

# THE DUSTY SHED

England & Wales · Charity number 1168742

## Details

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**Other names** CARDIFF MEN IN SHEDS, CMIS

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2016-08-11

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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## Activities

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**Objects:** A) TO PROMOTE HEALTH AND WELLBEING BY REDUCING THE LONELINESS AND ISOLATION OF INDIVIDUALS, PARTICULARLY BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY MEN AGED 50+, LIVING IN CARDIFF AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS THROUGH THE PROVISION OF 'SHEDS'; COMMUNITY BASED PROJECTS WHERE INDIVIDUALS CAN SHARE, LEARN AND SOCIALISE WITH EACH OTHER IN AN INCLUSIVE ENVIRONMENT. B) TO PROMOTE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE INHABITANTS OF CARDIFF AND THE SURROUNDING AREA THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR RECREATION OR OTHER LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION OF INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE NEED OF SUCH FACILITIES BY REASON OF THEIR YOUTH, AGE, INFIRMITY OR DISABLEMENT, FINANCIAL HARDSHIP OR SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC CIRCUMSTANCES OR FOR THE PUBLIC AT LARGE IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITION OF LIFE OF THE SAID INHABITANTS. C) TO PROMOTE SOCIAL AND COMMUNITY INCLUSION FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT BY ENCOURAGING PARTICIPATION BY THOSE WHO ARE SOCIALLY EXCLUDED IN PROJECTS THAT PROMOTE INTERDEPENDENCE, INTERGENERATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS AND KINSHIP BETWEEN PEOPLE OF DIFFERING BACKGROUNDS, CULTURES AND ABILITIES. I. FOR THE PURPOSE OF THIS CLAUSE 'SOCIALLY EXCLUDED' MEANS BEING EXCLUDED FROM SOCIETY, OR PART OF SOCIETY, AS A RESULT OF BEING A MEMBER OF A SOCIALLY AND ECONOMICALLY DEPRIVED COMMUNITY. D) TO PROMOTE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC THE CONSERVATION, PROTECTION AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE PHYSICAL AND NATURAL ENVIRONMENT BY EDUCATING, ENCOURAGING AND ASSISTING THE LOCAL POPULATION IN ENVIRONMENTAL PRACTICE, WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH SIMILAR GROUPS AND ORGANISATIONS. THIS WILL INCLUDE THE PROMOTION OF PRACTICAL MEASURES FOR THE RECYCLING, REPAIRING AND UP-CYCLING OF ITEMS.

**Activities:** Provision of activities, predominantly woodworking, for people with time on their hands. The aim is to tackle social exclusion by providing an environment where people can get involved as much or as little as they wish with the activities.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Recreation
- **Who:** Elderly/old People, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- Cardiff

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-06-30	£19,499	£17,552	-	-
2024-06-30	£24,765	£17,289	-	-
2023-06-30	£14,315	£13,982	-	-
2022-06-30	£5,776	£7,820	-	-
2021-06-30	£15,142	£20,758	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Laurence Bernard Maher		2025-04-17
Margaret Lyons		2025-05-20
Mari Dunphy		2024-04-10
Richard Nelmes		2024-04-10
Stephen Lyons		2025-05-20

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# Accounts

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# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date				Period end date		
From	01	07	2024	To	30	06	2025

## Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name **The Dusty Shed**

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1168742

Charity's principal address 460 Cowbridge Road West

Cardiff

Postcode **CF5 5BZ**

### 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 Penelope Smith	Trustee - Chair	01/07/24 to 17/04/25	AGM
2 Michelle Powell	Trustee	01/07/24 to 17/04/25	AGM
3 Richard Nelmes	Trustee	Whole period	AGM
4 Elliott Crabtree	Trustee	01/07/24 to 17/04/25	AGM
5 Mari Dunphy	Trustee	Whole period	AGM
6 Laurence Maher	Trustee	17/04/24 to 30/06/25	AGM
7 Margaret 'Mags' Lyons	Trustee - Chair	20/05/25 to 30/06/25	Trustee Committee
8 Stephen Lyons	Trustee	20/05/25 to 30/06/25	Trustee Committee

### 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

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

The Shed executive is the Trustee Committee.  
All members are volunteers and participate in the communal management of the organisation.

## Section B Structure, governance and management

### Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Formal Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Association
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	All trustees are volunteers. They are either elected by the membership at an AGM; or if a vacancy occurs between AGMs, a replacement is appointed by the other trustees at a formal Trustee Committee Meeting.

### 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.

All new Trustees are provided with a copy of the Charity Commission Pack for new trustees, and are encouraged to attend the free trustee's training provided by the Cardiff 3<sup>rd</sup> Sector Council (C3SC).

Three of the eight trustees who served during the reporting period have had a close association with the Shed prior to volunteering to become a trustee. Those that have been Shed members are already conversant with the policies and procedures and the wider network of interaction with other organisations. Those that have not had a previous association with the Shed are provided with a briefing pack and full guided tour of the facility and introduction to the other members.

Three of the current trustees are also Shed members and play an active role in the day-to-day running of the Shed and provide feedback at Trustee Meetings on membership issues.

There is also a Shedders Committee that holds bi-monthly meetings. This committee deals with day-to-day management issues and brings to the trustees' attention any issues that may require trustee intervention and/or mediation.

There is also a Shedders bi-monthly meeting, to which all Shed members are invited. This is a forum to discuss opportunities, issues, questions, concerns and improvements. Anything unable to be resolved in the meetings is escalated to the Shedders Committee.

During the reporting period a full risk assessment of the Shed working environment was undertaken and where appropriate:

- old machine and tool related safety guards were replaced or updated;
- all personal safety gear was reviewed and any defective items replaced; and
- the dust extraction and air purification systems serviced.

The trustees will continue to monitor safety in the work environment and any financial risks that could threaten the continued viability of the Shed.

The trustees confirm that they have had due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning its activities for the year. The charity remains committed to ensuring that its work delivers tangible benefits to the public in line with its charitable purposes.

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

The Mission of the Dusty as stated in our Constitution is:

To facilitate the coming together of lonely and socially isolated people, with emphasis on older men, in a physically and emotionally safe environment where they can participate, with their peers, in woodworking, craft and social activities.

The Shed does not discriminate against anyone on the basis of race, gender, religion or beliefs; however, due to the working environment where dangerous tools and high-speed machinery is operating, the participation by some physically impaired members is restricted to the social activities only.

**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)**

Our last AGM was held on 17 April 2025; a copy of the draft minutes is attached; these will be ratified at the 2026 AGM.

The Trustees and Shedders' Committee gave full reports to the AGM of Shed activities for the reporting period. A brief summary of the most significant items in these reports is included below:

**Report to the AGM:**

- Significant events during the reporting period -

October 2024      The Shed was visited by Plaid Cymru party leader Rhun ap Iorwerth (MS) and Liz Saville Roberts (MP) together with their entourage and BBC TV crew. A short clip of the Shed appeared on the BBC news later in the day.

March 2025      The Shed was visited by 3 members of The Royal British Legion to discuss synergies between RBL and Men's Sheds. The visit lasted about 45 minutes. It had been arranged by Robert Visintainer of UK Men's Shed Association - Cymru Development Manager for Wales.

- Significant events during the reporting period -

April 2024      10 Shed members visited the Viridor recycling facility in Trident Park, Ocean Way, Cardiff. The facility accepts waste from local authorities across South Wales. This was followed by a pub lunch.

May 2024      Becky Matyus of ACE, conducted 'Most significant change' interviews with 3-4 Shed members which enquired into what affects the Shed had had on members' mental health. The interviews were compiled into reports.

June 2024      Penny Smith chaired the 'Most significant change' evaluation panel. Discussions were centred around the reports produced by Becky Matyus.

August 2024      The Shed held a barbecue for members in the yard 'breakout area'. Cooking by Peter, shopping and organised by Mari and Peter.

September 2024      5 large planters were made for Nant Caerau infants school in conjunction with St. Vincent de Paul of Ely Bridge.

October 2024      4 large planters were made for Lansdown Primary school.

4 large planters were made for Pen-Caerau Primary school.

	A door was made for Grow Cardiff for their polytunnel at the rear of ACE.
December 2024	Peter organised members to make 8 bird nesting boxes as flat packs for each of 2 schools in Caerau to be assembled by the school children.
January 2025	Members gathered to wish oldest member Cliff a happy 95 <sup>th</sup> birthday.  ACE staircase was fitted with hand rails by Laurence, Peter and Richard. These successfully aided ascending for staff with mobility issues. Particularly for ACE Director Michelle.  Dave made a door to replace the existing one leading from the yard 'breakout area' to the rear of ACE. The new door was better fitted and more secure.
February 2025	Members contributed donations totalling £123.50 for Riverside Community Garden in Llandaff to help with rebuilding their Shed / Meeting Place that had been razed to the ground by arsonists in December.
March 2025	A large quantity of tools in Victoria Park were donated by a daughter whose father had died. These had been collected by a team of Shed members and in turn were collected by Anthony of TWAM (Tools with a mission).  A Rabbit hutch was refurbished for Grow Cardiff by Peter, Jason, Keith and Roger then painted by Keith.  Jennie very kindly took over the membership role from Tony who wished to reduce the size of his role in the Shed.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We work closely with ACE (Action in Caerau &amp; Ely – commonly known as 'The Dusty Forge'). ACE initiated action that led to the formation of The Dusty Shed in 2016. ACE is also our landlord; they own the building and land on which we are situated. A formal tenancy agreement details the repair and maintenance services provided by The Dusty Shed in lieu of rent. To maintain dialogue between our two organisations on relevant issues, one member of ACE executive staff has been invited to be a trustee of the Dusty Shed. This gives us direct access at the management level to discuss cooperation and resolve issues. There has not been an ACE executive trustee since 17/04/2025 but the option remains open.</li> <li>• Another area of close cooperation between the Shed and an ACE activity, is the support we provide for the monthly Repair Café. Having a Shed member as part of the Repair Café team allows access to a range non-portable tools in our workshop, and this allows the ACE Repair Café to undertake some jobs that other Repair Cafés cannot.</li> </ul>

## Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

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

- policy on grant making;
- policy programme related investment;
- contributions made by volunteers.

The Dusty Shed does not have support workers and clients. All members are volunteers who provide peer-to-peer support; hence, they are also our clients.

