

2021 - 2022 Trustees Annual Report



December 2022

VALLEY
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Statutory Information

Details of the registered office and Trustees of Valley Heritage.

Registered Office:

18-20 Market Street

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Lancashire

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Registered Charity number:

1164935

Company Registration number:

CE005911

Trustees:

Stephen Anderson (Chair)

Rachael Gildert (Secretary)

Heather Cudworth (Treasurer)

Ian Taylor

Barry Reynolds

Independant Examiners:

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Report of the Trustees

The Trustees of Valley Heritage are delighted to present their annual report and financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31st March 2022.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, our governing document and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) effective 1 January 2019.

Valley Heritage's objects are to preserve historical, architectural, constructional and natural or scientific heritage may exist in or near to the Rossendale Valley in Lancashire (in the form of buildings of particular beauty or historical, architectural or constructional interest or ancient monuments and otherwise as shall be consistent with Valley Heritage's objects) and to advance the education of the public in heritage.



Statement from the Chair

This has been a landmark year for Valley Heritage. In August 2021, we commenced our first capital project, an ambition of the organisation since our inception in 2015 and the result of considerable effort and planning since then.

The project, the adaptive re-use of the Grade II Listed former Lancashire & Yorkshire Bank in Bacup, follows its acquisition in November 2019 and follows 18 months of fundraising, culminating in two recent grant awards, one from National Lottery Heritage Fund and the other from Rossendale Borough

Council through their Historic England funded High Street Heritage Action Zone.

At the end of March 2022, the works are well progressed on site albeit experiencing delays and cost increases. The backdrop of the Covid-19 pandemic is creating a range of challenges in all parts of the supply chain and the project is being impacted. In particular, organising utility services is proving challenging and looks set to delay the project.



Once completed, the building will provide co-working space and new apartments for our local community, taking a derelict heritage asset and turning it into a positive contributor to Bacup and the wider Rossendale.

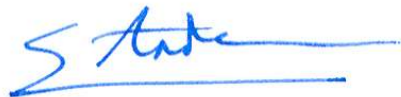
In preparation for completion and moving into operation of the building, we have been developing skills, systems and processes, particularly around software systems and digital marketing.

Alongside the progress of the former Lancashire & Yorkshire Bank, we have recently secured funding through UK Government's Community Renewal Fund, administered through Lancashire County Council. The project aims to explore how built and natural heritage assets across Rossendale can contribute to our renewable energy needs and help combat climate change. The project will explore the feasibility of a wide range of renewable energy projects and establish a new community owned energy organisation as a delivery vehicle.

Our partnership with the Architectural Heritage Fund throughout this period, as a Heritage Development Trust, Transformational Project Grant

recipient and Heritage Impact Fund loanee, has remained strong and supportive, enabling Valley Heritage to work with confidence.

However, Valley Heritage remains a small, volunteer run organisation and our limited capacity is our single most significant barrier. Looking ahead, continuing to improve our capacity and transition towards a staffed Charity must be our priority over coming years, if we are to realise the potential of the organisation.



Stephen Anderson BA(Hons) BArch PGDip RIBA



Achievements, Performance and Future Plans

Valley Heritage has had a successful year, building on a number of previous successful years.

This year has seen a number of important achievements:

- Completing fundraising for the former Lancashire & Yorkshire Bank project.
- Achieving planning and listed building consent for the former Lancashire & Yorkshire Bank project.
- Commencing works on site at the former Lancashire & Yorkshire Bank
- Gaining Community Renewal Fund support for the Decarbonising Rossendale project.
- Continuing progress on the Stubblelee Hall feasibility study project.

These achievements have been made against the backdrop of the Covid-19 pandemic and its impact as we have emerged from the pandemic.

These successes have been the result of many years of sustained effort and progress, building the skills, capacity and experience of the organisation as well as a demonstrable track record in which our partners can take confidence.

The former Lancashire & Yorkshire Bank project marks a particular milestone. Completing fundraising and commencing work on site has come less than two years after completing the acquisition. Given the project, including acquisition, will cost of the order of £900,000, Valley Heritage is delivering the project within unusually fast timescales in comparison to norms within the sector.

Our project work has supported the development of strong partnerships. Our collaborations with M3 Project and Stubblelee Greenhouses in particular have enhanced our project work and are likely to

lead to new opportunities for collaborative working in the future.

