

Charity number: 1193927

Redhills CIO

**Annual report
31 March 2024**

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Reference and administrative details **Year ended 31 March 2024**

Trustees

David Anderson (appointed 4 June 2024)
Beth Jones (appointed 6 September 2023)
Kate Abson (appointed 6 September 2023)
CLR Elizabeth Scott (appointed 6 September 2023)
Mary Stratford (appointed 6 September 2023)
Victoria Hughes (appointed 6 September 2023)
Rachael Lennon
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Prof John Tomaney
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Charity registered number

1193927

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Trustees' report Year ended 31 March 2024

The trustees present their annual report together with the audited financial statements of the charity for the year 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024. The annual report serves the purposes of both a trustees' report and a directors' report under company law. The trustees confirm that the annual report and financial statements of the charitable company comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the charitable company's governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2019).

This report covers the period from April 2023 to March 2024 and includes the highlights of activity for Redhills CIO, charity number 1193927.

Objectives and activities

Charitable Objects

The objects of the CIO are:

(a) To promote for the benefit of the inhabitants of Durham without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinions, by associating together the said inhabitants and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and other leisure time occupations with the objects of improving the conditions of life of the said inhabitants; and

(b) To preserve and maintain the Miners Hall, Durham and to manage the same for the purpose of a community centre.

Summary of activities

1. Preservation and management of the Miners' Hall, Durham and its associated heritage.
2. Promotion and provision of education, recreation and leisure activities in relation to the heritage and culture of the Durham coalfield.
3. Improving understanding of Durham coalfield heritage and its regional, national and international significance.

The charity is currently in the construction phase of a capital project to preserve the Miners' Hall that will give it the base to carry out activities in furtherance of its objects over the coming years

Achievements and performance

Preservation and management of the Miners' Hall and its associated heritage.

This financial year was the first in which the charity operated a full 12-month period. It was a year in which preparations for the significant renovation work for the Miners Hall began and grant applications were made to bring the project to fruition. Fundraising was a central feature of the board's activities, and we are indebted to our staff for their diligence in pursuing this funding. The charity finances were stable during this period despite weathering inflationary pressures. Details of the funding secured to allow the project to progress to the construction phase are detailed within the financial statements. We are grateful to all who have helped to make this project happen.

Miners' Hall construction

Construction began in June 2023 following a rephasing of part of the new build extension to meet budgetary constraints. The work is now on schedule to complete in February 2025.

Further funding was gained through Arts Council National Portfolio funding which began in April 2023. This funding of £150k per year will last for four years and will support staffing and other costs in the early years of trading.

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Trustees' report (continued) Year ended 31 March 2024

Board expansion

The board of trustees was expanded in October 2023 to give greater representation to community interests and address the gender balance. The board has been concerned to maintain sound fiscal control and to develop its business plan while the construction programme has progressed.

Community presence

Redhills CIO has also maintained a positive public presence while building work has kept the Miners Hall closed.

The charity played a major role in the Durham Miners' Gala with activities and public engagement in July 2023.

A research and photographic project mapped the last of the miners to go below ground in Washington new town. It examined the relationship between sense of belonging and place while capturing important oral histories of former pitmen. The 'Coal Face' exhibition attracted record crowds its showing at Washington F Pit in Sept 2023.

Redhills also took forward its programme of developing and supporting community networks to assist volunteer and third sector organisers. A gathering in October 2023 attracted over 70 community organisers and set the programme for Redhills role in supporting this activity.

Lastly, the Durham Miners Association Brass Band Christmas Concert was revived in December 2023.

The last quarter of the year was dominated by the construction programme which saw the Miners Hall rebuilt from basement to rooftop and installation of a ground source heat pump. It is believed the hall will be one of the first heritage buildings to be solely heated by a non-carbon source.

Financial review

Total funds of the Trust at 31 March 2024 amounted to £7,095,437, of which £309,502 is restricted.

The revenue balances carried forward at 31 March 2024 are a £36,040 surplus (2023: £273,462) on restricted funds and £5,293,800 surplus (2023: £1,492,135) on unrestricted funds following a transfer of funds from restricted to unrestricted totalling £3,575,063 (2023: £nil). The net movements in total funds is therefore £5,329,840 (2023: £1,765,597).

