

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023
FOR
RENEWABLE HERITAGE TRUST
(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)**

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RENEWABLE HERITAGE TRUST
REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
For The Year Ended 31 July 2023

TRUSTEES	Mr W Brown Ms M J Fox Mr P J Lister Mr D R Mann Mr M C Phillips Ms A Firth (appointed 1.4.23)
REGISTERED OFFICE	Treebeards Cottage Main Street Westow York Yorkshire YO60 7NE
REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER	05170904 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER	1107421
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Fortus North Limited Business Advisors & Accountants 5&6 Manor Court Manor Garth Scarborough North Yorkshire YO11 3TU

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
For The Year Ended 31 July 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 July 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

In setting the objectives and planning the activities for the year, the Trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

The company is a charity and exists to preserve for the benefit of the people of the locality of any project undertaken and of the nation, the historical, architectural and constructional heritage that may exist in buildings (including any structure or erection, and any part of a building as so defined) of particular beauty or historical, architectural or constructional interest, which may, without detriment to the building's heritage, be adapted to generate renewable energy.

The current specific objective has been to complete the renovation of Howsham Mill in North Yorkshire and run it as an environmental education centre. All of the Trust's work at present revolves around this objective.

The main activities of the year consisted of:

- Maintenance and repairs to the two Archimedes Screw turbines and the waterwheel;
- Publicising the Trust and its work through regular opening of the mill;

- Hosting primary school pupils to learn about renewable energy, milling and bread-making and the natural history of the river and the island;

- Providing volunteering opportunities for local people;
- Providing a venue for other groups' events;
- Participating in the National Trust's Heritage Open Day.

STRATEGIC REPORT

Achievement and performance

There were significant increases in both the number of primary schools and the number of pupils visiting the mill. A total of 1800 children from 27 schools, one home-schooled group and two scout groups came during the year. To help with this increase in demand, Mel Boyeson joined Helen Spring in delivering the visits. They also developed new workshops to meet the requests from the schools. To help meet the rising cost of transport for the visits, RHT offered a subsidy towards coach hire, with additional support based on above average numbers of children eligible for free school meals. This subsidy was enthusiastically received.

A group of heritage post-graduate students from the University of York, and international students attending a summer school at Leeds University both enjoyed visits to the mill.

The annual Heritage Open Day on Sunday 18 September 2022 attracted over 100 adults and children who came for their first visit to the mill. There were two writing courses and three craft courses. An unusual event was turning the mill into a camera obscura by completely blacking it out apart from two small holes to let in the light. These events, including HOD, brought a total of about 275 adults to organised events at the mill. In addition, school staff and helpers added a further 200 adult visitors.

The lower bearing of screw 1 required an overhaul and some welding of the lower part of the screw meant it was not generating for a period. In addition, the wheel was not generating from April to August due to generator failure. This coupled with low river flow during the exceptionally dry summer, resulted in a drop in electricity generation compared to the previous year (the best year to date) of 30%. An increase in the export price received from April partially compensated.

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STRATEGIC REPORT

Financial review

Financial position

During the year £91,000 was gifted from HPC to RHT, an increase on the previous year.

Investment policy and objectives

At present there are insufficient surplus funds to invest elsewhere.

Reserves policy

The money in the deposit account was untouched and the balance is about £12,750.

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STRATEGIC REPORT**Principal Risks and Uncertainties**

The Trustees have given consideration to any exposure and the results are listed below:

Risk	Effect	Probability	Impact (1 to 10)	Exposure
River floods buildings	Damage to tools & equipment	10%	5	0.5
	Damage to building fabric	10%	1	0.1
	Revenue lost on generation	10%	2	0.2
River floods generator	Generator damaged	1%	5	0.05
Vandalism	Equipment or building damaged	5%	8	0.4
Screw/wheel failure	Revenue lost on generation	5%	5	0.25
Public Liability incident	Trust is sued and damages awarded	1%	10	0.1
River flow changes	Revenue lost on generation	5%	3	0.15
Weir collapses	Revenue lost on generation	1%	8	0.08
Pollution Incident	Cleanup costs, fine	2%	8	0.16
Water supply contamination	Public become ill after drink water	1%	10	0.1
Electric price falls	Revenue lost on generation	15%	3	0.45
Buying company failure	Revenue lost	10%	5	0.45

