

Notes on the Reciprocal Agreements Lichfield u3a has with other u3a's

1. East Staffordshire Link Reciprocal Agreement made October 2015

This agreement was drawn up by representatives from BURTON ON TRENT, CANNOCK CHASE, LICHFIELD, STAFFORD, SUTTON COLDFIELD, TAMWORTH and WALSALL u3a's.

NB this arrangement does not apply to Burntwood u3a who are a recent addition to the East Staffordshire Link, but do not have a Reciprocal Agreement with the other members of the group.

All members of the 7 original u3a's within the East Staffordshire Link group are welcome to attend the others' group and social activities. Those u3a's which use Beacon as a tool to organise their finance, membership and communications may charge a nominal membership fee (e.g. Sutton Coldfield u3a charges £1). As at the date of this document the others do not.

The following three conditions must be met.

- a. Prior contact with the organiser or activity group leader (as appropriate) must be made to ensure there is a vacancy (vacancies to be reviewed annually).
- b. Current membership cards to be shown on request.
- c. The appropriate session fee must be paid.

2. Lichfield & Uttoxeter u3a's Reciprocal Agreement made November 2013

Lichfield u3a and Uttoxeter u3a have entered into a reciprocal agreement which means members from either u3a can access the facilities of the other u3a. This will allow Lichfield and Uttoxeter members should they wish, to join a group, go on an outing or attend an event in either u3a without having to pay an annual membership fee to that association. A normal group, meeting or outings fee will apply. The same conditions apply as in 1a, 1b and 1c above.

It is important to remember that priority is always given to own members first.

If you want to be sure of retaining your place in your chosen group in the other u3a then you should join them as an Associate Member. This means that you will pay a reduced fee for that u3a and that you will receive any regular communications that they send out.

Lichfield u3a has decided that, for the time being, our policy towards members of other u3a's will not change. That is, we will only charge them the meeting fee for their chosen group.

Group Leaders should ensure that they periodically check attendees' membership cards. Any new attendees should be asked for their cards on their first visit so that a record can be kept. If they are not members of a u3a they can attend twice before we ask them to join Lichfield u3a. If they wish to join either suggest that they come to a Main Meeting, or that they use the Lichfield u3a website to send an enquiry about joining, or give them the Membership Secretary's email address: <mailto:lichfieldu3a.membership@gmail.com>

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