

**Cresswell Pele Tower CIO**  
**Unaudited Financial Statements**  
**31 August 2023**

# **Cresswell Pele Tower CIO**

## **Financial Statements**

**Year ended 31 August 2023**

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# Cresswell Pele Tower CIO

## Trustees' Annual Report

Year ended 31 August 2023

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The trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2023.

### Reference and administrative details

<b>Registered charity name</b>	Cresswell Pele Tower CIO
<b>Charity registration number</b>	1176137
<b>Principal office</b>	5 St Bartholomews Close Cresswell Morpeth NE61 5JX

### The trustees

M K Wright	(Resigned 31 August 2023)
D W Lodge	
B Mead	
T Kirsop	
R Haywood	
P Hood	

<b>Independent examiner</b>	Michael W Reed Russell House Greenwell Road Alnwick Northumberland NE66 1HB
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### Structure, governance and management

Governance of the Charity is through 5 independent Trustees appointed for their skills, knowledge and interest in the project that the Charity is seeking to deliver at the Pele Tower. Responsibilities are shared amongst the Trustees and where necessary independent consultants and contractors are appointed to support project delivery after approval by all Trustees. There are no direct employees of the Charity.

# **Cresswell Pele Tower CIO**

## **Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)***

**Year ended 31 August 2023**

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### **Objectives and activities**

The purpose of Cresswell Pele Tower CIO is the advancement of heritage and education, in particular through the restoration, preservation and promotion of Cresswell Pele Tower to enable it to open to the public and enable the exploration of its landscape through a community archaeology project. Cresswell Pele Tower CIO would like to carry out all of the capital works detailed in a recent Development Appraisal report which will remove the Tower from the "Heritage at Risk" register and restore it to the highest standard appropriate for a Grade 11\* historic building.

### **Achievements and performance**

Cresswell Pele Tower opened its doors as a visitor attraction in July 2021 and attracted a respectable 6,000 visitors in its first year of opening. The tower was opened primarily on Sundays and Bank Holiday Mondays with additional opening times during the peak summer holiday period. Footfall was approximately 100 plus per day. In order to provide maximum accessibility admission to the tower was free of charge although donation boxes have been strategically positioned to maximise income.

In addition to normal opening hours the tower was also opened for group tours. A variety of organisations took advantage of this additional, charged-for service ranging from Local History & Archaeology Societies to paranormal groups!

Face to face and Zoom talks about the tower and adjacent walled garden were also given to numerous organisations across Northumberland and elsewhere.

The CIO's Volunteer Coordinator/Events Organiser regularly prepares and issues Newsletters to keep Trustees, volunteers and the general public informed about what is happening.

The derelict walled garden has been transformed into a community garden for all to enjoy and offer numerous volunteering opportunities, bolstering those already offered through the pele tower project. CPTCIO have completed the majority of capital works and the community garden has been open to visitors during the late summer of 2023. There is an extensive programme of community activities for the next 18 months being planned and will be delivered by the Volunteer Coordinator as part of the HLF funded project along with match funding from other local funders.

None of the above would have been possible without the continued commitment from our ever-willing volunteers for which CPTCIO is extremely grateful.

### **Financial review**

During the year Cresswell Pele Tower CIO received income by way grants to fund the ongoing improvements to the Tower resulting in a surplus of £125,517.

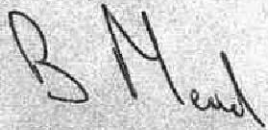
# Cresswell Pele Tower CIO

## Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

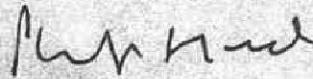
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The trustees' annual report was approved on 5/12/23 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:



B Mead  
Trustee



P Hood  
Trustee

# **Cresswell Pele Tower CIO**

## **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Cresswell Pele Tower CIO**

**Year ended 31 August 2023**

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Cresswell Pele Tower CIO ('the charity') for the year ended 31 August 2023.

### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

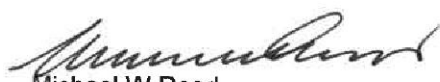
I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

### **Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Michael W Reed  
Independent Examiner

Russell House  
Greenwell Road  
Alnwick  
Northumberland  
NE66 1HB

# Cresswell Pele Tower CIO

## Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 31 August 2023

		Unrestricted funds £	2023 Restricted funds £	Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
	Note				
<b>Income and endowments</b>					
Donations and legacies	4	6,400	172,772	179,172	86,304
Charitable activities	5	4,573	—	4,573	7,345
<b>Total income</b>		<u>10,973</u>	<u>172,772</u>	<u>183,745</u>	<u>93,649</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>					
Expenditure on raising funds:					
Costs of raising donations and legacies	6	(31)	(2,563)	(2,594)	(5,359)
Expenditure on charitable activities	7,8	4,114	51,520	55,634	70,827
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<u>(4,145)</u>	<u>(54,083)</u>	<u>(58,228)</u>	<u>(76,186)</u>
<b>Net income and net movement in funds</b>		<u>6,828</u>	<u>118,689</u>	<u>125,517</u>	<u>17,463</u>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>					
Total funds brought forward		643	802,168	802,811	785,348
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<u>7,471</u>	<u>920,857</u>	<u>928,328</u>	<u>802,811</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 7 to 14 form part of these financial statements.



# Cresswell Pele Tower CIO

## Statement of Financial Position

31 August 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible fixed assets	13	865,844	732,914
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	14	53,196	25,077
Cash at bank and in hand		60,426	47,070
		<u>113,622</u>	<u>72,147</u>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	15	51,138	2,250
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>62,484</u>	<u>69,897</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<u>928,328</u>	<u>802,811</u>
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>928,328</u>	<u>802,811</u>
<b>Funds of the charity</b>			
Restricted funds		920,857	802,168
Unrestricted funds		7,471	643
<b>Total charity funds</b>	16	<u>928,328</u>	<u>802,811</u>

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 5/12/23, and are signed on behalf of the board by:

B Mead  
Trustee

P Hood  
Trustee



# **Cresswell Pele Tower CIO**

## **Notes to the Financial Statements**

**Year ended 31 August 2023**

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### **1. General information**

The charity is a public benefit entity and a registered charity in England and Wales and is unincorporated. The address of the principal office is 5 St Bartholomews Close, Cresswell, Morpeth, Northumberland, NE61 5JX.

### **2. Statement of compliance**

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Charities Act 2011.

### **3. Accounting policies**

#### **Basis of preparation**

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investment properties measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

#### **Going concern**

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

#### **Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty**

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

#### **Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees to further any of the charity's purposes.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular future project or commitment.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure declared by the donor or through the terms of an appeal, and fall into one of two sub-classes: restricted income funds or endowment funds.

# Cresswell Pele Tower CIO

## Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 August 2023

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### 3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

#### Incoming resources

All income is included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity, it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- income from donations or grants is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably. The grants which relates directly to the restoration project are recognised in income only when the the costs have been incurred. Where grants have been received prior to cost being incurred, they are recognised as a liability.
- legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.
- income from donated goods is measured at the fair value of the goods unless this is impractical to measure reliably, in which case the value is derived from the cost to the donor or the estimated resale value. Donated facilities and services are recognised in the accounts when received if the value can be reliably measured. No amounts are included for the contribution of general volunteers.
- income from contracts for the supply of services is recognised with the delivery of the contracted service. This is classified as unrestricted funds unless there is a contractual requirement for it to be spent on a particular purpose and returned if unspent, in which case it may be regarded as restricted.

#### Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.
- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.
- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

#### Tangible assets

Tangible assets are initially recorded at cost, and subsequently stated at cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Any tangible assets carried at revalued amounts are recorded at the fair value at the date of revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

# Cresswell Pele Tower CIO

## Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 August 2023

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### 3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

#### Tangible assets *(continued)*

An increase in the carrying amount of an asset as a result of a revaluation, is recognised in other recognised gains and losses, unless it reverses a charge for impairment that has previously been recognised as expenditure within the statement of financial activities. A decrease in the carrying amount of an asset as a result of revaluation, is recognised in other recognised gains and losses, except to which it offsets any previous revaluation gain, in which case the loss is shown within other recognised gains and losses on the statement of financial activities.

#### Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Equipment	- 20% reducing balance
Leasehold improvement	- 4% straight line

#### Impairment of fixed assets

A review for indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist. Where the carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

For the purposes of impairment testing, when it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, an estimate is made of the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. The cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets that includes the asset and generates cash inflows that largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

For impairment testing of goodwill, the goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the charity are assigned to those units.

#### Financial instruments

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the amount receivable or payable including any related transaction costs.

Current assets and current liabilities are subsequently measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received and not discounted.

