



**SCOTTISH  
MEN'S SHEDS  
ASSOCIATION**

**SCOTLAND'S LARGEST**  
MEN'S HEALTH & WELLBEING CHARITY

**Our vision is for every man  
in Scotland to have the chance  
to attend a local Men's Shed**

## **ANNUAL REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

# **2024-2025**

*For the period: 1st April 2024—31st March 2025*

***In Scotland, For Scotland***



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# CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

This year, we proudly marked a major milestone—our 10th anniversary. With 4,300+ members, the Scottish Men's Sheds Association (SMSA) stands as the largest member-led male health and wellbeing charity in Scotland. This achievement is a testament to the strength, resilience, and unity of our community.

We owe much of our continued success to our dedicated staff team and trustees. Their commitment, passion, and hard work—especially during another year of financial uncertainty—has once again been outstanding. Despite the ongoing challenges, the SMSA team has consistently gone above and beyond to support the Scottish Men's Sheds Movement.

We were grateful to receive £75,000 in funding from the Scottish Government this year. While this support is appreciated, it falls short of the resources truly required to sustain and grow our work.

Encouragingly, in our new portfolio within the Scottish Government—the Equality, Inclusion & Human Rights Directorate—we have opened promising discussions with civil servants and Ministers. Through regular meetings involving myself, our CEO, and our Treasurer, we're building stronger relationships, sharing our vision and development plans, and working toward securing a more sustainable and longer-term partnership.

Across Scotland, the Men's Sheds Movement continues to grow and show remarkable resilience. This year, we restructured our development team to provide nationwide coverage—a positive step that's already showing great results.

However, Scotland is vast, and the need for additional Development Officers remains critical to enable regular face-to-face visits and hands-on support.

Despite Sheds facing rising operational costs and ever-changing funding conditions, the number of active Shed groups has now reached 212—a milestone reflecting the

growing demand for spaces where men can connect, create, and contribute.

Over the course of the last financial year, dozens of new Sheds have joined the SMSA family—each at different stages of development, from early planning to fully established, community-rooted Sheds. This continued expansion crucially highlights the ongoing need for our support, resources, and guidance to help create safe, inclusive, and purposeful spaces for men across Scotland.

Our media presence has also grown significantly. We're increasingly recognised as the go-to organisation for commentary on men's health and wellbeing, particularly in relation to our age 18+ model. Our message—'In Scotland, For Scotland'—is resonating, and the improved relationships with both local and national media is helping to amplify the importance of the Shed movement like never before.

Our trustees remain an integral part of this journey. As active Sheddors themselves, they bring invaluable insights from their local communities, ensuring SMSA's work remains grounded, informed, and relevant. Their regional representation has strengthened our outreach, and we continue to welcome new trustees with enthusiasm, vision, and lived experience to help steer us forward.

One of our annual highlights—the Scottish Men's Shed of the Year Awards and national gathering of Sheds—continues to grow in prestige and popularity. This year, the Banff, Macduff and District Men's Shed made history by becoming the first to consecutively win the title twice. Congratulations to them on this remarkable achievement.

The SMSA has remained focused and active, providing strategic leadership and oversight. I extend my heartfelt thanks to my fellow trustees for their time, wisdom, and unwavering commitment throughout the year.

Our small staff team continues to deliver outstanding results. Their



**DAVID GARDNER**  
**SMSA CHAIRMAN**

work underpins every success shared here in this report, and their dedication to the Men's Sheds Movement is deeply appreciated.

As demand grows, we are reviewing our internal structure and capacity to ensure we remain responsive, agile, and fit for purpose.

Looking ahead to 2025–2026, our strategic priorities are clear:

- secure sustainable long-term funding for SMSA
- champion the voices of our members and share the impact of the Movement widely
- deepen our role in men's health and wellbeing conversations through delivery of SMSA's MOT4Men preventative health sessions
- continue to promote the age 18+ model nationally
- strengthen intergenerational and inclusive work

The Scottish Men's Sheds Movement is more than a network—it is a strong and bonded community. A place rooted in shared action and mutual respect. In a world where too many men feel isolated, we offer support to create something truly valuable: connection, belonging and purpose in our Scottish Men's Sheds.

