



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	April	2024		31	March	2025

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address

Postcode

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	John Park	Chair		
2	Glenys Hawdon	Treasurer		
3	Laurence Hilland			
4	Bryan Cooper			
5	Jade Hughes		Resigned 02/01/2026	
6	Christine Holmes		Resigned 08/09/2025	
7	Duane Farren		Resigned 01/04/2025	
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Trust
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Management Committee

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The society exists to advance the education of the public into the history and development of the Millom and Haverigg area by the operation of the museum.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

In furtherance of the object, the society has the following aims:

1. To collect, preserve and exhibit items of Historical, Archaeological, Industrial or Community interests.
2. To encourage environmental studies of the past and present.
3. To record by photographs or tape recordings, items which will enhance the understanding of Millom's past and present.
4. To provide an information relating to the history of Millom and Haverigg area

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

The continuing emphasis on the charities resilience by the trustees proved crucial throughout the year. Discussions took place with new stakeholders arising from the opportunities provided by the Millom Town Deal, with public benefits at the forefront of these discussions.

The trustees at all times have regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The year proved to be highly successful, characterised in many ways by increased footfall to our museum and the comments and compliments by first-time and repeat visitors alike. The words 'wonderful' and 'memorable' cropped up time and again, whilst phrases such as 'as time goes by heritage becomes even more important' reinforced our ongoing dedication to education. The year was also notable for an increase in school visits, in addition to enhanced involvement in important economic and social initiatives such as the Millom Town Deal and 'levelling up' schemes.

Unfortunately the successes of the year were somewhat overshadowed by events largely outside our control which occurred during the latter months of the year. The tragic and sudden deaths of both trustees and long-time supporters continues to reverberate and impact on our strategy, as do individual concerns regarding health. The virtual closure of the Cumbrian Coast railway, a vital transport artery for Millom, continues to impact on economic growth and limits our ability to diversify income. Efforts to ameliorate these concerns continue.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The society has a reserves policy which was created in line with the code of governance for charities which states that 'all charities should maintain some level of reserves to ensure long-term financial stability'

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None.

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The charity is the sole member of Millom Folk Museum Trading Ltd a company Ltd by guarantee. Any surplus generated by that company is donated to the charity. Some staff employed by the charity are seconded to Millom Folk Museum Trading Ltd

All expenditure incurred supported the key objectives of the charity throughout the year.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>L. Hilland</i>	
Full name(s)	Laurence Hilland	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	
Date	28/01/2026	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name MILLOM FOLK MUSEUM SOCIETY	No (if any) 1056600
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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 01/04/2024	To	Period end date 31/03/2025
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	24,000	-	-	24,000	30,263
Grant - Copeland GDF Community Partnership	-	19,400	-	19,400	35,405
Grant - Arts Council	-	-	-	-	2,067
Grant - Digitising the Past	-	10,939	-	10,939	-
Grant - Art of Landscape	-	8,384	-	8,384	-
Grant - CGP	500	-	-	500	-
Grant - Ace Lottery	-	23,387	-	23,387	-
Interest received	185	-	-	185	149
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	24,685	62,110	-	86,795	67,884
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	24,685	62,110	-	86,795	67,884
A3 Payments					
Rent and rates	133	-	-	133	133
Wages	10,302	47,165	-	57,467	47,880
Repairs	72	-	-	72	375
Telephone	622	-	-	622	594
Professional fees	30	-	-	30	546
Independent examiner fees	1,680	-	-	1,680	1,086
Product imaging	-	-	-	-	-
Light and heat	3,127	-	-	3,127	2,096
Programme Delivery	2,091	18,178	-	20,269	11,733
General expenses	135	-	-	135	199
Travel expenses	-	-	-	-	167
Sub total	17,926	65,343	-	83,269	64,809
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	17,926	65,343	-	83,269	64,809
Net of receipts/(payments)	6,759	(3,233)	-	3,526	3,075
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	9,148	26,620	-	35,768	32,693
Cash funds this year end	15,907	23,387	-	39,294	35,768

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash at bank	15,877	23,387	-
	Cash in hand	30	-	-
			-	-
	Total cash funds	15,907	23,387	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

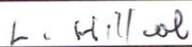
	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Computer	Unrestricted	360	-
	Computer	Restricted	280	-
	Furniture	Restricted	247	-
	Building Improvements - Rail Room	Restricted	14,465	-
	Model Railway	Restricted	11,117	-
	IT	Restricted	370	-
			-	-
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	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Laurence Hilland	28/01/2026

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

Nothing to disclose



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
MILLOM FOLK MUSEUM SOCIETY

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 March 2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

1066680

Set out on pages

1 to 2 of the Receipts and Payments Accounts

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 March 2025**.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

28/01/2026

Name:

Mr Brett Bennett

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qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

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