New members joining the Shed are looking for some form of support; and initially it is not always clear to us, or them, what form that support should take. Individuals who have recently suffered a bereavement are often simply looking for company. Others who have recently retired, or are recovering from physical or mental illness, are looking for an activity to occupy their mind or give them a new direction in life. These new members are in what we could call the 'Client' phase.

After these new members settle in, make friends, and find an activity of interest for them to participate in, they begin to help with the introduction of more recent new members and become involved in running activities and Shed administration. They are then 'fully active' members.

In what could be called the 'Tertiary stage' of membership, some members start to take on leading roles in Shed administration and organisation/management of events and wider liaison with other organisations. Some others remain stalwart members content to simply be part of the group. And, of course, some having found what they were looking for move on to other things.

We like to think of what we do as changing people from an 'I cannot' to an 'I can' frame of mind.

## Section D

## Achievements and performance

### Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The following is a list of regular activities that the Shed engages in during every reporting period to provide support to our members:

- Provision of a meeting place where they can engage in woodworking, craft activities, play games, or simply sit and have a chat with fellow members over a cuppa.
- Provide personal support through our WhatsApp group and telephone calls to members who, due to sickness, infirmity or other reasons, are unable to attend the Shed.
- Support members who are in hospital or experiencing emotional problems due to their current circumstances.
- Provide physical support where necessary in the form of assistance with shopping and transport.

Over the years our shed has accumulated many tools that were offered to us from deceased estates and old tools that we have replaced with newer models, all of them still in working order although requiring a little refurbishment. So, during the reporting period we continued contact with Tools With A Mission (TWAM) to see if they might be interested in them. TWAM is a charity that collects unwanted usable tools, refurbishes them, sorts them into trade tool kits, and sends them to the developing world for livelihood creation. In doing so they also help UK communities through volunteering opportunities and contribute significantly to environment sustainability, by reducing waste and carbon emissions in the UK. Annually TWAM sends almost 400 tonnes of tools to over 500 organisations in Sub-Saharan Africa. A TWAM representative visited our Shed a number of times during the reporting period and took delivery of a full car boot of tools.

## Section D

## Achievements and performance

We provided the following support for the work of ACE:

- Undertake minor repairs and maintenance.
- Support for their monthly Repair Café to undertake general repairs and back-up support for other repairers.
- Support for their craft activities.

## Section E

## Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

We hold sufficient reserves to cover payment of all our envisaged costs should a situation occur that required The Dusty Shed to cease operating and close.

We have limited regular income from member subscriptions, and we bid for grants, principally through C3SC and the National Lottery 'Awards for All' scheme, to cover our overheads and day-to-day running/maintenance costs for our tools and woodworking machines.

We also periodically bid for funding from other grant providing organisations to procure new equipment or undertake more significant development projects.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

Nil

### 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.

We do not impose any compulsory fees on our members; however we set an optional attendance contribution and ask for member donations to cover tea & coffee costs and subsidise social activities. We do sell some of the items produced by our members and we accept commission work from people wanting items of garden furniture or custom items to fit in confined spaces, etc.

We do not have any investments.

Although not mandatory for a small charity, our accounts were fully reviewed by a partner charity's finance officer and certified to be correct.

## 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

<b>Signature(s)</b>		
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Margaret Lyons	Richard Nelmes
<b>Position</b>	Chair of Trustee Committee	Trustee
<b>Date</b>	8th April 2026	8th April 2026

**Attachments:**

- 1. Trustees' Report to members for the 17<sup>th</sup> April 2025 AGM**



Registered Charity No: 1168742

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE DUSTY SHED**

**HELD ON WEDNESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> April 2025 at 17:00**

### **TRUSTEES REPORT TO MEMBERS**

#### **Introduction**

The last Annual general Meeting (AGM) of the Dusty Shed was held Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2024. In accordance with our Constitution, this AGM is being held within 15 months of that date. Accordingly, this report covers the period from 12<sup>th</sup> April 2024 to 17<sup>th</sup> April 2025.

#### **Mission of The Dusty Shed**

Our mission is to facilitate the coming together of lonely and socially isolated people, with emphasis on older men, in a physically and emotionally safe environment where they can participate, with their peers, in woodworking, craft and social activities.

#### **Governance and Trustees**

The Dusty Shed is a registered charity with the Charity Commission of England and Wales and must operate within the guidance provided by that Commission. In accordance with that guidance, the Dusty Shed has developed a governing document, The Dusty Shed Constitution, which has been accepted by a general meeting of Shed members.

Our Constitution requires the appointment of trustees to undertake governance of The Dusty Shed, and specifies the requirements for their selection and appointment.

The trustees are responsible for ensuring that all activities of The Dusty Shed comply with, and contribute to, the Mission and Objectives specified in the Constitution; and that those activities are also conducted in accordance with the legislative requirements of Wales and the United Kingdom.

Over recent years the requirement to comply with contemporary legislation has become a significant issue for the trustees, because public scrutiny of the performance of charitable organisations in regard to areas such as health and safety, discrimination and financial probity, has increased significantly. This has had a flow-on effect for our fund-raising team who have had to identify and apply for grants to provide the training, equipment, and evaluation review mechanisms necessary for our compliance.

As detailed in last year's Trustees' report - Health & Safety training, use of personal hearing & eye protection and use of the procured noise measuring instrument - has been introduced into The Shed activities programme.

During the reporting period the Trustees held meetings on the following dates:

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2024,  
Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2024,  
Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2025,  
Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2025 and  
Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2025.

A record of the proceedings of these meetings has been filed on the Trustees' cloud storage and a printed copy in the Trustee Meetings Minute Book where it is available to registered Shed members on request.

The following are the trustees who served the Shed during the reporting period:

Penelope Smith	Trustee - Chair	01/07/24 to 17/04/25
Michelle Powell	Trustee	01/07/24 to 17/04/25
Richard Nelmes	Trustee	Whole period
Elliott Crabtree	Trustee	01/07/24 to 17/04/25
Mari Dunphy	Trustee	Whole period

The trustees have been well supported in their work by George Keane who attends all meetings and produces the record of proceedings (minutes).

George is employed by ACE. ACE invoice The Dusty Shed for one day per week to undertake duties for the Shed under direction of the Shed Trustees. George spreads this time over the week to the equivalent of one day per week.

## Financial Management

The Trustees are also responsible for ensuring the financial viability of the Dusty Shed. In this regard they are responsible for forecasting the future funding requirements, identifying and applying for suitable grants, managing the expenditure of grant monies, and reporting back to the funding bodies on the benefit the Shed has derived for the money they provided. We have been fortunate over the year to have trustees with the experience and talent to undertake these tasks. We were particularly fortunate to have had Penny Smith use her fund raising experience to apply to organisations for funding to finance the many activities we have undertaken and the excellent range of machine and hand tools we have in our workshop.

The Treasurer will provide a separate report on Shed finances. On behalf of all Shed members, the trustees would like to thank Gavin Davidson and Paul Perera for the work they have put in over the reporting period to prepare the accounts.

## Shedders

The formal structure of the Shedders' Committee was documented last year. The division of responsibilities between the trustees and shedders in regard to the running of shed activities and management of finances has continued to operate successfully.

The Shedders meetings are held every two months. During the reporting period meetings were held on the following dates:

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2024  
Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> August 2024  
Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2024,  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2024,  
Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2025 and,  
Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2025.

A record of the proceedings of these meetings has been filed on the Trustees' cloud storage and a printed copy in the Shedders' Meetings Minute Book where it is available to registered Shed members on request.

The trustees would like to thank the Chair of the Shedders Committee Laurence Maher, and Peter Kearns, who manages Shed finances at the working level, for the excellent job they have done to coordinate Shed activities, training, and the continued implementation of health & safety procedures.

The Chair of the Shedders Committee will provide a separate report on Shed activities.

## Significant Events

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## **Equipment**

Several new items of equipment have been purchased during the reporting period and a range of safety items have been added.

## **Association with ACE (Action in Caerau and Ely)**

ACE initiated action that led to the formation of the Dusty Shed in 2016. ACE is also our landlord; they own the building and land on which The Dusty Shed is located. The formal tenancy agreement to provide repair and maintenance services in lieu of rent that was agreed last year, has continued to work successfully.

One area of close cooperation between the Shed and an ACE activity is the support we provide for the monthly Repair Café. Having a Shed member as part of the Repair Café team allows access to the range of non-portable tools in our workshop, and this allows the ACE Repair Café to undertake some jobs, such as sharpening gardening tools, that other Repair Cafés are unable to.

To maintain dialogue between our two organisations on relevant issues, one member of ACE executive staff is invited to become a trustee of the Dusty Shed. This gives us direct access at the management level to discuss problems and resolve issues.

The relationship between ACE and the Shed has continued successfully during the reporting period, with a lot of interaction between ACE project staff and The Dusty Shed members. The Dusty Shed members continue to use ACE facilities and ACE continues to refer new members to our group.

## **Conclusion**

The Trustees believe that our Shed has played a significant role in improving the social wellbeing of the local community by providing a facility, and an atmosphere, where lonely and socially isolated people can regain their self-confidence by engaging in activities, making new friends, and feeling that their life experiences are valued.

The Trustees also believe that the Dusty Shed is financially solvent with sufficient funds to continue operating for another twelve months; and we are reasonably confident that for the foreseeable future new grants will be obtained to cover the non-discretionary overhead costs of electricity, insurance and contract with ACE for George - the Shed development officer.

We also believe that the recent purchases of new equipment has upgraded the capabilities of the workshop to a standard that can cope with most projects that Shed members are likely to undertake individually or become involved in as a group.

Penny Smith  
(Chair of Trustee Committee)

4<sup>th</sup> April 2025

## **2. Minutes of Annual General Meeting of 17<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

# The Dusty Shed Annual General Meeting at ACE - Our Place: Dusty Forge, Main Hall, Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> Apr 2025, 5pm - 7pm

## **Attendees:**

Penny Smith	Chair Trustee
Mari Dunphy	Trustee
Richard Nelmes	Trustee
Gavin Davidson	Treasurer (non-Trustee)
Laurence Maher	Chair of Dusty Shed Members Committee
George Keane	Dusty Shed Development Officer
Apologies	Michelle Powell - Trustee
	Elliot Crabtree - Treasurer

Members also attended: Darren George, Doug Smith, Jannie Perera, John Rasmussen, Mark Salter, Paul Perera, Peter Kearns, Tony Wallace, Owen Evans.

