

York Rescue Boat Unaudited Accounts

For the Year Ended 5 April 2023
Charity no: 1155849



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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity name: York Rescue Boat

Charity number: 1155849

REGISTERED ADDRESS

York Rescue Boat
York ECO Business Centre
Amy Johnson Way
Clifton Moor
York
YO30 4AG

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

David Grabowski
Joanne Lynch
Alistair McCleary
Robert Newport
Andrew Hart

(Appointed 02 August 2022)
(Appointed 01 November 2022)

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ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023

Structure, governance and management

York Rescue Boat is a charitable incorporated organisation registered at the Charity Commission. It is governed by a foundation constitution registered 19 February 2014 amended on 11 July 2017.

Objectives and activities

The aim of the York Rescue Boat (YRB) is to save life. It will achieve this through the following activities:

1. Provision of land and river-based water safety patrolling within the York area.
2. Provision of flood rescue in York and as part of the national contingency framework.
3. Support to North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue.
4. Education to members of the public to increase awareness of the risks associated with the rivers.
5. Fundraising and communication to support the activities identified.

As trustees, we are confident that we have complied with the duty under section 17(5) of the Charities Act and the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

The volunteers undertake on a twice sometimes 3 weekly basis foot patrols along the Rivers Ouse and Foss. These patrols will react to any incident on the river that they observe or are made aware of including people falling into either river, jumping into the rivers, attempting to swim in the rivers, these are particularly prevalent in the summer months especially as the number of tourists increases.

The YRB has also seen an increase in the number of call outs from the Police and Fire and Rescue Service to aid in search and body recovery. The YRB is also part of the national flood rescue effort. YRB also undertakes educational training on water safety in schools and organisations within York and the surrounding area, often in conjunction with the Royal National Lifesaving Society (RLSS).

The charity does not make any grants and has not made no financial investments since its inception.

The charity is entirely staffed by enthusiastic volunteers, who between them act operationally, manage and train themselves, fundraise and complete the myriad of tasks required to maintain the high quality and well-regarded service that they provide to the people of and the visitors to York.

Achievements and performance

The volunteers of York Rescue Boat have faced another busy year, attending a number of call outs as well as incidents on shift. Planning and running fundraising events and education workshops.

In total volunteer hours equated to 9,924.

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ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023 (Continued)

Achievements and performance (continued)

Breakdown of incidents and callouts compared to (2021/2022)

- Call Outs 33 (61)
- Incidents on shift 28 (87)
- Concerns for Safety 20 (37)
- Casualties in water 19 (17)
- Missing from Home 8 (20)
- People Assisted 37 (38)
- Mental Health Related 37.7% (52%)
- Assistance to other Vessels 1 (1)

The actions of the volunteers of York Rescue Boat led to the saving of 3 lives.

Manning, Training and Recruiting

Manning – currently there are 27 operationally qualified volunteers and 28 volunteers under training or in support roles such as fundraising, HR, or admin support.

Financial review

The charity made a net payment of £35,066 (2022: net receipt of £33,353) thanks to all the donations and fundraising which took place in the year.

The free reserves on 5 April 2023 are £48,552 (2022: £42,928). