

# Frinton & Walton Heritage Trust

Charity Reg. No. 289885



## Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2022

In 1984, Frinton & Walton Heritage Trust was established for the following purposes:

For the public benefit in the area comprising the towns of Frinton-on-Sea and Walton-on-the-Naze and the surrounding area, which area shall hereinafter be referred to as the “area of benefit”:

- i. To promote civic pride and secure the preservation, protection, development and improvement of features of historic or public interest in the area of benefit.
- ii. To educate the public in the geography, history, natural history, and architecture of the area of benefit, to give advice and information, hold meetings, lectures and exhibitions.
- iii. To promote high standards of planning and architecture in or affecting the area of benefit.

In furtherance of these aims, the Trust continues to consolidate historical knowledge of the local area and provide public access to the archives, artefacts and exhibits that tell the story of our community’s past. The Trust’s collections are displayed in *Crossing Cottage*, the original railway gate-keeper’s home, which houses a collection orientated towards the town, surrounding villages and the local railway and The Trevor Bright Railway Museum, housed in the old lever hut.

### **Summary of the year’s activities – 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022:**

The officers and executive committee met regularly during the year and the Trust’s volunteers continued to maintain the cottage and garden with two particular projects in the garden being completed: replacement of the rose arbour, with the addition of the weathervane from the Samuel Lewis Home in Walton-on-the-Naze, and the compost bins.

None of the museums were able to open during the year but much routine work was continued by the archivists, researching requests for information from members and the general public received via the Trust’s website. The Trust has taken the opportunity whilst closed to update the ground floor of *Crossing Cottage*, to insulate the building and create a reading room to house our collection of local newspapers. The Cottage has also been rewired and security cameras fitted. No progress as yet has been made in finding a new site for the Walton Maritime Museum in Walton, however, during the year the Trust purchased 120 Pole Barn Lane with the help of an interest-free loan from a member. This will become the Frinton & Walton Heritage Centre with a small museum and meeting/archive room.

Of the two artefacts owned by the Trust of great financial concern mentioned in last year's report, the old Railway Gates in the station yard have now been repaired and reinstated in the station garden. However, the other, *James Stevens No.14*, is presently out of the water and needs serious refurbishment. Members may need to consider some hard choices as regards her future for any repair is likely to be beyond the resources of the Trust.

Meetings with Museums Essex continued throughout the year by Zoom, attended by the Chair, John Barter. He also participated via Zoom in various meeting organised by Community Voluntary Services Tendring.

It is generally accepted that the Trust has a bright future but it needs better publicity, more members and more volunteers to undertake regular tasks.

As a result of the pandemic, the Trust changed its policy of holding two traditional fund-raising events during the year, the Spring Fayre in May and the Apple Day Fayre in October. Instead four smaller events were held during 2021, two produce and plant sales, in May and October, and two bric-a-brac sales in June and August. These were well attended and raised approximately £4,000 for the Trust. Winter coffee mornings in the Cottage Garden started again with effect from October 2021 but were not well attended.

Of the outings planned prior to Covid, the visit to the University of Essex to see the Essex Collection of Art from Latin American (ESCALA) finally took place and the winter lecture series recommenced in October 2021 with four lectures being held up to March 2022. As a change from the usual December Christmas lecture, a Christmas lunch was arranged at Frinton Golf Club which proved very popular. Also the New Year's Day Walk was well attended with mulled wine, sausage rolls and mince pies provided by The Trust on return to the cottage.

### **Membership Report**

Despite the unprecedented events of a pandemic and nationwide lockdowns, 2021/22 was a good year for the Trust in terms of membership. We ended the year with a total of 343 members, an increase of 51 members. This was helped by a government grant which made it possible for us to defer the renewal of membership to 1 January 2022. This extension coincided with a change in the Trust's membership year. Previously running from the end of March until the beginning of the following April, this was changed to bring it in line with the calendar year and now runs from January to December.

### **Financial Report – Statement of Receipts and Payments Attached**

The Trust has been grateful to Tendring District Council for further Covid funding which was used to fund various projects during the last year. The cost shown for refurbishment of the Railway gates in the station garden is not the full story as the final bill has not been included in these figures. There is a further £5,921 to come but we have been promised a contribution from Frinton & Walton Town Council of £1,000 towards the costs. At the year end there was an Excess of Receipts over Payments of £5,747.66. In the Balance Sheet for the first time there is a Fixed Asset being the purchase price, £153,047.87, of 120 Pole Barn Lane, funded from the reserves and a long-term interest free loan of £120,000. During the year with the help of Dawn Heard, our independent examiner, the Officers of the Trust set up systems to analyse costs and budget for future expenditure.

