

Waringstown Men's Shed - Annual Report

1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024

Purposes

Waringstown Men's Shed was formally constituted on 2nd February 2022 to advance the health and wellbeing of men in the Waringstown area and to reduce social isolation by:

providing a safe space for men to connect with others whilst participating in creative, physical and purposeful group and/or individual projects and activities.

helping men to build relationships, to share skills and knowledge with the aim of reducing social isolation and contributing to improving men's general physical and mental health and well-being.

Beneficiaries

Over the period covered by this report up to twelve men of various ages living in the Waringstown area attended the Shed on a weekly or more regular basis.

Activities

Projects carried out included continuing repair and maintenance of the Shed building; repair of equipment and ornaments for community members; work on individual wood-work items and items for sale in fund-raising, including the turning of wooden pens; further installation of wood-working machines; maintenance of the Community Garden; construction of planters for the Community Garden and village; and contributing to the refurbishment of the "Wee house", a feature of interest in the centre of the village.

Training in the safe use of machines was carried out. A further demonstration on wood-turning was well attended.

These activities have contributed to the purposes set out above by providing a safe space where relationships have been built, and skills and knowledge have been shared. No harm has flowed from them.

Public Benefit

The trustees have given careful consideration to the Commission's Public benefit requirement statutory guidance, and have ensured that activities have contributed to the charity's purposes and have benefited the stated beneficiaries.

There has been no private gain by any individual member.

Acknowledgements

Waringstown Men's Shed would like to thank all those who have contributed financially, in-kind, and with their time and expertise, to a very successful year for Waringstown Men's Shed.

John McClenaghan (Chair)

Andrew Soye (Vice-chair)

Chris Kerr (Secretary)

Mark Gordon (Treasurer)

26th April 2024

Waringstown Men's Shed
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Charity Number: 108866

• **Beneficiaries:** an explanation of who the charity's **beneficiaries** were during the year

• **Activities:** a summary of the charity's **activities** to carry out its purposes for the public benefit (the **direct** charitable activities, rather than fundraising or governance activities)

Achievements: an **explanation** of how those activities have provided a benefit to the charity's beneficiaries

Restrictions on who can benefit: an explanation of how any restrictions, if applicable, were managed for the public benefit. For example:

- Fee charging
- Access to facilities
- Restrictions on the basis of personal characteristics

Harm: how the charity has **mitigated** any **harm** flowing from its purposes

Private benefit: how the charity has ensured that any **private** benefit has been incidental to the public benefit

a **statement** of compliance with the duty to have regard to the Commission's *The Public benefit requirement* statutory guidance.