



Shed News

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After the false start last year, and a lot of hard work behind the scenes since, I'm delighted to let you know that we have a new home for our Shed at last!!

It's in a good location, and is a welcome opportunity to get some activities moving before winter sets in.

The landlord is very supportive, and we hope it may lead to even better things to come!

The building is a former generator shed on a farm, and already has water, drainage, electricity and a telephone line. There is also some outside space, & plenty of parking.

See later in the newsletter for how you can get involved.

COME AND SEE THE NEW SHED!

- * This Wednesday 16th September, 2pm or 4pm.
- * Opportunity to visit the new shed and see it for yourselves.
- * We'll meet in the Hall Car Park outside the MAYFACS office, and drive to the new Shed. If you need a lift please let us know
- * Please bring a facemask.
- * Email Ian Bruce on theshed@mayfacs.org.uk if you would like to come along, and tell us what time(s) 2pm/4pm/either suits you on Wednesday.

A NEW NAME

Partly as a result of negotiating the terms for our new home, and also to present the project as more "inclusive" for fund raising purposes, the MAYFACS Trustees have agreed to change the name of the Shed project.

The MAYFACS SHED is the new official name of the project, and we're in the process of updating everything with the new name.

The Facebook Page has already been updated, and if you're on facebook please "like" the page www.facebook.com/MayfacsShed

The Trustees hope you will approve of the change and are very excited about the prospects for the "Shed" in the future.

A bit of “admin” housekeeping — Emails

As you may have seen we have updated the email address for the Shed, so **please** take the time now to add **theshed@mayfacs.org.uk** to your address book and contacts, to try to ensure that future messages don't disappear into spam world.



Appeal for Renovation Materials

Now we have a building, we need some materials to renovate it, so if there are any building works going on near you, please have a “socially distanced” chat with the builders or owner, and ask if they can donate anything.

It sometimes saves them money on skip space, and helps our charity too!

We particularly need:

- ◇ Celotex insulation, or similar (we already have some but will need more)
- ◇ Plywood sheets, or half sheets, any thickness.
- ◇ Paint. White, or other light colours.
- ◇ Exterior Woodstain (and paint brushes)
- ◇ Woodworm treatment
- ◇ Builders Sand

There will be more, but that's a start!

WANTED!

**New
or
Used**

Suggestions Please!

Get your thinking caps on!

Can you think of a short, preferably witty and apt title for our Shed Newsletter?

My suggestion of “The Short Plank” hasn't gone down too well so far, so let us have your suggestions please.



Caption describing picture or graphic.

The New Shed

We're really pleased and keen to show you the new shed, so I hope you can come to the viewing on Wednesday (see the first page for details).

The building has been unused for some time, and will need some renovation work, but nothing that we can't achieve ourselves, and we already have some materials ready to make a start while the weather is nice.

We have prepared a planning application that is required for "change of use", which will be submitted this week, and the planners have indicated they will support the application.

We can however carry out repairs and renovations whilst waiting for planning permission to start "Shed" activities.

We'll need to start by clearing out some rubbish (the landlord is providing a skip) and then we can get on with insulating the ceiling, and filling a few cracks and holes in the walls and concrete floor.

We will need to replace some broken windows and the main door, but have already been given a door and some windows, and more are being sought at the moment.

We need to decide how we want to lay out the inside, and your thoughts on that on Wednesday would be welcome.

Overall the building is about 11.5m x 5.7m including a kitchen area, WC two workshop/social areas, and a small cupboard that the Landlord needs to retain.

Because the Lease isn't officially signed yet (hopefully Monday or Tuesday) I can't reveal the address but all will become clear on Wednesday!

Please Note: because of the new "rule of 6" group meeting restrictions, we may need to arrange the viewing on Tuesday in more than one group, so please email your availability ASAP.

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