## **1. Welcome**

The Chair opened the meeting at 5:10pm, welcomed all members present to the meeting and thanked ACE for providing the venue.

## **2. Minutes of the previous AGM held on 10<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

The Chair proposed that the previous year's AGM minutes are correct as written. Seconded by Tony Wallace and Laurence Maher.

## **3. Chair's Report**

The Chair thanked everyone, in whatever capacity, for their hard work and working together as a team. The Shed had expanded its openings, from 3 days to 4 days, it has a good turnout for Shed members meetings and good companionship amongst members. The Shed Committee is operating very well, where everything is kept organised, shed spaces are clean, as well as managing Shed's petty cash, membership and registrations. Many thanks for all the behind-the-scenes work. This work is important, such as keeping the register of attendance by members. This provided evidence of increased attendance and the value placed by members, and therefore can be written into funding applications to help secure funding.

Many thanks to the Trustees throughout the year, and to the support to help update the policies and procedures. Also, the team work between trustees to help finance accounting and IT support.

A special note is given to ACE, as they provide an important relationship and agreement to the Dusty Shed, where we get free rent in exchange for 2 days per month work by Shed members to undertake jobs around the building.

A key point in the year was the evaluation work that members participated in last summer. This work contributed to the raising funds and showed the need for the Wellbeing Group, a further day session was needed, as well as to develop community contributions, building on Shed members giving back to the local community and community skill sharing. This all helped secure the full amount of funding for the next year.

Though I will be stepping down as Chair, I will continue to help with funding bids and applications for the Dusty Shed.

A very great thank you to be involved with you all.

## **3. Treasurer's Report**

It was a successful year as we had income which exceeded expenditure, which meant we had a surplus at the end of the year, to assist with the day-to-day spends.

Current year starts with £15,500 in the bank, and we received £16,000 from the National Lottery. This provides a net surplus of over £30,000, but we need to be cautious as we may be in difficulties by the end of the financial year. This is due to starting the financial year with the £15,500, and not receiving the National Lottery funding until the last quarter of the year.

Gavin will be stepping down as Treasurer. Mari has agreed to becoming Treasurer, and will be supported by Gavin. Agreed by members.

Trustees agreed that there should be additional training and support for Mari to do the Treasurer role.

#### Moving AGM and Shed's Financial Year

There was a discussion on whether it was worth moving the AGM to be closer to the end of the Shed's financial year (June to the following May). Also, a further discussion on whether it was better for the Shed to move its financial year to April to the following March.

Proposed - to move the AGM to July, so that the event was closer to the end of the Shed's financial year.

Agreed - in principle, but will need further discussion in the Trustee meeting.

Seconded - Tony.

Moving the financial year to April will also be discussed at the next Shed Trustee meeting.

#### **4. Shed Members Committee Report**

A copy of this report will be an appendix to these minutes.

Additional points made include:

- Peter talked about the visit to Viridor, saying how good it was, and explained the process of how they deal with Cardiff Councils waste.
- Our eldest member Clifford Ward, now has dementia but is still pleased to be attending the Shed (though his condition is deteriorating).  
Richard wanted a special thankyou to Laurence, for driving Clifford to attend the shed each week for many years.
- Tony is now stepping down as Shed Membership Coordinator. This role will be taken up by Jennie. Many thanks to Tony for his work on managing the membership for many years.

#### **5. Trustee Resignations and Elections**

There are 3 Resignations:

Elliot Crabtree, Michelle Powell and Penny Smith.

Many thanks to these trustees for their time and efforts to the Dusty Shed.

There are 3 Nominations:

Laurence Mahar, Mags Lyons, Steve Lyons.

Proposed - Laurence as a Trustee - from Mari

Seconded - Richard

Nominations agreed by members.

Proposed - Trustees agree in principle for Mags and Steve as Trustees, but will discuss a next Trustee meeting.

#### **6. Any other business**

Purchase of new Planer/Thicknesser

Axminster Tools is closing down and is offering the Shed 25% off. Peter would like to purchase a new planer/thicknesser, but it was agreed that we should seek new funding to purchase this item.

#### **7. Meeting Close**

The AGM closed at 6:20pm.

### **3. Shed Committee report to Annual General Meeting of 17<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

# The Dusty Shed AGM

## Committee Report to Trustees and Members

The Committee comprises five members, they are Mari, Mark, Paul, Peter (vice chair) Laurence (chair).

The shed committee manages the day to day running of the shed, making sure everything is running as it should, ably supported by our Trustees, and led by Penny our chair of trustees, who has done an absolutely brilliant hands on job in the period she has been in office.

The Shed is open every Tuesday and Friday between 10am and 2pm for woodworking activities, members regularly bring different items from home to repair in the shed, that way there is always different members especially Dave and Peter on hand to give valuable advice.

The shed has recently opened on a Thursday for woodworking activity, led by Peter one of our lead volunteers, ably helped by Dave and Richard taking turns to assist, we decided that we needed a third day as we found at times had some overcrowding in the shed on Tuesday and Friday, and in the late winter early spring it was too cold for members to go out into the breakout area, Peter is best able to speak on the Thursday opening and how popular it has become.

Our fourth day is on a Wednesday a group called the Well-being Group, its run by Tony and has become popular, it lasts for about three hours of various discussions with tea coffee biscuits sat around our workbench when the guys open up for a couple of hours followed by an hour in the breakout area playing various games.

Gavin has been kind enough to take over my role on Tuesdays going forward, checking our Shed telephone for missed calls, any voicemails and text messages, also any paperwork that needs checking, as well as welcoming any potential future members. Thank you Gavin.

It has been an absolute pleasure to work with Penny, as she has made sure that we the committee are made aware of everything that is going on in the background, especially explaining a lot about Funding, to do this Penny has given her time at least once every 3 or 4 weeks to meet us guys for an hour in the shed after we have closed the shed, unfortunately through health issues Penny has rightly decided to step down as Chair of Trustees, you will be sadly missed Penny, but hopefully for as long as you feel you can still continue submitting applications for funding, as there's nobody better, a very big thank you from all at the Dusty Shed.

We unfortunately have another Two Trustees who for personal reasons have decided to step down from their position as Trustee, Michelle and Elliott, thank you both very much for giving your time for our Shed over the years.

Our Treasurer Gavin, for personal reasons has also decided to step down, thank you very much Gavin, I believe you are staying in post until June, once you have completed the accounts for 30/6/25.

I'm afraid the resignations has left the Shed with only Two Trustees, Mari & Richard. I myself am hoping to join as a Trustee, Proposed by Mari and seconded by Paul.

So now I will continue letting you know about the work we do in the Shed, and more especially for our local community.

We at the Shed have six key holders now, Peter, Gavin, Dave, Richard, Tony and myself, all of us have a sequence of opening and closing the Shed, making sure everything is switched off and securely locked before we leave.

The Shed members meetings are held bimonthly, during the past year the shed held meetings on the 1st Tuesday of the following Months,

April 2024

June 2024

August 2024  
October 2024  
December 2024  
February 2025  
April 2025.

17th April 2024.

Ten of our Shed members had a very good and informative visit to Viridor Trident Park Ocean way Cardiff. The visit was very interesting, for people who aren't aware, Viridor is the company who accept waste from the whole of Cardiff, Gwent and as far as Port Talbot to the west.

And this is where Peter comes in to explain the process in the plant.

Afterwards we had a lovely meal in a local public house, courtesy of shed funds.

During May 2024, Becky Matyus who works for ACE, took on the task of interviewing some of our shed members to enquire how they found attending the shed helped them with their mental health. I believe 3/4 in-depth interviews took place.

Which resulted in late June, Penny called a Dusty Shed: Most Significant Change evaluation-panel discussion, Chaired by an independent chair. Hopefully Penny can explain further.

August 2024, BBQ in the breakout area, organised by Mari and Peter, Mari and Peter shopped for all the ingredients, then Peter did the cooking, it was lovely food, enjoyed by lots of members, thanks to Mari and Peter, and also to Jennie and Paul for some lovely extras.

Community Projects.

September 2024, 5 large planters made for Nant Caerau Welsh infants school Caerau lane, this was in conjunction with SVP Ely bridge.

October 2024, 4 large planters made for Lansdown primary school.  
Also 4 large planters made for Pen-Caerau primary school in Caerau.

The Shed made a door for Chris Grow Cardiff, for their polytunnel at rear of ACE.

October 2024, we had an official visit for approx 90 minutes from Plaid Cymru leader Rhun ap Iorwerth and his Entourage and BBC TV crew, I think the shed was on the Welsh news for about 40 seconds.

December 2024, Peter and his helpers made 8 bird nesting boxes, 4 for two schools in Caerau, Peter decided to deliver the boxes in flat pack, to allow the children to assemble them in school.

Jan 7th most of the members gathered in the shed to wish our oldest member Cliff a very happy 95th birthday, we had a big card and a cake for him, but not 95 candles.

January 2025, Peter and Richard fitted hand rails on stairs in ACE, we hope they have helped Michelle.

Late January 2025, Dave our excellent carpenter finished making and fitting the door leading from our breakout area to the rear of Ace, helping to make our breakout area more secure, thank you Dave for an excellent job.

Middle of February, the Shed collected £123:50p for Riverside Community gardens in Llandaff to help rebuilding their Shed/meeting place that had been burned to the ground by Arsonists in December.

The Dusty shed members wish them the very best of luck going forward.

Beginning of March 2025, the Shed had a very good visit from three members of the Royal British Legion, arranged by Robert Visintainer, Development Manager Men's Sheds Cymru, the visit lasted for about 45 minutes. An interesting in-depth discussion took place.

March 2025, A large amount of surplus tools, donated by a lovely lady in Victoria park, along with surplus tools we had in our Shed, was collected by Anthony from Tools with a Mission (TWAM), they are a Christian charity who

collects unwanted usable tools, Refurbishes them sorts them into trade tool kits, and sends them to the developing world for livelihood creation.

In doing so they help UK communities through volunteering opportunities and contributes significantly to environmental sustainability, by reducing waste and carbon emissions in the UK. Annually TWAM sends almost 400 tonnes of tools to over 500 organisations in Sub-Saharan Africa, also preventing all of those tools from crowding UK landfill sites.

