

alton mens shed learn new skills work on projects meet new people

Trustees Annual Report 2018

From April last year we were moving forward at what seemed a snail's pace. We had nearly £1900 pounds in the bank and able to reduce membership costs by 50%. We were also very diligent in the pursuit of insurance; consequently we have a much better policy for a reduced cost.

Some highlights: We are now a Charity Incorporated Organisation. We have completed some very good projects i.e. a Horse Box into a snack bar, renovation of 13 pieces of Furniture at the Community Hospital for the Friends of the Hospital. A large public notice board for Bentworth Parish Council. Work on the Resurrection Furniture shop prior to opening, a range of garden clearances. 3rd Alton Cubs were able to assemble nest boxes pre-made by us. For many of these, generous donations were received. We received funding from the Tesco Bags of Help Grants which is being used for resident activities centred on Orchard House. Part of this grant has enabled the purchase of about £1,000 worth of new tools and equipment for the shed.

We have been able to promote ourselves by providing a Guest Speaker at Fourmarks & Medstead Rotary evening; we have gained Permanent Planning Permission for our shed. We have also done presentations at Alton College for the "New Directions" event, a presentation at an East Hampshire Charities Event at the Festival Hall Petersfield, as well as being invited as guests to the Radian Residents Awards where we were promoted. We have been nominated by Bourne Estate Agents as recipients of funds from the Alton Beer Festival for 2017, the trustee as a group were permitted a 30 minute audience at Alton Town Council and out of this a number of things were highlighted, i.e. we should have a 5 year business plan going forward (this runs to 15 pages and is almost complete). We are going to have a 150 word article in the next Altonian magazine later in the year to promote us to every home in Alton. Ultimately and hopefully with the support of the Town Council we could be nearer to a much larger premises for the future of Alton Men's Shed.

Last year there were two social visits when several of the men enjoyed trips Brooklands Aircraft & Motor Museum and the Chalk Pits Industrial Museum at Amberley.

Finally, it has been a pleasure to be a support for Alresford Mens Shed to get up and running in about 8 weeks. Two men have also visited to consider starting a shed in Liss.

The trustees would like to thank all of the members who have participated in the projects and activities that have been achieved this year.

(registered charity no. 1174510) ALTON MENS SHED

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2018

	Unrestricted Funds	2018 Restricted Funds	Total Funds	2017 Total Funds
RECEIPTS	e p	f p	f p	g 3
Membership fees Donations Work done Groundworks (Tesco Bags)	90.00	2,712.00	90.00 1,364.00 1,522.20 2,712.00	950.00 1,517.68 510.41
Funds for All Saints Shed EHDC Buy a Plank				\$00.00 1,770.00 2,270.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS PAYMENTS	2,976.20	2,712.00	5,688.20	5,248.09
Cost of work done and consumables Purchase of equipment All Saints Shed building costs Property costs Insurance Publicity material Mens Shed UK annual fee Planning costs Miscellaneous expenses TOTAL PAYMENTS Cash funds brought forward Cash funds carried forward	1,645.32 809.96 - 391.02 355.88 - 25.00 195.00 233.99 - 3,656.17 - (679.97)	1,066.28	2,711.60 809.96 391.02 355.88 - 25.00 195.00 233.99 4,722.45 1,610.06	402.60 579.76 8,259.27 100.00 406.00 250.00 15.00 180.00 97.94 (5,042.48) 6,652.54
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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT THE FINANCIAL YEAR END

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Monetary assets - Cash at bank and in hand	

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Treasurer

I have compared the receipts and payments account for the year ended 31st March 2018 with the records and explanations provided to me and confirm that this account has been prepared in accordance therewith.

Chartered Accountant Mark Bavage FCA 2 Hall Road