

Charity Registration No. 1194056

**THE ROPEWALK (BARTON) LTD
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 March 2025**

THE ROPEWALK (BARTON) LTD

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	Ms A Wallis (Chair) Ms V Bissett Mr T Millum Ms C Leaning Mr N King Mr P Drant-appointed 1 April 2025 Ms JM Avison-appointed 1 April 2025
Secretary	Ms A Bennet
Charity number	1194056
Company number	12830491
Principal address	The Ropewalk Maltkiln Road Barton-Upon-Humber North Lincolnshire DN18 5JT
Registered office	The Ropewalk Maltkiln Road Barton-Upon-Humber North Lincolnshire DN18 5JT
Independent examiner	A P Robinson & Co (Grimsby) LLP Chartered Accountants 107 Cleethorpes Road Grimsby North East Lincolnshire DN31 3ER

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TRUSTEES REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

The Trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 and "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)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016).

Objectives and Activities

The Charity objects are the advancement of public appreciation in, the arts, culture, heritage and science, in particular (without limitation) by:

- a) the establishment and maintenance of a museum relating to industrial heritage and its permanent collection, including by acquiring suitable objects for the collections;
- b) promoting and exhibiting works of artistic excellence and providing gallery space for the public display of work

The trustees are aware of their responsibilities as outlined by the charity commission for public benefit

During the year 202 volunteers gave a total of 4,099 volunteer hours to The Ropewalk on a variety of events and general activity. Volunteers acted as stewards at exhibitions and public events, completed building and grounds maintenance and served the community at health and well being community projects.

Achievements and Performance

The charity has provided a cultural hub for the local community and the wider region with free access to arts and heritage activities and exhibitions with 96,038 people benefitting.

An extensive programme of inclusive activities has welcomed elderly, disadvantaged and isolated individuals into the centre to free or low-cost activities fostering social cohesion and positive individual wellbeing.

Financial review

During the year the charity had a deficit of £34,101 (2024: £-6,691). For the year ended 31 March 2025 the unrestricted reserves stood at -£34,101 (2024: £6,691), restricted reserves being £0 (2024: £Nil). The reserves will be used for the furtherance of the charity's objectives.

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TRUSTEES REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

The Ropewalk (Barton) Ltd is a registered charity number 1194056 and a company limited by guarantee number 12830491.

The organisation was incorporated on 21 August 2020 and registered as a charity on 9 April 2022. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association.

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year were:

Ms A Wallis (Chair)
Ms V Bissett
Mr T Millum
Ms C Leaning
Mr N King

None of the trustees has any beneficial interest in the company. All of the trustees are members of the company and guarantee to contribute £1 in the event of a winding up.

Organisation

Members

- (1) The subscribers to the memorandum are the first members of the charity.
- (2) Membership is open to other individuals or organisations who:
 - (a) apply to the charity in the form required by the directors; and
 - (b) are approved by the directors.
- (3)
 - (a) The directors may only refuse an application for membership if, acting reasonably and properly, they consider it to be in the best interests of the charity to refuse the application.
 - (b) The directors must inform the applicant in writing of the reasons for the refusal within twenty-one days of the decision.
 - (c) The directors must consider any written representations the applicant may make about the decision. The directors' decision following any written representations must be notified to the applicant in writing but shall be final.
- (4) Membership is not transferable.
- (5) The directors must keep a register of names and addresses of the members.

The Trustees report was approved by the Board of Trustees

Mr N King
Trustee
Dated:


15/8/25

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE ROPEWALK (BARTON) LTD

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of The Ropewalk (Barton) Ltd (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2025

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2006 (the 2006 Act).

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the charity are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared financial statements in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn. I understand that this has been done in order for financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
- 4 the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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.

Andrew Robinson BCom (Hons), FCA
A P Robinson & Co (Grimsby) LLP
Chartered Accountants
107 Cleethorpe Road
Grimsby
North East Lincolnshire
DN31 3ER



Dated: 15/8/25

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Income from:					
Charitable activities	4	163,083	-	163,083	167,110
Donations and legacies	3	93,724	46,392	140,116	147,968
Other income		2,463	-	2,463	884
		<u>259,270</u>	<u>46,392</u>	<u>305,662</u>	<u>315,962</u>
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	5	286,680	46,392	333,072	329,712
Total resources expended		<u>286,680</u>	<u>46,392</u>	<u>333,072</u>	<u>329,712</u>
Net (expenditure) for the year/ Net movement in funds		(27,410)	(0)	(27,410)	(13,750)
Fund balances at 1 April 2024		(6,691)	-	(6,691)	7,059
Fund balances at 31 March 2025		<u>(34,101)</u>	<u>(0)</u>	<u>(34,101)</u>	<u>(6,691)</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

The Ropewalk (Barton) Ltd is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is The Ropewalk, Maltkiln Road, Barton-Upon-Humber, North Lincolnshire.

