

HAVERFORDWEST CASTLE CIO

England & Wales · Charity number 1206490

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2024-01-11

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

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO ARE: 1) THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE HISTORY AND HERITAGE OF THE HISTORIC ROLE OF HAVERFORDWEST, BY:(1) THE ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF A MUSEUM AND ITS ASSOCIATED COLLECTION;(2) A HERITAGE VISITOR CENTRE AND OUTDOOR EVENTS AND INTERPRETATION SPACE LOCATED AT THE SITE OF HAVERFORDWEST CASTLE2) TO PROMOTE THE CONSERVATION AND PRESERVATION OF HAVERFORDWEST CASTLE FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT.NOTHING IN THE CONSTITUTION SHALL AUTHORISE AN APPLICATION OF THE PROPERTY OF THE CIO FOR THE PURPOSES WHICH ARE NOT CHARITABLE.

Activities: The charity was formed with the intention of entering into a long term lease with Pembrokeshire County Council (PCC) the the owners of Haverfordwest Castle to manage and operate the visitor centre and support facilities on the site, including the museum and events space. Currently this intent is expressed in a partnership agreement with PCC whilst the development of the site is taking place.

Classification

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

Geography

- Pembrokeshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-01		£0	£600	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ANTHONY EDWARD SANGSTER	Chair	2024-01-12
Caroline Jane Wheeler		2024-06-28
Fiona Louise Phillips		2024-07-30
Linda Jane Burbage Mrs		2024-03-08
Stuart Duncan Berry		2024-01-12
Timothy David Evans		2024-01-12

Accounts

**Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements
for the Period
11 January 2024 to 31 January 2025
for
Haverfordwest Castle CIO**

Ashmole and Co.
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Reference and Administrative Details for the Period 11 January 2024 to 31 January 2025

TRUSTEES	A E Sangster (Chair) (appointed 12.1.24) Mrs F L Phillips (appointed 30.7.24) Mrs C J Wheeler (appointed 28.6.24) Mrs L J Burbage (appointed 8.3.24) T D Evans (appointed 12.1.24) S D Berry (appointed 12.1.24)
REGISTERED OFFICE	Haverfordwest Town Museum Castle House Castle Street Haverfordwest Pembrokeshire SA61 2EF
REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER	CE034855 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER	1206490
ACCOUNTANTS	Ashmole and Co. Chartered Certified Accountants Williamston House 7 Goat Street Haverfordwest Pembrokeshire SA61 1PX

Haverfordwest Castle CIO
Report of the Trustees
for the Period 11 January 2024 to 31 January 2025

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the period 11 January 2024 to 31 January 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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).

INCORPORATION

The charitable company was incorporated on 11 January 2024.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The CIO was registered on 11th January 2024 as a fundamental element in the redevelopment of Haverfordwest Castle by Pembrokeshire County Council which in partnership with the new CIO have been successful in gaining both Levelling Up funding and also development phase funding from National Lottery Heritage Fund (NLHF) towards the creation of a new, all year round visitor attraction based on the castle site.

The objects of the CIO are for the advancement of education and the provision of community facilities for the benefit of the public through the establishment and maintenance of a museum and its associated collection, visitor centre, and outdoor events and interpretation space, pertaining to the historic and contemporary arts and culture and the community needs of Haverfordwest and the surrounding county of Pembrokeshire, at the site of Haverfordwest Castle.

All such objects are in accord with the aims of the project which seeks to create an interactive family discovery centre showcasing Pembrokeshire's past, present, and future through state-of-the-art STEM-based exhibits, together with a redisplay of the Haverfordwest Museum (within the curtilage of the castle in the Governor's House), external interpretation within the grounds of the castle and a wide-ranging activity plan supporting the capital investment.

Once the development is completed the newly created attraction will be managed by Haverfordwest Castle CIO under the terms of a lease from PCC. In preparation for this the CIO will during 2025 absorb the existing Haverfordwest Town Museum charity that manages the town museum. The museum is usually housed in the Governor's House, but due to ongoing works at the castle, has been temporarily relocated to the town centre with the intention that it will return to the Governor's house once it has been refurbished as part of the redevelopment.

Haverfordwest Castle CIO will then manage both the existing town museum and what will be the new heritage and STEM attraction in the gaol building.

The CIO trustees will be responsible, through a long-term peppercorn lease, for the running and maintenance of the new attraction, the castle site as a whole and events and activities taking place within the inner bailey.

It should be noted that PCC retains ownership of the whole site and responsibility for maintaining the mediaeval fabric, i.e. the castle curtain walls themselves, while the CIO will have maintenance responsibilities for the gaol, Governor's House and outdoor event infrastructure.

