

SOMERSET LEVELS AND MOORS SHED

England & Wales · Charity number 1182815

Details

Other names	BRIDGWATER MEN'S SHED, SLAMS, SLAMSHED, THE BRIDGWATER SHED
Status	Registered
Legal form	CIO
Registered	2019-04-05
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Activities

Objects: TO PROMOTE SOCIAL INCLUSION FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT OF PERSONS LIVING IN BRIDGWATER, ITS ADJACENT TOWNS, VILLAGES AND THE ISOLATED RURAL COMMUNITIES OF THE SOMERSET LEVELS AND MOORS, IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY OLDER MEN, PREVENTING THEM FROM BECOMING SOCIALLY EXCLUDED AND ASSISTING THEM TO INTEGRATE INTO SOCIETY THROUGH THE PROVISION OF A VENUE (A "SHED") OR VENUES ("SHEDS") IN WHICH THEY CAN MEET AND JOINTLY OR INDIVIDUALLY UNDERTAKE AND SHARE CREATIVE, PHYSICAL, SOCIAL AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES OF THEIR CHOICE. FOR THE PURPOSE OF THIS CLAUSE "SOCIALLY EXCLUDED" MEANS BEING EXCLUDED FROM SOCIETY, OR PARTS OF SOCIETY, AS A RESULT OF ONE OF MORE OF THE FOLLOWING FACTORS: UNEMPLOYMENT; FINANCIAL HARDSHIP; YOUTH OR OLD AGE; ILL HEALTH (PHYSICAL OR MENTAL); SUBSTANCE ABUSE OR DEPENDENCY INCLUDING ALCOHOL AND DRUGS; DISCRIMINATION ON THE GROUNDS OF SEX, RACE, DISABILITY, ETHNIC ORIGIN, RELIGION, BELIEF, CREED, SEXUAL ORIENTATION OR GENDER RE-ASSIGNMENT; POOR EDUCATIONAL OR SKILLS ATTAINMENT; RELATIONSHIP AND FAMILY BREAKDOWN; POOR HOUSING (THAT IS HOUSING THAT DOES NOT MEET BASIC HABITABLE STANDARDS); CRIME (EITHER AS A VICTIM OF CRIME OR AS AN OFFENDER REHABILITATING INTO SOCIETY).

Activities: We provide an accessible, safe, secure, sociable and inclusive workshop space and related facilities, where members can participate in woodwork and craft activities within the limits of their own abilities; sharing and learning informally from each other. We support our local community by undertaking projects of community value.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Disability
- **Who:** Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies

Geography

- Somerset

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£12,272	£17,410	-	-
2023-12-31	£28,158	£13,256	-	-
2022-12-31	£5,193	£9,086	-	-
2021-12-31	£19,758	£2,837	-	-
2020-12-31	£0	£0	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Gerald Swayne		2021-08-10
Peter J Smith		2022-05-26
Stuart Harry Jackson		2020-06-30

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Accounts

Somerset Levels and Moors Shed (SLaMS)
(A Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

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**Trustees' Annual Report
and Financial Statements
for the Year Ended
31st December 2024**

Somerset Levels and Moors Shed CIO

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Somerset Levels and Moors Shed CIO

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31st December 2024

Legal and Administrative Information

Status

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Registered Number

Registered charity number: 1182815

Principal Address

Canal Workshop
Canal View
Old Taunton Road
Bridgwater
Somerset
TA6 3NS

Trustees

The trustees who served during the year were as follows

Colin D Gorton	(Chair)	(appointed 10th January 2019)
Stuart H Jackson	(Treasurer)	(appointed 30th June 2020)
Michael G Brown		(appointed 30th June 2020)
Gerald Swayne	(Secretary)	(appointed 10th August 2021)
Gordon A Godfrey		(appointed 17th May 2022)
Peter J Smith		(appointed 17th May 2022)

Trustees who resigned during the year

Tom Hart	(resigned 21st May 2024)
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Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31st December 2024

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2024.

Structure, Governance and Management

The Somerset Levels and Moors Shed (SLaMS) is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). The CIO is governed by a constitution, with charity trustees to be elected by members at its Annual General Meeting. Any vacant seats may be filled by nomination, election and verification process held by the existing trustees during the year.

The charity trustees are responsible for the management and overall control of the CIO. All trustees are volunteers and undertake activities to further the objects of SLaMS as required, with no remuneration or financial benefit received for their time, which is given freely. No remuneration or benefits or expenses were paid to any connected persons during this period.

Objectives and Activities

The objects of the charity are to promote for the public benefit of persons living in Bridgwater, its adjacent towns, villages and the isolated rural communities of the Somerset Levels and Moors, in particular but not exclusively older men, preventing them from becoming socially excluded, and assisting them to integrate into society through the provision of a venue ("Shed") or venues ("Sheds") in which they can meet and jointly or individually undertake and share creative, physical, social and recreational activities of their choice.

SLaMS offers a practical skills sharing environment, where all members contribute to the life of the Shed, working on their own projects, community-based projects or those commissioned by members of the public.

Achievements and Performance

Our beneficiaries include men and women aged 18+, though our members are predominantly male retirees. Many are dealing with issues around physical or mental health, social isolation, ageing, unemployment and include carers seeking respite, ex-offenders/probationers re-integrating back into society, and refugees/asylum seekers awaiting settlement in the UK.

