Fort William Men's Shed SCIO

Scottish Charity Number SC045365

Annual Report and Financial Statements

For the year ended 31st January 2026

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Independent examiner's report to the Trustees on the unaudited accounts of Fort William Men's Shed SCIO.

I report on the accounts of the SCIO for the year ended 31st January 2026 which are set out on pages 3 to 6.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and independent 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) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the 2006 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 view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

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.

Marie Mc Millan

Marie McMillan Cert Acct (Open)
Date: - 28/10/ 2026
Finance Manager
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Fort William Men's Shed SCIO
Receipts and Payments Accounts
For the year ended 31st January 2026
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Receipts	Note	Year to 2026 Unrestricted £	Year to 2026 Restricted £	Year to 2026 Total £	Year to 2025 Total £
Grants and Donations					
Grants	4	15,082	500	**15,582**	-
Donations	5	5,329	-	**5,329**	3,849
Fundraising Activities					
Attendance		1,985	-	**1,985**	1,970
Other Income		-	-	**-**	805
Bank interest received		-	-	**-**	-
Total Receipts		22,396	500	**22,896**	6,625
Payments					
Charitable Activities					
Rent		2,820	-	**2,820**	5,721
Insurance		520	-	**520**	521
Telephone & Broadband		734	-	**734**	689
Heat & Light		846	-	**846**	1,922
Tools & Equipment		53	-	**53**	447
Postage		-	-	**-**	3
Repairs		294	-	**294**	82
Misc		791	-	**791**	217
Workshop Supplies		269	-	**269**	614
Canteen		100	-	**100**	133
Stationery		27	-	**27**	46
Outings		516	500	**1,016**	-
Governance Costs					
Independent Examination	7	150	-	**150**	125
Total Payments		7,121	500	**7,621**	10,519
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year before transfers		15,275	-	**15,275**	(3,895)
Transfers between funds	6	-	-	**-**	-
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year		15,275	-	**15,275**	(3,895)

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		Year to 2026 Unrestricted £	Year to 2026 Restricted £	Year to 2026 Total £	Year to 2025 Total £
Opening cash at bank and in hand		5,487	-	**5,487**	9,382
Add Income		22,396	500	**22,896**	6,625
		27,884	500	**28,384**	16,007
Less Expenditure		7,121	500	**7,621**	10,519
Transfers	6	-	-	**-**	-
Closing cash at bank and in hand		20,762	-	**20,762**	5,487
Bank and Cash Balances					
Community Directplus Account		20,627	-	**20,627**	5,208
Outstanding Lodgements		160	-	**160**	-
Outstanding Cheques		(66)	-	**(66)**	-
Petty Cash		42	-	**42**	280
	9 & 10	20,762	-	**20,762**	5,487
		-	-	-	-

Signed on behalf of all Trustees:

Patricia Barbour

Name: PATRICIA BARBOUR
Date: 27/10/2026

The notes on pages 5 to 6 form part of these financial statements

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Notes to the accounts
For the year ended 31st January 2026

1 Basis of Accounting

These accounts have been prepared on the Receipts and Payments basis in accordance with the Charities & Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

2 Nature and purpose of funds

Unrestricted funds are those that may be used at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the objects of the charity. The trustees maintain a single unrestricted fund for the day-to-day running of the SCIO.

Restricted funds may only be used for specific purposes. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for specific purposes.

3 Related party transactions

No remuneration was paid to the trustees or any connected persons during the year (2025: £NIL).

4 Grants

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2026	Total 2025
Age Scotland	-	500	500	-
The National Lottery Community Fund	15,082	-	15,082	-
	15,082	500	15,582	-

5 Donations

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2026	Total 2025
Misc Donations	5,329	-	5,329	3,849
	5,329	-	5,329	3,849

6 Transfers between funds

There were no transfers between funds during the year (2025: £NIL).

7 Governance Costs

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2026	Total 2025
Independent Examination	150	-	150	125
	150	-	150	125

8 Volunteers

The trustees would like to record their thanks to all the volunteers who dedicate a significant amount of time for no remuneration to the charity.

