

PORTHCAWL MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY CIO

England & Wales · Charity number 1176042

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2017-12-01

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

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Activities

Objects: THE PROMOTION, FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC, KNOWLEDGE AND RESEARCH INTO CONTEMPORARY LIFE AND THE HISTORY OF PORTHCAWL AND ITS SURROUNDING AREAS OF NEWTON AND NOTTAGE BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY LIMITATION:-(A) THE MAINTENANCE, PRESERVATION, IMPROVEMENT OR PROVISION OF STUDY FACILITIES, BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY FOR RESEARCH, PERUSAL, EXAMINATION OF OBJECTS AND BOOKS(B) THE PRESERVATION OF BUILDINGS OR SITES OF HISTORIC OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE OR IN THE ALTERNATIVE PRESERVE A WRITTEN AND/OR PHOTOGRAPHIC RECORD(C) THE PROVISION OF DISPLAY FACILITIES TO THE PUBLIC AT LARGE AND DOCUMENTS OF WHATEVER NATURE SO THAT MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC CAN PERUSE AT THE MUSEUMS DISCRETION(D) THE PROTECTION OR CONSERVATION OF ANY HISTORICAL RECORD, DOCUMENT OR OBJECT INCLUDING COMPUTER RECORDS(E) SUCH OTHER PURPOSES AS MAY FROM TIME TO TIME BE DETERMINED SUBJECT TO THE PRIOR WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE CHARITY COMMISSIONERS FOR ENGLAND AND WALES IF NECESSARY.(F) BY DISPLAY OR ACCESS TO EXHIBITS OR BY LECTURE INFORMING THE PUBLIC THE SIGNIFICANCE OF CURRENT AND/OR HISTORICAL EVENTS OF NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL SIGNIFICANCE.(G) TO PROMOTE IN GENERAL ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND/OR HISTORICAL INTEREST.(H) TO ACCEPT THE ASSETS OF THE FORMER UNINCORPORATED PORTHCAWL MUSEUM & HISTORICAL SOCIETY(I) TO PURSUE HISTORICAL RESEARCH INTO THE DAILY LIFE OF PORTHCAWL AND ITS ENVIRONS (J) TO PURSUE SUCH OTHER RESEARCH AND COLLECTING OF MATERIAL AS MAY BE RELEVANT TO THE CONTEMPORARY AND PAST LIVES OF PORTHCAWL AND ITS INHABITANTS.

Activities: Mission Statement - The aim of Porthcawl Museum is to assist in the enhancement of the quality of life in the community by seeking a deeper understanding and appreciation of our local heritage, culture and environment through the acquisition, preservation and interpretation of artefacts and associated information relating to the history of Porthcawl.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research
- **What:** Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Bridgend

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£36,495	£33,735	-	-
2024-08-31	£29,589	£20,904	-	-
2023-08-31	£27,147	£22,754	-	-
2022-08-31	£26,210	£26,814	-	-
2021-08-31	£33,857	£36,953	-	-
2020-08-31	£49,803	£25,068	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
EVAN CHARLES WILLIAMS		2017-10-17
JAYNE ANN JAMES		2017-10-17
JOHN CRAYSTON RICHARDSON		2018-10-16

PORTHCAWL MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY CIO

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Accounts

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 1 st	Month September	Year 2024		Day 31 st	Month August	Year 2025

Section A Reference and administration details

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Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1176042

Charity's principal address THE OLD POLICE STATION

JOHN STREET

PORTHCAWL

Postcode

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Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
JOHN RICHARSON	
EVAN WILLIAMS	
JAYNE JAMES	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

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Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The museum continues to develop both in exhibition space and public recognition. Schools, organisations, residents, members and tourists, both inside and outside Wales, visited the museum during the year. Admission numbers were maintained at approx. 7000 which is evidence of the museum's continuing success and appeal to the public.

Our hardworking dedicated Museum volunteers continued to: -

- Welcome, guide, and support visitors,
- Present historical talks to various organisations,
- Deliver guided heritage walks of the area.
- Visit schools/local organisations.
- Receive school parties/local organisations to the Museum.
- Organise Special Event Days.
- Support other Community Groups.
- Assist people with their request's re- genealogy or items of local interest.
- Maintain the building to a high standard, developing and improving certain display areas to enhance public understanding, knowledge and enjoyment.
- Record and maintain the Archive Collection in the 1st Floor Storerooms for future exhibitions and public interest.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

In November 2024 Porthcawl Museum was once again awarded Full Accreditation Status by Arts Council England and the Welsh Government. An award that we have proudly held since 2009. The museum is maintaining its appeal as a Tourist Attraction and part of Porthcawl life. All visitors including schools and organisations constantly refer to the excellent standard of exhibition, events, the welcome they receive and the expertise of our volunteers. Our museum remains a community within a community. Trustees, committee, members and volunteers make up A Special Museum Family which is the platform from which all is achieved. Particularly during this financial year as on 10th June 2025 Porthcawl Town celebrated its 200-year Anniversary. The museum organised and inspired a variety of community events at many venues involving all ages.

Yet, the past year still continued to provide the cultural, educational, informative and experiential events.

MUSEUM EVENTS

Special Events organised by the museum have grown both in number and popularity which have resulted in attracting more visitors. Consequently, the museum's reputation has grown in a positive way. September 2024 heralded in the first OGWR History Month involving cultural and heritage groups and organisations holding free events throughout the borough. The museum became an integral part of this new venture hosting Elvis Day which coincided with the Porthcawl Elvis Festival and a lecture – 'Personalities That Helped Build Porthcawl.' In October Half-Term Welsh Museums Festival Week returned in which our participation followed a Halloween Theme.

Our annual Victorian Christmas Day was as successful as ever and for the first time the Town Council held their event to coincide with us.

In May 2025 the museum joined the country in Celebrating the 80th Anniversary of V.E.Day with WW2 vehicles on display, re-enactors, WW2 music, a singalong, dancing, food and children's activities. The whole experience proved extremely successful.

Police Day in July and Dinosaur Day in August once again proved popular, attracting more youngsters than previous years.

The museum also held social events in the form of Coffee Mornings
October - Autumn Coffee Morning

April – Taste of Wales

June – Porthcawl 200th Anniversary.

These events are appreciated by members, and public alike, who enjoy them purely for the social interaction and fun.

Likewise, others enjoy the more academic activities that the museum provides. Historical lectures are given by invited speakers January – April and September. The variety of the subjects ensures a good attendance.

As satisfying as the above events were, it was Porthcawl 200 Week in June 2025 that was the highlight of the year. Led by the museum, local groups joined in celebrating the event in their own way on different days throughout the week.

On the 10th June 1825 Royal Assent was given by George IV for a tramroad to be built from the Llynfi Valley to a yet unknown place Port Call. This was the first mention of Porthcawl. To celebrate the actual day the museum organised as near as possible, the first journey between the

Llynfi Valley (Maesteg) to Porthcawl. 50 members/volunteers dressed in Victorian costume travelled on an old bus and were greeted by Maesteg Town Council who welcomed them with refreshments and a tour of their new town hall. Friendships were forged that day that will endure as the two towns are now linked; moreover as Maesteg's 200 year is 2026, whereupon Porthcawl Museum will return the hospitality.

