

TS Collingwood

UNIT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT T.S. COLLINGWOOD, WAPPING STREET SOUTH SHIELDS AT 7.30pm ON 27th OCTOBER 2025

Minutes

TRUSTEES

Harry Wilson MBE President
John Eltringham MBE Chairman
SLt Stephen Dupear OIC
Keith Trotter Vice Chairman
Jane Eltringham Treasurer
Gary Hindmarch Member
Lisa Oliver Member
Jim Knott Member

APOLOGIES

Lisa Oliver

OPENING ADDRESS BY CHAIRMAN

The Chairman welcomed everyone especially Officer in Charge SLt Stephen Dupear's and Viki Graham Chair P&SA to their first AGM

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS AGM FOR ADOPTION

The minutes were duly adopted as a true reflection of last years AGM

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MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST MINUTES

Due to a change in senior management and redirection of extracurricular activity at Monkwearmouth Academy, they have been unable to progress with the formation of a Sunderland Sea Cadet Unit. TS Collingwood UMT acknowledge this and agree Staff and Trustees will no longer be involved at this time. It is also hoped that a port city such as Sunderland with its long maritime history should have a Sea Cadet Unit and will be achieved sometime in the not too distant future.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

As in previous years, although the AGM financial report attests for the year ending March 2025, I would like this report to cover the period from the last AGM to this date. We have found that when speaking to interested parties, whether parents of cadets, local associations or sources of funding, an up-to-date overview of the activities of TS Collingwood is most helpful. To this end our public domain AGM report is the most appropriate.

In November a meeting was held at TS Collingwood with all staff, P&SA members and other interested parties to discuss and formulate a plan for the following year. The outcome of the meeting was included in the 2025 objectives-

1. Retain our Burgee
2. Retain/improve our cadet membership in line with the aspiration of HO
3. Action 2025 infrastructure and cadet training and activity plan

I will leave to the CO to describe the cadet training and activities plan but suffice here to say that the New Year got off to a very good start with the retention of a Burgee presented at a special awards evening in December attended by the Mayor and Mayoress.

We were also honoured to be informed that we had been nominated and short listed for the Kings Award for Volunteer Service. Although ultimately unsuccessful we were informed by the Lieutenancy Office that our achievement even reaching the list was to be applauded.

2025 has been another year of consolidation as our delight of a Burgee was tempered with the retirement in February, a year earlier than planned, of our Commanding Officer Jim Simpson. Due to personal circumstances (a grandad again) and continued poor health, Jim felt that he could not give the cadets his full attention. Jim oversaw the extraordinary development of TS Collingwood as CO and after an association of over 40 years with the Corps he will be missed.

Luckily for TS Collingwood, with careful succession planning in place, SLt Stephen Dupear took on the role of 'Officer in Charge' with immediate effect.

With new leadership and roles for all personnel in place, the staff reorganised, stepping up to the challenge and provided a seamless year of cadet activities supported by the Unit Management Team.

Building

The names Ashley, Bert, Conall, Darragh and Eowyn might not be remembered by many now, but for us they will be, as they were last winter's storms with Eowyn in particular. It was the last straw finally removing the suffering flat roof of our changing rooms. This had to be repaired with haste and so without time for fund raising our reserves were tapped into and a completely new roof installed. The work was completed by ARP Developments.

At the same time, our Commercial Property five-year Mains Electrical Installation inspection became due. With such a large property this is not a small job and so I would like to thank UK Docks for supplying one of their specialist contractors for a whole week to carry out the inspection and perform all remedial work.

Boats

TS Collingwood continues to work with the North East Maritime Trust on the construction of a new rowing boat as described at last year AGM and sponsored by UK Docks. There have been many challenges, but the first boat is nearing completion and will be a huge boost to our boating activity/training resource. The new boat will be capable of a Trinity crew, four rowers and cox, or eight junior rowers (side by side) and cox. The boat will also be fitted with electric propulsion as an additional safety measure for tidal river use through our crowded adjacent moorings. Our thanks again go to UK Docks for providing £10,000 sponsorship for this project as well as specialised equipment supply.

Our thanks also go to the NEMT for performing additional repairs to the thwarts of our existing Trinity rowing boats.

