

ASHBOURNE AND DISTRICT U3A

England & Wales · Charity number 1190748

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2020-08-06

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

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Activities

Objects: THE CHARITY'S OBJECT ('THE OBJECT') IS THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION AND IN PARTICULAR THE EDUCATION OF OLDER PEOPLE AND THOSE RETIRED FROM FULL TIME WORK BY ALL MEANS INCLUDING ASSOCIATED ACTIVITIES CONDUCIVE TO LEARNING AND PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT IN ASHBOURNE AND ITS SURROUNDING LOCALITY.

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Classification

- **How:** Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport, Recreation
- **Who:** Elderly/old People

Geography

- Derbyshire
- Staffordshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£55,745	£51,229	-	-
2024-12-31	£43,261	£39,551	-	-
2023-12-31	£39,272	£37,194	-	-
2022-12-31	£30,430	£31,420	-	-
2021-12-31	£20,719	£18,885	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Susan Elizabeth Hall	Chair	2022-05-06
Andrew Peter Cree		2024-04-05
Graham Geoffrey Dean		2026-04-10
Janet Dodd		2023-03-31
Mary Elizabeth Redmond Hoof		2024-04-05
Mary Hall		2023-09-05
Pamela Boura		2022-05-06
Sheila Margaret Crawley		2019-03-01
Sheldon William Davies		2025-04-04
Susan Edmonds		2020-11-03

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TRUSTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2025

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A&Du3a is one such local u3a. It is affiliated to the Third Age Trust but is a separate, independent charity. As an affiliate, it makes annual payments to the Third Age Trust for services such as information technology provision and insurance cover.

Constitution, trustees and correspondence address

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The trustees of the A&Du3a are appointed by election of the members at its annual general meeting or (for interim vacancies) co-opted in accordance with the terms of its constitution.

During the year ended 31st December 2025 the following persons acted as the trustees of A&Du3a:

Susan E Hall (Chair)	Andrew P Cree
Sheila M Crawley (Vice Chair)	Sheldon W Davies
Susan Edmonds (Treasurer)	Janet Dodd
Alan Keizer (Secretary)	Mary Hall
Pamela Boura	M Elizabeth R Hoof

With effect from 10th April 2026 the following changes have taken place in the trustee body: Mr A Keizer ceased to be a trustee and secretary; Mrs J Dodd became secretary; and Mr G Dean was elected a trustee. The trustees who hold officer positions pursuant to A&Du3a's constitution as at the date of this report are therefore: S E Hall (Chair), S M Crawley (Vice Chair), S Edmonds (Treasurer) and J Dodd (Secretary).

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A&Du3a currently has over 700 members and over 50 groups covering a wide range of interests and activities including: Art, Art Appreciation, Badminton, Board Games, Book Group, Bridge (at various levels), Canasta, Chatter, Chess, Choir, Cinema, Craft, Creative Writing, Current Affairs, Cycling, Disco & Social, Family History, French, Gardens, German, German Conversation, Golf, Guitar, Hiking, Jigsaw Exchange, Kurling, Landscape & Heritage, Line Dancing, Mindfulness, Natural History, Padel, Pétanque, Photography, Pickleball, Qigong, Quiz, Recreational Painting, Science & Engineering, Spanish, Strollers, Supper Club, Table Tennis, Tabletop Games, Theatre, Travel, Ukulele, Walking, Weekend Lunch Group, Wine Appreciation, Woodcraft & Yoga.

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Having regard to the activities undertaken through A&Du3a, its area of activity and the size and make-up of its membership (and the unrestricted access thereto), the trustees of A&Du3a consider that A&Du3a fulfils the requirement of public benefit to maintain its charitable status.

Chair's Report: achievements and performance

Set out below is the report made by A&Du3a's Chair (S E Hall) to its recent AGM (10th April 2026):

"I am delighted to present my first Chair's Report after such a fantastic year for Ashbourne & District u3a in 2025/ 26. During the year we have had an unprecedented number of new members join us, more than one hundred and fifty. This is an amazing growth record coming from the work of the Committee, ensuring we run efficiently and effectively, but most significantly from the leaders of the fifty-five or more groups that we now have. There is a great mix of established and new activities and a real strength of our organisation.

During the year we have been delighted to welcome new groups including Travel, Quiz, Spanish, Woodcraft, Bridge, Pétanque (Friday), Bridge for Improvers, Kurling (Monday), Padel and Kurling (Wednesday).

This growth in membership and activities has not been as a result of a big publicity drive but through members' enjoyment of what they are doing and informing friends and others about the great range of activities available, backed up with a very successful social media presence, particularly on Facebook. The number of 'likes' for our Facebook reports and the images of happy, smiling people is amazing and our best form of publicity. It is seen by countless numbers of people in the local community. The 'New Members Drop In' each month has also been a great success enabling anyone who is interested to find out more about what we do. With record turnouts at these drop-ins so far this year, this bodes well for the future.

Because it has been a year of considerable growth, we are in a secure financial position. Our reserves are at a higher level than is required to run our u3a and as a result the Committee has decided to reduce membership subscriptions for the next year as reported on by our Treasurer. This position will be reviewed for future years.

