



Registered Charity number 1178126

Trustees Annual Report &

Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2022

Agreed on behalf of Trustees by Peter Raven (Chairman) – For the AGM 27 February 2023

Fareham Men's Shed (FMS)

The Trustees are pleased to provide this report together with financial statements of our charity for the year ended 31 December 2022. The statements have been drawn up in accordance with the recommendations of the Charity Commission.

Governing Document

The Fareham Men's Shed is a registered charity, number 1178126. The FMS is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) and is governed by its Constitution and Rules.

Trustees

The Trustees manage the day to day running of the charity. The rules of the FMS allow for the stepping down of one third of the trustees annually, new nominations are approved at the AGM.

Trustees & Committee as at 31 December 2022

Trustees

Chairman:	Peter Raven	Membership Secretary:	Frank Wood
Vice Chairman:	Rod Parker	Sales:	Richard Bunce
Secretary:	Milton Hewins	Health & Safety:	John Wathen
Treasurer:	Cliff Jones	I.T.:	Chris Nixon
Workshop Manager:	Mick Foster	Social Secretary:	Tony Crane
Public Relations Manager:	Chris Hodgson	Project Co-ordinator:	Brian McCarthy

Address of the Fareham Men's Shed

73 St Margaret's Lane, Titchfield, Fareham, Hampshire PO14 4BG (within Titchfield Festival Theatre)

Bankers

HSBC, 71 West Street, Fareham, PO16 0AN

Purpose of the charity

To provide a workshop and social centre for members.

To help and encourage members in maintaining their health and wellbeing, to make new friends and enjoy working together on a range of projects.

To assist the local community in practical ways whenever and wherever possible.

Organisation

The Trustees meet monthly throughout the year in order to administer and steer the charity.

Investment powers

The Trustees have unlimited investment powers.

Related parties

The charity has no related parties.

General Report

2022 saw The Shed continuing to 'bounce back' post-Covid. Attendances at continued to rise both on the recreational side as well as in the workshop. In 2022, as in previous years, we carried out numerous projects to help in the local community in addition to the projects carried out in-house. We were able, once again, to help raise funds in 2022 for both national as well as local charities.

Two visits to from local Borough Councillors showed them how active we are in providing and fulfilling our objectives towards the mental health and wellbeing of retired men. We should all be very proud of our achievements!

Throughout the year there was expectation of a major relocation of the workshop and social area to an adjacent building but building delays postponed that until 2023.

Events in 2022:

Again, as restrictions lifted, we attempted to get back to normal with the following public facing events.

April – Titchfield Garden Club:

We were invited to display a table of our wares that consisted mainly of items made by Sheddors. It was a fine day and our outdoor table stole the lime light as the public filed into the Parish Hall. It was enjoyable to see so much interest in us as a men's Shed and of the items made. A successful day that added to Shed funds.

August - Stubbington Bank Holiday Monday Fayre:

As in previous year we set up a two stall pitch in fine weather. Many members came along to man the stalls. Again we excelled in sales and in gaining an interest from men wishing to join us. Children's game activities were the usual hit especially 'Splat the Rat' (often tempting mums and dads to outdo their little ones!). Guess the wine bottle provided participants with much needed runner up prizes bottles of water. Again, wooden items made by shedders and wood turners together with sale of second hand tools donated during the year provided much valued addition to the funds. The day raised a net amount of £562. It was another great day facing the public with our cause and of course having fun in so doing.

September - Macmillan Coffee Morning:

Sheddors organised another great coffee morning raising just over £1,100. This was near to but not quite beating last year's total, probably due to the disquiet and mood of the public in respect of the economic situation, war in Ukraine, politics etc!

December - St Peter's Church Advent Café Morning:-

We were invited to place a Christmas orientated table of shedders wares in the church. We attracted much attention and praise, also from one or two men wishing to join The Shed. The event raised £131 for us.

Christmas charity hampers:-

Putin decided to attack Ukraine and wow! This caused inflation to rocket, various food shortages and petrol prices to hit almost £2 a litre. This had obviously inflicted even more hardship on a larger number of families, so much so that St Margaret Mary church had to close their list at just under 100 or they would not be able to cope and that really hurt! In true character the members of our Shed once again "dug deep" to support our local community raising an incredible £800 (plus £80 through gift aid). This supplied a bag of relief and happiness to about 16 local families with shedders helping out with deliveries.

Men's Health:

Fareham Men's Shed always promotes Men's Health and Wellbeing.

At the 2022 AGM Members were advised on the importance of keeping hydrated and were also encouraged to "open up" and discuss their general health issues with each other and more importantly to seek medical advice. Keeping a diary of symptoms can greatly assist doctors with their diagnoses.

In March we joined the Men's Charter, an initiative started by the UK Men's Shed Association to encourage sheds and business to work together in promoting men's health.

In May, in line with the National NO BUTTs campaign we published a preventative guide to Bowel Cancer reiterating that it's never too late to change their diet!

During October we published the Hampshire C.C.'s 'Keep Warm Campaign' that advised the availability of warm clothing and hot drinks at the Fareham Library.

In November we encouraged members to take a PSA test to check the state of their prostate. At least 12 booked for a blood test at the Sarisbury Green Community Centre

Socials:

In March – A trip to Fishbourne Roman Palace – a party of Shedders and partners made their way to this wonderfully uncovered Roman Villa. A social lunch followed at the local hostelry!

