constant changes in our financial outlook.

Having said all this, our current finances remain very healthy and we have the financial reserves available if there is any sudden impact on our day-to-day business. In accordance with Charity law, we are required to maintain an agreed level of reserves anyway.

Before the pandemic, we embarked on a campaign looking for ideas on what we might spend our surplus funds for the benefit of our charity as a whole and/or individual groups. We have continued to help interest groups with particular financial needs where we can and earlier in the year, we purchased a bank card reader to make joining the u3a, at events like our drop-ins and the recent showcase event, much easier and convenient for our members.

We will continue to look for ideas to spend money on for the benefit of our charity and our members. Interest groups can make applications for funding by following the guidance on our website which can be accessed via this [link](#).

Best wishes to you all for the future.

Steve Moorcraft

Outgoing Treasurer: Ilkley and District u3a

Ilkley & District U3A: Accounts for the year ended 31 July 2022
Income & Expenditure Account: Year to 31 July 2022

Income	2021/22	2020/21	Notes
Membership fees receivable	23,930	21,167	1
Group Income	54,642	5,264	2
Summer Programme and events	6,993	565	3
Gift Aid received	0	3,544	
Bank Interest Received	164	214	
Donations and unidentified deposits	448	0	4
	86,177	30,754	
 Expenditure			
Groups Expenditure	50,627	3,548	2
Stripe Admin Fees	673	445	
Subscriptions and licenses	3,059	1,497	5
Summer Programme and events	9,257	1,179	6
Communications	6,378	2,607	7
Membership recruitment campaign	0	653	
 Events	0	1,584	
Third Age Trust	7,268	7,692	8
Other Governance and Compliance expenditure	1,242	0	9
Drop-in and new member meetings	1,682	233	
AGM	989	2,394	
Miscellaneous	2,081	898	10
Depreciation	1,469	1,529	11
	84,725	24,259	
 Surplus to Balance Sheet (rounded)	1,453	6,496	

Balance Sheet as at 31 July 2022

	Y/E 31 July 2022	Y/E 31 July 2021
Current Assets		
Current Account	6,011	12,782
Deposit Account	20,479	20,416
Membership Account	41,303	29,878
Total Current Assets	67,793	63,076
Equipment & Other Assets	7,697	6,407
Total Assets	75,490	69,483
Current Liabilities		
Membership fees for 2022/23 received in 2021/22	19,014	15,757
Depreciation Reserve	3,289	1,819
Total Current Liabilities	22,303	17,576
Total Net Assets	53,187	51,906
Accumulated funds b/f from previous accounting period	51,906	45,356
Plus surplus from income and expenditure a/c	1,453	6,496
Plus unpresented cheques b/f written off to surplus	0	54
Less adjustments to Group income & expenditure (net)	172	0
Accumulated funds carried forward	53,187	51,906

Accounting Policies

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THE NORTHERN TOWNS, RAILWAY, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY, TRAVEL AND VOYAGERS GROUPS

For most of the year none of the above groups operated normally due to the Covid 19 pandemic. Appropriate accounts and Financial statements showing their current financial position have been prepared and are consolidated in the main Ilkley & District u3a accounts.

Gift Aid

Gift Aid has been claimed for 2021/22 but was not received until August 2022 (2022/23)

Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Fixed assets are capitalised and depreciated where appropriate. Depreciation is calculated at 25% of the net book value of the assets brought forward plus any expenditure on fixed assets incurred during the year.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1) Membership Fees

Membership Fees Received in 2021/22	£27,214
Plus fees relating to 2021/22 received in 2020/21	£15,757
	£42,971
Less fees relating to 2022/23 received in 2021/22	£19,014
Total fees receivable on accruals basis for 2021/22	£23,957
Less membership fees refunds	£27
Net Fees receivable on accruals basis for 2021/22	£23,930

2) Group Income

Group Income (Deposits, transfers)	£54,642
Group Expenditure (Room Hire, Travel and other costs)	£50,627
Surplus Group Balances at 31 July 2022	£17,065

3) Summer programme and events income

Summer programme	£3,419
Study Days	£2,768
Saturday talks and other events	£807
	£6,993

4) Donations and unidentified deposits

Donations	£440
Unidentified deposits	£8
	£448

5) Subscriptions and Licences

2 year software licence	£2,920
Other licences	£139
	£3,059

6) Summer programme and events expenditure

Summer programme	£2,495
Study Days	£2,736
Saturday talks and other events	£4,026
	£9,257

