

NURSLING MEN'S SHED

England & Wales · Charity number 1183606

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2019-05-29

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

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Activities

Objects: 'TO PROMOTE SOCIAL INCLUSION FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT BY PREVENTING PEOPLE, PARTICULARLY BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY MEN AGED 18 OR OVER, WITHIN NURSLING AND THE SURROUNDING AREA, FROM BECOMING SOCIALLY EXCLUDED, RELIEVING THE NEEDS OF THOSE PEOPLE WHO ARE SOCIALLY EXCLUDED AND ASSISTING THEM TO INTEGRATE INTO SOCIETY THROUGH THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES IN WHICH THEY CAN MEET JOINTLY OR INDIVIDUALLY TO UNDERTAKE CREATIVE, PHYSICAL OR RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES, LEARN OR PASS ON SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE AND SUPPORT EACH OTHER SOCIALLY.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).

Activities: We support and facilitate the wellbeing of (usually) retired men by providing a dedicated space (St Boniface Church Hall) in which they can meet and work together. We carry out individual or community projects in an atmosphere of camaraderie and goodwill together with a place to talk and discuss issues that affect our members.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability
- **Who:** Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Hampshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-06-30	£11,461	£11,730	-	-
2024-06-30	£7,550	£9,737	-	-
2023-06-30	£6,141	£7,536	-	-
2022-06-30	£8,803	£12,657	-	-
2021-06-30	£25,946	£11,151	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
GRAHAM GOWMAN	Chair	2019-05-23
Avis Wood		2019-05-23
FRED LYON		2020-02-11
Geoffrey Roberts		2019-05-23
Michael John Bunce		2020-02-11
Paul Stuart		2022-06-20
Timothy David Crompton		2026-01-26

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Annual Report for 2024/25

During the year we continued making and repairing a wide range of items for the local community – in particular wooden garden furniture and hand tools and implements. We are working in conjunction with local residents, schools and businesses to repair, re-use or recycle items that might otherwise be thrown away. We also support "Tools for Self Reliance" in Totton by passing on to them any tools that have been given to us and we cannot use.

We continue to support Hampshire County Council by helping run practical courses for young people in woodwork, electrical installations and plumbing.

We ran practical bird box courses in conjunction with a local youth group to give them practical experience of making things.

We are now open four mornings a week and the Ladies Section meet regularly at the hall on Thursday afternoon.

We have supported the Parish Council in making sure all four defibrillators in the Village are maintained in good condition and software and batteries are replaced as and when needed. A quarterly inspection is carried out.

We had another joint open day with St Boniface Church during the year to showcase our skills and show the local community what we had achieved in restoring the church hall to some of its former glory. To this end we have continued to upgrade the premises, repointing brickwork and upgrading the electrical systems.

We received a grant from the Edwina Mountbatten Trust to buy new machinery and install a full dust extraction system.

We have raised money to fund our activities from subscriptions, grants, donations and contributions for work we have completed for others.

The Trustees and Committee have met on a regular basis approximately every six weeks.

Nursling Men's Shed
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Balance Sheet at 30th June 2025

2023/24

Assets

Cash at Bank	14,254		14,867	
Petty Cash	31		19	
	<u>14,285</u>		<u>14,886</u>	
Prepayment and Accruals				
Sum Up		108		0
GiftAid		460		285
		<u>14,853</u>		<u>15,171</u>

Liabilities

Creditors		0		50
Unrestricted Reserve Fund	5,122		7,308	
Deficit for year	<u>(269)</u>		<u>(2,187)</u>	
		4,853		5,121
Restricted Reserve Fund		10,000		10,000
		<u>14,853</u>		<u>15,171</u>

Fred Lyon
Hon Treasurer
30th August 2025

Nursling Men's Shed**Registered Charity 1183606**

Receipts and Payments Account for period 1st July 2024 to 30th June 2025

Income

			2023/24	
	£	£	£	£
<i>Grants</i>				
Edwina Mountbatten Trust		2,500		0
Other Grants		0		950
<i>Donations</i>				
Named	1,310		297	
Miscellaneous	361		274	
		1,671		571
<i>Subscriptions</i>		1,799		1,766
<i>GiftAid</i>		531		286
<i>Repairs & Maintenance</i>		901		1,161
<i>Fetes & Open Days</i>		769		608
<i>Sales</i>				
Garden Planters	675		20	
Garden Seats	1,040		335	
Other garden items	165		551	
Miscellaneous	466		859	
		2,346		1,765
<i>Miscellaneous</i>				
Community Band	334		317	
Folk Group	610		126	
		944		443
		<u>11,461</u>		<u>7,550</u>

Expenditure

Tools, Equipment and PPE	4,108	1,466
Building materials	2,892	3,648
Office & Kitchen	306	341
Insurance & Subscriptions	426	504
Rent	2,400	2,400
Energy	1,405	1,041
Miscellaneous	193	337
	<u>11,730</u>	<u>9,737</u>
Surplus/(Deficit)	(269)	(2,187)

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We have supported Hampshire County Council by helping run practical courses for young people in woodwork, electrical installations and plumbing.

