

DOCKLAND SCOUT PROJECT

England & Wales · Charity number 1126975

Details

Other names DSP

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2008-11-27

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

Contact

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Activities

Objects: TO PROMOTE THE DEVELOPMENT OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN ACHIEVING THEIR FULL PHYSICAL, INTELLECTUAL, SOCIAL AND SPIRITUAL POTENTIALS AS INDIVIDUALS, AS RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS AND AS MEMBERS OF THEIR LOCAL, NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITIES

Activities: General boating including but not restricted to:- Canoeing, Dinghy and Keel boat sailing, pulling under oars, power boating and sport boating. Royal Yachting Association courses. British Canoe Union Courses

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Education/training, Amateur Sport
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** HATFIELD
- Throughout London

Finances

| Period end | Income | Expenditure | Assets | Employees |
|------------|----------|-------------|--------|-----------|
| 2024-12-31 | £201,218 | £159,064 | - | - |
| 2023-12-31 | £161,403 | £120,190 | - | - |
| 2022-12-31 | £150,873 | £85,054 | - | - |
| 2021-12-31 | £47,958 | £42,580 | - | - |
| 2020-12-31 | £57,545 | £56,004 | - | - |

Trustees

| Name | Role | Appointed |
|------------------------|-------|------------|
| WILLIAM BROWN | Chair | |
| ALEXANDER MANSI | | 2018-07-14 |
| IAN MAYNARD | | 2018-07-14 |
| JULIAN CARTWRIGHT | | |
| James Barry Whitby | | 2024-09-20 |
| MARTIN PETCHEY | | 2012-11-01 |
| MICHAEL Stephen HUDSON | | |
| PIPPA BARBER | | 2012-10-26 |
| RICHARD BALTUTIS | | 2012-10-26 |
| RICHARD HART | | |
| Thomas Skinner | | 2022-04-01 |
| William Coombs | | 2018-09-03 |

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for the year ended 31 December 2024

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Ex-officio – Appointment

| | |
|--|------------------|
| District Commissioner / Centre Principal | Richard Hart |
| Training Manager | Ian Maynard |
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| QM Leader | Tom Skinner |
| Webmaster | Richard Baltutis |
| Minutes Secretary | Vacant |

Nominated – Appointment

| | |
|-----------|-------------------|
| Chairman | Julian Cartwright |
| Treasurer | Pippa Barber |

Elected

| | |
|----------------|-----------------|
| Elected Member | Mike Hudson |
| Elected Member | Alexander Mansi |
| Elected Member | William Coombs |
| Elected Member | William Brown |

BANKERS

CAF Bank Limited & Shawbrook Bank

Group Registration Number with the Scout Association

103501

Contact Name & Address

Julian Cartwright
c/o HQTs Lord Amory, Dollar Bay
631 Manchester Road
London
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Structure:

The Dockland Scout Project (DSP) is constituted as a Scout District and forms part of the Greater London North Scout County

Aims:

To promote the development of young people and enable them to achieve their full potential in line with the aims of the Scout Association

To provide the opportunity for young people to experience Water Activities and Water Sports training under the leadership of qualified adults.

Operationally:

All in all, 2024 has been a year of 3 parts, we started the year with the loss of our largest motor vessel which sadly sank alongside a pontoon, leaving only the tip of the mast above the water. It was almost a month before divers and a salvage boat were able to recover the boat. Investigations by the appointed loss adjuster and boat yard staff have not found anything untoward or any reason why it sank.

The main part of the year saw us run our usual, formal training courses, Activity weekends and open days.

We have run 13 Activity Weekends and 12 Open days and were used by the 8th Worthing Sea Scout Group for both their Explorers and their Scout section Summer Camps. During the summer we have had regular evening boating sessions from various local Sea Scout Groups from East London, Squirrels Heath, Leytonstone and Greenwich,

The Bed & Breakfast / Accommodation side of the Project continues to thrive. We were used for 1,630 bed nights; We should have had a further 350 nights at the end of the year but these had to be cancelled due to lease agreements.

Use by third party organisations, subject to risk assessments, has continued, with the Metropolitan Police using the ship for armed search training.

During August we hosted 2 summer camps, the first was for 8th Worthing Explorers and the following week for their Scout section.

In late October we had a very small group on site, and 2 near miss incidents were blown out of all proportion into critical incidents, which caused our landlords, Canal & River Trust to stop all under 18's being on site. This is still the situation at mid May 2025. We have been trying to negotiate a new lease since 2012, our current lease expired in April 2019 and C&RT have only offered a limited use of the site which at present does not allow safe operation with young people. This closure has caused the Project to cancel all activities through to June 2025 while we see if we can negotiate a suitable lease.

The only training we have managed has been some RYA First Aid and VHF Radio courses run for adults only

Maintenance:

The regular boat and ship maintenance and upkeep has continued, Many of the boats received minor refurbishments and our Drascombe Longboat "Westminster" had a full refurbishment including removing over 30 years of paint from the hull. Our Mitchell Mk2, "Len Williams" had a new cockpit cover made, the cockpit lockers were rebuilt, making access to the batteries easier and a new charger was installed. We completed the build of an second hand Nelson 18 hull, sister boat to "Odd Job" this boat was built using composites rather than timber to try and reduce maintenance. This launch has been named after an ex PLA Harbour Master, Mark Towns.