Funds were also allocated for all ongoing boat maintenance and repairs as well as the first MOT of our tractor. This was a bit of an issue and for some reason we had to fit a front number plate and a rear fog light!

Other Projects

Waterborne activities are TS Collingwood's speciality, but it has always proved a challenge to achieve the maximum number of hours afloat possible during the year. Although boating takes place at planned weekends, most takes place during parade evening on a Monday and Friday. With boat launching from a slipway, this depends upon suitable tides with two hours needed before and after low tide. For many years it has been recognised that a repair to the bottom of the slip would enable boats to be launched at any state of tide. A project was put in place to see if this was viable and a marine civil engineering company approached for budget purposes. This was agreed at £15,000. TS Collingwood's good friend and benefactor John Lightfoot MBE agreed to fund the project allowing the work to proceed. This will take place over the winter/spring 2025/6 when suitable spring tides are available. An initial phase comprising of a beach clean at the bottom of the slip carried out by TS Collingwood staff was completed in July. A skip was hired and a large number of tires and other debris removed.

RYA Accreditation

TS Collingwood underwent a full inspection by the RYA on the 3rd August to maintain our RYA Accreditation as a certified training establishment. This included a full documentation review as well as waterborne activities performed during a planned training weekend. All was satisfactory and our accreditation maintained.

Community activities carried out-

- A full 'turn out' of Cadets paraded at the cenotaph for the Remembrance Day service Sunday 10th November.
- Cadets placed a light on each of the 120 graves at the Commonwealth War Grave plot at Harton Cemetery during an evening service on the 11th November attended by DL Ann Clouston OBE and the Mayor and Mayoress.
- In support of the Mission to Seafarers, eight scattering of ashes were performed at sea using our Wheelyboat, Sir James Knott.
- Cadets paraded for Armed Forces Day 22nd June and joined staff at our recruitment stand in Bents Park South Shields.
- Cadets and Staff and two of our boats, joined the South Tyneside Summer parade on the 2nd July
- TS Collingwood hosted the North East Marine Professionals (NEMP) for their summer social on the 10th July. This was sponsored by UK Docks.

Vice Chairman Keith Trotter, using his expert history of TS Collingwood did sterling work hosting visits and giving lectures-

- HMS Satellite to the Royal Marines Association 27th June and 9th October
- North East Medals and Militaria Society 7th October
- Year 7 Hedworth School 18th September
- Year 7 Park View School 19th September
- North East Maritime Trust 18th September

Other Fund Raising Activities

Please refer to the P&SA report

Projects apart, one of the greatest efforts is towards the general account and keeping the lights on. With this in mind our very great thanks go to those that understand what we do here at TS Collingwood and whom offer continual financial support. They are-

The Sir James Knott Trust
John Lightfoot MBE
Harry Wilson MBE
UK Docks
Commonwealth War Graves Commission
The Marine Society and Sea Cadets
The Mayor of South Tyneside
And as ever 'The folk of Shields'

To summarise, UMT 2025 objectives have been mostly met and 2026 objectives will be established, as in previous years, at an all staff meeting after this AGM.

P&SA REPORT

A new P&SA was formed in March 2025 under the Chairmanship of Vikki Graham and Treasurer Andrea Fairwether. Both have been heavily involved in the weekly house keeping of TS Collingwood. One item of note. The P&SA have now moved to taking card payments for the 'nutty'

Since the last UMT AGM the P&SA have participated in the following activities.

- Raised and donated £342 to Jamesies Mission, in memory of James Alexander Dupear, from a raffle ran at The Trafalgar Mess dinner.
- Raised £150 at The Awards Night raffle.
- Raised £80 at the Easter raffle, prizes donated by parents and carers.
- Raised £145 at Armed Forces day
- Provided funds to buy food and snacks for a number of boating weekends, and purchased plastic tumblers, paper plates, napkins etc.
- Purchased stationery and cleaning products for the junior cadet classroom.

We have organised and are funding a Halloween party for the cadets on 30/11/25.

We would like to thank the Chairman, UMT, staff, cadets and parents/carers for their continued support.