Our members' life experiences are quite diverse. This diversity is a strong feature of Shed life and contributes significantly to our aims of being welcoming and inclusive for all, irrespective of background, aptitude or ability. Our social space and practical workshop environment provide an opportunity for men, who may be struggling to cope with mental health and social isolation, to connect with other men through shared practical activity.

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The resultant community is one of mutual support, good humour and a strong *esprit de corps*, and greatly contributes to maintaining each individual's sense of worth, acceptance and wellbeing.

As might be expected given the life circumstances of many of our service users, our membership numbers fluctuate, though we retain a core group of around 15 members, providing sufficient continuity for volunteer Trustees and Session Supervisors, and which also enables us to plan ahead in accepting community and other commissioned projects.

2024 has largely been a year when we further consolidated our recovery from the effects of Covid 19 lockdowns and reduced operations between 2020 and 2022. Given the natural churn in membership our numbers have largely stabilised such that at year end we had attracted 6 new members and retained a total membership of 29. On some days attendance at our twice weekly sessions exceeded practical limits. As a consequence from May 2024 we opened on a third day, with the intention that not only would members' attendance be spread over the extra weekly session, but also by offering a third day, we hoped to attract further new members. In practice this was of limited success, with attendance on the third day remaining low and consistently attracting only a few of our very regular members. While overall attendance and participation is up on previous years, average attendance is down from 2023, predominantly due to low attendance on the new Wednesday session. The table below provides comparison with previous years.

	(SLaMS UA) 2020	(SLaMS UA & CIO) 2021	(SLAMS CIO) 2022	(SLaMS CIO) 2023	(SLaMS CIO) 2024
Membership	11	19	25	32	29
Total Sessions	40	54	101	102	137
Total Attendees	266	330	811	1108	1164
Average attendees/ session	6.6	6.1	8.0	10.9	8.5

We have continued our contacts with signposting agencies and others, including *inter alia* the Probation Service in both Bridgwater and Taunton, NHS Adult Community Mental Health Service, and Third Sector agencies working in the mental health space, and with refugees temporarily accommodated in hotels near M5 Junction 24, responding to individual needs as required.

From time to time we have hosted talks by NHS professionals on aspects of male health. This is often well received by our members, and in many cases has resulted in improved awareness and self care.

We have continued to operate a Hardship Fund to assist those in financial difficulty (as a result of the "Cost of Living Crisis") to access and fully participate in Shed activities.

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Since October 2024, we have publicised and operated The Shed as a “Warm Space”. We received a modest grant as part of Somerset Community Foundation’s “Help through Winter” scheme which enabled us to keep the workshop heating on during the coldest months and provide a weekly hot bacon roll or similar “Man Food” from a visiting burger van on alternate Tuesdays and Thursdays. This proved to be very popular indeed, encouraging attendance on days when several members would normally stay at home.

In respect of community involvement our members have been busy constructing a number of commissioned items, amongst which are :

- For West Monkton School and Hamp Infants School - completion of projects started in 2023 - wellington boot storage units - for safer storage of outdoor footwear and to encourage children’s participation in outdoor curricular activities.
- For SHAL Housing Association - completion of a large project started in 2023 to produce recycling bin storage units - to encourage residents’ recycling behaviours, improve the external visual appearance of properties and to deliver an element of “social uplift” to the immediate neighbourhood.
- For Quantock National Park Service - completion of a number of bird boxes, some of which have been decorated by children from schools based in the Quantock Hills.

2024 concluded with no significant Health and Safety incidents or accidents. There was a small number of minor injuries requiring nothing more than a plaster. Trustees and members both recognise the achievement while readily acknowledging the need to guard against complacency. The frequency of incidents and minor first aid cases is recorded and discussed on a quarterly basis with any recommendations for further mitigation being agreed and implemented. The Shed continues to implement the management of risk to ALARP (As Low As Reasonably Practical) principles.

Reserves Policy

Our aim is to retain a minimum 12 months of annual overhead costs in unrestricted reserves as a operational buffer in the event of funding sources substantially reducing or ceasing. This has been achieved.

Financial Review

Income in 2024 amounted to £12,272 of which £4890 was as a result of members completing projects commissioned by individuals or community organisations.

Only one grant was received during the year - £1100 from The Somerset Community Foundation’s “Help through Winter“ initiative.

Operating payments were £16204, of which the single largest item (£6334) was rent for the workshop. Capital expenditure during the year of £1207 was incurred on a new bandsaw. The charity made a net loss of £5138 and at year end unrestricted cash funds of £16130 were available, with a further £3315 available in restricted funds.

The accounts were reviewed and passed by an independent examiner on 25th April 2025 and found to be an accurate record of the Shed's financial operations.

Approved by the Trustees on 25th April 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C D Gorton', with a horizontal line underneath the name.

C D Gorton Trustee (Chairman



Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01-Jan-24	To	31-Dec-24
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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 £
A1 Receipts					
Members Contributions	5,419		-	5,419	5,015
Earned Income	4,890	-	-	4,890	2,978
Donations and Bequests	781	-	-	781	1,436
Grants		1,100	-	1,100	18,699
Other Income	82	-	-	82	30
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	11,172	1,100	-	12,272	28,158
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Sale of Tools	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	11,172	1,100	-	12,272	28,158
A3 Payments					
Rent	6,334		-	6,334	5,651
Insurances	323	338	-	661	645
Utilities	366	170	-	536	470
Professional and Legal Services	73	-	-	73	90
Comms and Marketing	414	12	-	426	415
Training		360	-	360	77
Tools, Equipments and infrastructure Maintenance	576	161		738	898
Materials and Consumables	1,842	771	-	2,614	2,127
PPE and First Aid		121		121	187
Travel & Subsistence	279	156	-	434	199
Support to Shed membership		806		806	1,499
Support to Shed Projects		3,100	-	3,100	1,000
Sub total	10,208	5,996	-	16,204	13,256
Utilities					
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Capital Tools and Machinery	185	1,022	-	1,207	2,505
Capital Infrastructure Assets			-	-	841
Sub total	185	1,022	-	1,207	3,346
Total payments	10,393	7,017	-	17,410	16,603
Net of receipts/(payments)	779	- 5,917	-	- 5,138	11,555
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	15,351	9,232	-	24,583	13,028
Cash funds this year end	16,130	3,315	-	19,445	24,583

