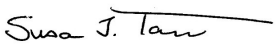
U3A SHREWSBURY

Receipts and Expenditure for the Year Ended 31 August 2026

	U3A	Groups	2026	2025
	£	£	£	£
Receipts:				
Subscriptions	20,164.50		20,164.50	19,766.00
PayPal & SumUp Commission	(516.49)		(516.49)	(434.13)
Net Subscriptions	19,648.01		19,648.01	19,331.87
Gift Aid	3,037.55		3,037.55	2,064.00
Interest	389.01		389.01	0.00
Grants and Donations	0.00		0.00	158.05
Social - super event 2025	120.00		120.00	2,850.06
Group Courses - Trips/Theatre/Calligraphy		10,176.60	10,176.60	11,880.73
	23,194.57	10,176.60	33,371.17	36,284.71
Payments:				
Third Age Trust Membership/Insurance	4,828.00		4,828.00	4,560.00
U3A Magazine mailing	2,908.20		2,908.20	2,732.88
Room Hire - Speakers	4,213.55		4,213.55	3,766.92
Speakers' Fees	1,114.60		1,114.60	968.00
Palmers Café	330.00		330.00	390.00
Social	727.89		727.89	1,364.50
Newsletter, printing (Inc. AGM supplement)	1,500.30		1,500.30	1,453.00
Newsletter Postage	261.00		261.00	340.00
Membership Stationery	742.35		742.35	675.88
IT Remediation & Enhancement	0.00		0.00	7,431.00
IT Support Costs	123.67		123.67	178.78
Equipment	917.19		917.19	0.00
Committee + Office	859.66		859.66	441.24
Sundry	105.99		105.99	89.99
Publicity - Health and Wellbeing	500.00		500.00	107.25
Manage Expenses Fund			0.00	357.60
Beacon	1,896.97		1,896.97	0.00
Group Courses - Trips/Theatre/Calligraphy		11,301.75	11,301.75	12,430.29
	21,029.37	11,301.75	32,331.12	37,287.33
Surplus/(deficit)	**2,165.20**	**(1,125.15)**	**1,040.05**	**(1,002.62)**
Surplus brought forward from previous year	20,501.28	3,385.54	23,886.82	24,889.44
Surplus	**22,666.48**	**2,260.39**	**24,926.87**	**23,886.82**
Represented By:-				
Bank Accounts				
Current Account	6,308.74	2,260.39	8,569.13	6,016.97
Deposit Account - Lloyds	5,164.94		5,164.94	5,136.61
United Trust Bank	10,471.63		10,471.63	10,110.95
Theatre Group Bal - to u3a	295.00		295.00	100.00
PayPal account	426.17		426.17	458.29
	22,666.48	**2,260.39**	**24,926.87**	**21,822.82**
Accrued Income	0.00		0.00	2,064.00
Accrued Expenses	0.00		0.00	0.00
Net assets	**22,666.48**	**2,260.39**	**24,926.87**	**23,886.82**

Prepared by Ian Hallworth, Treasurer  **10-Sep-26**

Examined and found correct in accordance with account books and receipts
S Tarr, Chartered Accountant **10-Oct-26**



CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name: Shrewsbury U3A

On accounts for the year ended	31 August 2026	**Charity no (if any)**	1148657

Set out on pages

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/08/2026.

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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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: Susan J. Tarr **Date:** 10 October 2026

Name: Susan J Tarr

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body BSc ACA

TREASURERS REPORT - END OF YEAR ACCOUNTS 2025 26

The 2025/26 Accounts are presented for inclusion in the AGM Supplement. These have been examined and signed-off by the Examiner. The Accounts have been uploaded to the Charity Commission Website.

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The headline income and expenses as reported to the Charity Commission and available to the public are £33,373 and £32,333. However, these numbers include the Groups: Trips, Theatre, and Calligraphy. For most of this report I will comment on the accounts of Shrewsbury u3a, with a note on Groups at the end.

Fiscal Year	FY 25 26		FY 24 25	
	u3a	Groups	u3a	Groups
Income	£23200	£10200	£24,500	£11,800
Expenses	£ 21000	£ 11300	£24,900	£12,400

So, looking at Shrewsbury u3a (below) it can be seen that the u3a had a profit this year. The improvement in the balance over last year is due to moving our IT system away from ARDA to Beacon. ARDA proved to be too costly to continually maintain.

u3a	FY 25 26	FY 24 25
Income	£23200	£24,500
Expenses	£21000	£24,900
Surplus / Deficit	£2200	-£400

This year has seen a continued growth in membership. Membership is now 1331, up from 1271 last year, a rise of 4.7%. Membership is the main source of income. Income from members was also higher because we did not discount membership from Jul. The amount we received in gift aid also increased by 33% to £3037.

Many expenses are also driven by membership, but in this year there has also been some cost inflation over 24/25. However, some expenses should be noted:

- Publicity rose this year. Partly by supporting Radfield Care.
- Office cost increase from £675 to £742, due to unforeseen membership costs
- We have spent £917 on equipment this year, this included speakers, a projector and three Tablets. Last year we spent £0.
- IT remediation (Arda enhancement, and maintenance) was £7600 last year. This year's IT cost, including Beacon fees, come to £2020.
- Speaker and speaker room hire, Newsletter and postage increased this year in line with inflation.
- Management Committee cost increased due to extra meetings.

- More Social events may make a small increase in expenditure.

The reserves of the u3a remain strong: £22,700 excluding groups, equivalent to roughly 12 months of our anticipated spend in the year to come.

Consequently, the Committee is recommending that the Membership Subscription Rate should be unchanged at £15 per member.

Groups: The requirement is that groups must be self-funding. They should always have balances that are not negative. Due to large balances being held by Trips and Theatre groups, some years Income is less than expense's.

Ian Hallworth, Treasurer.