Life President: Jerry Russell

President: David Thorpe of Mearns

Officers: John Barter, Chair; Ian Heard, Vice Chair; Eileen Kelly, Treasurer; Linda Ellis, Honorary Secretary

Trustees: John Barter, Rachel Baldwin, Margaret N. Sandell, Timothy C. Scott-Saunders, Michael W. Talbot,

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Registered Office: Crossing Cottage, Station Approach, Frinton-on-Sea, Essex, CO13 9ED

Website: fwheritage.co.uk

# FRINTON & WALTON HERITAGE TRUST

## RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS

1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022

	Year	Year		Year	Year
	2021/2022	2020/2021		2021/2022	2020/2021
<b>RECEIPTS</b>			<b>PAYMENTS</b>		
<b>General</b>			<b>General</b>		
Membership subscriptions	£760.00	£2,700.00	PPSA & Newsletter	£1,058.14	£1,481.18
Donations	£1,819.60	£1,932.99	Website services	£731.52	£766.98
Sales	£1,322.51	£178.81	Social & Outings	£1,635.14	£80.00
Socials & Outings	£2,206.99	£0.00	Affiliation & Licence fees	£155.00	£95.00
Interest	£211.94	£539.72	Archives & Artefacts	£213.84	£1,922.76
Grants & Project funding	£19,067.00	£20,000.00	Storage Archives & Artefacts	£1,152.00	£400.00
			Hall hire - AGM Committee meeting	£125.00	£0.00
			Insurance	£414.38	£409.38
			Sundries	£401.92	£0.00
<b>Frinton Cottage/Garden/Railway Museum</b>			<b>Frinton Cottage/Garden/Railway Museum</b>		
Spring/Autumn Fairs & Open Days	£4,360.50	£548.43	Spring/Autumn Fairs & Open Days	£276.30	£22.78
Plant & Produce sales	£340.28	£0.00	Garden Supplies	£30.83	£55.96
Donations	£337.44	£100.00	Garden Maintenance	£2,737.34	£0.00
			Cottage consumables	£123.82	£25.94
			Cottage & Railway Museum maintenanc	£759.25	£386.29
			Railway artefacts	£0.00	£105.89
			Electricity	£582.85	£522.20
			Rates	£33.98	£0.00
			Railway crossing gates	£2,513.26	£0.00
			Cottage renovation	£6,117.00	£0.00
<b>Frinton &amp; Walton Heritage Centre</b>			<b>Frinton &amp; Walton Heritage Centre</b>		
Special Donations	£2,000.00	£0.00	Legal fees	£2,340.00	£0.00
<b>James Stevens No.14</b>			<b>James Stevens No.14</b>		
Donations	£150.77	£423.80	Running Costs/Maintenance	£3,075.40	£3,621.18
Sales	£18.50	£0.00	Insurance	£1,568.00	£1,568.00
Fund Raising	£0.00	£40.00	Fund raising	£0.00	£40.00
<b>Walton Maritime Museum</b>			<b>Walton Maritime Museum</b>		
			Electricity	£0.00	£153.04
			Building Maintenance	£0.00	£212.45
			Closing museum costs	£81.73	£766.26
			Rent & insurance	£641.17	£0.00
Stock value adjustment	£0.00	£800.00	Stock value adjustment	£80.00	£0.00
			Excess of Receipts over Payments	£5,747.66	£14,628.46
	£32,595.53	£27,263.75		£32,595.53	£27,263.75

## BALANCE SHEET as at 31st March 2022

### ASSETS

#### Fixed Asset

Frinton & Walton Heritage Centre, Pole Barn Lane £153,047.87

#### Current Assets

Stock £1,120.00

Debtors/Prepayments £2,417.21

Bank accounts £48,291.57

Petty cash £30.00

Key deposit £25.00

**Total Current Assets** £51,883.78

**Total Assets** £204,931.65

### LIABILITIES

#### Current Liabilities

Creditors £4,590.00

#### Long term liabilities

Loan re Building Pole Barn Lane £120,000.00

**Total Liabilities** £124,590.00

**Net Assets** £80,341.65

### Equity

Retained Profit (excess receipts over payments) 31st March 2022 £5,747.66

Balance sheet as at 31st March 2021 £74,593.99

**Total Equity** £80,341.65

### Additional Information

**Grants** - The Trust is very grateful for further funding obtained from Tendring District Council.

**Subscriptions** -Subscription income has been revised for prepaid income re the change to the new subscription period running from 1st January to 31st December, 2022.

**Acquisition of building in Pole Barn Lane** for a new Frinton & Walton Heritage Museum Centre. A new museum and heritage resource centre for the Community.

**Ring Fenced Funds** - £8,628.45 funds have been ringed fenced to reserve money to be used for specific purposes.

### Notes to the Accounts

I have examined the above accounts and consider that they represent true and accurate accounts for the Year ending 31st March 2022.

Treasurer: Eileen Kelly

Date: 27th May 2022

Independent Examiner: Dawn Heard

Date: 27th May 2022





Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

FRINTON AND WALTON HERITAGE TRUST

On accounts for the year  
ended

31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2022

Charity no  
(if any) 289885

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity  
("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2022.

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in  
accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts 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

~~[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake  
the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed  
body]]. Delete [ ] if not applicable.~~

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to  
my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below \*)  
which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the  
Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

*Dawn*

Date:

*27<sup>th</sup> May 2022*

Name:

Dawn Heard

Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body  
(if any):

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.