

# LEIGHTON BUZZARD & DISTRICT MEN'S SHED

England & Wales · Charity number 1211656

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2025-01-10

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

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** TO PROMOTE THE PRESERVATION AND PROTECTION OF MEN'S GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT, PARTICULARLY BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY FOR MEN AGED 18 OR OVER IN LEIGHTON BUZZARD AND THE SURROUNDING AREA WHO ARE RETIRED, UNEMPLOYED, OR EXPERIENCING HEALTH CHALLENGES, AS WELL AS OTHERS AT RISK OF SOCIAL EXCLUSION. THIS WILL BE ACHIEVED THROUGH THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR HOBBIES, RECREATION, OR OTHER LEISURE TIME ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING PRACTICAL INTERESTS, SKILLS SHARING, LEARNING NEW SKILLS, AND ENGAGING IN COMMUNITY-BASED PROJECTS. THESE ACTIVITIES AIM TO FOSTER SOCIAL CONNECTIONS, ALLEVIATE ISOLATION, AND SUPPORT INTEGRATION INTO THE BROADER COMMUNITY.

**Activities:** The Shed's purpose is to promote the preservation and protection of men's good health for the public benefit. The Shed seeks to achieve its objectives through the provision of facilities for hobbies, recreation or other leisure time occupations, including practical interests, skills sharing, the learning of new skills, and helping with other community-based projects.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability, Economic/community Development/employment, Recreation, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities

## Geography

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- Central Bedfordshire

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£5,348	£1,369	-	-

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
Don Tregartha		2025-01-10
Nigel Boiteux-Buchanan		2025-01-10
Phil Sampson		2025-01-10
Robert Geoffry Farrer		2026-04-13

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# Accounts

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# Leighton Buzzard & District Men's Shed

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First Annual Report  
For the Year Ending September 2025

## Chair's Introduction

It is my pleasure to present the first Annual Report for the Leighton Buzzard & District Men's Shed. What a remarkable year it has been. In just twelve months, we have laid the foundations of a vibrant and sustainable Shed, built new relationships, welcomed members, and established ourselves as a valued part of the local community.

## Establishing the Shed

This year marked the successful establishment of our partnership with the Leighton Buzzard Light Railway, where we now have two active sites operating every week. These spaces have provided our members with the facilities and environment needed to come together, share skills, and support each another.

## Membership Growth

Our membership has grown steadily, with over 30 members now actively involved. Interest in the Shed continues to increase, demonstrating the importance of creating a space where individuals can connect, contribute, and find companionship.

## Funding and Support

We are grateful for the financial support received during the year. Funding has been secured through grants and from the Leighton-Linslade Town Council, ensuring we have the resources needed to sustain our activities. As a result, we close our first year with a healthy bank balance, positioning us strongly for the year ahead.

## Projects and Partnerships

Looking ahead, we are excited to deepen and expand our community impact. Current and planned projects include collaborations with:

- Leighton Buzzard Pantomime
- Leighton Buzzard Light Railway

These partnerships not only extend our reach but also highlight the creativity, energy, and value that our members bring to the wider community.

## **Thanks and Acknowledgements**

On behalf of the Committee, I extend sincere thanks to all our members for their ongoing commitment, enthusiasm, and support. Your contributions—large and small—have been vital to our success.

I would also like to recognise the support of our funders, partners, and the Town Council, without whom this year would not have been possible.

## **Looking Forward**

As we enter our second year, we do so with confidence and optimism. Our Shed is thriving, our membership is growing, and our community presence is strengthening. I look forward to continuing this journey together—supporting both our existing members and those who will join us in the year to come.

Signed  
Ian Bickers  
Chair, Leighton Buzzard & District Men's Shed  
26 August 2025



Leighton Buzzard & District Mens Shed

## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date <b>29/11/2024</b>	To	Period end date <b>27/08/2025</b>
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### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestrict ed funds  to the nearest £	Restricted funds  to the nearest £	Total funds  to the nearest £	Last year  to the nearest £
<b>Receipts</b>				
0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
Membership fees	2,899.49	0.00	2,899.49	0
Donations	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	0
Grants	250.00	0.00	250.00	0
Sales / event income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
Interest	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
<b>Sub total</b> (Gross income for AR)	<b>5,149.49</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>5,149.49</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Asset and investment sales</b>				
Other	199.00	0.00	199.00	0.00
Sale of investments	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>199.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>199.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>

<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>5,348.49</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>5,348.49</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Payments</b>				
0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00
Shed premises costs		0.00	0.00	0.00
Insurance		0.00	0.00	0.00
Materials & consumables	450.35	0.00	450.35	0.00
Small tools (<£25)		0.00	0.00	0.00
Repairs and renewals		0.00	0.00	0.00
Refreshments & cleaning		0.00	0.00	0.00
Admin/Office costs	884.12	0.00	884.12	0.00
Subscriptions	34.79	0.00	34.79	0.00
Sundry	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>1,369.27</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>1,369.27</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Asset and investment purchases</b>				
Bank Charges		0.00	0.00	0.00
Hand and power Tools (>£25)	0.00		0.00	0.00
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>1,369.27</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>1,369.27</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>3,979.22</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>3,979.22</b>	<b>0.00</b>
Transfers between funds				
<b>Cash funds last year end</b>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Cash funds this year end	3,979.22	0.00	3,979.22	0.00
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## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

### Categories

	Unrestrict ed funds	Restricted funds	Total current Period	Last year
	to nearest £	to nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
<b>Cash funds</b>				
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	Agreement Error	OK
<b>Other monetary assets</b>				
Stocks/goods for sale			0.00	
Debtors			0.00	
			0.00	
			0.00	
			0.00	
			0.00	0.00
<b>Investment assets</b>				
			0.00	
			0.00	
			0.00	
			0.00	

			0.00	
			0.00	0.00
<b>Assets retained for the Shed's own use</b>				
0.00	0.00		0.00	
0.00	0.00		0.00	
0.00	0.00		0.00	
0.00	0.00		0.00	
0.00	0.00		0.00	
			0.00	0.00
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Trade creditors			0.00	
Accrued expenses			0.00	
			0.00	
			0.00	
			0.00	
			0.00	0.00
<b>Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees</b>				
	Signature	Print Name		Date of approval
	Ian Bickers	Ian Bickers		27/08/2025