Significant activities

The first year of the CIO has been taken up with establishing the structure and governance of the new charity, recruiting three more trustees to join the three founding trustees, building on the stakeholder contacts and relationships that were built up over the previous 5 years and working in partnership with Pembrokeshire County Council in planning for the future.

A major workstream has been the use of the National Lottery Heritage funding for the commissioning of a number of consultants to work on the various elements of the site which will be completed in late 2025 and enable further funding applications to be submitted for the final stages of the works with likely completion, handover and opening dates between Summer 2027 and Spring 2028.

Haverfordwest Castle CIO

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Public benefit

We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on Public Benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities.

Vision

Our vision for Haverfordwest Castle is of an exciting and progressive, year-round, visitor attraction that tells the story of Pembrokeshire; placing experimentation, creativity and fun at the core of its state-of-the-art exhibits, creating an interactive and immersive experience for all ages and learning styles. The project will showcase Pembrokeshire's past, and potential future through a STEM-based interactive approach. The attraction will be a must-visit for locals, tourists, schools and families. The attraction will exceed audience expectations, appealing not only to traditional heritage visitors but also new audiences engaging with heritage for the first time.

On the wider castle site, the story of Haverfordwest Castle will be told within the castle grounds, and a refurbished Haverfordwest museum in the Governor's House will focus on Haverfordwest's place within the national story. There will also be an events space for theatre, music, fayres and festivals in the inner bailey and a thriving café and shop selling outstanding locally sourced produce.

We aspire for the attraction to be a best-practice example of accessibility within a heritage context, to be truly welcoming for everybody and for all visitors to leave feeling like they've had an enjoyable, comfortable and rewarding experience.

When you walk through the door you will be greeted by people with a passion for our county and its stories. We envisage our stakeholders and priority audiences being involved in the creation of the attraction from the get-go, ensuring that it becomes owned and loved by the local people it serves.

The attraction will also act as an important hub for tourists connecting and informing them of other key assets within the county. We aspire for the attraction to achieve a footfall of 40,000+ visits annually, to be financially self-sustaining and to make a considerable impact on the economic regeneration of the town and county.

Haverfordwest Castle CIO

**Report of the Trustees
for the Period 11 January 2024 to 31 January 2025**

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on17/7/25..... and signed on its behalf by:



.....
A E Sangster (Chair) - Trustee

**Report of the Accountants to the Trustees of
Haverfordwest Castle CIO**

As described on the Balance Sheet on page 7, the Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements for the period ended 31 January 2025 and that you consider that the CIO is exempt from an audit.

In accordance with your instructions, we have compiled these unaudited financial statements in order to assist you to fulfil your statutory responsibilities, from the accounting records and information and explanations supplied to us.



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Date:7.7.2025.....

Haverfordwest Castle CIO
Statement of Financial Activities
for the Period 11 January 2024 to 31 January 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £
EXPENDITURE ON		
Charitable activities		
Haverfordwest Castle		<u>600</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		<u>(600)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>(600)</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

Haverfordwest Castle CIO

Balance Sheet 31 January 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £
CURRENT ASSETS		
Debtors	3	500
Cash at bank		<u>500</u>
		1,000
CREDITORS		
Amounts falling due within one year	4	(1,600)
		<u> </u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)		<u>(600)</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>(600)</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>(600)</u>
FUNDS	5	
Unrestricted funds		<u>(600)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>(600)</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the period ended 31 January 2025.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the period ended 31 January 2025 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on
and were signed on its behalf by:


.....
A E Sangster (Chair) - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

Haverfordwest Castle CIO

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Period 11 January 2024 to 31 January 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, 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)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the period ended 31 January 2025.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the period ended 31 January 2025.

3. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

Prepayments and accrued income

£
500

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Period 11 January 2024 to 31 January 2025

4. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	£
Other creditors	1,000
Accrued expenses	<u>600</u>
	<u>1,600</u>

5. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	Net movement in funds £	At 31.1.25 £
Unrestricted funds		
General fund	(600)	(600)
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u><u>(600)</u></u>	<u><u>(600)</u></u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	-	(600)	(600)
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>(600)</u></u>	<u><u>(600)</u></u>

6. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the period ended 31 January 2025.

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**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Period 11 January 2024 to 31 January 2025**

£

INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS

Total incoming resources

-

EXPENDITURE

Support costs

Governance costs

Accountancy fees

600

Total resources expended

600

Net expenditure

(600)

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements