



Trustees' Annual Report For The Period



From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	10	2023		30	09	2024

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name **Kingfishers Swimming Club**

Other names charity is known by **Kingfishers Scarborough / Kingfishers SC**

Registered charity number (if any) **1093018**

Charity's principal address **33 Milton Avenue**

Scarborough

Postcode

YO12 4ES

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	Kath Minghella	Chairperson Executive Committee & Committee Member Masters Lead Membership Secretary District Representative Poolside Liaison Lead Communications Lead		
2	Vicky Gough	Honorary Secretary Executive Committee & Committee Member Diversity & Inclusion Lead Safeguarding Lead Special Olympics Lead Internal Galas Lead		
3	Brian De-Alker	Honorary Treasurer Executive Committee & Committee Member Compliance Lead Governing Body Lead		
4	Leanne Anderson	Committee Member		
5	Paula Ambury	Committee Member Open Water Secretary		
6	Shaun Vasey	Committee Member Open Meets Secretary Technical Officials Liaison		

7	Charlotte Adams	Committee Member Juniors/Seniors Coach	16/11/23 - 15/03/24	
8	Michael Draper	Committee Member Juniors/Seniors Coach Mentee Liaison	16/11/23 - 29/02/24	
9	Kelly Trotter	Committee Member	08/02/24 - 13/11/24	
10	Hannah Foster	Committee Member Minutes Secretary		
11	Sarah Bisby-Owen	Committee Member Fundraising Lead	16/11/23 - 01/10/24	
12	Nicola Bailey	Committee Member Assistant Teacher		
13	Martina Baloch	Committee Member	16/11/23 - 12/12/23	
14	Vicky Gill	Committee Member	12/04/24 - 13/11/24	
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Independent Examiner	Asquith Accountants Ltd Chartered Accountants	Rowan House 7 West Bank Scarborough YO12 5DX

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

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Unincorporated Association
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Trustees are elected at an Annual General Meeting from registered members in good standing, to serve a term of years with a maximum size of committee and with the ability to co-opt members.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees; [1]
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works; [2]
- relationship with any related parties; [3]
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them. [4]

[1] Trustees are provided with online resources and guidance documents prior to and after election concerning suitability to stand, responsibilities and duties relating to their role.

Services are provided to both adults and children under 18 years of age. All trustees are safeguarding and trained in the protection of children and subject to enhanced/barred list DBS checks according to their role or duty performed.

Safeguarding training and DBS clearances are audited annually by the National Governing Body, Swim England, as are all teaching and technical qualifications.

Staff and volunteers are fully funded for their induction and development through training, qualifications and ongoing continuing professional development. This is by a partnership arrangement between the individual and the club.

[2] The club offers a safe and welcoming environment to competitive or leisure swimmers in pool and open water.

The club and membership are affiliated to **Swim England**, training is also endorsed by the **Institute of Swimming**, and the club is supported regionally by **Swim England North East Region** and by the **Yorkshire Swimming Association**.

Swim England mandatory codes of behaviour, safeguarding and governance apply and compliance is reviewed annually under the national governing body's affiliation scheme (SwimMark). The club's affiliation is reviewed annually in April and the club is currently certified as compliant.

The club is a member of:

- Scarborough and District Swimming Association (SaDSA)
- Yorkshire Swimming Association (YSA)
- Royal Lifesaving Society (RLSS)
- Royal National Lifeboat Institution (RNLI).

SaDSA hosts events promoting swimming, local and sub-regional friendly galas and other competitive league events for local swimmers just starting out in their swim journey in the sport, or for leisure.

The club operates in pool and open water disciplines with an open water activity base at North Yorkshire Water Park, Wykeham, where the club enjoys an exclusive licence to operate open water swimming courtesy of Dawnay Estates as part of their commitment to encourage the local population to develop in water skills with access to their facilities.

[3] As part of the club's commitment to support other local organisations and the local population, the club offers advice and support, volunteers, training, mentee placement, technical advice, consultancy and equipment loan to other charities and organisations. The club actively supports **Scarborough Disabled Swimming Group (SDAG)** as part of the club's commitment to outreach for wider participation in swimming by the local and regional community. This is evidenced by the close relationship the club has with SDAG in supporting the annual **Special Olympics Great Britain Programme** local gala each year in Scarborough Sports Village with technical support and officials.

[4] The club is audited annually on its safeguarding, DBS clearance, Risk Assessments for events and activities, codes of conduct, personnel development plan and compliance with the rules of the **National Governing Body, Swim England**, each April and continues to be fully compliant with no lapse in affiliation or advisories.