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	Coop Bank	15,617	3,315	-
	Unbanked Cash	513	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	16,130	3,315	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

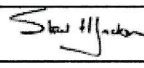
Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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

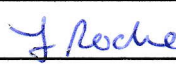
Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Machinery	Unrestricted	-	2,984
	Hand Power Tools	Unrestricted	-	683
	Tools	Unrestricted	-	527
	Workshop Fixtures	Unrestricted	-	540
	Domestic/Safety Infrastructure	Unrestricted	-	678
				-

Categories	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
	Stuart H Jackson	07-Apr-25

Independent Inspection

Signature	Print Name	Date of Inspection
	J Roche	23-4-25



Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/members of

Charity Name

Somerset Levels and Moors Shed (SLaMS)

On accounts for the year ended

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Charity no (if any)

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Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than that disclosed below*):

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act;
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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

Signed

J Roche

Date

15/4/2024

Name

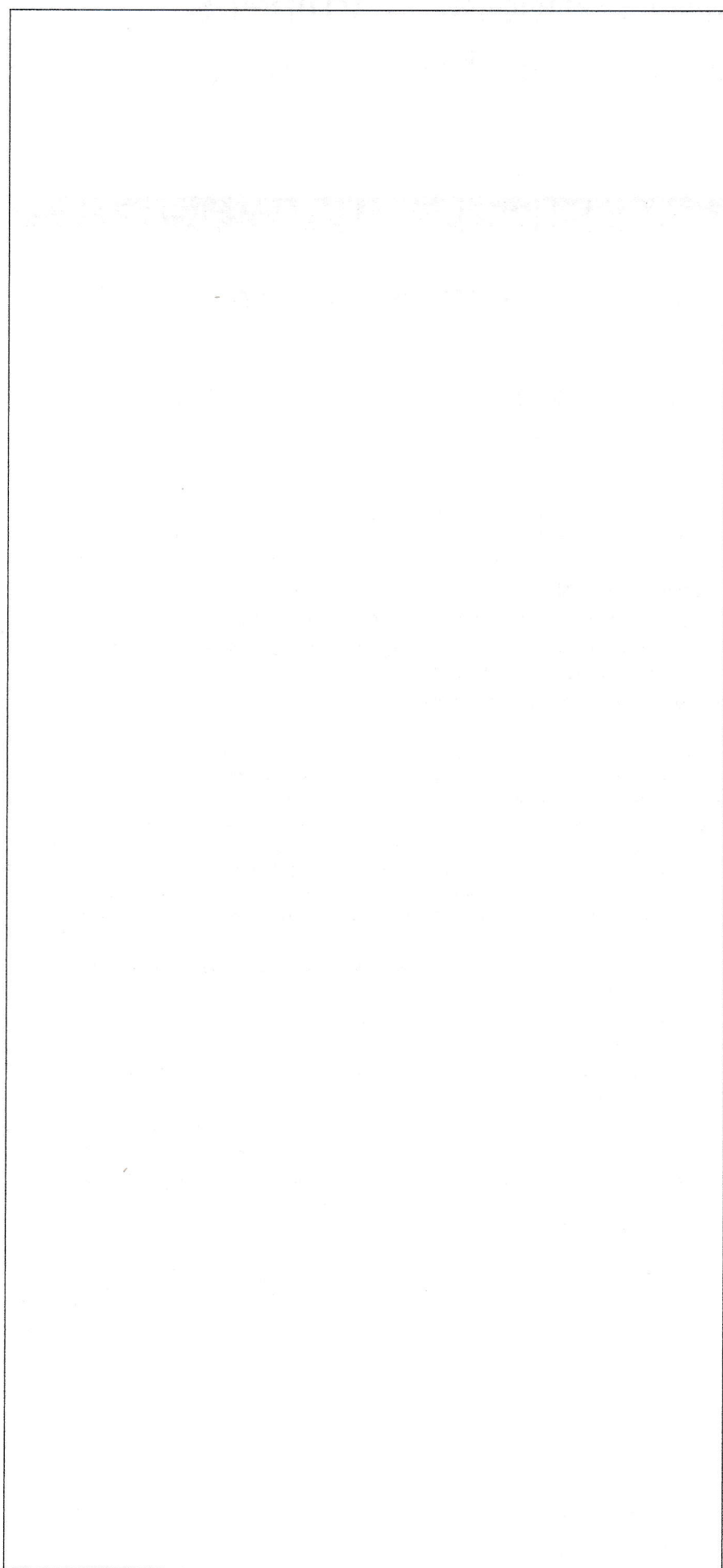
Judith Roche

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

NONE

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

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems

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Peter J Smith	(appointed 17th May 2022)

Trustees appointed during the year

Simon Blackley (Chair 9th May to 13th November)	(appointed 9th May 2023)
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The resultant community is one of mutual support, good humour and a strong *esprit de corps*, and greatly contributes to maintaining each individual's sense of worth, acceptance and wellbeing.