I have much enjoyed being part of Ashbourne u3a for the last eight years and particularly this last twelve months. My personal highlights include the first venture by the Travel Group. I also really enjoy being the publicity lead and going round the various groups, seeing their activities and enthusiasm and taking lots of pictures of people laughing.

At this point I would like recognise the unstinting support we have had from Alan Keizer, who is stepping down after four years as Secretary to the Committee, and Mavis Lund, who has driven our IT so effectively over many years. We express our thanks and gratitude to both of these stalwart supporters of our u3a.

I also wish to thank our Committee members. They have very disparate skills and experiences but work very well together."

Accounting, income & expenditure and reserves

The accounts of A&Du3a in each financial year ending on 31st December are prepared on a receipts & payments basis (i.e. non-accrual basis) and receipts and payments pass through bank accounts in

A&Du3a's name. These accounts have been subject to independent examination by professional accountants and no matters of concern have been reported thereon.

In the year ended 31st December 2025, the total income of A&Du3a was £55,745 (2024: £43,261) and its expenditure was £51,229 (2024: £39,551). As at the year end, accumulated assets comprised £18,084 (2024: £13,359), of which £6,125 represented balances attributed to its various interest groups, leaving a balance of £11,959 by way of non-group or 'central' funds held as cash at bank and with no significant payments outstanding.

Members' annual subscriptions cover two main areas: (i) a capitation fee payable to the u3a movement's central body, The Third Age Trust, based on membership numbers in the previous year and payable in April and (ii) A&Du3a's general administration costs. In 2025, the capitation fee paid by A&Du3a was £2,920 and provides services such as insurance cover, IT and accounting provision and general oversight by The Third Age Trust.

The organisation is therefore in a strong financial position. Its non-group related income is largely derived from membership fees and its non-group outgoings (other than payments due to The Third Age Trust) are mainly administration costs and fees, and general or multi-group meeting costs. Each of its various interest groups is expected to match its expenditure with its income (i.e. each group is self-sufficient and not 'centrally' supported by the general funds of A&Du3a). The main financial risks which A&Du3a face are a significant and unexpected increase in the cost of its affiliation to The Third Age Trust and/or a rapid falling-off of A&Du3a membership, neither of which are anticipated to arise in the short to medium term.

In the light of this financial position and the reserves available to A&Du3a to cover its 'central' costs, the trustees have reviewed their approach to reserves. They have concluded that it should adopt a reserves policy which aims to maintain its reserves at approximately equivalent to one year's 'central' expenditure and capitation fee, plus a further nominal amount of £2,000 to meet any capital expenditure which might from time to time be required (e.g. for IT or presentation equipment/software).

As at the present date, A&Du3a's reserves exceed this target amount. The trustees have therefore decided that, for the time being, it will reduce membership fees so that such fees cover only the costs of its affiliation to The Third Age Trust (and any individual 'Third Age Matters' subscriptions). It seems to the trustees that this is a fair and reasonable way to apply the surplus reserves to the benefit of its members as a whole. The impact of this decision will be reviewed each year until the reserves come into better alignment with the policy.

A&Du3a does not hold any funds as a custodian trustee.

Report prepared by A P Cree, Trustee

SIGNED



S E HALL (CHAIR)

24th April 2026

Ashbourne & District u3a

Statement of Accounts: all accounts

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Receipts & Payments, 1st January - 31st December

Start year	2025		2024	
Category	In	Out	In	Out
Audit (accounts)		£552.00		£518.40
Balance adj	£1,798.91	£2,737.34		
Committee/Leaders Meeting		£630.50	£58.00	£443.20
Donations	£7.00		£12.90	
Expenses Membership				£10.39
Expenses Newsletter		£100.58		£122.06
Expenses Stamps		£27.20		£40.20
Expenses Stationery				£275.99
Group Art Appreciation	£223.00	£233.00	£200.00	£180.00
Group Art Learn to Paint	£96.37		£220.00	£224.80
Group Badminton	£2,576.01	£2,501.00	£2,495.00	£2,564.79
Group Board Games			£74.00	£56.80
Group Canasta	£987.26	£938.98	£928.00	£810.65
Group Choir	£942.52	£1,174.52	£640.00	£730.79
Group Craft	£270.50	£270.00	£291.00	£295.00
Group Creative Writing	£12.04	£12.04		
Group Current Affairs	£315.45	£286.00	£354.00	£346.49
Group Disco Dancing	£271.00	£220.80	£250.00	£210.00
Group Family History	£250.49	£248.28	£125.00	£133.50
Group French	£679.00	£573.00	£491.50	£517.50
Group Garden	£10,229.40	£8,109.61	£7,555.55	£7,895.65
Group German Intermediate	£489.00	£363.00	£364.00	£409.50
Group Guitar	£522.00	£510.00	£513.00	£491.00
Group Landscape & Herit.	£2,602.00	£2,940.25	£2,029.63	£1,604.00
Group Line Dancing	£724.99	£724.99	£532.00	£532.00
Group Mindfulness			£60.02	£52.50
Group Painting 4 Pleasure	£854.76	£860.54	£806.94	£813.70
Group Photography	£483.20	£445.00	£454.00	£474.39
Group Pickleball	£5,590.00	£5,700.93	£3,612.50	£3,520.29
Group Qigong	£1,052.00	£1,050.00	£696.00	£696.00
Group Rec Painting	£924.00	£924.00		
Group Science & Eng	£1,985.80	£1,559.35	£633.75	£892.90
Group Spanish	£515.00	£325.00		
Group Strollers	£296.60	£310.00	£132.50	£108.50
Group Table Tennis	£2,251.86	£2,166.70	£2,173.00	£2,451.26
Group Theatre	£4,536.00	£4,971.00	£3,525.50	£3,054.00
Group Ukulele	£12.00			
Group Wine Appreciation	£550.77	£627.30	£628.43	£480.50
Group Yoga	£799.90	£805.50	£868.70	£639.00
Groups Support		£20.00		
Membership	£9,251.00	£361.00	£8,276.10	£396.10
Monthly Meeting Cash	£1,841.00		£2,132.73	
Monthly Meeting Drinks		£583.06		£863.75
Monthly Meeting Hall Hire		£1,092.00		£1,386.00
Monthly Meeting Speakers		£653.75		£744.00
Monthly Meeting Xtras Dec		£111.10		£11.50
Promotions		£392.67		£195.86
Services/Gifts		£76.95		£57.98
Special Events	£1,440.00	£1,540.00	£1,290.00	£1,156.00
Sundries		£113.86		
TAM	£364.12	£352.00	£706.72	£372.40
TAT Beacon & website		£670.00		£555.00
TAT Capitation		£2,340.00		£2,108.00