1.1 Accounting convention

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 and "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)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives unless the funds have been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the charity.

1.4 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

Turnover is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable and represents amounts receivable for goods and services provided in the normal course of business, net of discounts, VAT and other sales related taxes.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1 Accounting policies (Continued)

1.5 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Land and buildings - 2% reducing balance

Fixtures, fittings & equipment - 20% reducing balance

Plant & machinery - 20% reducing balance

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year.

1.6 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives and intangible assets not yet available for use are tested for impairment annually, and whenever there is an indication that the asset may be impaired.

1.7 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.8 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.9 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

1.91 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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2 Critical accounting estimate and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
Grants	68,313	46,392	114,705	116,484
Donations and gifts	25,411	-	25,411	31,484
	<u>93,724</u>	<u>46,392</u>	<u>140,116</u>	<u>147,968</u>

4 Charitable activities

	2025 £	2024 £
Sales within charitable activities	163,083	167,110
Other income	2,463	884
	<u>165,546</u>	<u>167,994</u>

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5	Charitable activities	2025	2024
		£	£
	Governance cost	2,120	1,281
	Professional fees	450	1,011
	Depreciation and impairment	5,589	5,577
	Printing, postage and stationery	-	-
	Sundry	659	13
	IT Software and Consumables	2,034	1,924
	Establishment costs	23,761	29,998
	Subscriptions	830	560
	Travel	-	52
	Telephone	1,544	3,145
	Project expenses	51,249	63,550
	Advertising & Marketing	12,571	5,146
	Staff costs	188,928	171,258
	Light, heat & power	36,647	41,508
	Repairs & maintenance	5,614	4,306
	Bank charges and interest paid	1,075	383
		<u>333,072</u>	<u>329,712</u>
		<u>333,072</u>	<u>329,712</u>
	Analysis by fund		
	Unrestricted funds	286,680	280,013
	Restricted funds	46,392	49,699
		<u>333,072</u>	<u>329,712</u>

6 **Trustees**

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

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7 Employees

Number of employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2025 Number	2024 Number
Administration	11	11
	2025 £	2024 £
Wages and salaries	185,380	168,456
Other pension costs	3,548	2,802
	188,928	171,258

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was £60,000 or more.

8 Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings	Fixtures, fittings & equipment	Plant & machinery	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost				
At 1 April 2024	400,000	2,548	4,714	407,262
Additions	429,457	53,388	1,371	484,216
At 31 March 2025	829,457	55,936	6,085	891,478
Depreciation and impairment				
At 1 April 2024	13,667	1,005	1,735	22,070
Depreciation charged in the year	4,500	409	680	5,589
At 31 March 2025	18,167	1,414	2,415	27,659
Carrying amount				
At 31 March 2025	811,290	54,521	3,670	869,482
At 31 March 2024	386,333	1,543	2,979	390,855

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9	Debtors		
		2025	2024
		£	£
	Amounts falling due within one year:		
	Trade debtors	2,243	1,560
	Prepayments and accrued income	10,637	11,217
	Other debtors	3,036	32,911
	VAT	71,236	336
		<u>87,152</u>	<u>46,024</u>
10	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		
		2025	2024
		£	£
	Bank overdrawn	89810	0
	Other taxation and social security	3,395	4,475
	Other creditors	705	1,104
	Trade creditors	6,916	9,582
	Accruals and deferred income	9,677	9,860
	Deferred Grants	-	4,080
	Intercompany	1,002	18,052
		<u>111,505</u>	<u>47,153</u>
11	Creditors: amounts falling due after one year		
		2025	2024
		£	£
	Long term deferred grants	400,000	400,000
	Baysgarth House Funding	481,838	-
		<u>881,838</u>	<u>400,000</u>

12 Related party transactions

The Ropewalk Trading CIC is the intercompany. It is the trading arm of the charity. At 31.03.25 £1,002 was owed by The Ropewalk (Barton) Ltd to The Ropewalk Trading CIC. During the year, rent of £90,000 was charged by The Ropewalk (Barton) Ltd to The Ropewalk Trading CIC