**To all our members, partners, funders, and supporters—thank you. Together, we are building healthier men and stronger communities across Scotland.**



# CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

This year has been a landmark for the SMSA and for me personally. We celebrated a decade of the charity SMSA and championing men's health and wellbeing through the growth and diversification of the Men's Shed movement.

It has been ten years of resilience, achievement, and relentless dedication to support men, their families, and communities across Scotland. And what a year this tenth anniversary has turned out to be.

In the summer, our campaign for fair recognition and sustained support reached a new level. Over 5,500 people signed our 38 Degrees Petition for Men's Health Support, backed by MSPs and MPs across the political spectrum.

Together, we successfully reversed the Scottish Government's decision to withdraw our financial support which has been in place since the beginning of the charity. This was the third time we have had to co-ordinate such efforts, and while we are grateful for the short-term success, the reality remains challenging. The temporary 'bandage' funding falls short of what we require and only secured our operations, with reduced staffing and resources, until the end of the financial year.

On a more positive note, we were transferred to a new Scottish Government portfolio—Equality, Inclusion & Human Rights. I have already had constructive discussions with the new team, including a three-hour deep dive into SMSA's financial health, our three-year development plan, and the societal benefits Men's Sheds deliver.

This new alignment gives us some hope. SMSA's values and impact strongly underpin the Government's overarching wellbeing vision for Scotland. We remain optimistic that, as budget discussions for 2025/26 unfold, the Government will finally make a long-term commitment to secure the future of Scotland's most successful and proven men's health improvement movement.

**A Growing Movement of Members**  
Despite funding uncertainties, the SMSA family continues to grow. This year, we welcomed our 4,000th individual member—a proud milestone that underscores the strength of our grassroots model. We now represent more than 4,300 members who have found friendship, purpose, and support through this movement.

Our Development Officer (DO) team structure has evolved to reflect both challenges and opportunities. Stewart Beck (West Coast) and Tim Green (East Coast) continue their vital work part-time, while Ross Murray joined us to cover the Highlands and Islands thanks to a Social Isolation and Loneliness grant.

Sadly, we lost the Borders-based DO leaving a gap in that region and adding extra pressure on our small team. Despite reduced capacity, we remain determined. Our DO Team are travelling widely to meet Sheds and developing groups face-to-face, providing lifelines of support and encouragement. But there is no denying that our ambitious growth plans have been slowed by financial and staffing pressures. The new Equalities team's backing will be critical in achieving our long-term strategy, alongside the continued support of existing funders.

A highlight this year has been securing funding to roll out MOT4Men, our preventative health programme. Covering vital topics including male cancers, coping skills, and nutrition—the sessions are free to Shed members and delivered directly in their communities. This practical and empowering programme embodies our "health by stealth" ethos: helping men make informed choices that improve their lives, and those of their families and communities.

This year, we also partnered with theatre and film to spark conversations. The play 'Men Don't Talk' toured Scotland and featured at Holyrood in October 2024, hosted by Craig Hoy MSP at which the SMSA was delighted to attend. Meanwhile, the feature-length documentary 'Silent Men', directed by Duncan Cowles, premiered on International Men's Day with SMSA staff and ambassadors engaging in post-screening discussions.

The SMSA teamed up with Andy's Man Club to amplify our joint messages, further strengthening our shared mission of tackling men's suicide and isolation.

Our 10th anniversary was a time for celebration and reflection. At our national gathering, hosted by Perth & Kinross Council, I was humbled to receive a commemorative Men's Shed plaque from Jim Paterson of Aberchirder & District Men's Shed—the first Shed to win 'Scottish Shed of the Year' in 2019.



**JASON SCHROEDER**  
SMSA CEO

This symbolic moment reminded me how far we have come, and how deeply this movement matters to the men and communities it serves.

Other highlights of this year to remember included our first-ever Shed Open Doors Day on International Men's Day 2024, which I hope will become an annual tradition.

This initiative not only showcased Sheds to the wider public but also engaged GPs, social prescribers, and community stakeholders—making Sheds more visible and accessible than ever before.