7) Communications

Postage	£2,254
Printing and copying	£3,767
Other expenses	£357
	£6,378

8) Third Age Trust

Membership subscriptions (capitation)	£7,268
Contribution to Third Age Matters magazine (paid in 2022/23)	£0
	£7,268

9) Other Governance & Compliance Expenditure

Trustee meetings	£1,176
Other	£66
	£1,242

10) Miscellaneous expenditure

Storage rental at Clarke Foley	£990
Admin charges	£400
Other smaller items	£691
	£2,081

11) Fixed Assets Depreciation

Net book value of assets brought forward	£4,587
Expenditure on fixed assets during year	£1,290
	£5,877
Depreciation @ 25%	£1,469
Net Book value of assets	
	£4,408

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Date: 9th October 2022

Accounts



ILKLEY & DISTRICT u3a

ANNUAL REPORTS

2020 – 2021

CHAIR'S REPORT: from Angie Grain

This past year has to be one of the most challenging that we have ever faced as we were faced with extended periods of lockdown and enforced isolation. Our sincere sympathies go out to any members who have really suffered through this time, either through bereavement, illness to yourself or your family or through the impacts of enforced isolation.

It is to the credit of a huge number of volunteers and helpers that our u3a managed to keep as active as was possible within the changing constraints through time to keep us engaged with each other via a range of virtual activities. Many of our Group Leaders managed to run their groups via Zoom and indeed, some are continuing to harness it as a preferred way of operating.

Our Summer Programme 2020 changed into a virtual Talks Programme and provided an excellent menu of on-line sessions to interest and inspire us right through the lockdown period. Thanks are due to all who helped to make that happen, either presenting sessions or behind the scenes managing it all and facilitating the Zoom sessions. For many members these sessions were described as a 'Life Line' in the darkest, isolated winter months last year.

Our website and internal and external communications are the envy of many other u3as and we are blessed to have such an active group of helpers who are always open to new ideas and constantly updating our provision in this area. Indeed, they are often called upon to advise others about how to make improvements.

At a national level, our u3a joined with others as a 'Pathfinder u3a' in a Third Age Trust (TAT) project to improve 'Recruitment and Retention'. This was a very valuable experience as we all learned from each other and shared good ideas. We have invested time and funds in raising awareness about the benefits to be gained from u3a membership and this has resulted in us welcoming lots of new members; we hope that they enjoy the u3a experience and will benefit from the social and learning experiences that we offer. We always need the energy of 'new blood' to keep our u3a innovative and prevent it growing stale. It is gratifying to see that we have maintained our membership numbers, when many other u3as across the county are really struggling.

We are experimenting with members' groups of 'Ambassadors' who meet to further awareness of our u3a and better activity provision in the wider areas of our district. So far, we have our Otley Ambassadors, but the concept will hopefully spread next year to other discreet towns and villages around our Ilkley core. Look out in the NewsFlash for information through the year.

With regard to our Interest Groups, we accept that every group is very individual and will make its own decisions about how they develop post-lockdown. Some have embraced the Zoom platform as a real asset, whilst others have resumed 'in person' meetings. We all recognise that every individual member has their own threshold with regard to concepts of safety and these are completely respected. We just hope that you do find ways of engaging with your Interest Groups and the u3a as a whole in some way.

Acknowledging that some of our groups have reached membership capacity, the Learning Together team has been striving to set up a number of new groups and these are thriving across our area. It is always good to see new and different opportunities – there will be more to come and we are always open to new ideas and can help and support anyone who might consider starting a new group.

All these activities do take time and effort to organise and we are fortunate to have an army of volunteers to help and support us. However, we could always do with more folk, as that would bring more energy and new ideas and improve further what we can offer. If you check out the Action Teams diagram below, you can explore any areas that are of interest to you and you can share your experience and enthusiasms to help us keep our u3a as lively and

vibrant as it goes forward. The teams are made up of interesting, supportive and lively people who would all welcome new members.

