



**SCOTTISH
MEN'S SHEDS
ASSOCIATION**

SCOTLAND'S LARGEST
MEN'S HEALTH & WELLBEING CHARITY



In Scotland, For Scotland



ANNUAL REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

2025-2026

For the period: 1st April 2025—31st March 2026

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IMPACT SNAPSHOT | 2025/26

Supporting Men's Sheds. Strengthening Communities.



THE MEN'S SHED MOVEMENT IN SCOTLAND



222

SCOTTISH MEN'S SHEDS



5,125

INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS



12,000+

SCOTTISH SHEDDERS



197

SMSA SHED MEMBERS



72

NEW OR DEVELOPING SHEDS



150

OPEN SHEDS

WHAT SMSA DELIVERED



257

SHED VISITS



72

NEW SHEDS
SUPPORTED



32

NETWORK
MEETINGS



18

CONFERENCES
AND EVENTS



15

HEALTH
COURSES



67

PARTNERSHIPS



8

ENGAGEMENT
EVENTS



6

EDITIONS OF
THE SCOTTISH
SHEDDER

WHO OUR MEMBERS ARE

AGE PROFILE



VETERANS OR BLUE LIGHT SERVICES



24%

* THE DIFFERENCE MEN'S SHEDS MAKE



88%

IMPROVED HEALTH
& WELLBEING



93%

MADE NEW
FRIENDS



86%

STRONGER
COMMUNITY
CONNECTIONS



84%

BETTER QUALITY
OF LIFE



76%

REDUCED LONELINESS
& ISOLATION

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The past year has been another landmark period for the SMSA. In my last year as Chairman, I have had the privilege of witnessing the continued growth, resilience and influence of a movement that is transforming lives across Scotland.

Every year the evidence becomes stronger that Men's Sheds are not just simply places to meet—they are community assets that improve health, reduce loneliness and isolation, strengthen local resilience and provide purpose for thousands of men across the nation.

Throughout 2025/26, the SMSA Board has remained focused on ensuring that the charity is well governed, financially sustainable and strategically positioned to meet the growing demand for our services.

Demand continues to increase, with more than 220 Sheds now operating across Scotland and 12,000+ members benefiting from the friendship, skills and support that the movement provides.

While this success is something to celebrate, it also reinforces the urgent need for greater long-term investment to match the scale and impact of our work.

Our charity has enjoyed a year of significant external recognition. Reaching the finals of the Scottish Charity Awards demonstrated that the wider third sector increasingly recognises the value of the Scottish Men's Sheds Movement.

Winning the prestigious SURF Award for Community Led Regeneration further validated the contribution the SMSA and our members make to create healthier communities across Scotland.

These achievements belong not only to the SMSA team but to every Shed volunteer, trustee and member who gives their time to improving the lives of others.

The Board has continued to strengthen its governance during the year. We were saddened to see long-serving Trustee Richard Monaghan step down due to health reasons after years of dedicated service. On behalf of the organisation, I extend our sincere thanks to Richard for his commitment and lasting contribution to the movement.

At the same time, we were delighted to welcome two new Trustees to the Board during the course of the year. Gus McLafferty from Men's Shed Dalry and Donald Reid from Fort William Men's Shed bring considerable experience, fresh perspectives and stronger regional representation for our Association.

Donald's appointment marked the first time the Highlands have had direct representation on the Board, an important milestone as we continue to represent Sheds in every part of Scotland.

Supporting our member Sheds has remained central to everything we do and during the year, the SMSA continued developing practical resources, guidance and policy templates to help volunteer-run organisations meet governance requirements while remaining focused on what matters most—supporting local men.

Research continues to underpin our work. Our long-standing partnerships with universities and researchers

are helping build the evidence base demonstrating the positive impact of Men's Sheds on mental health, loneliness, social connectedness and healthy ageing. This evidence strengthens our voice as we continue to advocate for greater recognition of men's health needs within Scotland.

The Board recognises that the organisation continues to operate within a challenging financial environment. Although government support has continued, funding has remained at levels similar to those received many years ago despite significant growth in both the number of Sheds and the expectations placed upon the SMSA.

We remain committed to securing sustainable investment that reflects the scale of our contribution to Scotland's health and wellbeing agenda.

I would like to record my sincere thanks to our Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and founder Jason Schroeder, the SMSA staff team and fellow Trustees whose professionalism, commitment and passion continue to drive the charity forward.

Our team provide invaluable support to Sheds every day, often behind the scenes, ensuring that new groups develop successfully while established Sheds continue to thrive.

Finally, I wish to thank every Shed member across Scotland. The strength of this movement lies in its people. Every conversation over a cup of tea, every project completed together, every new member welcomed through a Shed door contributes to stronger communities and healthier lives. The Scottish Men's Sheds Movement has never been stronger. Together we will continue building a Scotland where every man has the opportunity to find friendship, purpose and belonging.

It has been a privilege and a pleasure to serve as Chairman of the SMSA, and I am incredibly proud of all that we have achieved together.

DAVID GARDNER
SMSA CHAIRMAN



CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

This year has demonstrated more clearly than ever that the Scottish Men's Sheds Movement has become an essential part of Scotland's community and public health landscape. As our team travel across the country meeting Shedders, partners, researchers, ministers and organisations, one consistent message emerges: Men's Sheds are increasingly recognised as part of the solution to many of Scotland's social and health challenges.

The year began with important engagement at the highest levels of Scottish Government, including participation in discussions around democracy, equality and community engagement. It was encouraging to see the Scottish Men's Sheds Movement recognised as an example of positive community empowerment and preventative intervention. Our challenge remains ensuring that this recognition is matched by long-term investment that reflects both our growth and our proven impact.

During 2025/26, the SMSA continued supporting over 220 existing Shed groups while assisting the development of many more. This was a record year for new Shed enquiries and emerging groups, reflecting the growing demand for the movement across the country.

Our three Development Officers worked tirelessly alongside Shed volunteers to establish sustainable governance, constitutions, policies, funding sources and good practice. Every new Shed created represents another community where men can find connection, purpose and improved wellbeing.

Partnership working continued to expand throughout the year. We strengthened relationships with organisations involved in suicide prevention, mental health, community asset transfer, veterans' wellbeing, social prescribing, prostate health, rural communities and community regeneration. We also produced dual practical guidance for health professionals and Sheds to encourage greater awareness of Sheds through social prescribing pathways. These collaborations are helping ensure that more men are in the know.

Research remains fundamental to our work. Throughout the year we continued collaborating with our partner, Glasgow Caledonian University, as well as other universities and researchers examining men's health, loneliness, social isolation and preventative health interventions.

We contributed evidence to parliamentary briefings, supported new research proposals and continued ensuring that the lived experience of Shedders informs future policy

development. This growing evidence base reinforces what our members have always known—that friendship, purpose and belonging can transform lives for the better.

One of the year's greatest highlights was the recognition received by both the movement and the organisation. Reaching the finals of the Scottish Charity Awards was a proud achievement, while winning the SURF Award for Community Led Regeneration demonstrated national recognition of the impact on the movement by our charity.

I was also deeply honoured to receive an Honorary Doctorate from Robert Gordon University in recognition of the vision and dedication of my work which started in 2009. As the founder and CEO of the SMSA, I accepted this honour and thank all the early pioneers who joined me and continue to do so building this remarkable movement.

Our communications continued evolving throughout the year. Our comprehensive Shed membership pack continues to evolve each year. 'Shedloads of Opportunities' moved from a periodic bulletin to a fully searchable online resource database, providing members with faster access to Shed-specific funding opportunities, consultations and practical support.

The Scottish Shedder magazine continued sharing personal stories that demonstrate the real-life impact of Sheds and Shed case studies and good practice, while our growing digital presence helped raise awareness among policymakers, funders and the wider public.

