

# THE OUTLOOK TRUST FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED

## Annual Report 2023

2023 has been a successful year for the Outlook Trust. We have provided our six activity weekends. The weekends have been well attended with some oversubscribed. We also undertook our longer sailing residential in the summer. This year we picked our boat up in Cowes from UKSA which proved to be quite an adventure.

A massive thank you to Jonny (Cormack) who joined our board of trustees in 2022. He has been a real boon this year helping launch and recover our boats and driving our youngsters down to the isle of Wight for the sailing week. He has provided a great deal of support to our charity for many years now.

We have certainly made good use of our bus this year with no issues travelling down to the Isle of Wight..

We benefitted from the use of Ghyll Head Outdoor Activity Centre. They also provided our water activities



The bespoke Safeguarding training designed specifically to meet the needs of The Outlook Trust was successfully delivered, to all staff involved in supporting participating children. This was delivered by our two Safeguarding Officers on the first two weekends of the season. We are still refining our policies and procedures in collaboration with the RYA Safeguarding team. Trustees have met regularly to discuss ongoing matters and monitor effective use of our resources.



We are reaching new children and families. The Facebook Page has worked well giving up to date information. More parents are becoming directly involved. A big thanks to Fiona, Evelina and all the parents who have supported us with donations this year. Thank you for your support in fund raising. We always need your support.

**Trustees Jeff Davies Brian Harrington John Lee Jonathan Cormack**

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The Summer sailing this year was a great success. All participants were actively engaged. The skipper Mark did an excellent job in involving all the youngsters all the time in sailing the boat. They all came back with a good understanding of what is required to sail a large yacht at sea. We picked up the boat in Cowes. This was kindly donated by UKSA. A big thank you to Jonny for driving and giving up a week to support us.

We have made good use of our new Drascombe gig "Out on the Full". The boat has been purchased for us by The Wooden Spoon, a trust which raises funds for charities who support children and adults with disability. This now allows all participating children to sail at the same time in our two boats.



A big thank to all our volunteers and trustees for their support in 2023

If we manage to fund raise successfully it will be plain sailing through the forthcoming year.



We will be proposing six weekends this year as well as our sailing week. If you can think of any sporting events fun runs etc where you might attract sponsorship please consider us.

If you know of any charitable trusts or companies offering support please let us know or if you feel confident enough apply on our behalf. I am happy to provide any information and support you require

Thank you to the cyclists who support our lakeside rides. Without these wonderful people giving their time freely at weekends we could not operate.

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Things are looking promising for 2024 and we are frantically improving, repairing replacing and preparing boats for next season.

We have also made the decision to replace our Humber Safety RIB as sadly this year it proved to be unreliable. It was purchased 22 years ago so it has served us well over the years. A special thank you to John, Rob, Julie and other staff at Ghyll Head Outdoor Activity Centre. They have made us very welcome as well as letting us store and moor our boats. We will be using the centre's accommodation and services in the forthcoming year.



Every penny we raise goes to supporting our special participants. We rely upon our volunteers to make the weekends work. A big thank to Gerard, Ollie, Victoria, Anne Jackie and Sarah and of course John fellow trustee for his help this year. We say farewell to Saliha as a trustee but she is still going to support us next year.

We also wish to thank The Primary Club, Sport England The Finn Family Trust Happy Holidays. St James Place Charitable Foundation, The Noble Trust and Red Funnel Ferries for free passage to the Isle of Wight

Jeff Davies Trustee

Trustees Jeff Davies Brian Harrington John Lee Jonathan Cormack

**The Outlook Trust**  
**Income and Expenditure Statement**  
**1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023**

<b>Income</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Amazon	33.70	
Charities Aid Foundation	90.00	
Contributions	4,821.00	
Donations	5,625.00	
Happy Days Charity	1,250.00	
New College	360.00	
RYA	5,260.00	
SJP Ch Found	2,500.00	
The Noble Charity	1,500.00	
The Prim Club Sw Gra	5,000.00	
Wooden Spoon	10,500.00	
Zurich insurance	1,047.50	
<b>Total income</b>		<b>37,987.20</b>
 <b>Expenses</b>		
Accommodation	10,045.44	
Food for activities	1,577.65	
Fuel	1,441.51	
Go Ape	285.00	
Independent examiner	200.00	
Insurance and Tax - Minibus	1,174.67	
Insurance - Boat	1,054.53	
Insurance - Trailer	108.57	
Licence	628.80	
Memberships	200.00	
Office supplies	60.97	
Registrations	103.00	
Repairs - Boat	5,014.38	
Repairs - Minibus	660.00	
Repairs - Trailer	1,690.20	
Safety equipment	696.25	
Sailing week	2,185.72	
Travel	68.20	
Total expenditure		<b>27,194.89</b>
<b>Net Surplus/(deficit)</b>		<b>10,792.31</b>

**Bank balances brought forward @ 1 January 2023**

	HSBC Current account	41,783.26
	Surplus/(Deficit)	10,792.31
<b>Closing bank balance @ 31 December 2023</b>		<b>52,575.57</b>
<b>Funds</b>	Restricted fund	25,000.00
	General fund	27,575.57
		<b>52,575.57</b>





Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Charity Name

THE OUTLOOK TRUST

On accounts for the year  
ended

31.12.2023

Charity no  
(if any)

1081540

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2023.

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

As the charity trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent  
examiner's statement

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [ ] if not applicable.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below \*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect,:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.

\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

J. A. Horton

Date:

23.02.2024

Name:

JENNIFER HORTON F.M.A.A.T.

Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body  
(if any):

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ACCOUNTING TECHNICIANS.



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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

NONE .