

Armadaled Shed

Scotland · Charity number SC046618

Details

Status	Active
Legal form	SCIO (Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation)
Registered	2016-06-10
Register	View on the OSCR register

Contact

Address	7 Masonic Place South Street Armadaled West Lothian EH48 3EN
Website	www.facebook.com/armadaledshed.1

Activities

Activities: 'It makes grants, donations, loans, gifts or pensions to individuals','It makes grants, donations or gifts to organisations','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: The purpose of the organisation is to provide recreational facilities and advance the social needs, health and well being of people of all ages and backgrounds living in West Lothianby:(a) creating, developing and maintaining a facility, namely a Shed.(b) offering opportunities for people in the West Lothian area to meet and undertakecreative, physical, purposeful and recreational activities of their choice.(c) reducing isolation of people in the area thus contributing to their physical and mental well-being.(d) Developing the capacity of people in the West Lothian area to share their skills and knowledge with others in the community.

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 people of all ages and backgrounds living in West Lothian by: (a) creating, developing and maintaining a facility, namely a Shed. (b) offering opportunities for people in the West Lothian area to meet and undertake creative, physical, purposeful and recreational activities of their choice. (c) reducing isolation of people in the area thus contributing to their physical and mental well-being. (d) Developing the capacity of people in the West Lothian area to share their skills and knowledge with others in

the community.

Geography

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

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-06-30	£19,107	£24,532	-	0
2024-06-30	£16,521	£25,197	-	0
2023-06-30	£52,342	£7,014	-	0
2022-06-30	£11,424	£8,614	-	0
2021-06-30	£1,282	£2,254	-	0

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Accounts

**Armadale
Shed**

Scottish Charity No SC046618

**Financial Statements for the
Period Ended 30 June 2025**

ARMADALE SHED

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

FOR THE PERIOD 1 JULY 2024 TO 30 JUNE 2025

GENERAL

We received the keys to our newly refurbished premises at the end of January 2024 and the first few months were spent re-equipping and setting up our workshop.

TRAINING

After all of our new machinery was installed we undertook safety retraining for all of our members. The first eight members benefitted from a training course run by David Young Training and these eight members in turn cascaded the training down to the other Shed members.

Sibbalds Training offered five of our members the opportunity to attend one of their First Aid training courses. This offer was gratefully accepted, particularly as we had recently purchased a defibrillator.

OFFICIAL OPENING

Our official Armadale Shed reopening ceremony was held on the 2 September 2024 and [REDACTED], CEO of Places for People, our landlords, officiated. We were pleased to have the full support of [REDACTED] and the rest of his team who accompanied him on the day. Also present were Members of the Scottish Parliament, [REDACTED], local Councillors, Member of Parliament [REDACTED] and representatives from all the business and local groups who had contributed to our successful refurbishment of our workshop. Our catering for the event was deemed a great success thanks to Armadale Shed member Sheila and her helpers.

INTERACTION

We continued to participate in the Lothian Men's Shed Network and gained insight into the problems faced by other Sheds as well as the solutions they had arrived at. However, there is a marked reluctance on the part of the Edinburgh area sheds to take

part in the meetings outside of their own area and this is a problem that the SMSA have undertaken to look into.

Time permitting, we attended the West Lothian Regeneration Committee meetings which kept us up to date with happenings in and around Armadale and also kept us in touch with other local schools, charities and organisations.

TRUSTEES

Trustees from the previous year agreed to maintain their positions and were unanimously voted into office by the Members who were present at the AGM on 16 October 2024. Our Trustees for the period under review were as follows:



██████████ was co-opted to the Board of Trustees to provide us with a younger viewpoint and to handle our IT compliance and we extend our thanks to him for accepting this position.

At the conclusion of the previous AGM, ██████████ intimated that with immediate effect he would be stepping down as Chairman. However, he was willing to remain on the Board of Trustees.

As Chairman, I would like to thank each and every one of the Trustees for their support and dedication over the preceding 12 months.

COMMUNICATION

Throughout the year Trustees regularly sent out emails to members updating them with any changes and plans within the Shed. In addition, we enacted a strategy of a short lunch time update when required of anything of interest to the Members.

During the year we were invited to give a presentation to Members of both Armadale Methodist Church and Armadale Parish Church and these were well received.