This has been a difficult year for the Trustees because, in addition the Covid pandemic, we have never been at full strength and have had fewer people to share the organisational tasks. I would like to thank all our Trustees for all their hard work and support, especially our retiring or recent Trustees who have all made a huge contribution to the u3a; Lynn Rhodes-Holme and Roger Hawkins resigned during the year. Special mention has to be made of Hugh Bevington who has been a long-standing Trustee and has served as Treasurer, Vice-Chair and, for the last year, as our Groups Coordinator, a major role in keeping our u3a active through the lockdown and managing the emergence of groups in recent months. He will be very much missed by colleagues; we all valued his wisdom, energy and hard work.

Action Teams

All the many and varied activities going on across the u3a could not be managed effectively or realistically by just the Trustees alone. Instead, in typical u3a fashion we rely on many volunteers who give of their time and experience to support our Action Teams; these are themed to cover our main areas of activities, but always keep each other informed of developments and also rely on each other for occasional support.

We are very grateful indeed for the support of all these volunteers who help to make our u3a function and allow it to thrive and retain its dynamism, despite very difficult circumstances.



All teams are not 'silos' and will need good communications to work together and/or seek assistance where needed; this may include overlapping membership

Communications Team: Coordinator's report (Peter Mate)

We are very fortunate indeed to have such an innovative, knowledgeable and helpful team to run all aspects of our Communications, both internally to our own members and externally to potential members and the general public.

They have continued to be very active indeed throughout 2020/21 and responded quickly and well to ever-changing conditions resulting from the dynamic Covid situation through the year. They consistently maintained an extremely high standard for all our Communications formats (e.g. website, NewsFlash, social media, the Eye, press relations etc) which are the envy of many u3as which cannot match this level of achievement.

The Third Age Trust (TAT) launched its new look nationally and we quickly adopted and adapted it so that all our communication formats are now in the new identity and all our publicity materials were refreshed in the new image.

We have welcomed a new editor for the Eye newspaper and have had two excellent editions through the year and the next one is already in the production stages. In addition to informing our own members, this is a valuable recruitment tool, being distributed at public events and to potential members at Drop In sessions etc; it highlights our u3a's activities and demonstrates our levels of activities and areas of interest.

The Communications Team were actively involved through the year in supporting the other Action Teams, like the Events and the Learning Together teams, in a wide variety of ways and the level of support and collaboration is very much appreciated by all our u3a helpers in many roles across the organisation.

When TAT announced a 'National u3a Day' to be held in June (which morphed into nearly a week for us), the Team was hugely supportive in facilitating our activities and helped us in raising our profile and reaching out to members of the public.

Our Team was invited to present to a TAT national project on 'Recruitment and Retention' with a presentation on keeping a lively and attractive website, thus demonstrating our good reputation nationally.

Events Team: Events Coordinator's report (Marten Koopmans)

For most of this extraordinary year we have all been under such lockdown measures that any kind of event where our members could get together physically was not allowed until the spring of this year.

The last AGM in November 2020 had to be held as a Zoom video conference meeting. For this, e.g. special arrangements for voting had to be developed and implemented. The monthly Saturday Talks did continue but also as remote Zoom video meetings. Furthermore the group of volunteers who had put together the Summer Programme in 2020 decided and was able to continue to arrange several presentations per week on Zoom from the summer of 2020 to the summer of 2021 when the lockdown restrictions started to be lifted. This would not have been possible without the assistance by many members of our u3a and other u3a branches being willing and able to give interesting talks on many subjects.

It was only by last June we were allowed to have actual physical meetings. The first of such events we were able to organise were 2 outdoor u3a promotions and an indoor high tea event around the national u3a-day on 2 June. This last event was not only held to attract new members but also to thank existing members for staying with us, in particular those members unable to access our continued activities on Zoom as they had not had any benefit from their membership with us during the lockdown. We were also able to start our two-weekly Drop-ins, as well as having a real Summer Programme again in July. The monthly Saturday Talks became real gatherings again in July and were even free of charge in July and August. The annual Meet the Leaders event had to be postponed from June, but still took place in September.

Since September we have been able to resume our normal events as we used to do before the outbreak of the pandemic and we hope to be able to continue this.

Governance and Compliance Team: Chair's report (Angie Grain)

The main achievement in this area has been to address the issue of our constitution review. It is recommended by TAT that a u3a constitution should be reviewed and, if necessary, revised on a regular basis.

This issue was addressed by a small team (Marten Koopmans, Peter Mate, Roger Hawkins and Roy Anderson) after it was agreed in principle by the Trustees that we would use the TAT template as far as possible and minimise any deviation from it. This is because they are important documents and TAT have invested heavily in producing the template with expert legal advice.