u3a Derbyshire Net		£24.50		
Zoom Licence Fee			£130.50	£109.12
	Sub-totals	£55,744.95	£43,260.97	£39,551.46
	Brought forward	£13,568.63	£9,859.12	
	Total	£18,084.28		£13,568.63

Balance Sheet

Current	£11,959.13	£8,697.18
Group Current	£5,128.82	£3,542.19
Group Leaders EOY	£996.33	£1,329.26
Total	£18,084.28	£13,568.63

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Ashbourne & District University of the Third Age

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2025.

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I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 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

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Signed: *Phyllis A Cooper* Date: 10/3/2026

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Chair's Report: achievements and performance

Set out below is the report made by Au3a's Chair (S M Crawley) to its recent AGM (April 2025):

"OUR POSITIVE TRAJECTORY CONTINUES

Ashbourne & District u3a has continued on its now well-established positive trajectory. We're in good health, and continue to grow. Just before Christmas we signed up 600th member Jenny who joined our Walking group. With new members come new ideas and energy, which benefits us all.

Our New Members Coffee Morning is now well established and is a useful forum for new members to meet each other as well as to meet and ask questions of the committee.

MORE GROUPS

We're still expanding our range of groups. Spanish is our newest, and this year also saw the establishment of Recreational Painting. Other groups have expanded and have extra sessions to accommodate more members.

MONTHLY MEETINGS

Our Monthly Open Meetings continue to thrive, the most recent one attracted the highest attendance to date. These meetings are enjoyed by existing members and are particularly important for new and prospective members to come along to find out more about us. Pat Faulkner, who has been our Speaker Finder, is stepping down from the committee this year after three years' hard work. I'm sure all of our attendees at the Monthly Open Meetings will join with me in thanking her for the great job which she has done. Pat Hall has volunteered to take over this role and has already booked sessions for the remainder of 2025.

CHANGES TO THE COMMITTEE

The Committee will change a little this year. I must step down after my maximum three continuous years tenure as Chair, but will stand to remain on the committee in a different role. We have two other committee members standing down, Pat Faulkner and Joy Watson. I've mentioned Pat already, and Joy has done a sterling job behind the scenes making sure our meeting administration runs smoothly. Mavis Lund will continue her crucial IT role but cannot be a committee member as she completed the maximum permitted term of nine years in 2023/24.

ASHBOURNE MAYOR'S AWARDS 2025

We've just been notified that our committee's nominations for two of our members, myself and Patti Green, have been successful. Patti has recently stepped down from leading our very popular Garden Group for several years and also was a long serving committee member. As well as a 'thank you' to the individuals, these awards are also an opportunity to spread the word about u3a in Ashbourne.

SPREADING THE WORD

Rising membership is a result of our promotional strategy, the aim of which is to ensure that local people in or about to enter their 3rd age are aware that there is a u3a in Ashbourne, that

they know something about what we do, and how to get in touch. Not all of them will need u3a in their life right now, but if and when they do, they need to know that we're here and what we are.

And so do their families and friends – we have many new members who have been sent in our direction by their younger family, friends or neighbours.

It's easy to think that all u3as are like Ashbourne but they are not. Some have declining membership, and some are closing due to a lack of members and / or volunteers to be on the committee and run them. Increasing awareness of u3a is a crucial element to keep us thriving.

