

Annual Accounts

for the year to the 31st March 2023

Registered Charity Number: 1083175

Trustees

Frani Hoskins (Chairman)
Lionel Shields (Vice Chairman)
Dennis Keley (Treasurer)
Rosemary Martin (Secretary)
Miriam Crundwell (Membership Secretary)
Jan Dixon (Groups)
Chris Jarman (Events Team)
David Perry (Tonbridge u3a Journal)
Margaret Pavlidis (Travel Team)
David Bell (IT)
David Johnson (Publicity)
Melanie Battell (Additional Member)

Bankers

Lloyds TSB, 58 Mount Pleasant Road, Tunbridge Wells TN1 1RP

Independent Examiner

Mr M Sellen

Trustee's Report

Tonbridge u3a is a non-profit making charity registered by the Charity Commission as a private association run solely for the benefit of its members. It is affiliated to the Third Age Trust, a central organisation that gives assistance and advice, facilitates insurance and develops the interests of u3as throughout the country. Tonbridge u3a is autonomous, regulated by a self perpetuating board of trustees. At the end of the year the membership totalled 1230.

Tonbridge u3a is financed by membership fees that have been calculated to cover general and administrative costs and provide a small surplus to meet the requirements of the Charity Commissioners. Gift Aid is collected from HMRC on behalf of its taxpaying members. The accounts are examined by an Independent Examiner and are reported annually to the Commission.

Tonbridge u3a's organisation provides a Public Benefit by informing and servicing its members in several different ways. In normal years, a lecturer is hired for one meeting in each month in a hall of sufficient size to accommodate all wishing to attend, this years meeting have been held on Zoom and at The Angel Centre. There are approximately 100 interest groups and in normal years, organising over 70 events each month. Generally groups meet monthly, usually in a home, to share interests, to develop skills, and to be entertained, but this year these meetings have, sometimes, had to be cancelled due to the pandemic. Each group is selffunding, and makes charges as appropriate to cover direct costs. A journal is distributed monthly to all members, either by post, hand delivery, or by e-mail, giving full details of all events. Additional events, together with a Theatre Group, organised centrally are open to all u3a members in a normal year.

The Management Committee of up to twelve trustees meets every two months. Each trustee reports on one area of responsibility. Minutes are kept. As last year, Trustees are unpaid apart from the reasonable expenses incurred in the course of their Committee work, and reimbursement for food, drink etc purchased for centrally – organised events. There are no transactions with Related parties (last year: None).

Risks

Tonbridge u3a has public liability insurance, but members are advised to accept responsibility for their own insurance. The insurers may extend third party liability cover to guests, but they reserve the right not to do so. The Trustees consider the charity to be Going Concern and that there is sufficient working capital to cover all risks that the Charity may encounter.

Our reserves at the end of the year were £44,657 which equates to 29 months of expenditure (last year: 29 months). This is higher than our policy of 3-6 months.

Bank Accounts

Two Lloyds Bank Accounts are used: a Current Account and a Standing Order Account.

A Travel Team plans and administers monthly coach outings and occasional continental holidays. This year, a holiday was organised to South Wales and there were some 'day out' outings. The Travel Team use a separate account at Lloyds Bank, which is examined separately and subsequently incorporated in the overall u3a accounts.

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Tonbridge u3a

Respective responsibilities of the trustees and examiner The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2023 as set out on pages 4 and 5. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 'Charities Act') and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b)) of the Act. The examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the u3a and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes considering any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's Statement

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

- 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 accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the Act and Regulations have not been met; or
- to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn, in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts be reached.

Signed:

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Date: 9.5.23

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Statement of Activities on the Accounts for the year to 31st March 2023

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	2022/23 Receipts	Advance Receipts	2022/23 Payments	Advance Payments	2022/23 Balance	2021/22 Balance
General Funds	£	£	£	£	£	£
Subscriptions 1	-, -		232		18,183	17,465
Gift Aid 2	,				2,502	2,540
Interest & Donations			4.004		4.004	4.007
Affiliation Fee 4 Third Age Trust Newsletters et 5			4,904		-4,904	-4,207 2,607
Meetings 6			2,928 2,160		-2,928 -2,160	-2,697 -2,201
Newsletter printing 7			3,646		-3,646	-3,157
Newsletter postage 8			1,821	150	-1,671	-1,222
Committee Expenses 10			661	100	-661	-844
Study Days			001		0	-100
Website & other IT			205		-205	-1,083
Organisers' lunches 12	!		629		-629	0
u3a Beacon System			1,216		-1,216	-1,202
SUB-TOTAL	20,917	0	18,402	150	2,665	3,292
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Social activities						
Central functions						
2020-21 events						0
Defibrillation						-12
Quiz Night 17 Feb 2022						120
French Dance	192		234	-50	-92	
Cream Tea	592		500		92	
Xmas Social	700		290		410	
Games Afternoon	48		113		-65	0
	1,532	0	1,137	-50	345	108
Theatre group						
Prior Year shows						0
Cinderella (11/5/22)	1,067			-1,185	-118	
Chichester Festival (11/08/22)	2,660		2,618		42	
Upstart Crow (12/10/22)	675		675		0	
To Kill a Mocking Bird (25/1/23)	550		<i>550</i>		0	
Jersey Boys (9/2/23)	790		790		0	
Valley of Fear (19/04/23)	650		650		0	
The Great Gatsby (18/5/23)			880	880	0	
Operation Mincemeat (6/06/23)			590	590	0	
	6.000	0	6.750	005	76	
	6,392	0	6,753	285	-76	0
Travel Team						
South Wales	1,488		1,460		28	
Wisley Gardens	1,275		1,275		0	
Knebworth	2,058		2,054		4	
Waterperry	1,273		1,255		18	
Thanet	2,070		2,022		48	
Houghton & Winchester	1,332		1,287		45	
Brooklands	1,344		1,343		1	
Canterbury	944		837		107	
Sheppey/S of Sixties	2,700		2,699		1	
Fishbourne	2,204		1,883		321	
Sundry Expenses	16,688	0	158 16,273	0	-158 415	101
Other groups	10,000		10,210		-10	101
Other groups					0	0
	0		0		0	0
SUB-TOTAL	24,612	0	24,163	235	684	209
OVERALL TOTAL	45,529	0	42,565	385	3,349	3,501

Tonbridge u3a

Balance Sheet as at 3	1st March 2023			
	31st March 31st March			
	2023	2022		
	2020	2022		
Current Assets	£	£		
Bank Accounts				
Lloyds	26,936	24,958		
Standing Orders A/c	13,835	13,260		
Travel Team	2,429	3,081		
Cash in Hand	13	16		
Debtors (see below)	1,570	1,235		
Assets	44,783	42,550		
Less: Creditors (see below)	126	1,242		
	44,657	41,308		
Represented by:				
General Funds, brought forward	41,308	37,807		
Movement in year	3,349	3,501		
General Funds, carried forward	44,657	41,308		
Debtors				
Payments in advance				
Central events		50		
Travel Team	100	30		
Theatre group:				
Cinderella (11/5/22)		1,185		
The Great Gatsby (18/5/23)	880	,,		
Operation Mincemeat (6/6/23)	590			
	1,570	1,235		
Creditors				
Receipts in advance				
Travel Team (2022/23)	106	1,092		
Sub-total receipts in advance	106	1,092		
Outstanding payments				
Journal postage (Feb & Mar)		150		
Travel Team	20			
	126	1,242		

Signed on behalf of the Tonbridge u3a

Frani Hoskins (Acting Chairman)

Dennis Keley (Hon Treasurer)

Date 9,5,23

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