

Chair of Trustees Report: Aldridge Shed 2024–2025

It is with great pride and enthusiasm that I present the Chair of Trustees Report for Aldridge Shed for the year 2024–2025.

This year has been a transformative one for our organisation. Due to a remarkable increase in membership and community engagement, we found ourselves outgrowing our current premises - a testament to the strength of our mission and the importance of the Shed in the lives of so many local people. In response, we undertook the bold step of moving to a larger facility that better accommodates our growing number of members and the expanding range of activities we now offer.

This move is a milestone for Aldridge Shed. It signals our evolution from a modest community space which started 7th June 2016, to a thriving hub of creativity, skill-sharing, and social connection. Our new premises allow for improved facilities, enhanced accessibility, and the ability to host more workshops, events, and collaborative projects - all central to reducing loneliness and fostering wellbeing through practical activity.

However, with this exciting growth comes a set of new challenges. Chief among them are the increased operational costs associated with the larger space - from rent and utilities to maintenance and insurance. As a result, the Trustees have had to place a renewed focus on securing sustainable funding to support our expansion. This has included applying for a range of local and national grants, as well as exploring new fund raising opportunities and partnerships.

We are grateful for the support we've received so far and remain committed to ensuring that Aldridge Shed remains an affordable, welcoming, and inclusive space for all who wish to join. We know the value the Shed brings - not just in terms of skills and hobbies, but in building friendships, purpose, and resilience.

I want to extend heartfelt thanks to all our volunteers, members, supporters, and fellow Trustees, whose passion and hard work make everything we do possible. As we look ahead, we remain optimistic and focused on ensuring the Shed continues to thrive in its new home.

Together, we are building more than just projects - we are building community.

Ivor Anderson

Chair of Trustees

Aldridge Shed



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Aldridge Shed

No (if any)
1174684

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	01/06/2024		31/05/2025

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 £
A1 Receipts					
session fees	7,158	-	-	7,158	-
membership fee	475	-	-	475	-
Donations	7,135	-	-	7,135	-
Bank interest	386	-	-	386	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	15,154	-	-	15,154	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	15,154	-	-	15,154	-
A3 Payments					
rent/Utilities	21,840	-	-	21,840	-
Services/insurance	1,919	-	-	1,919	-
Consumables	2,346	-	-	2,346	-
Equipment	359	-	-	359	-
Donations made	75	-	-	75	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	26,539	-	-	26,539	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	26,539	-	-	26,539	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	11,385	-	-	11,385	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	11,385	-	-	11,385	-

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	deposit account	14,334	-	-
	current account	3,989	-	-
	petty cash	46	-	-
	Total cash funds	18,369	-	-
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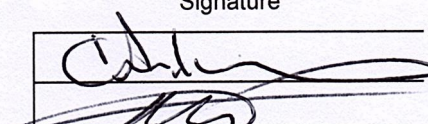
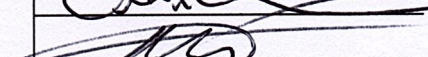
	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Ivor Anderson	8-9-25
	Mark Perry	8-9-25