

WAYLAND MEN'S SHED



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WATTON TOWN COUNCIL REPORT

The Wayland Men's Shed (WMS) would like to thank Watton Town Council (WTC) for their generous grant which they were given in 2017.

The WTC grant has been used to enhance the security and safety of the premises as advised by the Crime Prevention and Fire Service visits.

Improvements of the lighting and equipment in the workshop have also been undertaken. The kitchen area has been enhanced by the purchase of a larger, safer water heater for their drinks. We also purchased more chairs to enable them to provide comfortable seating for members and guests, when events are held. Please see appendix 1.

WMS provides opportunities primarily for men to have a place to meet others in similar situations. The facility was the idea of Suzanne Rhind and has been supported for their first year by the Wayland Partnership Development Trust via a grant that they in turn received from the Peoples Health Trust.

From an initial meeting of potentially 10 members in April 2016 the Shed has steadily developed so it now has 57+ members who meet in their premises on Church Walk, Watton which they lease from the Ministry of Defence. Attendance regularly exceeds 20.

Activities available at the Shed include cards, dominoes, board games, pool and darts. However, if members just prefer a good talk over a cuppa then the Shed is the place to be. The Shed also has a small workshop & a computer room where members can respectively tinker on a woodworking project or learn the finer points of modern technology.

Outings are arranged for members, ranging from coach trips to points of interest e.g. Stanford Military Training Area, Bletchley Park and ten pin bowling.

The Shed also has periodic Cheese and Wine evenings, Quiz nights, a few members attend a fortnightly lunch club. When the opportunity exists many of these events are also open to members partners and local non-members for their enjoyment.

It is the intention of WMS Committee, depending on financial resources, to have a programme of continuous improvements in order to enhance the facilities available and improve the experience & wellbeing of members.

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Appendix 1

WATTON TOWN COUNCIL REPORT GRANT EXPENDITURE BY WMS

ITEM	No	TOTAL inc delivery	REASON
Air horns	2	£30.98	Fire warning system
5 Lever locks	3	£40.53	Improve Shed security
Engraver	1	£25.70	Workshop tools security
Workshop lights	2	£91.68	Improve workshop safety
Second-hand chairs	12	£25.00	Facilitate shed events
Burco Boiler	1	£77.99	Improve the kitchen area
Window shading film	1	£6.89	Prevent window glare
	Total	£298.77	
	*Balance remaining	£201.23	

^{*}The balance will be used to purchase items previously listed in the very near future.

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