

Bearsden and Milngavie u3a 12th AGM Agenda 2026

2nd September 2026

Agenda (see corresponding appendices below)

1. Minute of 11th AGM 3rd September 2025
2. Chair's Report
3. Treasurer's Report and adoption of finances
4. Appointment of Executive Committee

Appendix 1: Minute of 11th AGM 3rd September 2025

The eleventh AGM was conducted by online ballot, with members asked to consider and approve four items:

- Minutes of the 10th AGM, held on 21 September 2024
- Accounts for 2024–25
- Appointment of a new Executive Committee
- A motion to amend Section 5(iv) of the current Constitution

Results: A total of 26% of members participated in the ballot, with all four items receiving more than 96% approval.

Chair **Maureen Smith** reported that membership had grown to over 800 and that monthly meetings continued to be extremely well attended. Several additional meetings had also been held during the year.

The number of Interest Groups had increased to more than 70, while one-off events continued to prove popular. Highlights included the Fashion Edit and the Christmas Coffee Morning, which featured a performance by the Ukulele Group.

Maureen concluded her report by thanking the Committee and the many volunteers whose support and commitment had helped ensure the smooth running of BaM u3a throughout the year.

Treasurer **David Gow** reported that reserves, which had increased significantly during the COVID period, had now reduced to a more appropriate level. He noted that the subscription increase introduced in spring 2025 should enable the organisation to maintain a modest operating surplus going forward.

Appendix 2: Chair's Report

Dear Members, it gives me great pleasure to present my Annual Report for 2025/26.

Our membership has now grown to over 900, reflecting the continued strength and appeal of our u3a. Monthly meetings remain extremely well attended, many of our interest groups are operating at full capacity, and several additional events introduced during the year have also proved very popular.

In the autumn, we circulated a short questionnaire to gather members' views on our u3a and to invite suggestions on how we might further improve what we offer. The Committee was greatly encouraged by the response. Many members commented positively on the enjoyment and benefits they gain from their membership. We also received a wealth of suggestions for new groups, offers of assistance, and constructive ideas for improvement, all of which were much appreciated.

As a result of members' suggestions, several new groups have been established and are now thriving. Unfortunately, some proposed groups did not progress because no one felt able to take the initial step of becoming a convenor. We hope this will change in the future, as our Convenors' Support Group is always willing to provide guidance and assistance to anyone interested in starting a new group.

In August, a small group of members attended the inaugural Scottish u3a Jamboree in Stirling. As with any first-time event, there were a few teething problems, but the general consensus was that it was an enjoyable and worthwhile day.

In November, we held a Ceilidh in St Andrews Hall, where almost 70 members enjoyed an evening of dancing, music, and home-grown entertainment. The event was a great success and demonstrated the strong sense of community that exists within BaM u3a.

Our website continues to develop and improve, and I encourage all members to visit it regularly. It remains the best source of up-to-date information about our activities, groups, and events.

This will be my final report as Chair. I would like to express my sincere thanks to the Committee, our Convenors, and the many volunteers who have supported the running of BaM u3a over the past three years. Your dedication, enthusiasm, and commitment have been invaluable. Thanks to your efforts, our u3a remains a successful, vibrant, and welcoming organisation, and it has been a privilege to serve as your Chair.

Thank you for your support.

Appendix 3: Treasurer's report and adoption of finances

The branch formed in 2013 with a small grant from the Third Age Trust and set the annual sub at £20 to cover the purchase of equipment and other start-up costs.

The sub was lowered to £10 single, £18 joint as membership grew rapidly from 300 to reach 670 before covid struck.

Reserves peaked around £6,000 in 2020 – more than required to cover foreseeable needs and the sub was held at £10 to reduce the excess until last year.

Free funds excluding prepaid subs at 31 March 2026 are just over £3,000 (see cash flow below).

The increased subs from 2025-26 of £14 single, £24 joint and the growing membership have given a small surplus.

u3a Bearsden & Milngavie Time matched income and expenditure	Year to 31 March					Covid restrictions
	2026	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Membership subs income - current year + last year's "next year"	11,897.00	7,719.10	6,061.23	5,538.00	4,952.10	5,195.04
Third Age Trust (TAT) costs						
Capitation - £4 based on member numbers at 31 March	(3,350.80)	(2,760.00)	(2,360.00)	(2,072.00)	(1,750.70)	(2,338.90)
Magazine (£4.20 wef April 2026) - prepaid on spring issue numbers (2025 £4.00)	(2,795.20)	(2,276.20)	(1,851.12)	(1,260.39)	(1,278.44)	(1,799.10)
Beacon - £1 based on member numbers at 31 March	(843.00)	(709.00)	(596.00)	(525.00)	-	-
SiteWorks Subscription	(50.00)	-	-	-	-	-
Net branch income after TAT costs	4,858.00	1,973.90	1,254.11	1,680.61	1,922.96	1,057.04
Other income and costs (details in cash flow)	(3,495.93)	(2,941.24)	(3,369.43)	(2,733.22)	(2,060.22)	(1,040.83)
In/(Out)flow of funds time matching income and main costs	1,362.07	(967.34)	(2,115.32)	(1,052.61)	(137.26)	16.21