Training:

During 2024 we have been able to run a total of 26 formal training courses. We ran 2 British Canoeing Explore Award, and 2 Paddle Sports Rescue courses On the dinghy side we ran 1

RYA Dinghy Level 2 and a Dinghy Level 3 and a Keelboat Level 3, we ran 4 RYA Powerboat Level 2 courses, 2 Scout Pulling courses, 4 RYA VHF Radio courses and 2 RYA Diesel engine courses. We also ran a Paddlesports Instructor course for 11 members. Finally, we ran 6 RYA First Aid courses with additional modules to ensure all our staff were qualified.

In January we ran our new staff "Induction and Training "weekend. We had 4 adults and 22 Explorers eager to join and become members of the Project.

Finance:

We started the 2024 season in a healthy financial situation.

The Income for 2024 has been a little over £201,000. (this includes an insurance claim received of £22,000.)

Expenditure for the year amounted to £159,000. The largest items were Insurance of £19,500 up on 2023, the increase following the claim.

The remainder of expenditure has been spent on utilities and maintenance costs. Electricity usage was £6,200 with the base now operating, Water was £11,000, and Heating Oil £5,000. A major item of expenditure item was £23,000 on the refurbishment of the ships Galley removing the bottled gas systems and installing a new 3 phase electric cooking range and a combination oven, with a new extraction hood. This was complemented with all new fridges and freezers.

This has meant that at the end of 2024 we had an excess of Income over expenditure of £40,000, which included £22,000 from the insurance claim payout.

The Project has reasonable reserves and we envisage that things will remain stable in 2025

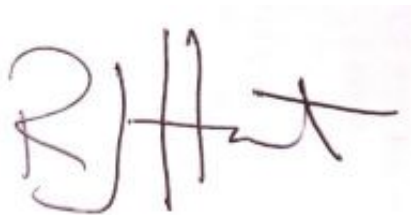
Conclusion:

Finally, we must say a big thank you to all our volunteer water instructors, maintenance staff, admin staff and helpers without them the Project would not go from strength to strength.

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Richard Hart
Centre Principal / District Lead Volunteer

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT SUMMARY
for the year ended 31st December 2024

| | This year General Fund £ | Previous Year £ |
|--|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Total receipts for the year (see page 5) | 201,218 | 161,403 |
| Total Payments for the year (see page 6) | 159,064 | 120,190 |
| Net receipts/payments for the year | <u>42,155</u> | <u>41,213</u> |
| Gain (Loss) on revaluation of Tangible Assests | - | - 20,000 |
| | <u>42,155</u> | <u>21,213</u> |
| Cash, Bank and similar funds brought forward | 448,766 | 427,554 |
| Cash, Bank and similar funds carreid forward | <u>490,921</u> | <u>448,766</u> |

The above account and accompanying statement of assets
and liabilities were approved by the Trustees
and signed on their behalf by



Philippa (Pippa) Barber - Treasurer

DOCKLAND SCOUT PROJECT
Receipts for the year ended 31 December 2024

| INCOMING RESOURCES | This Year | Previous Year |
|---------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Capitation and Crew Fees | - | - |
| Less Paid | - 95 | - |
| | - 95 | - |
| Activities | | |
| Days & Weekends | 45,051 | 31,946 |
| Open Days | 27,059 | 22,304 |
| Meeting Room Hire | 1,000 | 2,030 |
| RYA & Other Training | 16,264 | 14,303 |
| Boat & Estate Hire | | |
| Uniforms | 1,038 | 290 |
| Miscellaneous Income | 21,958 | 2,345 |
| | 112,370 | 73,217 |
| International Hosting | 80,202 | 84,614 |
| Sale of Equipment | 100 | - |
| Donations & Grants | 6,105 | 905 |
| Interest Received | 2,536 | 2,666 |
| TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES | 201,218 | 161,403 |

DOCKLAND SCOUT PROJECT
Payments for the year ended 31 December 2024

| RESOURCES EXPENDED | This Year | Previous Year |
|---|----------------|----------------|
| | Notes | |
| Activity & Training Costs | 10,320 | 7,433 |
| International Hosting | 46,925 | 49,300 |
| Vessel Purchases and Improvement costs | 23,303 | - |
| Headquarters Costs | | |
| General Running Costs | 1,089 | 2,691 |
| Light & Heat | 10,150 | 12,491 |
| Water Rates | 1,105 | 3,804 |
| Rates | 1,897 | 1,779 |
| Telephone & Internet | 1,842 | 1,536 |
| | 16,084 | 22,301 |
| Boating Costs | | |
| Repairs & Replacements | 38,468 | 25,845 |
| Insurance | 19,763 | 13,531 |
| | 58,231 | 39,376 |
| Administrative Costs | | |
| General | 1,040 | 427 |
| Postage & Stationary | 69 | 12 |
| Motor & Travel | 832 | 901 |
| Bank Charges | 60 | 66 |
| Uniforms | 1,301 | 375 |
| | 3,302 | 1,780 |
| Other Expenses | | |
| Purchase of Equipment | | |
| Other | 898 | - |
| Total Resources Expended | 159,064 | 120,190 |

Notes:

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Statement of Assets & Liabilities as at 31 December 2024

| | This Year | Previous Year |
|---|------------------|----------------------|
| MONETARY ASSETS, cash, bank and similar funds | | |
| Bank Current Accounts | 288,774 | 248,061 |
| Bank Deposit Accounts | 169,573 | 167,591 |
| Trade Debtors | - | - |
| Creditors | - | - |
| | 458,348 | 415,653 |
| NON-MONETARY ASSETS - Assets for Group's own use | | |
| Vehicles, Boats and other equipment | 558,194 | 558,194 |
| The assets are revalued each year by the Trustees, The current values are: | | |
| Canoes | 21,300 | 21,300 |
| Chandlery/Marine Equipment/Motors | 6,000 | 6,000 |
| Converted Dutch Barge | 300,000 | 300,000 |
| Dinghies | 2,675 | 2,675 |
| Headquarters Ship - Lord Amory | 85,000 | 85,000 |
| Kayaks | 11,100 | 11,100 |
| Motor Boats | - | - |
| Motor Boats Inboard | 58,000 | 58,000 |
| Paddleboards | 1,969 | 1,969 |
| Pontoons | 3,000 | 3,000 |
| Pulling Boats | 4,000 | 4,000 |
| Sailing Dinghies | 60,200 | 60,200 |
| Vehicles and Trailers | 4,950 | 4,950 |
| Total Tangible Assets | 558,194 | 558,194 |

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the DOCKLAND SCOUT PROJECT

I report on the accounts of the Project for the year ended 31 December 2024 which are set out above.

Respective responsibilities of the trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is the responsibility of the examiner to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act.
- To follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act), and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's report

My examination was carried out 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 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 which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- To keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met, or to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Tessa Bullimore 11/9/2025

Tessa Bullimore (FCCA)

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Aims

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To provide the opportunity for young people to experience Water Activities and Water Sports training under the leadership of qualified adults.

Operationally;

During 2023 we ran 10 Activity Weekends and 12 Open days, the Activity Weekends were down as 3 customers cancelled as they had not got the numbers following on from covid. We made use of these weekends for additional training courses. We had 2 groups have their Summer Camps at the Project; Riparian ESSU from Luton, and later the 7th/94th Bedford Sea Scouts. In May we hosted a Dutch sea Scout Group for 2 days of Boating whilst on their annual camp and in July did the same for scouts from Inverness. We continue to be used by local Scout groups for evening boating during the summer months.

During 2022 we had 1642 bed nights used by the Bed & Breakfast / Accommodation side of the Project, for 2023 this increased to 1977 a good 20% increase. This was due to Schools and Scout Groups returning to more settled programme following Covid.

Use by third party organisations, has stopped as our landlords have placed restrictions on use of the lockside and access.

Maintenance

The regular boat and ship maintenance and upkeep has continued. Many of the boats received refurbishments and during the year we fitted out the sister boat to Odd Job, this one having a tiller rather than wheel steered. We are also attempting to use materials which will reduce the maintenance in the future. We purchased 2 replacement kayaks.

We spent over £5,000 having the slipway surveyed and a design produced for a new slipway after our landlord condemned the current one and informed the Project we would have to replace it at our expense, including the removal of their old slipway. Maintenance costs for the project has been £25,800, a fair figure considering the number and age of our fleet.

Sadly at the end of December one of our largest motor boats sank overnight. The boat was salvaged in early 2024, but even after extensive investigations the reason could not be found, thankfully we expect our insurers to pay out on both the salvage costs and the loss of the boat.

Training

Another very successful year on the training front, we have managed to run 27 formal courses. For Paddlesports we ran 5 British Canoeing Explore Award, and 1 PSRC (replacement for the FSRT) courses. On the dinghy side we ran 4 RYA Dinghy Level 2 and a Level 3 and a Keelboat level 2., we also ran 3 RYA Powerboat Level 2 and a Safety Boat Course. 2 Scout Pulling courses, 2 RYA VHF Radio courses and 1 RYA Diesel engine courses. A total of just under 300 qualifications were gained by DSP staff.

We continued to provide the RYA First Aid course to our staff and ran 7 courses during the year ensuring all our staff are First Aid qualified.

By popular demand we ran 2 Induction courses early in the year and had 52 new members (9 adults and 43 Explorers) and we are pleased to say that in December 2023 44 are still actively involved.

Finance & Reserves

The project started the 2023 year in a healthy financial position. Income for the year amounted to £161k with Expenditure of £120K. A loss of £20k on the value of an Inboard Motor boat occurred during the year and the value was written off. The insurance claim for this is still ongoing at the year end with any receipt possible in 2024, resulting in a net movement of funds being a net surplus after the write off of £21K.

For the year the project spent £25k on Repairs & Maintenance, £14k on Insurance, nearly £13k on Light & Heat and £4k on Water. After a long period of discussion with the water supplier, a better payment structure has been established and we hope to see reductions. The electricity contract was renewed and an increase has resulted however this will be reviewed to ensure we get the best deal.