TRADITIONAL MEDIA CHANNELS

We continue to use the local paper, distribute leaflets in a variety of places around the town, and have an annual exhibition in the library each September, timed to coincide with the national 'u3a Day'. Our 2024 Library exhibition, masterminded yet again by John Rawson to whom we are indebted, was on display in the lobby and in the library itself, and featured all of our many groups.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Traditional media channels continue to be important, but it is social media which is now the main driver of awareness. Our social media posts aim to attract viewers who, as a result, learn a bit about u3a. We post our weekly 'What's On' calendar as well as publicising group activities and events. A good post can be seen by more than 5000 viewers within 24 hours. Sue Hall and myself lead the activity, thanks also goes to the group leaders who post.

THE IMPORTANCE OF PHOTOS

Lovely photos, especially of smiling, happy people having fun together are a big draw. They attract viewers who may then pay more attention to the post and so find out a bit more about u3a. Thanks goes to all members who take part in providing photos or being in them.

Ashbourne u3a increasingly is seen as a beacon of good practice in the use of social media by u3as across the UK. Ever more u3as are using social media like we do, and are seeing the resultant benefits to their membership.

WEBSITE AND NEWSLETTER

These have developed substantially in the past few years, and I'd like to pay tribute to Mavis and to Newsletter editor Pamela Boura for their roles in achieving this. In this digital age these are crucial ways for people to find out what's on, where and when. Helen Bluff ensures that our non-digital members can get a physical copy of their newsletter each month.

IN SUMMARY

I see no reason why u3a shouldn't continue on its current very positive trajectory. I hope our members continue to enjoy u3a and that our various meetings and groups continue to thrive.

I'd like to thank all of our volunteers at all levels who are crucial to keeping our groups and u3a functional and legal. You may be on the committee, lead a group, step in when a leader isn't there, make the tea, organise rooms, pick up members to attend a group, help with money, etc – the list is endless. u3a is a cooperative organisation, which can only exist if people volunteer to come forward to keep it working at all levels.

AND FINALLY ...

I'd like to personally thank all committee members, other volunteers and members who have made the past three years work for me as Chair. This includes committee members who perform roles which go largely unseen by most members, but without which we can't function. I've loved (99.9% of!) my time as Chair. Every role brings its challenges, but it also brings great reward. Being Chair of Ashbourne has been a privilege and a delight. I wish the next Chair well and will support them in every way possible.

During my seven years as a member of this great organisation I've come to realise that u3a isn't just a way to fill spare time. It's far more than that, it has a great social purpose. Once we're at a stage in life where work and/or family no longer occupy every waking moment, we all need something else to take its place that's positive and fulfilling. For some people this evolves naturally, but others (including me) need to work at it a bit more than that.

That's where u3a comes in. u3a offers a space where we can meet up and take part in activities in a social setting. We can do stuff, meet people and have fun – how great is that! 'Learn Laugh and Live' sums it up perfectly."

Accounting, income & expenditure and reserves

The accounts of Au3a in each financial year ending on 31st December are prepared on a receipts & payments basis (i.e. non-accrual basis) and receipts and payments pass through bank accounts in Au3a's name.

In the year ended 31st December 2024, the total income of Au3a was £43,261 (2023: £39,273) and its expenditure was £39,551 (2023: £37,194). The bulk of this income and expenditure related to membership fees and the activities of Au3a's interest groups.

As at 31st December 2024, the accumulated assets of Au3a comprised approximately £13,569 held as cash at bank (2023: £9,859). Out of this current balance, approximately £3,500 is due to be paid to Au3a's affiliated organisation, The Third Age Trust as referred to above, for services such as information technology provision and insurance cover. Au3a does not otherwise hold significant reserves of unspent income or have significant payments due to be made.

The accounts of Au3a for the year ended 31st December 2024 have been subject to independent examination by professional accountants and no matters of concern have been reported thereon.

Au3a does not hold any funds as a custodian trustee.

Report prepared by A P Cree, Trustee

14th April 2024

Ashbourne & District u3a

Statement of Accounts: all accounts

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Income & Expenditure, 1st January - 31st December

