

Galashiels Men's Shed

Scotland · Charity number SC045649

Details

Status Active

Legal form SCIO (Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

Registered 2015-05-28

Register [View on the OSCR register](#)

Contact

Address Marigold Drive
Langlee
Galashiels
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Activities

Activities: 'It carries out activities or services itself'

Purposes: 'the advancement of health', 'the advancement of citizenship or community development', 'the provision of recreational facilities, or the organisation of recreational activities, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom the facilities or activities are primarily intended'

What the charity does: To provide recreational facilities for men and women of all ages who wish to attend. To promote a healthy lifestyle including mental health,

Beneficiaries: 'Children or young people', 'Older People', 'People with disabilities or health problems', 'Other defined groups', 'No specific group, or for the benefit of the community', 'Other charities or voluntary bodies'

Objectives: The purpose of the organisation is to provide recreational facilities and advance the social needs, health and well being of men of all ages and backgrounds living in the Galashiels area and to contribute to community development in the area. These will be done by: a) creating, developing and maintaining a facility named the Galashiels Men's Shed b) offering opportunities for men in the Galashiels area to meet and undertake creative, purposeful and recreational activities of their choice and to share their skills and interests c) reducing social isolation of men in the area thus contributing to their physical and mental wellbeing d) developing the capacity of men in the Galashiels area to share their skills and knowledge with others in the community e) undertaking activities and projects of benefit to the wider community

Geography

- **Main operating location:** Scottish Borders
- **Geographical spread:** Wider, but within one local authority area

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2026-03-31	£0	£0	-	0
2025-03-31	£7,129	£4,698	-	0
2024-03-31	£15,330	£25,852	-	0
2023-03-31	£16,619	£13,539	-	0
2022-03-31	£9,773	£9,047	-	0
2021-03-31	£24,511	£9,868	-	0

Accounts

A major change this year has been the appointment of new trustees following the AGM and a subsequent trustee's meeting and further change of a trustee throughout the year was in line with our constitution.

Our single biggest bugbear has been changing the signatories to our bank account. This process took in excess of 6 months and was a real hinderance to the work of the charity. We missed out on some grant applications due to us not being able to provide bank statements. It has only been in the last month that we have had access to both the bank statements and bank cards to pay money in and out of our accounts,

We have now been offered a 20-year lease by SBC. This will enable us to apply more easily for funding going forward. After taking legal advice from a solicitor the trustees unanimously approved of this change.

The trustees have embarked on a program to begin the refurbishment of the building. We have been very fortunate to have been gifted a servery from Howdens and our thanks go to the team of Shed members who worked tirelessly to fit the units and plumbing as well as the management at Howdens.

We made contact with Galashiels Academy to see if we were able to acquire any equipment before they moved to the new school, they put us in touch with the regional technician who has become a fantastic supporter of the Shed.

A major issue for members over the winter was our inadequate heating system. We have had an energy survey done and are in the process of seeking permission from SBC to do the required work. Once we get permission we can then begin applying for grants and seeking match funding. SBC have given permission for us to replace the front steps, refurbish the toilets and put in a 3m square decking.

Our public engagement efforts over the last 8 months have been wide and varied with us touching the lives of many people in the locality and beyond.

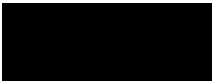
Asda recognised the contribution of the Shed to the community with a diamond award. We have provided mud kitchens to several schools and services. We completely refurbished the Langlee centre notice board and created a bespoke Community notice board at the Spar. We supported the Langlee Carnival in May and held our Shed open day simultaneously. We provided practical support to Carr Gom in Melrose and the House of Hope, Scotland's only bespoke Breast Cancer House.. A local pétanque team commissioned Twa Corbies as their team emblem. We increased our presence on Facebook. An advert has been in recent editions of Gala Life explaining the work of the Shed.

We have continued to engage positively with LAC and have developed a relationship with the Special Unit at Galashiels Academy.

Various repairs and commissions have been undertaken.

We have built very positive relationships with BCA who have been very supportive of the work of the Shed.

Finally, and most importantly we have seen a growth in membership and in attendance throughout the last 8 months. We are very grateful to the members for their can-do attitude and forbearance during the ongoing refurbishment. We are heartened by the number of members who attended regularly on soup Thursdays, our Christmas lunch and our BBQ.

 Chair on behalf of the Trustees Galashiels Men's Shed

Examination of Accounts for GMS 24-25 SC045649

Receipts and Payments Account									
Year Ended 31 March 2025									
Receipts									
Donations and subscriptions									
Receipts from Fund Raising Activities									
Other Charitable Activities/ E Bikes									
Grants									
Total Receipts									
Payments									
Expenses from Fundraising Activities									
Expenses from Charitable Activities									
Independent Examination									
SMSA anual fee									
Total Payments									
Net Receipts/(Payments)									
Transfer between Funds									
Surplus/(Deficit) for Year									
Statement of Balances as at 31st March 2025									
Balance at Start of Year									
Surplus/(Deficit) for year									
Balance at end of year									
Other Assets									
There is an overdue payment of £240 for e-bike rental - this is in the process of recovery									
E bikes awaiting evaluation									
Liabilities									
There is an outstanding loan of £3335.35 due to [REDACTED] for materials purchased during the financial year 2024/25									
Financial Statements approved by the Charity and signed on its behalf by:									
[REDACTED] CHAIR									
Date: 02-10-25									

Accounts Under-Debit Exam

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2/10/25