As might be expected given the life circumstances of many of our service users, our membership numbers fluctuate, though we retain a core group of around 15 members, providing sufficient continuity for volunteer Trustees and Session Supervisors, and which also enables us to plan ahead in accepting community and other commissioned projects.

2023 has largely been a year of further, steady recovery from the effects of Covid 19 lockdowns and reduced operations between 2020 and 2022. Despite the loss of some members, our membership has again grown steadily such that at year end we had attracted 11 new members and retained a total membership of 32. We were able to sustain twice weekly sessions throughout the period, with an average attendance of 11 members per session. The table below provides the comparison with previous years.

	(SLaMS UA) 2019	(SLaMS UA) 2020	(SLaMS UA & CIO) 2021	(SLAMS CIO) 2022	(SLaMS CIO) 2023
Membership	30	11	19	25	32
Total Sessions	150	40	54	101	102
Total Attendees	1337	266	330	811	1108
Average attendees/ session	8.9	6.6	6.1	8.0	10.9

In respect of community involvement our members have been busy constructing a number of commissioned items, amongst which are :

- For West Monkton and Hamp Infants Schools - wellington boot storage units - for safer storage of outdoor footwear and to encourage children's participation in outdoor curricular activities.
- For SHAL Housing Association - recycling bin storage units - to encourage residents' recycling behaviours, improve the external visual appearance of properties and to deliver an element of "social uplift" to the immediate neighbourhood.
- Remembrance Day soldier silhouettes for The Royal British Legion

We have continued our contacts with signposting agencies and others, including *inter alia* the Probation Service, NHS Adult Community Mental Health Service, and Third Sector agencies working with refugees temporarily accommodated in hotels near M5 Junction 24. responding to individual needs as required. We are also engaged with the Somerset Integrated Care System - Bridgwater Connect initiative which seeks to improve the connections among health, care and other services and the local VCSE sector of which SLaMS is a small, but niche, element. From grants received in-year, we have established a Hardship Fund to assist those in financial difficulty (as a result of the "Cost of Living Crisis") to access and fully participate in Shed activities. Since October 2023, we have publicised and operated The Shed as a "Warm Space".

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Further grants have enabled us to replace significant elements of our woodworking equipment, much of which was acquired second hand and was increasingly becoming "time expired", as well as replenish our stock of essential consumables (PPE, First Aid supplies etc).

Reserves Policy

Our aim is to retain a minimum 12 months of annual overhead costs in unrestricted reserves as a operational buffer in the event of funding sources substantially reducing or ceasing. This has been achieved.

Financial Review

Income in 2023 amounted to £28158 of which almost £3000 was as a result of members completing projects commissioned by individuals or community organisations.

Grants received during the year were:

- £5600 from Hinckley Point C "Safe Day" Fund - AED, Replacement 18V hand held and other power tools, Replacement PPE, First Aid materials and other consumables; contribution to operating costs.
- £2039 from The Cooperative Local Community Fund - for materials and consumables for community projects.
- £1000 from Bridgwater Town Council - to replace ageing machine tools.
- £5140 from The Open Mental Health Network - Hardship Fund, Warm Spaces, Christmas Meal etc.
- £4920 from Somerset Community Foundation, HPC Community Fund - materials and consumables for SHAL Housing Association recycling bin storage units.

Operating payments were £13256, of which the single largest item (£5651) was rent for the workshop. Significant capital expenditure during the year of £3346 was spent on an Automatic External Defibrillator (AED), upgrading/replacing ageing capital equipment (bandsaw, router) and replacing a diverse and ageing range of 24v corded power tools with new trade rated 18V power tools, bringing total payments for the year to £16603. The charity made a net profit of £11555, and at year end unrestricted cash funds of £15351 were available, with a further £9232 available in restricted funds.

The accounts were reviewed and passed by an independent examiner on 15th April 2024 and found to be an accurate record of the Shed's financial operations.

Approved by the Trustees on 24th April 2024 and signed on their behalf by:



C D Gorton Trustee (Chairman)



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Somerset Levels and Moors Shed

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01-Jan-23	To	31-Dec-23
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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 £
A1 Receipts					
Members Contributions	5,015	-	-	5,015	3,313
Earned Income	2,978	-	-	2,978	1,600
Donations and Bequests	1,436	-	-	1,436	280
Grants	-	18,699	-	18,699	-
Other Income	30	-	-	30	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	9,458	18,699	-	28,158	5,193
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Sale of Tools	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	9,458	18,699	-	28,158	5,193
A3 Payments					
Rent	5,351	300	-	5,651	5,651
Insurances	339	306	-	645	651
Utilities	-	503	-	470	335
Professional and Legal Services	90	-	-	90	119
Comms and Marketing	81	334	-	415	497
Training	-	77	-	77	500
Tools, Equipments ans infrastructure Maintenance	154	744	-	898	311
Materials and Consumables	818	1,309	-	2,127	420
PPE and First Aid	-	187	-	187	59
Travel & Subsistance	-	199	-	199	-
Support to Shed membership	-	1,499	-	1,499	-
Support to Shed Projects	-	1,000	-	1,000	-
Sub total	6,799	6,457	-	13,256	8,543
					tilities
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Capital Tools and Machinery	336	2,170	-	2,505	543
Capital Infrastructure Assets	-	841	-	841	-
Sub total	336	3,011	-	3,346	543
Total payments	7,135	9,468	-	16,603	9,086
Net of receipts/(payments)	2,323	9,232	-	11,555	- 3,893
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	13,028	-	-	13,028	16,921
Cash funds this year end	15,351	9,232	-	24,583	13,028

