



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Retford u3a

1171852

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
01.04.2023

To


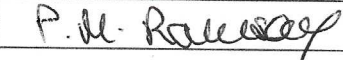
Period end date
31.03.2024

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Membership Subscriptions	9,140	-	-	9,140	9,510
Merchandise Sales	-	-	-	-	-
Refreshments @ The Well	320	-	-	320	489
Interest Groups - receipts from group members	-	21,563	-	21,563	13,245
Miscellaneous Income & Refunds	50	7,830	-	7,880	3,908
Grant Income	150	-	-	150	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	9,660	29,393	-	39,053	27,152
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	9,660	29,393	-	39,053	27,152
A3 Payments					
Repairs	13	-	-	13	-
Room Rentals	1,350	-	-	-	-
Refreshments @ The Well	470	-	-	-	-
Stationery	65	-	-	-	-
Printer Ink	161	-	-	-	-
Postage	10	-	-	-	-
Cards - Sympathy/Birthday Expenses	109	-	-	-	-
Capitation/Affiliation Fees	1,986	-	-	-	-
Direct Mail	843	-	-	-	-
Merchandise Purchases	86	-	-	-	-
Speakers	340	-	-	-	-
Website	42	-	-	-	-
Beacon	522	-	-	522	-
Petty Cash	-	-	-	-	-
Sundries	170	-	-	170	-
Interest Groups - Payments	-	27,184	-	27,184	18,311
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	6,167	27,184	-	33,351	18,311
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
Laptops	727	-	-	727	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	727	-	-	727	-
Total payments	6,894	27,184	-	34,078	18,311
Net of receipts/(payments)	2,766	2,209	-	4,975	8,841
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	14,724	12,685	-	27,409	18,568
Cash funds this year end	17,490	14,894	-	32,384	27,409

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Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash at bank	17,401	14,894	-
		89	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	17,490	14,894	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	Deposit account	1,205	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Computers & Printers	Unrestricted	-	-
	Projectors & Pointers	Unrestricted	-	-
	Screens	Unrestricted	-	-
	Audio Equipment	Unrestricted	-	-
	Craft equipment	Unrestricted	-	-
	Display Boards & Banners	Unrestricted	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
			Patricia Everitt	23.01.25
			Pippa Ramsay	23.01.25



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

RETFORD U3A

On accounts for the year
ended

31st MARCH 2024

Charity no
(if any)

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31st March 2024.

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:

11/01/2025

Name:

Adrian Sumner

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

Address:

8 Babworth Crescent

Retford Notts

DN22 7NL



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 01	Month 04	Year 2023		Day 31	Month 03	Year 2024

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name	Retford u3a
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number (if any)	1171852
Charity's principal address	19 Oakdale Road
	Retford
	Notts
Postcode	DN22 7GX

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Pippa Ramsay	Chair		
2	Bryan Gladstone	Vice Chair		
3	Pamela Mann	Secretary		
4	Patricia Everitt	Treasurer		
5	Pat Lockett	Membership Secretary		
6	Caroline Marsh	Group Co-ordinator		
7	Carol Knowles	Group Co-ordinator		
8	Lorraine Sulman	Speaker Finder		
9	Sue Paul	Social Secretary		
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution, adopted 25 th April 2024
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	An unincorporated members association and a member of the Third Age Trust
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Trustees are appointed or re-appointed annually at the Annual General Meeting held in April

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Membership of Retford u3a is open to people no longer in full time employment in Retford and the surrounding area.

The Third Age Trust, of which Retford u3a is a member, provides advice, guidance, policies and procedures for the conduct of Retford u3a.

Membership of Retford u3a is by annual subscription and a proportion of that is paid to The Third Age Trust for that guidance and also insurance etc.

All trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration of other benefits.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The purpose of Retford u3a is the advancement of education, and in particular, the education of older people and those who are retired from full time work, including associated activities conducive to learning and personal development

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

During the course of the year monthly 'speaker' meetings are held and attended by perhaps 85 to 90 members each time. At the end of this accounting period there were 555 members, which we are pleased to report is very close to our pre-pandemic numbers

The talks cover a wide range of topics, and there is also time for the members to socialise and meet a number of our Interest group leaders too.

By the end of the period our Interest Groups had risen in number from 36 to 44. Membership of the groups is open to all members of Retford u3a and subjects range from book groups to language, arts and crafts, physical activities, hobbies and social activities. New groups this year have included a making music group, a new history group, a 'brush up your French' group, how to use an air fryer and beginners Bridge.

Groups are run by members and raise their own funds from their membership for hall hire or materials or group trips and these funds are held in accounts separate from those of Retford u3a and kept as restricted funds for use of the individual groups only.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

During u3a week, in September, we held an open afternoon at Retford Library to showcase to the public what the u3a has to offer. We advertised the event on market day, and it was well attended, with new members joining as a result. We are always keen to widen awareness of the u3a and encourage participation in our many activities.

In addition, 44 interest groups, following the ethos of shared, participative and self-help learning were active during the course of the year, resulting not only in an increase in knowledge, but also a supportive, inclusive and friendly atmosphere which enables everyone to participate.

A members newsletter, The Not so Idle Times, is created each month and distributed to members by email, with hard copy available at the monthly meetings. This provides the members with information about what is happening in Retford u3a, in the wider Third Age Trust and also highlights activities of the interest groups.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

During the course of this financial year, by keeping close check on expenditure and because of healthy membership renewals and recruitment we were able to maintain the level of reserve we have built up to protect us from the impact of external forces like the pandemic

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F

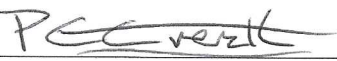

Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Patricia Everitt	Pippa Ramsay
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer	Chair
Date	23.01.25.	