Free reserves represent the working capital of the Project available to support & maintain short and medium-term requirements and to safeguard against any unexpected decrease in income. Free reserves currently equate to between 3- 4 years of total expenditure which are necessary for any large physical items such as the Lord Amory or Christopher W needing immediate investment or repair or replacement in the medium term.

These reserves are held in short- and medium-term bank deposits at the balance sheet date.

Conclusion

Finally, we must say a big thank you to all our volunteer water instructors, maintenance staff, admin staff and helpers without them the Project would not go from strength to strength.



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Richard Hart
Centre Principal / District Commissioner

DOCKLAND SCOUT PROJECT

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| Gain (Loss) on revaluation of Tangible Assests | - 20,000 | - |
| | <u>21,212</u> | <u>65,819</u> |
| Cash, Bank and similar funds brought forward | 427,554 | 361,735 |
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DOCKLAND SCOUT PROJECT
Receipts for the year ended 31 December 2023

| INCOMING RESOURCES | This Year | Previous Year |
|---------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Capitation and Crew Fees | | - |
| Less Paid | | - |
| | - | - |
| Activities | | |
| Days & Weekends | 31,946 | 34,037 |
| Open Days | 22,304 | 23,396 |
| Meeting Room Hire | 2,030 | 160 |
| RYA & Other Training | 14,303 | 18,373 |
| Boat & Estate Hire | | 6,000 |
| Uniforms | 290 | 180 |
| Miscellaneous Income | 2,345 | 1,057 |
| | 73,217 | 83,203 |
| International Hosting | 84,614 | 49,384 |
| Sale of Equipment | | - |
| Donations & Grants | 905 | 18,012 |
| Interest Received | 2,666 | 275 |
| TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES | 161,403 | 150,873 |

DOCKLAND SCOUT PROJECT
Payments for the year ended 31 December 2023

| RESOURCES EXPENDED | This Year | Previous Year |
|---|----------------|---------------|
| | Notes | |
| Activity & Training Costs | 7,433 | 8,597 |
| International Hosting | 49,300 | 30,577 |
| Vessel Purchases and Improvement costs | - | - |
| Headquarters Costs | | |
| General Running Costs | 2,691 | 2,509 |
| Light & Heat | 12,491 | 5,096 |
| Water Rates | 3,804 | 642 |
| Rates | 1,779 | 41 |
| Telephone & Internet | 1,536 | 1,443 |
| | 22,301 | 9,732 |
| Boating Costs | | |
| Repairs & Replacements | 25,845 | 18,459 |
| Insurance | 13,531 | 14,580 |
| | 39,376 | 33,039 |
| Administrative Costs | | |
| General | 427 | 409 |
| Postage & Stationary | 12 | 69 |
| Motor & Travel | 901 | 1,070 |
| Bank Charges | 66 | 89 |
| Uniforms | 375 | 1,443 |
| | 1,780 | 3,080 |
| Other Expenses | | 30 |
| Purchase of Equipment | | |
| Other | - | - |
| Total Resources Expended | 120,190 | 85,054 |

Notes:

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Statement of Assets & Liabilities as at 31 December 2023

| | This Year | Previous Year |
|---|------------------|----------------------|
| MONETARY ASSETS, cash, bank and similar funds | | |
| Bank Current Accounts | 248,061 | 212,341 |
| Bank Deposit Accounts | 167,591 | 166,092 |
| Trade Debtors | - | - |
| Creditors | - | - |
| | 415,653 | 378,433 |
| NON-MONETARY ASSETS - Assets for Group's own use | | |
| Vehicles, Boats and other equipment | 605,044 | 625,044 |
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| Converted Dutch Barge | 300,000 | 300,000 |
| Dinghies | 2,675 | 2,675 |
| Headquarters Ship - Lord Amory | 85,000 | 85,000 |
| Kayaks | 11,100 | 11,100 |
| Motor Boats | 46,850 | 46,850 |
| Motor Boats Inboard | 58,000 | 78,000 |
| Paddleboards | 1,969 | 1,969 |
| Pontoons | 3,000 | 3,000 |
| Pulling Boats | 4,000 | 4,000 |
| Sailing Dinghies | 60,200 | 60,200 |
| Vehicles and Trailers | 4,950 | 4,950 |
| Total Tangible Assets | 605,044 | 625,044 |

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Tessa L Bullimore FCEA

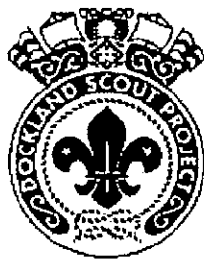
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23/10/2024

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Nominated – Appointment

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| Treasurer | Pippa Barber |

Elected

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To provide the opportunity for young people to experience Water Activities and Water Sports training under the leadership of qualified adults.

Operationally;

All in all, 2022 has been a good year for the Project after the sad times during Covid.

We have run 14 Activity Weekends and 12 Open days and have been used by a Sea Scout Group for their Summer Camp. During the summer we have had regular boating sessions from 3 of the more local Sea Scout Groups,

During Covid, Bed & Breakfast was heavily impacted on with no customers for the whole of 2021, thankfully 2022 has seen a return to schools and Scouts making use of the Project. We were used for 1,642 bed nights, this was a great improvement and almost returning to pre Covid levels

Use by third party organisations, subject to risk assessments, has continued, with the Marine Police, DiveCo making use of the base and waterspace.

