

# BISHOPS WALTHAM MEN'S SHED

England & Wales · Charity number 1201580

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2023-01-13

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

## Contact

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**Address** Curdridge Reading Room  
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## Activities

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**Objects:** TO PROMOTE SOCIAL INCLUSION FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT BY PREVENTING INDIVIDUALS WITHIN THE BISHOPS WALTHAM 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 TO UNDERTAKE, JOINTLY OR INDIVIDUALLY, 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; BEREAVEMENT OR OLD AGE; ILL HEALTH (PHYSICAL OR MENTAL).

**Activities:** Members are often involved in group projects or are free to undertake projects of their own. At present a lot of our time is taken up with improving our site and workshops. Using recycled pallets and other donated wood we make bird boxes, trugs and decorations for sale at local markets. We also undertake projects for the benefit of the community; at present we are renovating the old phone

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Recreation
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- Hampshire

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-30	£10,386	£9,385	-	-
2024-04-30	£8,997	£3,837	-	-

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
Dennis Salter		2022-11-08
George Thompson		2025-04-30
Martin Ashford		2024-10-08

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# Accounts

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<b>Trustees' Annual Report for the period</b>						
		Period start date			Period end date	
<b>From</b>	01	May	2024	<b>To</b>	30	April 2025

**Section A Reference and administration details**

**Charity name** Bishop's Waltham Men's Shed

**Other names charity is known by**

**Registered charity number (if any)** 1201580

**Charity's principal address**

Curdridge Reading Room	
Reading Room Lane	
Curdridge	
<b>Postcode</b>	SO32 2HF

**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	Martin Ashford	Secretary	Appointed 21.11.24	Bishop's Waltham Men's Shed
2	Dennis Salter			Bishop's Waltham Men's Shed
3	Graham Hill			Bishop's Waltham Men's Shed
4	Robert Hill		Resigned 24.09.24	Bishop's Waltham Men's Shed
5	David Dibb-Fuller		Resigned 24.09.24	Bishop's Waltham Men's Shed
6	Ken Entiknap		Resigned 08.10.24	Bishop's Waltham Men's Shed
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**Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)**

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
Martin Ashford	Appointed 21.11.24
Dennis Salter	
Graham Hill	

**Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)**

Type of adviser	Name	Address

**Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)**

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**Section B Structure, governance and management**

**Description of the charity’s trusts**

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Association
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	CIO
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	One Trustee stands down at each AGM, and a new Trustee is elected through open nomination and a member vote

**Additional governance issues (Optional information)**

<p>You <b>may choose</b> to include additional information, where relevant, about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;</li> <li>• the charity’s organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;</li> <li>• relationship with any related parties;</li> <li>• trustees’ consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.</li> </ul>	<p>The charity’s constitution changed from being a Foundation CIO to an Association CIO on 8 October 2024, following a member vote at an EGM</p> <p>Newly appointed trustees review the CIO in conjunction with current trustees to ensure that all trustee responsibilities are being met.</p> <p>Trustee meeting at held quarterly, but all trustees are active members of the charity and address any risk issues as they arise</p> <p>The charity rents its facilities from the Curdridge Reading Room (Charity no. 203472)</p>
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**Section C Objectives and activities**

**Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document**

To promote social inclusion for the public benefit by preventing individuals within the Bishops Waltham 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 to undertake, jointly or individually, 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 or more of the following factors, unemployment, financial

hardship, bereavement or old age, ill health (physical or mental)

1. Provide an environment where members can socialise, chat and share time together
2. Provide a facility where members can be active, making or repairing wooden and metal items, undertaking community work, and helping others in a variety of different ways.
3. Educate members to enable them to learn new skills, and train them in the safe use of woodworking and metalworking machinery

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

**Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

1. Promote fellowship through arranging group visits to places of interest
2. Arrange social activities where members and their partners can meet together

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

**Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year**

1. Moved base from Bishop's Waltham Cricket Club to Curdridge Reading Room, providing more workshop and social space for members to undertake their activities
2. Construction of a new wooden workshop in the grounds of Curdridge Reading Room
3. Extensive refurbishment of the old caretaker's cottage attached the Reading Room, which now provides more workshop facilities, social space and office and catering space
4. Support to the Curdridge Reading Room, renovating their facilities and grounds
5. Undertaking work for local parish councils, such as refurbishing benches, notice boards, etc.
6. Attendance at local fayres and fetes with our stall, selling items that have been made in our workshops, and providing a wide range of games for children to play
7. Provision of a computer and printer in our office, and creation of a much-improved website
8. Raising of funds through successful grant applications, and donations of materials
9. Increased membership through proactive steps, such as advertising our Men's Shed at fayres and fetes, and through our Facebook page and website

## Section E

## Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity closely monitors income and expenditure, and the Treasurer reports to the members on our financial position every month. We have set a minimum bank balance, and there is an agreed purchasing policy, overseen by the Treasurer and Trustees

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

### Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The charity receives funds from the annual member subscriptions, funding grants from parish and district councils, support from local businesses, and earns income from undertaking work for parish councils and members of the public. Income is also earned through refurbishing and selling donated tools, from sales of our made products at fayres and fetes, and through repairing and renovating furniture for members of the public.