We were also delighted to secure a second year of £20,000 funding from the Bank of Scotland Foundation's REACH programme, ensuring that grassroots support continues where it is needed most.

As I reflect on the last decade and this financial year, I am struck by one constant: the resilience and commitment of our members, supporters, and partners. Without the 4,300+ people who have embraced this movement, without the funders who believe in its power, and without the Sheds themselves that transform lives daily, the SMSA simply would not exist.

We face ongoing challenges, especially around sustainable funding, but we always remain hopeful. We have the evidence, the passion, and the people to prove the life-changing and life-saving value of our Scottish Men's Sheds. With renewed Government backing and continued community support, I believe the next decade can be even more impactful than the first.

**To everyone who has walked with us so far—thank you.**



# TREASURER'S REPORT

On behalf of the SMSA Board, I am pleased to present my fifth Treasurer's Report for the financial year ending 31st March 2025. At the outset, I would like to extend our deepest gratitude to all our funders and supporters. Without your continued commitment, the Scottish Men's Sheds Association simply would not exist.

Your vital contributions have enabled us to grow into the largest men's health and wellbeing charity in Scotland—a network that makes a tangible difference to communities and individual lives.

This year, the charity concludes with an income of £187,296, showing steady growth from £181,728 in 2023/24. Payments increased to £180,185 (from £168,627 last year), reflecting the continued investment in supporting Men's Sheds across Scotland. We were pleased to achieve a small operating surplus of £6,476. Cash at the end of the year strengthened slightly to £217,479, compared with £211,003 at the end of the previous year.

We faced the very real prospect of losing **Scottish Government** support. Initial indications were that funding would not be continued—a decision that, if left unchallenged, could have had serious implications for our ability to deliver on our national remit. Recognising what was at stake, SMSA sharpened its focus on making the case for continued support.

Through constructive engagement, clear evidence of our impact, and a strong emphasis on how Sheds directly address key government priorities such as mental health, social isolation and loneliness, reducing suicide rates and community resilience, and we were thankfully able to change minds. Such funding is vital to contribute towards our core costs, most notably staffing, which remains our largest and most critical expense (staff costs increased from £116,669 in 2023/24 to £139,398 this year).

This experience has underlined a truth we face year after year: securing funding is a constant battle. In particular, the scarcity of unrestricted or long-term

funding presents a real difficulty for the entire third sector.

While project-based grants are crucial in enabling innovation and expansion, it is unrestricted and longer-term funding that allows us to plan strategically and cover our core operating costs. These core costs, most notably staffing, are not optional extras but the very backbone of our organisation.

Our small but highly skilled team is our greatest asset—uniquely experienced in supporting Sheds across Scotland and dedicated to championing men's health. Retaining these staff members requires the financial stability that only multi-year or unrestricted funding can provide.

In this respect, we must offer special thanks to the **William Grant Foundation** and **The Robertson Trust**. Both of which provided three-year unrestricted funding of £30,000 and £15,000 respectively, which has been invaluable in ensuring stability and continuity. This not only kept our doors open but allowed us to sustain our work in supporting men's mental health—a core mission that underpins everything we do.

We are equally grateful to the **Bank of Scotland Foundation**, which has shown great flexibility and understanding of our needs. By agreeing to continue its support for a second year and to switch its grant from restricted to unrestricted funding, they have given us room to breathe, enabling us to direct funds where they are most needed.

Alongside this, the continuation of the **Social Isolation and Loneliness (SIAL) Fund**, through restricted Impact funding, has been instrumental in sustaining our Highlands & Islands Development Officer. This role is already showing huge impact by fostering the growth of new Sheds in some of Scotland's most remote and isolated communities.

We are also delighted to report a grant of £19,624 from the **Crerar Trust**, which enabled us to further roll out our MOT4Men health initiative programme in Scottish Sheds.

This project is an excellent example of how targeted funding can generate



**JON SEARLE**  
**SMSA TREASURER**

practical, health-focused outcomes for our members. Similarly, a total of £9,250 from **The Hayden Kirkwood Trust** has contributed to the development of our database, website and MOT4Men, helping us strengthen both our digital presence and the reach of our health prevention services.