9 **Unrestricted Funds**

	At 1st February 2025	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	At 31st January 2026
Unrestricted Funds	5,487	22,396	(7,121)	-	20,762
	5,487	22,396	(7,121)	-	20,762

10 **Restricted Funds**

	At 1st February 2025	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	At 31st January 2026
Age Scotland	-	500	(500)	-	-
	-	500	(500)	-	-

Trustees' Annual Report

For the year ended 31st January 2026

The trustees have pleasure in presenting their report together with the financial statements for the year ended 31st January 2026.

Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name
Fort William Men's Shed SCIO

Address
Unit 9a2, Blar Mhor Industrial Estate, Lochyside, Fort William, PH33 7PT

Bankers
The Co-Operative Bank, 29 Gordon Street, Glasgow, G1 3PF

Independent Examiner
Marie McMillan Cert Acct (Open), Finance Manager, Voluntary Action Lochaber, An Drochaid, Claggan Road, Fort William, PH33 6PH

Structure, Governance and Management

Constitution
The Charity was registered in its current legal form on 21 January 2015. It has a two tier structure and as such the trustees are the members of the charity.

Appointment of trustees
At each Annual General Meeting (AGM) the members may elect any member to serve as a Trustee for a term of three years. The Board may at any time appoint any member to be a Trustee until the next AGM of the charity. The maximum number of Trustees is 9 and the minimum number of Trustees is 3.

Objectives and Activities

Charitable purposes
The purposes of the charity are;-
1) The provision of recreational facilities, or the organisation of recreational activities, with the primary object of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom the facilities or activities are primarily intended and who live in Fort William and surrounding areas.
2) The advancement of education through development of individuals capabilities, skills and understanding through informal education and learning opportunities.
3) The advancement of citizenship, volunteering, the encouragement of voluntary activity and increasing the involvement of individuals in community activity and he promotion of civic responsibility.

Activities
Our sessions run from 10 am to 2 pm every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. We regularly have 14 members attending each day. A number of members also attend the local lunch club at the Caol Community Centre and our annual Christmas lunch is held there. We support the local monthly Fort William event with a group of us doing the Repair Café. We also use the Caol Community Centre for our AGM and other special meetings. Our primary aim is to support each other over tea and craic which helps us all face the issues that concern us, both as a group and as individuals. You do not need to be able to fix things or make and mend things to be part of our Shed, just coming along and chatting and listening is as important as anything. 8

Achievements and Performance

The biggest achievement this year has been the successful application to The National Lottery Community Fund when we were awarded £15,082 for ongoing running costs and also we managed to negotiate with The Highland Council a 50% rent reduction on our premises. These two events plus our ongoing efforts at fund raising have put us in a stable financial position for the time being, however we are aware that we must continue with our efforts as these boosts will not continue.

We are very aware that the Shed is primarily a venue for men to come together and support each other over a cup of tea and a chat and work together in the Workshop, but we are always on the lookout for signs of members with issues or who have not been in for a few days. We are also keen, as a group, to always be there for others in the community, both individuals and other groups, and help where we can.

With funding from Age Scotland for an outing, we organised a bus to take us on a visit to the Shipyard at Ardersier earlier this year and encouraged other groups to join us - a great day was had by all.

Financial review

Total income in the year was £22,896. Total expenditure was £7,621 resulting in a surplus of £15,275. Reserves at year end were £20,762 of unrestricted funds.

Reserves Policy

The trustees' policy is to retain 3 months worth of normal running costs in order to meet commitments and to cover any unexpected expenditure. Three month's expenditure stands at £1,780 which is covered by reserves held.

Plans for future period

We hope to expand our involvement with the West Highland Chamber of Commerce and encourage men who are approaching retirement to join us as a way of easing themselves into the change from regular employment. We continue to search for larger premises as that is one of the main reasons we cannot expand the numbers as quickly as we would like.

Exemptions from Disclosure

There are no exemptions from disclosure.

Funds held as custodian trustee on behalf of others

There are no funds held as custodian trustee on behalf of others.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 27/10/ 2026

Patricia Barbour

Name of Trustee: PATRICIA BARBOUR
Date: 27/10/ 2026