VISITS

A variety of schools and groups visited throughout the year including schools from outside the town. Volunteers were also invited to visit schools to deliver a talk on Porthcawl 200th Anniversary which began in June 2025.

In June members of the museum were again asked to deliver a talk on the SS Samtampa to 300 pupils at Brynteg Comprehensive School, Bridgend.

Organisations and groups continued to book visits in which they were offered a guided tour of the museum, a town heritage walk and refreshments. The various groups chose their preferences and our volunteers obliged.

LINKS WITH OTHERS

Porthcawl Museum's links with groups continue to enhance the development of the museum and its partners, new and old.

The Seabank Hotel continues to support the museum throughout the year, sending people to the museum on the days there have no organised trips

The museum consistently works with the Porthcawl Lions Club especially at Christmas whereupon they annually hold Santa's Grotto in our garage. In May Porthcawl Museum played host to the Bridgend Heritage Group's quarterly meeting which various groups volunteer to host. From these meetings links are forged which benefit everyone in providing the best cultural experience for residents and visitors to the borough.

From such links the museum gained, unfortunately at the demise of Tondu Methodist Church who closed in October 2024. Recognising our work, they gave us cabinets and tables. Plus, the engraved trowel presented to John Brogden on 8th August 1867, the day that the church foundation stone was laid. The Brogden family had financially contributed to the building of the chapel as they resided in Tondu House but more importantly to us were the builders of the Porthcawl Dock and contributed hugely to the development of Porthcawl in the late 19th century.

Our small cannon returned home in December from Cardiff University Conservation Department who had taken it to conserve for us. The cannon had been found in Rest Bay during the storm of Jan 2014 but needed specialist attention which we couldn't give at the time. The university were also pleased to receive it as its conservation needs were used to train their students

2025 also witnessed links with the Freemasons. 5 lodges in Porthcawl donated money to the museum in appreciation of the museum's hard work over the years, and to support the Porthcawl 200 events that the museum were organising.

Museum volunteers once again supported the Porthcawl Christmas Morning swim in providing bucket collectors. The swim in return presented the museum with a donation in February.

Donations were also appreciated from Porthcawl Rotary, Porthcawl Lions, Pyle Garden Centre, Pyle and Kenfig Golf Club and the Coop.

MUSEUM PROGRESS

During this financial year the Museum Trustees and Committee purchased artefacts. This was a totally new decision but made in the spirit of constantly striving to improve facilities and experiences for members and visitors alike.

- An authentic Glamorgan Constabulary Police Lamp was purchased to highlight that once the museum building was a Police Station.
- A Viking silver ingot found locally which supports the Viking history of the area.
- A hoard of 12 late medieval coins found near a local castle. (Edward IV, Richard III and Henry VII)

The last two items resulted from communication with the British Museum who offered the treasure to Porthcawl Museum as the nearest accredited museum to where the treasure had been found.

The aim is to hold a Medieval Day next year when the coins and ingot will be revealed to the public.

MUSEUM SHOP

Allan and Lesley Doyle, our shop managers are constantly striving to find exciting merchandise for both children and adults. Their choice of merchandise is continuing to attract visitors as profits are doing well.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Any monies that the organisation amasses through profit is transferred to 2 deposit accounts. One holds £40,346 which will not be touched but be held in abeyance, as a safety net, to assist in the payment of household bills should it be needed in future years. The other is a working deposit account where monies are used to top up the current account to maintain, run or improve the building, exhibitions, or the experiences of the visiting public.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Principal sources of funding 2024/25:

- Grants
- Donations
- Admissions/Events
- Group/School Visits
- Merchandising
- Memberships £10 per annum

All monies are used to maintain, run or improve the building, conserve the artefacts, provide exhibitions or enhance the experiences of the visiting public.

Section F


Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	PAUL JOSEPH	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR	
Date	13th June 2026	

PORTHCAWL MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY CIO
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2025

	£	£
	2024-25	2023-24
Income		
Admin	1.20	-
Admissions	6,076.00	6,648.32
Books	1,076.38	117.35
Buil Repairs Refund by PAS	-	120.96
Donations	6,817.66	2,189.30
Donation Boxes	1,227.22	1,178.49
DVD's	40.00	25.00
Driftwood	-	14.00
Electricity Refund by PAS	601.97	141.81
Events	1,417.36	819.68
Gift Aid	1,641.60	-
Grants	3,227.63	5,414.64
Group Visits	368.00	432.00
Lectures	260.85	279.00
Membership	3,365.00	3,245.50
Miscellaneous	40.00	-
Postage refund	-	-
Rents	2,000.00	2,000.00
Room Hire	-	325.00
Santa Post	-	17.50
School Visits	652.00	418.00
Shop	4,508.50	3,459.00
Social	1,228.00	1,470.10
Talks	130.00	205.00
Walks	400.00	254.00
Water Refund by PAS	80.15	76.77
Interest	831.05	738.06
Halberds Refund	504.74	-
Total Income	36,495.31	29,589.48

PORTHCAWL MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY CIO
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2025

Expenditure		
Admin	441.15	-
Books	855.85	136.28
Building Maintenance	5,055.74	1,503.47
Card Payment	122.70	99.53
Cleaning	140.13	22.30
Computer	785.02	160.11
Conservation	1,600.86	327.46
Driftwood	-	8.40
DVD's	-	4.50
Electricity	6,574.60	3,965.60
Equipment	5,130.56	3,613.22
Events	1,513.10	386.71
Exhibitions	652.94	1,952.87
Insurance	1,117.60	950.51
Lectures	55.00	-
Marketing & Print costs	-	-
Miscellaneous	1,792.93	124.25
Petty Cash	239.16	89.12
Postage	-	6.00
Printing	380.23	121.00
Room Hire	324.00	231.00
Security	1,229.65	2,352.92
Shop	1,744.54	1,583.66
Social	61.91	1,087.92
Stationery	202.70	82.34
Subscriptions	438.00	404.00
Telephone/Internet	2,097.82	803.21
TV Licence	169.00	159.00
Water	267.15	255.86
Website	-	233.26
Window Cleaner	240.00	240.00
Halberd Expenditure	503.09	-
Total Expenses	33,735.43	20,904.50
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	2,759.88	8,684.98

PORTHCAWL MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY CIO
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2025

Bank Accounts

Opening Balances

Current A/c	2,042.56	631.43
General Deposit A/c	20,905.04	21,000.18
Reserve Deposit A/c	35,571.06	28,137.86
Shop A/c	2,306.70	2,371.79
Petty Cash	17.49	16.61

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63,602.73 60,842.85

Closing Balances

Current A/c	3,585.72	2,042.56
General Deposit A/c	17,466.47	20,905.04
Reserve Deposit A/c	40,346.00	35,571.06
Shop A/c	2,177.06	2,306.70
Petty Cash	27.48	17.49

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PORTHCAWL MUSEUM & HISTORICAL SOCIETY

**Accounts for the period ended
31st August 2025**

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE
PORTHCAWL MUSEUM & HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

I report on the accounts of the Society for the period ended 31st August 2025 which are set out on page 1.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's committee is responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's committee consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission and is in accordance with the 2011 Act. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as the Committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the next statement.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act
 - have not been met or

- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached

Robert Bieri ACCA
Tungsten Corporate Solutions
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Date:

Signed:

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JAYNE JAMES	

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Success that is built on Museum volunteers maintaining the ethos of the museum. They have continued to: -

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The past year's achievements are divided into categories.

