CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 02/04/25 Period start date To 01/04/26 Period end date

Charity name: The Bovey Community Workshop (The Bovey Shed)

Charity registration number: 1209503

	SORP reference	

Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	**We have a flexible attitude with respect to some of our members ability to pay the annual subscription. We have waived two members fees for the first year and have incorporated a 'Pro Rata' system for several newer members. We have not made a grant to any outside entity so far.**

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	**For the public Benefit, the preservation and protection of good health among people aged 18 years and older, living in or near Bovey Tracey through provision of facilities for hobbies, recreation or other leisure time activities, including skills sharing and community-based projects.**
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	**Activities are mainly based around woodworking, woodturning, metalworking, 3D printing and computing. The public can commission a piece of garden furniture or request refurbishment of damaged chairs, cabinets or bird tables. We assist other local groups with fabricating items for their activities. Scenery frames for the local Players group. Refurbishing a prominent bench next to the towns well.**
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	**We have held due regard for the Charity Commissions Guidance on Public Benefit by ensuring that we work with several other groups like The National Trust, The Carnival group as well as helping several less well placed individuals to join in with social and community projects.**

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	**We have been very lucky in having a core of volunteers who have really put our group at the forefront of many people's minds throughout the town. Without them my job would have been a lot harder.**

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	**Since opening the Workshop on 01/03/24 we have enrolled approximately 45 members. We have a good daily turn out, with between 5 and 10 attendees at a time. Some members have enrolled purely to support us and only occasionally appear at the workshop. Others are there every day that we open. We have 5 female members and two or three members who have special needs.** **We are very aware of the dangers that come from the kind of activities that we undertake, and as a precaution, we always pair our less able members with one or more of the other members. To be clear, they know and accept that they are not to use any machinery whilst unsupervised. And to clarify that, we have had no accidents or incidents at all to date, apart from my splinter!** **We have been very much involved with several community projects: Converting a telephone kiosk to a book exchange. Building and installing a large Arbor for the local School's Garden Club. Taking part in several of the Towns Community activities like 'Love Local', 'The Great Big Green Week' and 'Makers Market' to name three.** **So Far we have taken on in excess of 150 different projects. From the simplest electrical repair (We have three qualified PAT Testers) to regularly making large garden Planters or 'Truggs'**

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	**We have far exceeded the primary objective of getting a venue and group of people together to be able to help our community.** **We have several members who are benefitting from being with a friendly social group producing various items for the wider community who would otherwise be left without any social activity.**

Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	**After the initial period of setting up the venue, we were very pleased to be accepted in the Co-op's funding round for the year which proved very beneficial. We were also very pleased to have a large donation from another local fund that had achieved its objective and needed to distribute its remaining funds. Both of these have ensured that we will be able to remain in our venue for the next year or two.**
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	**After a slow start, but with the Landlords help by not taking any rent for 18 months, we find ourselves in a very favourable position. We have the subscription monies, which is not a guaranteed amount, and the two large fund payouts, coupled with the very generous donations that the community has given us for the various repairs and projects completed. I believe that we may be able to get a multi-year lease next time.**
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	**Our policy for holding money in reserves is to be able to pay future rent and utility bills. As we are now paying for Rent, Electricity, Phone/Wi-Fi and Insurance, We will need to have a larger reserve that will allow for any slow down in donations and funding. I believe that we have enough in the bank to cover the next year's outgoings.**
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	**@ £7000**
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	

Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	**The workshop is part of a group of buildings owned by a brewery. After 18mths of being closed, the Hotel has reopened. We are delighted to have helped with one or two refurbishments and believe that we will be an asset to them and that we will be able to negotiate a multi-year lease which will open other funding opportunities.**

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	**We have accrued all of our funds to date through donations, membership fees and some large donations/grants from other funds.**
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	**Lack of funds or loss of venue.**
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 Association Model Constitution.**

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	**Initially Voluntary Acceptance of role. Followed by election to post at AGM.**

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	**Three Trustees: One as Chairperson. One as Treasurer/Secretary. One solely as a Trustee.** **A small committee of six members total, including the three trustees.**
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	**Member of The UK Men's Shed Association (UKMSA)** **Member of Devon Communities Together (DCT)**
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	The Bovey Community Workshop
Other name the charity uses	The Bovey Shed
Registered charity number	1209503
Charity's principal address	% Simon Carter. Revas, Avenue Road, Bovey Tracey, Newton Abbot, Devon. TQ13 9BQ

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	Simon Carter	Treasurer/ Secretary		
2	David Walker	Chairperson		
3	~~Alan Payne~~	~~Trustee~~		
4	Graham Kennett	Trustee		
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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 adviser	Name	Address

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)		
Full name(s)		
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)		
Date		