

RICHMONDSHIRE MUSEUM

England & Wales · Charity number 1173434

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2017-06-15

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: TO MAINTAIN FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC IN GENERAL AND THE COMMUNITIES OF THE DISTRICT OF RICHMONDSHIRE IN NORTH YORKSHIRE IN PARTICULAR A MUSEUM TO HOLD, PRESERVE, CONSERVE, DISPLAY AND PROVIDE REFERENCE TO ARTICLES OF LITERARY, SCIENTIFIC, INDUSTRIAL, CULTURAL, SOCIAL OR HISTORIC VALUE FOR THE FURTHERANCE OF INTEREST RESEARCH AND EDUCATION THEREOF AND PUBLISH OR DISSEMINATE SUCH INFORMATION AS IT SHALL DEEM NECESSARY.

Activities: To maintain for the benefit of the public in general and the communities of Richmondshire in North Yorkshire in particular a museum in Richmond, North Yorkshire, to acquire, hold, preserve, conserve, display and provide public access and reference to articles of literary, scientific, industrial, social or historic value.

Classification

- **How:** Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Arts/culture/heritage/science
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- North Yorkshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£31,410	£28,521	-	-
2024-03-31	£45,934	£29,189	-	-
2023-03-31	£46,944	£36,197	-	-
2022-03-31	£19,608	£30,133	-	-
2021-03-31	£48,238	£41,230	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Carole McCormack		2024-01-19
Dr Brian Wesley Benson		2023-09-07
John Frederick McCormack		2023-09-07
Kathryn Anne Boyd		2024-01-19
MICHAEL WOOD		2017-06-15
SHIRLEY THUBRON		2022-05-17

Accounts

Richmondshire Museum Trustee Report 17th June 2025

I believe that we have had a successful year bearing in mind that we were still suffering from lack of income due to Covid. Again the Lorna Dwyer legacy has been a great boost to our recovery.

My main topic is to report on the fantastic support we have had from the Management Committee, Stewards, volunteers, part time staff Zoe and Sylvia and not forgetting the volunteer gardeners. Everybody has been so enthusiastic about keeping the museum going.

Our fund raising events were well supported including coffee mornings and lectures. We had working parties during the closed period maintaining the electrics, fixing gutters and roof. We have refurbished the shop and entrance which has been much praised by our visitors. We also provided two new exhibitions one featuring the Amanda Owen tv programme part of which was filmed in the museum and also the Fellmongers Company which was one of Richmond's ancient Trade Guilds.

The goal this year must be to recruit more volunteers especially to join the Management Committee and actively pursue fund raising events and grants. Our landlords, the new North Yorkshire Council still have proved difficult to communicate with but hopefully this year we will be able to get them to visit the museum and see for themselves what we have achieved.

It has been a difficult year for Zoe but she has now returned to work and is recovering well.

Again thanks to everyone who has helped us (I believe) remain one of the best small museums in the country.

Mike Wood Trustee and Vice Chairman

Richmondshire Museum CIO
Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2025

Details	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds Last Year
	£	£
<u>INCOMING RESOURCES</u>		
Trading Income	16,646.50	15,658.18
Donations, Grants & Legacies	9,324.91	23,631.81
Fund Raising	2,477.59	3,968.61
Research & Education	1,628.71	1,965.70
Misc & Interest	1,332.33	709.34
Total Income	31,410.04	45,933.64
<u>RESOURCES USED</u>		
Payroll & Staffing Costs	12,316.50	14,331.92
Premises Costs	12,328.47	9,853.51
Trading Expenditure	2,881.99	3,319.23
Miscellaneous & Financing Costs	994.24	1,684.18
Total Resources Used	28,521.20	29,188.84
Net Movement in Funds	2,888.84	16,744.80
Fund Balance brought forward	66,960.80	50,216.00
Fund Balance carried forward	69,849.64	66,960.80

Richmondshire Museum CIO
Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2025

	2024/5	2023/4
	Unrestricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds
	£	£
<u>Investment</u>		
HSBC Deposit account	68,395	57,062
<u>Current assets</u>		
Stock	300	300
Debtors	0	0
Cash at Bank - HSBC Current A/c	1,095	9,539
Cash in Hand	60	60
	1,455	9,899
<u>Current Liabilities</u>		
Creditors	0	0
<u>Total Capital Employed</u>	69,850	66,961
Represented by: -		
Unrestricted Funds	69,850	66,961

