

Trustees' Annual Report**01 April 2024 – 31 March 2025**

The Ilkley Shed evolved from an informal working group in the West Yorkshire town of Ilkley before becoming a registered Charity on 22 November 2022. When the business hosting the group closed with the COVID 19 pandemic, we lost our workshop and were unable to conduct our planned activities. Being semi-dormant since then, we have focused on finding new premises in which we can use our stock of tools and machinery and where we can again recruit new members.

In the reporting period the charity had an income of £ 299. 50p, which is believed to be below the audit threshold.

This report aims to provide basic detail of the range of activities which will be undertaken to further the societal aims of the charity for the public benefit as well as anticipated recruitment and planned activities.

Aim and purposes

The aim of The Ilkley Shed for the public benefit is the preservation and protection of good health among people aged 18 years and older, living in Ilkley and the surrounding area, including those who are retired, unemployed or have health problems, through the provision of facilities for hobbies recreation or other leisure time occupations including practical interests, sharing and learning new skills and helping with community based projects.

Achievements and Performance

During the reporting period we have had to continue to freeze recruitment of members due to the lack of premises, focusing instead on the search for new premises where our stock of tools and equipment can be used to provide the basis of our charitable function. Scarcity of available property and high prices have meant that only at the end of 2024 did we identify a strong possibility in which to re-start activities. In this reporting period we have concentrated on preparations to make that a reality.

The Trustees

Three members of The Ilkley Shed constitute the charity's Trustees. Since losing our previous workshop premises at the beginning of "lockdown" during the COVID 19 pandemic, they have focused their efforts on finding and negotiating new premises, while storing the tools and machinery which constitute the Charity's tangible assets.

In the interim, the Trustees have also provided a privately owned workshop to make items for sale to generate funds as well as privately rented storage space for some items donated to the charity and some which are expected to be loaned.

Premises of The Ilkley Shed

Since losing our original workshop facility in 2020, finding alternative premises in the Ilkley area has been problematic. The Trustees have sought agreements and support for a wide variety of options in the Ilkley area, only finding a chance of a suitable facility at the end of 2024 through the cooperation and support of the Parish Church in nearby Addingham, West Yorkshire, which owns the building. Planning permission and further grant funding are being sought to render it suitable for the charity's activities.

Financial Review

We opened our bank account on 06 November 2023, with two initial contributions of £ 150 each from two Trustees, totalling £ 300 on 10 November 2023.

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While seeking premises to commence activities, The Ilkley Shed had a net income of £ 299. 50p in the reporting period, which is believed to be below the audit threshold.

Receipts within the reporting period were :-

10 April 2024	£ 25	Sale of manufactured items
29 April 2024	£ 50	Sale of manufactured items
17 May 2024	£ 25	Sale of manufactured items
09 July 2024	£ 25	Sale of manufactured items
22 July 2024	£ 25	Sale of manufactured items
29 July 2024	£ 50	Sale of manufactured items
09 September 2024	£ 75	Furniture repair
04 January 2025	£ 40	Boat repair
30 January 2025	£ 10	Sale of manufactured items

Total :- £ 325. 00

Expenditures within the reporting period were :-

30 January 2025	£ 8. 50	Bank charges
03 February 2025	£ 8. 50	Bank charges
07 March 2025	£ 8. 50	Bank charges

Total :- £ 25. 50

Total receipts :- £ 325. 00

Total payments :- £ 25. 50

The net result for the year was an excess of receipts over payments of £ 299. 50p

Meetings

In addition to informal meetings, the Trustees met formally 9 times during the reporting period and discussed relevant issues, primarily concerning the quest for premises, handling and storage of donated items, the continued need to freeze recruitment pending the availability of premises, grant funding and planned future projects.

Administrative information

The correspondence address is
10, Wharfedale Grange, Ben Rhydding Drive, Ilkley, West Yorkshire LS29 8AR.

Ilkley Shed is a CIO registered with the Charity Commission No 1201121.

Trustees serving in this reporting period are :-

Chairman - Mr John Parris 01 April 2024 to 31 March 2025

Secretary - Ms Christine Lynes 01 April 2024 to 31 March 2025

Treasurer - Dr Stephen Walker 01 April 2024 to 31 March 2025

Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2025

01 April 2024

Cash at bank - £ 400. 00

31 March 2025

Cash at bank - £ 699. 50

Receipt & Payments Account

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Excess of Receipts over Payments £ 299. 50p

Assets & Liabilities

The statement of assets and liabilities at 31 March 2025 includes cash at bank and tools and machinery donated to the Charity for future use when suitable premises have been found.

Cash Funds

Bank current account :- £ 699. 50p

Liabilities :- £ Nil

Assets for the Shed charity are from donations and (occasionally) grants. As a group we are occasionally approached by the widows of deceased wood workers and hobbyists to take care of tools and equipment. These are currently stored by our Trustees in various private properties and privately rented storage facilities pending establishment of new premises where they can be used.

250 Kg of planed beech wood	£ 250
Range of hand tools, saws, planes etc	£ 50
Two workbenches	£ 50
Bandsaw, lathe, chop saws, pillar drills, planer, mini-drills etc	£ 850
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Total :-	£ 1,200

Approved by the Trustees on 12 January 2026 and signed on their behalf by :-



Mr. John Parris (Chairman)



Dr. Stephen Walker (Treasurer)