

## 2TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2022

The Trustees of the Huddersfield and District University of the Third Age are pleased to report that they were able to offer an almost full schedule of classes year for 2021/22, following the gradual easing of restrictions which had been placed upon them during the pandemic. Membership numbers have started to recover and show a welcome increase from the levels that they had fallen to during the previous years which resulted from the uncertainty caused by coronavirus. The total number of classes and activities offered to the membership will hopefully continue to rise over the coming years. Face to face classes were again the norm and although the use of Skype had been an extremely valuable tool in order to offer limited classes in 2021, not all could be delivered this way unfortunately. It was obvious that the 'classroom' environment is the favoured and preferred option as the whole of the class schedules are able to be offered. Thanks must go to those tutors who took up the challenge of using Skype and delivering their classes and to the members who enrolled and continued to support their classes. New classes are continually being introduced to improve members choice and new tutors are being sought and welcomed.

The variation in subjects offered gives members the opportunity to acquire competence over a wide range of differing activities. The balance between classes of an educational nature and those that are more recreational is about equal. The social needs of our members continue to be important and this is reflected in many of the classes delivered. Some classes remain very popular i.e., Bowling, whilst others seem to lose popularity over the years, i.e., Genealogy.

One of the problems facing us is getting the message out to prospective members. A number of methods have been looked at and tried, the local newspaper was a valued and tested source but that is now operated by the UK's largest commercial, national and regional news publisher so has lost its 'local' identity. A presence at an 'Older Persons' advice and information fair' which was organised by our MP, the temporary use of a town centre shop, adverts in quarterly magazines which are distributed throughout the borough, a revamped website and some social media technologies have or are being used to try and promote the benefits of what the U3A has to offer.

The financial state of the organisation this year is still sound even though the accounts show a small deficit due mainly to the reduced level of members, although the cost of venues to hold the classes is going to be much more expensive in the future and continues to be our biggest expense with annual increases being the norm. Some landlords have increased their charges due to improvements they have made as a result of the pandemic. All the venues are continuously under review to consider whether suitable cheaper alternatives are available, although the town centre venues which are more popular due to transport links do tend to be more expensive.

In conclusion and in spite of the challenges that the pandemic has caused and future membership levels being slightly uncertain the Trustees wish to state that, in their opinion, Huddersfield U3A will continue to prosper.

## Income and Expenditure Account

2020/21	<u>Income</u>	2021/22	2020/21
£		£	£
13,140	Membership Fees	15,958	0
4,530	Class Fees	18,552	4,248
0	PAYE Functions	0	3,919
0	Exhibition	0	210
1,928	Donations	1,178	421
13,987	Sundries	335	2,126
0	Gift Aid	7,523	940
0	Carol Service	218	0
0	Trips	1,065	30
50	Building Society Interest	174	627
			0
			0
			14,113
			0
			0
			2,668
			0
			0
			274
			0
			0
			0
			693
			0
			300
33,635		45,003	30,569
0	Deficit for Year	1,775	3,066
33,635		46,778	33,635

## Huddersfield U3A 2021-22 Accounts

### Expenditure

	<b>2021/22</b>	<b>Mar 31, 21</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Venue Rents (Classes)	24,739	
Office Rent	4,448	36,127
Class Fee Refunds	1,000	32,828
Membership Fee Refund	75	524
Stationery, etc.	545	0
Printing/Photocopying	2,382	<u>69,479</u>
IT Costs	0	
Tutors' Special Expenses	314	
Tutors' Expenses	2,644	
Office & Staff Expenses	2,024	1,353
Trips	1,200	66
Marketing	900	7,890
Sundries	190	0
Transport for the Disable	79	0
Luncheon Clubs	0	<u>13,987</u>
Postage	3,157	<u>23,296</u>
Class Equipment	202	
Capital Equipment	0	<u>46,183</u>
Insurance	403	
Carol Service	573	
Tutors' Lunch	1,406	43,117
Bank Charges	83	3,066
Telephone	414	
PAYE	0	<u>46,183</u>
Events	<u>0</u>	
	<b>46,778</b>	
Surplus for Year	<u>0</u>	
	<b><u>46,778</u></b>	

## **Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2022**

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### **Assets**

Yorkshire Building Society	36,301
HSBC	22,795
Stock of Postage Stamps/F M	460
Trips/Bank Debits	0
	<u>59,556</u>

### **Liabilities**

Venue Rents - Classes	6,418
Other Staff/Office/IT Expense	0
Membership Fees Received in A	7,424
Class Fees Received in Advance	1,275
Transport for Disabled/Events	0
Bank Errors/charges	31
	<u>15,148</u>

**Net Assets** 44,408

### **Represented by:**

Members' Fund b/f	46,183
Add Surplus for Year	
Less Deficit for Year	<u>-1,775</u>
<b>Members' Fund c/f</b>	<u>44,408</u>

### **Examiner's Report for the 2021/22 Accounts of U3A**

I report on the accounts of the University for the Third Age for the year ended 31 March 2022.

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They 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 Charities Commission (under sec 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of 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 that may be included in the accounts, seeking explanations, where necessary, from trustees. These procedures do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit so I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

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 sec 130 of the 2011 Act;
- 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.

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