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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

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Richmond Museum CIO

On accounts for the year
ended

31 MARCH 2025

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(if any)

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

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Independent
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Signed:

Date:

26 May 2025

Name:

William E Gedye

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body

(if any):

Address:

55 Maison Dieu

Richmond

DL10 7AU

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Accounts

Richmondshire Museum AGM 28th July 2023

Chairmans Report

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<u>INCOMING RESOURCES</u>		
Trading Income	15,658.18	9,916.00
Donations, Grants & Legacies	23,631.81	35,482.00
Fund Raising	3,968.61	1,301.00
Research & Education	1,965.70	100.00
Misc & Interest	709.34	146.00
Total Income	45,933.64	46,945.00
<u>Resources Used</u>		
Payroll & Staffing Costs	14,331.92	11,803.00
Premises Costs	9,853.51	18,656.00
Trading Expenditure	3,319.23	2,392.00
Miscellaneous & Financing Costs	1,684.18	3,347.00
Total Resources Used	29,188.84	36,198.00
Net Movement in Funds	16,744.80	10,747.00
Fund Balance brought forward	50,216.00	39,469.00
Fund Balance carried forward	66,960.80	50,216.00

Richmondshire Museum CIO
Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2024

	2023/4		2022/3	
	Unrestricted Funds		Unrestricted Funds	
	£	£	£	£
<u>Investment</u>				
HSBC Deposit account		57,062		41,683
<u>Current assets</u>				
Stock	300		300	
Debtors	0		0	
Cash at Bank - HSBC Current A/c	9,539		8,173	
Cash in Hand	60		60	
		9,899		8,533
<u>Current Liabilities</u>				
Creditors	0			0
<u>Total Capital Employed</u>		66,961		50,216
Represented by: -				
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Signed:

Date:

20 May 2024

Name:

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RICHMONDSHIRE MUSEUM CIO

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY
for the year ending 31 March 2023

	2022/23	2021/22
Receipts	Unrestrict ed Funds	Unrestrict ed Funds
	£	£
Trading Income	9,916	5,622
Donations and Grants	15,482	13,040
Legacies	20,000	0
Fund Raising	1,301	1,141
Research and Education	100	25
Deposit A/c Interest	106	0
Miscellaneous	40	40
Total Income	46,944	19,868
Payments		
Payroll and Staffing Costs	11,803	11,124
Premises Costs	18,656	11,446
Trading Costs	2,392	884
Miscellaneous	3,347	6,939
Total Expenses	36,197	30,393
Net Movement in Funds	10,747	-10,525
Fund Balances brought forward	39,469	49,994
Fund Balances carried forward	50,216	39,469

Richmondshire Museum CIO
Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2023

	2022/3	2021/2
	Unrestricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds
	£	£
Investment		
HSBC Deposit account	41,683	21,577
Current assets		
Stock	300	300
Debtors	0	
Cash at Bank - HSBC Current A/c	8,173	17,532
Cash in Hand	60	60
	8,533	17,892
Current Liabilities		
Creditors	0	0
Total Capital Employed	50,216	39,469
Represented by: -		
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Accounts

Honorary Directors' report to the fifth (2020/21 year) Annual General Meeting of Richmondshire Museum

The year opened remaining subject to varying Covid19 pandemic restrictions and in consequence the Museum re-scheduled its intended opening date remaining closed until 19th July 2021. The Museum was therefore open to the public for only fifteen weeks closing on 31st October 2021. The total of 1399 visitors achieved in this period was 30% low compared with the same period pre pandemic in 2019. This we believe was due to public post pandemic reticence but also to front of house manning coverage issues caused mainly by Covid19 concerns.

Our Museum Manager and Cleaner were still employed during the closed period with only necessary attendance at the Museum for collections care, maintenance and security purposes. We thank our Museum Manager for her diligence and note in particular how she kept in touch with our Volunteers during this difficult time.

We thank all our Volunteers who returned to the Museum after the shutdown period and understand why other Volunteers felt unable to help this year.

The accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022 show a loss of (£10,525) and we are due to receive our Independent Examiner's report later in May. No adverse comments are expected. This loss results from restricted opening against the unavoidable costs of investing in a viable Museum beyond the pandemic. Its effect on following years is profound and requires attention to regain sustainability.

