



Dear New Member,

Thank you for choosing to become a member of Southport u3a. On behalf of the Committee and myself, I should like to extend a warm welcome to you and hope you find the u3a a beneficial addition to your lifestyle.

The attached documents are to assist you to make the best advantage of your membership. You will find details of all our many Interest Groups together with how and when to join them. Our quarterly printed magazine, monthly online newsletter, website and daily updates will deliver a wealth of information about what is going on in your u3a. If you have Internet access, there is a wealth of additional information online. If you wish to register for our regular daily and monthly updates, you can do so at: [www.southportu3a.org.uk](http://www.southportu3a.org.uk).

Please join us at our monthly meetings at Christ Church on Lord Street – first Thursday of the month from 10.00am. There you will find out more, meet the Group Leaders, register for trips and events, enjoy a coffee and an interesting talk – and meet your fellow members!

With nearly 100 Interest Groups there is plenty to do. Our motto is appropriately ‘Learn, Laugh, Live’ echoing the variety of activities on offer from astronomy to bridge to badminton; crochet to coach trips; dancing to drama and so on. The u3a ethos is ‘By the u3a for the u3a’, so you will find everyone is a volunteer, and a very friendly bunch. If you feel you would like to be more involved in a small or big way, maybe start a new group we haven’t thought of yet – or just help in some way, please let us know.

You will be invited to a new members coffee morning. Do come along, this will enable you to better understand what is on offer, meet the Group Leaders, the Committee and make new acquaintances.

We hope this is the beginning of an enriched retirement with camaraderie and new purpose. We look forward to meeting you very soon.

Best wishes

Christine Howorth