

Registered Charity Number
1179593

Thrapston and District U3A

Report and Accounts

31 March 2023

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Thrapston and District U3A
Independent Examiner's Report to the members of the charity

Report of the Independent Examiner to the trustees
on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2023

I report on the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2023 which are set out on pages 5 to 7.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- 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 Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of 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:

1 which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 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 accounts to be reached.

Jonathan Essam
Chartered Accountant

The date upon which my opinion is expressed is :-
24 April 2023

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Thrapston and District U3A
Chair's report for year ended 31 March 2023

Report to the Members, Trustees & the Charity Commissioners

It has been a strange year in many ways. In May 2022 we were still under some covid restrictions and monthly meetings were held by Zoom. Outdoor groups were meeting, and others were also meeting via Zoom.

We successfully applied for a grant from Thrapston Town Council and were grateful to receive in July £1000 to purchase items that would promote us in the community.

The August Social took place and was a great success. We had our first face to face monthly meeting in September. The number attending was quite low but that was to be expected as members got used to the new normal.

In October our Chairman resigned and the Vice Chair took up the role.

Our Publicity Officer also moved out of the area and that role became vacant.

In December a group of members went on a Tinsel and Turkey weekend which was enjoyed by all. The bookings for this December are already taking place.

The December Social was well attended and again enjoyed by all those who went. Our thanks go to the Social Team for organising both the August and December events.

In November and February, we had a New Members coffee morning at the Kings Arms. Around 40 people attended in February and new members had a chance to talk to the committee and other members.

The annual membership renewal went well and by the end of March we had 212 members and 29 active groups.

On March 24th we held a "Coffee and Cake" open morning in the Plaza. This was to celebrate the 10th birthday of groups who have been in existence since the start of our u3a and to say thank you to all the Group Leaders, especially to the three group leaders who have been leading their groups for 10 years. It also promoted our u3a in the community.

Money raised through our sponsored Member's Mile Challenge was used to purchase a bench. This is now in place on Daffodil Hill (part of the Thrapston Park Project) for us all to enjoy.

We have been fortunate that members have come forward to take up the roles of Publicity Officer Speaker Seeker, Chair and Vice Chair. At the time of writing we have yet to find members to help manage our ICT.

Approved on behalf of the Trustees on 2 May 2023 by:

Sheila Underwood - Chair

**Thrapston and District U3A
Receipts and Payment Account
for the year ended 31 March 2023**

		<u>2023</u>		<u>2022</u>	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Receipts					
Annual membership fees	1	4,903		5,862	
Monthly attendance fees		72		36	
Plaza Fees		769		450	
Newsletters		90		132	
Sale of equipment		389		-	
Activity groups	2	5,197		3,423	
Theatre visits	3	-		-	
Outings	4	-		35	
Social events	5	1,238		509	
Grants		1,000		200	
Miscellaneous	6	1,206		-	
			14,864		10,647
Payments					
Hire of venues		576		342	
Speakers		893		595	
Refreshments		16		44	
Postage and stationery		168		136	
Newsletters and printing		81		366	
Publicity		10		10	
Internet and webpage		309		472	
Travel		42		69	
Capital spend		472		499	
U3A capitation		900		788	
Direct mail U3A		499		415	
CLA License		60		60	
Group support		-		37	
Miscellaneous	6	1,672		401	
Activity groups	2	3,966		3,073	
Theatre visits	3	-		-	
Outings	4	-		35	
Social events	5	1,218		468	
Subscription Adjustment		-		91	
			10,882		7,901
Net surplus / (deficit)			<u>3,982</u>		<u>2,746</u>
Cash funds last year			9,496		6,750
Net surplus / (deficit) for year			<u>3,982</u>		<u>2,746</u>
Cash funds this year			<u>13,478</u>		<u>9,496</u>

**Thrapston and District U3A
Statement of Assets and Liabilities
as at 31 March 2023**

	<u>2023</u> £	<u>2022</u> £
Cash Funds		
Bank	13,478	9,496
Cash in hand	-	-
Net funds	<u>13,478</u>	<u>9,496</u>
Other assets		
Equipment	<u>902</u>	<u>837</u>
Liabilities		
Accruals	<u>390</u>	<u>390</u>

Approved on behalf of the Trustees by:-

Sheila Underwood - Chair

2 May 2023

Thrapston and District U3A
Notes to the accounts
as at 31 March 2023

	£	£	£
Note 1	Membership Fees		
	£18.00 pa February 2022 - January 2023	540	
	£9.00 pa October 2022 - January 2023	63	
	£20.00 pa for February 2023 - January 2024	4,300	
		<u>4,903</u>	
Note 2	Activity Group		Surplus/ (deficit)
	Income	Spend	
	Line Dancing	264	(12)
	Making Music	888	53
	Photography	90	20
	Singing for Fun	360	200
	Stitchers	67	43
	Tai Chi	840	126
	Tai Chi 2	532	338
	Table Tennis	570	335
	French Encore	116	53
	Spanish	186	76
	Playford Dancing	53	-
		<u>3,966</u>	<u>1,231</u>
	<u>5,197</u>		
Note 3	Theatre Visits		
	-	-	-
Note 4	Outings		
	-	-	-
Note 5	Socials		
	Christmas Event	1,218	20
		<u>1,238</u>	<u>20</u>
Note 6	Miscellaneous		
	Open Day	243	454
	Mile a member	-	332
	Charter Fair	-	172
	Grant	1,025	(1,025)
	Amazon Smile	-	5
	Audit Fee	390	(390)
	PAT Testing	14	(14)
		<u>1,672</u>	<u>(404)</u>
	<u>1,206</u>		