Maintenance

The regular boat and ship maintenance and upkeep has continued, being made easier by the reduced restrictions. Many of the boats received refurbishments and Mr Wells and the Bell Boats all had a thorough overhauls. We purchased 4 new open canoes and 80 new buoyancy aids and a spare laser Bug dinghy. Overall the fleet has stood up well for 2 years with little use.

Training

Following on from the quieter Covid periods we have been able to run a total of 35 formal training courses during. We ran 4 British Canoeing Explore Award, and 2 FSRT courses On the dinghy side we ran 1 RYA Dinghy Level 2 and a Level 3 and a Seamanship Skills, we also ran 7 RYA Powerboat Level 2, 2 Scout Pulling courses, 3 RYA VHF Radio courses and 2 RYA Diesel engine courses. A total of 246 qualifications were gained by DSP staff.

We ran an Induction course early in the year and had 20 new members and we are pleased to say that In September 2023 13 are still actively involved.

On the Instructor front we managed to get 3 more members qualified as power boat instructors and another as a VHF Radio Instructor.

Finance

We started the 2022 season in a healthy financial situation. Our income for 2022 has been a little over £153,000-00. On the expenditure side we have spent £87,000-00. The biggest items have been Insurance of £14,600-00 up on 2021 as we have been using the boats rather than having them laid up. The balance has been spent on utilities and maintenance. The rest went on Utilities and maintaining the ships and boats, Our Electricity was still £4700-00 with the base now operating, Water was £700-00 though not for a full year.

This has meant that at the end of 2022 we had a excess of Income over expenditure of £60,000-00, a much healthier figure which will allow us to begin to replace equipment and upgrade our facilities.

The Project has reasonable reserves and we hope that things will remain stable in 2023

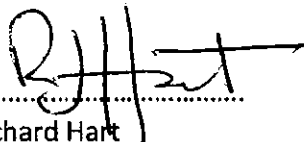
Conclusion

Finally, we must say a big thank you to all our volunteer water instructors, maintenance staff, admin staff and helpers without them the Project would not go from strength to strength.

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Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard Hart', written over a horizontal dotted line.

Richard Hart
Centre Principal / District Commissioner

DOCKLAND SCOUT PROJECT

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT SUMMARY
for the year ended 31st December 2022

| | This year General Fund £ | Previous Year £ |
|--|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Total receipts for the year (see page 5) | 150,873 | 47,188 |
| Total Payments for the year (see page 6) | 85,054 | 45,830 |
| Net receipts/payments for the year | <u>65,819</u> | <u>1,358</u> |
| Gain (Loss) on revaluation of Tangible Assests | <u>-</u> | <u>3,250</u> |
| | 65,819 | 4,608 |
| Cash, Bank and similar funds brought forward | 361,735 | 357,127 |
| Cash, Bank and similar funds carreid forward | <u>427,554</u> | <u>361,735</u> |

The above account and accompanying statement of assets
and liabilities were approved by the Trustees
and signed on their behalf by



Philippa (Pippa) Barber - Treasurer

DOCKLAND SCOUT PROJECT
Receipts for the year ended 31 December 2022

| INCOMING RESOURCES | This Year | Previous Year |
|---------------------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Capitation and Crew Fees | - | 75 |
| Less Paid | - | - 430 |
| | - | - 355 |
| Activities | | |
| Days & Weekends | 34,037 | - |
| Open Days | 23,396 | - |
| Meeting Room Hire | 160 | 2,760 |
| RYA & Other Training | 18,373 | 10,845 |
| Boat & Estate Hire | 6,000 | - |
| Uniforms | 180 | - |
| Miscellaneous Income | 1,057 | 3,464 |
| | 83,203 | 17,069 |
| International Hosting | 49,384 | - |
| Sale of Equipment | - | 744 |
| Donations & Grants | 18,012 | 29,725 |
| Interest Received | 275 | 6 |
| TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES | 150,873 | 47,188 |

DOCKLAND SCOUT PROJECT
Payments for the year ended 31 December 2022

| RESOURCES EXPENDED | This Year | Notes | Previous Year |
|---|---------------|-------|---------------|
| Activity & Training Costs | 8,597 | | 5,564 |
| International Hosting | 30,577 | | 2,000 |
| Vessel Purchases and Improvement costs | - | | 3,727 |
| Headquarters Costs | | | |
| General Running Costs | 2,509 | | 1,541 |
| Light & Heat | 5,096 | | 5,071 |
| Water Rates | 642 | | 1,754 |
| Rates | 41 (1) | | 6,026 |
| Telephone & Internet | 1,443 | | 1,243 |
| | 9,732 | | 15,635 |
| Boating Costs | | | |
| Repairs & Replacements | 18,459 | | 4,041 |
| Fuel for small craft | | | |
| Insurance | 14,580 | | 12,525 |
| | 33,039 | | 16,566 |
| Administrative Costs | | | |
| General | 409 | | 298 |
| Postage & Stationary | 69 | | 61 |
| Motor & Travel | 1,070 | | 1,319 |
| Bank Charges | 89 | | 96 |
| Uniforms | 1,443 | | |
| | 3,080 | | 1,774 |
| Other Expenses | 30 | | 30 |
| Purchase of Equipment | | | |
| Other | - | | 534 |
| Total Resources Expended | 85,054 | | 45,830 |