EVENTS

The Evacuee Day in September 2023 attracted more families than previous years. Our wonderful volunteers didn't stop throughout the day providing every facet possible, relating to the Evacuee Experience.

Evacuees of all ages equipped with gasmask boxes and labels assimilated leaving their school, being taken to the train station, and being met by the WVS Ladies before being deposited with their new foster parents. We were also very fortunate to have real evacuees who took time to tell of their wartime experiences.

The Victorian Christmas Event, which this year included town events attracted many visitors. It is becoming an essential town Christmas event. In July 2024 Police Day was another successful venture. The weather was kinder this year and enabled the Suffragettes (growing in number) to march. Once again, the 'Halberdiers' supported the day protecting the magistrate and the day ended with the arrival of the 'Police Horses.'

Dinosaur Day on 17th August, proved an immensely successful and enjoyable day. Accompanied by their handlers, approximately 200 little dinos descended on the museum from the minute the doors opened.

In October, after quite a few years since the last one in 2015, the social group organised an Antiques Evening. It was very evident from the start that it was going to be a hit as tickets sold well.

Museum lectures were, also, well attended especially benefitting through when moving to the afternoon in January and February due to the dark nights.

VISITS

A variety of groups visited particularly 25 Porthcawl Primary School pupils and staff to learn about the history of our town. Our volunteers as always rose to the task and received well-earned praise. Their teacher, Mrs. Loveluck emailed – *'I just wanted to say a big thank you for everything. The volunteers were fantastic and very knowledgeable, and I would really appreciate it if you could pass on my thanks for giving their time up for us. The whole trip was so well organised, and the children haven't stopped talking about it.'*

Other visits included other local schools, church groups, ladies' groups and heritage groups. Swansea Town Twinning Group brought their French counterparts. Significantly, Cowbridge Historical Society visited. 13th March is Cowbridge's Charter Day, and the society always commemorate the day with an organised visit to a place of interest. We were so pleased to be their chosen venue this year.

Interestingly, in June members of the museum were asked to deliver a talk on the SS Samtampa to 300 pupils at Brynteg Comprehensive School, Bridgend. Although a new venture, following its success, it will now be repeated next year.

There have also been other visitors worthy of mentioning. In October 2023 two young gentlemen visited, paid their admission and set off on their guided tour of the museum assisted by one of our volunteers, as is the normal practice. They eventually reached the RAF Stormy Down Exhibition whereupon our volunteer explained how the museum acquired

the propeller on show. Suddenly one of the young men exclaimed, pointing at the accompanying photograph, of Sergeant P O (Pilot) Strycharek "That's my great-uncle!" You can imagine the surprise, emotion and pride felt by all. Later that evening Dr. Bartosz "Bart" Nietrzeba MRCVS emailed, *"I would like to send my deepest thanks to the whole team at the museum for showing us all the exhibitions and especially spending time to tell us the story of finding my great uncles plane propeller."*

In November 2023 'It's My Shout', an independent film production company, that provides training for all ages interested in gaining experience in film and training scheme based in Wales, visited. It. Each year they provide short films for BBC Wales and S4C. The 50 personnel involved trainee camera men, make-up artists, actors as well as a variety of supporting set crew. The draw was our police cell. It was needed for the 'criminals' to act out the relevant scene.

In November 2023 we had a request from the BBC programme 'Saving Lives at Sea' asking if their cameraman could visit the museum to film the maritime items that we have on display, plus the museum's frontage. The following day they also interviewed museum member Philip, and his daughter Angharad who is a member of the Porthcawl RNLi crew.

Community Support/recognition for contribution to town life.

The Porthcawl Museum is gaining greater support each year which is at times translating into donations, for which we are so appreciative.

- Christmas Swim Committee for the eleventh year kindly remembered us in their donations. It is worth mentioning that the weather on Christmas Day was horrendous. Our Paul and Tina's buckets were not only heavy with donations but with water too!
- In October 2023 for the second time, we were accepted as one of the Coop's charities.
- In June 2024 Porthcawl Museum was chosen to be one of the two charities chosen by Mayor Cllr Jeff Perrin, for his coming year.

Porthcawl Museum's growing links with certain groups has other benefits. For the first time a museum volunteers' Christmas lunch was served at the Seabank Hotel. This hotel has continually supported the museum throughout the year, sending people to the museum on the days there had no organised trips

The museum has consistently worked with the Porthcawl Lions Club especially at Christmas whereupon they annually hold Santa's Grotto in our garage.

In June 2024 Porthcawl Museum volunteers attended the newly formed Bridgend County Borough Heritage Group's first meeting in Maesteg. The whole aim is to integrate and benefit from other heritage societies in the borough.

MEMORABLE MOMENTS

In May 2024 the Museums Standards and Performance Advisor, promoting a new initiative relating to the mentoring scheme was asking for suggestions for a relevant newsletter title and if museums would like to take the opportunity to contribute an article for the 'getting to know your museum' slot. We were the first to respond and as such were invited to submit the first article. This we did and consequently it was sent out to all the other museums in the newsletter. Additionally, the newsletter is now called Y Ffynhonell (The Source in Welsh) following our suggestion. The Museum's own members newsletter 'The Source' enjoyed its 150th publication in January 2024. The first 'SOURCE' was issued in January 2012. At the time the Museum was going through a transitional period

Young members are encouraged to get involved in a variety of ways from helping to archive, meet the public etc. Sara Male, who is studying History at Swansea University, provided October's article for the local magazine. Titled 'Hitler's Greatest General' Erich Von Manstein.

MUSEUM PROGRESS

Museum Trustees and Committee are constantly striving to improve facilities and experiences for members and visitors alike. In August 2024 the decision was taken to provide a broadband service throughout the building. This will enable displays and visitor experience to be more interactive.

Robin Johnson AMA Museum Consultant visited in November 2023 to make us aware of money available for training to help with integrating the needs of schools into museum visits. On being told how we already adapt our visits to their specific needs it was felt that we were already achieving the objectives. Robin then spent the rest of his visit meeting our industrious volunteers and viewing the exhibitions. Following the visit we received this email -

"I have to say that in my 30+ years of working in heritage & arts I have never seen a more committed and enthusiastic workforce of volunteers. You should all be congratulated."