The Trustees have agreed to the revised version in principle and it is now being put before the AGM to consider and hopefully, to approve. The Constitution document is available on our website for members to read there. For the sake of economy and saving paper, we are only posting out paper copies to the non-internet users amongst our members.

During the year we revised our policy documents on Accessibility, Equality and Diversity, Privacy, Safeguarding, Trustee Code of Conduct and Members Code of Conduct. We also updated the policy on Data Protection and Neil Stevens has agreed to act as our Data Protection Contact; his expertise is very much appreciated. All our policies can be found via the Members section of the website.

Other policy documents will be reviewed in due course on a regular basis, when we have the resources to undertake the tasks involved.

It should be noted here that your Management Committee of Trustees (MCoT) has worked throughout the year under very difficult circumstances; not only did we have to manage and keep running our u3a through the pandemic, it was being done without a complete cohort of Trustees. We can have ten Trustees, which would be ideal for a u3a of our considerable size (>1,600 members) but for most of the year we had to manage with effectively only seven Trustees; not enough if we are to continue to thrive. Succession planning is an on-going problem for us.

I would like to thank all the Trustees most sincerely for their unstinting hard work, energy, enthusiasm, teamwork and support – they are a credit to the organisation.

It is our aim to get the Management Committee back up to full strength as soon as possible.

Learning Together Team: Groups Coordinator's report (Hugh Bevington)

Despite the impact of Covid on the groups, we arrive at the AGM with the majority of groups operating in some way, many fully back to normal.

During the various lockdowns, groups were very adept at arriving at solutions which allowed them to operate in some format, Zoom being the most popular. Inevitably some groups have not restarted and will not do so in the near future.

The decision was taken to try and open a number of new groups. The Otley ambassadors opened 6 groups all based in Otley but open to all members as normal. This has raised the profile of the u3a in Otley, considerably. In addition the new groups volunteers delivered around 10 new groups with a range of interests from Pilates to Ukulele.

A number of Groups were unable to invite additional members to join them due to lack of equipment, the trustees considered a number of bids and were able to assist these groups to grow and hopefully other groups will follow in the future.

There is still a long way to go until we are back to a situation where all groups are operating fully, but the excellent group leaders that we have, will make sure this happens.

Social Action Team: Coordinator's report (Peter Mate)

The pandemic had a major impact on our work as the excellent group which supports reading in local schools had to cease work altogether, in the interest of the health of all concerned. As yet, the group has not been able to re-start but it is hoped that it will do, when conditions allow, as it is a much-appreciated help in the schools concerned.

We continue to maintain close relations with the local Dementia Friends with two of our Trustees undertaking further training and opening briefing sessions for our members. We are also maintaining links with other schemes.

We were invited to speak to a local well-being group, run by one of the local social prescribers and it is hoped this helped raise awareness about the positive effect that membership of the u3a can have on a person's mental health and problems with isolation etc.

Welcoming and Engaging and Membership Team: Membership Secretary's report (Jean Smith)

First and foremost, on behalf of our Trustees, I would like to issue a huge 'Thank You' to all our members for their dedicated support during the last year. Many u3as throughout the UK closed down during the pandemic, but here, in Ilkley & District, we were determined to keep 'learning, laughing and living' in all sorts of different ways. We could not have achieved this without the support of our members. Unbelievably, we actually retained more of our members at renewal time than in previous years! At the end of the membership year on 31st July 2021 we had 1627 members who had renewed to 1st August 2022. Although approximately 150 members have not renewed (about half the usual number), we have attracted 273 new members since 1st August 2020, and in addition, we have 51 WestNet members.

I'm sure that you would enjoy a series of fascinating statistics about our u3a, recently produced by Eric Craigie. Do you know how much our u3a has grown since 2012? Do you know when our members were born, where they live and how they discovered u3a? If you didn't spot this information in the Newsflash of 18th October, I urge you to have a look on our website (ilkleyu3a.org) and click on 'Members' and 'Member Statistics.'

In the Autumn of 2020 we were invited, as a successful u3a, to participate in a National Recruitment and Retention Drive. U3as across the country supported and advised each other in order to keep our u3a active and vibrant for many years to come.