Vikki Graham
Chair P&SA

OIC's REPORT

Since taking command of TS Collingwood in early 2025 I set about a programme of familiarisation of available resources including listening to staff and cadets and ensuring I had competent, motivated and a willing team of volunteers in key positions. At the same time, we set about reviewing what we were doing, checking compliance, finding possible improvements and setting standards for the future.

Through the summer season, we concentrated heavily on our core business – that of waterborne training and we successfully achieved reaccreditation as an RYA Training Centre. We successfully delivered rowing and powerboating qualifications and a successful weekend sleepover which was the first one we had held in over 2 years.

In August we agreed to open a second Junior Section and recruited 14 new Junior Cadets who will parade one night a week with our existing group of Juniors parading

on the other. Our Junior Section is now full and we are building a waiting list for the next round of enrolments in the first quarter of 2026. The next step is to commence recruitment for the Royal Marines Cadets, an online recruitment campaign is about to start with the support of the Growth and Development Team with the view of a new group of Royal Marines Cadets start in early 2026.

In September were visited by the Area Officer, Commander Gary Farmer RN for our formal Unit Review, the review went very well and we were awarded another Burgee. Our scores were slightly lower than in previous years due to some resource issues, however we have a template for growth and we know where we need to best prioritise our current resources. Following the review we held a staff meeting and planning session, gathered ideas and feedback from those in attendance and a plan for 2026 is currently in production.

Unlike previous years, the plan is changing from January to January, and will run September to September to match with the Unit review reporting period. This will also mean that our Unit Review night will also double as our awards evening.

The UMA visit went well, we have a number of pick up points to work on, but the visiting officer was very pleased with our commitment to improve, maintain a safe working environment and future proof the safety of everyone.

Looking ahead to 2026, we have a unit camp organised at Thurston OEC, we are currently fundraising for this and identify possible funding streams to make the camp accessible for everyone in the unit. We intend on making a summer camp a staple of the units plan as a break away from the norm and providing a different experience that we would not normally be able to provide.

Management change is always difficult, so the year has been more of a challenge for all than usual. However decisions we have made have started to show green shoots and I am looking forward to the coming year.

WESTMINSTER REPORT – NUMBERS

Cadets Numbers: (as of 27/10/2025)

Current Numbers				MWA Division (JSC & SCC)	6 months <	
JSC (11)	(9- 11)	SCC (12+)	RMCD (13+)		SOS (struck of strength)	TOS (taken on strength)
JSC 1: 13	21	5	5	27 + 1 x JSC*	36	21
JSC 2: 13				27 + 1 x JSC*		

- The numbers above are a true representation of our current unit numbers, with 15 onboarded in the last month alone. This is the most we have enrolled into the unit in such a short period of time for over 8 years at least.
- We have been recognised by the Growth, Development and Outreach team and will be mentioned in reports and a case study has been sent to DCMS (Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sports).
- Although our Struck of Strength numbers are **currently** high for the last 6 months, we have still managed to maintain a '5' score for retention of cadets in our RNP and have recruited 2/3 of the amount struck of in less than 6 months. A mammoth achievement.

Adult Volunteers: (as of 27/10/2025)

Substantive Senior Rate	Non- Substantive Senior Rate	Officers	Civilian	UAs	Committee/s	P&SA	MWA
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- We still hold Lt Cdr (SCC) William Pascoe RNR on our books

New/Current Appointment:

- RMC Detachment Commander - **VACANT**
- Stores Officer – PO (SCC) Phillip Routledge (Trial Period)
- OIC – SLt (SCC) Stephen Dupear RNR
- XO – PPO (SCC) James Tagg
- Training Officer / Recreation Officer – PO (SCC) Sophie Dupear
- Unit Admin Officer – PO (SCC) Steven Chaplin
- Junior Training Officers – Lt (SCC) John Morgan RNR & PO (SCC) Sarah Howe
- Boats Officer – Peter Graham
- Assistant Boats Officer – PO (SCC) Cameron McFarlane
- P&SA Chair – Vikki Graham
- P&SA Treasurer – Andrea Fairweather
- P&SA Secretary – Lynne Kelso
- Health and Safety Officer – Keith Trotter
- Duke of Edinburgh Oversight – **VACANT**
- CVQO Oversight – **VACANT**
- C2V (Cadet to Volunteer Mentor) Oversight - **VACANT**

TREASURERS REPORT AND ADOPTION OF ACCOUNTS

The Treasurer provided an overview of the unit accounts and fielded questions as appropriate. The accounts were adopted.