MUSEUM SHOP

Allan and Lesley Doyle, our shop managers are constantly striving to find exciting merchandise for both children and adults. Their choice of merchandise is becoming a winner with visitors as profits are doing well. Further, they won yet another Town Community Window Award.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Any monies that the organisation amasses through profit is transferred to 2 deposit accounts. One holds £35,571 which will not be touched but be held in abeyance, as a safety net, to assist in the payment of household bills should it be needed in future years. The other is a working deposit account where monies are used to top up the current account to maintain, run or improve the building, exhibitions, or the experiences of the visiting public.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

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- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Principal sources of funding 2023/24:

- Grants
- Donations
- Admissions/Events
- Group/School Visits
- Merchandising
- Memberships £10 per annum

All monies are used to maintain, run or improve the building, conserve the artefacts, provide exhibitions or enhance the experiences of the visiting public.

Section F


Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	PAUL JOSEPH	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR	
Date	21 st June 2025	

PORHCAWL MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY CIO
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2024

	£	£
Income	2023-24	2022-23
Admissions	6,648.32	5,859.37
Books	117.35	158.15
Buil Repairs Refund by PAS	120.96	34.50
Donations	2,189.30	2,193.75
Donation Boxes	1,178.49	1,281.73
Driftwood	-	24.00
DVD's	25.00	35.00
Driftwood	14.00	-
Electricity Refund by PAS	141.81	449.51
Events	819.68	602.34
Gift Aid	-	533.38
Grants	5,414.64	2,894.00
Group Visits	432.00	428.50
Lectures	279.00	30.00
Membership	3,245.50	3,365.00
Miscellaneous	-	22.65
Postage refund	-	5.00
Rents	2,000.00	2,000.00
Room Hire	325.00	-
Santa Poat	17.50	-
School Visits	418.00	543.50
Shop	3,459.00	4,294.25
Social	1,470.10	1,740.70
Talks	205.00	287.50
Walks	254.00	51.00
Water Refund by PAS	76.77	131.12
Interest	738.06	182.07
Total Income	29,589.48	27,147.02

PORTHCAWL MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY CIO
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2024

Expenditure		
Books	136.28	102.75
Building Maintenance	1,503.47	6,496.27
Card Payment	99.53	76.33
Cleaning	22.30	302.20
Computer	160.11	501.53
Conservation	327.46	194.29
Driftwood	8.40	28.80
DVD's	4.50	27.00
Electricity	3,965.60	2,292.51
Equipment	3,613.22	1,554.92
Events	386.71	2,405.36
Exhibitions	1,952.87	639.65
Insurance	950.51	929.73
Lectures	-	40.00
Marketing & Print costs	-	594.00
Miscellaneous	124.25	382.04
Petty Cash	89.12	178.65
Postage	6.00	12.98
Printing	121.00	103.64
Room Hire	231.00	225.00
Security	2,352.92	841.83
Shop	1,583.66	2,684.85
Social	1,087.92	335.60
Stationery	82.34	128.12
Subscriptions	404.00	391.00
Telephone/Internet	803.21	686.02
TV Licence	159.00	159.00
Water	255.86	200.72
Website	233.26	-
Window Cleaner	240.00	240.00
Total Expenses	20,904.50	22,754.79
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	8,684.98	4,392.23

PORTHCAWL MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY CIO
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2024

Bank Accounts

Opening Balances

Current A/c	631.43	277.22
General Deposit A/c	21,000.18	18,723.18
Reserve Deposit A/c	28,137.86	25,032.79
Shop A/c	2,371.79	3,717.19
Petty Cash	16.61	15.26

Net Surplus/(Deficit) 8,684.98 4,392.23

60,842.85 52,157.87

Closing Balances

Current A/c	2,042.56	631.43
General Deposit A/c	20,905.04	21,000.18
Reserve Deposit A/c	35,571.06	28,137.86
Shop A/c	2,306.70	2,371.79
Petty Cash	17.49	16.61

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PORTHCAWL MUSEUM & HISTORICAL SOCIETY

**Accounts for the period ended
31st August 2024**

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE
PORTHCAWL MUSEUM & HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

I report on the accounts of the Society for the period ended 31st August 2024, which are set out on page 1.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's committee is responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's committee consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission and is in accordance with the 2011 Act. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as the Committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the next statement.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act
 - have not been met or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached

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Date: 13/3/25

Signed: Tungsten Corporate Solutions Ltd.

PORTHCAWL MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY CIO

England & Wales - Charity number 1176042

Accounts

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 1 st	Month September	Year 2022		Day 31 st	Month August	Year 2023

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name PORTHCAWL MUSEUM & HISTORICAL SOCIETY CIO

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1176042

Charity's principal address THE OLD POLICE STATION

JOHN STREET

PORTHCAWL

Postcode

CF36 3DT

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
JOHN RICHARSON	
EVAN WILLIAMS	
JAYNE JAMES	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	CONSTITUTION
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	ELECTED BY MEMBERS AT THE AGM

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The aim of Porthcawl Museum is to assist in the enhancement of the quality of life in the community by seeking a deeper understanding and appreciation of our local heritage, culture and environment through the acquisition, preservation and interpretation of artefacts and associated information relating to the history of Porthcawl and its adjacent villages of Newton and Nottage; but not exclusively by limitation. Porthcawl Museum aim is to play a key role in making the town and indeed the neighbouring area, a better place to live, work and visit.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

A very successful year. More local schools, organisations, residents, and members visited the museum; not to mention more tourists from in and outside Wales.

Museum volunteers, as always, have maintained the ethos of the museum throughout the many various responsibilities undertaken, that help ensures the development of the organisation. They have: -

- Welcomed, guided, and supported visitors,
- Presented historical talks to various organisations,
- Delivered guided heritage walks of the area.
- Visited schools/local organisations.
- Received school parties/local organisations to the Museum.
- Organised Special Event Days.
- Supported other Community Groups.
- Assisted people with their request's re- genealogy or items of local interest.
- Our volunteer working groups maintained the building to a high standard. Developed and improved certain display areas to enhance public understanding, knowledge and enjoyment.
- Recorded and maintained the Archive Collection in the 1st Floor Storerooms for future exhibitions.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grant making.
- policy programme related investment.
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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Every year I am amazed how the museum has developed both as a Tourist Attraction and as an established part of Porthcawl life. The past year has seen a significant rise in visitors, schools and organisations. So many have been impressed with the standard of exhibition, events, the welcome they receive and the expertise of our volunteers. Our museum is a community within a community. Trustees, committee, members and volunteers make up A Special Museum Family which is the platform from which all is achieved.

The past year's achievements are divided into categories.

EVENTS

December 2022, we participated in the Rotary Christmas Tree Festival at All Saints.

Our Victorian Christmas Event, welcomed over 1000 visitors, who were treated to craft making, carol singing and the whole Christmas experience. The highlight of the day being warm Welsh Cakes and the Snow Machine!

On Wednesday 17th May 2023 invited guests, including Air Officer Wales (AOW) Air Commodore Adrian Williams, and many guests gathered at the museum in Remembrance of the 80th Anniversary of the Dambusters mission and to officially open the Dambuster's Exhibition.

2023 Special Event Days - Police Day, Dino Day, Evacuee Day, all proved to be a tremendous success both financially and being well-attended.