In devising an Action Plan for the Recruitment and Retention drive, it became apparent that there was a distinct shortfall in members from Otley. Therefore, a group of enthusiastic Otley members volunteered to become 'Otley u3a Ambassadors', promoting u3a through Drop Ins, the Farmer's Market, the Buttercross event, the Kindness Festival; beginning new groups and generally raising awareness of Ilkley & District u3a in the Otley area. This initiative, which continues with Steph Lee as its coordinator, has been a huge success.

It is planned to recruit 'Town Reps' in every area of our u3a District to raise awareness, form new groups, publicise local events and welcome new members from the area. We hope to publicise excellent outcomes from each area on our new 'About the Area' section on our website. This exciting opportunity, which is not expected to be too onerous, may be just the support you can offer. Remember, our u3a can only function if everyone plays a part, however small.

We are always pleased to support prospective and existing members, and this year has been no exception. Drop Ins in Ilkley, Otley and Addingham have resumed, now organised with thanks to Mark Hall and supported by volunteer Trustees and Group Leaders. These are a popular feature on our calendar and we hope to extend this facility to other outlying areas of the district in the not too distant future.

In addition, we have continued to hold regular New Members' meetings and enjoy the friendship of our superb 'Welcoming and Engaging' team at Saturday talks. We hope to be able to support our new members throughout their first year, when membership of such a large organisation can initially be a little daunting.

Thanks to John Hancock and Pam Harris, we now have a team of volunteers who kindly print off and hand deliver Newsflash to a member who does not use email. This is a fantastic way to keep all our members informed and we do have vacancies for a few more volunteers.

We are always mindful to include all our members, and to this end would like support for the Accessibility for members who may have particular needs resulting from hearing, mobility, sight, social isolation, health etc. If you have expertise or an interest in supporting others in this area, please make yourself known.

Finally, I would like to express sincere thanks to the 1077 members who have agreed to support our u3a by the completion of a Gift Aid form. If your circumstances have changed and you now find that through paying tax you are in a position to offer to Gift Aid your annual subscription, please contact the Membership Secretary. At no cost to yourself, we can claim 25% of your subscription from HMRC. This obviously helps to keep the running cost of our u3a as low as possible for all of us.

Conclusion:

Overall, I hope that members will agree that we have a u3a to be proud of, which has been flexible, positive and supportive through a very difficult period. As we move forward from the lockdown period, we will continue to adapt, learn and endeavour to provide the very best possible experience for our members. We will be making plans, but ready to be adaptable as situations and society change.

Thank you again to everyone who has contributed to the success of our u3a.

Angie Grain

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Treasurer's Report on the Financial Statement for the Year Ending 31st July 2021

I am pleased to present the financial statement for Ilkley & District u3a for the year to 31 July 2021.

For the majority of the year, we have been operating within the Government's Covid 19 rules, which means that interest groups were unable to operate as they normally would. For many months most groups were unable to operate at all. However, during this time we still incurred a significant amount of fixed and unavoidable costs and so it was fantastic to see that our members continued to support us by renewing their membership subscription at the appropriate time.

While the financial statement shows a surplus of £6,495, we actually only just broke even (a surplus of £271) on what we actually receive and pay out as can be seen on the chart at the end of this report. However, this does mean that the money we have in the bank has remained stable.

Last year, we embarked on a campaign looking for ideas on what we might spend our surplus funds for the benefit of the charity as a whole and/or individual groups. I am pleased to tell you that we spent over £5,300 on such ideas which included

- a new digital tour guide system and supporting microphones
- new croquet equipment for the beginners' croquet group
- a new booklet for the Ilkley Tree Trail

We continue to look for ideas to spend money for the benefit of our charity and our members. Interest groups can make applications for funding by following the guidance on our website which can be accessed this web page

[Ilkley & District u3a - Application Form for Funding for Groups \(ilkleyu3a.org\)](http://ilkleyu3a.org)

One idea we are currently investigating is the purchase of contactless bank card readers to support members who wish to pay for their membership or other activities by card. These would be used at our monthly Drop-ins and other events that we hold at the Clarke Foley Centre.