End of March 2025, Isla Horton Director at Grow Cardiff, brought in a large Rabbit Hutch and Run to the Repair Cafe hoping for it to be repaired there.

Tony brought it into the shed breakout area, and a week later Peter with help from Keith Jason and Roger repaired what was a dilapidated structure. Keith has now volunteered to paint it.

Tony our long standing Membership Coordinator, has mentioned a couple of month ago that he felt that he would like to lighten his load in his Coordinator role, and if anyone wished to take over he would be happy to hand over. So Jennie came forward and offered to take on the job.

Good luck with the job Jennie.

The Shed would like to take this opportunity to thank Tony for doing the job so very well for a long time.

Next Month Peter is organising a shed afternoon of fish and chips in the shed, followed by a film of his choice (Sahara) in ACE training room, Michelle has very kindly allowed peter t set up his equipment and use the projector, thank you very much Michelle Very kind!

That ends my report, I hope I haven't bored everyone too much.

Thank to everyone for listening,

Laurence Chair of Committee.

## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 7/1/2024	To	Period end date 6/30/2025
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### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Subscriptions	981	-	-	981	1,578
Donations	252	-	-	252	220
Grants	17,715	-	-	17,715	22,790
Sales / event income	401	-	-	401	169
Interest	-	-	-	-	-
Other	10	-	-	10	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>19,359</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>19,359</b>	<b>24,756</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
Sale of Assets	140	-	-	140	-
Sale of Investments	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>19,499</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>19,499</b>	<b>24,756</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Heating and Lighting	1,139	-	-	1,139	685
Insurance	620	-	-	620	627
Materials & consumables	628	-	-	628	354
Small tools (<£25)	169	-	-	169	122
Repairs and renewals	224	-	-	224	78
Refreshments & cleaning	19	-	-	19	184
Staff and admin	12,489	-	-	12,489	12,354
Training	487	-	-	487	-
Sundry	436	-	-	436	295
Maintenance	1,128	-	-	1,128	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>17,339</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>17,339</b>	<b>14,699</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
Hand and Power Tools (>£25)	-	-	-	-	-
Workshop Machines	213	-	-	213	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>17,552</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>17,552</b>	<b>14,699</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>1,947</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,947</b>	<b>10,057</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>15,509</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>15,509</b>	<b>208</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>17,456</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>17,456</b>	<b>10,265</b>

# Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Current account	17,456	-	-
	Deposit accpount	-	-	-
	Cash	200	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>17,656</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval

**THE DUSTY SHED**

England & Wales - Charity number 1168742

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# Accounts

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# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date		Period end date					
From	01	07	2023	To	30	06	2024

## Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name **The Dusty Shed**

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1168742

Charity's principal address 460 Cowbridge Road West  
Cardiff  
Postcode **CF5 5BZ**

### 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	Charles Wallace	Trustee - Chair	01/07/23 to 10/03/24	AGM or Trustee Committee
2	Paul Perera	Treasurer	01/07/23 to 10/03/24	AGM or Trustee Committee
3	Michelle Powell	Trustee	Whole period	AGM or Trustee Committee
4	Doug Smith	Trustee	01/07/23 to 10/03/24	AGM or Trustee Committee
5	Richard Nelmes	Trustee	17/01/24 to 30/06/24	AGM or Trustee Committee
6	Elliott Crabtree	Trustee	01/07/23 to 30/06/24	AGM or Trustee Committee
7	Penelope Smith	Trustee Trustee - Chair	Whole period 10/03/24 to 30/06/24	AGM or Trustee Committee
8	Mari Dunphy	Trustee	10/03/24 to 30/06/24	AGM or Trustee Committee

### 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

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

The Shed executive is the Trustee Committee.  
All members are volunteers and participate in the communal management of the organisation.

## Section B Structure, governance and management

### Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document <small>(eg. trust deed, constitution)</small>	Formal Constitution
How the charity is constituted <small>(eg. trust, association, company)</small>	Association
Trustee selection methods <small>(eg. appointed by, elected by)</small>	All trustees are volunteers. They are either elected by the membership at an AGM; or if a vacancy occurs between AGMs, a replacement is appointed by the other trustees at a formal Trustee Committee Meeting.

**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.

All new Trustees are provided with a copy of the Charity Commission Pack for new trustees, and are encouraged to attend the free trustee’s training provided by the Cardiff 3<sup>rd</sup> Sector Council (C3SC).

Seven of the eight trustees who served during the reporting period, and all of the past trustees, have had a close association with the Shed prior to volunteering to become a trustee. Those that have been Shed members are already conversant with the policies and procedures and the wider network of interaction with other organisations. Those that have not had a previous association with the Shed are provided with a briefing pack and full guided tour of the facility and introduction to the other members.

Five of the current trustees are also Shed members and play an active role in the day-to-day running of the Shed and provide feedback at Trustee Meetings on membership issues.

There is also a Shedders Committee that holds bi-monthly meetings. This committee deals with day-to-day management issues and brings to the trustees’ attention any issues that may require trustee intervention and/or mediation.

There is also a Shedders bi-monthly meeting, to which all Shed members are invited. This is a forum to discuss opportunities, issues, questions concerns and improvements. Anything unable to be resolved in the meetings is escalated to the Shedders Committee.

During the reporting period a full risk assessment of the Shed working environment was undertaken and where appropriate:

- old machine and tool related safety guards were replaced or updated;
- all personal safety gear was reviewed and any defective items replaced; and
- the dust extraction and air purification systems serviced.

The trustees will continue to monitor safety in the work environment and any financial risks that could threaten the continued viability of the Shed.

The trustees confirm that they have had due regard to the Charity Commission’s guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity’s aims and objectives and in planning its activities for the year. The charity remains committed to ensuring that its work delivers tangible benefits to the public in line with its charitable purposes.

**Section C Objectives and activities**

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

**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 Mission of the Dusty as stated in our Constitution is:

To facilitate the coming together of lonely and socially isolated people, with emphasis on older men, in a physically and emotionally safe environment where they can participate, with their peers, in woodworking, craft and social activities.

The Shed does not discriminate against anyone on the basis of race, gender, religion or beliefs; however, due to the working environment where dangerous tools and high-speed machinery is operating, the participation by some physically impaired members is restricted to the social activities only.

Our last AGM was held on 10 April 2024; a copy of the draft minutes is attached; these will be ratified at the 2025 AGM.

The Trustees and Shedders' Committee gave full reports to the AGM of Shed activities for the reporting period. A brief summary of the most significant items in these reports is included below:

**Report to the AGM:**

On Monday the 11<sup>th</sup> of December 2023, the then Deputy Minister for Mental Health and Wellbeing in the Senedd, Lynne Neagle MS, made a visit to our Shed. The principal reason for her visit was to engage us in the government initiative of Social Prescribing, or as it is also called, Community Referral. The visit was well attended by Shed members and trustees and we made the point that we are supportive of prescribing non-medical treatments to help suitable people move on from some mental and physical conditions. The visit received significant coverage from local media featuring several Shed members.

This is compatible with our involvement in community work that is aimed at developing members social and physical skills to give them an 'I can' attitude that will assist them re-engage with the community.

We made the point that if Social Prescribing were to become a regular feature of the NHS program for recovery and re-engagement with the community following mental or physical illness, then we would need to be financially resourced to expand our involvement above our current capability.

There were a number of other significant events that occurred during the reporting period:

- On 6<sup>th</sup> March 2024 we started opening one more day per week, on a Wednesday, for a Wellbeing Session. This is a non-woodworking group that is restricted to men only and focuses on discussing the physical and emotional issues facing men in today's society. For the eight sessions run in this reporting period it has been well attended and the participants feedback is very positive. "I wish I had found a group like this ages ago!"
- We had a group visit to the Nantgarw China Works. It was enjoyable and informative, and afterwards attendees had a lovely lunch at a local hotel paid for by a grant from ACE.
- On 8<sup>th</sup> March 2024 our shed attended a shed awareness day event organised by the Pontypridd Men's Shed and staged in the Pontypridd Museum. There was a united Men's front at the event, with members from Caerphilly, Lisvane, Tynwydd, Blaina, Rhiwbina, our Ely Dusty Shed, Caldicott, Treorchy, Pontypridd, and Newport. In total about 150 members from the various sheds attended.
- We work closely with ACE (Action in Caerau & Ely – or 'The Dusty Forge' as it is commonly known). In fact, it was the Dusty Forge that initiated action that led to the formation of the Dusty Shed in 2016. ACE is also our landlord; they own the building and land on which we

are situated, and during the reporting period the verbal agreement we had in regard to providing repair and maintenance services in lieu of rent was superseded by an formal tenancy agreement. Without this agreement to provide accommodation and work space for the continued operation of the Dusty Shed as an independent charity would be untenable.

To maintain dialogue between our two organisations on relevant issues, one member of ACE executive staff is invited to become a trustee of the Dusty Shed. This gives us direct access at the management level to discuss cooperation and resolve issues.

- Another area of close cooperation between the Shed and an ACE activity, is the support we provide for the monthly Repair Café. Having a Shed member as part of the Repair Café team allows access to a range non-portable tools in our workshop, and this allows the ACE Repair Café to undertake some jobs that other Repair Cafés cannot.

#### 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.

As stated in previous reports, our organisation is not typical of other helping organisations that have support workers and clients. ***All our members are volunteers who provide peer-to-peer support; hence, they are also our clients.***

New members joining the Shed are looking for some form of support; and it is not always clear to us, or them, what form that support should take. People who have recently suffered a bereavement are often simply looking for company. Others who have recently retired, or are recovering from physical or mental illness, are looking for an activity to occupy their mind or give them a new direction in life. These new members are in what we could call the 'Client' phase.

After these new members settle in, make friends, and find an activity of interest for them to participate in, they begin to help with the introduction of more recent new members and become involved in running activities and Shed administration. They are now 'fully active' members.

In what could be called the 'Tertiary stage' of membership, some members start to take on leading roles in Shed administration and organisation/management of events and wider liaison with other organisations. Some others remain stalwart members content to simply be part of the group. And, of course, some having found what they were looking for move on to other things.

We like to think of what we do as changing people from an 'I cannot' to an 'I can' frame of mind.