We also introduced several initiatives during the year, including a new regional format for the Scottish Men's Shed of the Year Awards, new policy resources for our members and increased promotional materials supporting our Shed Open Doors initiative and public engagement events. These developments reflect our commitment to continually improving the support we provide to member Sheds.

Representation and being the voice of the Movement, has remained central to my work as CEO. Scotland continues to experience significant challenges relating to men's health, suicide, loneliness and social isolation. Throughout the year I have continued calling for Scotland to develop a dedicated Men's Health Strategy and appoint a Men's Health Champion that recognises the specific health inequalities affecting men and boys.

Men's Sheds provide a proven preventative approach that improves

lives before crises occur, yet our movement continues to operate with limited long-term investment. We will continue making this case through constructive engagement with government, parliament and our partners.

The movement itself continues growing. We celebrated reaching 5,000 individual SMSA members during the year, while an estimated 12,000 men across Scotland now regularly participate in Shed activities. Every one of these members represents a life enriched through friendship, practical activity, mutual support and community involvement.

None of this would be possible without the extraordinary commitment of Shed volunteers, trustees, staff, partners and supporters. I would particularly like to acknowledge our Development Officers on the ground, whose expertise continues helping new Sheds establish successfully and existing Sheds become stronger and more sustainable. I also wish to thank our Trustees for their guidance and governance throughout another busy year.

Finally, I would like to pay tribute to our longest-serving Development Officer, Tim Green, who retired at the end of March after many years of dedicated service to the movement. Tim has played a pivotal role in supporting the growth of Men's Sheds across Scotland, and his contribution has left a lasting legacy.

Looking ahead, I remain optimistic. Recognition of the value of Men's Sheds has never been greater. Our partnerships are stronger, our evidence base is growing, and communities increasingly understand the role that Men's Sheds play in improving lives.

With continued collaboration, stronger investment and the passion of thousands of Shedders across Scotland, I believe the coming years offer enormous opportunities to strengthen the movement even further and ensure that every man who needs a Shed has the opportunity to find one.

DR JASON SCHROEDER
SMSA CEO



TREASURER'S REPORT

On behalf of the SMSA Board, I am pleased to present my sixth Treasurer's Report for the financial year ending 31st March 2026.

At the outset, I would like to extend my sincere thanks to all our funders, partners and supporters. Without your continued commitment, the Scottish Men's Sheds Association simply would not exist. Your invaluable support has enabled us to continue growing both as an organisation and as a movement, helping us reach and support more people across Scotland.

During the year, total income amounted to £185,391, comprising grants, donations, bank interest and Shed membership fees, broadly in line with the previous financial year. Total expenditure increased from £180,185 to £223,951. This rise was primarily driven by higher staffing and travel costs as we completed our first full year operating with six members of staff, including an expanded team of Development Officers working directly with Sheds across Scotland.

Our grant funding during the year included: Scottish Government funding of £100,000*; William Grant Foundation – £30,000; The Robertson Trust – £15,000; Foundation Scotland – £5,000; Impact Funding Partners – £23,953; and Warburtons Community Grants – £400 towards travel expenses

*The Scottish Government grant includes a late payment of £25,000 relating to the previous financial year. While this increases the income shown in these accounts, it is worth noting that the underlying operating deficit for the year would have been greater had that payment been received in the last financial period.

To achieve our planned expansion and investment in additional development officers, the Association has utilised cash balances brought forward from previous years resulting in a £39,070 deficit. While this investment has delivered significant growth in the Movement across Scotland, it is not a sustainable position unless increased core funding can be secured.

Over the past year we have continued to demonstrate the value of Men's Sheds through strong evidence of our impact and constructive engagement with funders and decision-makers. By clearly showing how Sheds contribute to improving mental health and wellbeing, tackling loneliness and social isolation,

supporting suicide prevention and strengthening community resilience, we have been able to secure continued investment in our work.

