



u3a Mileage Allowance 2026

Considering the current volatility in fuel costs, Trustees agree at their meeting on April 16th, 2026, to maintain the 2025 mileage allowance rates, and keep this under review.

Rationale for 2025: 'The price of fuel has fallen back from its peak with the average price of petrol at 127p per litre (£5.77 per gallon) and Diesel at 134p per litre (£6.09 per gallon).

Looking at cars' average mileage on petrol we can expect say 30mpg and on diesel say 35mpg although this will heavily depend on the type of journey, much lower in town!

Based on the above figures both petrol and diesel come out at about 17/19p per mile but if we drop the mileage for petrol to 25 mpg and diesel to 30 mpg then the costs will become nearer to 23/20p.

On balance I would recommend that we set the allowance at 24p per mile for the time being on the basis that most u3a journey's will involve a fair amount of local travel and 24 is easily divisible by 2,3 and 4.

Review to take place when process have fallen by a further 10p.

Thus, the following applies:

4 people in car	6p per mile
3 people in car	8 p per mile
2 people in car	12p per mile

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