Start year	2024		2023	
Category	In	Out	In	Out
-Account Transfers			£21.01	£21.01
Audit (accounts)		£518.40		£480.00
Committee/Leaders Meeting	£58.00	£443.20		£405.00
Donations	£12.90		£21.80	£16.50
Expenses Membership		£10.39		£103.26
Expenses Newsletter		£122.06		£190.05
Expenses Stamps		£40.20		£213.07
Expenses Stationery		£275.99		£160.19
Group Art Appreciation	£200.00	£180.00	£182.00	£192.00
Group Art Learn to Paint	£220.00	£224.80	£1,543.17	£1,620.92
Group Badminton	£2,495.00	£2,564.79	£2,202.00	£2,138.53
Group Board Games	£74.00	£56.80		
Group Canasta	£928.00	£810.65	£949.00	£923.08
Group Choir	£640.00	£730.79	£1,087.50	£712.47
Group Craft	£291.00	£295.00	£284.00	£298.92
Group Current Affairs	£354.00	£346.49	£378.00	£354.96
Group Disco Dancing	£250.00	£210.00	£175.00	£195.00
Group Family History	£125.00	£133.50	£90.00	£74.00
Group French	£491.50	£517.50	£148.00	£100.00
Group Garden	£7,555.55	£7,895.65	£5,061.50	£4,964.25
Group German Intermediate	£364.00	£409.50	£524.00	£453.50
Group Guitar	£513.00	£491.00		
Group Landscape & Herit.	£2,029.63	£1,604.00	£1,515.85	£1,392.45
Group Line Dancing	£532.00	£532.00	£624.00	£624.00
Group Mindfulness	£60.02	£52.50		
Group Painting 4 Pleasure	£806.94	£813.70		
Group Photography	£454.00	£474.39	£393.00	£395.00
Group Pickleball	£3,612.50	£3,520.29	£1,285.00	£1,140.20
Group Qigong	£696.00	£696.00	£539.00	£451.00
Group Science & Eng	£633.75	£892.90	£2,637.15	£2,358.80
Group Strollers	£132.50	£108.50	£82.00	£80.00
Group Table Tennis	£2,173.00	£2,451.26	£2,532.00	£2,125.70
Group Theatre	£3,525.50	£3,054.00	£6,819.00	£6,898.00
Group Ukulele				£12.00
Group Wine Appreciation	£628.43	£480.50	£661.58	£525.35
Group Yoga	£868.70	£639.00	£442.00	£315.00
Groups Support			£14.50	£14.50
Membership	£8,276.10	£396.10	£6,268.70	£482.20
Monthly Meeting Cash	£2,132.73		£1,420.65	
Monthly Meeting Drinks		£863.75		£740.75
Monthly Meeting Hall Hire		£1,386.00		£1,176.00
Monthly Meeting Speakers		£744.00		£550.85
Monthly Meeting Xtras Dec		£11.50		£21.00
Promotions		£195.86		£140.40
Services/Gifts		£57.98		
Special Events	£1,290.00	£1,156.00	£990.00	£1,035.50
TAM	£706.72	£372.40	£356.40	£771.16
TAT Beacon		£555.00		£488.00
TAT Capitation		£2,108.00		£1,792.00
u3a Derbyshire Net				£5.00
Zoom Licence Fee	£130.50	£109.12	£25.00	£42.58
Sub-totals	£43,260.97	£39,551.46	£39,272.81	£37,194.15

Brought forward £9,859.12

£7,780.46

Total £13,568.63

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Balance Sheet

Current £8,697.18

£5,477.56

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Ashbourne & District University of the Third Age

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees 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 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:

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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.

Signed:



Date: 21/03/2025

PKF Smith Cooper Limited, 7 Compton Street, Ashbourne, Derbyshire, DE6 1BX

ASHBOURNE AND DISTRICT U3A

England & Wales - Charity number 1190748

Accounts

ASHBOURNE & DISTRICT U3A

Reg. Charity No 1190748

TRUSTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2023

Introduction

Ashbourne & District u3a (AU3A) was established in 2018 and is registered with the Charity Commission (Reg'd No 1190748). It is a 'local' charity operating in the Ashbourne & District area of Derbyshire & Staffordshire and a part of the u3a movement in the UK.

Founded in 1982, the u3a movement encourages people no longer in full-time work to come together and enjoy learning in subjects of interest to them or undertake personal development through such activities as arts & crafts and recreational sports, pastimes & other activities. Its guiding principles are to promote informal interest and recreational groups covering a wide range of topics and activities as chosen by their members. There is no minimum age but there is a focus on people who are no longer in full-time employment or raising a family. The u3a movement is self-funded and members do not work towards qualifications but learn or undertake activities purely for pleasure.

The Third Age Trust (which is itself a registered charity with Reg'd No 288007) is the body which leads the u3a movement in the UK. More information about the u3a movement and the Third Age Trust can be found at <https://www.u3a.org.uk>. As at the present date, there are over u3a 400,000 members across over 1000 local u3as.

AU3A is one such local u3a. It is affiliated to the Third Age Trust but is a separate, independent charity.

Constitution, trustees and correspondence address

AU3A's constitution follows the model form of constitution for local u3as agreed between the Third Age Trust and the Charity Commission. It sets out the purposes of AU3A and contains provisions for the appointment of AU3A's trustees and their term of office, annual general meetings and general management and administration.

The trustees of the AU3A are appointed by election of the members at its annual general meeting or (for interim vacancies) co-opted in accordance with the terms of its constitution.

During the year ended 31st December 2023 the following persons acted as the trustees of AU3A:

S M Crawley (Chair)	J Dodd (appointed 31/3/2023)
P A Faulkner (Vice Chair)	S E Hall
S Edmonds (Treasurer)	M Hall (appointed 5/9/2023)
A Keizer (Secretary)	M Lund
K Barclay	J C Watson
P Boura	A Walden

With the exception of K Barclay, M Lund and A Walden (who have retired as trustees), as at the date of this Report, the above-named persons have continued as the trustees of AU3A, together with A P Cree and M E Hoof (who were elected as trustees on 5/4/2024).

The correspondence address of AU3A is:

High Croft, Hall Lane
Middle Mayfield
ASHBOURNE
Derbyshire
DE6 2JU

AU3A has a website at <https://ashbourne.u3asite.uk> .

