

## Networks can support

Committee members  
Interest groups  
Group conveners  
Group co-ordinators  
Social activities  
Training sessions  
Open days  
A Charity event

**The Third Age Trust  
support Networks**

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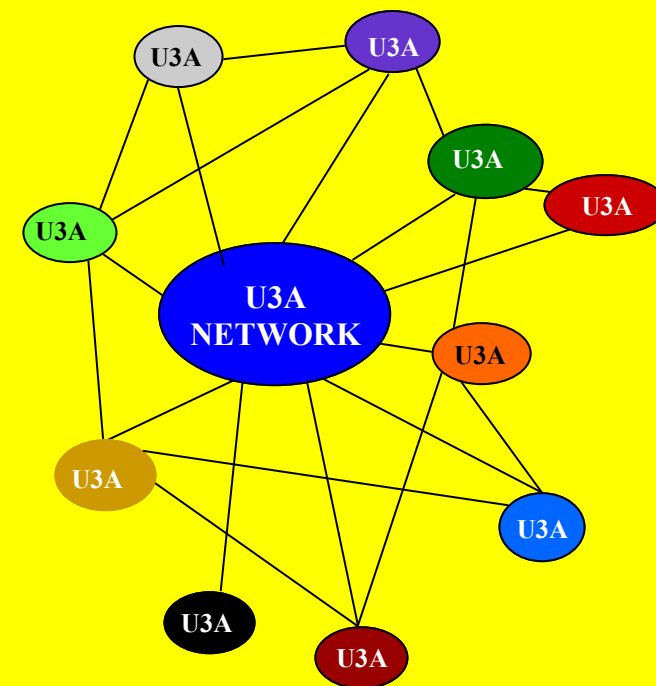
## How do Networks operate?

The extent of involvement depends on  
those U3As within the Network.

### Some of the possibilities:

Regular meetings  
Exchange best practice ideas  
Discuss local issues  
Discuss new ideas  
Provide a resource of experience  
Share skills  
Develop solutions to challenges  
Share interest groups  
Organise study days  
Organise workshops  
Develop and share speaker lists  
Organise SLP projects  
Develop research projects  
Produce a newsletter  
Arrange inter-U3A competitions  
Share resources  
Link with external organisations

## Why join a Network?



# Why you should belong to a Network

## *Networking — widens the opportunities for your U3A*

### *Committee members*

*Mutual support between U3As  
Shared learning, best practice and ideas  
Shared discussion, and problem solving  
A focus for receiving/delivering feedback  
to The Third Age Trust*

### *Treasurer*

*Mutual support for new treasurers  
Local treasurer seminars/workshops*

### *Newsletter editor*

*Shared editor  
Shared newsletters*

### *Publicity*

*Combine information on material  
to reduce cost*

### *Group Co-ordinators/Conveners*

*Share expertise and presentations  
Open groups between neighbouring U3As  
Study days  
Interest group visits/outings*

### *Membership Secretary*

*Share database expertise  
Hot mail and distribution*

### *Webmaster*

*Shared website/webmaster  
Local webmaster forums*

### *Social committee*

*Joint outings, visits, holidays                      and more.....*



Hertfordshire Network meeting

**What are the disadvantages? - None!**

**What is my next step?—Talk to your Regional Trustee**