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The objects of the Club are the teaching, development and practice of swimming, diving, synchro, open water, water polo for its members and shall, where appropriate, be to compete.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects [1] (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit) [2]

[1] The club is **committed to the instruction and development** by teaching and coaching of **swimming skills, technique, best practice, and sportsmanship** whether for **leisure, competition, fitness, performance or the preservation of life** - to **benefit the people of Scarborough and the surrounding area and develop the body and mindset of the swimmer** in accordance with club values and ethos.

The club **operates junior and senior Development and Performance squads** and a **Masters** division (age 18 years and over) and operates in pool and lake across multiple skill and age ranges - and is open to all.

In conjunction with the North Yorkshire Council's leisure services partner, Everyone Active, who run a learn to swim programme, **the club provides a pathway for the development of skills and training in technique** with the option to run link sessions with Everyone Active so **local children and adults** can experience the **club atmosphere, offering and ethos** for themselves with no ongoing commitment initially.

This means any interested swimmer can **continue progression in their chosen sport** for leisure or competition whilst first experiencing what the club can offer.

Club **governance and operation** is in keeping with the rules, regulations and best practices of the national governing body for swimming in England (Swim England, formerly the Amateur Swimming Association or ASA) to which the club is affiliated.

[2] The Trustees ensure the club provides **opportunities to local adults and children** to obtain a **wide range of swimming skills across multiple disciplines** with teaching and coaching **available to all** (supported by a confidential hardship fund if required) **from qualified and experienced coaching, teaching and volunteer staff from the community** who are trained and supported to a high level, in exchange for the donation of time in pursuit of their **personal commitment to give back** to their community.

The club **values diversity and promotes equality** and **challenges discrimination**. It ensures all trustees and volunteers complete **swimming specific safeguarding training** and **DBS checks** and are **suitably trained** in their chosen area of involvement.

The club is **Swim Mark accredited through Swim England** in relation to governance, compliance, finance and community involvement. This is subject to annual update and biennial reassessment.

The **Public Benefit** is achieved for residents of the borough and surrounding area, and for visitors, by:

- Provision of **accessible, affordable and timely structured sessions** for swimmers to enjoy and benefit from participation, in a **safe and encouraging environment** - to **learn, develop or excel** in swimming as a **leisure, fitness or performance activity**.

- Encouraging **community participation in amateur sport by teaching, developing and coaching** in the practice of swimming and the preservation of life.
- **Development and funding of a Youth Leadership and Development programme** in conjunction with Swim England North East Region to provide tailored training, development and experience for 14 - 18 year olds looking to enhance their personal development, leadership and life skills.
- Provision of the **opportunity for volunteering, work experience and personal development by local residents** taking part in schemes such as the Duke of Edinburgh Award or schemes administered by **other community or charitable bodies** if appropriate and where safeguarding compliant.
- **Cross charity support with the sharing of expertise**, administration, equipment and personnel. This includes, for example; event organisers, qualified coaches, teachers, gala and meet officials including judges, referees and timekeepers in **support of other community groups**, such as joint organisation of the **Special Olympics Great Britain regional event held locally** (as part of a national programme) run in association with **Scarborough Disabled Swimming Group**. This includes technical support and equipment, provision of personnel and technical officials.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grant making; [1]
- policy programme related investment; [2]
- contribution made by volunteers. [3]

[1] The club's current objects do not include the provision or making of grants.

[2] The club operates a programme to create a **safe, welcoming and inclusive community** for those with a passion for swimming or wishing to serve the swimming community.

The club actively **encourages personal development and volunteering to benefit others**, with programmes such as a **Youth Leadership and Development Programme** for 14 - 18 year olds, offering the **opportunity to assist coaches and teachers** of younger members, or by **internship for those wishing to gain experience**, skills and community involvement through the Duke of Edinburgh Award or similar schemes.

The **club seeds and promotes** regular pool and open water challenges for those wishing to fulfil a **personal, community, individual or team challenge** such as distance badges, swimming the Yorkshire Coast, English Channel, Loch Lomond or Loch Ness, by providing leadership, training, organisation, equipment, technical expertise, resources and support.

Support is also given for teams and individuals raising money for **other causes** by involvement in competition or sporting events.

The club have also **founded and organised new events** to promote **good sportsmanship and community spirit** amongst younger members just finding their feet, or harbouring uncertainties about their participation in the sport.

As a member of SaDSA, the district swimming organisation, the club **provides officials and a venue for events** involving neighbouring **amateur community swimming clubs** in this economically challenged area on the East of England coastline.

[3] **Volunteers** are encouraged to **give back to the local community** by giving time to the club in exchange for **fully funded training and support** across technical, managerial and professional areas or in being **trained and developed** as officials and judges to Aquatics GB standards and in support of the **Swim England nationally accredited development pathway**.