Objects of AU3A

The objects of AU3A are set out in its constitution as follows: the advancement of education and in particular the education of older people and those retired from full-time work by all means including associated activities conducive to learning and personal development in Ashbourne and its and the villages and settlements on the Derbyshire/Staffordshire border.

There are no qualifications required to become a member and there are no limitations on membership. The annual cost of membership is modest (currently £13 per annum). A portion of this membership fee is passed to the Third Age Trust for the provision of such matters as insurance cover, IT support and other 'central' services.

AU3A has over 550 members and more than 40 groups covering a wide range of interests and activities including: Art - Painting for Pleasure, Art Appreciation, Board Games, Book Group, Bridge, Canasta, Chatter, Chess, Choir, Cinebowl, Creative Writing, Current Affairs, Family History, French, German, German Conversation, Guitar, Jigsaw Exchange, Mindfulness, Quiz, Recreational Painting, Supper Club, Ukele, Weekend Lunch Group, Craft, Disco & Social, Gardens, Golf, Landscape & Heritage, Line Dancing, Natural History, Pentaque x 2, Photography, Qigong, Science & Engineering, Theatre Visits, Travel, Wine Appreciation, Yoga, Badminton, Cycling, Hiking, Pickleball, Strollers, Table Tennis, Walking.

As is evident from this list of interest groups, the activities organised under the auspices of AU3A relate to subject learning in the arts, languages, nature and science, to crafts & other skills, and to recreational sports and pastimes. There is a significant social element to the activities which, in the opinion of the Trustees, is an important aspect to membership of AU3A.

Apart from excursions associated with any particular interest groups, the majority of the activities organised by AU3A members take place in and around Ashbourne in the Derbyshire/Staffordshire border area, either at hired venues, public facilities or members' own homes. A monthly general meeting (i.e. not connected to any particular interest group) takes place which all members may attend.

Having regard to the activities undertaken through AU3A, its area of activity and the size and make-up of its membership (and the unrestricted access thereto), the trustees of AU3A consider that AU3A fulfils the requirement of public benefit to maintain its charitable status.

Chair's Report: achievements and performance

Set out below is the report made by AU3A's Chair to its recent AGM (April 2024):

"Ashbourne & District u3a continues to be good health and to grow strongly. On 2nd August 2023 Yvonne Peterson became our 500th member, and here's what she said about it:

'I only recently joined u3a and was informed today that I was the 500th member, I'm delighted! From the many activities on offer I chose Pickleball. Never played before, everyone has been friendly, helpful, and encouraging. This is just what I needed as I was so nervous. u3a makes a difference in people's lives, promoting health and wellbeing. I wish I'd joined years ago!'

Membership has continued to rise, and as of 22nd February totals more than 570. We've grown by almost 20% in each of the past 2 years. With new members come new ideas, and several new groups have resulted recently – Board Games, Yoga, Book group, Pickleball, Golf, Guitar, Wine Appreciation, Supper Club, Weekend Lunch, Mindfulness ... that may not be the full list, I apologise to any I've omitted. Our Monthly Open Meetings are also going well. The 2 most recent had attendances of well over 100, which is at or around an all-time high. These meetings are an important focus for existing members but also for new and prospective members to come along to find out more about us. But they come at a cost, this year's room and tech costs have risen more than 30%. Rising membership is a result of our promotional strategy, but it's awareness rather than recruitment that we target. Our aim is to ensure that local people in or about to enter their 3rd age are aware that there is a u3a in Ashbourne, that they know something about what we offer and how to get in touch. Not all of them will need u3a in their life, but if they do, they need to know that we're here and what we do. No

We continue to use the local paper, distribute leaflets in a variety of places around the town, and have an annual exhibition in the library each September. All are important, but it's social media that is the main driver of growth, primarily Facebook. People of our target age group comprise more than a fifth of Facebook users, so that's why Facebook is so crucial to our communication plan. It's also totally free, a huge plus. Our Facebook posts aim to attract viewers who, as a result, find out a bit more about u3a. We post our weekly 'What's On' calendar as well as publicising group activities and events. A good post, one that readers really engage with, can get up to 3 thousand views in a week. Lovely photos are a big draw, they attract viewers which means they may dip into the post and find out a bit more about u3a. We thank all members who take part in providing photos or being in them. Here are a few recent posts to give you a flavour of what we do: 500th member Yvonne and Sheila 2023 Library exhibition, masterminded by John Rawson.

We've just been notified that nominations for 2 of our committee for the Ashbourne Mayor's Award for 2024 have been successful. Mavis Lund and Tony Walden must retire this

year after a decade's service. Mavis has volunteered to carry on her IT work for us, but just won't be on the committee. And many of you will know Tony as the leader of our very successful Science and Engineering group, which he will continue with after the AGM. Congratulations to both of these modest, likeable and hard-working members. We thank you and hope you will continue enjoying u3a for many years to come.

So that's a brief summary of 2023/24. With luck 2024/25 should continue on the current trajectory. I hope you continue to enjoy u3a and that our various meetings and groups continue to thrive. Already we have ideas for new groups for 2024, all suggested by members. U3a is a co-operative organisation run by its members for its members. The committee and group leaders contribute their time and effort for free, and we thank them all for it."

