

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From
2022

1st January 2022

To 31st December

Charity name: Mid Cheshire Community Shed CIO

Charity registration number: 11991054

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To promote social inclusion for the public benefit by preventing people, particularly but not exclusively men aged 18 or over within Cheshire and its surrounding areas, from becoming socially excluded, relieving the needs of those people who are socially excluded and assisting them to integrate into society.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	For the public benefit to promote learning for pleasure by people no longer in full time employment through the continued development of their individual capabilities, competencies, skills and understanding in subjects of educational value. Activities mainly involving the woodwork, metal work and artistry
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees have followed the Charity Commission guidance

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	

Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	A number of our volunteers have worked at home and in our new workshop to produce items that can be sold at craft fairs to help with finances. Others have assisted in general work to the benefit of the CIO
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	During 2022 the CIO was successful in obtaining suitable premises as a workshop. This has allowed members to meet and carry out activities as originally designed. In addition we have been able to promote the Shed and have attracted more members from the wider community. The objectives are now being met.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>Fundraising has been reasonably successful . We have been able to attend events and sell items to the public. A number of Councils have awarded us small grants. The Co-operative supermarket chain selected us as a charity for their members to donate to. This raised in excess of £2000.</p> <p>London Midland Trains awarded a donation of almost £13000. A number of individuals have donated in excess of £2000. One group has donated a covenanted sum of £4800 to purchase equipment. We have also been shortlisted on the Lottery Community Fund.</p>
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	No investments o date
Other		<p>.</p> <p>The lease agreement and terms of conditions with Cheshire West and Chester Council has been signed and we have taken up premises, albeit on a two year lease for our registered address at 314 Chester Road, Hartford, Northwich, Cheshire.</p>

		<p>The long and sometimes frustrating journey has brought us to achieve the goals we set ourselves for the Mid Cheshire Community Shed. Now we look to the future with increased membership, collaboration with other similar local charities and local businesses and of course a successful funding program. This will put us in a much better position to develop and help more people in Cheshire.</p>
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Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The financial position at the end of the period gives us some stability for the next two years. Our bank account currently stands at £22000.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	No reserves held at present as there are no liabilities
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	No liabilities
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	0
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	A SWAT analysis carried out in 2021 indicated that the main areas of concern were the need to ensure that suitable premises were achieved. Failure to do so would risk the continuation of the CIO. Funding, membership were all identified as potential areas of concern and all of these have been addressed. This analysis is still valid

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Fundraising falls into three types:- <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Sales of items made by the members 2) Membership monthly payment of at least £10 per month 3) Funding by external sponsors <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Small value funders such as supermarkets who have already proved successful b) Large scale sponsors. We have been able to make these approaches now we have a suitable address and working premises
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Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	The CIO does not presently intend to include investment until a more stable environment has been achieved
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The principal risks largely revolve around the acquisition of permanent workshop facilities. Currently a number of options are under investigation and should become more apparent during 2023
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	The CIO has an approved constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustee selection and approval is at the discretion of the Trustees. However the constitution includes a time limit on named trustees. These can be re-appointed once the views of the membership are included in the decision

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	Currently under development
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	<p>An operational Working Group has been established. A Terms of Reference for the group is in operation and their main objective is for the running of the shed as an operational entity. The Trustees are ensuring the governance of the charity is maintained.</p> <p>Two of the Trustees decided not to continue beyond their constitutional time span. The remainder have all been re-elected as their period in office approached the end.</p>

Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	We are developing a relationship with Grozone.
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	
Charity's principal address	314 Chester Road, Hartford Northwich CW8 2AB

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

		Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
	1	Malcolm Stuart Dunlop	Interim Chairman/ Treasurer	Since April 2020	Trustees only
	2	Steven Jackson	Secretary	April 2020	
	3	Stuart Poucher	Chairman (to Dec 2021)	April 2020	
	4	Robert Hayward	Safety Officer	April 2020	
	5	Gillian Heddon	Head of Womens' section	January 2021	
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Corporate trustees - names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
NONE		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
NONE		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	No funds held
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	None
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	Not applicable

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

	Type of adviser	Name	Address
	Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)		

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

Table 1 Finances

	01/01/21 to 31/12/21	01//01/22 to 31/12/22
Membership fees	270	4543.00
Product sales	929.00	759.26
Payment to purchase consumables for projects	1413	1249.00
Commission projects	540	1250.00
Events and Activities	398	270.00
Donations	1200.00	22937.00
Gift Aid	0	0.0
Float	65.61	222.43
TOTAL	4815.61	31230.69
EXPENDITURE		
Rent	0	5389.07
Cheshire West & Chester deposit		2000.00
Utilities	0	2403.54
Insurances	173.48	157.00
Training	0	0
Maintenance	0	0
One off projects expenditure	1169	2250.00
Stationery	55.52	136.20
Event entry/ rent	80	
TOTAL	1478	13572.36
TOTAL INCOME SINCE START (Aug 2020)	6293.61	
INCOME LESS EXPENDIITURE	4815.61	22473.94

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

	Signature(s)		
	Full name(s)	Malcolm Stuart Dunlop	
	Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer/ interim chairman	
	Date	22/01/2022	

