

Anson Museum Trust Limited
Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

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 year ended 31 December 2023. 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).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The objectives and aims of the museum are to advance the education of the public by :

- (a) Rescuing, restoring and displaying a collection of internal combustion engines of historical or technical interest and explain the development of the internal combustion engine, and
- (b) Rescuing, preserving and displaying items relating to the history of Poynton of historical or technical interest with particular emphasis on the local coalmining industry and industrial archaeology.

Charitable activities

Our Vision

To establish the foremost collection of early internal combustion technology presented in an educational and visitor-oriented manner. Provide an organised and functional operation that will gain broad based support and generate substantial growth.

Our Mission

- 1. To collect, preserve, and interpret historically significant and mechanically interesting early stationary internal combustion engines for the education and enjoyment of everyone.
- 2. To be a focal point that tells the social and industrial history of Poynton. As we are built on the old Anson Colliery site, there will be a particular emphasis on the local coal mining industry.
- 3. To continue developing as a recognised tourist attraction, improving the facilities and amenities we offer visitors to Cheshire.

Overall the Museum has a passive collecting effort directed at filling gaps in the collection by accepting donations from private collectors and occasionally other museums. Where engines are known to exist in the National collection (or wider) we shall approach those museums to obtain the engine on a long term loan. On the occasions when the museum is contacted about saving specific engines a decision will be taken on a case by case basis about whether the resources of the museum will be best used to help save that exhibit.

The Museum also maintains a substantial library and archive related to the objects in the collection and to the internal combustion engine in general. Additions will be encouraged and work on indexing material to be undertaken.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Specific achievements

Progress on the new display building has gone very well, with two large engines now operational for visitors to see. Three sides to this building are now complete, the floor has been partially concreted. More engines are now undercover and protected from the weather.

Visitor numbers have increased along with income generated. The Midsummer mingle as always provided a focal point for ex industry employees to socialise and see the progress made over the last year.

Some of the goals for 2024

To increase the shop spend by visitors by extending the range of goods sold. Push the gift aid side of donations. Increase local awareness in the area. Increase the archive usage by an extension to the room provided, and have more records digitised, also find a way to make them available online.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

The Trustees consider the overall situation to be satisfactory considering the pandemic and agree the business is a going concern depending upon the continued support of the Trustees and volunteers.

It is the policy of the charity to endeavour to maintain the unrestricted fund at a level to meet the unrestricted expenditure for the following twelve months.

At the balance sheet date, the charity had unrestricted reserves carried forward of £267,498 (2022: £261,998).

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.

The board of trustees set out the policy and major decisions and take an active part in the day to day running of the Museum.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The board of trustees is constantly looking for persons who would be suitable to broaden the range of knowledge and expertise of the board to advance the aims and promote the museum. The appointment of trustees is by the board as a new appointment or to fill a casual vacancy.

The training of the new trustees is adapted on an individual basis to their understanding and experience of trusteeship at the time of appointment.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

02101699 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

518587

Registered office

Anson Engine Museum
The Anson
Anson Road
Poynton
Cheshire
SK12 1TD

Trustees

Mr P G Challinor MBE
Mr C A Green MBE
Mr J Moseley

Company Secretary

Mr J Moseley

Independent Examiner

Mrs Ruth H James FCA
Nolan James Limited
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This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 6 September 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Challinor', written in a cursive style.

Mr P G Challinor MBE - Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Anson Museum Trust Limited

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Anson Museum Trust Limited ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company 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 your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts 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 accounts 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.



Mrs Ruth H James FCA

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6 September 2024

Unaudited Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023
for
Anson Museum Trust Limited

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for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

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Anson Museum Trust Limited
Company Information
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

DIRECTORS:	P G Challinor MBE C A Green MBE J Moseley
SECRETARY:	J Moseley
REGISTERED OFFICE:	The Anson Anson Road Poynton Cheshire SK12 1TD
REGISTERED NUMBER:	02101699 (England and Wales)
ACCOUNTANTS:	Nolan James Ltd Chartered Accountants Suite 1 Armcon Business Park London Road South Poynton Stockport Cheshire SK12 1LQ

Balance Sheet
31 December 2023

	Notes	31.12.23 £	£	31.12.22 £	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	4		237,399		240,373
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks		802		1,285	
Debtors	5	2,163		632	
Cash at bank and in hand		34,743		28,403	
		<u>37,708</u>		<u>30,320</u>	
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	6	5,609		2,207	
		<u>5,609</u>		<u>2,207</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			32,099		28,113
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			<u>269,498</u>		<u>268,486</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due after more than one year	7		2,000		6,488
			<u>2,000</u>		<u>6,488</u>
NET ASSETS			<u>267,498</u>		<u>261,998</u>
RESERVES					
Income and expenditure account			267,498		261,998
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The company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 December 2023.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the 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 company.

Balance Sheet - continued
31 December 2023

The financial statements have been prepared and delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

In accordance with Section 444 of the Companies Act 2006, the Statement of Income and Retained Earnings has not been delivered.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on 6 September 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Challinor'.

P G Challinor MBE - Director

Anson Museum Trust Limited
Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

1. STATUTORY INFORMATION

Anson Museum Trust Limited is a private company, limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales. The company's registered number and registered office address can be found on the Company Information page.

2. 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: Statements 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 2015)', 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.

Income

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

Tangible fixed assets

The cost of tangible fixed assets includes only expenditure incurred in bringing the assets into working condition for their intended use. Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to allocate the cost of each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures & Fittings	- 15% on reducing balance
Computer Equipment	- 33% on cost
Plant & Machinery	- 25% on reducing balance
Buildings	- 2% on cost

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

Taxation

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

3. EMPLOYEES AND DIRECTORS

The average number of employees during the year was NIL (2022 - NIL).

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4. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Land and buildings £	Plant and machinery etc £	Totals £
COST OR VALUATION			
At 1 January 2023	73,639	223,988	297,627
Additions	262	1,500	1,762
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At 31 December 2023	73,901	225,488	299,389
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DEPRECIATION			
At 1 January 2023	5,354	51,900	57,254
Charge for year	1,478	3,258	4,736
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At 31 December 2023	6,832	55,158	61,990
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NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 December 2023	67,069	170,330	237,399
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At 31 December 2022	68,285	172,088	240,373
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Cost or valuation at 31 December 2023 is represented by:

	Land and buildings £	Plant and machinery etc £	Totals £
Cost	73,901	225,488	299,389
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5. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.12.23 £	31.12.22 £
Other debtors	2,163	632
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6. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.12.23 £	31.12.22 £
Other creditors	5,609	2,207
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7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

	31.12.23 £	31.12.22 £
Other creditors	2,000	6,488
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8. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

Included within creditors is an interest free loan of £4,000 due to a trustee of the charity (31st December 2022 - £6,488).

Included within charitable activities there is rental expenditure of £1,300 (31st December 2022 - Nil). This is owed to a trustee of the charity who owns the land and the £1,300 remains outstanding and is included within creditors at 31st December 2023.

No rent was incurred in the year ended 31st December 2022 as the trustee waived the rental expense due to exceptional circumstances regarding the Covid-19 pandemic.

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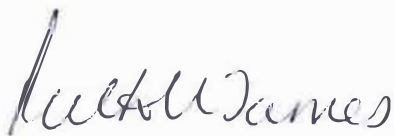
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