Beyond these major sources of funding, we must also acknowledge the other, equally important, streams of support. **Membership fees** (£25 per member Shed), as well as individual **donations** made through platforms like **PayPal Giving**, are vital to our work. We would also like to extend our sincere thanks to **Bancon Homes** for their continued support of our HQ office. Each contribution, no matter the size, is a mark of solidarity with our mission and a reminder that our work is valued at every level. We extend sincere thanks to all our members, donors, and supporters.

**In summary, while this has been another challenging year financially, it has also been one of resilience and growth. We remain acutely aware that financial sustainability is never guaranteed, and we must continue to work hard to secure the unrestricted, long-term funding that is essential to safeguarding our future.**

**With the continued backing of our funders—both longstanding and new—alongside the support of government, charitable trusts, and the wider Shed community, we remain confident that the charity will continue to thrive.**



**INCOME**  
**£187,296**

**OPERATING COSTS**  
**£180,185**

**SURPLUS**  
**£6,476**

# Scottish Men's Sheds Movement Statistics



**10,267**

Scottish Shedders

**4,340**

SMSA Individual members



**212**

Men's Shed groups in Scotland



**3%**

Members aged 18-30

**29%**

Members aged 31-59

**68%**

Members aged 60+



**178**

SMSA Shed Members



**72**

New or developing Sheds



**24%**

No. of SMSA members that have disclosed that they are a veteran or from blue light services

As at 31st March 2025





# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2024-2025

## Section A Statement of receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total funds current period to nearest £	Total funds last period to nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>						
Donations	12,697				12,697	11,641
Legacies					-	
Grants	115,526	51,790			167,316	162,933
Receipts from fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading receipts					-	-
Income from investments other than land and buildings (Bank Interest)	3,853				3,853	3,476
Rents from land & buildings					-	
Gross receipts from other charitable activities	3,430				3,430	3,678
					-	-
<b>A1 Sub total</b>	<b>135,506</b>	<b>51,790</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>187,296</b>	<b>181,728</b>
<b>A2 Receipts from asset &amp; investment sales</b>						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
<b>A2 Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>135,506</b>	<b>51,790</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>187,296</b>	<b>181,728</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>						
Expenses for fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading payments					-	
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	152,871	26,681			179,551	168,413
Grants and donations					-	
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination	360				360	
Preparation of annual accounts					-	-
Legal costs	274				274	-
Other					-	214
					-	-
<b>A3 Sub total</b>	<b>153,504</b>	<b>26,681</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>180,185</b>	<b>168,627</b>
<b>A4 Payments relating to asset and investment movements</b>						
Purchases of fixed assets	635				635	657
Purchase of investments					-	
<b>A4 Sub total</b>	<b>635</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>635</b>	<b>657</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>154,140</b>	<b>26,681</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>180,820</b>	<b>169,284</b>
<b>Net receipts / (payments)</b>	<b>(18,634)</b>	<b>25,109</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,476</b>	<b>12,444</b>
<b>A5 Transfers to / (from) funds</b>	<b>9,432</b>	<b>-9,432</b>			<b>-</b>	
<b>Surplus / (deficit) for year</b>	<b>(9,202)</b>	<b>15,677</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,476</b>	<b>12,444</b>

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## Section B Statement of balances

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash and bank balances at start of year	177,015	33,988			211,003	198,559
	Surplus / (deficit) shown on receipts and payments account	(9,202)	15,677			6,476	12,444
						-	-
						-	-
	Cash and bank balances at end of year	167,813	49,665	-	-	217,479	211,003

(Agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Market valuation to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B2 Investments				
		Total	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (if available) to nearest £	Current value (if available) to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B3 Other assets	Lenevo Think pad laptop				99
	Dell Laptop				120
	Computer equipment		365	245	
	Dell Lat 7400 laptop		270	181	
		Total	635	426	219

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B4 Liabilities				
		Total	-	-

