



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date			Period end date			
Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year	
From	1	11	To	30	10	2018

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name	Men In Sheds Bedford		
Other names charity is known by			
Registered charity number (if any)	1174339		
Charity's principal address	C/O Bedford Art and Craft Centre		
	Ampthill Road		
	Bedford		
Postcode	MK42 9HE		

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	Stephen Conway			
2	Andrew Hankiewicz			
3	George Harland			
4	Jeremy Honner			
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document
(eg. trust deed, constitution)

CIO - ASSOCIATION Registered 23 Aug 2017

How the charity is constituted
(eg. trust, association, company)

CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION

Trustee selection methods
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

Election

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

TO PROMOTE THE PRESERVATION AND PROTECTION OF (PRIMARILY) MEN'S GOOD HEALTH IN THE BEDFORD AREA, FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT, IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT LIMITED TO THOSE WHO ARE RETIRED, UNEMPLOYED OR HAVE HEALTH PROBLEMS THROUGH THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR HOBBIES, RECREATION OR OTHER LEISURE TIME OCCUPATIONS INCLUDING PRACTICAL INTERESTS, SKILLS SHARING, THE LEARNING OF NEW SKILLS, AND HELPING WITH OTHER COMMUNITY BASED PROJECTS.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Providing an environment for people (specifically older men, but not exclusively) to meet, talk, undertake personal and group projects, as well as projects for the wider community. Mostly involving practical engineering skills involving woodwork, metalwork, computers, model trains, and other related activities.

In addition, group trips to places of interest to group, and general social gatherings.

Also the teaching and learning of new skills. Specifically woodworking, using tools and machines, and information technology.

Finally, a place where those in the community with additional needs can come and receive one to one help learning woodworking, and other skills.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Group Visits:

Bedford Pumps
 Foxton Canal Locks
 Cambridge Computer Museum
 Military Intelligence Museum

Events:

Christmas Lunch
 Park Road West Indoor Market
 Men In Sheds Barbecue
 EIDS Festival
 Willington Fate

Group Activities:

Small Access Ramp for disable child at local Nursery
 50 Dormouse houses for the Local Woodland Trust
 Number of wooden items produced on a lathe for the purpose of learning skills and raising funds.
 Restoration of two boxes from the Panacea Trust for use in an Art exhibition celebrating the Suffragettes (also a multimedia presentation running on a computer highlighting women's' freedom to speak)
 Restoration and rebuilding of a large outdoor table and several large benches for the Arts and Craft Centre.

Number of articles in Carers in Bedfordshire, highlighting the charity and how it has benefited one of our members who is a full time carer. This generated a considerable number of contacts to the charity.

A very solid improvement in members of the charity, with ten new members joining (from 29 to 39) which is an increase of 34%.

The move to a much sounder financial footing by switching the majority of members to contributing by standing order.

A grant from the local councillors for a new thickness planer.

A donation from Waitrose to fund the activities of the charity.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Sum equivalent to 1.5 year running costs

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F

Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

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

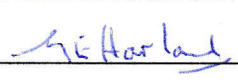
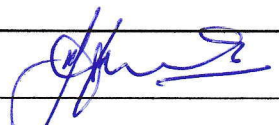
Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Full name(s)

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Date

	
GEORGE ERNEST Harrison	Jeremy Harrison
Trustee	Treasurer
29/1/19	