Principal funding sources

The principal funding sources during the period were grants and donations towards the capital development of the Miners' Hall, including a substantial grant from the National Lottery Heritage Fund, and a large donation from the Durham Miners Association.

Fundraising

The majority of funds raised to date has been secured through grant application or direct donations from individuals with an interest in the project. No significant fundraising has been targeted at the general public, and Redhills CIO is not registered with the fundraising regulator. The future fundraising plan focusses on building reserves to underpin the first two years of commercial operation. As the capital phase is now fully financed, Redhills CIO will be asking existing donors and other funding bodies to support the business development programme by assisting the early operational period. This is also supported by continued NLHF funding until 2026. This supports staffing and running costs. The Arts Council England NPO agreement offers unrestricted funds of £150,000 per year. This will primarily support staff costs during this period. The fundraising plan includes appeals to trades unions, trusts and foundations, local and national government bodies and universities.

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Year ended 31 March 2024

Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the accounting policies.

Reserves policy

As the charity is still in its development phase, no formal reserves policy has yet been set. Free unrestricted reserves (not tied up in tangible fixed assets) at 31 March 2024 were £1,710,872, which will allow the capital phase of development to be completed. The trustees monitor cash flow closely through the capital phase and are satisfied with the position at the year end.

Principle risks and uncertainties

The principle risk at present is the successful delivery of the capital project, within budget. The trustees have employed trusted experienced professionals to manage the risks of the project, and are closely involved with both staff and engaged professionals to ensure the aims of the project are delivered. A more detailed risk register will be developed for the next phase of the project, on completion of the capital works.

Structure and governance

Constitution

The charity was established as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation on 26 March 2021 (registered number 1193927).

Policies

In addition to the constitution adopted by the charity on formation the following governing documents, policies and working groups have been established:

- Financial regulations
- Ethical policy
- Finance subcommittee
- Register of interests and management of interests statement
- Equality, diversity and inclusion statement
- Safeguarding policy statement
- Maintaining charity independence statement

Appointment of Trustees

Trustees shall be appointed for a term of three years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the Trustees. Any person retiring as a Trustee is eligible for reappointment, although a Trustee who has completed two consecutive terms of service may not be reappointed for a third term until a period of at least one year has elapsed.

In addition to Trustees appointed in accordance with the above clauses, additional Trustees may be co-opted for shorter or fixed periods because of the particular capabilities and competences they may bring for specific projects or programmes of work.

In selecting individuals for appointment as Trustees, the Trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO.

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Trustees' report (continued) Year ended 31 March 2024

Upon appointment, all Trustees shall be given:

- (a) a copy of the current version of this Constitution; and
- (b) a copy of the CIO's latest Trustees' Annual Report and statement of accounts
- (c) a full and comprehensive briefing on the objectives, strategy, operations and finances of the CIO.
- (d) up to date Charity Commission guidance on trustee duties and obligations including public benefit.

Retirement and removal of Trustees

The office of a Trustee shall be vacated if he or she:

- (a) resigns office by giving three months' notice in writing to the CIO (but only if at least three Trustees will remain in office); or
- (b) is absent without the permission of the Trustees from all their meetings held within a period of six months and the Trustees resolve that his or her office be vacated; or
- (c) is removed from office for conduct prejudicial to the CIO by a majority vote of the Trustees, provided that any Trustee whose removal is proposed shall have the right to make representation to the meeting where the decision is to be taken; CIO Constitution
- (d) becomes bankrupt or makes any arrangement with his or her creditors generally; or
- (e) is otherwise disqualified by law from serving as a charity trustee.

Taking of decisions by Trustees

Any decision may be taken either:

- (a) at a meeting of the Trustees; or
- (b) by resolution in writing or electronic form agreed by all of the Trustees.

Delegation by Trustees

The Trustees may delegate any of their powers or functions to a committee or committees, provided that the terms of any delegation must be recorded in the minute book. The Trustees may subsequently revoke or alter a delegation.

The Trustees may impose conditions when delegating, and will always include the conditions that:

- (a) a committee may consist of two or more persons, but at least one member of each committee must be a Trustee;
- (b) the relevant powers are to be exercised exclusively by the committee to whom they delegate;
- (c) no expenditure may be incurred on behalf of the CIO except in accordance with a budget previously agreed with the Trustees;
- (d) the committee shall report regularly to the Trustees.