We ran practical bird box courses in conjunction with a local Brownie Troup to give them practical experience of making things.

We increased our opening times from three mornings a week to four. This enabled a new wood turning group of our members to meet and make full use of the two lathes that have been donated to us.

We now have a Ladies Section meeting at the hall on Thursday afternoon.

We have supported the Parish Council in making sure all four defibrillators in the Village are maintained in good condition and software and batteries are replaced as and when needed.

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We handed over the fully refurbished telephone box to the Parish Council and are now awaiting the electrical connection for the defibrillator.

We continued making and repairing a wide range of items for the local community – in particular wooden garden furniture and hand tools and implements. We are working in conjunction with local schools and businesses to repair, re-use or recycle items that might otherwise be thrown away. Any tools that we cannot use are passed on to Tools for Self Reliance, a charity group that sends refurbished tools to Africa.

We increased our opening times to include Thursday afternoons to accommodate a ladies group. We also allow the local community band to use the Shed for band practice on Wednesday evenings.

We had another joint open day with St Boniface Church during the year to showcase our skills and show the local community what we had achieved in restoring the church hall to some of its former glory. To this end we have continued to upgrade the premises, installing loft insulation and a new air source heat pump.

We have raised money to fund our activities from subscriptions, grants, donations and contributions for work we have completed for others.

The Trustees and Committee have met on a regular basis throughout the year.

Nursing Men's Shed

Receipts and Payments Account for period 1st July 2022 to 30th June 2023

Income

2021/22

Grants

Barker Mill Foundation	500.00	0.00
Test Valley Borough Council	1,000.00	0.00
Other grants	0.00	1,556.00

1,500.00	1,556.00
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Subscriptions

1,254.00	666.00
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GiftAid

320.25	192.49
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Projects

Grove Place	150.00	310.00
Bird tables and boxes	546.00	289.32
Chairs and benches	280.00	240.00
Telephone Box	114.01	1,892.84
Others	0.00	35.00

1,090.01	2,767.16
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Repairs

415.00	230.00
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Sales

Tools	263.00	250.98
Shed made items	349.00	0.00
Donated items	414.00	218.50

1,026.00	699.48
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Miscellaneous

Kitchen	196.15	243.50
Donations	196.00	2,678.03
Band contributions	144.00	0.00

536.15	2,921.53
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6,141.41	8,802.66
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Expenditure

Tools, Equipment and PPE	1,854.92	3,486.11
Building materials	1,185.92	5,170.04
Office & Set up costs	534.23	
Insurance & Subscriptions	388.14	354.73
Rent	2,400.00	2,400.00
Energy	665.62	599.34
Miscellaneous	507.65	647.04

7,536.48	12,657.26
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Surplus/(Deficit)	(1,395.07)	(3,854.60)
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Nursing Men's Shed
Balance Sheet at 30th June 2023

			2021/22
Assets			
Cash at Bank	14,728.58		15,240.99
Petty Cash	<u>95.70</u>		<u>22.39</u>
	14,824.28		15,263.38
<i>Prepayment and Accruals</i>			
Rent in advance		2,200.00	2,200.00
<i>Debtors</i>			
N&RPC		0.00	1,240.22
HMRC GiftAid		<u>320.25</u>	<u>0.00</u>
		<u>17,344.53</u>	<u>18,703.60</u>
Liabilities			
<i>Creditors</i>			
G Gowman PV207		36.00	0.00
Unrestricted Reserve Fund	8,703.60		12,558.20
Surplus for year	<u>-1,395.07</u>		<u>-3,854.60</u>
	7,308.53		8,703.60
Restricted Reserve Fund		10,000.00	10,000.00
		<u>17,344.53</u>	<u>18,703.60</u>

Fred Lyon
Hon Treasurer

07/07/2023

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After the trials and tribulations that came with Covid19 last year it was pleasing to get back to something akin to normality, although we were still working with quite a few restrictions within the hall.

We continued making and repairing a wide range of items for the local community – in particular wooden garden furniture and hand tools and implements. We are working in conjunction with local schools and businesses to repair, re-use or recycle items that might otherwise be thrown away.

We increased our opening times from three mornings a week to four. This enabled a new wood turning group of our members to meet and make full use of the two lathes that have been donated to us.

Our major project for the year was the restoration of a redundant telephone box in the village so that the Parish Council could install another defibrillator for the benefit of local people.

We had a joint open day with St Boniface Church during the year to showcase our skills and show the local community what we had achieved in restoring the church hall to some of its former glory. To this end we have continued to upgrade the premises, installing new windows and guttering and upgrading the electrical systems.

We have raised money to fund our activities from subscriptions, grants, donations and contributions for work we have completed for others.

The Trustees and Committee have resumed in-person meetings on a regular basis.

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Receipts and Payments Account for period 1st July 2021 to 30th June 2022

Income

2020/21

Grants

Co-op Community Grant	1,556.00		1,498.53	
Other grants	0.00		21,814.43	
		1,556.00		23,312.96

Subscriptions

	666.00			768.00
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GiftAid

	192.49			402.34
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Projects

Grove Place	540.00		300.00	
Telephone Box	1,892.84		0.00	
Captain's Chair	240.00		300.00	
Bird tables & boxes	289.32		250.00	
Others	35.00		20.00	
		2,997.16		870.00

Misc Sales

Scrap metal	218.50		0.00	
Surplus equipment	250.98		427.63	
		469.48		427.63

Miscellaneous

Donations	2,678.03		140.48	
Kitchen	243.50		25.00	
		2,921.53		165.48
		<u>8,802.66</u>		<u>25,946.41</u>

Expenditure

Tools & Equipment	3,486.11		1,208.31	
Building materials	5,170.04		5,566.53	
Insurance & Subscriptions	354.73		259.56	
Rent	2,400.00		2,400.00	
Energy	599.34		200.40	
Miscellaneous/Contractors	647.04		1,516.00	
		<u>12,657.26</u>		<u>11,150.80</u>

Surplus/(Deficit)	(3,854.60)			14,795.61
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Balance Sheet at 30th June 2022

		2020/21	
<u>Assets</u>			
Cash at Bank	15,240.99	20,247.93	
Petty Cash	<u>22.39</u>	<u>110.27</u>	
	15,263.38		20,358.20
Prepayment and Accruals			
Rent in advance	2,200.00		2,200.00
Debtor			
N&RPC telephone box	1,240.22		0.00
	<u>18,703.60</u>		<u>22,558.20</u>
<u>Liabilities</u>			
Unrestricted Reserve Fund	12,558.20	7,762.59	
Surplus/(Deficit) for year	(3,854.60)	14,795.61	
To Restricted Reserve Fund	<u>0.00</u>	<u>(10,000.00)</u>	
	8,703.60		12,558.20
Restricted Reserve Fund	10,000.00		10,000.00
Fred Lyon	<u>18,703.60</u>		<u>22,558.20</u>
Hon Treasurer			

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Annual Report 2021

This was another mixed year for us because of the elephant in the room...Covid. It is going to be with us for a long time so we will have to learn to manage our lives around it as for every other organisation, and the other 650 odd Shed's in the UK. No one solution will work for all except being sensible, vigilant and reactive. So, if we need to be 2mts apart, wear masks, or be outside, that's what we will do.

I want to thank everyone for getting us to where we are. When I say everyone, I do mean everyone. The people that started back in 2019, those who joined along the way and those who have recently joined. The original members act as a core and are a visible sign that this looks like a good place. The recent joiners bring a sense of success to our project and let us know that we are on the right track, and I'm pretty sure that had it not been for the elephant mentioned above there would be a lot more people joining, but they will come.

So where are we? In a pretty good place is the quick answer. When we started, we had a plan for how we would set things up what we would do and how we would operate. A good number of those things changed along the way. We had intended to be part of the Royal Voluntary Service charitable offerings, but changes to their constitution made that inoperable, and we became a charity in our own right. We wanted to have representation within our Trustees from St Boniface Church and that did happen, and Ken and Avis are still part of our journey, and further John Sofrin one of our early members is now Church Warden.

Our original requirement under the terms of the lease was to 'decorate the Hall, repair the holes in the floor and replace any broken glass! well we exceeded that by some way, and one thing I will not miss is the smell of rotten, damp wood and fungal growth that used to greet us as we entered the Hall. We had to replace nearly all the joist ends as they were rotten, clear out the air bricks and install a damp-proof course pretty much everywhere that wood came into contact with brick. One big job that still has to be done that was never expected is the brick ties through the external brickwork. When we were replacing the fascias and guttering, we noticed that some of the outer skin was bowing and indeed moving, but we now have a solution once the weather gets better.