A very positive article on Armadale Shed in the winter edition 2024 of the West Lothian Council Bulletin newspaper gave us excellent coverage, particularly as this publication is distributed to every household in West Lothian.

FUNDING

During this period we did not apply for any funding as our bank account remained healthy thanks to the fund raising efforts from the local community after the fire. However, we did receive funding from Tesco Stronger Start Fund in the amount of £1000 and this was put towards the purchase of a defibrillator to be available within the Shed premises. Our thanks to [REDACTED] for completing this funding application.

In addition, we did receive a very healthy donation of £10 000 from one individual who wishes to remain anonymous and this was greatly appreciated.

SUPPORT

Our biggest supporter is Places for People, who have given us our premises at a nominal rent free for the past nine years. Our lease is up for renewal in 2026 (how time flies!) and we have the fervent hope that our new lease will be as favourable. In addition, they provide logistical and practical support and are very approachable when we wish to do anything new.

We are pleased to continue to receive support from MGM Timbers, Demmaster, Replacement Door Company and a local construction company.

Our Accountants, Lonmay Accountancy Services continued to prepare our accounts for submission to OSCR and their assistance was greatly appreciated.

MEMBERSHIP

Throughout the year we continued to attract members and at the end of June 2025 we had a total of 48 members on our books. Many of our members do not regularly attend the Shed but they continue to be informed of our activities and attend our Xmas function and AGM and thus we manage to keep in touch with them all.

At the end of 2024 we were honored to bestow the position of Honorary Member to [REDACTED], our dedicated wood turning tutor. Regrettably [REDACTED] passed away at the end of August 2025 and his presence in the Shed is sorely missed.

ACHIEVEMENTS

As you all may be aware, after we reopened Armadale Shed in May, the Trustees took the decision to concentrate our activities on repaying the community for their tremendous support by giving priority to making items for local charities, schools, not for profit organisations and churches. This we continued to do throughout the year under review.

As the Trustees pledged after the Shed reopened, with the help of you, the Members, we have been able to help many organisations. Some of these are as follows :

Ochilview Care Home	Three seater garden bench
Bathgate Gala Day	Alter their ceremonial guards' swords
Boghall Drop In Centre	Three planters for outside their premises
Stoneyburn & Bents	
Future Vision Group	Fun Run Medals and winners shields
Stoneyburn Nursery	Bug House, work table
Colinshiel Care Home	Two planters
Armadale Junior	
Football Club	Four changing room benches
Seafield Early Learning	
Centre	Children's workbench
Regimental Association	
Of Royal Scots	Regimental table displays
Armadale Primary School	Mud kitchen
Eastertoun Primary School	Sensory drum and wellie stand
WL Children First	Sensory sand tray
Armadale Hub	Sensory sand tray

All of the above projects were carried out in addition to the numerous smaller jobs we handled for members of the local community. Amongst other things, these included making bird feeders, bowling club trophies, picture frames, planters, garden benches and a remote control stand.

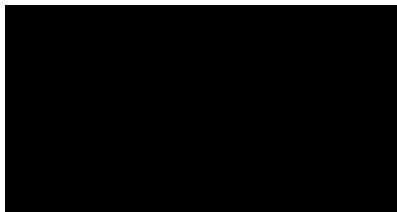
We feel that we can never totally repay the generosity of the local community, but with the above projects, we have made an excellent start.

Our Dust extraction installation is now up and running, albeit as a temporary measure. However, there is still work to be done to improve the efficiency and operation and these improvements should be complete by the end of 2025.

We briefly considered extending our workshop out towards the container, but after discussion we agreed that this was an impractical idea and that we should concentrate on smaller and more doable projects. Hence we have started to build a separate wood store to the right of the rear steps and this should be completed in the next week or two.

CONCLUSION

We feel that this has been a very successful year and a large part of this is due to the increased willingness on the part of our members to assist with ongoing projects. Without your help Armadale shed would not be what it is today so thanks to you all.



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Reference and Administrative Details

Name of Charity Armadale Shed

Scottish Charity No. SC046618

Registered office and principal address
Masonic Place
7 South Street
Armadale
EH48 3EN

Trustees



Bankers
Bank of Scotland
Business Banking
Andover
SP10 9GZ

Independent Examiner
ATD Bookkeeping
5 Netherton Grove
Whitburn
West Lothian
EH47 8JQ

Report of the Trustees for the Period Ended 30 June 2025.