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	Coop Bank	15,351	9,232	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	15,351	9,232	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

	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	Machinery	Unrestricted	-	2,671
	Hand Power Tools	Unrestricted	-	1,065
	Tools	Unrestricted	-	527
	Workshop Fixtures	Unrestricted	-	540
	Domestic/Safety Infrastructure	Unrestricted	-	889
			-	-

	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
		Stuart H Jackson	22-Mar-24
		CD GORDON	24/4/24

Independent Inspection	Signature	Name	Date of Inspection
		J Roche	15/4/24



Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts

Section A	Independent Examiner's Report	
Report to the trustees/members of	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> <small>Charity Name</small> Somerset Levels and Moors Shed (SLaMS) </div>	
On accounts for the year ended	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;"> 3 1 1 2 2 3 </div>	Charity no (if any) <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block; margin-left: 10px;">1 1 8 2 8 1 5</div>
Set out on pages	<div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 15px; width: 100%;"></div> <small>(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)</small>	
Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner	<p>The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act, to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention. 	
Basis of independent examiner's statement	<p>My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.</p>	
Independent examiner's statement	<p>In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than that disclosed below*):</p> <p>(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or <p>(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.</p> <p><i>* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.</i></p>	
Signed	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;"> </div>	Date <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block; margin-left: 10px;">15/4/2024</div>
Name	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Judith Roche</div>	
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any)	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">NONE</div>	
Address	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">The Willows Woodhill</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Stoke St Gregory</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Taunton</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Somerset TA3 6EN</div>	

SOMERSET LEVELS AND MOORS SHED

England & Wales - Charity number 1182815

Accounts

Somerset Levels and Moors Shed (SLaMS)
(A Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

Charity Number 1182815

**Trustees' Annual Report
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31st December 2022**

Somerset Levels and Moors Shed CIO

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Somerset Levels and Moors Shed CIO

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31st December 2022

Legal and Administrative Information

Status

The Somerset Levels and Moors Shed (SLaMS) is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), registered on 5th April 2019.

Registered Number

Registered charity number: 1182815

Principal Address

Canal Workshop
Canal View
Old Taunton Road
Bridgwater
Somerset
TA6 3NS

Trustees

The trustees who served during the year were as follows

Colin D Gorton	Chair)	(appointed 10th January 2019)
Tom Hart		(appointed 10th January 2019)
Stuart H Jackson	(Treasurer)	(appointed 30th June 2020)
Michael G Brown		(appointed 30th June 2020)
Gerald Swayne	(Secretary)	(appointed 10th August 2021)

Trustees who resigned during the year

Cherrill Kelly (resigned 17th May 2022)

Trustees appointed during the year

Gordon A Godfrey	(appointed 17th May 2022)
Peter J Smith	(appointed 17th May 2022)

Somerset Levels and Moors Shed

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31st December 2022

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2022.

Structure, Governance and Management

The Somerset Levels and Moors Shed (SLaMS) is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). The CIO is governed by a constitution, with charity trustees to be elected by members at its Annual General Meeting. Any vacant seats may be filled by nomination, election and verification process held by the existing trustees during the year.

The charity trustees are responsible for the management and overall control of the CIO. All trustees are volunteers and undertake activities to further the objects of SLaMS as required, with no remuneration or financial benefit received for their time, which is given freely. No remuneration or benefits or expenses were paid to any connected persons during this period.

Objectives and Activities

The objects of the charity are to promote for the public benefit of persons living in Bridgwater, its adjacent towns, villages and the isolated rural communities of the Somerset Levels and Moors, in particular but not exclusively older men, preventing them from becoming socially excluded, and assisting them to integrate into society through the provision of a venue ("Shed") or venues ("Sheds") in which they can meet and jointly or individually undertake and share creative, physical, social and recreational activities of their choice.

SLaMS offers a practical skills sharing environment, where all members contribute to the life of the Shed, working on their own projects, community based projects or those commissioned by members of the public.

Achievements and Performance

Our beneficiaries include men and women aged 18+, though our members are predominantly male retirees. Many are dealing with issues around physical or mental health, social isolation, ageing, unemployment and include carers seeking respite and ex-offenders/probationers re-integrating back into society.

Our members' life experiences are quite diverse. This diversity is a strong feature of Shed life and contributes significantly to our aims of being welcoming and inclusive for all, irrespective of background, aptitude or ability. Our social space and practical workshop environment provide an opportunity for men, who may be struggling to cope with mental health and social isolation, to connect with other men through shared practical activity.

Somerset Levels and Moors Shed

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The resultant community is one of mutual support, good humour and a strong *esprit de corps*, and greatly contributes to maintaining each individual's sense of worth, acceptance and wellbeing.

As might be expected given the life circumstances of many of our service users, our membership numbers fluctuate, though we retain a core group of around 12 members, providing sufficient continuity for volunteer Trustees and Session Supervisors, and which also enables us to plan ahead in accepting community and other commissioned projects.

2022 has largely been a year of modest, but steady, recovery from the effects of Covid 19 lockdowns and reduced operations in the preceding two years. Despite the further loss of some members, our membership has grown steadily such that at year end we had attracted 11 new members and retained a total membership of 25. We were able to sustain twice weekly sessions throughout the period, with an average attendance of 8 members per session. The table below provides the comparison with previous years.