Socially, the Coronation Coffee Morning and Summer Coffee Morning for Mayor's Charities were for the first-time ticket only. Yet the tickets went quickly and those who were lucky enough to have one totally enjoyed their experience.

A new initiative this year was the invite to small groups to combine a museum visit with a cuppa. Ladies' groups from All Saints, and Trinity were our first groups to take it up. More next year is the intention.

Museum lectures were generally well attended but it is felt that next year the dark winter month lectures Jan/Feb will benefit from moving to the afternoon.

VISITS

Volunteers visited Nottage Primary quite a few times to tell the various classes about the origin and development of Porthcawl.

Schools' visits to the museum increased this year. With large school groups we often worked in tandem with the RNLI.

Morrison Comprehensive Geography Department underwent their annual visits plus Nottage Cubs also always visited again.

In April Pencoed & District Town Twinning Association spent nearly two hours visiting the museum. Risca Museum visit enjoyed an evening visit involving a walk, talk and refreshments. Whereas Swansea U3A booked a heritage walk and museum visit through being advised by Porthcawl U3A. A group from Mumbles have already booked in for next year. As has Cowbridge Museum, who have chosen us as their annual special day out.

MUSEUM SHOP

Our shop managers, Allan and Lesley Doyle, are doing the most brilliant job. Every month their merchandise is not only selling but is bringing in a moderate profit. Quite deservedly they won another Town Community Window Award.

YOUNG HISTORIANS

We are attracting more young historians to the museum.
Our child admissions are increasing plus: -

We welcomed Ffion, our works experience pupil from Ysgol Gyfun Llangynwyd, who not only had a marvellous week but designed a Victorian Costume Board which we'll be displaying next year.

Sara Male a second-year history undergraduate at Swansea University joined us this summer as a volunteer. In such a short time Sara has helped in the archives, on Dinosaur Day and written an article on our behalf for the Seaside News. Swansea University has accepted her request for Porthcawl Museum to be her 12 week works experience venue contributing to her degree.

I could not complete this category without mentioning Ruben 7, and Ethan 10. Although quite young they love our museum, and their contribution has already been significant. Ruben visits most Saturdays but has lately visited the Titanic Quarter in Belfast from which he has created a board for our Maritime Cell. When Ethan can visit, he not only enjoys the event but likes to take on a role of responsibility. Last Christmas he organised the public as they visited the snow machine in the courtyard.

Section E

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Section F


Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

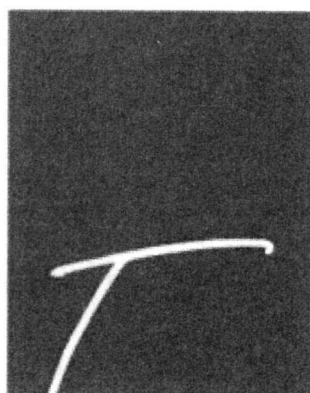
Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	PAUL JOSEPH	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR	
Date	10 th June 2024	

PORTHCAWL MUSEUM & HISTORICAL SOCIETY CIO

Accounts for the year ended

31st August 2023



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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE
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It is my responsibility to:

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- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of independent examiner's report

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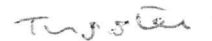
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30th October 2023



Tungsten Corporate Solutions Ltd

PROPRIETOR'S APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

In accordance with our terms of engagement, I/we approve the financial information which comprises the Income Expenditure Account. I acknowledge my responsibility for the financial information, including the appropriateness of the applicable financial reporting framework and for providing Aspen-Waite in Wales Ltd with all information and explanations necessary for its compilation.

Signed *D. J. Taylor*

Date *6.11.23*

Signed *Alan Joseph*

Date *6.11.23*

Signed

Date

PORTHCAWL MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY CIO

England & Wales - Charity number 1176042

Accounts

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From		Period start date			To			Period end date		
	Day 1 st	Month September	Year 2021		Day 31 st	Month August	Year 2022			

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	PORTHCAWL MUSEUM & HISTORICAL SOCIETY CIO
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number (if any)	1176042
Charity's principal address	THE OLD POLICE STATION
	JOHN STREET
	PORTHCAWL
	Postcode CF36 3DT

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
JOHN RICHARSON	
EVAN WILLIAMS	
JAYNE JAMES	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

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Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

September 2021 began with hope that COVID was behind us, and normality could return to focus on our aims and objectives to benefit the community, including local schools and organisations, residents, and members, plus visitors and tourists.

In pursuit of these ideals, Museum volunteers have: -

- Welcomed, guided, and supported visitors,
- Presented historical talks to various organisations,
- Delivered guided heritage walks of the area.
- Visited schools/local organisations.
- Received school parties/local organisations to the Museum.
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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Main Achievements for 2021/22: -

The main objective was to get back to normal.

- Opening 3 days a week returned in September 2021, as did school and group visits.
- Coffee Mornings and Lectures returned.
- S4C filmed one episode of 'Evacuee' at our museum: particularly using the Anderson Shelter.
- The new Victorian Tool shed was officially opened and plans for Christmas, including Christmas Coffee Morning and Santa's Grotto, brought in more visitors.
- However, the main event, 'Victorian Christmas Experience' had to be cancelled due to concern over COVID.

Although 2022 began slowly, during closure, volunteers worked daily to prepare displays in time for our public opening on 2nd April. New displays were our newly constructed cabinet displaying our collection of Victorian costumes. The Falklands at 40 Exhibition which presented a comprehensive commemoration of the conflict, whilst the bottom room took you back to 1920/30's Porthcawl, a time of increased development and tourism. Mayor Councillor Tracy Hill officiated.

By August 2022 the museum had experienced even more visits from schools both in and outside the area. Located in different display areas our volunteers delivered information according to the topic asked for by the various schools. Topics included – 1950's and Coronation, Beside the Sea, WW2 and Emergency Services.

Two new Special Events were implemented that summer -

On Saturday 23rd July the museum celebrated 140 years of the Police in Porthcawl, as our building had opened in 1882. Over 350 visited, including 184 children who enjoyed filling in the wanted posters of their parents and watching them being brought before our magistrate, who sentenced the accused to various periods in the cell. The Suffragettes also appeared fighting the cause with great enthusiasm. Our male volunteers were dressed in police costumes from different periods but were so professional in the execution of their duties that some of the public thought they were authentic. Other contributions to the day also included very interesting items and photographs from past times, pickpockets, Victorian ladies, activities for kids and especially the presence of a Morris 1000 Panda Car.

The day was so successful that it has been decided to not only repeat it again next year on Saturday 22nd July 2023.

Thursday 18th August witnessed a few hundred dinosaurs, large and small invading the museum. Small dinosaurs were presented with a dinosaur mask on arrival which produced some very frightening roars! They then infiltrated the corridors and rooms of the museum looking for 12 of their friends hidden in cabinets, overcame the challenge of naming their contemporaries, walked up T-Rex Alley, took in dinosaur sounds in the Dinosaur Den, made fossils out of dough and pasta and separated meat eaters from leaf eaters. Another successful day which also will be repeated in 2023.

