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A Sad Day at the Shed

The members of Men In Sheds Bedford (a registered charity) were devastated when they arrived on Monday morning (1st April) to find that their building had been broken into over the weekend and a considerable number of hand power tools and dust extractor had been stolen. Altogether, the charity estimates that it will cost around two thousand pound to replace what was stolen. Many of the tools had been donated by individuals, bought with grants from supporting businesses or the council, and from money raised by the charity by the sale of items made by the members of the charity.

One of the trustees, Steve Conway, said that “this a bit of set back for us, but we are determined to overcome this and carry on helping people. The police have been very helpful and spent a lot of time investigating the scene of the break in and providing detailed advice to help us. We have also had a number of messages of support and offers of help, including from our MP, Mohammed Yasin.”

If you have any information regarding this break in, please contact the Bedford police. The incident number is 40/18621/19.

The Men In Shed movement is worldwide and aims to keep men active and healthy by getting them out of the house and meeting people, making friends, and doing things. It is primarily aimed at older more mature man, but it is open to all. It is particularly targeted at retired men who are alone, suffered bereavement, or are carers, as these people are at risk of loneliness and depression.

Men In Shed Bedford is supported by a by a number of organisation, Age UK, Bedford Borough Council, Waitrose, and the Harper Trust, as well as others. Men In Sheds Bedford has also helped serval other charities and organisations. Some of the work they have done is building disable access ramps, repairing outdoor furniture and flower troughs, as well as building dormice boxes for the local Woodland Trust.