	(SLaMS UA) 2019	(SLaMS UA) 2020	(SLaMS UA & CIO) 2021	(SLAMS CIO) 2022
Membership	30	11	19	25
Total Sessions	150	40	54	101
Total Attendees	1337	266	330	811
Average attendees/ session	8.9	6.6	6.1	8.0

In respect of community involvement our members have been busy constructing a number of commissioned items, amongst which are :

- For The Friends of Blake Museum charity - a very large octagonal memorial planter.
- For Bridgwater Rotary Club - a "Talking Bench" to encourage socially isolated people to sit and converse - for installation at Bridgwater Library.
- For Hamp Infants School - wellington boot storage units - for safer storage of outdoor footwear and to encourage children's participation in outdoor curricular activities.

At year end we were in discussion with SHAL Housing Association for the provision of recycling bin storage units for properties with no side access. The expected impacts of this proposed project include encouraging residents' recycling behaviours, improving the external visual appearance of properties and delivering an element of "social uplift" to the immediate neighbourhood.

We have continued our contacts with signposting agencies and others, including *inter alia* the Probation Service, NHS Adult Community Mental Health Service, responding to individual needs as required. We are also engaged with the Somerset Integrated Care System - Bridgwater Connect initiative which seeks to improve the connections among health, care and other services and the local VCSE sector of which SLaMS is a small, but niche, element.

Somerset Levels and Moors Shed CIO

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31st December 2022

Reserves Policy

Our aim is to retain a minimum 12 months of annual overhead costs in unrestricted reserves as a operational buffer in the event of funding sources substantially reducing or ceasing. This has been achieved.

Financial Review

Income in 2022 amounted to £5193 of which £1600 was as a result of members completing commissioned projects. No grants were received during the period. Operating payments were £8543, of which the single largest item (£5651) was rent for the workshop. The only major capital expenditure during the year was £543 for a compound mitre saw, bringing total payments for the year to £9086. The charity made a net loss of £3893, and at year end cash funds of £13028 were available.

Of note, the pre-Covid 2020 opening balance of SLAMS (at that time operating as an Unincorporated Association) was £13492. As a result of the Covid-19 lockdowns, reduced shed operations and the time required for community confidence to return, the Shed has been operating at approximately a £3500 annual operating loss for the last 3 years. The Government Covid grant of £10,000 awarded in 2020 to SLAMS UA , via Sedgemoor District Council, has served its purpose, and buffered the impact of Covid.

The accounts were reviewed and passed by an independent examiner on 26th April 2023 and found to be an accurate record of the Shed's financial operations.

Approved by the Trustees on 27th April 2023 and signed on their behalf by:



C D Gorton
Trustee (Chairman)



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Somerset Levels and Moors Shed

1182815

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01-Jan-22

To

31-Dec-22

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Transfer of Cash from SLAMS UA Bank	-	-	-	-	18,434
Transfer of SLAMS UA Cash in Hand	-	-	-	-	123
Members Contributions	3,313	-	-	3,313	601
Earned Income	1,600	-	-	1,600	535
Donations and Bequests	280	-	-	280	55
Grants	-	-	-	-	-
Other Income	-	-	-	-	10
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	5,193	-	-	5,193	19,758
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Sale of Tools	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	5,193	-	-	5,193	19,758
A3 Payments					
Rent	5,651	-	-	5,651	1,343
Insurances	651	-	-	651	-
Utilities	335	-	-	335	95
Professional and Legal Services	119	-	-	119	1,226
Comms and Marketing	497	-	-	497	19
Training	500	-	-	500	-
Tools and Equipments Maintenance	311	-	-	311	-
Materials and Consumables	420	-	-	420	154
PPE and First Aid	59	-	-	59	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	8,543	-	-	8,543	2,837
ilities					
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Compound Mitre Saw	543	-	-	543	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	543	-	-	543	-
Total payments	9,086	-	-	9,086	2,837
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 3,893	-	-	- 3,893	16,921
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	16,921	-	-	16,921	-
Cash funds this year end	13,028	-	-	13,028	16,921

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	Coop Bank	13,028	-	-
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		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	13,028	-	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))		OK	OK	OK

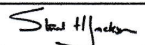

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Machinery	Unrestricted	-	1,821
	Hand Power Tools	Unrestricted	-	250
	Tools	Unrestricted	-	527
	Workshop Fixtures	Unrestricted	-	540
	Domestic/Safety Infrastructure	Unrestricted	-	258
				-

Categories	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
	Stuart H Jackson	17-Feb-23
	C. D. GORSTON	26.4.23

INDEPENDENTLY
CHECKED



JUDITH ROCHE

24.4.2023



Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/members of

Charity Name

Somerset Levels and Moors Shed (SLaMS)

On accounts for the year ended

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Charity no (if any)

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Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

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

Signed

J Roche

Date

24-4-2023

Name

Judith Roche

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

NONE

Address

The Willows Woodhill

Stoke St Gregory

Taunton

Somerset TA3 6EN

SOMERSET LEVELS AND MOORS SHED

England & Wales - Charity number 1182815

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Somerset Levels and Moors Shed (SLaMS)

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Stuart Jackson	(Treasurer)	(appointed 30th June 2020)
Michael Brown	(Secretary)	(appointed 30th June 2020)

Trustees appointed during the year

Gerald Swayne (appointed 10th August 2021)

Somerset Levels and Moors Shed

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31st December 2021

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2021.

