

# CARDIGAN U3A MEMBERSHIP/RENEWAL APPLICATION FORM

Name/s	
Address	
Telephone	
Email	

To reduce administration costs, the committee will communicate with you via email where possible. Those sharing a postal address will be sent only one copy of all communications.

### **PRIVACY STATEMENT**

Please tick the box below to give us permission to use the information you have supplied in the following ways:

1. To store it securely for membership purposes.
2. To communicate with you as a U3A member.
3. To share with group leaders for those groups that you are a member of.
4. To send you general information about the Third Age Trust, the national organisation to which U3As are affiliated.

I consent to my data being used for membership purposes as detailed above.

I consent to my data being shared with the company who oversee the distribution of the The Third Age Trust Magazines.

You can request that your data is not to be used for any of these purposes at any time by contacting us:

Email: [contact@cardiganu3a.org.uk](mailto:contact@cardiganu3a.org.uk)

**Information entered on this form will be used only for the membership records and administration of Cardigan U3A and will be held in a secure system by only those officers entitled to do so.**

The annual **membership subscription** (see below) includes a capitation levy paid to The Third Age Trust for public liability insurance, administration and support services, plus payments for "Third Age Matters" and "Sources" magazines.

Payment should accompany this form and **cheques made payable** to 'Cardigan U3A'

Please enrol me/us as members of Cardigan U3A.

I/We agree to abide by the guiding principles of the U3A movement which are on the national website and can be consulted at any monthly meeting.

**Signed** ..... **Date** .....

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Please print and return to our **Membership Secretary**:

Mr Howard Lillyman, Cardi Bach, Hebron, Whitland, Carms SA34 0XX

## **MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTION**

The annual **membership subscription** for Cardigan U3A is with effect from 1st April 2017:

- (i) £16.00 for existing members.
- (ii) (a) £16.00 for new members who join during the first quarter of the year.
  - (b) £12.00 for new members who join during the second quarter of the year.
  - (c) £8.00 for new members who join during the third quarter of the year.
  - (d) £4.00 for new members who join during the fourth quarter of the year.
- (iii) £8.00 for paid-up members of Newcastle Emlyn U3A.

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## **U3A Vision & Mission Statement**

### **Our Vision**

Our Vision is to make lifelong learning, through the experience of U3A, a reality for all third-agers.

### **Our Mission**

Our Mission declares our purpose as an organisation and serves as the standard against which we weigh our actions and decisions. It is to:

- Facilitate the growth of the U3A movement.
- Provide support for management and learning in U3As.
- Raise the profile of the U3A movement.
- Promote the benefits of learning in later life through self-help learning.

### **The Principles of the U3A Movement**

The U3A movement is non-religious and non-political and has three main principles:

#### *The Third Age Principle*

- Membership of a U3A is open to all in their third age, which is defined not by a particular age but by a period in life in which full time employment has ceased.
- Members promote the values of lifelong learning and the positive attributes of belonging to a U3A.
- Members should do all they can to ensure that people wanting to join a U3A can do so.

#### *The Self-help Learning Principle*

- Members form interest groups covering as wide a range of topics and activities as they desire; by the members, for the members.
- No qualifications are sought or offered. Learning is for its own sake, with enjoyment being the prime motive, not qualifications or awards.
- There is no distinction between the learners and the teachers; they are all U3A members.

#### *The Mutual Aid Principle*

- Each U3A is a mutual aid organisation, operationally independent but a member of The Third Age Trust, which requires adherence to the guiding principles of the U3A movement.
- No payments are made to members for services rendered to any U3A.
- Each U3A is self-funded with membership subscriptions and costs kept as low as possible.
- Outside financial assistance should only be sought if it does not imperil the integrity of the U3A movement.