In May, a talk and slide show came in the form of a trip made by two local men from Lands End to John O'Groats driving a Morgan 8 over 7 days. The car was brought to The Shed for an envied viewing!

Another talk in June was presented by a 95 year old friend of a shedder about his career in MOD photography. In particular he focused on the recording of tests relating to the investigations of the Munich Air Disaster in 1958. This was a fascinating talk complete with slides of his original photos of the investigation work.

August - A quiz where round 30 shedders formed 6 teams on a Saturday evening to quiz in the Titchfield Theatre Bar. A delightful fun evening!

September – A visit to ScrewFix Live in Farnborough saw Shedders in their element drooling over tools etc. The free goodie bags were also a delight!

December – Shedders Christmas party – A very well attended event was held in a local community centre bar where Shedders and their partners could chat, mingle, gorge on homemade sarnies, quiches and pastries etc. A quiz was also provided.

Projects:-

A variety of projects kept shedders occupied! These ranged from repairs and creation of commemorative seats to making flower planter boxes for the railway station and care homes. Larger projects included repairs to a pergola for one of our benefactors and another for a school. More detailed projects involved the building of a model castle, a royal yacht Britannia (for a flower arrangement) and various props for the Titchfield Festival Theatre!

Financial position 2022

Another good year financially, that was almost as good as 2021 swelling our funds by nearly £10,800. Apart from expected forthcoming operating costs and investment in workshop enhancements etc. we now have a relatively small capital sum that could possibly be used for expanding our Shed to a more suitable home should it arise. A healthy position!

The eBay trading of donated garage clearance items has again been successful thanks to our sales team. Thanks also to our wire stripping and scrap collection team that too has done very well breaking a new milestone; a running total of £4,000 since we started doing this!

More thanks are due to our local councillor who sought a Hampshire CC grant of £2,000 for us towards the then imminent Shed moving costs.

Also, by returning to full annual membership donations post Covid coupled with an increase in members to 70 in number, increased this income by £1,400.

The forthcoming year 2023

A major issue for The Shed was the expected relocation of the workshop and social room to another part of the building complex. At the time of this report that had just got underway. Members rallied together stripping the area of tools, machines, cupboards and shelving etc. Valuable machines and tools have been transported to a commercial storage unit awaiting completion of the new site.

Thanks to our landlord – the trustees of the Titchfield Festival Theatre, we now have the opportunity of moving into larger workshop area and a larger separate dust free purpose built social room.

There will be challenges ahead of course for our more practical members as the next major step will be the kitting out of both the new workshop and social areas.

The aim is to get the new areas up and running for the benefit of all members as soon as possible.

In the meantime two temporary twice weekly meeting hubs have been hired enabling Sheddies to meet, chat and relax in each other's company. More social activities are being planned too!

The new year post AGM, will bring some new trustees as those standing down vacate their positions. Thanks go to their dedication and time given in steering The Shed through the planning and changes made over the years!

Financial policy and risk management

We continue to budget with care, and we monitor our cash flow.

Reserves are held for future development of the charity's equipment and premises.

We have no major fixed assets, so we have no risk of loss or depreciation.

Risk from public liability is covered by insurance.

The accounts are operated on a Receipts and Payments basis throughout the year and are summarised in this report as at 31st December 2022.

Trustees and Charity Status

The charity was converted to a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (C.I.O.) in 2018 in order to greatly reduce any risks to the Trustees in carrying out their management responsibilities.

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The Fareham Men's Shed

I report on the accounts of the Society for the year ended 31 December 2022, a summary of which is shown below on page.

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

Stuart Rowe

Stubbington
5 February 2023

Fareham Men's Shed Summary Account 2022

<u>INCOME</u>	2022 £	2021 £	<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	2022 £	2021 £
Membership fees	3,460.00	2,050	Shed Running Costs:-	3,357.10	3,740
Member Donations re Tea & Coffee etc (net)	570.28	297	Miscellaneous	285.34	31
HCC Grant - Moving Costs (2021 = SBS)	2,000.00	686	Shed Moving Costs	462.07	0
Donated items/tools/material sold (net)	7,225.68	7,172	Polos/Fleeces (net so far)	265.06	0
Workshop sales	439.50	145			
Community Project Income:- (net)	168.00	10			
Events (net surplus)	830.13	716			
Donations	471.24	3,827			
TOTAL INCOME	15,164.83	14,903	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	4,369.57	3,771
(Note - 2021 comparison now shown net - gross receipts was £16,337)			(Note - 2021 comparison now shown net - gross payments was £5,206.24)		

<u>Fund Summary for 2022</u>	£	<u>Bank and Cash Reconciliation at 31st Dec 2022</u>	£	<u>Fund Breakdown</u>	£
Fund B/fwd from 2021	26,145.58	Bank Statement as at 31st Dec	37,100.79	Lathe	2,514
		Add O/S Bankings	0.00	New Premises	2,540
Income	15,164.83	Less - Unclaimed Petty Cash	-132.89	Future Premises	30,000
Less - Expenditure	-4,369.57	Less - O/S cheques	-612.06	Working Rev.	1,887
		Adjusted bank Position	36,355.84	C/fwd	
		Workshop Managers float	50.00	Total	36,941
		Treasurer's Float	150.00		
		Axminster Gift Cards	385.00		
Funds at 31st December 2022	36,940.84	Fund Total at 31st December	36,940.84		