u3a Bearsden & Milngavie Cash flow summary	Year to 31 March					Covid restrictions
	2026	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Membership income and u3a Trust fees						
Receipts						
Membership subscriptions current year	923.00	610.00	893.00	726.00	716.10	1,256.00
Membership subscriptions current year - new	1,474.00	1,282.00	904.00	726.00	232.00	
Membership subscriptions next year	10,059.00	8,890.00	5,297.10	4,022.23	3,966.00	3,976.00
Membership subscriptions next year - new	51.000	610.00	530.00	242.00	120.00	28.00
Total receipts	12,966.00	11,392.00	7,624.10	5,716.23	5,034.10	5,260.00
Payments						
Capitation fees	(3,350.80)	(2,760.00)	(2,360.00)	(2,072.00)	(1,750.70)	(2,338.90)
Magazine	(2,688.00)	(2,150.80)	(1,724.40)	(1,443.85)	(1,488.00)	(1,799.10)
Magazine prior year adjustment	(107.20)	(125.40)	(126.72)	183.46	209.56	
Beacon	(843.00)	(709.00)	(596.00)	(525.00)		
SiteWorks Subscription	(50.00)					
Total payments	(7,039.00)	(5,745.20)	(4,807.12)	(3,857.39)	(3,029.14)	(4,138.00)
Net income after Third Age Trust costs	5,927.00	5,646.80	2,816.98	1,858.84	2,004.96	1,122.00
Main group local net costs						
Receipts						
Hall & room lets - groups receipts		50.00	338.00	132.00		569.44
Donations members (Riviera holiday 2024)	7.00		746.55			
Unidentified receipts & Duplicate subs	19.00	-	42.00	10.00		
Donations event surpluses	310.00					
Sundries						
Total receipts	336.00	50.00	1,126.55	142.00		569.44
Payments						
Hall & room lets	(1,134.02)	(1,020.01)	(1,531.30)	(940.45)	(166.33)	(300.00)
Stamps / stationery / licences	(798.52)	(817.81)	(945.23)	(909.41)	(916.01)	(983.36)
Equipment	(103.61)		(577.92)	(266.46)	(471.16)	(241.91)
Courses & conferences	(43.90)					
Publicity			(125.00)	(50.00)		
Speakers' fees, travel & donations	(334.98)	(555.00)	(370.00)	(220.00)	(240.00)	(50.00)
Sundries	(107.88)	(201.65)	(329.75)	(238.55)	(256.72)	(35.00)
Conveners, group support*	(914.62)					
Christmas			(228.08)	(188.72)		
Bank charges	(394.40)	(396.77)	(388.70)	(61.63)		
Newsletter Canva M5360						
Total payments	(3,831.93)	(2,991.24)	(4,495.98)	(2,875.22)	(2,060.22)	(1,610.27)
Other income and costs net*	(3,495.93)	(2,941.24)	(3,369.43)	(2,733.22)	(2,060.22)	(1,040.83)
A account & accrued items included above						
Group transactions						
A account receipts & payments	(813.64)	(328.79)	122.08	22.10		
Accrued	(282.82)	219.30	81.50			
A transactions in main account & accruals net	(1,096.46)	(109.49)	203.58	22.10		
Funds at bank - main account						
Opening	11,106.70	8,510.63	8,859.50	9,711.78	9,767.04	9,685.87
Closing	12,441.31	11,106.70	8,510.63	8,859.50	9,711.78	9,767.04
A account						
Main funds in A account	1,261.70	500.90	419.09	419.09	419.09	419.09
Main total funds (net of balances due to/by) groups)	13,703.01	11,607.60	8,929.72	9,278.59	10,130.87	10,186.13
Est annual outgoings* / next year subs in bank at 31 March						
	(10,569.00)	(9,500.00)	(5,827.10)	(4,264.23)	(4,086.00)	(4,004.00)
Branch free funds (adjusted for est outgoings / next year subs)	3,134.01	2,107.60	3,102.62	5,014.36	6,044.87	6,182.13
Main account	12,441.31	11,106.70	8,510.63	8,859.50	9,711.78	9,767.04
A account						
Main funds	1,261.70	500.90	333.57	396.99	419.09	419.09
Groups' funds / (advances) net	1,754.32	212.76	1,065.99	356.43	243.20	270.20
A account balance	3,016.02	713.66	1,485.08	775.52	662.29	689.29
Total bank balances	15,457.33	11,820.36	9,995.71	9,635.02	10,374.07	10,456.33

Appendix 4: Appointment of Executive Committee

Chair: Linda Tindall

Vice Chair: Jim Thomson

Treasurer: David Gow

Secretary: David Murray-Smith

Trish Kerr

Patricia Campbell

Palo Strickland

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Dorothy Woodger