Debt instruments are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Where investments in shares are publicly traded or their fair value can otherwise be measured reliably, the investment is subsequently measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in income and expenditure. All other such investments are subsequently measured at cost less impairment.

# Cresswell Pele Tower CIO

## Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 August 2023

### 3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

#### Financial instruments *(continued)*

Other financial instruments, including derivatives, are initially recognised at fair value, unless payment for an asset is deferred beyond normal business terms or financed at a rate of interest that is not a market rate, in which case the asset is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Other financial instruments are subsequently measured at fair value, with any changes recognised in the statement of financial activities, with the exception of hedging instruments in a designated hedging relationship.

Financial assets that are measured at cost or amortised cost are reviewed for objective evidence of impairment at the end of each reporting date. If there is objective evidence of impairment, an impairment loss is recognised under the appropriate heading in the statement of financial activities in which the initial gain was recognised.

For all equity instruments regardless of significance, and other financial assets that are individually significant, these are assessed individually for impairment. Other financial assets are either assessed individually or grouped on the basis of similar credit risk characteristics.

Any reversals of impairment are recognised immediately, to the extent that the reversal does not result in a carrying amount of the financial asset that exceeds what the carrying amount would have been had the impairment not previously been recognised.

### 4. Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
<b>Donations</b>			
Donations	6,400	—	6,400
<b>Grants</b>			
Grants receivable	—	172,772	172,772
	<u>6,400</u>	<u>172,772</u>	<u>179,172</u>
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
<b>Donations</b>			
Donations	568	—	568
<b>Grants</b>			
Grants receivable	—	85,736	85,736
	<u>568</u>	<u>85,736</u>	<u>86,304</u>

# Cresswell Pele Tower CIO

## Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 August 2023

### 5. Charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2023	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£
Books	4,573	4,573	7,082	7,080
Hire and events	—	—	265	265
	<u>4,573</u>	<u>4,573</u>	<u>7,347</u>	<u>7,345</u>

### 6. Costs of raising donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£
Costs of raising donations and legacies	31	2,563	2,594

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£
Costs of raising donations and legacies	2,740	2,620	5,359

### 7. Expenditure on charitable activities by fund type

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£
Activity	2,961	51,520	54,481
Support costs	1,153	—	1,153
	<u>4,114</u>	<u>51,520</u>	<u>55,634</u>

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£
Activity	4,418	65,635	70,052
Support costs	775	—	775
	<u>5,193</u>	<u>65,635</u>	<u>70,827</u>

### 8. Expenditure on charitable activities by activity type

	Activities undertaken directly	Support costs	Total funds 2023	Total fund 2022
	£	£	£	£
Activity	54,481	—	54,481	70,052
Governance costs	—	1,153	1,153	775
	<u>54,481</u>	<u>1,153</u>	<u>55,634</u>	<u>70,827</u>

# Cresswell Pele Tower CIO

## Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 August 2023

### 9. Net income

Net income is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2023 £	2022 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	<u>39,576</u>	<u>34,907</u>

### 10. Independent examination fees

	2023 £	2022 £
Fees payable to the independent examiner for: Independent examination of the financial statements	<u>865</u>	<u>775</u>

### 11. Staff costs

The average head count of employees during the year was Nil (2022: Nil).

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2022: Nil).

### 12. Trustee remuneration and expenses

During the year £5,250 (2022: £7,500) was paid to B Mead for Development consultancy services at market rate.

During the year £5,764 (2022: £8,150) was paid to S R Solutions NE Ltd a company in which D Lodge is a director at market rate.

### 13. Tangible fixed assets

	Fixtures and fittings £	Leasehold improvements £	Total £
<b>Cost</b>			
At 1 September 2022	15,027	809,496	824,523
Additions	<u>4,844</u>	<u>167,662</u>	<u>172,506</u>
<b>At 31 August 2023</b>	<u>19,871</u>	<u>977,158</u>	<u>997,029</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>			
At 1 September 2022	3,552	88,057	91,609
Charge for the year	<u>2,634</u>	<u>36,942</u>	<u>39,576</u>
<b>At 31 August 2023</b>	<u>6,186</u>	<u>124,999</u>	<u>131,185</u>
<b>Carrying amount</b>			
<b>At 31 August 2023</b>	<u>13,685</u>	<u>852,159</u>	<u>865,844</u>
At 31 August 2022	<u>11,475</u>	<u>721,439</u>	<u>732,914</u>



