



April 2025

Dear Hinckley U3a member,

2025 AGM

This has been another busy year for Hinckley U3a. We have had a new Chairman and Treasurer and enrolled our 600th member.

Our current Secretary took over the role in November 2024. Also, wearing a Publicity Adviser hat, meetings with aligned organisations and advertising have hopefully brought our organisation to the attention of more people who can benefit from what Hinckley U3a has to offer. Many thanks to Freddie Dawe.

I am pleased to report that over the past year we have consistently gained new members, and the current total is **607** – that's 136 new members over the last year. The number of members who have currently not renewed is **323**, but the final number will not definitely be known until the end of May.

Our Facebook page continues to gain popularity, and our current total of Facebook members is **181** – around 30% of our total membership. We now also have a Facebook page which has 120 followers. Many thanks to Sue Kyte and Richard Chamberlain.

Our Finances remain healthy, with the Receipts and Payments report showing how we have done. Many thanks to Bethan Moore.

Subs have regrettably been increased to £20 to cover rising costs.

Our members continue to benefit from our trips which continue to be planned to varied places of interest. These are published in the newsletter and are also available on our website. Recently, we have opened these trips to non-members to increase take up of places. Many thanks to Viv Hennessy.

There is a host of volunteers working hard in the background to make everything happen from group meetings through to the general meetings. Not all members wish to be on the committee or be group leaders but those who sell books and jigsaw puzzles to name but two are just as important to our U3a. Many thanks to all of you unsung heroes.

Our Asset Register was compiled during October 2024. PAT testing was conducted during the Register compilation in October. Many thanks to Paul Cooney.

Our web pages and IT infrastructure were kept in peak performance throughout the year. We have also been able to purchase two new laptops to replace our existing ageing machines. Many thanks to John Langham.

Yours sincerely,

Gary Spence

Acting Hinckley U3a Chair

Hinckley U3A**Registered Charity No. 1148297****Receipts and Payments Account****For the period from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025**

	2025 £	2024 £
Receipts		
Membership 2024/25	4,095.00	3,570.00
Membership Prepayments 2025/26	5,345.00	4,560.00
General Meetings	4,506.91	3,941.80
Group Meetings	14,206.99	11,823.39
Trips	8,550.00	13,021.00
Miscellaneous	794.32	534.12
Total receipts	<u>37,498.22</u>	<u>37,450.31</u>
Payments		
Room Hire (Gen. Mtg & Cttee)	3,177.11	(16,033.17
Group Meeting expenses (incl. Room Hire)	15,191.06	(
Monthly Meeting Speakers	999.50	790.00
Trips	8,644.00	11,881.04
Third Age Trust	2,240.00	2,492.18
Printing and Stationery	980.83	1,045.92
Postage	42.50	320.85
Travel	30.00	-
Refreshments	710.27	413.25
Equipment	878.00	1,628.89
Computer and Website	364.81	200.00
Miscellaneous	356.15	204.75
Total payments	<u>33,614.23</u>	<u>35,010.05</u>
Net Receipts/(payments)	3,883.99	2,440.26
Bank and Cash Opening Balance	16,848.33	14,408.07
Bank and Cash Closing Balance	<u>20,732.32</u>	<u>16,848.33</u>



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

**Independent examiner's
report on the accounts**

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Hinckley U3A

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 March 2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

1148297

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2025.

**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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date: 14 May 2025

Name:

NICHOLAS MARK ROBINSON

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

N/A.

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