Auditors Fees including VAT are expected to be in the order of £500 and were accepted.

ELECTION/RE-ELECTION OF PRESIDENT

It was with great pleasure that the Chairman announced the Harry Wilson MBE was willing to stand once again as President of TS Collingwood. Harry was duly re-elected.

ELECTION OF UNIT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The UMC stood down and was re-elected en bloc-

John Eltringham	Chairman
Keith Trotter	Vice Chairman
Jane Eltringham	Treasurer
Jim Knott	Member
Gary Hindmarch	Member
Lisa Oliver	Member

ELECTION OF PARENTS AND SUPPORTERS COMMITTEE

Viki Graham	Chairman
Emma Short	Vice Chairman
Andrea Fairweather	Treasurer
Lynne Kelso	Secretary

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None

THE SEA CADETS		Form	
ANNUAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT* FOR THE UNIT		SCC A3 (R&P)	
RECEIPTS & 'PAYMENTS ACCOUNT for year ended 31 March 2025		Apr-19	
(*Units in Scotland: This Statement's form and content and its scrutiny are governed by Regulations – SSI 2006/218)			
Copy to be uploaded onto Westminster and Volunteer & Business Support Manager at Area Office to be notified by 1 November			
Unit Name: South Shields 315 Unit	Charity No: 1087355		
Fund-name/purpose (if not held for the Unit's general purposes):-		THIS YEAR £	LAST YEAR £
	Notes		
REVENUE RECEIPTS –			
ANNUAL FUND/DIRECT GRANT			
PARENTS AND SUPPORTERS		£1,166.00	£2,327.00
OTHER GRANTS			£200.00
CADET CONTRIBUTIONS		£2,596.00	£4,770.00
OTHER DONATIONS / LEGACIES	Knott/Lightfoot/Other	£26,822.00	£38,052.00
FUNDRAISING & SPECIAL EVENTS PROCEEDS			£1,522.00
OTHER CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES:			
COMPETITION RECEIPTS			
COURSE FEES		£313.00	£266.00
SUNDRY SALES RECEIPTS			
BANK DEPOSIT INTEREST		£345.00	£514.00
PROPERTY RENTS (includes any occasional			
OTHER REVENUE RECEIPTS	Gift Aid		£15,267.00
TOTAL REVENUE RECEIPTS	A	£31,242.00	£62,918.00
NON-REVENUE RECEIPTS –			
PROCEEDS FROM SALES OF OTHER FIXED ASSETS			
TOTAL NON-REVENUE RECEIPTS	B	£0.00	£0.00
(*Attach that Fund's similar Account of Receipts as page AC1A, and so on)			
TOTAL RECEIPTS = A + B	C	£31,242.00	£62,918.00
Reconciliation:-			
NET CHANGE FOR YEAR IN CASH/BANK BALANCE:-			
- REVENUE ITEMS (= A – D from page AC2)	G	£10,665.00	£30,024.00
- NON-REVENUE ITEMS (= B – E from page AC2)	H	-£22,068.00	-£24,400.00
- COMBINED (=G+H)		-£11,403.00	£5,624.00
CASH/BANK BALANCE FROM LAST YEAR-END		£40,339.00	£34,715.00
CASH/BANK BALANCE AT THIS YEAR-END	2025	£28,936.00	£40,339.00
AC1			

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Notes	

REVENUE PAYMENTS –

DIRECT CHARITABLE ACTIVITY COSTS:

FUNDRAISING & SPECIAL EVENTS COSTS		£940.00
CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS	£210.00	£10,000.00
FUEL & TRAVEL COSTS	£1,157.00	£1,607.00
CATERING COSTS	£600.00	£1,460.00
TRAINING COURSES COSTS	£686.00	£791.00
ARTICLES PURCHASED FOR RESALE		£1,332.00

OVERHEAD COSTS FOR:

RENT / COUNCIL TAX	£595.00	£600.00
HEAT, LIGHT & WATER	£4,452.00	£4,432.00
TELEPHONE & BROADBAND	£876.00	£903.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES, POSTAGE & PRINTING	£5,266.00	£3,036.00