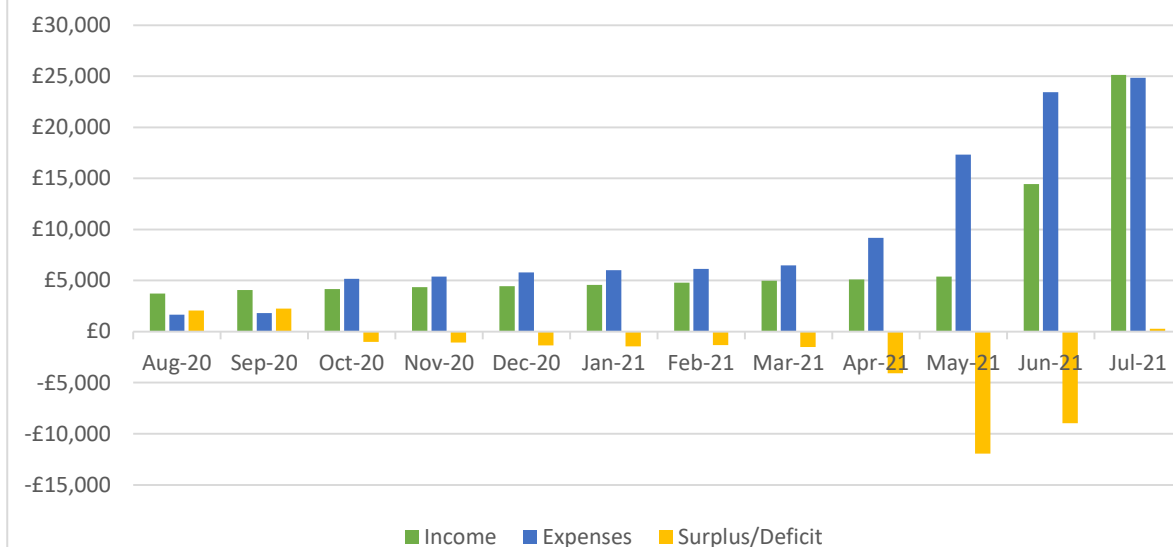
I remind appropriate Group Leaders and Group Treasurers that the guidance for paying in cash and cheques into the u3a bank account has been updated following the closure of the Ilkley Branch of the TSB earlier this year. Cash and cheques can be paid into a Post Office and the guidance on how to do this can be accessed on our website via the leaders' web pages.

While compiling this report it has been really good to see that many interest groups are returning to their usual programme of activities. We all hope for a more normal year this year.

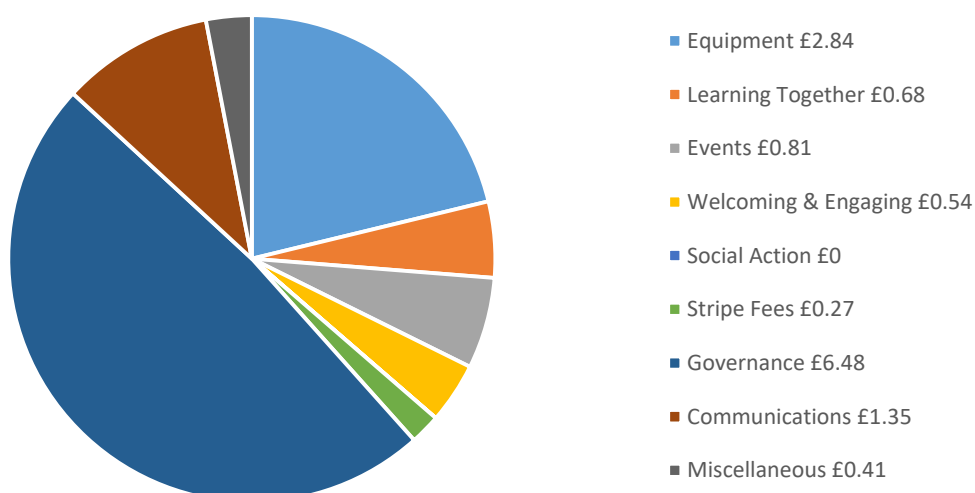
On the following page I have included a second chart that shows what the membership fee is spent on.

Steve Moorcraft
Treasurer: Ilkley and District u3a

Total Income and Outgoings (excluding Interest Groups)



What the membership fee of £13.50 is spent on



NB: 31% equivalent to £4.18 of the membership subscription, is for contributions to our parent charity the Third Age Trust. This includes a contribution for each member and the Third Age magazine.

