

RADLETT AND DISTRICT U3A

Registered Charity No 1156262

ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31ST AUGUST 2026

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RADLETT AND DISTRICT U3A

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2026

Radlett & District u3a is a Registered Charity, No. 1156262, and this year we celebrate fourteen years since we started.

It hardly seems possible that it is so long ago since many of us queued up at Vision Hall to join this new organisation in Radlett. At the time, some of us probably weren't quite sure what u3a was all about – but here we are, all these years later!

Hopefully, being part of Radlett & District u3a has brought something special to all our lives. We have learnt new things, enjoyed lots of different activities and, perhaps most importantly, made some wonderful friendships along the way. Our membership has changed over the years. We are a slightly aging community and would love to bring in some younger members

It has been another successful year. Our Committee has remained much the same as last year, apart from a change in the Group Co-ordinator role. Finding people who are willing to take on Committee roles can sometimes be difficult, but we are fortunate to have a group of people who work very well together and support each other. I would like to thank them all for their hard work and commitment.

A huge thank you must also go to all our group leaders. They do a fantastic job organising such a wide range of activities and making sure that our members have interesting and enjoyable things to do. Their enthusiasm and time are very much appreciated.

We continue to accept members within our agreed postcode boundaries. Unfortunately, this does mean that occasionally we have to disappoint people who would like to join us, and we are sorry when this happens.

We have certainly had a busy and varied year - this is down to starting new groups and our Events Committee

There have been theatre trips, visits to stately homes and gardens, interesting talks in members' homes, our regular quiz, summer dinner in the park and Christmas lunch, and a special tea for our volunteers and group leaders. We hope the attendees enjoyed it and, more importantly, felt how much we value and appreciate everything they do.

We also held coffee mornings for our new members. These have been a lovely way of welcoming people to our u3a and giving them the opportunity to meet others and find out more about what we have to offer.

Another highlight was our holiday to North Wales and the first trip abroad to Northern France. Both were great successes and, hopefully we will continue them each year.

Our monthly meetings have also continued throughout the year. Attendance is not quite as high as it used to be, and it would be lovely to see more of our members coming along. We have had some excellent speakers, and the meetings are not only interesting and informative but also a great opportunity to meet up with friends. In fact, sometimes the biggest challenge is getting everyone to sit down again after the coffee break because there is so much chatting going on!

That, really, is what makes our u3a so special. It is not just about learning or taking part in activities – it is about people, friendship and having fun together.

I feel very honoured to still be your Chairman and I will continue to do my best to encourage, support and help our members. I would like to thank everyone who plays a part in making Radlett & District u3a such a friendly and successful organisation – our Committee, our group leaders and, of course, all of you, our members.

Here's to another happy and successful year for Radlett & District u3a, with plenty of new experiences, lots of laughter and, hopefully, many more friendships.

Thank you all.

Adrienne
Chairman

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
RADLETT AND DISTRICT U3A ON ACCOUNTS FOR
THE YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2026**

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31st August 2026 which are set out on the attached pages.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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

It is my responsibility to:

- i examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Charities Act)
- ii to follow the procedures laid down in General Directions given by the Charities Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- iii to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

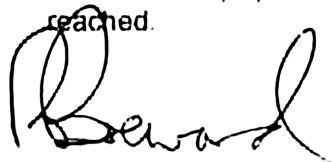
Basis of independent examiner's statement

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 explanation from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on 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 the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention

- 1 which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect, the trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that:
 - i proper accounting records are kept (in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act); and
 - ii accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act; or
- 2 to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Date: 2nd October 2026

RADLETT AND DISTRICT U3A
RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st AUGUST 2026

	Main Account	Groups Account	Events Account	Total	Total
	2026 £	2026 £	2026 £	2026 £	2025 £
RECEIPTS					
Membership Subscriptions	11,150			11,150	10,930
Gift Aid Claims from HMRC	1,432			1,432	1,414
Bank Interest Received	254			254	372
Groups Receipts		14,682		14,682	21,376
Events Receipts - completed events			40,988	40,988	45,214
Total Receipts	12,836	14,682	40,988	68,506	79,306
PAYMENTS					
Membership Levy to Third Age Trust	2,950			2,950	2,376
Meetings - Room Hire	8,168			8,168	7,936
Meetings - Catering	2,708			2,708	2,850
Speaker Expenses / Fees	1,028			1,028	1,224
Administration and Membership Services	1,035			1,035	959
Sundry Expenses	129			129	567
Volunteers Cream Tea	572			572	530
Groups Payments		16,998		16,998	18,720
Events Payments - completed events			40,695	40,695	44,430
Total Payments	16,590	16,998	40,695	74,283	79,592
Net Receipts / (Payments) for the year	(3,754)	(2,316)	293	(5,777)	(286)

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31st AUGUST 2026

	Main Account	Groups Account	Events Account	Total	Total
	2026	2026	2026	2026	2025
	£	£	£	£	£
ASSETS					
Bank Current Account	9,386	968	7,402	17,756	11,719
Bank Deposit Account	6,160	7,000	3,000	16,160	26,906
Events Payments for Future Trips			8,389	8,389	8,000
	15,546	7,968	18,791	42,305	46,625
LIABILITIES					
Subscriptions Prepaid	9,186			9,186	9,022
Total balances held on Study Groups		7,968		7,968	10,284
Events Receipts for Future Trips			9,118	9,118	7,825
	9,186	7,968	9,118	26,272	27,131
Assets less Liabilities	6,360	-	9,673	16,033	19,494
REPRESENTED BY:					
ACCUMULATED FUND					
Funds Brought Forward	10,114	-	9,380	19,494	22,436
Net Receipts / (Payments) for the year	(3,754)	-	293	(3,461)	(2,942)
Funds Carried Forward	6,360	-	9,673	16,033	19,494

Jeremy Packman
Treasurer