The trustees present their report and accounts of Armadale Shed for the year to 30 June 2025. These have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice Accounting and Reporting by Charities (March 2005).

Reference and Administrative Details

These have been provided on page 3 of this report.

Structure, Governance and Management

Armadale Shed is a registered charity (Scottish Charity No. SC046618). It is governed by its constitution. It is headed by a committee appointed at an AGM or EGM.

Financing

Reserves Policy

All money raised for, or on behalf of the trust shall be applied to further the project of the charity and for no other purpose. Where monies are donated towards a specific project these shall be classed as Restricted Funds and shall only be applied to the specific project for which they were intended. All other monies raised or received will be classed as Unrestricted Funds and used for the objectives as detailed.

Declaration

The members of the board would like to thank all those who contribute their time and energy in order that Armadale Shed can provide the services that it does.

Approved by the Trustees on 22nd October 2025 and signed on its behalf by

 (Chairman)

Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts

As independent examiner I report to the trustees of Armadale Shed, registered charity no SC046618, on the accounts of the charity for the period 1st July 2024 to 30th June 2025, as set out on pages 6 to 8.

Respective Responsibilities of Directors and Auditors

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) 2005 Act and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiners Statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

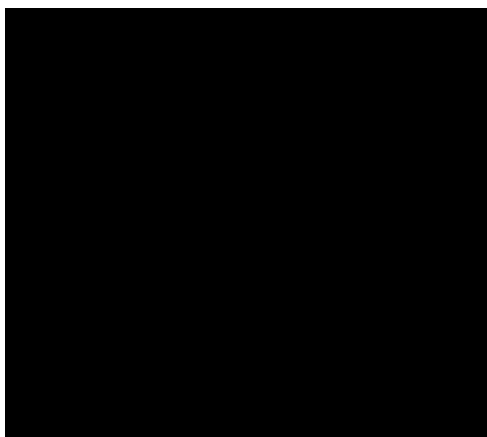
In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention.

1 Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 44(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations

have not been met, or

2 to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Armadale Shed
Receipts & Payments Account for the year ending 30 June 2025

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
<u>Receipts</u>		
Sales	2,810	20
Grants & Donations	10,812	14,440
Session Fees	1,279	-
Membership Fees	506	170
Other Income	3,700	1,891
	<u>19,107</u>	<u>16,521</u>
 <u>Payments</u>		
Adminstration	4,736	712
Building Maintenance	60	-
Consumables	2,026	2,069
Fixed Assets	1,199	18,969
Insurance	1,038	962
Training Fees	680	-
Travel Expenses	78	1,836
Utilities	2,587	649
Workshop Tools and Maintenance	12,128	24,532
	<u>24,532</u>	<u>25,197</u>
 Surplus (Deficit)	 - 5,425	 - 8,676
 Surplus brought forward	 <u>68,420</u>	 <u>77,096</u>
Retained Funds	<u>62,995</u>	<u>68,420</u>

Armadale Shed
Statement of Balances As At 30 September 2024

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Fixed Assets		
Current Assets		
Debtors	632	632
Bank	19,768	67,617
Savings	41,205	
Cash	<u>1,390</u>	<u>171</u>
	62,995	68,420
Current Liabilities	-	-
	<u>62,995</u>	<u>68,420</u>

Represented By:

Funds of the Charity		
Unrestricted	19,762	25,187
Restricted	<u>43,233</u>	<u>43,233</u>
	<u>62,995</u>	<u>68,420</u>

Armadale Shed**Notes to Accounts for the year ending 30th September 2024****1 - Restricted Funds of the Charity**

	<u>At 1 Jul</u> <u>2024</u>	<u>Incoming</u> <u>Resources</u>	<u>Outgoing</u> <u>Resources</u>	<u>Fund Balance</u> <u>Transfer</u>	<u>At 30 June</u> <u>2025</u>
Clr Kenna Fund	-	200	200	-	-
	-	200	200	-	-

2 - Reconciliation of Movement of funds:-

	2025 £	2025 £	2025 £
	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total
Retained funds brought forward	43,233	25,187	68,420
Surplus / (Deficit) for the year	-	5,425	5,425
Retained funds carried forward	43,233	19,762	62,995