Risk	Trigger Event	Mitigation Strategy	Actions
River floods buildings	Storms or snow melt	Environment Agency early warning	Lift all vulnerable items to first floor
River floods buildings	Storms or snow melt	Design anticipates flooding	Washout after Flooding
River floods buildings	Storms or snow melt	Design calculations include	None
River floods generator	Storms or snow melt	O&M Replacement Allowance	Replace
Vandalism		CCTV System, plastic windows, Police visits etc.	Monitor CCTV, regular site visits, Police callouts
Screw or waterwheel failure		O&M Replacement Allowance	Regular checks & maintenance
Public Liability incident	Site accident	Public Liability Insurance & Volunteer Disc aimers	Install safety signs, checks on play equipment, with log book
River flow changes	Climate change	System only requires a small part of total river flow	None
Weir collapses	Undermining, vegetation growth	Weir is owned by Environment Agency - ABS Licence requires them to carry out repair it	Remove vegetative growth & advise Environmental Agency of issues

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STRATEGIC REPORT

Pollution Incident	Oil spill, concrete spillage, silt release	Minimise use, use biodegradable lubricants, include berms and secondary containment	Provide spill kits, assess need for secondary containment, no transport of hazardous materials by river, coffer dam and silt trap for river works
Water supply contamination	Filters not changed, UV filter not working, hot water not boiled	Proper equipment maintenance	Prepare a maintenance schedule with log book
Electric price falls	Government policy, nuclear power, recession	Long term contract, use of Feed in Tariff to fix for 20 years	Assess the market and choose low risk options

Risk Matrix

Impact			
9-10	2	0	0
7-8	3	0	0
5-7	3	0	0
3-4	2	0	0
1-2	2	0	0
	1% - 20%	21% - 40%	41% - 60%
		Probability	

Future plans

School visits have increased over the year. More schools have been applying for visits and RHT hopes to continue attracting new schools.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**Governing document**

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 5 July 2004 and registered as a charity on 23 December 2004.

The company was established under a Memorandum of Association, which established the objectives and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the Company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

Recruitment and appointment of New Trustees

The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purpose of charity law and under the Company's Articles are known as Trustees. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association one-third (or the number nearest one-third) of the Trustees must retire at each AGM, those longest in office retiring first and the choice between any of equal service being made by drawing lots.

Organisational structure

The Trust has a management committee of between 3 and 10 Trustees which meets bi-monthly to discuss and set strategic and operational policy. Individual duties and responsibilities with regard to the day to day operations of the Trust are agreed by consensus.

Induction and training of new trustees

Most Trustees are already familiar with the practical work of the Trust and are provided with information on the responsibilities and duties of charity trustees prior to formal appointment. In addition, Trustees are made aware of the specific requirements through provision of the Memorandum and Articles of Association. Opportunities to clarify any queries or areas of uncertainty are afforded by the Chair of the Trust.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Risk management

Individual Trustees hold appropriate qualifications and experience to ensure compliance with Health and Safety ('H&S') requirements. Procedures exist for the safe use of river craft and machinery. A risk assessment is undertaken for all activities, with any issue of concern flagged. A proforma risk assessment schedule is now available as the basis for all event assessments. Following the H&S consultancy during 2017, a full H&S management system is in place.

Report of the trustees, incorporating a strategic report, approved by order of the board of trustees, as the company directors, on 21 February 2024 and signed on the board's behalf by:

Mr M C Phillips - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
RENEWABLE HERITAGE TRUST**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Renewable Heritage Trust ('the Company')

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

Paul Dixon

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21 February 2024

RENEWABLE HERITAGE TRUST

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT) For The Year Ended 31 July 2023

		2023 Unrestricted funds £	2022 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	Notes		
Donations and legacies		41,160	38,085
Other trading activities	2	250	662
Investment income	3	72	4
Total		<u>41,482</u>	<u>38,751</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Charitable activities		16,598	9,150
Other		20,359	13,883
Total		<u>36,957</u>	<u>23,033</u>
NET INCOME		4,525	15,718
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		502,982	487,264
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>507,507</u>	<u>502,982</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

RENEWABLE HERITAGE TRUST (REGISTERED NUMBER: 05170904)

BALANCE SHEET
31 July 2023

		2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS	Notes		
Tangible assets	7	453,177	453,327
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks	8	100	100
Debtors	9	2,234	2,156
Cash at bank	10	55,613	49,004
		<u>57,947</u>	<u>51,260</u>
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	11	(3,617)	(1,605)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>54,330</u>	<u>49,655</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		507,507	502,982
NET ASSETS		<u>507,507</u>	<u>502,982</u>
FUNDS	12		
Unrestricted funds:			
General fund		54,778	50,253
Capital reserve fund		452,729	452,729
		<u>507,507</u>	<u>502,982</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>507,507</u>	<u>502,982</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 July 2023.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 July 2023 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.