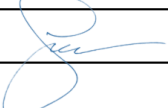
	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (estimate) to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B5 Contingent liabilities				
		Total	-	-

Signed by one or two trustees  
on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Date of  
approval



DAVID GARDNER, SMSA CHAIRMAN

12/9/2025





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## Additional analysis (1)

### Analysis of receipts and payments

#### 1 Donations

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Donation various	11,551				11,551	10,850
PayPal Giving Fund UK	1,146				1,146	765
AmazonSmile & Europe	-				-	26
<b>Total</b>	<b>12,697</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>12,697</b>	<b>11,641</b>

#### 2 Grants

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Scottish Government	50,000		50,000	75,000
William Grant Foundation	30,000		30,000	30,000
The Robertson Trust	15,000		15,000	15,000
Crear Trust		19,624	19,624	-
Church of Scotland			-	500
Scottish Community Alliance			-	6,500
Bank Of Scotland	20,526		20,526	20,526
Impact Funding		22,916	22,916	15,407
Hayden Kirkwood		9,250	9,250	-
			-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>115,526</b>	<b>51,790</b>	<b>167,316</b>	<b>162,933</b>

#### 3 Gross receipts from other charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Shed Membership Subscriptions	3,430				3,430	3,678
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,430</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,430</b>	<b>3,678</b>

#### 4 Payments relating directly to charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Trustee expenses	522				522	570
Staff expenses (not included in Travel, subsistence & accommodation)	360				360	95
Pension	6,776				6,776	6,336
Office costs, Printing costs & Postage	5,008				5,008	5,252
Staff costs	117,183	22,215			139,398	116,669
Membership costs & subscriptions	1,291				1,291	1,291
Travel (inc. Mileage), subsistence & accommodation	10,761				10,761	5,221
Telephone, internet & website	1,608				1,608	1,863
Rent & insurance	6,080				6,080	11,392
Bank charges	487				487	483
Project spending		4,465			4,465	17,834
Advertising and sundry	2,795				2,795	1,408
<b>Total</b>	<b>152,871</b>	<b>26,681</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>179,551</b>	<b>168,413</b>



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## Additional analysis (2)

### 5 Breakdown of unrestricted funds

	Unrestricted fund 1 - enter name of fund below RBS & Unity	Unrestricted fund 2 - enter name of fund below	Unrestricted fund 3 - enter name of fund below	Unrestricted fund 4 - enter name of fund below	Total unrestricted funds	Total unrestricted funds last period
<b>Receipts</b>						
Donations	12,697				12,697	11,641
Legacies					-	
Grants	115,526				115,526	120,500
Receipts from fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading receipts	-				-	-
Income from investments other than land and buildings (Bank Interest)	3,853				3,853	3,476
Rents from land & buildings					-	
Gross receipts from other charitable activities	3,430				3,430	3,678
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>135,506</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>135,506</b>	<b>139,295</b>
<b>Receipts from asset &amp; investment sales</b>						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>135,506</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>135,506</b>	<b>139,295</b>
<b>Payments</b>						
Expenses for fundraising activities						
Gross trading payments					-	
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable Grants and donations	152,871				152,871	122,228
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination	360				360	-
Preparation of annual accounts					-	
Legal costs					-	
Other costs	274				274	214
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>153,504</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>153,504</b>	<b>122,442</b>
<b>Payments relating to asset and investment movements</b>						
Purchases of fixed assets	635				635	657
Purchase of investments					-	
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>635</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>635</b>	<b>657</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>154,140</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>154,140</b>	<b>123,099</b>
<b>Net receipts / (payments)</b>	<b>(18,634)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(18,634)</b>	<b>16,196</b>
<b>Transfers to / (from) funds</b>	<b>9,432</b>				<b>9,432</b>	
<b>Surplus / (deficit) for year</b>	<b>(9,202)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(9,202)</b>	<b>16,196</b>

#### Nature and purpose of funds

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## Additional analysis (3)