Valley Heritage's current project work is being delivered with broadly the same resources available to the organisation over recent years. The Architectural Heritage Fund's Heritage Development Trust pilot has permitted a part time staff member to be appointed and volunteering has been steadily increasing. This has been impactful, but not in proportion with the scale of work being undertaken, therefore much of our future plans revolve around further building of our capacity such that we can continue to achieve significant impact.

Alongside this, positive discussions are taking place around a number of potential projects, strengthening and formalising the relationship with one of our partner Local Authorities and potential revenue funding opportunities.

With our work over the last 12 months, Valley Heritage are expecting to continue their upward trajectory over the coming period.



Events and Activities

The majority of Valley Heritage's recent funding has been focused on capital, it has therefore been helpful to achieve National Lottery Heritage Fund support for the former Lancashire & Yorkshire Bank project.

This funding is supporting a programme of activity which will encourage a wider range of people to become involved in the heritage of the Bank and the wider town.

The programme involves a rich range of activities ranging from community led artistic interventions, through heritage skills and a deeper exploration of the heritage of the Lancashire & Yorkshire Bank.

As Valley Heritage develops a more tangible presence within Bacup, we are actively participating in local events, such as the 'Flowerpot Festival.'



Trustees

Valley Heritage is a registered Charity (registration number 1164935) and a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. It is registered at Companies House (Company Number CE005911). The governing document is the Constitution dated 18th December 2015, which following review, remains fit for purpose.

The Board of Trustees is required to carry out the affairs and general business of the Trust and meets regularly.

The Trustees, at 31st March 2022, are:

Stephen Anderson (Chair)

Rachael Gildert (Secretary)

Heather Cudworth (Treasurer)

Ian Taylor

Barry Reynolds

The Trustees regularly review of the needs of Valley Heritage and its Board and seek to recruit new Trustees with skills and experience appropriate to the needs and activities of the organisation.



Reserves

The Trustees have approved a Reserves Policy which requires that Valley Heritage maintain unrestricted funds of a minimum of three months operational outgoings and before any discretionary expenditure.

Public Benefit

The Trustees have complied with their duty under the Charities Act 2011 and have paid due regard to public benefit when preparing this report. The benefit provided to the public is consistent with the charitable aims of Valley Heritage and is in due regard to the Charity Commission guidelines.

Risk

The Trustees review risk at each Board Meeting and undertake a comprehensive strategic risk review annually. The Trustees have satisfied themselves that systems and allowances are in place to manage these risks.

Current principle risks identified are:

- Lack of capacity - the organisation remains small and principally volunteer based. Activity to increase staffing, recruit new Trustees and volunteers is ongoing to manage this risk.
- Cash Flow Management - managing the cash flow of large grant aided projects can put strain on organisational finances. Improved financial systems and cash flow forecasting has been established to manage this risk.
- Construction Delays - The former Lancashire & Yorkshire Bank project is being delayed with implications for future financial forecasts. This is being carefully monitored and reserves being kept under review in order to ensure that the business plan is not adversely effected.



Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees 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 charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the Charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are

- reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which 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 Companies Act 2006 and the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

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.



**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Valley Heritage.
For The Year Ended 31 March 2022
Charity No. 1164935**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Valley Heritage (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2022.

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').

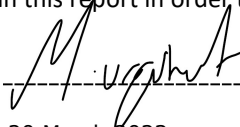
I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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 Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.



20 March 2023

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Valley Heritage
Profit and Loss Account
For The Year Ended 31 March 2022

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	2022	2021 as restated
	Notes	£	£	£	£	£
Income						
Consultancy and Management Income		1,100	-	-	1,100	11,750
Donations and gifts		16	-	-	16	272
General grants provided by government/other charities	4	7,095	444,538	-	451,633	147,842
Total Income		8,211	444,538	-	452,749	159,864
Expenditure						
Raising funds			-	-	-	
Charitable activities	5	17,528	435,780	-	453,308	95,858
Total Expenditure		17,528	435,780	-	453,308	95,858
Net Surplus/(Deficit)		(9,317)	8,758	-	(559)	64,006
Transfers between funds		22,400	(22,400)	-	-	-
Net movement on funds		13,083	(13,642)	-	(559)	64,006
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds brought forward		7,234	80,125	-	87,359	23,353
Total funds carried forward		20,317	66,483	-	86,800	87,359

**Valley Heritage
Balance Sheet
As at 31 March 2022**

		2022		2021 as restated	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible Assets	7		189,178		193,100
			189,178		193,100
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	8	965		-	
Cash at bank and in hand		137,232		104,923	
		138,197		104,923	
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year	9	(42,910)		(4,760)	
NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)			95,287		100,163
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			284,465		293,263
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due After More Than One Year	10		(197,665)		(205,904)
NET ASSETS			86,800		87,359
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Restricted Funds			66,483		80,125
Profit and Loss Account			20,317		7,234
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS			86,800		87,359

