



**CHARITY REPORT FOR THE RED
ROSE STEAM SOCIETY
2020-2021**



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We present the report for our financial year ended 30th June 2021.

This last has seen many challenges and there are clearly more to come with the outbreak of Covid. Our main focus has to be about the refurbishment of the headgear because that and the winding engine are our number one responsibility with them both being on the 'at risk' register. Having the last remaining headgear in a coalfield that once boasted 500 of them becomes a serious responsibility. The Headgear has been subject of a condition survey by one set of consultants and is now subject to a further in-depth report to discover if the headgear can be saved and at what cost. The considered view is that it can; but it will cost circa £800,000 to do so. Obviously, this will have to be the subject of a bid to Heritage Lottery and a separate sub-committee has been set up to achieve that objective.

One off the large capital grant dictates that there has to be a plan in place to raise the funds for ongoing revenue expenses and we have to put on a series of events that attract various parts of the population. This social impact will be assessed to see if the various genres of people will be likely to purchase lottery tickets on a regular basis so we have to put together a program of events that will regularly attract the various sections of the general public. We have been waiting to produce the events program which has been proved difficult whilst negotiating a 25-year extension to our lease which is running out. Things are looking very positive but the effects of Covid are difficult to assess and we are thinking of innovative events such as a drive through carol service, a promenade play in a heritage setting. We have a very loyal membership who keep up their subscriptions as well as some very welcome donations. We hope that we will be included the rate relief driven compensation schemes from the Government.

Having been prudent with our money, we are able to take advantage of the market now and again almost as a cash purchaser and this was illustrated when we purchased a 500KVA generator to better drive our 3300 HP winding engine via the three compressors. The compressors have originated from various plants but to get the winding engine moving, it needs a great deal of compressed air and therefore a great deal of power to get it going. The 500 KVA generator has a very large diesel driven engine in it and it may cost £20 per hour in diesel alone to keep it moving. Our current generator is now very unreliable and we are spending more and more money in first aid type repairs. We have approached GMCVO for a blended loan of £25,000 - that is a fee free grant of £5k and a loan of £20k at a very low interest rate repayable over 10 year, thus protecting our reserves. Our winding engine volunteers are very heavily involved in the project and it is proving a real challenge but the hope of having the engine working on demand is a very appealing idea.

At the same time that this major project is taking place, the railway squad are deeply committed to the completion of the track and the building of two platforms. The dream has been extant for 25 years so to see the railway actually in operation is a lip-smacking hope. The diesel engines, Newton and Sandy have been refurbished at a joint cost of approximately £35,000 and other volunteers are refurbishing the man riders for use by the general public. Our hope is that the public will visit and revisit and, in any case, stay longer when they do visit.

When parts of the Colliery are closed to us it does allow to luxury to think about the layout of the site when it fully reopens. We are still able to complete outside repair and we anticipate having a successful plant sale.

Memories from the last year

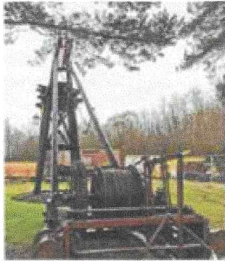
Lancashire Mining Museum at Astley Green
11 March 2022

Once again the local Co-op stores have come up trumps for our Café service in the holidays. They have kindly supplied the Mince pies and also the sweets for the children for this event. The Co-op have been tremendous supporters of the museum over the past few years. Please support them. They have never stopped giving to the community and now it would be nice for the community to return the favour by supporting them.



Lancashire Mining Museum at Astley Green
11 March 2022

The first Deaf Manager we have on site has been confirmed for the job. He will be based in the shop and the team will be working with him to ensure the shop is accessible for all. We will be working with him to ensure the shop is accessible for all. We will be working with him to ensure the shop is accessible for all.