MAINTENANCE COSTS FOR:

BUILDINGS & ESTATE	£1,966.00	£3,197.00
BOATS	£659.00	£2,107.00
VEHICLES		
COMPUTERS		
OTHER MISC EQUIPMENT	£184.00	£310.00
FUEL COSTS	£621.00	£261.00
INSURANCE COSTS	£2,111.00	£1,314.00
BANK INTEREST & CHARGES		

CHARITY GOVERNANCE COSTS:

FOR ACCOUNTS/AUDIT OR INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION	£516.00	£504.00
FOR OTHER PROFESSIONAL FEES		
FOR LEGAL ADVICE (for constitution or trustees)		
OTHER REVENUE COSTS	£678.00	£100.00
D	£20,577.00	£32,894.00

TOTAL REVENUE PAYMENTS

NON-REVENUE PAYMENTS –

ASSETS	New Rib/trolley	£22,068.00	£24,400.00
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TOTAL NON-REVENUE	E	£22,068.00	£24,400.00
TOTAL PAYMENTS (=D+E)	F	£42,645.00	£57,294.00

(*Attach that Fund's similar Account of Payments as page AC2A, and so on)

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Unit address (or address for correspondence):-		
House name:	TS Collingwood	
Street and No:	Wapping Street	
Area or Estate	Corporation Quay	
Town/City:	South Shields	
County	Tyne and Wear	
Post Code:	NE33 1LQ	
Unit Management Team members (the 'charity trustees') at date of signing Report:-		
John Eltringham	Chairman	
Keith Trotter	Vice Chairman	
Jim Knott	Member	
Jane Eltringham	Treasurer	
Gary Hindmarch	Member	TS Collingwood
Lisa Oliver	Member	
Stephen Dupear	Officer In Charge	
Harry Wilson	President	
Names of any other persons who were charity trustees of the Unit at any time in the financial year:-		
Name of any person who is now (or was, in the financial year) a 'trustee for the charity' - i.e., holding or in possession of any assets belonging to the Unit (includes custodians, nominees &c) [<i>not: Scotland</i>]:-		
Nature and date of the Unit's constitution (governing document):- Subordinate Local Constitution . Governed by Sea Cadet Regulations 12th November 2003		
The method(s) adopted for recruiting new trustees, and how trustees are elected or otherwise appointed (and by whom) in accordance with the Unit's constitution, are as follows:-		
<i>Unit Management Team (UMT) members are elected annually at the Annual General Meeting (AGM). UMT members are elected from the membership of the Sea Cadet Unit which is drawn loosely as being those with an interest in the unit. In the event of a vacancy arising during the year (known as a casual vacancy), The UMT have the power to appoint a new UMT member. The UMT member appointed will serve until the date of the next AGM, after which the post will be filled by election.</i>		
The Unit's charitable purpose(s) as set out in its constitution is:- To help young people towards responsible adulthood by encouraging valuable personal attributes and high standards of conduct, using a nautical theme based on the customs of the Royal Navy.		
The Unit's main activities and achievements in the financial year were:- As per Chairman's and Officer In Charge report ref AGM		
Public Benefit The UMT continue to give due regard to the public benefit provided by the Unit in relation to the charitable purpose of the Sea Cadet movement as set out in the activities and achievements as outlined above. The aim is to promote the development of young people in achieving their physical, intellectual and social potential as individuals and responsible citizens in a safe environment. In order to achieve this the Unit takes young people from all backgrounds, including where possible those with disabilities and develops their skills and abilities by:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regular and structured activities with a nautical theme. Allowing young people to take part in activities connected with the wider Sea Cadet movement such as waterborne activities, events and competitions at district, area and national levels. Availability of formal educational achievements whilst taking courses to earn badges and promotions 		
Contributions are kept low in order to ensure all those who wish to take part in the activities of the Unit may do so.		

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Unit
Name: South Shields 315 Unit

Charity No: 1087355

Reserves Policy

The charity trustees' policy aims to maintain unrestricted reserves at a level 12 months revenue payments in order to safeguard the Unit's ongoing activities from any unexpected fluctuations in Year-end reserves amounted 15 months' on that basis.

