CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1st January 2025
To 31st December 2025
Charity name: Chichester Men's Shed

Charity registration number: 1196553

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To establish a Men's Shed with a range of activities to combat isolation and loneliness
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	The charity, having become established at the Fishbourne Centre, has been busy fitting out the two workshop buildings it constructed in 2023 for members to use, together with commencing on the refurbishment of a former cricket pavilion for social use. The permanent electrical installation was completed during the year.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees have had regard to the guidance and have discussed it at regular monthly meetings throughout 2025.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	

Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Members of the Men's Shed have been actively involved in fitting out the new buildings with materials purchased by way of grants awarded to the Charity. Also works are in hand to improve and repair the existing former cricket pavilion. Repairs and commissions for new items have been received from the local community and worked on by members of the Shed. Items have also been repaired for non-members, helping to give the items a new lease of life.
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	Although the focus has been on setting up the new permanent home, the twice weekly meetings have encouraged individuals to attend and to enjoy fellowship, participate in activities, learn new skills and find a renewed purpose in life. Now the social area is almost complete, more potential members are coming forward with a view to joining.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	

Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Although no formal fundraising targets have been set, some valuable revenue has been received from projects constructed by members for local public bodies, schools and individuals.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	After reviewing the investment opportunities open to the charity, it was evident that these did not offer a significant return. It was, for the foreseeable future, decided that the charity will maintain all funds in the current Santander Business Account.
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Balance of funds at 31 December 2025 was £13,382 held in a Santander Business Account
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Reserves are held to cover costs arising from possible temporary loss of facilities and to fund planned facilities
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£13,382
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	None
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	None at present as the charity now holds financial reserves. The charity also benefits from a 20 year lease, seventeen years of which remain.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The charity has been fortunate in receiving grants to undertake the refurbishment and fitting out works on site. Careful accounting practices have been in place to enable the full grant to be released, which has enabled the purchase of tools, equipment and materials for the members to utilise in the creation of the two workshop buildings and the social space.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g. unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	The constitution provides for 5 trustees, 4 to be elected by members and 1 to be appointed by Chichester Rotary Club.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Chichester Men's Shed
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1196553
Charity's principal address	The Fishbourne Centre 46 Blackboy Lane Chichester PO18 8BE

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	Brian Bird	Chair	Resigned 19 May 2025	
2	Alan Pope	Secretary		
3	David Sparrow			Chichester Rotary Club
4	Richard Thomas	Honorary Treasurer		
5	Colin Rhodes			
6	Peter Beckett		Commenced 19 May 2025	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

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

Type of	Name Address	adviser

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

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

Other optional information

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	Peter Beckett	P C Beckett
Full name(s)	Peter Beckett	
Position (e.g. Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	29/04/2026	

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR TO 31st DECEMBER 2025

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Year to 31 12 24
RECEIPTS	£	£	£	£
Receipts from Members and other individuals	1,930		1,930	2,215
Gift Aid	0		0	1,049
Sales from Tools	585		585	-
Sale from Projects	1,339		1,339	88
Grants received	1,000	15,000	16,000	29,970
Total Receipts	4,854	15,000	19,854	33,322
PAYMENTS				
Rent and Room Hire	930		930	975
Printing and stationery	31		31	0
Publicity	0		0	83
Web Fees	200		200	251
Sundries	153		153	218
Project materials	1,097		1,097	-
Fire extingishers			0	288
Insurance	331		331	351
UKMSA subscription	30		30	30
subtotal	2,773	0	2,773	2,196
Asset Purchases				
Expenditure on leashold properties	6,783	26,183	32,966	8,931
Total Payments	9,556	26,183	35,739	11,127
Excess of Expenditure over Receipts	-4,702	-11,183	-15,885	22,195
Cash Funds at 31 12 2024	9,104	20,193	29,267	
Cash Funds at 31 12 2025	4,402	9,010	13,382	

Fixed Assets	£	**Grants received**		Balance from 2024 £	Received in 2025 £	Expenditure in 2025 £	Balance £
Works on sheds	62,511	**Restricted**	Purpose				0
Amortisation to date	9,273	National Lottery	Sheds	18,568		11,183	7,385
Written down value	53,238	Chichester District Council	Sheds		15,000	15,000	0
		Bassil Shippham	Sheds	1,625	0	0	1,625
				20,193	15,000	26,183	9,010
		Unrestricted					
		West Sussex Travel Society			1,000		
		Total received			16,000		

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AT 31st DECEMBER 2025

	£ Unrestricted Funds	£ Restricted Funds	£ Total Funds	31st Dec 2024 £	£
CURRENT ASSETS					
Balance at Bank, *Santander*	4,402	9,010	13,382	29,268	
Cash in hand	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL CASH FUNDS	4,402	9,010	13,382	29,268	7,102
FIXED ASSETS, retained for the Charity's own use			53,238		25,141

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS AT 31 DECEMBER 2025

Chichester Men's Shed was registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation on 12th November 2021

The Accounts are prepared on a Receipts and Payments basis.

No asset value is placed on small donations of tools and equipment.

Fixed assets are depreciated over 10 years

The charity has a 20 year lease from Fishbourne Playing Field Ltd.

There were no endowment funds.

APPROVED by the Trustees on 04/04/2026

P C Burkett

Chairman