This support is essential in meeting our core operating costs, particularly staffing, which remains our largest area of expenditure. Staff costs increased from £139,398 in the previous year to £168,017 this year.

Printing costs also increased as we produced more promotional and support materials to meet the needs of our growing network. However, we are increasingly moving resources online, such as the new Shed Membership Manual, to improve accessibility while helping to control future costs.

The impact of our investment in additional Development Officers is reflected in the continued growth of the movement. At 31st March 2025, there were 170 member Sheds. This year, that figure had increased to 193, demonstrating the effectiveness of providing greater support and engagement across Scotland.

While grant funding remains our principal income source, we are equally grateful for any contributions that collectively make a difference. Annual Shed membership fees generated just under £4,000, individual donations totalled £3,777 (including a substantial donation of £970 from AH UK Animal Health (PVT) Ltd), and sales of SMSA branded merchandise raised a further £366.

Every contribution, regardless of size, helps strengthen the work of the Association and demonstrates the commitment of our members and supporters. We were delighted to welcome our first-ever Charity of the Year partnership, with Mackenzie Construction, which came to a successful close after a year of positive collaboration, raising £1,125 for the SMSA.

As a milestone for both organisations, the partnership has laid the foundation for future collaboration, with Mackenzie Construction intending to continue supporting Sheds, local to their projects, through initiatives such as donating surplus construction materials where possible.

We would also like to extend our sincere thanks to Bancon Homes for their continued support of our headquarters office. We are equally grateful to Stirling

University Staff Charity and AH UK Animal Health (PVT) Ltd for their generous support. Their valued contributions, together with the generosity of all our members, donors and funding partners, enable us to continue supporting Scottish Sheds.

The Board's current policy is to maintain unrestricted reserves of £60,000, (equivalent to approximately three months running costs) to provide essential financial resilience, enabling the charity to manage cash flow effectively, respond to unforeseen circumstances, and maintain continuity of services. While maintaining and rebuilding reserves within the current economic and funding climate remains challenging, achieving this position at year end demonstrates our continued financial stewardship and commitment to long-term sustainability.

Looking ahead, the Board's aspiration is to strengthen the charity's financial resilience further by building unrestricted reserves towards a level that would provide cover for six months of running costs, supporting greater stability and ensuring the continued delivery of our vital services.

Finally, this will be my last Treasurer's Report as I step down from the role to devote more time to caring for my wife. It has been both a privilege and an honour to serve as Treasurer over the past six years. I would like to thank my fellow Trustees, our staff team, our members and everyone who has supported the Association during my time in office.

I wish the SMSA every success as it continues to grow and support Scottish Sheds in the years ahead.

JON SEARLE
SMSA TREASURER



INCOME
£185,391

OPERATING COSTS
£223,951

DEFICIT
-£39,070

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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 £
A1 Receipts						
Donations	3,777				3,777	12,697
Legacies					-	
Grants	145,000	29,353			174,353	167,316
Receipts from fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading receipts					-	-
Income from investments other than land and buildings (Bank Interest)	2,966				2,966	3,853
Rents from land & buildings					-	
Gross receipts from other charitable activities	4,295				4,295	3,430
					-	-
A1 Sub total	156,038	29,353	-	-	185,391	187,296
A2 Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	156,038	29,353	-	-	185,391	187,296
A3 Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading payments					-	
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	190,979	32,625			223,605	179,551
Grants and donations					-	
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination					-	360
Preparation of annual accounts					-	-
Legal costs					-	
Other	346				346	274
					-	-
A3 Sub total	191,325	32,625	-	-	223,951	180,185
A4 Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets	510				510	635
Purchase of investments					-	
A4 Sub total	510	-	-	-	510	635
Total payments	191,835	32,625	-	-	224,461	180,820
Net receipts / (payments)	(35,798)	(3,272)	-	-	(39,070)	6,476
A5 Transfers to / (from) funds	19,173	-19,173			-	
Surplus / (deficit) for year	(16,625)	(22,445)	-	-	(39,070)	6,476

