

CZECH NATIONAL TRUST ABROAD

Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts for the year from 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024

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Charity name	Czech National Trust Abroad
Registered charity number	1162843
Charity's principal address	26, Clarendon Court, Sidmouth Road, London NW2 5HB
Trustees	The Trustees who held office in the year 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024 were as follows: Dr Irena Edwards Catherine Leonard Zuzana Princova

Governance

The charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation with a constitution dated 25 July 2015 that was approved by all three trustees. The charity was entered onto the Register of Charities on 27 July 2015 by the Charity Commission of England and Wales.

Objectives

To promote for the benefit of the public the conservation, protection and maintenance of heritage buildings and their contents, gardens and historic landscapes in the Czech Republic in particular, but without limitation, by supporting the Czech National Trust (CNT).

Activities


2024 was a successful and busy year for the Czech National Trust Abroad (CNTA) as we are nearing the completion of the restoration of our pilot project in the Czech Republic. We continue to help expand Czech National Trust's (CNT) international reach and educational prowess, especially by connecting much better on a practical level to the National Trust of England (NT) through educational trips to showcase and learn from the NT, as well as to the INTO (International National Trusts Organisation) through membership of the INTO Places programme. The continued help of our supporters enabled us to carry on with our work in support of CNT and Czech heritage.

1. CNTA/INTO arranged a successful working visit to the UK for a group of 12 Czech municipal and private château owners and managers, hosted by the NT of England, Wales and NI at Osterley Manor and Cliveden. Under the title "Learning from the best" the programme focused on volunteering, how to recruit, work with and retain volunteers, how to run a heritage property successfully and profitably by concentrating on introducing the parts of business which traditionally bring most revenue. CNTA prepared a rich programme for the group including participation at the AGM of the Historical Houses Association, where the group met HH's management to discuss individual approaches to maintaining historical properties.
2. CNTA hosted at the Czech Embassy in London a panel discussion and a presentation on the theme "Heritage! Stories of revival and resilience". Over 100 attendees heard how three different owners of historical properties brought them back to life through their sheer tenacity: Czech National Trust's pilot project in Moravia, two major châteaux in Czech Republic (CzR) which were returned to their aristocratic family owners in a perilous state after the communists rule ended, restored them beautifully to their former glory and an American filmmaker, who discovered that a family château in the UK needed resurrecting back to life. The evening was supported by Her Excellency the Czech Ambassador, CzechTourism, Budvar and INTO.
3. CNTA chairman Irena Edwards (as the INTO board member) represented the CNT/CNTA at the INTO biennial Congress "Facing the change" which took place in Amman, Jordan. The event was hosted by the Petra National Trust and its chairman Princess Dana Firas. Our chairman participated in workshops dealing with climate change and heritage, heritage in the war zones. All knowledge gained was conveyed to the CNT team in CzR and CNTA team in the UK.
4. CNTA raised £600 through its charitable activities and donated it towards the permanent exhibition in the Museum of Brno, Moravia of the architect Petr Franta's restoration project "Cairn of Peace" at the site of the battle of Austerlitz/Slavkov.
5. CNTA supported on its social media platforms a public fundraising campaign to complete the restoration of the Chinese pavilion in Kromeriz château (UNESCO) which CNT has supported for several years and which is nearing its completion.
6. CNTA helped out with manpower in the final stages of the restoration of its pilot project - classicist tomb and chapel of Maria von Ebner-Eschenbach, the famous Austro-Hungarian female writer, poet, philanthropist and philosopher, twice nominated for Nobel prize for literature (1909 and 1910).
7. CNTA produced the annual CNT/CNTA Newsletter - see <https://mailchi.mp/bb40923beae8/cnt-newsletter-2024-10333416>, and distributed it by email and on social media to subscribers in the UK, Czech Republic and many other countries.

Trustees' Responsibility

The trustees are responsible for this annual report and the receipts and payments accounts.

Authorised on 17 October 2025 to sign on behalf of the Board Trustees


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Trustee – Irena Edwards

17 October 2025

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Date



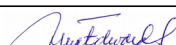
Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01-Jan-24	To	Period end date 31-Dec-24
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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					
Grants	600	-	-	600	800
Events	535	-	-	535	483
Donations	994	5,152	-	6,146	445
Gift Aid Tax Repayment	18	-	-	18	36
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	2,147	5,152	-	7,299	1,764
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	2,147	5,152	-	7,299	1,764
A3 Payments					
Charitable activities	941	5,152	-	6,093	1,215
Grant to Slavkov project	600	-	-	600	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	1,541	5,152	-	6,693	1,215
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	1,541	5,152	-	6,693	1,215
Net of receipts/(payments)	606	-	-	606	549
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	4,037	-	-	4,037	3,488
Cash funds this year end	4,643	-	-	4,643	4,037

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		4,643	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	4,643	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets				
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use				
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities				
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Irena Edwards	17.10.2025	