Notes:

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This includes a refund related to previous years

DOCKLAND SCOUT PROJECT
Statement of Assets & Liabilities as at 31 December 2022

| | This Year | Previous Year |
|---|------------------|----------------------|
| MONETARY ASSETS, cash, bank and similar funds | | |
| Bank Current Accounts | 212,341 | 146,583 |
| Bank Deposit Accounts | 166,092 | 164,598 |
| Trade Debtors | - | - |
| Creditors | - | - |
| | <u>378,433</u> | <u>311,181</u> |
| NON-MONETARY ASSETS - Assets for Group's own use | | |
| Vehicles, Boats and other equipment | <u>625,044</u> | <u>625,044</u> |
| The assets are revalued each year by the Trustees, The current values are: | | |
| Canoes | 21,300 | 21,300 |
| Chandlery/Marine Equipment/Motors | 6,000 | 6,000 |
| Converted Dutch Barge | 300,000 | 300,000 |
| Dinghies | 2,675 | 2,675 |
| Headquarters Ship - Lord Amory | 85,000 | 85,000 |
| Kayaks | 11,100 | 11,100 |
| Motor Boats | 46,850 | 46,850 |
| Motor Boats Inboard | 78,000 | 78,000 |
| Paddleboards | 1,969 | 1,969 |
| Pontoons | 3,000 | 3,000 |
| Pulling Boats | 4,000 | 4,000 |
| Sailing Dinghies | 60,200 | 60,200 |
| Vehicles and Trailers | 4,950 | 4,950 |
| Total Tangible Assets | <u>625,044</u> | <u>625,044</u> |

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the DOCKLAND SCOUT PROJECT

I report on the accounts of the Project for the year ended 31 December 2022 which are set out above.

Respective responsibilities of the trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is the responsibility of the examiner to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act.
- To follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act), and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's report

My examination was carried out 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 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 which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- To keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met, or to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Tessa Bullimore, FCA

Tessa Bullimore

DOCKLAND SCOUT PROJECT

England & Wales - Charity number 1126975

Accounts



DOCKLAND SCOUT PROJECT

Report & Accounts

for the year ended 31 December 2021

DOCKLAND SCOUT PROJECT

Report & Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2021

The trustees are deemed to be the members of the Project (District) Executive for the time being. Those who have served in this capacity during the last year (2021) are as follows.

Ex Officio – Appointment

| | |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| District Commissioner / Principal | Richard Hart |
| Training Manager | Ian Maynard |
| HR Manager | Sam Longhurst |
| Crew Leader | Martin Petchey |
| QM Leader | Thomas Skinner & Beth Taylor |
| Webmaster | Richard Baltutis |
| Minutes Secretary | Beth Taylor |

Nominated – Appointment

| | |
|-----------|-------------------|
| Chairman | Julian Cartwright |
| Treasurer | Pippa Barber |

Elected

| | |
|----------------|-----------------|
| Elected Member | Alexander Mansi |
| Elected Member | William Coombs |
| Elected Member | William Brown |
| Elected Member | Michael Hudson |

BANKERS

Barclays Bank PLC & CAF Bank Limited

Group Registration Number with The Scout Association

103501

Contact Name and Address

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631 Manchester Road
London E14 9NU

DOCKLAND SCOUT PROJECT

Trustees Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2021

Structure

The Dockland Scout Project (DSP) is constituted as a Scout District and forms part of the Greater London North Scout County

Aims

To promote the development of young people and enable them to achieve their full potential in line with the aims of the Scout Association

To provide the opportunity for young people to experience Water Activities and Water Sports training under the leadership of qualified adults.

Operationally

All in all, 2021 has not been a good year for the Project or Scouting and the country in general. twelve months of the year have been spent under quarantine and with restrictions on all of our activities, though the last few months things did improve a little.

The Project has managed to struggle through the year, we thankfully have received some generous grants and managed to run some courses for outside organisations which has allowed us to keep going.

Bed & Breakfast was heavily impacted on with no customers for the whole of 2021, thankfully our Accommodation Manager, Mark was able to sort out other work.

Use by third party organisations, subject to risk assessments, has continued, with the Marine Police, DiveCo making use of the base and waterspace.

Maintenance

We have managed to carry on with maintaining the base and boats, this has been done by a small team attending on Wednesdays and Saturdays for reduced hours, they have ensured all our boats and equipment were clean and able to be returned to an operational state in a short time period.

Regular tasks have included getting as many boats out of the water and winterising them, rolling trailers back and forward to stop the tyres getting flat spots, pumping boats out and emptying the covers, regularly flushing the water systems of the Lord Amory and CW, and trying to keep everything clean. Not surprisingly boats and equipment deteriorate quicker when they are just left about rather than being actively used.

Training

This has proved to be a problem as we were not able to run courses for Project staff until the last few months of the year. For the first 9 months we did run courses for outside organisations, these were for Canal & River Trust, Go Boats, Hot Tugs, Quay Logistics and Thames Moorings. We ran a total of 24 RYA VHF, 16 RYA Powerboat Level 2 and 12 RYA Safety Boat.