Organisational Structure

The Board of Trustees now numbers ten people representing a wide range of stakeholders and community interests. A succession plan has been put in place as the founding trustees reach the end of their three-year term in March 2025. An interim chief executive has been appointed while the board recruits a successor to the potholder who moved on to another job in September 2024. The board continues to meet on a monthly basis to monitor progress on the capital programme and exercise budgetary control.

Meetings of Trustees

A meeting shall be summoned on the request of a Trustee by giving reasonable notice to all the Trustees. It shall not be necessary to give notice of a meeting to any Trustee when absent from the United Kingdom. At present meetings are held monthly with agreement to revise this to alternating monthly meetings at an appropriate time.

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Trustees' report (continued)

Year ended 31 March 2024

Chairing of meetings

The Trustees may appoint one of their number to chair their meetings and may at any time revoke such appointment. If no-one has been so appointed, or if the person appointed is unwilling to preside or is not present within 10 minutes after the time of the meeting, the Trustees present may appoint one of their number to chair that meeting.

Pay policy for senior staff

Staff are appointed with trustee agreement at market rate salaries for the posts concerned. A formal staff remuneration policy will be developed as the charity becomes more established.

Related Parties

1. Durham Miners' Association: Redhills CIO and Durham Miners' Association have worked together to transfer the ownership of the hall and realise the required funds for the halls' renewal. The two organisations also share key personnel, with DMA Directors Stephen Guy and Ross Forbes holding the role of Trustee and Employee respectively. Durham Miners' Association is therefore considered by Redhills CIO to be a related party and all transactions between the two organisations should be declared as such to ensure the best interests of the charity are served at all times.

2. University College London: Redhills CIO is working in partnership with UCL to develop community research networks in the former Durham Coalfield area. Redhills Trustee Professor John Tomaney is an employee of UCL as a Senior Professor. All transactions between the two parties should therefore be declared to ensure the best interests of the charity are served at all times.

Trustees Remuneration

No members of the board of trustees received any remuneration during the year. No trustee or other person related to the charity had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity during the year.

Plans for the future

Redhills CIO will open the refurbished Miners Hall for operation and trading in the Spring of 2025. This will mark the end of the capital programme and construction phase. A schedule of events, conferences and other income generating activities is being developed. Recruitment for staffing the operational building and associated outreach functions is underway. Programmes for educational and community engagement are being developed to fulfil the CIO's commitment to heritage and cultural work.

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Statement of trustees' responsibilities Year ended 31 March 2024

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the Trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by order of the members of the board of trustees on 28 January 2025 and signed on its behalf by:



Raymond Mills
Trustee

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Trustees' report (continued) Year ended 31 March 2024

Disclosure of information to auditors

Each of the persons who are trustees at the time when this trustees' report is approved has confirmed that:

- so far as that trustee is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the charity's auditors are unaware, and
- that trustee has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a trustee in order to be aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charity's auditors are aware of that information.

Auditors

UNW LLP were appointed as auditor during the year. The auditor has indicated their willingness to continue in office. The designated trustees will propose a motion reappointing the auditors at a meeting of the trustees.

Approved by order of the members of the board of trustees on 28 January 2025 and signed on their behalf by:



Raymond Mills
Trustee



Independent auditors' report to the Members of Redhills CIO

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Redhills CIO (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 March 2024 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet, the statement of cash flows and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 March 2024 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) ('ISAs (UK)') and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the 'Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements' section of our report. We are independent of the charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the United Kingdom, including the Financial Reporting Council's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.



Independent auditors' report to the Members of Redhills CIO (continued)

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the trustees' report is inconsistent in any material respect with the financial statements; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.



Independent auditors' report to the Members of Redhills CIO (continued)

Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

We identified areas of law and regulations that could reasonably be expected to have a material effect on the financial statements from our general and sector experience and through discussions with the directors and other management (as required by Auditing Standards) and from inspection of the charity's legal correspondence and we discussed with the directors and other management the policies and procedures in place regarding compliance with the laws and regulations. We communicated identified laws and regulations throughout our audit team and remained alert to any indications of non-compliance throughout the audit.

Firstly, the charity is subject to laws and regulations that directly affect the financial statements including financial reporting legislation (including related companies legislation) and taxation legislation and we assessed the extent of compliance with these laws and regulations as part of our procedures on the related financial statement items.