Finally, after 140 years and a two-year wait for us, electric points, heaters, and lights have been installed in the upstairs rooms. This means that we can now maintain the archive in a more organised way and plan to eventually create space for visitors to access and view more of the collections.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

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Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Principal sources of funding 2020/21:

- Grants
- Donations
- Admissions
- Group Visits
- Merchandising
- Memberships £10 per annum


All monies are used to maintain, run or improve the building, conserve the artefacts, provide exhibitions or enhance the experiences of the visiting public.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	PAUL JOSEPH	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR	
Date	21 st May 2023	

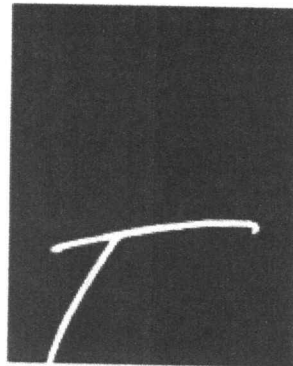
PORHCRAWL MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY CIO
BALANCE SHEET FOR THE PERIOD 1 SEPTEMBER 2021 TO 31 AUGUST 2022

Income	£	£	Expenditure	£	£
	2021-2022	2020-21		2021-2022	2020-21
Admissions	£5,109.00	£768.50	Bank Charges	£15.00	£0.00
Books	£235.48	£17.90	Books	£215.99	£0.00
Sign repair Refund by PAS	£0.00	£14.35	Building Maintenance	£12,705.21	£20,279.69
Donations	£7,417.85	£1,608.50	Card Payment	£69.69	£10.55
Donation Boxes	£555.08	£94.50	Cleaning	£257.14	£210.70
DVD's	£40.00	£0.00	Computer	£201.44	£326.50
Electricity Refund by PAS	£338.39	£197.10	Conservation	£382.53	£397.15
Events	£216.50	£74.00	DVD's	£27.00	£0.00
Gift Aid	£566.84	£0.00	Electricity	£3,964.96	£4,500.40
Grants	£0.00	£25,595.23	Equipment	£1,055.71	£6,233.55
Lectures	£21.00	£0.00	Events	£209.84	£42.09
Membership	£3,150.00	£2,395.00	Exhibitions	£454.44	£1,268.60
Membership vouchers	£0.00	£20.00	Insurance	£842.77	£957.55
Miscellaneous	£20.00	£30.00	Lectures	£0.00	£0.00
Postage refund	£0.00	£8.25	Miscellaneous	£707.48	£66.00
Printing Refund	£0.00	£18.00	Petty Cash	£216.55	£100.41
Rents	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	Postage	£0.00	£7.81
School Visits	£265.00	£0.00	Printing	£265.76	£124.00
Shop	£3,785.70	£947.20	Publications	£0.00	£0.00
Social	£2,341.84	£0.00	Room Hire	£200.00	£0.00
Talks	£140.00	£60.00	Security	£674.76	£641.88
Interest	£7.35	£8.82	Shop	£2,463.34	£18.25
			Social	£61.04	£0.00
			Stationery	£126.06	£128.42
			Subscriptions	£395.20	£359.20
			Telephone/Internet	£516.79	£510.64
			Training	£0.00	£300.00
			TV Licence	£159.00	£157.50
			Water	£198.64	£73.06
			Website	£188.61	£0.00
			Window Cleaner	£240.00	£240.00
	£26,210.03	£33,857.35		£26,814.95	£36,953.95
Balances at	01/09/2021	01/09/2020	Balances at	31/08/2022	31/08/2021
Current A/c	£1,394.14	£948.85	Current A/c	£277.22	£1,394.14
General Deposit A/c	£19,533.23	£24,029.10	General Deposit A/c	£18,723.18	£19,533.23
Reserve Deposit A/c	£25,029.04	£25,024.35	Reserve Deposit A/c	£25,032.79	£25,029.04
Shop A/c	£2,392.34	£1,462.64	Shop A/c	£3,717.19	£2,392.34
Petty Cash	£21.81	£2.22	Petty Cash	£15.26	£21.81
	£74,580.59	£85,324.51		£74,580.59	£85,324.51

PORTHCAWL MUSEUM & HISTORICAL SOCIETY CIO

Accounts for the year ended

31st August 2022



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Tungsten Corporate Solutions Ltd
Cardiff Arms Park
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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE
PORTHCAWL MUSEUM & HISTORICAL SOCIETY CIO**

I report on the accounts of the Society for the year ended 31st August 2022, which are set out on page 1.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's committee is responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's committee consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission and is in accordance with the 2011 Act. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as the Committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the next statement.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act
 - have not been met or

- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached

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9th November 2022

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Tungsten Corporate Solutions Ltd

PROPRIETOR'S APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

In accordance with our terms of engagement, I/we approve the financial information which comprises the Income Expenditure Account. I acknowledge my responsibility for the financial information, including the appropriateness of the applicable financial reporting framework and for providing Aspen-Waite in Wales Ltd with all information and explanations necessary for its compilation.

Signed *D. Stanger*

Date *12.11.2022*

Signed *Ben Joseph*

Date *12.11.2022*

Signed

Date

PORTHCAWL MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY CIO

England & Wales - Charity number 1176042

Accounts

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From		Period start date			To			Period end date		
	Day 1 st	Month September	Year 2020		Day 31 st	Month August	Year 2021			

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	PORTHCAWL MUSEUM & HISTORICAL SOCIETY CIO
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number (if any)	1176042
Charity's principal address	THE OLD POLICE STATION
	JOHN STREET
	PORTHCAWL
	Postcode CF36 3DT

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
JOHN RICHARSON	
EVAN WILLIAMS	
JAYNE JAMES	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	CONSTITUTION
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	ELECTED BY MEMBERS AT THE AGM

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The aim of Porthcawl Museum is to assist in the enhancement of the quality of life in the community by seeking a deeper understanding and appreciation of our local heritage, culture and environment through the acquisition, preservation and interpretation of artefacts and associated information relating to the history of Porthcawl and its adjacent villages of Newton and Nottage; but not exclusively by limitation. Porthcawl Museum aim is to play a key role in making the town and indeed the neighbouring area, a better place to live, work and visit.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

In a normal year all events and activities engaged in and promoted by Porthcawl Museum comply with its aims and objectives, which hold foremost as to how they benefit the community, including local schools and organisations, residents and members, plus visitors and tourists. In pursuit of these ideals, Museum volunteers normally would have: -

- Welcomed, guided, and supported visitors, presented historical talks to various organisations, delivered guided heritage walks of the area and visited schools/local organisations and received school parties/local organisations to the Museum plus assisting people with their request's re- genealogy or items of local interest.
However, these activities were limited due to COVID.
- Yet we did manage to hold a couple of Coffee Mornings to encourage older members to gather and enjoy friendship, even though some were nervous of venturing out.
- COVID restrictions curtailed our usual Christmas festivities, but we did hold our Christmas Coffee Morning and continued our letter to Santa for the children of Porthcawl.
- In October 2020 the AGM was conducted through email and volunteers posting letters through letter boxes. Members posted their responses and votes through the museum letter box.

