

City of Newry University of the Third Age(U3A)

Trustee annual report for the year to 31st DECEMBER 2023

The trustees present their annual report combining Committee report and the unaudited financial accounts for the financial year ending 31st December 2023

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with FRS 102 -The Financial Reporting Standard for charities applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland.

The Trustee Report contains the information required to be provided in the Trustees Annual Report under the statement of recommended practice (SORP). In these financial statements U3A has implemented the recommendations of FRS102 where relevant.

MISSION STATEMENT AND ACTIVITIES

The Charity's principal activities continue to be to advance education and to promote preservation and protection of health and wellbeing among middle-aged and older people who are not in full-time employment and to promote the benefit of older people in Newry and its environs.

STRUCTURE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

U3A acts under the governance of its constitution. The charity is affiliated to the Third Age Trust which coordinates U3A groups within the UK.

TRUSTEES

The trustees who served during the financial year where as follows:

Brendan McConville
Delia Van Der Lenden
Nuala Feehan
Raymond McKenna
Anthony McShane
Sean Malone
Mary Sands
Tom Moore
Ursula Yeates
Jacinta Duffy
Janice Hatchell

No trustee received remuneration or any other benefit from the charity during the year.

TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING TRUSTEES

During the year Trustees were reimbursed for expenses of £734 incurred on behalf of the charity.

OBJECTIVES ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE DURING THE YEAR,

Our membership numbers have continued to increase in the past year. We have 426 members as of December 2023. Membership continues to grow significantly towards the numbers we had before covid.

As shown in the financial statements, during the year we commenced work on our new premises at Ballybot House in Newry. The project is ongoing in the new financial year. We hope this will add interest and impetus to our efforts going forward.

INTEREST GROUPS AND ACTIVITIES

Interest groups are the core of U3A and each year new groups are formed based on request from members. Activities include walking, cycling, golf, language learning, bridge, wine tasting and gardening. New groups continue to be established.

Submitted on behalf of Newry U3A by Seab Malone (Trustee)

 13/10/24