

Restoration Begins at Europe's Last Remaining Tin Mill

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Following the launch of their brand new Tolgus Mill exhibition in March, Cornwall Gold are now starting the restoration with the repair the roof over the last original tin stream works in Europe.

Recognising the vital need to preserve this important piece of Cornish heritage, Cornwall Gold took the admirable decision in 2022 to reduce the size of their jewellery showroom and create an interactive exhibition. Dedicated entirely to the onsite Tolgus Mill, visitors are able to learn more about the tin milling process, hear the stories of those who worked there, view original footage of the mill in action as well as dress up in traditional clothing.

Committed to preserving Tolgus Mill for future generations, Cornwall Gold are now starting the essential renovation work. Repair works began earlier this month on the roof sheltering the Frame House part of Tolgus Mill. Although a Grade II listed building, the roof is in a terrible state of disrepair, littered with holes and in places, is falling in.

With the aim of retaining as much of the original features and structure as possible, the wooden A-Frame will be lifted off in the new year so a new corrugated steel roof can be put in place. Any rotten wood will be replaced before being put back into place. At the same time, mundic affected areas will be removed whilst new lights and new wiring will be installed with the aim of getting the frame house up and running in the not too distant future.

This much-needed project was chosen by visitors to the attraction who had the choice of voting for three restoration projects using tokens. Whilst there remains much regeneration work ahead, restoring the roof is the next step in safe-guarding Tolgus Mill's future.

As Managing Director/Owner Mike Taylor explains "Home to Tolgus Mill, the Cornwall Gold site holds a rich history which we were determined to preserve and bring to life. We knew

that by engaging the public in this important piece of history we would be able to nurture their support in our preservation efforts. Launched earlier this year, our interactive Tolgus Mill exhibition has done just that and we are delighted to now be starting the next phase of our restoration works, which with the recent rains, are needed more than ever!”.

Lying in Cornwall’s mining heartland, Cornwall Gold is a fine example of how a local attraction can work harmoniously with its heritage, re-investing proceeds and using profit for good.

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About Cornwall Gold

Located in the heart of Cornwall’s traditional mining district, Cornwall Gold invites you to discover Cornwall’s tin mining past with their interactive Tolgus Mill exhibition. Visitors are also able to pan for gold, enjoy the walking trails, refresh in their award-winning café or opt to Pick a Pearl, Build a Bear, Create and Paint or shop for jewellery in their unique showroom.

Dog friendly, free parking, open daily and free entry.

Learn more – cornwall-gold.com





