

TEESMOUTH FIELD CENTRE
REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

REGISTERED CHARITY: 1161087

TEESMOUTH FIELD CENTRE

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TEESMOUTH FIELD CENTRE
REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

The Trustees of Teesmouth Field Centre present its annual report and the accounts for the year to 31st March 2023.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity name:	Teesmouth Field Centre
Charity registration number:	1161087
Principal Office:	Hartlepool Power Station Visitor Centre Tees Road Hartlepool TS25 2BZ
Board of Trustees	David George Lister Pauline Ann Oxley Alan Dixon Julie Clare Mason
Independent Examiner	Graham Fitzgerald Azets Audit Services New Garth House Upper Garth Gardens Guisborough TS14 6HA
Bankers	Barclays Bank plc 19-23 Wellington Square Stockton-on-Tees TS18 1NA

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Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

Teesmouth Field Centre is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation governed by its constitution.

Recruitment and appointment of the Board of Trustees

The trustees are appointed to serve for three years. Initially trustees were appointed for a different period of time so all do not retire at the same time. The board of trustees may co-opt new trustees whose appointment must be ratified by existing trustees.

Trustee induction and training

New trustees are briefed on their legal obligations under charity law. They are provided with a copy of the constitution and the most recent accounts, as well as up to date management information.

Risk management

The trustees monitor progress against budget and objectives and review their strategic objectives at their regular meetings. They also review the risks faced by the charity and implement strategies to mitigate those risks.

Organisational structure

The trustees are responsible for administering the charity and for its strategic direction.

Related parties

The charity does not have any related parties other than trustees and their immediate families.

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Objectives, activities, achievement and performance

The objective of Teesmouth Field Centre is to raise interest in the natural and industrial heritage of the area on the north bank of the River Tees estuary, known locally as Teesmouth. Visitors of all ages are encouraged to visit the area and learn about its history, the past and present industries and the wildlife that exists there.

At the beginning of the year, in April 2022, pandemic restrictions on the number of visitors allowed into the Teesmouth Field Centre accommodation within the EDF Energy Hartlepool Power Station, remained in place. The limit of ten at any one time prevented educational groups booking a visit. As a result, outreach environmental workshops continued to be offered to Primary Schools until mid-May 2022 when the restrictions were lifted. Some previously confirmed bookings for outreach took place in June and July. A total of 9 schools, 526 pupils, were involved in the outreach programme between April and July 2022. In addition, in the same time period 6 schools, 213 pupils, took part in hybrid days, using the school as a base with a half day visit to Teesmouth. The success of outreach activities kept the Field Centre in contact with local schools, although working this way meant extra time and effort by the staff in travelling and carrying resources. The Trustees acknowledge the co-operation of the two staff in sustaining the outreach programme over a period of 14 months.

Some schools did manage to organise visits to Teesmouth in June and July 2022 so the educational programme was restored by the end of the Summer Term and continued through the Autumn Term with 37 school group visits and 23 in the Spring Term 2023. A total of 2565 pupils and accompanying adults visited Teesmouth Field Centre and the Teesmouth National Nature Reserve for a full day, between May 2022 and March 2023. The well established, full day study options offered were either 'The River Tees-source to mouth' or 'Helping Habitats at Teesmouth/Save our Seashore' or 'Rocks and Fossils'. Teesside University undergraduates and A Level Biology students have continued to make their annual visits to complete fieldwork at Teesmouth.

Public benefit

In the past year the Field Centre has fulfilled its aim to provide access and opportunity for children and young people to learn about the physical features, the industry and the wildlife at Teesmouth. Community and recreational groups have been much slower to return to Teesmouth. One group of eleven, from Northallerton U3A, visited in July and a larger group of thirty-five Leeds RSPB members spent a day bird-watching in September, using the Field Centre as their base. The staff attended the Festival of Nature public event at the Natural England Castle Eden Visitor Centre in July, with 221 visitors mostly in family groups, participating in a variety of Field Centre activities. These visits and activities have all contributed to providing wider public benefit. The Trustees are fully aware of the need to offer access, opportunity and outdoor experience to all ages whenever possible. Funding determines staffing levels and in turn, staffing limits the overall programme of activities. School group bookings provide sustainability for the Field Centre as an organisation. The aim is to increase the number of community/recreational visitors to Teesmouth in the next year using staff and experienced volunteers.

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Governance

The Trustees met four times in the year to 31st March 2023. Jennifer Watt retired as a Trustee after serving for 7 years. A new Trustee, Alan Dixon, was appointed and joined the continuing Trustees, David Lister, Julie Mason and Ann Oxley. The Constitution in clause 12 (3), as set up in 2015, required Trustees to retire for at least one year, after serving for an initial period of time and then two periods of three years. After discussion, it was decided to ask the Charity Commission for permission to delete clause 12 (3) to allow continuity of the existing Trustees, with their knowledge and experience in different roles, in order to keep the Charitable Incorporated Organisation running successfully. The Charity Commission accepted this as an administrative change in February 2023 and the Constitution was amended. The Minutes of Trustee meetings recorded details of discussion and decisions made about income and expenditure, funding applications, bookings, staffing and policy reviews.