During COVID museum members turned their attention to other essential and supportive activities: -

- Delivered groceries for the local COOP
- Delivered medication for the local Pharmacy and Vet.
- Joined the Community Clean up team.
- Maintained a monthly newsletter to all members, plus an article from Porthcawl History. Quizzes were also enjoyed as was personal emails to members, locally and throughout the country, who were suffering from COVID.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grant making.
- policy programme related investment.
- contribution made by volunteers.

PORTHCAWL MUSEUM IS RUN TOTALLY BY VOLUNTEERS.
THE ELECTED MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MAKE THE DECISIONS.
THE TRUSTEES ARE APPOINTED TO MONITOR AND ADVISE.
WHEN THE BUILDING IS PURCHASED THE COMMITTEE AND TRUSTEES WILL APPLY FOR GRANTS FOR EITHER BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS OR CONSERVATION OF ARTEFACTS.
COVID HAS DELAYED THIS PROCESS.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Main Achievements for 2020/21: -

- When COVID restrictions were relaxed separate Museum working groups met on different days to continue repairing, renovating, and conserving the many various facets involved in the museum from updating the archive collection, creating new display areas, refurbishing the garage, installing new doors, painting, cleaning, and devising new exhibitions.
- New volunteers joined the museum as well as the membership remained stable.
- The monies attained through applications to the Welsh Cultural Recovery Fund and the BCBC Outdoor Fund were successful and allocated immediately to installing security fencing, marquees, outdoor tables and benches, plus outdoor electric points, and CCTV in readiness for opening under COVID rules.

However, there were a few lighter moments.

- Along with other venues on the Visit Bridgend website, Porthcawl Museum was invited to be part of a Group Travel Promotional Film to be used to target group organisers specifically. Accompanied by Steve Reed, the group travel specialist, a film crew arrived on 21st September 2020.
- On June 28th, 2021, The Ambassador of Poland Arkady Rzegocki and Consul General of the Republic of Poland in Manchester Michael Mazurek visited Wales on Monday to inaugurate a new Honorary Consulate of the Republic of Poland in Cardiff. In the morning they met with first Minister of Wales, Mark Drakeford and Lord Mayor of Cardiff Cllr Rod McKerlich; whereupon Professor Keshav Singhal was installed as the First Honorary Consul of Poland with jurisdiction for Wales. Following the ceremony and the laying of a wreath at the Polish Memorial at the City Hall, the Polish dignitaries visited Porthcawl Museum to enable the Polish Ambassador to lay a wreath at the base of the propellor that had been donated to Porthcawl Museum during lockdown. The Pilot of the Avro Anson who had been killed in the air crash was Piotr Strysharek who is buried in Nottage Cemetery alongside Aircraftsman Penfold, who was a gunner under training that day. The Ambassador was then accompanied to the local cemetery to lay wreaths at the graves of all 5 Polish airmen.
- Finally on 29th July we opened our doors at 11am to visitors There was an atmosphere of excitement and joy as the Stewards on duty seemed as pleased to welcome the visitors as the visitors were to begin their tour. Although Covid rules were in place it did not detract from the bond that our volunteers seem to generate with the public. Visitors not only viewed established, updated, display areas but were introduced to the five new exhibitions created during closure. Compliments and praise for what our volunteers have achieved continued throughout the day.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

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Section F


Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	PAUL JOSEPH	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR	
Date	19 TH June 2021	

PORTHCAWL MUSEUM & HISTORICAL SOCIETY CIO

Accounts for the year ended

31st August 2021



Aspen Waite Corporate Solutions
Aspen Marketing Ltd
Chartered Certified Accountants
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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE
PORTHCAWL MUSEUM & HISTORICAL SOCIETY CIO**

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Basis of independent examiner's report

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Independent examiner's statement

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31st March 2022

Aspen Waite
CERI MILLAR FCA
Aspen Waite in Wales Ltd
Chartered Accountants

PROPRIETOR'S APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

In accordance with our terms of engagement, I/we approve the financial information which comprises the Income Expenditure Account. I acknowledge my responsibility for the financial information, including the appropriateness of the applicable financial reporting framework and for providing Aspen-Waite in Wales Ltd with all information and explanations necessary for its compilation.

Signed.....*D.S. Taylor*.....

Date.....*21/4/2022*.....

Signed.....*Ben Joseph*.....

Date.....*2.4.2022*.....

Signed.....

Date.....

PORTHCAWL MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY CIO

England & Wales - Charity number 1176042

Accounts

PORTHCAWL MUSEUM & HISTORICAL SOCIETY CIO

Accounts for the year ended

31st August 2020

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Independent examiner's statement

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10th September 2020

Ceri Millar
CERI MILLAR FCA
Ceri Millar & Co
Chartered Accountants

PROPRIETOR'S APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

In accordance with our terms of engagement, I/we approve the financial information which comprises the Income Expenditure Account. I acknowledge my responsibility for the financial information, including the appropriateness of the applicable financial reporting framework and for providing Ceri Millar & Co with all information and explanations necessary for its compilation.

Signed.....

Date.....

Signed..... *D. S. Taylor*

Date..... *14/9/20*

Signed..... *ben jeff*

Date..... *14/9/20*

PORTHCAWL MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY CIO

BALANCE SHEET FOR THE PERIOD 1 SEPTEMBER 2019 TO 31 AUGUST 2020

Income	£		Expenditure	£	
	2019-20	2018-19		2019-20	2018-19
Admissions	£3,002.50	£6,519.50	Books	£82.50	£172.99
Books	£118.50	£632.00	Building Maintenance	£10,877.51	£17,909.14
Carpet Refund by PAS	£245.00	£0.00	Card Payment	£18.56	£27.52
Donations	£3,473.57	£12,293.34	Cleaning	£286.41	£0.00
Donation Boxes	£360.86	£696.26	Computer	£10.00	£1,283.78
DVD's	£95.00	£130.00	Conservation	£185.84	£277.82
Electricity Refund by P.	£242.40	£182.40	DVD's	£130.50	£252.00
Events	£216.50	£380.60	Electricity	£4,017.30	£3,015.36
Grants	£33,100.00	£0.00	Equipment	£2,147.87	£1,076.38
Group Visits	£15.00	£94.00	Events	£224.82	£1,020.90
Lectures	£14.00	£28.00	Exhibitions	£129.62	£223.57
Membership	£2,360.00	£3,435.00	Insurance	£937.45	£839.67
Miscellaneous	0.01	£0.00	Lectures	£50.00	£130.00
Postage refund	£2.72	£0.00	Miscellaneous	£66.23	£421.98
Rents	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	Petty Cash	£140.52	£251.51
School Visits	£73.00	£298.00	Poppies	£0.00	£46.00
Shop	£2,984.91	£5,279.25	Postage	£2.72	£7.32
Social	£1,126.35	£4,179.90	Printing	£290.24	£531.98
Talks	£338.00	£200.00	Publications	£90.00	£10.00
Walks	£0.00	£132.00	Room Hire	£75.00	£200.00
Interest	£35.59	£29.60	Security	£715.28	£485.40
			Shop	£2,075.68	£3,411.85
			Social	£587.48	£1,266.31
			Stationery	£113.89	£176.25
			Subscriptions	£346.80	£404.00
			Telephone/Internet	£522.81	£654.09
			Training	£55.00	£0.00
			TV Licence	£200.94	£150.50
			Water	£321.70	£210.67
			Website	£125.60	£200.65
			Window Cleaner	£240.00	£240.00
	£49,803.91	£36,636.85		£25,068.27	£34,897.64
 Balances at	 01/09/2019	 01/09/2018	 Balances at	 31/08/2020	 31/08/2019
Current A/c	£1,684.51	£12,349.30	Current A/c	£948.85	£1,684.51
General Deposit A/c	£7,017.86	£11,647.31	General Deposit A/c	£24,029.10	£7,017.86
Reserve Deposit A/c	£15,000.00		Reserve Deposit A/c	£25,024.35	£15,000.00
Shop A/c	£3,006.41	£980.96	Shop A/c	£1,462.64	£3,006.41
Petty Cash	£22.74	£14.74	Petty Cash	£2.22	£22.74
	£76,535.43	£61,629.16		£76,535.43	£61,629.16