Lancashire Mining Museum at Astley Green
23 April 2022

We may not have been able to open our site yesterday to do the Treasure Hunt and other activities for the children as had originally planned but the Easter Bunny was still able to bring a smile to the children's faces by handing out the Free Easter Eggs, through the gates of the museum, to all the children who came to see her. Thanks to everyone who came to support us through this difficult time. (pictures by Gary Cole)



Lancashire Mining Museum at Astley Green
1 April 2022

SUPPORT THE MUSEUM - Bank holiday week-end and at the start of May on the Saturday, Sunday and Monday the Lancashire Mining Museum will be having a plant sale with wonderful hanging baskets, bedding plants and crockays to brighten up your garden. Come along to find plants and baskets at incredible prices and help the museum survive, as all profits will be used to develop the site further. We had to cancel last years event but this one will be bigger and better than ever.



Lancashire Mining Museum at Astley Green
21 April 2022

Thank you to everyone who follows the Facebook page. We have just passed 10,000 followers on the site. This shows the major funding bodies that there is a groundswell of support to keep this site open. Keep on following the page, as it details all the events we are planning during the late spring and summer to help get the site back on its feet, after an awful 12 months for everyone. Stay Safe and thank you for your support.



Lancashire Mining Museum at Astley Green
21 April 2022

Joe Millmore one of our volunteers has discovered a letter which is dated 1918. It has to do with the mine and we wonder if any of our members could know any more about the letter. It is addressed to the mine and it is interesting to see a letter to the mine. It is interesting to see a letter to the mine. It is interesting to see a letter to the mine.



Lancashire Mining Museum at Astley Green
21 April 2022

Our outside gazebo is dressed and ready for our murder mystery afternoon for this afternoon. Looking forward to welcoming people back to our museum again. I hope there could be a murder mystery which may need solving.



Lancashire Mining Museum at Astley Green
10 April 2022

The bedding plants for our plant sale this week-end have arrived on site. We are open Saturday Sunday and Monday 10.00 - 4.00pm each day for all you plant needs. The hanging baskets are coming later. The gazebo tea room will also be open for bacon and sausage barmen each morning and Cream teas in the afternoon. Come along for a great day out any day of the week-end.



Memories from the last year

Lancashire Mining Museum at Astley Green
11 March 2022

Mark is preparing the building of the memorial to all the miners of the Lancashire coalfield. He is just finishing it off this week. Before it gets unveiled on Monday afternoon at the memorial service for the 125th Anniversary of the 1929-30 strike. Any miners and their families are invited to attend. It's a memorial for all miners involved in the strike in the Lancashire coalfield. Come along to support it. Any other what's going on top of the plant? The press for guidance. It will be somewhere for notes and their families to come and anybody anyone who has worked in the industry club the press.



Lancashire Mining Museum at Astley Green
11 March 2022

at the Memorial service held in conjunction with a service from St Mary's Church in Little Overton who came up to the mine with the horse to Cambridge. It was a wonderful service. The service was held at the Memorial service. It was a wonderful service. The service was held at the Memorial service.



Lancashire Mining Museum at Astley Green
21 April 2022

It was just another Fathers Day at the Lancashire Mining Museum. Lots of laughs, great company and wonderful volunteers making sure all our visitors had a great time.



Lancashire Mining Museum at Astley Green
11 March 2022

Mr Lisk had his last run at the West Lancs Railway on Sunday before being transferred to the Lancashire Mining Museum for use on our railway. We promise we will look after it carefully.



Lancashire Mining Museum at Astley Green
1 April 2022

Another fantastic night at the Lancashire Mining Museum last night. Thanks to everyone who supported us and to our amazing volunteers who put so much effort in to make it a success. Wonderful to be able to bring the community together after the past 18 months which have been a struggle for everyone. When you have people dancing in the drizzle it must have been a good night. Thanks to Astley Youth Band and Youngs Once in providing the wonderful music for everyone's enjoyment.



Lancashire Mining Museum at Astley Green
9 August 2022

Today was a significant day for the charity, as the trustees signed a new lease with Wigan Council for a further 25 years for its occupation of the site. This gives us some security of tenure and allows us to begin the process of applying for the grant with Heritage Lottery to try and repair the headgear. This gives the funding bodies some indication the site has a long term future as a museum and all its assets are worth saving for future generations.



Lancashire Mining Museum at Astley Green
21 August 2022

Our visitors today enjoying their afternoon tea in the gazebo museum.