## Section D

## Achievements and performance

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### Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The following is a list of regular activities that the Shed engages in during every reporting period to provide support to our members:

- Provision of a meeting place where they can engage in woodworking, craft activities, play games, or simply sit and have a chat with fellow members over a cuppa.
- Provide personal support through our WhatsApp group and telephone calls to members who, due to sickness, infirmity or other reasons, are unable to attend the Shed.
- Support members who are in hospital or experiencing emotional problems due to their current circumstances.
- Provide physical support where necessary in the form of assistance with shopping and transport.

Over the years our shed has accumulated many tools that were offered to us from deceased estates and old tools that we have replaced with newer models, all of them still in working order although requiring a little refurbishment. So, during the reporting period we contacted Tools With A Mission (TWAM) to see if they might be interested in them. TWAM is a charity that collects unwanted useable tools, refurbishes them, sorts them into trade tool kits, and sends them to the developing world for livelihood creation. In doing so they also help UK communities through volunteering opportunities and contribute significantly to environment sustainability, by reducing waste and carbon emissions in the UK. Annually TWAM sends almost 400 tonnes of tools to over 500 organisations in Sub-Saharan Africa. A TWAM representative visited our Shed in April 2024 and took delivery of a full car boot of tools.

We provided the following support for the work of the Dusty Forge:

- Undertake minor repairs and maintenance.
- Assembly of some garden furniture.
- Construction of storage and distribution area for council garbage bags.
- Support for their monthly Repair Café to undertake general repairs and back-up support for other repairers.
- Support for their craft activities.

## Section E

## Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

We hold sufficient reserves to cover payment of all our envisaged costs should a situation occur that required the Dusty Shed to cease operating and close.

We have limited regular income from member subscriptions, and we bid for grants, mainly through C3SC and the National Lottery 'Awards for All' scheme, to cover our overheads and day-to-day running/maintenance costs for our tools and woodworking machines.

We also periodically bid for funding from other grant providing organisations to procure new equipment or undertake more significant development projects.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

Nil

### 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.

We do not impose any compulsory fees on our members; however we set an optional attendance contribution and ask for member donations to cover tea and coffee costs. We do sell some of the items produced by our members and we accept commission work from people wanting items of garden furniture or custom items to fit in confined spaces, etc.

We do not have any investments.

Although not mandatory for a small charity, our accounts were fully reviewed by a partner charity's finance officer and certified to be correct.

## 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

<b>Signature(s)</b>		
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Penelope Smith	Richard Nelmes
<b>Position</b>	Incoming Chair of Trustee Committee	Trustee
<b>Date</b>	24 April 2025	24th April 2025

### Attachments:

1. Trustees' Report to AGM



Registered Charity No: 1168742

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE DUSTY SHED**

**HELD ON WEDNESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> April 2024 at 1700**

### **TRUSTEES REPORT TO MEMBERS**

#### **Introduction**

The last Annual general Meeting (AGM) of the Dusty Shed was held on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2023. In accordance with our Constitution, this AGM is being held within 15 months of that date.

Accordingly, this report covers the period from 28<sup>th</sup> April 2023 to 9<sup>th</sup> April 2024.

#### **Mission of The Dusty Shed**

Our mission is to facilitate the coming together of lonely and socially isolated people, with emphasis on older men, in a physically and emotionally safe environment where they can participate, with their peers, in woodworking, craft and social activities.

#### **Governance and Trustees**

The Dusty Shed is a registered charity with the Charity Commission of England and Wales and must operate within the guidance provided by that Commission. In accordance with that guidance, the Dusty Shed has developed a governing document, The Dusty Shed Constitution, that has been accepted by a general meeting of Shed members.

Our Constitution requires the appointment of trustees to undertake governance of the Dusty Shed, and specifies the requirements for their selection and appointment.

The trustees are responsible for ensuring that all activities of the Dusty Shed comply with, and contribute to, the Mission and Objectives specified in the Constitution; and that those activities are also conducted in accordance with the legislative requirements of Wales and the United Kingdom.

Over recent years the requirement to comply with contemporary legislation has become a significant issue for the trustees, because public scrutiny of the performance of charitable organisations in regard to areas such as health and safety, discrimination and financial probity, has increased significantly. This has had a flow-on effect for our fund-raising team who have had to identify and apply for grants to provide the training, equipment, and evaluation review mechanisms, necessary for our compliance.

One particular area of note in regard to compliance with contemporary legislation that occurred during the reporting period has been upgrading of the Shed occupational health and safety standards. One of our trustees, Elliot Crabtree, undertook a complete review of our work area safety requirements. We then successfully applied for grant money to procure a noise measuring

instrument and a range of personal hearing and eye protection safety gear. Appropriate health and safety training will also be introduced into the Shed activities programme.

Another notable achievement that occurred during the reporting period was that on the 5<sup>th</sup> February 2024 the Tenancy Agreement between ACE and the Dusty Shed was finally signed by the Director of ACE and the Chair of the Shed Trustee Committee. This agreement gives the Shed secure tenure of the workshop and open area where our container is located, in exchange for the Shed providing two days' work per month on ACE maintenance and projects. It also provides clear requirement on ACE and the Shed should either wish to terminate the agreement.

During the reporting period the Trustees held quarterly meetings on the following dates:

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2023,  
Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2023,  
Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2023, and  
Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

An out of sequence trustees' meeting was also held on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March to undertake planning for the AGM.

A record of the proceedings of these meetings has been filed in the Trustee Meetings Minute Book and can be made available to registered Shed members on request.

The following are the trustees who served the Shed during the reporting period:

Tony Wallace	Chairperson	28 <sup>th</sup> April 2023 to 9 <sup>th</sup> April 2024
Paul Perera	Treasurer	28 <sup>th</sup> April 2023 to 9 <sup>th</sup> April 2024
Michelle Powell	Trustee and ACE Representative	28 <sup>th</sup> April 2023 to 9 <sup>th</sup> April 2024
Doug Smith	Trustee	28 <sup>th</sup> April 2023 to 9 <sup>th</sup> April 2024
Elliot Crabtree	Trustee	28 <sup>th</sup> April 2023 to 9 <sup>th</sup> April 2024
Penny Smith	Trustee	28 <sup>th</sup> April 2023 to 9 <sup>th</sup> April 2024
Huw Thomas	Trustee	28 <sup>th</sup> April 2023 to 6 <sup>th</sup> July 2023
Richard Nelms	Trustee	17 <sup>th</sup> January 2024 to 9 <sup>th</sup> April 2024

The trustees have been well supported in their work by George Keane who attends all meetings and produces the record of proceedings (minutes).

George is employed by ACE and we pay his wages for the equivalent of one day per week to undertake duties for the Shed under direction of the Shed Trustees.

## **Financial Management**

The Trustees are also responsible for ensuring the financial viability of the Dusty Shed. In this regard they are responsible for forecasting the future funding requirements, identifying and applying for suitable grants, managing the expenditure of grant monies, and reporting back to the funding bodies on the benefit the Shed has derived for the money they provided. We have been very fortunate over the last year in having several trustees with the experience and talent to undertake these tasks and provide funding for the many activities we have undertaken and the excellent range of machine and hand tools we have in our workshop.

The Treasurer will provide a separate report on Shed finances. We other Trustees, on behalf of all Shed members, would like to sincerely thank our Treasurer, Paul Perera, for the work he has put in over the reporting period.

## **Shedders**

The last AGM was advised that although Shed members had been meeting regularly since the Shed was formed, and had in July 2021 formed a Shedders Committee to manage these meetings and the day-to-day running of the Shed, there was no formal cover for these arrangements in the Shed

Constitution. However, there is provision in the constitution for the Trustees to form a subcommittee and to give that committee specific responsibilities.

The meeting agreed to the current arrangements being continued while the trustees and shedders worked towards developing a formal structure for the Shedders' Committee and writing an appropriate directive under this clause of the Constitution. This occurred and the division of responsibilities between the trustees and shedders in regard to the running of shed activities and management of finances have now established and have been operating satisfactorily for some time.

Following discussions between the Chair of the Shedders' Committee and Chair of the Trustees' Committee, agreement was reached that these procedures have been working so well that there is now no real requirement for a formal directive, which may even complicate making minor amendments in the future to accommodate changing circumstances.

At the pre-AGM trustees meeting on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March, the trustees endorsed the position that no formal directive is now required.

The Shedders meetings are held bimonthly; however, the holding of the last AGM, on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2023 disrupted the sequence and consequently during the reporting period only five meetings were held on the following dates:

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2023,  
Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2023  
Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2023, and  
Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2024,  
Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2024.

A record of the proceedings of these meetings has been filed in the Shedders' Meetings Minute Book and can be made available to registered Shed members on request.

The trustees would like to thank the Chair of the Shedders Committee, Laurence Maher, and Peter Kearns, who manages Shed finances at the working level, for the excellent job they have done over the reporting period to coordinate Shed activities, training, and the implementation of new health and safety procedures.

The Chair of the Shedders Committee will provide a separate report on Shed activities.

## **Significant Events**

On Monday the 11<sup>th</sup> of December 2023, the then Deputy Minister for Mental Health and Wellbeing in the Senedd, Lynne Neagle MS, made a visit to our Shed. The principal reason for her visit was to engage us in the government initiative of Social Prescribing, or as it is also called, Community Referral. The visit was well attended by Shed members and trustees and we made the point that we are very supportive of prescribing non-medical treatments to help suitable people move on from some mental and physical conditions. The visit was also received significant coverage from local media featuring several Shed members.

This is very compatible with our involvement in community work that is aimed at developing members social and physical skills to give them an 'I can' attitude that will help them reengage with the community.

We also made the point that if Social Prescribing becomes a regular feature of the NHS program for recovery and reengagement with the community following mental or physical illness, then we will need to be financially resourced to expand our involvement above our current capability.

There were a couple of other significant events that occurred during the reporting period; we started opening one more day per week for a non-woodworking day; and, we had a good attendance at a major gathering in Pontypridd of sheds from around Wales. But I will leave it to the Chair of the Shedders Committee to provide details of these events.

## **Equipment**

Several new items of equipment have been purchased during the reporting period and we have added a range of safety items. This section will be covered in detail in the Sheddors' Committee Report.