BALANCE SHEET - continued
31 July 2023

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 21 February 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

Mr M C Phillips - Trustee

Ms A Firth - Trustee

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements and assessment of going concern

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.

The Trustees consider there are no material uncertainties about the Trust's ability to continue as a going concern.

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.

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.

Tangible fixed assets

Plant and machinery are included at cost and less accumulated depreciation.

Land and buildings have been included at valuation. No depreciation is provided on the buildings as the Trustees operate an ongoing refurbishment policy to extend the useful life of the buildings

Stocks

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

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.

Grants and Donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SOFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

Revenue grants are recognised in the SOFA so as to match them with the expenditure towards which they are intended to contribute.

Grants which contribute towards specific expenditure on fixed assets are credited to the SOFA over the expected useful lives of the related assets.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued For The Year Ended 31 July 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Contractual Income and Performance Related Grants

These are only included in the SOFA once the related goods or services have been delivered.

Volunteer Help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustee's annual report.

Investment Income

Investment income is included in the accounts when receivable.

Governance Costs

Include costs of the preparation and examination of statutory accounts and cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	2023 Unrestricted funds £	2022 Total funds £
Fundraising courses, workshops and events	<u>250</u>	<u>662</u>

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2023 Unrestricted funds £	2022 Total funds £
Deposit account interest	<u>72</u>	<u>4</u>

4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2023 £	2022 £
Depreciation - owned assets	<u>150</u>	<u>200</u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 July 2023 nor for the year ended 31 July 2022.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 July 2023 nor for the year ended 31 July 2022.

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6. TAXATION

The company is accepted as a charity for taxation purposes and is exempt from taxation on its income or gains to the extent that they are applied for charitable purposes.

7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £	Plant and machinery £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 August 2022 and 31 July 2023	<u>452,729</u>	<u>202,868</u>	<u>655,597</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 August 2022	-	202,270	202,270
Charge for year	-	150	150
At 31 July 2023	-	<u>202,420</u>	<u>202,420</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 July 2023	<u>452,729</u>	<u>448</u>	<u>453,177</u>
At 31 July 2022	<u>452,729</u>	<u>598</u>	<u>453,327</u>

8. STOCKS

	2023 £	2022 £
Stocks	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>

9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023 £	2022 £
Other debtors	79	79
Prepayments	<u>2,155</u>	<u>2,077</u>
	<u>2,234</u>	<u>2,156</u>

10. CASH AT BANK

Cash and cash equivalents are basic financial assets and 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.

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11. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade creditors	623	-
Accrued expenses	2,994	1,605
	<u>3,617</u>	<u>1,605</u>

12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.8.22	Net movement in funds	At 31.7.23
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	50,253	4,525	54,778
Capital reserve fund	452,729	-	452,729
	<u>502,982</u>	<u>4,525</u>	<u>507,507</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>502,982</u>	<u>4,525</u>	<u>507,507</u>

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

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	41,482	(36,957)	4,525
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>41,482</u>	<u>(36,957)</u>	<u>4,525</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.8.21	Net movement in funds	At 31.7.22
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	34,535	15,718	50,253
Capital reserve fund	452,729	-	452,729
	<u>487,264</u>	<u>15,718</u>	<u>502,982</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>487,264</u>	<u>15,718</u>	<u>502,982</u>

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12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	38,751	(23,033)	15,718
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>38,751</u>	<u>(23,033)</u>	<u>15,718</u>

13. TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES

During the year, the Trust received donations from Howsham Power Co Ltd totalling £40,000 (2022 - £37,000), a company in which Mr M C Phillips and Ms M Macleod are directors.

During the year, £11,836 (2022 - £6,708) was paid to Mr D Mann and Ms M Macleod, in respect of the lease of land by the Trust. Mr D Mann is a Trustee of the charity.

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