



## **16<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting to be held**

**at 10.15 a.m. on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2024, in East Horsley Village Hall**

**Any further nominations for Committee Member must be given in writing to the Secretary no later than Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March. An election shall be held at the AGM for any position if nominations exceed vacancies.**

### **AGENDA** (updated 22Mar24)

- 1 To approve the minutes of the Last Annual General Meeting** (on the website)
- 2 To note the Chairman's Report**
- 3 To approve the Examined Accounts** for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023.
- 4 To appoint Officers for a two-year term:**

Paul Dodgson, Chairman and Ruth Blowers, Secretary continue in office until 2025. Richard Deighton is standing down after serving 8 years as Treasurer. Ray Gross was co-opted to the Committee in October 2023 and offers himself for a two-year term as Treasurer until 2026. Andy Gibson was co-opted to the Committee in 2023 and offers himself for a two-year term as Vice Chair until 2026.
- 5 To appoint Committee Members for a three-year term:**

Mark Blowers offers to stand down from the Committee but remain as Webmaster & Tech IT Support. Ian Eversden, Richard Deighton and Wendy Sampson have completed their terms of office and offer themselves for a three-year term until 2027.

Alan Gilbertson (2025), David Lush (2026) and Peter Tallon (2026) have not completed their terms of office and will continue as Committee Members for the forthcoming year.
- 6 To approve the appointment of Peter Armitage as Independent Examiner of the 2024 accounts.**
- 7 Questions from the floor.**

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# Horsley u3a AGM March 2024

## CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

I met two new members recently to give them an introduction to our u3a. As we discussed their interests I realised, as did they, that we could cater for almost every interest they had, and, if we couldn't, they could always try and form a new group ! It brought home to me that we do provide great opportunities for people with leisure time to spend hours on their favourite activities or to branch out to new areas. I wonder how many of you know that we currently have 59 clubs available to you. Have a look at the Directory -you might be surprised at what is now available.

Our u3a is in good health. Membership numbers have increased slightly and, as well as the growth in the number of activities, attendance at monthly meetings has been increasing.

u3a nationally is in a slightly confused state. There is uncertainty about the role of the u3a trust which is our parent body, and clarification is being sought. There has been talk of a national advertising campaign to raise public awareness of the u3a and its activities, but nothing has been done in recent months to advance that. I hope that there will be action soon and, when that occurs, we will supplement that campaign with our own local recruitment drive.

There have been many comments about the magazine Third Age Matters. The Committee have decided to ask you all when you renew your subscription whether you still wish to receive it, as it costs us £3.65 for each magazine sent out. It's completely your choice.

As always, getting help to run Horsley u3a, and its various groups, is a continuing challenge. Many members of the committee have been serving for years and replacements must sometimes be found, so please feel free to volunteer.

Our Treasurer Richard Deighton has discharged his responsibilities superbly for the last eight years but has now decided that it's time to hand over. His work has been essential to the smooth running of our branch, and we owe him enormous thanks for all the work that he has done. We've been lucky to find a replacement in Ray Gross, who has, by all accounts, already displayed a mastery of the subject. We hope he will be with us for some time.

I must also thank all the other Committee members for their hard work and support, and thank you, our members, for your continuing support for Horsley u3a.

*Paul Dodgson*

## HORSLEY U3A ACCOUNTS 1 January to 31 December 2023

12 months Jan-Dec 2022	<b>CHARITABLE INCOME &amp; EXPENDITURE</b>	12 months Jan-Dec 2023
<b>£</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>£</b>
784	New member subscriptions	1,226
6,626	Renewal member subscriptions	8,595
34	Other income	5
<b>7,444</b>	<b>Total Income</b>	<b>9,826</b>
	<b>Expenditure</b>	
3,871	Third Age Trust membership fees and Direct Mailing costs of Third Age Matters	3,882
813	Village Hall room hire for Monthly lectures	893
1,281	Speakers' expenses	1,067
299	Catering	464
265	Administration	256
976	Membership communications incl Newsletters, Bulletins and Directory	1,174
876	Activity Group Support	1,430
24	Sundries (including Secretary, IT and other administration costs)	532
0	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	148
<b>8,405</b>	<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>9,846</b>
<b>-961</b>	<b>Surplus/(Deficit) on Main Charity Account</b>	<b>-20</b>
<b>699</b>	<b>Activity Group net income measured as Increase/ (Decrease) in group funds</b>	<b>-100</b>
<b>-262</b>	<b>Net Surplus (Deficit) for year including change in Activity Group funds</b>	<b>-120</b>

31 December 2022	<b>BALANCE SHEET: Charitable Activities</b>	31 December 2023
<b>£</b>	<b>Assets</b>	<b>£</b>
7,272	Cash At Bank	8,037
1,752	Debtors and Prepayments	1,749
2,043	Activity Groups' own funds <i>(excl Travel Group)</i>	1,943
	<b>Liabilities</b>	
2,396	Prepaid subscriptions	2,475
252	Activity Group deposits with Charity account	955
0	Other creditors and accruals	0
	<b>Reserves</b>	
2,043	Activity Group own funds	1,943
<b>6,376</b>	<b>General Reserve - Charity</b>	<b>6,356</b>

31 December 2022	<b>BALANCE SHEET: Members' Funds Theatre, Concerts, Travel and other Outings</b>	31 December 2023
<b>£</b>	<b>Assets</b>	<b>£</b>
3,194	Cash At Bank	4,061
-	Debtors	-
981	Travel Group funds	309
	<b>Liabilities</b>	
0	Open events: prepayments from members towards future expenses	0
50	Activity Group deposits in Social account	50
	<b>RESERVES</b>	
981	Travel Group reserves	309
<b>3,144</b>	<b>Social Reserve</b>	<b>4,011</b>

## HORSLEY U3A ACCOUNTS 1 January to 31 December 2023: Notes

### (1) Activity Group Own Funds

31 December 2022		31 December 2023
£		£
8	Antiques and Collectables	0
41	Books: Crime Fiction	53
258	Bridge Club 1	331
0	Bridge Club 2	0
63	Films	30
98	French Conversation	98
98	Genealogy	125
21	History	18
34	Knit for Charity	32
217	Music Appreciation	155
76	Opera & Ballet	22
130	Photography	129
2	Pickleball	9
2	Pilates	19
50	Scottish Dancing	53
1	Table Tennis - Monday PM	0
-10	Transport and Industrial Archaeology	42
888	Wine Appreciation	813
65	Wine Appreciation at home	14
<b>2,043</b>	<b>Activity Groups Own Funds</b>	<b>1,943</b>
981	Travel	309

### (2) Social Activities/ Members' Funds Net Income: completed events

Jan-Dec 2022		Jan-Dec 2023
£		£
269	Theatre Trips	479
0	Outings	0
275	Concerts & film shows	188
21	Social events & Quiz Night	200
0	Activity Group events	0
<b>566</b>	<b>Net Income Total</b>	<b>867</b>

I believe these Accounts for the period ended 31 December 2023 to be a true and fair representation of Horsley U3A's financial affairs.

*Richard Deighton*



*Treasurer*

I have examined the Accounts for the period ended 31 December 2023 with the books and records of the Horsley U3A and certify them to be correct and in accordance therewith.

*Peter Armitage*



*Honorary Examiner of the  
Accounts  
29 January 2024*