## **Association with Dusty Forge**

Most of you are aware that it was ACE that initiated action that led to the formation of the Dusty Shed in 2016. Since then, there have been some ups and some downs in the relationship; but fortunately, at the end of the day the I think the score is 10 tries for the 'Ups' and 1 disputed field goal for the 'Downs'.

ACE is also our landlord; they own the building and land on which we are situated, and during the reporting period the informal agreement we had in regard to providing repair and maintenance services in lieu of rent was superseded by a formal tenancy agreement. Without this agreement to provide accommodation and work space the continued operation of the Dusty Shed as an independent charity would be untenable.

One area of close cooperation between the Shed and an ACE activity, is the support we provide for the monthly Repair Café. Having a Shed member as part of the Repair Café team allows access to a range non-portable tools in our workshop, and this allows the ACE Repair Café to undertake some jobs, such as sharpening gardening tools, that other Repair Cafés cannot.

To maintain dialogue between our two organisations on relevant issues, one member of ACE executive staff is invited to become a trustee of the Dusty Shed. This gives us direct access at the management level to discuss problems and resolve issues.

I personally believe that the relationship between ACE and the Shed has significantly improved during the reporting period, with a lot more interaction occurring between ACE project staff and our members. I have also noticed more of our members using ACE facilities and ACE referring several new members to our group.

ACE has also considered the Shed position in extending the range of the ACE WiFi, installing security cameras, and linking our work area into the ACE fire alarm system.

I am reticent to single any one person out because my experience is that all ACE staff go out of their way to help and cooperate whenever we Sheddors have asked for assistance. But I also believe that one person in particular goes above and beyond the call of duty; and that is Michelle. Despite her heavy workload as Director of ACE, Michelle always does everything she can to help us whenever we have a problem.

On behalf of the other Trustees and Shed members, I would like to move a very big vote of thanks to Michelle for what she has done for the Shed over the reporting period!

## **Conclusion**

The Trustees believe that our Shed has played a significant role in improving the social wellbeing of the local community by providing a facility, and an atmosphere, where lonely and socially isolated people can regain their self-confidence by engaging in activities, making new friends, and feeling that their life experiences are valued.

The Trustees also believe that the Dusty Shed is financially solvent with sufficient funds to continue operating for another twelve months; and we are reasonably confident that for the foreseeable future new grants will be obtained to cover the non-discretionary overhead costs of electricity, insurance and wages.

We also believe that the recent purchases of new equipment has upgraded the capabilities of the workshop to a standard that can cope with most projects that Shed members are likely to undertake individually or become involved in as a group.

Charles Wallace  
(Chair of Trustee Committee)

10<sup>th</sup> April 2024

**The Dusty Shed**  
**Receipts and payments account ; Funds account.**

	Period start date 7/1/2023	To	Period end date 6/30/2024	
<b>Receipts and payments</b>				
	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			<b>Restricted funds</b>
<b>Receipts</b>				
Subscriptions	1,587			0
Donations	220			0
Grants	22,790			0
Sales / event income	169			0
Interest	0			0
Other	0			0
<i>Sub total</i>	24,765			0
Asset and investment sales				
Sale of assets	0			0
Sale of investments	0			0
Sub total	0			0
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>24,765</b>			<b>0</b>
<b>Payments</b>				
Heating and Lighting	685			0
Insurance	627			0
Materials & consumables	354			0
Small tools (<£25)	122			0
Repairs and renewals	78			0
Refreshments & cleaning	184			0
Staff and admin	12,354			0
Training	0			0
Sundry	304			0
Maintenance	0			0
<i>Sub total</i>	14,708			0
<b>Asset and investment purchases</b>				
Hand and power Tools (>£25)	969			0
Workshop machines	1,611			0
<i>Sub total</i>	2,581			0
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>17,289</b>			<b>0</b>
<b>Net receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>7,477</b>			<b>0</b>
	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			<b>Restricted funds</b>
<b>Funds account at 30/06/2024</b>				
Cash funds last year end	8,032			
Surplus	7,477	0	0	0
<b>Cash funds carried forward</b>	<b>15,509</b>			<b>0</b>

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<b>Total funds</b>	<b>Last year</b>
1,587	945
220	57
22,790	12,735
169	290
0	
0	287
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24,765	14,315

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685	1,568
627	739
354	458
122	93
78	529
184	15
12,354	8,248
0	1,603
304	380
0	70
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14,708	13,703

969	46
1,611	233
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2,581	279

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<hr/> <b>7,477</b>	<hr/> <b>332</b>
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**Total current Period Last year**

8,032	7,700
7,477	0
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<b>15,509</b>	<b>8,032</b>

**THE DUSTY SHED**

England & Wales - Charity number 1168742

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# Accounts

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# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date		Period end date					
From	01	05	2022	To	30	04	2023

## Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name **The Dusty Shed**

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1168742

Charity's principal address 460 Cowbridge Road West  
Cardiff  
Postcode CF5 5BZ

### 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	Michelle Powell	Chairperson	01-05-22 to 02-08-22	AGM or Trustee Committee
2	Charles Wallace	Chairperson	02-08-22 to 30-04-23	AGM or Trustee Committee
3	Paul Perera	Treasurer	whole year	AGM or Trustee Committee
4	Natasha Hayes	Trustee	whole year	AGM or Trustee Committee
5	Doug Smith	Trustee	whole year	AGM or Trustee Committee
6	Hugh Thomas	Trustee	02-08-22 to 30-04-23	AGM or Trustee Committee
7	Elliott Crabtree	Trustee	11-01-23 to 30-04-23	AGM or Trustee Committee

### 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

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

The Shed executive is the Trustee Committee.  
All members are volunteers and participate in the communal management of the organisation.

## Section B Structure, governance and management

### Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution) Formal Constitution

How the charity is constituted  
(eg. trust, association, company)

Association

Trustee selection methods  
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All trustees are volunteers. They are either elected by the membership at an AGM; or if a vacancy occurs between AGMs, a replacement is appointed by the other trustees at a formal Trustee Committee Meeting.

### 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.

All new Trustees are provided with a copy of the Charity Commission Pack for new trustees, and are encouraged to attend the free trustee's training provided by the Cardiff 3<sup>rd</sup> Sector Council (C3SC).

Six of the seven current, and all of the past trustees, have had a close association with the Shed prior to volunteering to become a trustee. Those that have been Shed members are already conversant with the policies and procedures and the wider network of interaction with other organisations. Those that have not had a previous association with the Shed are provided with a briefing pack and full guided tour of the facility and introduction to the other members.

Five of the current trustees are also Shed members and play an active role in the day-to-day running of the Shed and provide feedback at Trustee Meetings on membership issues.

There is also a Sheddors Committee that holds monthly meetings, to which all Shed members are invited to attend. This committee deals with day-to-day management issues and brings to the trustees' attention any issues that may require trustee intervention and/or mediation.

The trustees continually monitor safety in the work environment and any financial risks that could threaten the continued viability of the Shed.

## Section C

## Objectives and activities

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

To facilitate the coming together of lonely and socially isolated people, with emphasis on older men, in a physically and emotionally safe environment where they can participate, with their peers, in woodworking, craft and social activities.

**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 problems that the Covid restrictions had caused were detailed in our previous Annual report. These issues are no longer affecting the conduct of our activities; however, the age and underlying health issues of many of our members remains something that we have to be cognizant of in all our planning.

The development program we undertook during the Covid period to roof a large outdoor area with clear polycarbonate sheeting has proved a great success. We are still to hold an official opening event, but the area is in constant use, even in colder weather. The provision of tables and seating and some recreation equipment, namely a dartboard, chess set, and some other not so well-known board games, has encouraged a small group of members to enjoy their activities without being disturbed by the noise and dusty generated by the machines in the woodworking area.

Our plans for rebuilding our membership post pandemic have produced a significant increase in numbers, which has doubled since the Covid restriction were lifted. We have been advised by several of these new members that the loneliness they experienced during the lockdown showed them how vital it was for their mental health to get out and reconnect with their community; which they can do in our Shed.

We have also increased our interaction with the local community by becoming engaged in supporting their community activities, such as building large planter boxes for a garden refurbishment project and restoring garden furniture for the Llandough Hospital. Members who have participated in these projects have indicated their feeling of self-worth has greatly improved.

Our AGM was held on 26 April 2023:

- There was no written trustees report, however a verbal report was given to the meeting by the Chair of the Trustee Committee and recorded in the minutes. An extract of the relevant section of the meeting minutes is attached.

**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.

As mentioned in our previous report, in early 2021 a review was undertaken by the Trustees of our Constitution, which had not been reviewed since the organisation was formed in 2016. This led to a wider range of review of our other policy documents to meet the requirements of contemporary legislation, especially in regard to safeguarding, data protection, and health and safety. This review process is still ongoing.

A concurrent education campaign was then initiated to make all shed members aware of the proposed changes and to elicit feedback on the practicality of implementing the changes with regard to the limitations of our working space and the physical capabilities of our members.

Our organisation is not typical of other helping organisations that have support workers and clients. ***All our members are volunteers who provide peer-to-peer support; hence, they are also our clients.***

To explain the above statement, we need to return to what was stated in Section C:

'We facilitate the coming together of lonely and socially isolated people within a physically and emotionally safe environment where they can participate, with their peers, in woodworking, craft and social activities.'

When a new member joins our Shed, they are doing it because they are in need of help to cope with some change in their life situation. It may be

loneliness, bereavement, retirement, unemployment, or simply the need to get out of a home environment where they feel like they are in the way!

Initially they rely on the other members to provide whatever they are seeking; then slowly they make new friends and find some project to engage their interest. They move from a being in need stage to a being comfortable stage. Then they start to help some more recent new members to settle in and they move from a being comfortable stage to a being needed stage. Then over a much longer term some of them find other interests and drift away, some also attend slightly less frequently but they still make a valuable contribution when they are present.

We like to think of what we do as changing people from an 'I can't' to an 'I can' frame of mind.

## Section D

## Achievements and performance

### Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

During the reporting period we provided support to our members through the following activities:

- provision of a meeting place where they could engage in woodworking, craft activities, play games, or simply sit and have a chat with fellow members over a cuppa;
- through our WhatsApp group and personal telephone calls we maintained contact with members who, due to sickness, infirmity or other reasons, were unable to get to the Shed;
- we visited members who were in hospital or who we knew were experiencing emotional problems due to their long periods of isolation; and
- we also provided physical support where necessary in the form of assistance with shopping and transport. In one case transporting our oldest member, a 94 year old veteran, to and from the Shed twice a week.