Structure, Governance and Management

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SLaMS offers a practical skills sharing environment, where all members contribute to the life of the Shed, working on their own projects, community based projects or those commissioned by members of the public.

SLaMS CIO, first registered on 5th April 2019, became fully active as a charity on 1st October 2022, when all physical and financial assets of the preceding Somerset Levels and Moors Unincorporated Association (SLaMS UA) were transferred to the CIO. The previous long term lease on The Canal Workshop was terminated through a Deed of Surrender and a new 10 year lease in favour of the CIO was established. The terms of the lease permit SLaMS CIO to give 6 months notice of termination in the event of the charity becoming non-viable, but otherwise provide for uninterrupted security of tenure over a 10 year period to 30th September 2032. The Trustees consider this provides a very strong basis on which to further develop SLaMS' services.

The financial statements attached to this report are those of the CIO only and do not include any of the receipts and payments of the Unincorporated Association. Accounts for the Unincorporated Association for the period 1st January 2021 to 30th September 2021 are available on request.

Somerset Levels and Moors Shed

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31st December 2021

Achievements and Performance

Our beneficiaries include men and women aged 18+, though our members are predominantly male retirees. Many are dealing with issues around physical or mental health, social isolation, ageing, unemployment and include carers seeking respite and ex-offenders/probationers re-integrating back into society.

Our members life experiences are quite diverse. This diversity is a strong feature of Shed life and contributes significantly to our aims of being welcoming and inclusive for all, irrespective of background, aptitude or ability. Our social space and practical workshop environment provide an opportunity for men who may be struggling to cope with mental health and social isolation to connect with other men through shared practical activity. The resultant community is one of mutual support, good humour and a strong *esprit de corps*, and greatly contributes to maintaining each individual's sense of worth, acceptance and wellbeing.

As might be expected given the life circumstances of many of our service users, our membership numbers fluctuate, though we retain a core group of around 12 members, providing sufficient continuity for volunteer Trustees and Session Supervisors, and which also enables us to plan ahead in accepting community and other commissioned projects.

At the start of our CIO operations (i.e from 1st October 2021), we were still recovering from the lengthy periods of lockdown in 2020 and 2021 due to the Covid pandemic. Nineteen members transferred across from SLAMS UA. Despite invoking sound Covid-safe practices, several members were reluctant to return and it has taken some considerable time for them to regain their confidence. Those that have, have reported feelings of relief at getting back to a degree of normality. By year end we achieved our target of sustaining twice weekly sessions (pre- lockdown, thrice weekly).

Nonetheless our membership, total number of weekly sessions, total and average number of attendees per session is significantly down from 2019, the last full 12 months which were unaffected by Covid lockdowns. The impact of Covid 19 on our activities is indicated in the table below.

	(SLaMS UA) 2019	(SLaMS UA) 2020	(SLaMS UA) 2021 Jan - Sep	(SLAMS CIO) 2021 Oct - Dec	(SLaMS UA & CIO) 2021 Total
Membership	30	11	19	19	19
Total Sessions	150	40	35	19	54
Total Attendees	1337	266	190	140	330
Average attendees/ session	8.9	6.6	5.4	7.3	6.1

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The challenge remains to return to pre-pandemic service levels, refresh our many links with signposting agencies, kindred charities and community groups, attract new members, deliver further community projects and improve the health and wellbeing of more men and women.

Reserves Policy

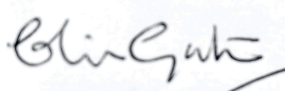
Our aim is to retain a minimum 6 months of annual overhead costs in unrestricted reserves as a operational buffer in the event of funding sources substantially reducing or ceasing. This has been achieved.

Financial Review

The Financial Management of the Somerset Levels and Moors' Shed was transferred from SLaMS UA to SLaMS CIO on 1 October 2021. All SLaMS UA financial activity ceased on 30 September 2021. The full balance of SLaMS UA was transferred to SLaMS CIO. These accounts are therefore only for the last three months of SLaMS normal financial year and are not representative of a full accounting year as the majority of the Shed's fixed costs (such as insurance, safety inspections) occur in the first quarter.

The accounts for both the SLaMS UA and SLaMS CIO were reviewed and passed by an independent examiner on 23 March 2022 and found to be an accurate record of the Shed's financial operations.

Approved by the Trustees on 12th April 2022 and signed on their behalf by:



C D Gorton
Trustee (Chairman)

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01-Oct-21

To

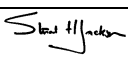
31-Dec-21

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					
Transfer of Cash from SLAMS UA Bank	18,434	-	-	18,434	-
Transfer of SLAMS UA Cash in Hand	123	-	-	123	-
Members Contributions	601	-	-	601	-
Earned Income	535	-	-	535	-
Donations and Bequests	55	-	-	55	-
Grants	-	-	-	-	-
Other Income	10	-	-	10	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	19,758	-	-	19,758	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Sale of Tools	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	19,758	-	-	19,758	-
A3 Payments					
Rent	1,343	-	-	1,343	-
Insurances	-	-	-	-	-
Utilities	95	-	-	95	-
Professional and Legal Services	1,226	-	-	1,226	-
Comms and Marketing	19	-	-	19	-
Training	-	-	-	-	-
Tools and Equipments Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-
Materials and Consumables	154	-	-	154	-
PPE and First Aid	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	2,837	-	-	2,837	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	2,837	-	-	2,837	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	16,921	-	-	16,921	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	16,921	-	-	16,921	-