In the last 3 months of 2021 things eased up a little and we were able to start running courses for our own people, at first it was one day at a time. To do a Dinghy course meant the candidate coming for 2 days usually a week apart. We ran a British Canoeing Explore Award, a RYA Dinghy Level 2 and a Level 3, 2 RYA Powerboat L 2, and a RYA Safety boat, 3 RYA VHF Radio courses and 3 RYA First Aid courses. A total of 64 qualifications were gained by DSP staff. The RYA region also asked us to host a RYA Power boat instructors course and 6 attended, 2 being from the Project. We hope this will become a regular course.

Finance

We started the 2021 season in a healthy financial situation.

Our income for 2021 has been a little over £47,000. We received £21,000 in donations and grants, HMRC paid £5,800 in Gift Aid. This income allowed us to keep our heads above the water most of whom were outside of Scouting, The balance of £20,000 was from training courses.

On the expenditure side we have spent £45,000. The biggest items have been Insurance of £12,500 (reduced by £4,000 as we have the boats laid up), council rates of £6,000 The balance has been spent on utilities and maintenance. At the end of the year we did invest in a second-hand 19ft Nelson launch (the same as Odd Job) for £3,250. The rest went on Utilities and maintaining the ships and boats, Our Electricity was still £2500 with the base not operating, Water was £1,700

This has meant that at the end of 2021 we had a surplus of £1,500, not bad considering the terrible restrictions and operating conditions we have had to cope with.

The Project has reasonable reserves and we hope that things will settle down in 2022 and we can start running Activity Weekends, Open Days and activities, and begin to generate much needed income.

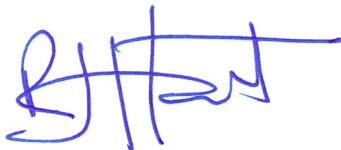
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Richard Hart

Centre Principal / District Commissioner

DOCKLAND SCOUT PROJECT
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT SUMMARY
for the year ended 31st December 2021

| | This year General Fund £ | Previous Year £ |
|---|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Total receipts for the year (see page 6) | 47,958 | 57,545 |
| Total Payments for the year (see page 6) | 42,580 | 56,004 |
| Net receipts/payments for the year | <u>5,378</u> | <u>1,541</u> |
| Gain (Loss) on revaluation of Tangible Assets | <u>-</u> | <u>96,539</u> |
| | 5,378 | 98,080 |
| Cash, Bank and similar funds brought forward | 357,127 | 355,586 |
| Cash, Bank and similar funds carried forward | <u><u>362,605</u></u> | <u><u>367,127</u></u> |

The above account and accompanying statement of assets
and liabilities were approved by the Trustees
on 29th October 2022 and signed on their behalf by



Philippa (Pippa) Barber - Treasurer

DOCKLAND SCOUT PROJECT
Receipts for the year ended 31 December 2021

| INCOMING RESOURCES | This Year | Previous Year |
|---------------------------------|------------------|----------------------|
| Capitation and Crew Fees | 75 | 150 |
| Less Paid | (430) | (413) |
| | (355) | (263) |
| Activities | | |
| Days & Weekends | | 2,820 |
| Open Days | | |
| Meeting Room Hire | 2,760 | 2,650 |
| RYA & Other Training | 10,845 | 6,712 |
| Boat & Estate Hire | | 5,690 |
| Uniforms | | 225 |
| Miscellaneous Income | 3,527 | 322 |
| | 17,132 | 18,419 |
| | | |
| International Hosting | | 15,671 |
| | | |
| Sale of Equipment | 744 | |
| | | |
| Donations & Grants | 29,725 | 22,194 |
| | | |
| Interest Received | 712 | 1,524 |
| | | |
| TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES | 47,958 | 57,545 |

DOCKLAND SCOUT PROJECT
Payments for the year ended 31 December 2021

| RESOURCES EXPENDED | This Year | Previous Year |
|---------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Activity & Training Costs | 5,563 | 3,905 |
| International Hosting | 2,000 | 6,675 |
| Headquarters Costs | | |
| General Running Costs | 1,541 | 1,658 |
| Light & Heat | 5,071 | 5,203 |
| Water Rates | 1,754 | |
| Rates | 6,026 | 8,033 |
| Telephone & Internet | 1,243 | 1,081 |
| | 15,635 | 15,975 |
| Boating Costs | | |
| Repairs & Replacement | 5,053 | 15,855 |
| Fuel to Small Craft | | |
| Insurance | 12,525 | 12,175 |
| | 17,578 | 28,030 |
| Administrative Costs | | |
| General | 298 | 192 |
| Postage & Stationery | 61 | 413 |
| Motor & Travel | 1,319 | 916 |
| Bank Charges | 96 | 60 |
| Uniforms | | |
| | 1,774 | 1,389 |
| Other Expenses | 30 | 30 |
| Purchase of Equipment | | |
| Other | | |
| | 0 | 0 |
| TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED | 42,580 | 56,004 |