# Cresswell Pele Tower CIO

## Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 August 2023

### 14. Debtors

	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade debtors	46,833	25,000
Other debtors	6,363	77
	<u>53,196</u>	<u>25,077</u>

### 15. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade creditors	50,273	1,475
Accruals and deferred income	865	775
	<u>51,138</u>	<u>2,250</u>

### 16. Analysis of charitable funds

#### Unrestricted funds

	At 1 September 2022	Income £	Expenditure £	At 31 August 2023 £
Unrestricted fund - General funds	643	<u>10,973</u>	<u>(4,145)</u>	<u>7,471</u>

	At 1 September 2021	Income £	Expenditure £	At 31 August 2022 £
Unrestricted fund - General funds	661	<u>7,915</u>	<u>(7,933)</u>	<u>643</u>

#### Restricted funds

	At 1 September 2022	Income £	Expenditure £	At 31 August 2023 £
Restricted fund	802,168	<u>172,772</u>	<u>(54,083)</u>	<u>920,857</u>

	At 1 September 2021	Income £	Expenditure £	At 31 August 2022 £
Restricted fund	784,687	<u>85,736</u>	<u>(68,255)</u>	<u>802,168</u>

# Cresswell Pele Tower CIO

## Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 August 2023

### 17. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Tangible fixed assets	–	865,844	865,844
Current assets	8,405	105,217	113,622
Creditors less than 1 year	(934)	(50,204)	(51,138)
<b>Net assets</b>	<u>7,471</u>	<u>920,857</u>	<u>928,328</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Tangible fixed assets	–	732,914	732,914
Current assets	1,471	70,676	72,147
Creditors less than 1 year	(828)	(1,422)	(2,250)
<b>Net assets</b>	<u>643</u>	<u>802,168</u>	<u>802,811</u>

# **Cresswell Pele Tower CIO**

## **Management Information**

**Year ended 31 August 2023**

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**The following pages do not form part of the financial statements.**

# Cresswell Pele Tower CIO

## Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 31 August 2023

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	2023 £	2022 £
<b>Income and endowments</b>		
<b>Donations and legacies</b>		
Donations	6,400	568
Grants receivable	172,772	85,736
	<u>179,172</u>	<u>86,304</u>
 <b>Charitable activities</b>		
Books	4,573	7,080
Hire and events (2022)	—	265
	<u>4,573</u>	<u>7,345</u>
 <b>Total income</b>	<u>183,745</u>	<u>93,649</u>
 <b>Expenditure</b>		
<b>Costs of raising donations and legacies</b>		
Purchases	31	(2,740)
Fundraising expenses	2,563	2,619
	<u>2,594</u>	<u>(5,359)</u>
 <b>Expenditure on charitable activities</b>		
Rates	69	—
Volunteer coordinator costs	5,741	5,268
Insurance	6,869	4,247
Publicity	1,011	500
Legal and professional fees	1,153	20,390
Maintenance and gardening	646	3,364
Bank charges	171	174
Depreciation	39,576	34,907
Volunteer expenses and other sundry costs	342	1,688
Administration services	56	289
	<u>55,634</u>	<u>70,827</u>
 <b>Total expenditure</b>	<u>(58,228)</u>	<u>(76,186)</u>
 <b>Net income</b>	<u>125,517</u>	<u>17,463</u>

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## Cresswell Pele Tower CIO

### Notes to the Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 31 August 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
<b>Costs of raising donations and legacies</b>		
Costs of raising donations and legacies		
Books	31	2,740
Fundraising exepenses	2,563	2,619
	<u>2,594</u>	<u>5,359</u>
<b>Costs of raising donations and legacies</b>	<u>(2,594)</u>	<u>(5,359)</u>
<b>Expenditure on charitable activities</b>		
<b>Activity</b>		
<i>Activities undertaken directly</i>		
Rates	69	—
Volunteer coordinator costs	5,741	5,268
Insurance	6,869	4,247
Publicity	1,011	500
Legal and professional fees (2022)	—	19,615
Maintenance and gardening	646	3,364
Bank charges	171	174
Depreciation	39,576	34,907
Volunteer expenses and other sundry costs	342	1,688
Administration services	56	289
	<u>54,481</u>	<u>70,052</u>
<b>Governance costs</b>		
Governance costs - accountancy fees	1,153	775
<b>Expenditure on charitable activities</b>	<u>55,634</u>	<u>70,827</u>