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In the year ended 31st December 2023, the total income of AU3A was £39,273 (2022: £30,429) and its expenditure was £37,194 (2022: £31,420). The bulk of this income and expenditure related to membership fees and the activities of AU3A's interest groups.

As at 31st December 2023, the accumulated assets of AU3A comprised approximately £9,859 held as cash at bank (2022: £7,780). AU3A does not otherwise hold significant reserves of unspent income.

The accounts of AU3A for the year ended 31st December 2023 have been subject to independent examination by professional accountants and no matters of concern have been reported thereon.

AU3A does not hold any funds as a custodian trustee.

Report prepared by A P Cree, Trustee

10th July 2024

Ashbourne & District U3A

Statement of Accounts: all accounts

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Income & Expenditure, 1st January - 31st December

Start year	2023		2022	
Category	In	Out	In	Out
-Account Transfers	£21.01	£21.01	£1,096.70	£1,096.70
Audit (accounts)		£480.00		£456.00
Committee/Leaders Meeting		£405.00		£410.50
Donations	£21.80	£16.50	£140.00	£295.00
Expenses Membership		£103.26		£11.00
Expenses Newsletter		£190.05		£205.20
Expenses Stamps		£213.07		£198.00
Expenses Stationery		£160.19		£105.73
Grants Received			£175.00	£375.00
Group Art Appreciation	£182.00	£192.00	£116.50	£146.00
Group Art Learn to Paint	£1,543.17	£1,620.92	£930.00	£843.64
Group Badminton	£2,202.00	£2,138.53	£1,284.00	£1,257.99
Group Canasta	£949.00	£923.08	£728.00	£730.12
Group Choir	£1,087.50	£712.47	£1,543.71	£1,691.00
Group Craft	£284.00	£298.92	£187.60	£172.50
Group Creative Writing			£174.50	£217.90
Group Current Affairs	£378.00	£354.96	£223.00	£216.00
Group Disco Dancing	£175.00	£195.00	£395.00	£364.00
Group Family History	£90.00	£74.00	£42.50	£46.00
Group French	£148.00	£100.00		
Group Garden	£5,061.50	£4,964.25	£3,646.49	£3,518.49
Group German Beginners				£4.00
Group German Intermediate	£524.00	£453.50	£347.00	£419.00
Group Landscape & Herit.	£1,515.85	£1,392.45	£1,643.00	£1,712.00
Group Line Dancing	£624.00	£624.00	£599.00	£597.98
Group Music Appreciation			£50.61	£50.61
Group Photography	£393.00	£395.00	£394.00	£364.50
Group Pickleball	£1,285.00	£1,140.20		
Group Qigong	£539.00	£451.00	£864.00	£893.00
Group Science & Eng	£2,637.15	£2,358.80	£1,213.90	£1,324.50
Group Strollers	£82.00	£80.00	£76.50	£60.00
Group Table Tennis	£2,532.00	£2,125.70	£2,187.00	£2,173.69
Group Theatre	£6,819.00	£6,898.00	£4,191.00	£4,038.00
Group Ukulele		£12.00	£322.00	£320.00
Group Walking			£778.40	£778.40
Group Wine Appreciation	£661.58	£525.35		
Group Yoga	£442.00	£315.00		
Groups Support	£14.50	£14.50		
Membership	£6,268.70	£482.20	£6,367.50	£14.00
Monthly Meeting	£1,420.65		£713.00	
Monthly Meeting Drinks		£740.75		£344.00
Monthly Meeting Hall Hire		£1,176.00		£952.00
Monthly Meeting Speakers		£550.85		£633.00
Monthly Meeting Xtras Dec		£21.00		£48.00
Promotions		£140.40		£1,232.75
Services/Gifts				£123.93
Special Events	£990.00	£1,035.50		
Sundries				£285.40
TAM	£356.40	£771.16		£594.18
TAT Beacon		£488.00		£416.00
TAT Capitation		£1,792.00		£1,524.00
u3a Derbyshire Net		£5.00		£16.00
Zoom Licence Fee	£25.00	£42.58		£143.88

Sub-totals	£39,272.81	£37,194.15	£30,429.91	£31,419.59
Brought forward	£7,780.46		£8,770.14	

Total	£9,859.12		£7,780.46	
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Balance Sheet

Current	£5,477.56	£5,184.43
Float Newsletter Expenses		£21.01
Group Current	£2,714.92	£1,636.59
Groups year end Balance	£1,666.64	£938.43
Total	£9,859.12	£7,780.46

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Responsibilities and basis of report

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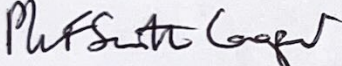
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Signed:  Date:

PKF Smith Cooper Limited, 7 Compton Street, Ashbourne, Derbyshire, DE6 1BX

ASHBOURNE AND DISTRICT U3A

England & Wales - Charity number 1190748

Accounts

Chair's Report 2022-2023



This past 12 months has been characterised by consolidation and growth for Ashbourne & District u3a. We're in good health and continue to grow strongly.

Our monthly open meetings are getting back to the numbers they used to attract pre-pandemic and continue to be an important focus for existing members as well as for new and prospective members to come along to find out more about us.

