



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 31 March 2024 Period start date To 1 April 2025 Period end date

Charity name: Blackpool Unit 45 of the Sea Cadet Corps

Charity registration number: 1012707

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	Blackpool Sea Cadets is part of a larger organisation, the Marine Society & Sea Cadets (MSSC), is not directly funded by the Royal Navy as is commonly perceived and is a self-funding organisation and registered charity. The Unit (Charity) promotes the development of young people in achieving their physical, intellectual and social potential as individuals and as responsible citizens by the provision of education and leisure time activities through nautical adventure with an emphasis on fun.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Staffed totally by uniformed and civilian volunteers, the Unit parades twice a week and: - offers young people a structured environment in which to develop - provides access to education and training including (but not restricted to): sailing (inshore and offshore), paddle sports, power boating, seamanship, navigation, marine engineering, cooking, music, first aid, drill, piping, and public service - provides opportunities for young people to obtain a range of qualifications - provides opportunities for community involvement.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	Regard is given to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission through the regular newsletter distributed to all Trustees.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	

Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>Young people aged 10 to 18 years old and from all backgrounds and abilities attend the unit and all are offered the same opportunities. Quite often they excel in later life due to the training and confidence building they receive as a cadet.</p> <p>Whilst not considered a recruiting organisation, some do choose to go on to join the Royal Navy or other branches of the Armed Forces, but in many cases feedback from employers shows how impressed they are by the skills gained.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<p>Membership of the Management Team (Trustees) remains at a level to allow continued and effective management of the charity. A Parents & Supporter's Association, a sub-committee of the main management team, concentrates on fundraising and has proven successful in organising and holding events to raise funds.</p> <p>The charity has no debtors or creditors and following the annual audit, the accounts are in a healthy state. There are currently sufficient funds to enable the charity to continue operating for approximately 6 months should funding/income cease for any reason.</p>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The trustee policy is to hold a minimum of six months operating costs in reserve to ensure continued operation of the unit/charity should the need arise.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£45,148.70
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	There are no uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Principal sources of funds are member subscriptions, fund raising in the form of raffles, quiz nights, fairs, etc, and donations/grants from external sources. Designated funds are held for use as directed by the donor.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	The Sea Cadet Standard Constitution (SCSC)(2017) approved by the MSSC Council and charity regulator in 2017 determines the charitable constitution for the charity.
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	The charity is an Unincorporated Charitable Association.
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Persons can apply to become a trustee at any time and acceptance is approved at the regular meetings of the trustees. Holders of office are elected by the trustees at the AGM.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Blackpool Unit 45 of the Sea Cadet Corps
Other name the charity uses	Blackpool Sea Cadets
Registered charity number	1012707
Charity's principal address	596 Devonshire Road Bispham Blackpool FY2 0JL

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Mr John Young	Chair		Unit Management Team
2	Mr Emile Timothy	Vice Chair		Unit Management Team
3	Rev Simon Cox	Treasurer		Unit Management Team
4	Mrs Kay Jackson	Ex Officio		Unit Management Team
5	Mr Lee Burrell			Unit Management Team
6	Mrs Sarah Morris	Chair P&SA		Unit Management Team
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser

Name

Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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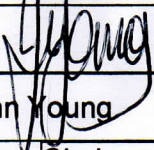
Other optional information

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	John Young	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)		

Date

25/10/2025

Blackpool Sea Cadets: Account Summary 2024-2025

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Blackpool Sea Cadets

Statement of Financial Activity

2024-2025

Opening Balance	Current Account	£5,909.27	£52,670.84
	Reserve Account	£45,148.70	
	Petty Cash Account	£267.18	
	Transit Account	£1,345.69	
	Cash in Hand	£0.00	
	Uncleared Income	£0.00	
	Prepayments	£0.00	
	Uncleared Expenditure	£0.00	

Total Income for year **76,060.95**

Total Expenditure for year **£48,050.67**

Closing Balance **£28,010.28**

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	Current Account	£6,025.74	
	Reserve Account	£19,773.88	
	Petty Cash Account	£442.23	
	Transit Account	£1,186.30	
	Cash in Hand	£0.00	
	Uncleared Income	£1,170.67	
	Prepayments		
	Uncleared Expenditure	£588.54	

Assets

Headquarters Building, insured value

£1,220,637.65

Equipment valued at

depreciation (20% pa)

2019	Trinity 500 Written Down		
2020			£0
2021	Computers	£1,198.00	£719
2022			£0
2023	Furniture	£2,540.00	£2,540
2024	Bus & Karaoke	£26,150.00	£26,150

Net worth at 1st April 2025

£1,278,056.73

18 Westfield Ave., Highfurlong, Blackpool, FY37LU

Independent verification of 2024-2025 accounts

I can confirm that the income and expenditure transactions recorded and maintained throughout the year by the Treasurer are an accurate representation of the financial position of Blackpool Sea Cadets

Documents audited:

- * Monthly income and expenditure statements
- * Annual income and expenditure summary
- * Cheque book and paying-in book counterfoils and Statements for Current, Training Fund & Reserve Accounts
- * Petty Cash vouchers & receipts
- * Receipts for incoming donations & invoices for expenditure

Petty cash was not physically checked during the independent verification

Janet Rimmer

