

# Membership or Renewal Application 2026-2027



## YOUR DETAILS

Title	First Name	Surname			
Email				Telephone	
Address					
Postcode					
In case of emergency	Name			Telephone	
Are these details the same as on your previous form?					
Yes		No		New member	

## MEMBERSHIP FEES for the year from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2026

The membership fee is **£14.00** unless you are also a member of another u3a in which case the fee is **£10.50**. Membership is renewable on March 31<sup>st</sup> annually. The fee includes a £4.00 membership fee paid to our national organisation, the Third Age Trust, which provides a wide range of services and benefits, including liability insurance cover.

If claiming the reduced rate, please state to which other u3a you belong and that membership number:	
Renewing members – please enter your Thatcham u3a membership number here, if you know it:	

## u3a Magazine

u3a Matters is published 5 times a year. The magazine is free to members however we request that you pay for the postage, which is currently **£4:20 per-year**.

If you wish to receive the magazine, you are also consenting to be added to the Direct Mailing list of the distributors of the magazine. If you agree please tick the box below:

I consent to my data being shared with the company who oversee the distribution of the Trust Magazines. I am willing to pay **£4:20** postage per-year.

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF MEMBERSHIP

All members must:

- Abide by the Principles of the u3a movement.
- Always act in the best interests of the u3a and never do anything to bring the u3a into disrepute.
- Abide by the terms/conditions of the constitution available on our website <https://thatcham.u3asite.uk/>
- Treat fellow members with respect and courtesy at all times.
- Comply with and support the decisions of the elected committee.

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- Advise the committee of any change in your personal details.
- Photographs may be taken during u3a activities and could be uploaded to the website or used in publicity material. If you do not wish to be in such photographs it is your responsibility to make this known to the photographer at the time.

## PRIVACY STATEMENT

Thatcham u3a requires members to provide their personal information so that you can be kept informed about events and activities that are offered as part of your membership. In collecting your information Thatcham u3a will:

- Store it securely.
- Use it to communicate with you as a u3a member.
- Share your information with group leaders/convenors for those groups that you are a member of.
- Send you general information about the Third Age Trust, the national office to which all u3as are affiliated.

## PAYMENT

Please pay **the membership fee**, plus **extra magazine postage if applicable**, using one of the methods outlined below:

	Bank Transfer to Thatcham u3a Exec A/C: Account number 03299150; Sort code 30-95-89 (please put your name in the 'your reference' box)
	Cash given to <b>Thatcham u3a Membership Secretary or Treasurer</b>
	Cheque made payable to <b>Thatcham u3a</b>

## GIFT AID

If you are a UK taxpayer, you can make your donation to the Thatcham u3a go even further. Tax law allows us to increase the value of your donation by 25%, at no extra cost to you. Please see the Gift Aid Form on page 3, if you wish to donate in this way.

## DECLARATION AND SIGNATURE

I apply for membership of Thatcham u3a and confirm that I will abide by the terms of membership as stated above and I have paid using one of the above methods. (An electronic signature is acceptable.)

<b>Signed</b>		<b>Date</b>	
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Please hand/send this form to the Membership Secretary Ann-marie Riddle: [membership@thatchamu3a.org.uk](mailto:membership@thatchamu3a.org.uk)

or post to Laureldene, Burdens Heath, Upper Bucklebury, RG7 6SX Tel:01635 862295

## For admin use only:

Date Form Received	Payment Method	Logged in Beacon	Membership Number
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## Are you a UK taxpayer?

If you are, you can make your Thatcham u3a membership fee go further by completing this declaration. Tax law allows us to increase the value of your membership fee by 25p per £1 at no extra cost to you. The membership subscription for Thatcham u3a is £14, or £10.50 for members of another u3a, and Gift Aid will be claimed on this amount. This fee secures membership of the u3a only and does not secure rights to personal use of any facilities or services provided by the u3a. All the money that we are able to generate from this source will contribute to keeping our membership fees low.

**To claim Gift Aid you need to be a current UK taxpayer.**

<b>THATCHAM u3a GIFT AID DECLARATION</b>	
<b>To Gift Aid your donation please TICK BOTH boxes below and fill in your details:</b>	
	I would like Thatcham u3a to claim back tax on all donations I make for the membership year 2026 - 2027.
	<b>I am a current UK taxpayer.</b> I understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations, (including donations to other charities), HMRC may send me a demand for the difference.
Full name:	
Address:	
Signature:	Date:

Please fill in a new form every year so we can be sure our information is accurate. If your circumstances change and you are no longer a current UK taxpayer, or you change your mind, you may cancel your Gift Aid declaration at any time by contacting the Thatcham u3a Treasurer via our website <https://thatcham.u3asite.uk> or email [treasurer@thatchamu3a.org.uk](mailto:treasurer@thatchamu3a.org.uk).

Please return this form to the Treasurer or Membership Secretary of Thatcham u3a with your membership application or renewal form.

Thank you, your help is appreciated.

Treasurer to fill in amount of donation:
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