

Chair of Trustees' Annual Report 2023

- We opened in March 2023. Visitor numbers for the year, excluding out-of season pop-up bookshop, are 2983, a 15% increase on the previous year.
- The Market House, which was scheduled to be opened in 2025, is now very much on the back burner as a project following the ceiling collapse over Christmas 2023. We cannot move forward until Torridge District Council have agreed to establish a plan of works and we will not begin until their side has been completed. As before, it is currently used as an area for sorting through the collections and occasional temporary displays.
- The bookshop continues to do well, open in Reception outside normal opening and upstairs during the season.
- Following a survey of our fire systems it has been established that the antiquated current setup does not meet current legal requirements. On these grounds the Trustees agreed that we would not open until such time as the works have been completed, hopefully in time for the summer holidays.
- In the light of the two major projects above, the Trustees have decided to withdraw from applying for Museums Association Accreditation for the present and will reconsider when the above issues are dealt with.
- The archive continues the process of sorting, indexing and storing. The long-term plan is to digitise everything and make it accessible online for free.
- The museum is in a good position and expects to go from strength to strength.

David Gibbons

23.03.2024



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name	No (if any)
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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 01/04/2022	To	Period end date 31/03/2023
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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					
Precept	1,500	-	-	1,500	3,300
Grants	2,500	-	-	2,500	9,000
Donations	1,227	-	-	1,227	46,500
Book Sales	2,280	-	-	2,280	2,465
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	7,507	-	-	7,507	61,265
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	7,507	-	-	7,507	61,265
A3 Payments					
Torridge District Council (Rates)	212	-	-	212	108
Electricity	1,579	-	-	1,579	2,029
Water	195	-	-	195	227
Telephone / WiFi	576	-	-	576	413
Fees (Software & Subscription)	109	-	-	109	415
Traders / Shops	3,622	-	-	3,622	8,041
Infrastructure (Alarm System & Boiler)	99	-	-	99	711
Insurance	505	-	-	505	528
Gas	1,038	-	-	1,038	1,436
Sub total	7,935	-	-	7,935	13,908
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	7,935	-	-	7,935	13,908
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 428	-	-	- 428	47,357
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	- 428	-	-	- 428	47,357

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	Lloyds (01097261)	45,547	-	-
	Lloyds (35438668)	42,931	-	-
	Lloyds (01163183) - ACCOUNT CLOSED	-	-	-
	Total cash funds	88,478	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	