### 6 Breakdown of restricted funds

	Restricted fund 1 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 2 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 3 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 4 - enter name of fund below		
	Crear Trust	Hayden Kirkwood	Social Impact	Other	Total restricted funds	Total restricted funds last period
<b>Receipts</b>						
Donations					-	
Legacies					-	
Grants	19,624	9,250	22,916		51,790	42,433
Receipts from fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading receipts					-	
Income from investments other than land and buildings					-	
Rents from land & buildings					-	
Gross receipts from other charitable activities					-	
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>19,624</b>	<b>9,250</b>	<b>22,916</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>51,790</b>	<b>42,433</b>
<b>Receipts from asset &amp; investment sales</b>						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>19,624</b>	<b>9,250</b>	<b>22,916</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>51,790</b>	<b>42,433</b>
<b>Payments</b>						
Expenses for fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading payments					-	
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	815	3,000	21,159	1,707	26,681	46,185
Grants and donations					-	
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination					-	
Preparation of annual accounts					-	
Legal costs					-	
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>815</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>21,159</b>	<b>1,707</b>	<b>26,681</b>	<b>46,185</b>
<b>Payments relating to asset and investment movements</b>						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	
Purchase of investments					-	
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>815</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>21,159</b>	<b>1,707</b>	<b>26,681</b>	<b>46,185</b>
<b>Net receipts / (payments)</b>	<b>18,809</b>	<b>6,250</b>	<b>1,757</b>	<b>(1,707)</b>	<b>25,109</b>	<b>(3,752)</b>
<b>Transfers to / (from) funds</b>				<b>(9,432)</b>	<b>(9,432)</b>	
<b>Surplus / (deficit) for year</b>	<b>18,809</b>	<b>6,250</b>	<b>1,757</b>	<b>(11,139)</b>	<b>15,677</b>	<b>(3,752)</b>

#### Nature and purpose of funds



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		Independent examiner's report on the accounts						v2
Report to the trustees/members of	Charity name	Scottish Men's Sheds Association						
	Registered charity number	SC045139						
	On the accounts of the charity for the period	Period start date				Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year	
	01	April	2024	to	31	March	2025	
Set out on pages							(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)	
Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner	<p>The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) 2005 Act and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.</p>							
Basis of independent examiner's statement	<p>My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.</p>							
Independent examiner's statement	<p>In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention [other than that disclosed on the attached page*]</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>to keep accounting records in accordance with section 44(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and</li> <li>to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations</li> </ul> </li> </ol> <p>have not been met, or</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.</li> </ol>							
Signed:	<i>W Sim</i>				Date:	16/07/2025		
Name:	Wilma Sim FCCA (non-practicing)							
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):								
Address:	Thyme Accountants Limited							
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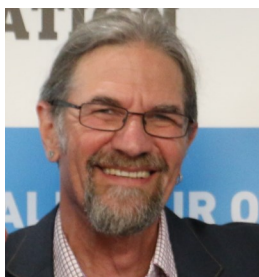
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## THE SMSA TEAM – HERE TO HELP

The SMSA is here to inspire and support you with anything you might need help with—at any stage of your Shed journey. Through our regular contact and visits with Sheds and regional Shed Network meetings across Scotland, the chances are that we will have the solution to your problem. After all, there is no point in reinventing the wheel, give one of our team members a call today for a chat...



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Our three Development Officers support the Scottish Men's Sheds within their regions with the comprehensive and specialist development support they deserve.

Contact your relevant Development Officer for a visit and/or advice on your Shed's needs or to attend an upcoming regional Shed Network meeting.

# THE SMSA PATRON AND TRUSTEES

The SMSA Board of Trustees brings together a dedicated team of Shedders with a wide range of skills, experience, and passion for the Scottish Men's Shed Movement. Collectively, they provide strategic guidance, sound governance, and strong oversight to ensure the Association continues to thrive and deliver on its mission of supporting Shedders and Sheds across the country.



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The SMSA has ambitious growth and development plans afoot. If you are passionate about the Scottish Men's Sheds Movement and keen to make a difference, the SMSA would love to hear from you and what you could bring to this key and very rewarding role.

Contact SMSA's Chief Executive Officer on 07397382533 or email [ceo@scottishmsa.org.uk](mailto:ceo@scottishmsa.org.uk) to discuss.



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