Secondly, the charity is subject to many other laws and regulations where the consequences of non-compliance could have a material effect on amounts or disclosures in the financial statements, for instance through the imposition of fines or litigation. We identified the following areas as those most likely to have such an effect; health and safety, employment law, data protection, environmental law and certain aspects of company legislation, recognising the nature of the charity's activities. Auditing Standards limit the required audit procedures to identify non-compliance with these laws and regulations to enquiry of the directors and other management and inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any. Through these procedures we did not become aware of any actual or suspected non-compliance material to the financial statements.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditors' report.



Independent auditors' report to the Members of Redhills CIO (continued)

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity's and its trustees, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Anne Hallowell BSc DChA FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of UNW LLP, Statutory Auditor
Chartered Accountants
Newcastle upon Tyne
28 January 2025

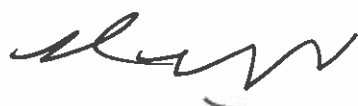
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Balance sheet At 31 March 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	9	5,075,063	1,500,000
		<u>5,075,063</u>	<u>1,500,000</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	10	2,146,711	7,606
Cash at bank and in hand		481,643	265,491
		<u>2,628,354</u>	<u>273,097</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	(607,980)	(7,500)
Net current assets		<u>2,020,374</u>	<u>265,597</u>
Total net assets		<u><u>7,095,437</u></u>	<u><u>1,765,597</u></u>
Charity funds			
Restricted funds	13	309,502	273,462
Unrestricted funds	13	6,785,935	1,492,135
Total funds		<u><u>7,095,437</u></u>	<u><u>1,765,597</u></u>

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of financial statements.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the trustees on 28 January 2025 and signed on their behalf by:



Raymond Mills
Trustee

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The notes on pages 16 to 27 form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of financial activities (incorporating income and expenditure account) Year ended 31 March 2024

	Note	Restricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Income from:					
Donations and legacies	4	3,645,260	2,010,693	5,655,953	1,932,481
Total income		3,645,260	2,010,693	5,655,953	1,932,481
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	5	34,157	291,956	326,113	166,884
Total expenditure		34,157	291,956	326,113	166,884
Net income		3,611,103	1,718,737	5,329,840	1,765,597
Transfers between funds	13	(3,575,063)	3,575,063	-	-
Net movement in funds		36,040	5,293,800	5,329,840	1,765,597
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		273,462	1,492,135	1,765,597	-
Net movement in funds		36,040	5,293,800	5,329,840	1,765,597
Total funds carried forward		309,502	6,785,935	7,095,437	1,765,597

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Statement of cash flows Year ended 31 March 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net cash used in operating activities	15	3,206,918	1,716,029
Cash flows from investing activities			
Net cash used in financing activities	16	(2,990,766)	(1,500,000)
Net cash used in investing activities		(2,990,766)	(1,500,000)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Net cash provided by financing activities		-	-
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year		216,152	216,029
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		265,491	49,462
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year		481,643	265,491

The notes on pages 16 to 27 form part of these financial statements

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Notes to the financial statements Year ended 31 March 2024

1. General information

The charity is a company limited by guarantee, incorporated and domiciled in England and a registered charity in England and Wales. The address of the registered office is Durham Miners Hall, Flass Street, Durham, DH1 4BE.

The members of the company are the trustees named on page 1.

A summary of the principal accounting policies adopted (which have been applied consistently, except where noted), judgments and key sources of estimation uncertainty, is set out below.

2. Accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the financial statements.

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland ('FRS 102') (effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland ('FRS 102') and the Charities Act 2011.

Redhills CIO meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

The financial statements are presented in pounds sterling which is the functional currency of the charity and are rounded to the nearest £1.

2.2 Going concern

The charity meets its working capital requirements through its operating cash flows.

The charity's forecasts and projections for the next twelve months show that the charity should be able to continue in operational existence for that period. The charity has strong positive cash balances and is forecasting for this to continue to be the case. The trustees have stress tested their forecasts, taking into account various scenarios, and remain confident that the uncertainties do not cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue to be a going concern.

After making enquiries, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

2.3 Income

All income is recognised once the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Grants are included in the statement of financial activities on a receivable basis. The balance of income received for specific purposes but not expended during the period is shown in the relevant funds on the balance sheet. Where income is received in advance of entitlement of receipt, its recognition is deferred and included in creditors as deferred income. Where entitlement occurs before income is received, the income is accrued.