We found the best solution for the rotten windows was to replace them, and now they have all been replaced with the exception of those on the front elevation which we still have to repair, so a steady pair of hands will be required for that, and of course some warm weather.

The kitchen and toilet are pretty much completed, and we get good comments from people visiting for the first time. The electrical installation has come along very nicely thanks to Mick Perrott, and that will get certified in the next few months. We also have a library which has a fair mix of literature, textbooks and novels.

We've also spent quite a bit of time making and repairing things. I'm not sure how many bird boxes and bird tables we have made but we must be in line for an Attenborough Award (if there isn't one, then there should be). We are still busy moving work benches around to find the optimum layout for the Hall and workshop, and there is a steady flow of projects coming through the door, chairs, benches telephone boxes. The great thing is that there is always someone willing to take them on, and someone who 'knows a bit about this or that'. A couple of weeks back I was in there and just standing and listening to the chatter and camaraderie, it was a lovely sound. It's great that we have that ability to create chaos out of mess and enjoy doing it!

As we all know storage of materials and works in progress is and will remain an ongoing problem. The constant deliveries of garage clearances and items for repair are what we need to make our living, this combined with our intention to make the Hall available for other groups is going to be a challenge. Current options include a large wooden shed at the allotment end of the churchyard, a mezzanine floor above the workshop, and a container in the field over the road. Nobody has yet suggested a basement extension! We also have the original option to put storage boxes around the perimeter of the Hall which would double as seating. If there are any bright ideas that may help with this knotty problem, please sing out.

We've also got some skills to learn. We have a number of offers for some lathe tuition, personally I would like to be able to operate one of the simple sewing machines, just for straightforward cushion making etc. As we now have some effective dust collection units, that's probably a possibility now.

Almost last item, we have purchased some decent electric fan heaters to make our winter sessions more comfortable, although we do plan to install a Heat Pump at a later date.

I notice many of us are wearing our Nursling Shed Polo and Sweatshirts, and if anyone else wants one let me or Fred know, and we will place another order.

Finally, I have to say that working with and getting to know you folk is a real pleasure.

Thank you

Graham Gowman

Chairman

Nursling Men's Shed

Receipts and Payments Account for period 1st July 2020 to 30th June 2021

Income

2019/20

Grants

Waitrose Community Fund	333.00	0.00
Taylor Wimpey	600.00	0.00
Communities First (HCC)	994.00	0.00
Communities Connect Fund	1,980.00	0.00
Covid 19 Support (TVBC)	17,907.43	10,000.00
Co-op Community Fund	1,498.53	0.00
Other Grants	0.00	2,999.00

23,312.96	12,999.00
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Subscriptions

768.00	564.00
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GiftAid

402.34	0.00
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Projects

Bird tables and boxes	250.00	100.00
Croquet boxes	200.00	250.67
Butler	100.00	0.00
Captains Chair	300.00	0.00
Churchyard seat	20.00	0.00
Other projects	0.00	498.50

870.00	849.17
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Sales

Wood	99.00	99.00
Other	328.63	271.92

427.63	370.92
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Miscellaneous

Donations	140.48	102.62
Tea club	25.00	87.62

165.48	190.24
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<u>25,946.41</u>	<u>14,973.33</u>
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Expenditure

Tools, Equipment and PPE	1,208.31	222.95
Building materials	5,566.53	2,210.77
Contractors	1,516.00	2,375.00
Insurance & Subscriptions	259.56	341.23
Rent	2,400.00	1,800.00
Energy	200.40	260.79

<u>11,150.80</u>	<u>7,210.74</u>
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Surplus	14,795.61	7,762.59
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<u>25,946.41</u>	<u>14,973.33</u>
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Nursling Men's Shed

Balance Sheet at 30th June 2021

2019/20

Assets

Cash at Bank	20,247.93		5,504.35	
Petty Cash	<u>110.27</u>		<u>58.24</u>	
		20,358.20		5,562.59
Prepayment and Accruals				
Rent in advance		2,200.00		2,200.00
		<u>£22,558.20</u>		<u>£7,762.59</u>

Liabilities

Unrestricted Reserve Fund	7,762.59		7,762.59	
Surplus for year	14,795.61			
To Restricted Reserve Fund	<u>-10,000.00</u>			
		12,558.20		
Restricted Reserve Fund		10,000.00		0.00
		<u>£22,558.20</u>		<u>£7,762.59</u>

Fred Lyon - Hon Treasurer

Subject to report of Independent Examiner

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Independent Examiner's Report

Currently in preparation by Mr Don Snowsill