DOCKLAND SCOUT PROJECT
Statement of Assets & Liabilities as at 31 December 2021

| | This Year | Previous Year |
|---|----------------|----------------|
| MONETARY ASSETS, cash, bank, and similar funds | | |
| Bank Current Accounts | 146,583 | 145,231 |
| Bank Deposit Accounts | 165,305 | 164,592 |
| Trade Debtors | 0 | 0 |
| Creditors | 0 | (63) |
| | 311,888 | 309,760 |
| NON-MONETARY ASSETS - Assets for Group's own use | | |
| Vehicles,Boats and other equipment | 625,044 | 621,794 |

The asset are revalued each year by the trustees. The Current Values are;

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Canoes | 21,300 | 21,300 |
| Chandlery/Marine Equipment/Motors | 6,000 | 6,000 |
| Converted dutch barge | 300,000 | 300,000 |
| Dinghies | 2,675 | 2,675 |
| Headquarters Ship - Lord Amory | 85,000 | 85,000 |
| Kayaks | 11,100 | 11,100 |
| Motor Boats | 46,850 | 43,800 |
| Motor Boats Inboard | 78,000 | 78,000 |
| Paddleboards | 1,969 | 1,969 |
| Pontoons | 3,000 | 3,000 |
| Pulling Boats | 4,000 | 4,000 |
| Sailing Dinghies | 60,200 | 60,200 |
| Vehicles and Trailers | 4,950 | 4,950 |
| Total Tangible Assets | 625,044 | 621,794 |

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the
DOCKLAND SCOUTPROJECT**

I report on the accounts of the Project for the year ended 31st December 2021 which are set out on pages 4 to 7

Respective responsibilities of the trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

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 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

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have not been met, or

- to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Richard J Shirley (Retired Chartered Accountant)
14 Woodside Close
Knaphill
Woking
GU21 2DD

29th October 2022

DOCKLAND SCOUT PROJECT

England & Wales - Charity number 1126975

Accounts

Structure

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Aims

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To provide the opportunity for young people to experience Water Activities and Water Sports training under the leadership of qualified adults.

Operationally;

All in all, 2020 has not been a good year for the Project or Scouting and the country in general. Nine months of the year have been spent under quarantine and with restrictions on all of our activities.

Before the first lockdown came into effect, we were able to run 14 formal Royal Yachting Association, British Canoeing and Scout training courses, covering Sailing, Pulling, Paddle-sports, Powerboats, VHF, Diesel Engine and First Aid, plus the Induction Weekend, though it has been so sad that the new members have not been able to use their newly gained skills on Activity Weekends or Open Days.

We were also able to run some bed & breakfast dates, including the Monopoly Run and a total of 270 bed nights, mainly from Scouts, but it did include one school who got in just before lockdown.

Use by third party organisations, subject to risk assessments, has continued, with the Marine Police, DiveCo and a film company making use of the base and waterspace.

Maintenance

From the end of May the Scout Association gave us permission to carry out "essential maintenance" on the base and equipment. This was carried out by a very small team attending on Wednesdays and Saturdays for reduced hours; they ensured all our boats and equipment were clean and able to be returned to an operational state in a short time period.

Regular tasks have included getting as many boats out of the water and winterising them, rolling trailers back and forward to stop the tyres getting flat spots, pumping boats out and emptying the covers, regularly flushing the water systems of the Lord Amory and CW, and trying to keep everything clean. Not surprisingly boats and equipment deteriorate quicker when they are just left about rather than being actively used.

At the same time, we took the opportunity to carry out some other tasks that were easier when we were shut to customers; we have fully renovated one of the Coypu dinghies, started the rebuild of the shoreside crane / hiab, constructed trolleys for the Katakonus and completed about 50% of the repairs to the deck of the ship

Training

This has proved to be a problem as we have not been able to run courses afloat or in a classroom context. We have however managed to keep our adult staff up to date using the e-learning Scout modules. The Quartermaster team have run some quiz nights with a nautical flavour to remind people what things are and what they mean.

Finance

We started the 2020 season in a healthy financial situation.

Our total income has been a little over £58,000-00. The Training Courses brought in £6,700, Bed and Breakfast £17,300. We received some grants including £10,000 from Canary Wharf Estates, £5,000 from Sport England and £500-00 from Canal & River Trust. We had some generous donations from parents and the balance was made up of activities, Lord Amory hire, CW hire, uniform and Nutty sales and a donation from the Wardroom for 2019.

On the expenditure side we have spent £55,400-00. The biggest items have been Insurance of £12,800 (reduced by £4000 as we have the boats laid up), council rates of £8033. bed and breakfast of £8,300. We had some one-off payments which will not occur next year; we bought 7 second-hand Topaz dinghies totalling £2300, we paid consultancy fees on a new pier on the river off £4,900, deck repair materials off £900 and finger guards for all the doors off £570. The balance has been spent on utilities and maintenance.

This has meant that at the end of 2020 we had a surplus of £1500-00, not bad considering the terrible restrictions and operating conditions we have had to cope with.

The Project has reasonable reserves and we will need these to see us through the first half of 2021 until we can hopefully start running activity weekends, Open Days and activities, and begin to generate much needed income.

Conclusion

Finally, we must say a big thank you to all our volunteer water instructors, maintenance staff, admin staff and helpers without them the Project would not go from strength to strength.

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Richard Hart
Centre Principal / District Commissioner