



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From		Period start date			To		Period end date		
		6	April	2024			5	April	2025

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	Yateley Men's Shed
Other names charity is known by	YMS
Registered charity number (if any)	1202685
Charity's principal address	Old School Lane Yateley Hampshire GU46 6NG

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	Christopher Barnes	Chair		
2	Denis Adams	Deputy Chair		
3	John Stephens	Secretary		
4	Stephen Bond	Treasurer		
5	Nicholas East	Membership		
6	John Underwood	Tools Officer		
7	John Race	Social		
8	Terry Gillings	Health & Safety		
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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

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)	Constitution adopted April 2023
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Unincorporated association
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Trustees are appointed or reappointed annually at the Annual General Meetings held in April

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

<p>You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;• the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;• relationship with any related parties;• Trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.	<p>Membership of Yateley Men's Shed is open to anyone, male or female, over the age of 18.</p> <p>The Shed opens every weekday morning for members to use the woodworking tools. While attendance in the Workshop is restricted to 8 members only, the Green Room Social Area has no restrictions.</p> <p>The Trustees oversee the day to day running of the Shed through a number of Key Holders who have responsibilities for each session. The use machine tools in the Workshop are only open for members with a proven competence to use such equipment.</p> <p>Members Meeting are held monthly were all activities and plans are discussed with the members attending. A record of the meetings is circulated to the wider membership. In addition YMS runs a Website to communicate with the public, plus a member's only page for club information.</p>
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Section C Objectives and activities

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

To provide a meeting place where members are able to safely work on woodworking projects, for them, the Shed or the Community.

To minimise loneliness and social isolation of members, particularly elderly men, by joint projects and social interaction.

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)

Yateley Men's Shed uses its facilities and equipment for members to come together in a social environment and enhance their woodworking skills and abilities by:-

- Making or repairing items for their own use.
- Repairing items for the General Public
- Undertaking projects for the Local Authority, Schools, and Other Charities etc.
- Making items for sale at local shows and craft markets.
- Refurbishing old tools so they can be put back into use rather than go to landfill.
- Assisting youth groups such as Scouts to develop their skills through training and support.
- Recycling old timber products into usable items, avoiding the wood being sent to scrap.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

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

During the year we achieved the following:-

- Attended the Yateley May Fayre to support the Lions Club Charity, raise funds by selling hand crafted goods and advertised for new members.
- Attended the Yateley Feel Good Festival to support the Yateley Town Council's Wellbeing Campaign.
- Attended the Yateley Christmas Market
- Attended Yateley Council's Craft Fair.
- Attended Yateley Lion's Firework Festival with children's games and entertainment.
- Refurbished an ex-building site office into a new Social Area by adding a kitchen, toilets, Wi-Fi, security cameras and large screen monitor. This was formally opened by the Yateley Town Mayor.
- Organised Quiz Nights and Social Events for members.
- Repaired play equipment for a local nursery.
- Assisted the Royal British Legion in making a Poppy Wall for the Remembrance Ceremony.
- Refurbished 15 Picnic Tables and distributed them to local sports groups.
- Designed and constructed Carnival Games to enable a local school and children's charity to raise funds.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Total Bank and Cash held at 5th April 2025 was £13,977 in unrestricted funds.
We normally hold funds to cover 12 months utility costs and commitments. However this year we have needed additional funds to cover the purchase and refurbishment of our new Green Room Social Area.

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.

Our main source of income is the annual membership fees and fundraising projects.

However this year we received grants totally £13,500 from the District Council and the Lottery Fund specifically for the Green Room Project

Section F Other optional information

We intend to use our funds to further equip our Workshop, including better machine tools and a more comprehensive dust extraction system to improve air quality for members.

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)	Christopher Barnes	Stephen Bond
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Treasurer
Date	04/02/2026	

Yateley Men's Shed - Accounts Summary 2024/25

Income	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Total
1a - Membership	1,364	1,863	574	59		83		60		18	18	24	£4,063
1b - Attendance Fees	142	160	169	191	198	217	183	197	134	197	222	251	£2,261
2 - Donations	25	153	108	30	167	5		121	64	50	354	663	£1,740
3 - Grants		11,000										2,500	£13,500
4 - Sales & Event Income	103	1,586	90	195	170	228		719	588		12	90	£3,781
6 - Social & Wellbeing				5	150				280	452		72	£959
7 - Sale of Assets	79	50	29	20	10	59		125	100	64	9	89	£634
Total Income	£1,713	£14,812	£970	£500	£695	£592	£183	£1,222	£1,166	£781	£615	£3,689	£26,938

Expenditure	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Total
1a - Premises - Electricity		58	57	50	57	59	76	90	138	289	261	315	£1,450
1b - Premises - Waste Collection		40	43	39	59	56	59	39	59	39	119	85	£637
1c - Premises - Insurance								809					£809
1d - Premises - Miscellaneous			32	20	174	20	84	96	20	20	20	20	£506
2 - Project Materials	47	48	22		20	37	56	28		80	37		£375
3 - Consumables	78	35	3	131	12			7	51		43	106	£466
4 - Tool Purchases		3,240	21						257		32	92	£3,642
5 - Repairs & Renewals		37	5	20			34	23		63			£182
6 - Refreshments & Cleaning	15	9	3	6		8	11	42		1			£95
7 - Admin & Office Costs	51	20	5		16		4						£96
8 - Subscriptions											30		£30
9 - Sundry Costs - General			584	197		19	96					27	£923
9 - Sundry Costs - Green Room	5,994	6,014	1,200	904	687	197			3	2,773	1,802	539	£20,113
10 - Social & Wellbeing					293					716			£1,009
Total Expenditure	£6,185	£9,501	£1,975	£1,367	£1,318	£396	£420	£1,134	£528	£3,981	£2,344	£1,185	£30,334

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Yateley Men's Shed

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Yateley Men's Shed for the year ended 5 April 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of Yateley Men's Shed, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 and have requested an independent examination of the accounts.

I report in respect of my examination of Yateley Men's Shed accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act. My examination was carried out in accordance with general directions given by the Charities 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 is not an audit of those records.


Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- 1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or*
- 2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or*
- 3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in Charities Regulations other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.*

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



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Date: 4 February 2026