This helps to **ensure progression** for those who want to, to develop further in the sport of swimming or in **governance of swimming**. It also enables the **building of a legacy for the future** and for individuals to **fulfil a desire to give back** to their community.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The club is successful in maintaining enough **active participants and volunteers** over time, having **maintained and actually increased participation** and member numbers as well as volunteers following the disruption caused by the Covid-19 pandemic.

In providing a **safe and positive environment** for swimmers from a young age (there is no upper limit) swimmers continue to **develop, learn new skills, compete** if they wish and **fulfil personal dreams, goals or targets** whilst preserving life, in water.

Volunteers can learn new skills and develop in support of swimming and the local community whilst they **fulfil personal passions, objectives and performance targets**.

Funding and training support has been provided for the **training and development of Coaches and Assistant Coaches** and the Children's Welfare Officer role.

Additional volunteers have been recruited and trained to support club events at home and away including **Team Managers** (who support the Coach and swim team at galas and Open Meets away and at home facilities) and **Timekeepers** who help man events alongside officials locally, or in other parts of the region.

The **Head Coach** continues to be **active in leading the development of the club**, engaging the coaching and teaching team of volunteers and mentors. The **refocus on a new athlete pathway for development and performance streams** across the skill and age range of the membership continues with **reorganisation of the pool layout to accommodate additional members**.

This has **reinforced the direction of the club** for both competitive and non-competitive swimmers and the **development of volunteer and club support** from members and their families.

Kingfishers Swimming Club swimmers **continue to develop and succeed in local, regional and national competitions** with many personal best times **whilst ensuring there is still a development route for leisure or non-competitive swimmers**.

There is also a **pathway for those returning** to swimming to be **encouraged to participate** in their chosen sport.

The club is still **adaptively responding to support membership and volunteers** and as a result is developing strongly as an organisation as legislative requirements and expectations change and develop.

It has **taken full advantage of the facilities** offered by Scarborough Sports Village and North Yorkshire Water Park where its Open Water base is located, **partnering with the pool operator and other local clubs** in the investment in adjustable competition starter blocks, for example.

Training and development continues to help staff and volunteers become multiskilled to assist the club in delivering best in class services,

Section D

Achievements and performance

whilst offering **support and development for members, other charitable or community organisations and the local community** – all in pursuit of the fulfilment of its objectives as a charity.

Further, in **helping those in the local borough and district**, and in the interests of **opening access to swimming for all**, the club offers support and expertise in the **planning and delivery of events either in partnership with the club or independent of it**, such as with the Scarborough and District Disabled Swimming Club (SDSG), another registered charity.

As referenced above, organisation is well established with SDSG for the running of the local regional meet as part of the **national Special Olympics GB event from 2023 onwards**. The club is **providing organisational support, volunteers, officials and judges, equipment, timekeeping and results recording**.

Club volunteers are available to **support and encourage other clubs and groups in the local community**, to support aquatic events **for the benefit of all members of society** in the area.

This year saw a **refocus on communication with members and the community** with a new **newsletter**, increased **contact with potential corporate and individual sponsors**, for investment in a **newly designed kit (brought forward by the swimming membership** via their Club Captains.

In addition, the club held a **sponsored walk to raise funds and encourage involvement and visibility in the local community**. This offered the opportunity for club members to **give back their time** and fundraise for the benefit of their club as a whole, following the **club ethos and spirit**.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

A **cash reserve** is held to **cover liabilities and contractual payments** in the event of closure of the club or to meet any unexpected expenditure or claim and for any projects against which funds have been raised or collected in advance.

The **reserve** also enables the club to **manage in the event of a temporary short or medium term closure**.

The **operating reserve**, excluding temporary closure of the pool facility, is to **cover contractual costs, and notice periods** in commercial and employment contracts.

A **project reserve** fund is held for the **protection of monies collected for any specified reason**, such as a channel swim or fundraising for kit or uniform prior to delivery of the project.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

There are none.

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising); [1]
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity; [2]
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

[1] The charity is **funded by its members** via:

- An **annual membership** upon which a refund of tax paid by donors can be claimed from HMRC as **Gift Aid**
- Recovery of **operating costs and fees** by **monthly payment** from members based on their training sessions
- **Fundraising activities** and **donations for specific projects** such as a Channel Swim or similar challenge event, or by **corporate or individual donation** to the club for general use, which may be subject to a tax refund under HMRC Gift Aid rules.
- **Fundraising projects or events** for specific causes such as additional equipment or for the replacement of existing items.

[2] Expenditure is focussed on the **key areas of developing the club** so it can offer **best in class staff and volunteer training, timely, safe and welcoming water time** as well as compliance with the pool operator and national governing body requirements.