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Section B Statement of balances

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Expendable endowment funds	Permanent endowment funds	Total current period	Total last period
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash and bank balances at start of year	167,813	49,665			217,479	211,003
	Surplus / (deficit) shown on receipts and payments account	(16,625)	(22,445)			(39,070)	6,476
						-	-
						-	-
	Cash and bank balances at end of year	151,188	27,220	-	-	178,409	217,479
	(Agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))						

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

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (if available)	Current value (if available)	Last year
			to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B3 Other assets	Lenevo Think pad laptop				-
	Dell Laptop				-
	Computer equipment		365	123	245
	Dell Lat 7400 laptop		270	91	181
	Dell Lat 5420 laptop		510	411	
		Total	1,145	625	426

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

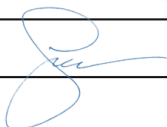
Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (estimate)	Last year
			to nearest £	to nearest £
B5 Contingent liabilities				
		Total	-	-

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

Signature

Print Name

Date of
approval

	DAVID GARDNER, SMSA CHAIRMAN	29/07/2026

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Section C Notes to the Accounts

C1 Nature and purpose of funds (may be stated on analysis of funds worksheets)

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C2 Grants

Type of activity or project supported	Individual / institution	Number of grants made	£
Mens Shed	SIAL	1	23,953
Mens Shed	Scottish Gov	2	100,000
Mens Shed	William Grant	1	30,000
Mens Shed	Robertson Trust	1	15,000
Mens Shed	Warburtons	1	400
Mens Shed	Found Scot	1	5,000
		Total	174,353

C3a Trustee remuneration

If no remuneration was paid during the period to any charity trustee or person connected to a trustee cross this box (otherwise complete section 3b)	X
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C3b Trustee remuneration - details

Authority under which paid	£

C4a Trustee expenses

If no expenses were paid to any charity trustee during the period then cross this box (otherwise complete section 4b)	
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C4b Trustee expenses - details

	Number of trustees	£
Accommodation, Travel & Subsistence	3	599

C5 Transactions with trustees and connected persons

Nature of relationship	Nature of transaction	Transaction amount (£)	Balance outstanding at period end (£)

C6 Other information

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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	2,643				2,643	11,551
PayPal Giving Fund UK	1,134				1,134	1,146
AmazonSmile & Europe					-	-
Total	3,777	-	-	-	3,777	12,697

2 Grants

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Scottish Government	100,000		100,000	50,000
William Grant Foundation	30,000		30,000	30,000
The Robertson Trust	15,000		15,000	15,000
Crear Trust			-	19,624
Warbutons		400	400	-
Foundation Scotland		5,000	5,000	-
Bank Of Scotland			-	20,526
Impact Funding		23,953	23,953	22,916
Hayden Kirkwood			-	9,250
			-	-
Total	145,000	29,353	174,353	167,316

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	3,929				3,929	3,430
Sales	366				366	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
Total	4,295	-	-	-	4,295	3,430

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	599				599	522
Staff expenses (not included in Travel, subsistence & accommodation)					-	360
Pension	7,286				7,286	6,776
Office costs, Printing costs & Postage	7,692				7,692	5,008
Staff costs	146,105	21,912			168,017	139,398
Membership costs & subscriptions	2,529				2,529	1,291
Travel (inc. Mileage), subsistence & accommodation	12,852				12,852	10,761
Telephone, internet & website	4,922				4,922	1,608
Rent & insurance	6,134				6,134	6,080
Bank charges	588				588	487
Project spending		10,714			10,714	4,465
Advertising and sundry	2,273				2,273	2,795
Total	190,979	32,625	-	-	223,605	179,551