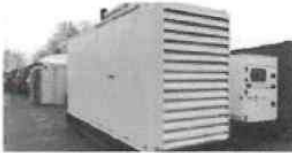
Lancashire Mining Museum at Ashey Green
13 July 2021

Today our volunteers were on site finishing laying the concrete for the new generator base. Our new generator is due to be delivered on the 10th July. They will allow us to run our magnificent 1000hp steam engine again after 12 months of inactivity. The business is also meeting on Tuesday and hopefully we will soon have some good news regarding opening the site open to the public.



Lancashire Mining Museum at Ashey Green
13 July 2021

The generator we had on site to run the stagepoint heating engine was deemed irreparable after we had spent months and a significant amount of money trying to repair it. We finally had to accept, in order to run our mining engine for our visitors, the would need to be replaced. As we need a large generator capacity we determined we would need at least one after we found a 200kva generator which although second hand was for just over 4000 pounds. This type of equipment is not cheap and even second hand was £13,000 + vat. The museum manager bought it from The Greater Manchester Centre for Voluntary Organisations to be sold back over a 12 month period. The financial support of the museum, by the community over the past 2 years, is vital to the success of the museum. It is a real shame that we are not able to connect it and test it. Engines expected to be ready for when we reopen the site to visitors on the 1st August.



Lancashire Mining Museum at Ashey Green
13 July 2021

Great to welcome some of our new younger volunteers on site to help us prepare for reopening to visitors on the 1st August. Joe Pearson who is repairing the Blacker Hammer. Joe Grant who is getting the 1000hp steam engine running again. Nicole Budge who is painting the hand press. Thank you for your support and it is great to see the younger generation getting involved. I will save the wonder. See more



Lancashire Mining Museum at Ashey Green
23 July 2021

Some of the lads on the engine house who got the magnificent engine running again today. The rest of the team will be back to get it running at full speed hopefully before we opening to the public again on Saturday 1st August.



Lancashire Mining Museum at Ashey Green
23 July 2021

Getting ready for our reopening on Saturday 1st August and are cleaning the engine and the long time heated bars having us. Can't wait to see the museum for the first time in 12 months. It is a real shame that we are not able to connect it and test it. Engines expected to be ready for when we reopen the site to visitors on the 1st August.



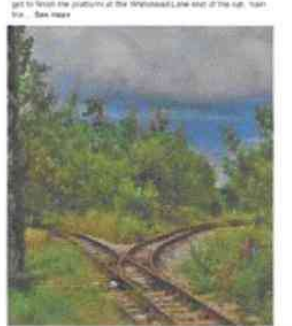
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Our visitors and supporters are important to us, so without them and their donations, the site could not survive. There are some of the permanent exhibits from our visitors back to the museum. It is developing into a place everyone can enjoy. The engine will be running again on both days this week and. It is a great day out as the following comments suggest. Come along to support us and enjoy an afternoon out. We are open Saturday & Sunday afternoon 10am-5.00pm. Admission and so on. See more



Lancashire Mining Museum at Ashey Green
23 July 2021

Like that a number of a mile from the town of Ashey Green. Most of the buildings in the museum are made of brick and are well maintained. The museum is a real shame that we are not able to connect it and test it. Engines expected to be ready for when we reopen the site to visitors on the 1st August.



MOMENTS FROM THE LAST YEAR

Lancashire Mining Museum at Ashey Green
13 July 2021

Just some pictures to give a flavour of what is happening today at the Lancashire Mining Museum. Get along between 10 and 4pm for a great family day out with lots to see and do. Admission FREE. Come along to support the museum just a couple of our reviews from yesterday.

"Thank you for the hard work you've put into this weekend, we had a great afternoon today!"
"This is my second visit to the museum and had a great day again! The staff are very welcoming and the exhibits are great." See more



Lancashire Mining Museum at Ashey Green
13 July 2021

Between Saturday 13th and 14th there were sold out tickets available for the Friday night. Get it quick it's sure to sell out before the night. Tickets must be booked it is likely there will be a long wait to get in this week end.



Lancashire Mining Museum at Ashey Green
13 July 2021

Competition Time
Some months ago we informed you about a puzzle that was re-discovered right here at the Lancashire Mining Museum. After many months we are pleased to announce that the puzzle has been solved. We believe this puzzle is for 1950 and was built by the Tinsley company, at the Plant Works, in Birmingham has been restored to working order and will soon be on display.

