



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01 April 2021 To 31 March 2022

Charity name: Swanage Sea Rowing Club

Charity registration number: 1155689

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The promotion of community participation in healthy recreation for the benefit of the inhabitants of Swanage by the provision of sea rowing facilities.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	A community project dedicated to promoting sea rowing as a form of healthy recreation whether socially, for fitness or to race in regattas. Swanage Sea Rowing Club makes facilities, equipment and access to training by qualified coaches and coxes accessible to the community by regular (weekly) sea rowing and land-based rowing machine sessions for members and members of the public throughout the year. Our coxes have nationally recognised qualifications and ensure the safety at sea of all who participate as have our coaches, who give instruction and training at an appropriate level for the ability of the rower
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees have regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit and ensure that the facilities provided are available to the community by operating an open membership policy and open access to facilities for members of the public through open rowing sessions. The beneficiaries are residents of Swanage and the surrounding area aged 10 or over (there is no upper age limit). By providing facilities for open rowing the Club gives the community access to a sport that promotes physical health and fitness and mental well-being.
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Volunteers run Swanage Sea Rowing Club, in addition to a team of Trustees. The volunteers undertake a wide range of activities. Their most significant contribution is through fundraising and the logistical support of events.

## Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>This year saw the welcome return of racing with the Intra-club event, a mini regatta, and the Super Vets Regatta which we are proud to say has been accepted onto the CPGA event calendar.</p> <p>We continued to develop the membership using external trainers and coaching skills training for members.</p> <p>There has been some extremely hard work put in to get the juniors back rowing. The mental and health benefits have been clear to see. Our aim is to compete at the u16's champs in Newquay and to take a crew to Rame.</p> <p>We have invested in improving our equipment across the board with the refurbishment of Peveril, painting of Winspit, new radios, safety boxes, cushions and the women's oars are on their way. We have also implemented a rolling replacement plan for our Ergs and fundraising for the purchase of additional weight training equipment.</p> <p>Membership Fees: We have decided to reduce the student fee to encourage the younger generations into rowing.</p>

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Reserves are held to forward our development plans such as training, purchase of boats and associated equipment
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£20,000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	
The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	<p>Membership donations 50%</p> <p>Fundraising 40%</p> <p>Donations 10%</p>

		(These approx. figures are for a normal year with 12 months of uninterrupted activities)
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	To provide, maintain and renew the expensive equipment needed to provide rowing facilities to the people of Swanage as per our constitution
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	A failure to maintain good membership levels

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document ( <a href="#">trust deed</a> , <a href="#">royal charter</a> )	Para 1.25	Constitution (last amended 2014)
How is the charity constituted? (e.g <a href="#">unincorporated association</a> , <a href="#">CIO</a> )	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Any member over the age of 16 can be appointed as a Trustee. Trustees are elected by the membership at the AGM. The Trustees are able to appoint new Trustees if a vacancy arises at any other time.

## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Swanage Sea Rowing Club1
Other name the charity uses	Swanage Sea Rowing Club
Registered charity number	115689
Charity's principal address	Marshall Row, Swanage, Dorset BH19 2AR

**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	Daniel Bennett	Chair		
2	Ian Welsh	Operations		
3	Adrian Charters	Health and Safety		
4	Simon Wright	Social Rowing rep		
5	Lynne Harris	Women's Section Rep. CPGA Link		
6	Mark Blanchard	Men's Section Rep		
7	Peter Witney	Membership Secretary		
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**Declarations**

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

**Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees**

<b>Signature(s)</b>	Dan Bennett	James Allen
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Daniel Bennett	James Allen
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Chair	Treasurer
<b>Date</b>	11/12/2022	

## Swanage Sea Rowing Club

### Annual Accounts for AGM year ended 31st March 2022

	Receipts	%	Payments	Net
Subscriptions	12051.5	55.50%		
Equipment Maintenance (Gigs, Oars, Trailers & Pontoon)			5267.75	
Equipment Purchases (Oars, Lifejackets, Radios, Training Equipment )	970		3895.04	
Boathouse Maintenance & Supplies			674.75	
Boathouse Occupancy (Water & Electricity)			648.88	
Insurance			1,844.34	
Bookkeeping			720	
Advertising, Printing, Postage & Stationery			47.99	
Licence Fees (PPL, PRS, PDC, Moorings)			75	
CPGA Membership	150		450	
First Aid/Coxes/VHF Radio Training & Safeguarding			3974	
Costs re Juniors			18	
	13171.5	60.70%	17615.75	-4444.25
<u>Donations:</u>				
Donations Other	106.94		76	
Donations Lottery/Local giving	500			
Purbeck Outdoor Weekend	390			
Surplus arising from towing to rowing events	85			
Surplus/(Deficit) arising from Scillies rowing weekend	160			
	1241.94	5.7%	76	76
<u>Fundraising:</u>				
L2R	840			
Swanage Regattas	2481		547.56	
Race Night/raffle/clothing	706.5		424.2	
10K Run	2413.5		201	
1000 Club Lottery	842		359	
Bank Interest	3.61			
	7286.61	33.60%	1531.76	5754.85
<b>TOTAL:</b>	21700.1	100%	19223.51	2476.14
<b>Cash Funds 1st April</b>	28,530			
<b>Cash Funds at 31st March</b>	31003.9			

#### Notes:

- 1 Cash funds are held with Lloyds TSB bank.
- 2 The boathouse is owned by Swanage Town Council and was let to SSRC for a period of 125 years commencing February 2013 at a peppercorn rent if demanded.
- 3 SSRC owns 5 Gigs (3 wooden & 2 plastic) however 2 gigs were funded externally and if sold in one case the proceeds would need to be returned and in the other use of the proceeds is restricted.
- 4 Donations include any surplus or deficit arising from money collected relating to rowing events occurring away from Swanage. Such events are attended by members of Swanage Sea Rowing Club and members pay to take part. Overall the objective is that this activity is break-even.