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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
Receipts						
Donations	3,777				3,777	12,697
Legacies					-	
Grants	145,000				145,000	115,526
Receipts from fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading receipts	-				-	-
Income from investments other than land and buildings (Bank Interest)	2,966				2,966	3,853
Rents from land & buildings					-	
Gross receipts from other charitable activities	4,295				4,295	3,430
Sub total	156,038	-	-	-	156,038	135,506
Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	156,038	-	-	-	156,038	135,506
Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities						
Gross trading payments					-	
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable	190,979				190,979	152,871
Grants and donations					-	
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination	-				-	360
Preparation of annual accounts					-	
Legal costs					-	
Other costs	346				346	274
Sub total	191,325	-	-	-	191,325	153,504
Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets	510				510	635
Purchase of investments					-	
Sub total	510	-	-	-	510	635
Total payments	191,835	-	-	-	191,835	154,140
Net receipts / (payments)	(35,798)	-	-	-	(35,798)	(18,634)
Transfers to / (from) funds	19,173				19,173	9,432
Surplus / (deficit) for year	(16,625)	-	-	-	(16,625)	(9,202)
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
Receipts						
Donations					-	
Legacies					-	
Grants			23,953	5,400	29,353	51,790
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					-	
Sub total	-	-	23,953	5,400	29,353	51,790
Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	-	-	23,953	5,400	29,353	51,790
Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading payments					-	
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	2,861	3,654	25,710	400	32,625	26,681
Grants and donations					-	
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination					-	
Preparation of annual accounts					-	
Legal costs					-	
Sub total	2,861	3,654	25,710	400	32,625	26,681
Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	
Purchase of investments					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	2,861	3,654	25,710	400	32,625	26,681
Net receipts / (payments)	(2,861)	(3,654)	(1,757)	5,000	(3,272)	25,109
Transfers to / (from) funds					(19,173)	(9,432)
Surplus / (deficit) for year	(2,861)	(3,654)	(1,757)	5,000	(22,445)	15,677

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 01	Month April	Year 2025	to	Day 31	Month March	Year 2026	
Set out on pages								(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)
Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner	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.							
Basis of independent examiner's statement	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.							
Independent examiner's statement	In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention [other than that disclosed on the attached page*]							
	1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements: - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 44(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations							
	have not been met, or							
	2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.							
Signed:	<i>W Sim</i>				Date:	05/05/2026		
Name:	Wilma Sim FCCA (non-practicing)							
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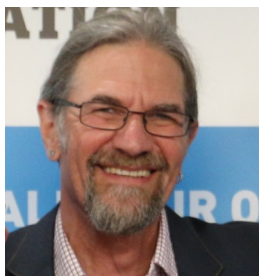
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THE SMSA TEAM – HERE TO HELP

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...



Jason Schroeder
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Jason is the CEO (and founder) of the SMSA responsible for its strategic management. Jason started creating the Men's Shed Movement in Scotland in 2009 and has supported the growth of the Movement in Scotland to become what it is today.



Sue Salter
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Sue provides office support vital to the smooth-running of the Association. Get in touch with Sue if you have any queries with your membership status or payments. Sue also maintains the SMSA database and 'Find a Shed' map.



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Michelle produces 'The Scottish Shedder' magazine, press releases and communications as well as maintaining the SMSA website and social media channels. It is her role to promote the Movement in Scotland and keep members and supporters updated with the latest relevant news.



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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 local Development Officer to arrange a visit, discuss your Shed's needs, attend an upcoming regional Shed Network meeting, or book a 'Shed-Wise preventative men's health session.'

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 to discuss.

The list of SMSA Board Members shown above reflects the trustees in place during the financial period covered by the report. There have been some changes since then. For the most up-to-date list of current Board Members, please visit the [SMSA Board of Trustees webpage](#).



The SMSA would like to acknowledge and express our sincere thanks to the following for their continued support towards the development and growth of the Scottish Men's Shed Movement:

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