



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1/4/2023 Period start date To 31/3/2024 Period end date

Charity name: St Austell U3A

Charity registration number: 1174637

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	St Austell U3A continues to promote the values of the UK National U3A organisation. These values are captured in "Learn, Laugh, Live" where activities targeting education for the retired community are actively encouraged.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>St Austell carries this out by operating 41 Interest Groups. They are accessed by the local community primarily at our rented suite of meeting rooms in St Austell.</p> <p>A smaller number of groups meet at other commercial premises more suited to the needs of the group such as dancing.</p> <p>There is a good mix of both physically active interest groups such as Tai Chi and Line Dancing; and groups which are easily accessible to those with mobility issues. Book Clubs are particularly popular, and the high numbers expressing interest means that four groups are now running.</p> <p>More intellectually demanding groups such as Bridge, Mah Jong and languages are successful; and for the able bodied there are both short walk and long walking groups.</p> <p>Walks throughout Cornwall have included.</p> <p>Crantock Minions on Bodmin Moor Mylor Bridge Lostwithiel Lerryn Padstow Fowey Portscatho Polly Joke Par Gover Valley Trelissick</p>

		<p>Painting, singing, pottery, drama, and ukulele groups address the needs of artistically inclined members.</p> <p>Currently, the sciences are not addressed, but three new groups have been created this year, a fourth is being incubated, and it is anticipated that further groups will be created as potential group leaders step forward.</p> <p>St Austell U3A recognises the issues faced by older people who live on their own and a new Interest Group has been set up specifically to address this.</p> <p>New groups often get created through the members' coffee morning networking activities that take place twice a month, and through presentations by specialists in their field which have included:</p> <p>History of Charlestown The Wonderful World of Herbs and Spices The Work of Barnados The History of China Clay in Cornwall The Cornwall Wildlife Trust The Work of the Friends of the Royal Cornwall Hospital The Treasures of Lanhydrock Shelter Box</p> <p>Wine Group events included: Spanish wine with food pairing Wine Quiz night Visit to local vineyard Visits to local wine merchants Summer Garden Party</p> <p>The Theatre Group have enjoyed a variety of outings including: The Devil Wears Prada 'Murder Mystery' evening at Bodmin & Wenford Railway 'The Tempest' 'Twelfth Night'. 'Captain Corelli's Mandolin' at the Minnack 'The Mousetrap' at Hall For Cornwall 'Buddy Holly Story', Theatre Royal Plymouth</p> <p>Social Events included: A walking tour of the Tamar Bridge River cruise on the River Exe Quiz evening Colwith Farm Distillery Dickensian Evening in Tavistock Healeys Cyder Farm Christmas Extravaganza</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance	Para 1.18	The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>St Austell U3A attracts older members of our community who are no longer in full-time employment or raising a family. We are an inclusive organisation that welcomes people from all ethnic groups and walks of life, our groups include social activities to bring people together to help alleviate the effects of loneliness thus promoting mental health and physical wellbeing.</p> <p>One member celebrated her 100th birthday!</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
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Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Refer to summary annual accounts and audit statement.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	No policy on holding reserves.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	None
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	None

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Annual subscriptions and fees for usage of premises.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		St Austell U3A is a subsidiary of the national U3A.
Type of governing document (trust deed , royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association , CIO)	Para 1.25	Unincorporated
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Election at the Annual General Meeting or co-opted during the year as vacancies arise.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	St Austell U3A
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1174637
Charity's principal address	11 Hollow Burrow View St Austell PL25 3GH

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	Maryanne Thomas	Chair	March '23 – Feb '24	AGM
2	Chris Scott	Treasurer		AGM
3	Carol Folley	Minutes Secretary		AGM
4	Joan Hooper	Asst Mem'ship Sec		AGM
5	Jenny Skipp	Membership Sec		AGM
6	Lucinda Davison	Chair	Feb '24 – March '24	AGM
7	Chris Crane	Web site and media		AGM
8	Sandra Matta		March '23 – May '23	AGM
9	Chris Timmins	Groups Co-ordinator		AGM
10	Richard Ash	Secretary	Oct '23 – March '24	AGM
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

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Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

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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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Heather Evelyn Lovegrove	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer (since August 2024)	
Date	1/11/2024	

St Austell U3A - Summary Annual Accounts 2023-2024

Main Account Opening Balance	£20,027.67
Income	
Memberships	£7,861.00
Donation (Barclays mandate issue)	£50.00
Donation	£20.00
PPCs	£4,643.00
Gift Aid	£184.13
Refunds from Minnack	£73.00
Refund from speaker	£60.00
Net Inter account transfers	£297.00
Total Income	£13,188.13
Expenditure	
Arts Centre Rent	£6,150.00
Zoom	£187.08
Web site	£169.20
Speakers	£325.00
Web calendar plug in	£41.72
U3A membership fee	£1,256.00
U3A Licence	£335.00
TAM magazine	£744.90
Stationery	£142.10
Postage	£23.44
Lanyards	£115.98
Printing paper	£21.95
3rd Sum Up machine	£94.80
New office equipment	£770.70
T shirts & keys	£150.98
Tabards & cycle lock	£50.47
Sundries	£93.25
Coffee expenses	£12.65
New group set up costs	£151.42
Refunds (duplicate subs)	£60.00
	£10,896.64
Closing Balance	£22,319.16

Social Group Account	
Opening Balance	£2,663.34
Income	£8,274.57
Expenditure	£7,226.52
Closing Balance	£3,711.39

Theatre Group Account	
Opening Balance	£663.63
Income	£5,857.72
Expenditure	£6,113.82
Closing Balance	£407.53

Wine Group Account	
Opening Balance	£966.05
Income	£5,722.55
Expenditure	£4,950.81
Closing Balance	£1,737.79

Totals	
Opening Balance	£24,320.69
Income	£33,042.97
Expenditure	£29,187.79
Closing Balance	£28,175.87

St Austell U3A
Independent Verification of Annual Accounts

Name: Eileen Dunwell

Address: 42 North Rd, Pentewan, St Austell, PL26 6DG

I have examined the financial records for St Austell U3A and confirm and verify that the following is a correct and true record for the finances at 31st March 2024.

All transactions have been subject to double authorisation, except for debit card payments which have been evidenced by receipts.

Main Account 20-30-47 Acc No 33697363

Balance at 31st March 2024 **£22,319.16**

Theatre Group Account 20-30-47 Acc No 63651363

Balance at 31st March 2024 **£407.53**

Social Group Account 20-30-47 Acc No 03844102

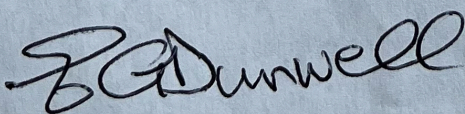
Balance at 31st March 2024 **£3,711.39**

Wine Group Account 20-30-47 Acc No 23132587

Balance at 31st March 2024 **£1,737.79**

ME Account 20-30-47 Acc No 33164489

Balance at 31st March 2024 **£100.41**

Signed: 

Position: Pentewan Village Hall Trust Treasurer

Date: 23/09/2024