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From		Period start date			To			Period end date		
	Day 1 st	Month September	Year 2019		Day 31 st	Month August	Year 2020			

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	PORTHCAWL MUSEUM & HISTORICAL SOCIETY CIO
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number (if any)	1176042
Charity's principal address	THE OLD POLICE STATION
	JOHN STREET
	PORTHCAWL
	Postcode CF36 3DT

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
JOHN RICHARSON	
EVAN WILLIAMS	
JAYNE JAMES	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	CONSTITUTION
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	ELECTED BY MEMBERS AT THE AGM

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
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Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The aim of Porthcawl Museum is to assist in the enhancement of the quality of life in the community by seeking a deeper understanding and appreciation of our local heritage, culture and environment through the acquisition, preservation and interpretation of artefacts and associated information relating to the history of Porthcawl and its adjacent villages of Newton and Nottage, but not exclusively by limitation. Porthcawl Museum aim is to play a key role in making the town and indeed the neighbouring area, a better place to live, work and visit.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

In a normal year all events and activities engaged in and promoted by Porthcawl Museum comply with its aims and objectives; which hold foremost as to how they benefit the community, including local schools and organisations, residents and members, plus visitors and tourists.

In pursuit of these ideals, Museum volunteers normally would have: -

- Welcomed, guided and supported visitors during their visit.
- Presented historical talks to various organisations; both local and further afield.
- Delivered guided heritage walks of the area.
- Visited schools and received school parties to the Museum.
- Following discussion with schools, the Museum has tailored some of its displays to aid the schools in delivering their curriculum.
- Qualified Volunteers aid the public in their family genealogy or other historical research.
- The Museum regularly helps to arrange and participate in various town events.
- To reach even more people of all ages, the Museum takes part annually in the 'Open Doors Scheme' run by the Welsh Govt in September. Admission is free for the day and a Special Activity is also run for the children.
- Coffee Mornings are held monthly to encourage older members to gather and enjoy friendship, share their memories and keep up to date with changing museum displays.
- At Christmas the Museum engages in local activities including The Annual Christmas Swim, a letter to Santa, and invites the Porthcawl Lions to present their Santa's Grotto at the Museum during the month of December. The Museum is part of the town Christmas Evening when the lights are turned on and 'A Victorian Christmas Day' is presented throughout the building, on the last opening before Christmas, where all volunteers dress in period dress, present re-enactments and a Christmas Fayre is served to visitors of all ages.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking.
- policy programme related investment.
- contribution made by volunteers.

PORTHCAWL MUSEUM IS RUN TOTALLY BY VOLUNTEERS.

THE ELECTED MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MAKE THE DECISIONS.

THE TRUSTEES ARE APPOINTED TO MONITOR AND ADVISE.

WHEN THE BUILDING IS PURCHASED THE COMMITTEE AND TRUSTESS WILL APPLY FOR GRANTS FOR EITHER BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS OR CONSERVATION OF ARTEFACTS.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Due to the Covid pandemic, achievements during our financial year September 2019-August 2020 have been far more limited than we certainly would have liked. Between September– December the Museum operated as normal but because of government restrictions it was closed to the public on 20th March 2020; therefore, achievements between March-August did not involve visitors, the Porthcawl Community, or events in the wider area.

Achievements after closure involved volunteers who when able continued to work, developing areas of the Museum with the intention of providing members and the public with an even better experience when the Museum re-opens. Listed below is an overview of what was achieved.

September - December 2019

- Lectures were given to and by Museum members inhouse and at other venues.
- Visits to Primary School to present re-enactments as requested by the teachers.
- Young visitor numbers had been growing steadily all year but in October not only did Bosbury Primary School, Herefordshire, and Pyle Primary School visit but two 6th Formers from Porthcawl Comprehensive chose the Museum for their works experience.
- October, also, witnessed Museum volunteers presenting a Murder Mystery Evening for the community.
- Museum volunteers organised the Remembrance service at Stormy Down; an WW2 RAF airfield and attended the town's Remembrance Service.
- Christmas events for the community were enjoyed in December e.g., Christmas Coffee Morning, the Porthcawl Lions holding their Santa's grotto in the Museum throughout the month and A Victorian Christmas Day in which volunteers re-enacted scenarios.

January-March

- Lectures were given to and by Museum members inhouse and at other venues.
- The Victorian Tool shed, financed by the Porthcawl Lions Club was installed in the new Peace Garden.
- Existing exhibitions were updated, and new exhibitions were opened to the public on 15th February – The Blundell Archaeology Collection, The Prisoner of War Room, Textile display.
- Liaising with National Museum resulted in the Porthcawl 100-year-old Coastguard Cart returning home.
- Admissions and membership between February 15th – 20th March was greater than corresponding period in past year

March - August

- A small army of Volunteers continued to work developing display areas in the outer yards, including a sensory Peace Garden.
- A group of volunteers used the opportunity to re-organise, record and catalogue the Museum collection; plus reordering the Storerooms.
- More CCTV Security cameras have been installed in the outer yards.
- During lockdown members continued to be provided with monthly newsletters. Added to this they were also sent quizzes and specific articles on the town's history.
- Articles also regularly appeared in the town's monthly magazine.
- Volunteers answered emails from the public requesting help in seeking details on their respective families or area.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Any monies that the organisation amasses through profit is transferred to 2 deposit accounts. One holds £25,000 which will not be touched but be held in abeyance, as a safety net, to assist in the payment of household bills should it be needed in future years. The other is a working deposit account where monies are used to top up the current account to maintain, run or improve the building, exhibitions, or the experiences of the visiting public.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Principal sources of funding 2019/2020:

- Donations
- Admission Adult £2 Juniors 50p
- Coffee morning
- Lectures
- Merchandising
- Memberships £10 per annum


All monies are used to maintain, run or improve the building, conserve the artefacts, provide exhibitions or enhance the experiences of the visiting public.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	PAUL JOSEPH	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR	
Date	7 TH June 2021	