Our membership has increased from 415 last March to 489 as of 10th March 2023. That's quite some change and is likely to be a result of people beginning to be more confident to engage in social activities again as the pandemic continues to decline in its effect on everyday life, and the committee's continued focus on building awareness of u3a in and around Ashbourne.

Our aim is to ensure that local people in or about to enter their 3rd age are aware that there is a u3a in Ashbourne, that they know something about what we offer and how to get in touch. The 3rd age isn't defined by age so much as a stage of life: it's when family and / or work no longer occupy every waking hour of the day.

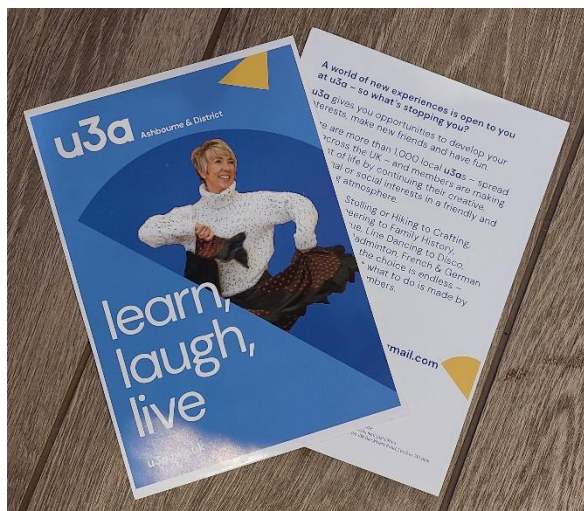
We continue to use the local paper to publicise what we do to a wider audience locally.

Our social media presence has continued to grow on Facebook where we feature our various groups and what's going on. The post on the right is typical of how we use it.

We also distribute leaflets in a variety of places around the town – in the leisure centre, estate agents, the library, supermarket notice boards, etc.

Ashbourne & District u3a is at Wyaston Village Hall.
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And another really enjoyable visit to the absolutely lovely Craft group. Today some of the members were making representations of the figures for a Chinese New Year hanging. This was started 6 years ago with members making two per year. Such a lovely idea. Some members also choose to 'do their own thing' with a lovely example of making a quilt and a beautiful cross stitch picture.
 As with all the other groups they are happy to see new members. Just drop Jill a line on the blue envelop on the website and come along and see if you'd like to join.
 Finally a sneak preview of something that is in the pipeline for the Coronation.



Notable events during the year included planting a tree in the park to celebrate the Queen's platinum jubilee, very poignant given Her Majesty's death just a few months later.

Garden Group continues to care for the tree and the flower bed in the park using a small budget for bulbs and plants to keep it looking good - thank you to them for doing this.



It was the 40th anniversary of u3a in the UK in September 2022.

Derbyshire u3as got together to undertake a programme of publicity and shared events throughout the year to mark it. There was an article in Derbyshire Life, and activities including a series of 'Walks and Talks', one of which was by our own Geoff Cole in Ashbourne.



The most significant county-wide activity was a 17-stage circular Baton Relay, taking in all of Derbyshire's u3as.

Ashbourne, represented by members of the Walking and Hiking groups, took over the baton from Belper and handed it on to Wirksworth the following day. Worth saying that our walkers had some of the worst weather of the entire relay, but they made it in style.



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Sheila Crawley, Chair

Ashbourne & District U3A

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Group Disco Dancing	£395.00	£364.00
Group Family History	£42.50	£46.00
Group Garden	£3,646.49	£3,518.49
Group German Beginners		£4.00
Group German Intermediate	£347.00	£419.00
Group Landscape & Herit.	£1,643.00	£1,712.00
Group Line Dancing	£599.00	£597.98
Group Music Appreciation	£50.61	£50.61
Group Photography	£394.00	£364.50
Group Qigong	£864.00	£893.00
Group Science & Eng	£1,213.90	£1,324.50
Group Strollers	£76.50	£60.00
Group Table Tennis	£2,187.00	£2,173.69
Group Theatre	£4,191.00	£4,038.00
Group Ukulele	£322.00	£320.00
Group Walking	£778.40	£778.40
Membership	£6,367.50	£14.00
Monthly Meeting	£713.00	
Monthly Meeting Drinks		£344.00
Monthly Meeting Hall Hire		£952.00
Monthly Meeting Speakers		£633.00
Monthly Meeting Xtras Dec		£48.00
Promotions		£1,232.75
Services/Gifts		£123.93
Sundries		£285.40
TAM		£594.18
TAT Beacon		£416.00
TAT Capitation		£1,524.00
u3a Derbyshire Net		£16.00
Zoom Licence Fee		£143.88
Sub-totals	£30,429.91	£31,419.59
Brought forward	£8,770.14	
Total		£7,780.46

Balance Sheet

Current	£5,184.43
Float Newsletter Expenses	£21.01
Group Current	£1,636.59
Groups year end Balance	£938.43
Total	£7,780.46

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Ashbourne & District University of the Third Age

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees 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 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 charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of 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.

Signed:

Date: 27 February 2023



B J Montgomery FCA

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