Cost mitigation measures were carried out where possible during the year but fixed overheads were subject to normal inflation.

The Management Committee met eleven times during the year. There were three Hon Director's meetings. A Sub-Committee was formed to consider the future strategic direction of the Museum and we thank Brian Benson for leading this Sub-Committee.

The lift became inoperable before we opened. To enable a cost reduced repair and improved service our lift service provider was changed and our accounts contain a provision for a disputed amount with our previous service provider.

During the year two Management Committee Members decided to leave and we thank Mrs Fiona Vasey and Mr Rob Oades for their work in the past.

The pandemic has had a major detrimental impact on the Museum. Contributory to this was lack of significant support from any level of

government. Whilst most in the business sector received sustaining financial assistance small voluntary organisations received little, if any. The consequences are concerning to the future of Richmondshire Museum well beyond the 2020/21 year.

16th May 2022

Richmondshire Museum
Receipts and Payments Account
Year ended 31 March 2022

Last year

	£	£	£
Income			
Shop Sales	558		181
Shop Stock purchases	260		18
Net	298		163
Admission	4,494		0
Cash Donations within Museum	337		531
Grants	5,900		14,677
Donations	6,002		28,570
Gift Aid	801		2,416
Lottery	672		624
Fundraising Events	469		50
Research	25		60
Education	0		25
Membership Subscription	570		1,105
Interest	0		1
Miscellaneous	40		0
		£19,608	48,222
Expenses			
Wages	11,124		10,447
Electricity	3,237		2,247
Insurance	2,120		3,191
Telephone	379		396
Lift	3,714		1,082
Alarms	1,038		1,312
Water	100		143
Lottery Wins	575		625
Newsletter, Stationery and Postage	613		439
Museum Building Improvements	0		309
Repairs and Maintenance	813		16,791
Advertising	624		230
Curating Materials	1,154		3,084
Housekeeping	45		24
Miscellaneous	4,597		910
Honorarium	0		0
		£30,133	41,230
Profit/-loss		-£10,525	£6,991

Al P. Jr.
 26 May 2022

Accounts

RICHMONDSHIRE MUSEUM

Report – year ended 31 March 2021

There was a surplus of £7,008 for the year, thanks largely to donations of £28,570, enabling us to pay for the upgrading and improvement of the Wenham Gallery, and grants of £14,677 to finance necessary maintenance of the premises.

We were forced to remain closed for the whole of the year due to the Coronavirus resulting in the loss of all admission charges.

Our bank balances at the year-end were at the healthy level of £47,110, but are expected to fall to about £36,000 by the next April.

We have finally been able to reopen on 19 July this year and look forward to an improvement in our activities, having lost almost 4 months' income. This will result in a deficit for the current year and our reserves fortunately are sufficient to cover us for some time in the future assuming we can remain open for the spring and summer seasons.

Alan Young, Hon. Director of Finance.

2 August 2021

Richmondshire Museum
Balance Sheet 31 March 2018

	£
Investments	
Treasury Stock	16331

Current assets	
Stock	300
Cash at Bank - Community account	19856
Cash in Hand	50
Total current assets	20206

Total net assets	36537
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Represented by:-

General reserve	33537
Collections reserve	3000
Total funds	36537

Examiner

Date 25 April 2018

Richmondshire Museum
 Receipts and Payments Account
 Period 1 November 2017 to 31 March 2018

Income	
Shop Sales	170
Less: Purchases	170
Net Profit from Shop sales	0
Admission	137
Cash Donations within Museum	50
Grants	75
Donations	1410
Gift Aid	0
Lottery	1264
Fundraising Events	104
Subscriptions	0
Labour	125
Membership Subscriptions	80
Interest	150
Miscellaneous	0

Total income	1707
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Less: Expenses	
Wages	1988
Electricity	1010
Insurance	1258
Telephone	180
Oil	374
Alarm	1101
Water	87
Lottery Winnings	320
Newspapers, Stationery and Postage	78
Museum Building Improvements	0
Repairs and Maintenance	2088
Cleaning Materials	1630
Party Costs	50
Vehicle Insurance	1182
Programme	120
Total Expenses	14107

Net surplus	3250
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Examiner
 Date



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