To celebrate the historical water that push back of the type served in getting nearer to. See more



Lancashire Mining Museum at Ashey Green
13 July 2021

In the two photos we have 160 years of experience working together in the shape of Eric and Ann, with all their brilliant help today we have finished the new path to the Bathhouse pub gate. Done in 4 days! Thanks everyone. We are beginning to open up our woodland for the community to enjoy.





**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

**Independent examiner's report
on the accounts**

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/directors/members of

The Red Rose Steam Society Limited

On accounts for the year ended

30 June 2021

Charity no.:	513511	Company no.:	1682997
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Set out on pages

Pages 1 and 2

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 30 / 06 / 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (who are also the directors of the company 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").

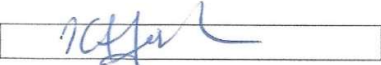
Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited for this year under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ("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 material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 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
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102).

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.

Signed:  Date: 21/09/2021

Name: Kantilal Trikamji Joshi, FCMA, CGMA

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any): Fellow of the chartered Management Accountants.

Address: 60 Chestnut Drive
Leigh
WN7 3JW

Section B Disclosure

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.

none

Red Rose Steam Society Limited

Registered Company No. 1682997

Registered Charity No. 51351 1

Financial Statements - Year Ended 30 June 2021

Profit & Loss Account	30Jun-2021	30Jun-2020
Income		
Donations and legacies	£24,037.43	£19,492.51
Subscriptions	£1,965.00	£1,825.00
Trading activities	£22,714.54	£10,641.13
Railway Income	£2,551.46	£0.00
Events held	£30,767.15	£12,709.58
Site Visits & Rental	£340.00	£2,113.50
Grants	£37,025.25	£25,547.39
Scrap Sales	£2,214.32	£30.65
Miscellaneous	£1,460.65	£1,261.46
Total	£123,075.80	£73,621.22
Expenditure		
Events	£19,449.42	£4,239.78
Winding Engine Costs	£5,733.26	£7,905.45
Headgear Costs	£0.00	£0.00
Railway	£4,395.06	£37,784.16
Site Utilities	£4,680.47	£4,325.97
Site Costs/Refurbishment	£19,986.35	£3,341.39
Insurance	£2,041.82	£3,108.73
Office Equipment	£1,726.96	£2,686.79
Administration costs	£5,224.01	£3,349.84
Other trading activities	£6,782.27	£3,965.80
Total	£70,019.62	£70,707.91
Operating Surplus	£53,056.18	£2,913.31
Loan charges / Bank Interest	£1,779.19	-£1,145.00
Depreciation	£4,210.00	£0.00
Surplus before Taxation	£47,066.99	£2,901.86
Taxation	£0.00	£0.00
Surplus after Taxation	£47,066.99	£2,901.86

Registered Company No. 1682997

Registered Charity No. 513511

Financial Statements - Year Ended 30 June 2021

Balance Sheet	30-Jun-2021	30-Jun-2020
Fixed assets		
Tangible assets	£21,050.00	£4,259.00
Depreciation	-£4,210.00	£0.00
Investments		
<i>Total fixed assets</i>	£16,840.00	£4,259.00
Current assets		
Stocks	£3,223.50	£3,990.50
Nat Wesk	£71,431.91	£45,131.61
Reserve funds	£20,295.84	£20,045.89
Paypal	£1,399.88	£1,803.48
Vouchers	£0.00	£150.00
Cash	£7,757.26	£1,460.92
<i>Total current assets</i>	£104,108.39	£72,582.40
Loan GMCVQ	£17,040.00	£20,000.00
Loan SE	£10,000.00	£10,000.00
<i>Total current liabilities</i>	£27,040.00	£30,000.00
<i>Total assets less current liabilities</i>	£93,908.39	£46,841.40
Funds of the Charity		
Restricted income funds		
Unrestricted funds	£46,841.40	£43,939.54
Current Year Surplus Funds	£47,066.99	£2,901.86
<i>Total funds</i>	£93,908.39	£46,841.40