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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	Coop Bank	16,921	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	16,921	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
			-	-
			-	-
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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 asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Machinery	Unrestricted	-	1,514
	Hand Power Tools	Unrestricted	-	290
	Tools	Unrestricted	-	527
	Workshop Fixtures	Unrestricted	-	490
	Domestic/Safety Infrastructure	Unrestricted	-	258
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Stuart H Jackson	12-Apr-22	

SOMERSET LEVELS AND MOORS SHED

England & Wales - Charity number 1182815

Accounts

Somerset Levels and Moors Shed (SLaMS)
(A Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

Charity Number 1182815

**Trustees' Annual Report
and Financial Statements
for the Year Ended
31st December 2020**

Somerset Levels and Moors Shed

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31st December 2020

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Somerset Levels and Moors Shed

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31st December 2020

Legal and Administrative Information

Status

The Somerset Levels and Moors Shed (SLaMS) is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), registered on 5th April 2019.

Registered Number

Registered charity number: 1182815

Principal Address

Canal Workshop
Canal View
Old Taunton Road
Bridgwater
Somerset
TA6 3NS

Trustees

The trustees who served during the year were as follows:

First Trustees

Colin Gorton (Chair)	(appointed 10th January 2019)
Tom Hart	(appointed 10th January 2019)
Cherrill Kelly	(appointed 10th January 2019)

Trustees who resigned during the year

John James	(Treasurer)	(resigned 30th June 2020)
William Salmon	(Secretary)	(resigned 30th June 2020)

Trustees appointed during the year

Stuart Jackson	(Treasurer)	(appointed 30th June 2020)
Michael Brown	(Secretary)	(appointed 30th June 2020)

Somerset Levels and Moors Shed

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31st December 2020

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2020.

Structure, Governance and Management

The Somerset Levels and Moors Shed (SLaMS) is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) with voting members other than its charity trustees.

The CIO is governed by a constitution, with charity trustees to be elected by members at its Annual General Meeting, and then verified following a reference and background checking procedure. Any vacant seats may be filled by nomination, election and verification process held by the existing trustees during the year.

The charity trustees are responsible for the management and overall control of the CIO. All trustees are volunteers and undertake activities to further the objects of SLaMS as required with no remuneration or financial benefit received for their time which is given freely.

Objectives and Activities

The objects of the charity are to promote for the public benefit of persons living in Bridgwater, its adjacent towns, villages and the isolated rural communities of the Somerset Levels and Moors, in particular but not exclusively older men, preventing them from becoming socially excluded, and assisting them to integrate into society through the provision of a venue ("Shed") or venues ("Sheds") in which they can meet and jointly or individually undertake and share creative, physical, social and recreational activities of their choice.

The Somerset Levels and Moors Shed CIO has been inactive since first registration and throughout 2020, up to and including the year end 31st December 2020.

The CIO was formed, as a separate legal entity, to take over and build upon the activities of an unincorporated association called Somerset Levels and Moors Sheds. Unincorporated associations cannot be converted into Charitable Incorporated Organisations. From a legal perspective, therefore, the two associations are different bodies, one of which will cease activity and the other which will commence activity. The intention is to effect this change during 2021.

The financial statements attached to this report are those of the CIO only and do not include any of the receipts and payments of the Unincorporated Association. Accounts for the Unincorporated Association are available on request.

Somerset Levels and Moors Shed

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31st December 2020

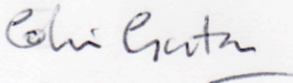
Reserves Policy

The trustees aim to achieve a minimum 6 months of annual overhead costs in unrestricted reserves as a operational buffer in the event of funding sources substantially reducing or ceasing. There were no reserves at the end of the period.

Financial Review

During the period being reported on, the CIO had no transactions.

Approved by the Trustees on 9th February 2021 and signed on their behalf by:



C D Gorton
Trustee

Somerset Levels and Moors Shed

Receipts and Payment Account - Period Ended 31st December 2020

	<u>2020</u> £
Receipts	
Members Contributions	—
Earned Income	—
Donations and Bequests	—
Grants	—
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Payments	
Rent	—
Insurances	—
Utilities	—
Professional and Legal Services	—
Training and Workshops	—
PR, Advertising and Communications	—
Tools and Equipment Maintenance	—
Materials and Consumables	—
PPE and First Aid Supplies	—
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Assets Purchased	
Tools and Equipment	—
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Total Payments	—
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Surplus receipts over payments	—
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Cash funds held at period end	—
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The notes on page 8 form part of these financial statements

Somerset Levels and Moors Shed

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

31st December 2020

2020

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Cash Funds

Other Monetary Assets

Assets retained for the charity's own use

Liabilities

The trustees confirm, in accordance with the Charitable Incorporated Organisation (General) Regulations 2012, that at year end the CIO did not have any outstanding guarantees to third parties nor any debts secured on assets of the CIO.

The financial statements on pages 6 to 8 were approved by the Board of Trustees on 9th February 2021 and signed on their behalf by:

C D Gorton

C D Gorton
Trustee

Somerset Levels and Moors Shed
Notes to the Financial Statements - 31st December 2020

1. Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared on the Receipts and Payments basis in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and the CIO General Regulations 2012.

2. Nature and Purpose of Funds

Unrestricted funds are those that may be used at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the objects of the charity. The trustees maintain a single unrestricted fund for day to day expenses.

3. Related Party Transactions

No remuneration or benefits or expenses were paid to any trustee or connected persons during this period