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Date: 20th September 2021

Ilkley & District U3A: Accounts for the year ended 31 July 2021
Income & Expenditure Account: Year to 31 July 2021

Income	Year to 31/7/21	Year to 31/7/20	Notes
	£	£	
Membership Fees Receivable	21,167	23,118	1
Interest Groups	5,264	50,686	2
Study Days	0	672	
Saturday Talks	0	493	
Gift Aid	3,544	7,500	
Bank Interest Received	214	420	
Compensation from Bank	0	52	
Summer Programme	565	0	
Total	30,754	82,940	
Expenditure			
Interest Groups	3,548	52,265	2
Finance Charges	445	317	
Subscriptions and Licenses	1,497	1,566	
Saturday Talks	0	1,385	
Communications	2,607	6,135	3
Governance	205	1,274	
Administration	0	166	
Talks and Summer Programme	1,179	1,026	
Other Events	1,584	0	4
Third Age Trust	7,692	8,530	5
Membership recruitment	653	0	
Study Days	0	654	
Thank You Supper	0	31	
Leaders and new group meetings	0	129	
Drop-in Meetings	233	1,289	
Miscellaneous	693	674	
AGM	2,394	666	6
Depreciation	1,529	290	7
	24,259	76,396	

Surplus to the Balance Sheet	6,495	6,544
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Balance Sheet as at 31 July 2021

	31 July 2021	31 July 2020
Current Assets		
Current Account	12,782	11,728
Deposit Account	20,416	20,332
Membership Account	29,878	29,029
Total Current Assets	63,076	61,089
 Equipment & Other Assets	 6,407	 1,162
 Total Assets	 69,483	 62,251
 Current Liabilities		
Membership Fees for 2021/22 received in 2020/21	15,757	16,550
Depreciation Reserve	1,819	290
Unpresented cheques	0	55
Total Current Liabilities	17,576	16,895
 Total Net Assets	 51,907	 43,356
 Accumulated funds brought forward	 45,356	 38,812
Surplus from Income & Expenditure Account	6,496	6,544
Unpresented cheques written off to surplus	55	0
Accumulated funds carried forward	51,907	45,356

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounts have been prepared on an annual basis following the Charity Commission's Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of recommended practice (SORP), 2005. The financial statements are prepared on a receipts and payments basis with the exception of membership fees which reflect the fees receivable for the 2021/20 accounting year on an accrual's basis and in accounting for depreciation on Fixed Assets.

THE NORTHERN TOWNS, PLAYS AND THEATRES, RAILWAY, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY, TRAVEL AND VOYAGERS GROUPS

For most of the year none of the above groups operated normally due to the Covid 19 pandemic. Appropriate accounts and Financial statements showing their current financial position have been prepared and are consolidated in the main Ilkley & District u3a accounts.

Gift Aid

Gift Aid has been claimed and received for 2020/21.

Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Fixed assets are capitalised and depreciated where appropriate. Depreciation is calculated at 25% of the net book value of the assets brought forward plus any expenditure on fixed assets incurred during the year.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1. Membership Fees

	£
Membership Fees received in 2020/21	20,496
Plus fees relating to 2020/21 received in 2019/20	<u>16,550</u>
	37,046
Less fees relating to 2021/22 received in 2020/21	<u>15,757</u>
	21,289
Less membership fees refunds	<u>122</u>
Net fees receivable for 2020/21	21,167

2. Interest Groups

Group income (deposits and transfers)	5,264
Group expenditure (room hire, travel and other costs)	<u>3,548</u>
Group surplus in 2020/21	1,716
Surplus Group balances as at 31 July 2021	13,230

3. Communications

Postage	937
Printing & Copying	1371
Other	<u>299</u>
	2,607

4. Other Events

2020 Christmas Concert	165
June 2021 u3a Day	1,123
Other	<u>296</u>
	1,584

5. Third Age Trust

Membership subscriptions	5,464
Contribution to Third Age magazine	<u>2,229</u>
	7,692

6. AGM

Distribution and postage	1,623
Printing	757
Other	<u>15</u>
	2,394

7. Depreciation

Net Book value of assets brought forward	871
Expenditure on fixed assets during the year	5,245
Depreciation @ 25%	<u>1,529</u>
Net book value of assets	4,587

8. Surplus Income Over Expenditure

Operating surplus	4,845
Group surplus	<u>1,651</u>
Overall surplus	6,496