



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	1	April	2023		31	March	2024

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name Men in Sheds MK

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1156425

Charity's principal address 30 Burners Lane

Kiln Farm

Milton Keynes

Postcode

MK11 3HB

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Michael West	Chair		Annual General Meeting
3	Nigel Pigott	Secretary		Annual General Meeting
4	Henry Suppiah	Treasurer		Annual General Meeting

Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Financial – Independent Examiner	John Baucutt	JRB Bookkeeping Services, 6 Grace Way, Stevenage SG1 5AA

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

n/a

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	CIO Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	CIO
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Election, co-option

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

The CIO is a member of the UK Men's Sheds Association (UKMSA) and has a close relationship with its landlord, the Milton Keynes Community Foundation, which from time to time funds specific initiatives at the Shed.

Risks are identified and managed by the Trustees in liaison with the Management Committee.

Section C

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The objects of the CIO are: to promote the preservation and protection of men's good health, for the public benefit, in particular but not limited to those who are retired, unemployed or have health problems, through the provision of facilities for hobbies, recreation or other leisure time occupations including practical interests, skills sharing, the learning of new skills, and contributing to community-based projects.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The Shed has continued to undertake construction and repair projects in support of local schools, town and parish councils and other volunteer groups. Some examples can be viewed on our website: www.meninshedsmk.org.uk. It also supports local repair cafes and responds to individual requests for the repair and construction of household items

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

In the spring of 2024, we were advised by our landlords, the Milton Keynes Community Foundation, that we would have to leave our current premises in 2026/7 to enable the building to be refurbished and re-let at full commercial rates. As this will be beyond our means we will now seek alternative accommodation and will focus on the accumulation of a 'war chest' to cover the cost of relocation.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

See Section C above.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Financial reserves to the extent of one year's operation are held in our bank accounts

Details of any funds materially in deficit

n/a

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The primary source of funds is regular donations by members and occasional donations by supporters and beneficiaries of the Shed's work.

All expenditure is directed to improving the accommodation and facilities in support of the charity's objectives.

The bank balance continues to be healthy but we have been fortunate in attracting a number of new donating members. We expect increased energy costs in 2024 to have a significant adverse effect on our finances and ways of mitigating this are currently being addressed by the trustees.

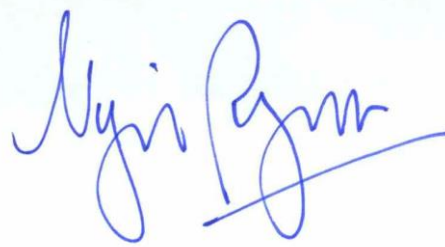
Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Full name(s) Michael West

Nigel Pigott


Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair

Secretary

Date

21/1/2025

 MEN IN SHEDS MILTON KEYNES	MEN IN SHEDS MK 1156425		CC 16A
	Period start date 1/4/2023	To 31/3/2024	

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restrict ed funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
Receipts				
Membership fees	200	0	200	150
Donations	9,641	0	9,641	6,698
Local Giving	24,621	0	24,621	20,306
Matched Funding	2,521	0	2,521	2,225
Grant Funding	4,228	0	4,228	0
Sale of Goods	5,222	0	5,222	3,280
Other	584	0	584	0
Interest	71	0	71	8
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	47,087	0	47,087	32,667
Asset and investment sales				
Interest	0	0	0	
Sale of investments	0	0	0	0
Sub total	47,087	0	47,087	0
Total receipts	47,087	0	47,087	32,667
Payments				
Rent	10,337	0	10,337	8,335
Insurance	516	0	516	2,242
Power	4,154	0	4,154	3,003
Telephone, Internet	1,352	0	1,352	599
Water	508	0	508	360
Health and Saftey	1,300	0	1,300	359
Consumables	2,466	0	2,466	2,546
Fixtures	4,254	0	4,254	0
Waste disposal	816	0	816	929
Other	2,606	0	2,606	8,279
Sub total	28,308	0	28,308	26,651

Asset and investment purchases

Hand and power Tools (>£25)	0	0	0	0
Workshop machines	300	0	300	2,124
Sub total	300	0	300	2,124

Total payments	28,608	0	28,608	28,775
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Net of receipts/(payments)	18,478	0	18,478	3,892
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Transfers between funds	0	0	0	0
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Cash funds last year end				38,459
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Cash funds this year end	56,937	0	56,937	
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Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total current Period	Last year
	to nearest £	to nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
Cash funds				
Current account	50,805	0	50,805	32,398
Deposit account	6,132	0	6,132	6,062
Cash	0		0	0
Total cash funds	56,937	0	56,937	38,459
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))				
Buildings	0		0	
Large items of machinery	13,500		14,250	
Power tools	1,110		1,110	
Hand tools	2,075		2,075	
Other assets	7,000		7,000	
MakerSpace	4,450		4,450	
			28,885	0

Liabilities

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Print Name

Date of approval

Michael West

21/1/2025

Nigel Pigott

21/1/2026






Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name

John Robert Baucutt

On accounts for the year
ended

31 March 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1156425

Set out on pages

Given Below

the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

Responsibilities and basis
of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's
statement

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]].
Delete [] if not applicable.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

J.R. Baucutt

Date:

01/08/2024

Name:

John Robert Baucutt

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

Fellow of the Institute of Certified Bookkeepers (FICB)
Corporate Member of the Institute of Personnel & Development (MCIPD)

Address: 6 Grace Way, Stevenage, Hertfordshire, SG1 5AA.

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