We have expended our income on the provision of enhanced workshop and social space for our members, and by providing top quality new equipment for use in our workshops.

We invest in a deposit account to ensure that our funds earn good interest and are safely protected.

## Section F

## Other optional information

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## Section G

## Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Martin Ashford	Dennis Salter
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Secretary and Trustee	Trustee
Date		

## Bishops Waltham Men's Shed

Accounts 2024/25

Year Ending 31st March 2025

### Balance Sheet

#### Expenditure

Working Materials	(£4,405.08)
Rent	(£2,100)
Running Costs/Utilities/Insurance	(£1,317.30)
Other Expenses	(£893.00)
Capital Items	(£590.00)
Event Costs	(£80.00)

**Total** (£9,385.38)

#### Income

b/f bank	£1,893.86
b/f bank savings	£8,000.00
b/f cash	£0.00
	<b>£9,893.86</b>
Bank Interest	£113.84
Other Income	£19.87
Donations	£893.37
Easy Fund Raising	£225.89
Sales Income	£7,722.70
Members Subscriptions	£1,410.24
	<b>£10,385.91</b>

**Total** £20,279.77

**Income over expenditure** £10,894.39

Bank	£1,148.57
Savings Bank	£13,113.84
Cash	£0.00
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>£14,262.41</b>
Liabilities	£0.00
<b>Total Value 31 March 2025</b>	<b>£14,262.41</b>

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# Accounts

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## **Chairman's Report 1<sup>st</sup> June 2023 to 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024**

A year of ups and downs. We very sadly lost Helen in this year. I would like to pay tribute to her vision of starting the shed. I know some of you never knew her, but she did a lot for the community and the formation of this shed is the proof of this. We owe her a debt of gratitude. A lovely lady who is sorely missed by all who knew her.

Our numbers have increased yet again from 29 to 36, and hopefully will continue to do so.

I would like to thank the members for all their hard work and efforts over the last year, this a sample of what we have been doing.

The completion of the BW telephone box, now an information centre and 3 other phone boxes; the repair and repainting of the railway crossing gates; repainting of the hand pump for the BWPC; signs for a school; refurbishment of a rocking horse; work for various animal organisations, including swifts, guinea pigs and hedgehogs; various Notice Boards; and individual repairs and refurbishments brought to us by the community. Apologies if I have missed anything.

A few sheds and garages have been cleared out (at the request of the owners!) and we were most fortunate to have been given a lathe, router and table saw, as well as other very useful tools. Those that we were not able to use ourselves, have been passed on to Tools for Self Sufficiency and Home Leone

We have attended various fundraising fetes and fairs including the Eco sale, the Christmas Fair etc. Selling our wares and promoting the Shed.

We have made a variety of games which have proved very popular.

Thanks to Richard for all the barbecues he has done for us, in spite of some bad weather on occasion, not surprisingly they were always well attended; Roger for organising a very entertaining trip to the Titchfield Festival Theatre to watch a production of Men's Shed; and Mike has organised pub evenings and attended pub quizzes.

We were very honoured in March when we were awarded the Mayor of Winchester Community Award 2024, having been proposed by the Bishop's Waltham Parish Council.

The need to enlarge our workshop and recreation areas is ongoing.

This next year is off to another good start with several projects already underway, and particularly the phone box restorations. Thank you to the organisers Glen and Mel plus the rest of the team.

Graham Hill

Chairman

*Bishops Waltham Men's Shed*

BWMS Accounts 2023/24

Year Ending 30th April 2024

Balance Sheet

	<b>Expenditure</b>		<b>Income</b>	
2022/23	2023/24	2022/23	2023/24	
	Rent / Utilities	£0.00	b/f Bank	£4,517.51
	Site Updates		b/f Cash	£607.18
	Working material	-£2,063.67		<b>£5,124.69</b>
	Capital items	-£504.95	Donations	£73.00
	Other expenses	-£1,268.70	Sales / Repairs	£6,769.17
			Subscription	£1,725.00
			Tea Tin	£429.63
				<b>£8,996.80</b>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>-£3,837.32</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>£14,121.49</b>
			Income over Expenditure	£10,284.17
			<b>Bank</b>	£1,893.86
			<b>Savings</b>	£8,000.00
			<b>Cashbook</b>	£390.31
			<b>Grand Total</b>	£10,284.17
			<b>Liabilities</b>	£0.00
			<b>Total Value 30th April 2024</b>	<b>£10,284.17</b>

Liabilities

Current Liabilities      £0.00      £0.00

Independent Examiner

*R Freemantle*

23rd September 2024