

**South East u3a Forum**

**Trustees Report and Accounts  
For The Year Ended 30th September 2025**

Registered Charity No. 1196999

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### **Trustees Report for the Year Ended 30th September 2025**

#### **Principal Office**

15 The Glebe,  
Trinity Road,  
Hurstpierpoint,  
West Sussex. BN6 9XG

#### **Trustees**

David Ashton	Chair
Richard Teare	Treasurer
Carole Dickenson	
Caroline Sawers	
Rob White	Resigned 23rd June 2025
Paddy Powell	
Sally Ingledew	resigned 24th March 2025
Kevin Stock	

#### **Constitution**

South East u3a Forum was formally established by a Constitution approved at a Special General Meeting on 21 April 2021, as amended on 25th January 2023 and on 6th August 2024, and registered at the Charity Commission.

#### **Governance**

Trustees are elected from registered member u3a Networks in the South East Region of England, and form the Executive Committee which manages the charity. Trustees are elected annually at the AGM from nominated representatives of the u3a Networks.

#### **Objectives and Activities**

The object of the Forum 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 the Forum Area.

#### **Achievements and Performance**

The Forum's main activity is the facilitation of a Summer School, currently at the University of Chichester. This year's Summer School (SS 2025), held between 1st and 4th September, attracted a record-breaking 159 u3a members from around the UK, who attended 12 courses varying from Psychology and A.I. to Patchwork and Walking.

From course planning and booking, close liaison with the voluntary tutors and the University Conference Team through to onsite delivery, with entertainment every evening, the SS Team ensured another successful event.

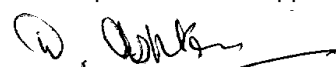
#### **Financial Review**

The Summer School Team was able to install Beacon, the u3a Data Management System, which greatly simplified the recording and management of data and the financial records, enabling up-to-date details to be provided as required by the various Team members.

The Forum made a surplus for the year of £911, which together with Interest Received of £335, totalling £1,246, has been added to the Reserves.

The Trustees are satisfied that the Reserves held are appropriate to the level of risk inherent in running a Summer School.

This Report has been approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



David Ashton, Chair

24th October 2025

## South East u3a Forum

### Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of South East u3a Forum

I report on the Financial Statements of the South East u3a Forum (the Charity) for the year ended 30 September 2025.

### Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and they consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (The Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the Financial Statements under section 145 of The Act
  - follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charities Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charities Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by The Charity and a comparison of the Financial Statements presented with those records.

### Independent Examiner's Report

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of The Act; and
- to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements to The Act have not been met or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the Financial Statements to be reached.

Signed:



Date

4 November 2025

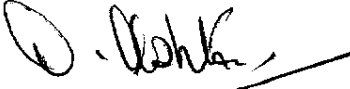
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## Balance Sheet at 30th September 2025

	2025		2024	
	Unrestricted		Unrestricted	
	£	£	£	£
<b>Current Assets:</b>				
Debtors				
Balances at Bank:				
Current Account		48		180
Deposit Account		14,492		12,487
		<u>14,541</u>		<u>12,667</u>
Less:				
<b>Current Liabilities:</b>				
Accrued Expenses		719		91
<b>At 30 September 2025</b>		<u><b>£13,822</b></u>		<u><b>£12,576</b></u>
<b>Financed By:</b>				
<b>Capital Account:</b>				
At 1 October 2024		12,576		12,033
Surplus/deficit for the Year		1,246		543
<b>At 30 September 2025</b>		<u><b>£13,822</b></u>		<u><b>£12,576</b></u>

The Accounts were approved by the Trustees on 24 October 2025 and signed on their behalf b

  
David Ashton

  
Richard Teare

Chair

Treasurer

# South East u3a Forum

## Statement of Financial Activities (Incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account) For the Year Ended 30 September 2025

	30.09.2025		30.09.2024	
	Unrestricted		Unrestricted	
	£	£	£	£
<b>Income</b>				
<b>Summer School</b>				
Course Fees		61,545		51,740
Theatre Tickets		3,780		2,800
Deposits Overpaid		0		0
Sale of Mah Jong Books		60		70.00
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>65,385</b>		<b>54,610</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>				
<b>Summer School</b>				
Accommodation	55,099		46,996	
Theatre Tickets	3,745		2,800	
Travel and Course Expenses	1,069		570	
Tutors Expenses	861		1,066	
Speaker Fees	132		60	
Gratuities	100		100	
Printing and Postage	0		0	
Delegates Refund	1,530		0	
Cancelled Course Refunds	1,245		1,595	
Deposits and Overpaid	675		999	
Publicity	0		0	
		<b>64,456</b>		<b>54,186</b>
<b>Summer School Surplus</b>		<b>929</b>		<b>424</b>
<b>Administrative Expenses</b>				
Committee Expenses	0		41	
Office Expenses	17		148	
		<b>17</b>		<b>189</b>
<b>Net Surplus/-Deficit For The Year</b>		<b>911</b>		<b>235</b>
<b>Deposit Account Interest</b>		<b>335</b>		<b>308</b>
<b>Net Surplus/-Deficit For The Year</b>		<b>£1,246</b>		<b>£543</b>