We provided the following support for the work of the Dusty Forge (run by Action in Caerau and Ely - ACE), with which we have a very close association:

- undertake minor repairs and maintenance.
- Assembly of some garden furniture.
- Construction of storage and distribution area for council garbage bags.
- Support for their monthly Repair Café to undertake general repairs and back-up support for other repairers.
- Support for their craft activities.

## Section E

## Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

We hold significant reserves to cover payment of all our envisaged costs should a situation occur that required the Dusty Shed to cease operating and close.

We have limited regular income from member subscriptions, and we bid for grants, mainly through C3SC and the National Lottery Awards for All scheme, to cover our overheads and day-to-day running/maintenance costs for our tools and woodworking machines.

We also periodically bid for funding from other grant providing organisations to procure new equipment or undertake more significant development projects.

**Details of any funds materially in deficit**

Nil

**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.

We do not impose any compulsory fees on our members; however, we ask for member donations to cover tea and coffee costs and we do sell some of the items produced by our members and we accept commission work from people wanting items of garden furniture or custom items to fit in confined spaces, etc.  
 We do not have any investments.  
 Although not mandatory for a small charity, our accounts were fully reviewed by a partner charity’s finance officer and certified to be correct.

**Section F Other optional information**

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**Section G Declaration**

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

Signed on behalf of the charity’s trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>		
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Charles Wallace	Paul Perera
<b>Position</b>	Chair Trustee Committee	Treasurer
<b>Date</b>	28/04/2024	28/04/2024

**Attachments:**

- 1. Verbal Trustees’ Report to AGM** (extracted from the relevant section of the meeting minutes - refer to Section C)
- 2. Treasurer’s Report to the AGM**

**The Dusty Shed Annual General Meeting  
at ACE - Our Place: Dusty Forge, Main Hall,  
Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2023, 5pm - 7pm**

**Trustees' and Treasurer's Report to Members**

The Chair outlined the purpose of the Dusty Shed and of the role of Trustees. The Chair explained the time period of how long individuals can act in the role of a Trustee, and how long they may need to stand down before they can reapply for another Trustee position.

The Chair also described how the Shed is currently being run by members and the increasing role of the Dusty Shed Committee, who are taking on more task and responsibilities in the day-to-day running the Shed. Members meeting have now moved from monthly, to a meeting every two months, and there has been an on-going improvement in the systems for taking on new members and reviewing the membership.

The Shed was looking to develop a closer working relationship with ACE – Action in Caerau and Ely, so that both Shed members and ACE staff have a better understanding of the work both are doing.

Work on risk assessments is being carried out by Elliot (Trustee), covering, amongst other things: air quality; safe use of equipment; noise, chemical and materials hazards; and member facilities and health.

Members have discussed subscriptions (subs) and have agreed it should stay voluntary to members.

Treasurer reported back to the meeting covering the current finances of the Shed. He has been supported by the ACE Finance Officer (Hasan Roap) to get all the necessary information ready for reporting to the Charity Commission. Everything is in order and approved by the Trustees. Work was also done on writing a Reserves Policy, which is now in place. An application for funding will be made for the period August 23 to July 24.



The Dusty Shed

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## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period  
from

Period start date

01/07/2022

To

Period end date

30/06/2023

## Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>Receipts</b>				
Subscriptions	945.00		945.00	607
Donations	57.23		57.23	83
Grants	12,735.00		12,735.00	2,529
Sales / event income	290.00		290.00	1,850
Interest				
Other	287.30		287.30	707
<b>Sub total</b> (Gross income for AR)	<b>14,314.53</b>		<b>14,314.53</b>	<b>5,776</b>
<b>Asset and investment sales</b>				
Sale of assets				
Sale of investments				
<b>Sub total</b>				
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>14,314.53</b>		<b>14,314.53</b>	<b>5,775.61</b>
<b>Payments</b>				
Heating & Lighting Costs	1,567.79		1,567.79	663.44
Insurance	738.51		738.51	650.00
Materials & consumables	458.07		458.07	2,445.89
Small tools (<£25)	93.28		93.28	182.80
Repairs and renewals	528.75		528.75	379.30
Refreshments & cleaning	14.73		14.73	231.27
Staff and admin costs	8,247.51		8,247.51	65.00
Training	1,603.45		1,603.45	
Sundry	380.48		380.48	94.24
Maintenance	70.16		70.16	81.40
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>13,702.73</b>		<b>13,702.73</b>	<b>4,793.34</b>
<b>Asset and investment purchases</b>				
Hand and power Tools (>£25)	45.98		45.98	119.99
Workshop machines	233.45		233.45	2,907.16
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>279.43</b>		<b>279.43</b>	<b>3,027.15</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>13,982.16</b>		<b>13,982.16</b>	<b>7,820.49</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>332.37</b>		<b>332.37</b>	<b>-2,044.88</b>
Transfers between funds				

Cash funds last year end  
Cash funds this year end

7,699.98		<b>7,699.98</b>	9,744.86
<b>8,032.35</b>		<b>8,032.35</b>	<b>7,699.98</b>



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# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

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**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 problems that the Covid restrictions had caused were detailed in our previous Annual report. These issues are no longer affecting the conduct of our activities; however, the age and underlying health issues of many of our members remains something that we have to be cognizant of in all our planning.

The development program we undertook during the Covid period to roof a large outdoor area with clear polycarbonate sheeting has proved a great success. We are still to hold an official opening event, but the area is in constant use, even in colder weather. The provision of tables and seating and some recreation equipment, namely a dartboard, chess set, and some other not so well-known board games, has encouraged a small group of members to enjoy their activities without being disturbed by the noise and dusty generated by the machines in the woodworking area.

Our plans for rebuilding our membership post pandemic have produced a significant increase in numbers, which has doubled since the Covid restriction were lifted. We have been advised by several of these new members that the loneliness they experienced during the lockdown showed them how vital it was for their mental health to get out and reconnect with their community.

On 24<sup>th</sup> February 2022 we finally held our long overdue AGM. As previously reported, the AGM planned for mid-April 2020 had to be indefinitely postponed due to the Covid social distancing restrictions in place at the time.

A copy of the minutes of the AGM meeting and of the Trustees' Report to Members are attached to this report.

**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 early 2021 a review was undertaken by the Trustees of our Constitution, which had not been reviewed since the organisation was formed in 2016. The following problems were identified:

- it is poorly constructed with several different paragraph numbering systems being used, which makes cross-referencing difficult;
- it addresses a number of topics that are not relevant to the way our Shed functions; and
- it does not provide governance-guidance relevant to some things that have occurred since the Shed was formed, and may well occur again in the future.

Hence, the Constitution was rewritten to address all the above problems, and to include a relevant title page and a 'Mission Statement'.

A campaign was then initiated to make all shed members aware of the proposed changes with a view to having them approved at the AGM; this included:

- copies of the old and the updated Constitution being displayed on the Shed notice board for the last six months; and
- copies of the old and the updated Constitution being emailed to all registered Shed members on 16 Dec 2021 and again on 03 Feb 2022.

In both the above case, a letter of explanation was provided advising members that there would be insufficient time at the AGM to discuss

every change in detail, and they were requested to compare the two documents and provided the Trustee Committee with questions and/or comments before the AGM.

None were received and the amended Constitution received membership endorsement at the AGM

Our understanding of the guidance provided on the Charity Commission website, is that the only amendments to a constitution requiring Charity Commission approval are those relevant to the Objectives or to the appointment/remuneration of trustees. In our case, there has been no amendment to the latter, and we will be seeking Charity Commission agreement to proposed amendments of the objectives in a separate submission.

## Section D

## Achievements and performance

### Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

During the reporting period we provided support to our members through the following activities:

- provision of a meeting place where they could engage in woodworking, craft activities, play games, or simply sit and have a chat with fellow members over a cuppa;
- through our WhatsApp group and personal telephone calls we maintained contact with members who, due to sickness, infirmity or other reasons, were unable to get to the Shed;
- we visited members who were in hospital or who we knew were experiencing emotional problems due to their long periods of isolation; and
- we also provided physical support where necessary in the form of assistance with shopping and transport.

We also provide support for other organisations such as the Diana Gardens Regeneration Project for whom we constructed five very large garden boxes, and a stroke recover unit for whom we made ten painting easels.

We provided the following support for the work of the Dusty Forge, with which we have a very close association:

- Assistance with the renovation of a house for a disadvantaged family.
- Fit-out of racking and shelving in container for a new 'Library of Things' project.
- Provider a work station for their monthly Repair Café to undertake general repairs and back-up support for other repairers.
- Conducting a woodworking project for a parent-child relationship development initiative.
- Construction of partitioning between desks in their Training Room.

## Section E

## Financial review

**Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves**

We hold significant reserves to cover payment of our portion of the redundancy entitlement of a Dusty Forge staff member who works for us one day per week (see next paragraph), plus any other costs that we envisage could be incurred if the Shed were to close.

We have limited regular income from member subscriptions, and we bid annually for approximately £10,000 from the National Lottery to cover our overheads and to pay the Dusty Forge for one of their staff to maintain our documentation and website, promote our organisation, and act as a secretariat for the Trustees Committee and Shedd's meetings.

We also periodically bid for funding from other grant providing organisations to procure and maintain equipment or undertake a more significant development project.

**Details of any funds materially in deficit**

Nil

**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.

We do not impose any compulsory fees on our members; however we ask for member donations to cover tea and coffee costs and we do sell some of the items produced by our members and we accept commission work from people wanting items of garden furniture or custom items to fit in confined spaces, etc.



We do not have any investments.