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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.4 Expenditure

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been included under expense categories that aggregate all costs for allocation to activities. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular activities they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of the resources.

Support costs are those costs incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the charity, including those incurred in connection with the administration of the charity and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements. They are apportioned against the activities of the charity in line with the estimate usage of those costs.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the charity's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

2.5 Employee benefits

Short-term benefits

Short-term benefits, including holiday pay and other similar non-monetary benefits, are recognised as an expense in the period in which the service is received.

Defined contribution pension plan

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension plan for its employees. Contributions are recognised as an expense when they fall due. Amounts due but not yet paid are included within creditors on the balance sheet. The assets of the plan are held separately from the company in independently administered funds.

2.6 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are capitalised and recognised when future economic benefits are probable and the cost or value of the asset can be measured reliably.

Tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. All costs incurred to bring tangible fixed assets into their intended working condition are included in the measurement of cost.

Assets in the course of construction are included at costs incurred to date. Depreciation on these assets is not charged until they are brought into use.

2.7 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

2.8 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

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Notes to the financial statements Year ended 31 March 2024

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.9 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

2.10 Financial instruments

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

2.11 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

3. Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgment

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

In preparing these financial statements the trustees do not consider there were any significant areas of judgement or accounting estimates that were required in applying the charity's accounting policies as set out above.

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4. Income from donations and legacies

	Restricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £
Grants			
NHLF	2,325,412	-	2,325,412
CISWO	590,400	-	590,400
Durham County Council	709,556	-	709,556
Arts Council	-	150,000	150,000
Garfield Weston	-	300,000	300,000
Other grants	19,892	60,693	80,585
Total grants	3,645,260	510,693	4,155,953
Donations	-	1,500,000	1,500,000
Donations	-	1,500,000	1,500,000
	3,645,260	2,010,693	5,655,953
	Restricted funds 2023 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £
Donations	49,462	1,659,019	1,708,481
Grants	224,000	-	224,000
	273,462	1,659,019	1,932,481

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5. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Summary by fund type

	Restricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
Charitable activities	34,157	291,956	326,113

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
Charitable activities	166,884	166,884

6. Analysis of expenditure by activities

	Activities undertaken directly 2024 £	Support costs 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £
Community engagement and events	258,469	67,644	326,113

	Activities undertaken directly 2023 £	Support costs 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £
Community engagement and events	159,019	7,865	166,884

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6. Analysis of expenditure by activities (continued)

Analysis of support costs

	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Rent and rates	33,329	80
Light power and heat	4,570	-
Training and subscriptions	1,222	-
Administration expenses	10,598	285
Travel	5,735	-
Insurance	1,932	-
Legal	1,308	-
Governance costs	8,950	7,500
	<u>67,644</u>	<u>7,865</u>

7. Auditors' remuneration

	2024 £	2023 £
Fees payable to the charity's auditor for the audit of the charity's annual accounts	<u>7,750</u>	<u>7,500</u>

8. Staff costs

	2024 £	2023 £
Wages and salaries	181,527	145,667
Social security costs	13,879	11,072
Contribution to defined contribution pension schemes	4,078	2,280
	<u>199,484</u>	<u>159,019</u>

The average number of persons employed by the charity during the year was as follows:

	2024 No.	2023 No.
Average number of employees	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>

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8. Staff costs (continued)

No employee received remuneration amounting to more than £60,000 in either year.

The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £133,583 (2023: £122,332).

During the prior year, no trustee received any remuneration or reimbursement of expenses.

9. Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold property £
Cost or valuation	
At 1 April 2023	1,500,000
Additions	3,575,063
At 31 March 2024	5,075,063
Depreciation	
At 1 April 2023	-
Charge for the year	-
At 31 March 2024	-
Net book value	
At 31 March 2024	5,075,063
At 31 March 2023	1,500,000

The Miners Hall, included in freehold property above, was transferred to the charity from DMA 2021 Limited in March 2023. The property was transferred at a cost of £1,500,000 based on a valuation of the building performed by Hampton Smith Lampton on 7 June 2022.

10. Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
Trade debtors	646,711	7,606
Prepayments and accrued income	1,500,000	-
	2,146,711	7,606

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11. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Trade creditors	405,586	-
Other taxation and social security	6,482	-
Other creditors	717	-
Accruals and deferred income	195,195	7,500
	<u>607,980</u>	<u>7,500</u>

12. Pension commitments

The charity operates a defined contributions pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the company to the fund and amounted to £4,078 (2023: £2,280) . Contributions totalling £707 (2023: £nil) were payable to the fund at the balance sheet date and are included in creditors.

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13. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 April 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Balance at 31 March 2024 £
Unrestricted funds					
General Funds	1,492,135	2,010,693	(291,956)	3,575,063	6,785,935
Restricted funds					
CISWO	-	590,400	-	(590,400)	-
NLHF Redhills Revealed	54,000	2,325,412	(3,670)	(2,375,742)	-
DMA Partnership Funds	49,462	-	-	(49,462)	-
Durham County Council	-	709,556	-	(559,459)	150,097
UCL Community Research Network	170,000	-	(26,733)	-	143,267
Trusts and Foundations	-	10,000	-	-	10,000
Other smaller restricted funds	-	9,892	(3,754)	-	6,138
	273,462	3,645,260	(34,157)	(3,575,063)	309,502
Total of funds	1,765,597	5,655,953	(326,113)	-	7,095,437

The transfers from the restricted fund to the unrestricted fund relates entirely to the Redhills Revealed capital project.

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13. Statement of funds (continued)

Statement of funds - prior year

	Income £	Expenditure £	Balance at 31 March 2023 £
Unrestricted funds			
General Funds	1,659,019	(166,884)	1,492,135
Restricted funds			
UCL Community Research Network	170,000	-	170,000
NLHF Redhills Revealed	54,000	-	54,000
DMA Partnership Funds	49,462	-	49,462
	273,462	-	273,462
Total of funds	1,932,481	(166,884)	1,765,597

The specific purposes for which the funds are to be applied are as follows:

CISWO: funds provided for the refurbishment of the Miners Hall roof.

NLHF Redhills Revealed: capital development programme for the renewal of Durham Miners' Hall.

DMA Partnership Funds: funding support for the delivery of the Redhills Revealed programme.

Durham County Council: funds for delivery of the Redhills Revealed capital programme.

UCL Community Research Network: developing research programmes and activities exploring heritage and identity in the former coalfield.

Arts Council: funding support for the Redhills Revealed capital project as Redhills CIO is designated as a National Portfolio Organisation (NPO).

Trusts and Foundations: Garfield Weston provided unrestricted funding for the overall Redhills Revealed project.

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14. Analysis of net assets between funds

Analysis of net assets between funds - current period

	Restricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £
Tangible fixed assets	-	5,075,063	5,075,063
Current assets	707,694	1,920,660	2,628,354
Creditors due within one year	(398,192)	(209,788)	(607,980)
Total	309,502	6,785,935	7,095,437

Analysis of net assets between funds - prior period

	Restricted funds 2023 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £
Tangible fixed assets	-	1,500,000	1,500,000
Current assets	273,462	(365)	273,097
Creditors due within one year	-	(7,500)	(7,500)
Total	273,462	1,492,135	1,765,597

15. Cash flow from operating activities

	2024 £	2023 £
Net income for the period	5,296,200	1,765,597
Increase in debtors	(2,139,105)	(7,606)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	49,823	(41,932)
	3,206,918	1,716,059

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16. Cash flow from investing activities

	2024 £	2023 £
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	(2,990,766)	(1,500,000)
	<u>(2,990,766)</u>	<u>(1,500,000)</u>

17. Contingent liabilities

Redhills CIO is in receipt of a grant from the National Lottery Heritage Fund. The grant is secured upon the building owned by the charity and is subject to restrictions and potential claw back should the use of the property not meet the grant conditions, for a period of 20 years.

18. Capital commitments

	2024 £	2023 £
Contracted for but not provided in these financial statements		
Purchase, construction or development of property	<u>6,849,316</u>	<u>-</u>

19. Related party transactions

During the year, the charity made the following related party transactions:

Durham Minors Association (DMA), in which Stephen Guy was Chairman, provided income totalling £1,500,000 (2023: £49,462) in aid of the Redhills Revealed capital project underway.

University College London (UCL), for which Redhills Trustee Professor John Tomaney is an employee, provided income of £nil (2023: £170,000).