Funding

Teesmouth Field Centre relies on funding from different sources. The Trustees are always very grateful for all donations, grants and sponsorship. The main sponsor of the Field Centre is EDF Nuclear Generation Ltd which provides accommodation, services and some financial support towards salaries. An industrial neighbour, Venator Materials Ltd also contributed to the environmental work of the Centre. Applying for funding from Charitable Trusts was difficult during the pandemic with the restrictions on the use of the Field Centre premises. Changes in funding priorities and delays in opening for bids meant only one bid was made in the first half of the 2022-2023 financial year. Cleveland Scientific Institution granted £2720. Further bids were written and submitted later in the year, and The Ironmongers' Company granted £4600 in March 2023. Three other bids are awaiting decisions.

The coming year

Teesmouth Field Centre is very dependent on Hartlepool Power Station continuing to generate electricity, which began operation in 1982. Until recently defueling at the Station was planned to start in March 2024, with decommissioning planned to begin in March 2026. In March 2023 a time extension was announced to allow generation to continue for two more years, given no operating problems, with defueling likely to start in March 2026. This in turn means that the Hartlepool Power Station Visitor Centre will remain open during this period and with it, the availability of the accommodation that houses the Field Centre. Looking forward into the coming year the aim of the Trustees and staff will be to encourage more educational classes to return to outdoor learning at Teesmouth and community/recreational groups to book a visit for 'walk and talk' events.

Reserves Policy

At the 31st March 2023 the Charity held designated funds of £8,000 to cover potential statutory redundancy costs. There were restricted reserves of £4,600 associated with one project that had not begun by the end of the year. There were uncommitted reserves (free reserves) of £39,745. Free reserves are those unrestricted reserves which are not designated or tied up in fixed assets. The policy of the Trustees is to keep a balance to cover at least one year's cost of operation. This will be reviewed annually as decisions are made about future generation of electricity at Hartlepool Power Station.

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Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

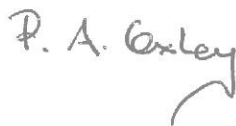
Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the regulations made under the Charities Acts. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

By order of the trustees:

Mrs P A Oxley
Trustee
Date: 2nd August 2023



TEESMOUTH FIELD CENTRE
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Teesmouth Field Centre

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2023 which are set out on pages 8 to 14.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees 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 the examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than the requirement that the accounts give a "true and fair view" which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

G Fitzgerald

Mr Graham Fitzgerald BA, FCA, DChA
Azets Audit Services

Date:

3/8/23

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TEESMOUTH FIELD CENTRE
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
INCOME					
Income from Donations and Legacies	2	1,873	-	1,873	500
Income from Charitable activities	2	22,673	7,320	29,993	24,181
Bank interest		39	-	39	3
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		<u>24,585</u>	<u>7,320</u>	<u>31,905</u>	<u>24,684</u>
EXPENDITURE					
<i>Expenditure on charitable activities</i>					
Costs of main activity		23,936	4,720	28,656	25,573
Other Costs		1,028	-	1,028	1,086
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	3	<u>24,964</u>	<u>4,720</u>	<u>29,684</u>	<u>26,659</u>
Net deficit/income		(379)	2,600	2,221	(1,975)
Transfers between funds	6	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		(379)	2,600	2,221	(1,975)
Balances brought forward		48,124	2,000	50,124	52,099
Balances carried forward		<u>47,745</u>	<u>4,600</u>	<u>52,345</u>	<u>50,124</u>

The charity has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the year set out above.
All of the activities of the charity are classed as continuing.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31ST MARCH 2023

	NOTE	2023	2022
		£	£
CURRENT ASSETS			
Prepayments	7	507	-
Accrued income		-	64
Cash at bank and in hand		52,535	50,819
		<u>53,042</u>	<u>50,883</u>
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	8	(697)	(759)
NET ASSETS		<u>52,345</u>	<u>50,124</u>
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Funds			
-General		39,745	41,124
-Restricted Funds		4,600	2,000
-Designated		8,000	7,000
		<u>52,345</u>	<u>50,124</u>

Approved by the Trustees on 2nd August 2023 and signed on their behalf by

Mr D G Lister
Trustee

D. G. Lister

TEESMOUTH FIELD CENTRE
NOTES FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Basis of Preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland, the Charities Act 2011 and follow the recommendations in Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS 102.