The objective is to **develop the club for the future to ensure a sustainable presence in the town for the benefit of future generations of local residents** in accordance with **club objectives and ethos** so that families and individuals can **enjoy a choice of club** for developing their **passion for swimming for competition, leisure or fitness** into the future.

Section F

Other optional information

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Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	Brian De-Alker	
Full name(s)	Brian De-Alker	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer Executive Committee Member	
Date	30/07/2025	

KINGFISHERS SWIMMING CLUB

CHARITY COMMISSION REGISTERED NUMBER 1093018

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

30TH SEPTEMBER 2024

KINGFISHERS SWIMMING CLUB
CHARITY COMMISSION REGISTERED NUMBER 1093018

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for the year ended 30th September 2024

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KINGFISHERS SWIMMING CLUB
CHARITY COMMISSION REGISTERED NUMBER 1093018
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED
30TH SEPTEMBER 2024

		<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
RECEIPTS			
Donation, legacies, grants and other similar receipts		4880	-
Gift Aid claim on donations, subscriptions and fees		3764	2988
Operating activities to further the charity's objectives			
Subscriptions	21988		16090
Entrance fees, training sessions and competition fees	<u>80788</u>	102776	<u>61642</u>
			77732
Operating activities to generate funds			
Sale of badges, clothes and programmes	1229		956
Fundraising events, raffles and prize draws	2380		1993
Open water fundraising	<u>619</u>	4228	<u>1968</u>
			4917
Investment income		<u>285</u>	<u>146</u>
Total receipts		<u><u>115933</u></u>	<u><u>85783</u></u>
PAYMENTS			
Payment for generating funds			
Costs of badges, clothing and provisions		5628	1112
Charitable payments			
Management and administration	2611		2260
Donations	<u>397</u>	3008	<u>333</u>
			2593
Charitable activities			
Pool, lifeguard and hall hire	59808		57660
Swimming coaches	13108		107
Open water expenses	1834		1987
Travelling	2126		2570
Affiliation fees and insurance	7043		5828
Trophies and competition expenses	15625		11138
Examination fees and courses	2153		4884
Merchant card fees	<u>1475</u>	103172	<u>928</u>
			85102
Support costs			
Management and administration			
Independent examiner's fee		1556	1299
Other payments			
Purchase of assets retained for the charity's own use		<u>593</u>	<u>4400</u>
Total payments		<u><u>113957</u></u>	<u><u>94506</u></u>
Net receipts payments		1976	(8723)
Cash funds last year end		<u>36919</u>	<u>45642</u>
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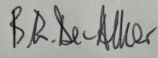
KINGFISHERS SWIMMING CLUB
CHARITY COMMISSION REGISTERED NUMBER 1093018
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT
30TH SEPTEMBER 2024

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
CASH FUNDS		
Bank and cash balances		
Bank deposit accounts	19195	20910
Bank current account	19608	15918
Cash account	91	91
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TOTAL CASH FUNDS	<u>38894</u>	<u>36919</u>
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	£	
Assets retained for the charity's own use:		
Fixed Assets:		
Tangible Assets at valuation		
Boat and trailer	2500	
Canoe trailer	375	
Generator, propane heater	220	
Canoe, paddles, spray deck, lifejackets and helmets	1500	
Container	1500	
Cylinder buoys and pump	325	
Rescue mannequins	450	
Trophies and medals	1400	
Other equipment	1500	
Sound and lighting equipment	325	
Laptops and cases	590	
Ipad	200	
Flag	200	
Camera	160	
Samsung tablets and cases	590	
Presentation podium	440	
Wedges	1346	
Large Timer Clocks	1286	
Bouys	200	
Laptop	400	
Starting Blocks	4000	
Lane Divider	320	
Stopwatches	132	
Pool training equipment	140	
Stock	1862	
Intangible Assets at cost		
Website	3312	
Liabilities:		
Independent examiner's fees	1320	
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These Financial Statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 14/11/2024

and were signed on its behalf by:-

BRIAN DE-ALKER – TREASURER

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B.R. De-Alker", is written on a light-colored rectangular background.

KINGFISHERS SWIMMING CLUB
CHARITY NUMBER 1093018
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Act and that an independent examination is needed

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Charities Act
- To follow the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) and the Act, and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 you as 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 next statement.

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect:

- The accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities act or
- The accounts did not accord with the accounting records

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 obtain a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Date

Daniel I Bulman FCCA

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Signed by Brian De-Alker using authentication code QU9Oc2xjWHVFAC5o at IP address 86.1.220.200, on 2025/06/12 17:09:28 Z.

Brian De-Alker's e-mail address is: admin@kingfishersswimmingclub.org.uk.