**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

<b>Signature(s)</b>		
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Charles Wallace	Paul Perera

<b>Position</b>	Chair Trustee Committee	TREASURER
<b>Date</b>	19/04/2023	19/04/2023

**Attachments:**

- 1. Trustees' Report to the AGM**
- 2. Treasurer's Report to the AGM**
- 3. Minutes of the AGM**





The Dusty Shed 1168742

**Receipts and payments accounts**

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	01/07/2021		30/06/2022

**Section A Receipts and payments**

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>Receipts</b>				
Subscriptions	606.96		606.96	478
Donations	82.57		82.57	109
Grants	2,529.00		2,529.00	14,125
Sales / event income	1,850.00		1,850.00	430
Interest				
Other	707.08		707.08	
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>5,775.61</b>		<b>5,775.61</b>	<b>15,142</b>
<b>Asset and investment sales</b>				
Sale of assets				
Sale of investments				
<b>Sub total</b>				
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>5,775.61</b>		<b>5,775.61</b>	<b>15,141.76</b>
<b>Payments</b>				
Heating & Lighting costs	663.44		663.44	445.71
Insurance	650.00		650.00	595.50
Materials & consumables	2,445.89		2,445.89	189.98
Small tools (<£25)	182.80		182.80	59.88
Repairs and renewals	379.30		379.30	
Refreshments & cleaning	231.27		231.27	
Staff and admin costs	65.00		65.00	6,777.00
Training & courses				
Sundry	94.24		94.24	62.83
Structural improvements	81.40		81.40	12,627.00
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>4,793.34</b>		<b>4,793.34</b>	<b>20,757.90</b>
<b>Asset and investment purchases</b>				
Hand and power Tools (>£25)	119.99		119.99	
Workshop machines	2,907.16		2,907.16	
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>3,027.15</b>		<b>3,027.15</b>	
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>7,820.49</b>		<b>7,820.49</b>	<b>20,757.90</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>-2,044.88</b>		<b>-2,044.88</b>	<b>-5,616.14</b>
Transfers between funds				
<b>Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>9,744.86</b>		<b>9,744.86</b>	<b>15,361.00</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>7,699.98</b>		<b>7,699.98</b>	<b>9,744.86</b>

## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

**Categories**

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Total current Period to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>Cash funds</b>				
Current account	7,642.69		7,642.69	9,548.51
Cash	57.29		57.29	196.35
<b>Total cash funds</b>	7,699.98	OK	7,699.98	9,744.86
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))				

**Other monetary assets**

Stocks/goods for sale				
Debtors				

**Investment assets**


**Assets retained for the Shed's own use**

Buildings				
Large items of machinery				
Power tools				
Hand tools				
Other assets				

**Liabilities**

Trade creditors				
Accrued expenses				

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

Signature

*Paul Perera*  
*Charles Wallace*

Print Name

PAUL PERERA  
Charles Wallace

Date of approval

19/4/23  
19/4/23

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England & Wales - Charity number 1168742

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# Accounts

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# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date		Period end date					
From	01	07	2020	To	30	06	2021

## Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

The Dusty Shed

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1168742

Charity's principal address

460 Cowbridge Road West

Cardiff

Postcode

CF5 5BZ

### 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	Charles Wallace	Chairperson	Whole year	AGM or Trustee Committee
2	Paul Perera	Treasurer	whole year	AGM or Trustee Committee
3	Natasha Hayes	Trustee	whole year	AGM or Trustee Committee
4	Doug Smith	Trustee	whole year	AGM or Trustee Committee
5	John Hallett	Trustee	01-07-20 to 11-05-21	AGM or Trustee Committee
6	Peter Kearns	Trustee	11-05-21 to 30-06-21	AGM or Trustee Committee

### 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

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

The Shed executive is the Trustee Committee.  
 All members are volunteers and participate in the communal management of the organisation.

## Section B Structure, governance and management

### Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document  
(eg. trust deed, constitution)

Formal Constitution

How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Association
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	All trustees are volunteers. They are either elected by the membership at an AGM; or if a vacancy occurs between AGMs, a replacement is appointed by the other trustees at a formal Trustee Committee Meeting.

**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.

All new Trustees are provided with a copy of the Charity Commission Pack for new trustees, and are encouraged to attend the free trustee’s training provided by the Cardiff 3<sup>rd</sup> Sector Council.

All current and past trustees have had a close association with the Shed prior to volunteering to become a trustee; hence, when appointed they are already conversant with the policies and procedures and the wider network of interaction with other organisations.

The majority of trustees are also Shed members and play an active role in the day-to-day running of the Shed.

There is also a monthly meeting of Shed members. This meeting is chaired by a trustee and is a forum for shedders to let the Trustees’ Committee know of any issues that may require funding or other action.

**Section C Objectives and activities**

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

To facilitate the coming together of lonely and socially isolated people, with emphasis on older men, in a physically and emotionally safe environment where they can participate, with their peers, in woodworking, craft and social activities.

**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)**

We were still operating under severe covid restrictions at the beginning of July 2020 and our active membership had dwindled to less than half of what it had been at before the lockdown. However, we had taken advantage of the lockdown period to undertake a development program that greatly expanded our ability to conduct outdoor activities in a newly roofed courtyard. Our plan for when we are able to return to more normal activities, is to have an opening event and start conducting weekly morning teas and presentations on topics of interest to try and rebuild our membership numbers.

Many of our members are older and/or have underlying health issues; therefore, we continued to abide by the 'guidance' for preventing the spread of Covid during the entire reporting period. Consequently, the implementation of our plans for rebuilding our membership are on hold.

The last Annual General Meeting of the Dusty Shed was held on 24<sup>th</sup> of January 2019. In accordance with the Dusty Shed Constitution, the next AGM was planned for mid-April 2020. As detailed in our 2019/20 annual report, by April 2020 we were still working under the Covid-19 social distancing restrictions and, because many of our members are uncomfortable using internet conferencing, the AGM had to be indefinitely postponed.

The current proposal is to hold an AGM as soon as it is permissible under Covid-19 restrictions guidance.

**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 early 2021 a review was undertaken by the Trustees of our Constitution, which had not been reviewed since the organisation was formed in 2016. The following problems were identified:

- it is poorly constructed with several different paragraph numbering systems being used, which makes cross-referencing difficult;
- it addresses a number of topics that are not relevant to the way our Shed functions as an association of members; and
- it does not provide governance-guidance relevant to some things that have occurred since the Shed was formed, and may well occur again in the future.

Hence, the Constitution was rewritten to address the above problems, and to include a relevant title page and a 'Mission Statement'.

Our understanding of the guidance provided on the Charity Commission website, is that the only amendments to a constitution requiring Charity Commission approval are those relevant to the Objectives or to the appointment/remuneration of trustees. In our case, there has been minor amendment to the Objectives and no amendment to the appointment/remuneration of trustees.

We propose to seek member agreement to the amendments before making a submission to the Charity Commission to formalise the changes.

## Section D

## Achievements and performance

### Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

During the Covid restrictions we continued to support our membership through our WhatsApp group and personal telephone calls to members who we knew were experiencing emotional problems due to their long periods of isolation.

We also provided physical support where necessary in the form of assistance with shopping and transport.

We provided the following support for the work of the Dusty Forge, with which we have a very close association:

- Assistance with the renovation of a house for a disadvantaged family.
- Fit-out of racking and shelving in container for a new 'Library of Things' project.
- Staffing a work station for their monthly Repair Café to undertake general repairs and provide back-up support for other repairers.

## Section E

## Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

We hold no significant reserves.

We have limited regular income from member subscriptions, and we bid annually for approximately £10,000 from the National Lottery to cover our overheads and to pay the Dusty Forge for one of their staff to maintain our documentation and website, promote our organisation, and act as a secretariat for the Trustees Committee.

We also periodically bid for funding from other grant providing organisations to procure and maintain equipment or undertake a more significant development project.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

Nil

### 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.

**Section F****Other optional information**

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**Section G****Declaration**

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>		
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Charles Wallace	Paul Perera
<b>Position</b>	Chair Trustee Committee	Treasurer
<b>Date</b>	24 April 2022	24 April 2022



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**Receipts and payments accounts**

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For the period from	Period start date 01/07/2020	To	Period end date 30/06/2021
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**Section A Receipts and payments**

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>Receipts</b>				
Subscriptions	477.70		477.70	165
Donations	109.18		109.18	119
Grants	14,124.88		14,124.88	17,450
Sales / event income	430.00		430.00	638
Interest				
Other				54
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>15,141.76</b>		<b>15,141.76</b>	<b>18,426</b>
<b>Asset and investment sales</b>				
Sale of assets				
Sale of investments				
<b>Sub total</b>				
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>15,141.76</b>		<b>15,141.76</b>	<b>18,426.00</b>
<b>Payments</b>				
Heating & Lighting costs	445.71		445.71	619.00
Insurance	595.50		595.50	582.00
Materials & consumables	189.98		189.98	290.00
Small tools (<£25)	59.88		59.88	
Repairs and renewals				50.00
Refreshments				
Staff costs	6,777.00		6,777.00	12,425.00
Training				300.00
Sundry	62.83		62.83	3.00
Structural improvements	12,627.00		12,627.00	
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>20,757.90</b>		<b>20,757.90</b>	<b>14,269.00</b>
<b>Asset and investment purchases</b>				
Hand and power Tools (>£25)				340.00
Workshop machines				
<b>Sub total</b>				<b>340.00</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>20,757.90</b>		<b>20,757.90</b>	<b>14,609.00</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>-5,616.14</b>		<b>-5,616.14</b>	<b>3,817.00</b>
Transfers between funds				
<b>Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>15,361.00</b>		<b>15,361.00</b>	<b>11,544.00</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>9,744.86</b>		<b>9,744.86</b>	<b>15,361.00</b>

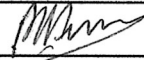
## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

**Categories**

	Unrestricted funds <small>to nearest £</small>	Restricted funds <small>to nearest £</small>	Total current Period <small>to the nearest £</small>	Last year <small>to the nearest £</small>
<b>Cash funds</b>				
Current account	9,548.51		9,548.51	15,242.90
Cash	196.35		196.35	118.10
<b>Total cash funds</b> <small>(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))</small>	<b>9,744.86</b> <small>OK</small>		<b>9,744.86</b> <small>OK</small>	<b>15,361.00</b> <small>OK</small>
<b>Other monetary assets</b>				
Stocks/goods for sale				
Debtors				
<b>Investment assets</b>				
<b>Assets retained for the Shed's own use</b>				
Buildings				
Large items of machinery				
Power tools				
Hand tools				
Other assets				
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Trade creditors				
Accrued expenses				

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

Signature



Print Name

PAUL CHRISTOPHER PERERA

Date of approval

24/02/2022