- b) Donations and legacies are received by way of donations and gifts and are included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included.
- c) Grants, including grants for the purchase of fixed assets, are recognised in full in the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which they are receivable.
- d) Expenditure is recognised in the period in which it is incurred. Expenditure includes attributable VAT which cannot be recovered and is allocated to the particular activity to which it relates.
- e) Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources receivable or generated for the objects of the charity and are available as general funds or designated funds;
 - General funds represent unrestricted funds available for general work of the charity at the discretion of the trustees.
 - Designated funds represent unrestricted funds which have been designated by the charity for a specific purpose. The designated funds in these accounts are set aside for any future potential redundancy costs.
- f) Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets these criteria is charged to the fund, with a fair allocation of management and support costs.

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2. INCOME	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
<i>Donations</i>				
Other donations	1,873	-	1,873	500
	<u>1,873</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,873</u>	<u>500</u>
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
<i>Income from Charitable activities</i>				
EDF Energy	16,206	-	16,206	16,435
Venator Materials UK Ltd	800	-	800	1,600
Natural England (Training)	-	-	-	600
Schroder Charitable Trust	-	-	-	2,000
Cleveland Scientific Institution	-	2,720	2,720	-
The Ironmongers Company	-	4,600	4,600	-
Outreach workshops/Entry fees to centre	5,667	-	5,667	3,546
	<u>22,673</u>	<u>7,320</u>	<u>29,993</u>	<u>24,181</u>

Of total incoming resources of £31,105 (2022: 24,684) £23,785 (2022: 22,684) relates to unrestricted funds and £7,320 (2022: 2,000) relates to restricted funds.

3. EXPENDITURE	Charitable services	Other costs	2023 Total	2022 Total
Costs directly allocated to activities				
	£	£	£	£
Gross Wages	24,516	-	24,516	23,500
Pension contributions	361	-	361	331
Travel & sundry expenses	260	-	260	218
Subscriptions	80	-	80	80
Repairs	22	-	22	91
Uniform	68	-	68	-
Insurance	1,894	-	1,894	1,185
Printing and stationery	117	-	117	55
DBS Checks	108	-	108	-
Broadband/Satellite	846	-	846	-
Computer running costs	384	-	384	113
Accountancy	-	1,028	1,028	1,086
	<u>28,656</u>	<u>1,028</u>	<u>29,684</u>	<u>26,659</u>

Of total outgoing resources of £29,684 (2022: £26,659) £24,964 (2022: £26,659) relates to unrestricted funds and £4,720 (2022: £NIL) relates to restricted funds.

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4. NET (OUTGOING)/INCOMING RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR

This is stated after charging:	2023	2022
	£	£
Trustees' emoluments and expenses	Nil	Nil
Independent Examiner's Fee	704	678
Other Accounting Services (including Auto Enrolment)	324	408
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5. STAFF COSTS & NUMBERS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Wages and Salaries	24,516	23,500
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

There were no employees whose emoluments as defined for taxation purposes amounted to over £60,000. The average number of employees during the year was 2.

6. TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS

These relate to transfers which account for management and other charges from unrestricted to restricted funds.

7. DEBTORS:

	2023	2022
	£	£
Accrued income	-	64
Prepayments	507	-
	<u>507</u>	<u>64</u>
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

8. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Accruals	680	648
Social security costs	17	47
Other creditors	-	64
	<u>697</u>	<u>759</u>
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9. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

2023	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
Net Current Assets	47,745	4,600	51,545
	<u>47,745</u>	<u>4,600</u>	<u>51,545</u>

9. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

2022	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
Net Current Assets	48,124	2,000	50,124
	<u>48,124</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>50,124</u>

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1st April 2022 £	Incoming Resources £	Outgoing Resources £	Transfers £	At 31st March 2023 £
Unrestricted Funds					
General	41,124	24,585	(24,964)	(1,000)	39,745
Designated	7,000	-	-	1,000	8,000
Restricted Funds					
Schroder Charitable Trust	2,000	-	(2,000)	-	-
The Ironmongers Company	-	4,600	-	-	4,600
Cleveland Scientific Institution	-	2,720	(2,720)	-	-
Total Funds	50,124	31,105	(29,684)	-	51,545

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10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1st April 2021	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	At 31st March 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds					
General	37,659	22,684	(26,659)	7,440	41,124
Designated	7,000	-	-	-	7,000
Restricted Funds					
Schroder Charitable Trust	-	2,000	-	-	2,000
Postcode Local Trust	3,600	-	-	(3,600)	-
Nineveh Trust	3,840	-	-	(3,840)	4,600
Total Funds	52,099	24,684	(26,659)	-	50,124

Purpose of Restricted Funds

Schroder Charitable Trust – To support the funding of school visits to the Teesmouth area.

The Ironmongers Company – To support the funding of school visits to the Teesmouth area.

Cleveland Scientific Institution – To support the funding of school visits to the Teesmouth area.

Postcode Local Trust – To support the funding of school visits to the Teesmouth area.

Nineveh Trust – To support the funding of school visits to the Teesmouth area.