Date signed as authorised by the Unit's Management Team:

21/03/25

Ed Ettingham Unit Treasurer

Unit Chairman

Independent Examiner

Note: The statutory audit or independent examination report on this Statement of Account must be attached.

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South Shields Sea Cadets 315 Unit
TS Collingwood
Wapping Street
Corporation Quay
South Shields
Tyne and Wear
NE33 1LQ
21st October 2025

JFS Torbitt
58 Durham Road
Birtley
Co Durham
DH3 2QJ

Dear JFS Torbitt,

The following representations are made on the basis of enquiries of management and staff with relevant knowledge and experience such as we consider necessary in connection with your independent examination of the charity's financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2025. These enquiries have included inspection of supporting documentation where appropriate and are sufficient to satisfy ourselves that we can make each of the following representations. All representations are made to the best of our knowledge and belief.

General

- 1 We acknowledge that the work performed by you is substantially less in scope than an audit performed in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) and that you do not express an audit opinion.
- 2 We confirm that the charity was entitled to exemption under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 the requirement to have its financial statements for the financial year ended 31st March 2025 audited.
- 3
- 4 We have fulfilled our responsibilities as trustees under the Charities Act 2011 for preparing financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view and for making accurate representations to you.
- 5 All the transactions undertaken by the charity have been properly reflected and recorded in the accounting records.
- 6 All the accounting records have been made available to you for the purpose of your independent examination. We have provided you with unrestricted access to all appropriate persons within the charity, and with all other records and related information requested, including minutes of all management and trustee meetings and correspondence with The Charity Commission.
- 7 The financial statements are free of material misstatements, including omissions.

Assets and liabilities

- 8 The charity has satisfactory title to all assets and there are no liens or encumbrances on the charity's assets, except for those that are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.
- 9 We confirm that the balance in the Parents and Supporters Account at 31st March 2025 was £1986.00 and we are in the process of arranging the transfer of this money to a new account.
- 10 All actual liabilities, contingent liabilities and guarantees given to third parties have been recorded or disclosed as appropriate.
- 11 We have no plans or intentions that may materially alter the carrying value and where relevant the fair value measurements or classification of assets and liabilities reflected in the financial statements.

Accounting estimates

- 12 The methods, data and significant assumptions used by us in making accounting estimates, and their related disclosures, are appropriate to achieve recognition, measurement and disclosure that is reasonable in the context of the applicable financial reporting framework.

Loans and arrangements

- 13 The charity has not granted any advances or credits to, or made guarantees on behalf of, trustees.

Legal claims

- 14 We have disclosed to you all claims in connection with litigation that have been, or are expected to be, received and such matters, as appropriate, have been properly accounted for and disclosed in the financial statements.

Laws and regulations

- 15 We have disclosed to you all known instances of non-compliance or suspected non-compliance with laws and regulations whose effects should be considered when preparing the financial statements.

Related parties

- 16 We are not aware of any related party matters which require disclosure in order to comply with legislative and accounting standards requirements.

Subsequent events

- 17 All events subsequent to the date of the financial statements which require adjustment or disclosure have been properly accounted for and disclosed.

Going concern

- 18 We believe that the charity's financial statements should be prepared on a going concern basis on the grounds that current and future sources of funding or support will be more than adequate for the charity's needs. We have considered a period of twelve months from the date of approval of the financial statements. We believe that no further disclosures relating to the charity's ability to continue as a going concern need to be made in the financial statements.

Grants and donations

- 19 All grants, donations and other income, the receipt of which is subject to specific terms or conditions, have been notified to you. There have been no breaches of terms or conditions in the application of such income.

20 Restricted grants and donations received in during the year are as follows:

None

Yours faithfully



Signed on behalf of the board of trustees

J Eltringham Treasurer

Date: 21 October 2025

Independent examiner's report to the Trustees on the unaudited financial statements of South Shields Sea Cadets 315 Unit T S Collingwood

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2025 set out on pages AC1 to AC5.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and independent examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, you consider that the audit requirement of section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts under section 145 of the Act

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission, under section 145(5)(b) of the Act. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair" view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (i) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep proper accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Acthave not been met; or
- (ii) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Trevor Hogg
Chartered Accountant
Independent Examiner
38 Stanhope Road
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21 October 2025