For the year ending 31 March 2022 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

On behalf of the board

Mr Stephen Anderson
Chair of Trustees / Director
20 March 2023

1. Accounting Policies

1.1. Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance

- with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102);
- and with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102);
- and with the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

1.2. Recognition of income

Income is recognised when the charity becomes entitled to the resources; it is probable that the charity will receive the resources; and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Grants and donations

Income from grants is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, conditions have been met, is probable to be received and can be measured reliably.

1.3. Government Grant

The charity has received government grants in the reporting period.

1.4. Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

1.5. Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of the fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Freehold	2% straight line basis
Computer Equipment	4 years straight line basis

2. Average Number of Employees

Average number of employees, including directors, during the year was as follows: 1 (2021: 1)

3. Prior Period Adjustment

The prior period accounts have been restated to include interest charged of £10,919, previously £0.

Valley Heritage
Notes to the Financial Statements
For The Year Ended 31 March 2022

4. Analysis of receipts of general grants provided by government/other charities

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	This year	Last year
	£	£	£	£
Government Grants				
Lancashire County Council - UK CRF		78,555	78,555	-
Rossendale Borough Council		81,239	81,239	34,850
Architectural Heritage Fund	7,095	156,074	163,169	6,552
Other		500	500	15,500
Total government grants	7,095	316,368	323,463	50,350
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	This year	Last year
	£	£	£	£
Other Grants				
National Lottery Heritage fund		128,170	128,170	5,900
Garfield Weston Foundation			-	20,000
Fort Foundation			-	5,000
Other			-	34,990
Total other grants	0	128,170	128,170	97,492
Total grant income	7,095	444,538	451,633	147,842

Valley Heritage
Notes to the Financial Statements
For The Year Ended 31 March 2022

5. Analysis of expenditure

Analysis	This year				Last Year £
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted income funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £	
Expenditure on charitable activities:					
HDT project expenses	-	6,070	-	6,070	1,058
Property restoration expenses	-	410,397	-	410,397	52,792
Employee Expenses	-	10,062	-	10,062	18,816
Administration & office costs	2,327	5,758	-	8,085	5,987
Insurance	-	2,626	-	2,626	4,909
Advertising and marketing costs	-	258	-	258	848
Accountancy fees	300	-	-	300	-
Legal fees	-	609	-	609	487
Bank Loan Interest	10,979	-	-	10,979	10,919
Depreciation	3,922	-	-	3,922	42
Total expenditure on charitable activities	17,528	435,780	-	453,308	95,858

6. Defined contribution pension scheme or defined benefit scheme accounted for as a defined contribution scheme.

	This year £	Last year £
Amount of contributions recognised in the SOFA as an expense	111	276

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Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
For The Year Ended 31 March 2022

7. Tangible Assets

	Land & Property		
	Freehold	Computer Equipment	Total
	£	£	£
Cost			
As at 1 April 2021	192,888	254	193,142
As at 31 March 2022	192,888	254	193,142
Depreciation			
As at 1 April 2021	-	42	42
Provided during the period	3,858	64	3,922
As at 31 March 2022	3,858	106	3,964
Net Book Value			
As at 31 March 2022	189,030	148	189,178
As at 1 April 2021	192,888	212	193,100

8. Debtors

	2022	2021 as restated
	£	£
Due within one year		
Trade debtors	965	-
	965	-

9. Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year

	2022	2021 as restated
	£	£
Trade creditors	30,000	-
Bank loans and overdrafts	12,000	3,782
Taxation and social security	-	978
Other Creditors	910	-
	42,910	4,760

Valley Heritage
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
For The Year Ended 31 March 2022

10. Creditors: Amounts Falling Due After More Than One Year

	2022	2021 as restated
	£	£
Bank loans	197,665	205,904
	197,665	205,904

11. General Information

Valley Heritage is a charitable incorporated organisation incorporated in England & Wales, charity number 1164935. The registered office is 18-20 Market Street, Bacup, Lancashire, OL13 8EZ.

**The Trustees of Valley Heritage
are grateful for the support of our
funders.**



Architectural Heritage Fund

Beatrice Laing Trust

Duchy of Lancaster Benevolent Fund

Dulverton Trust

Fort Foundation

Garfield Weston Foundation

Historic England

Ian Askew Foundation

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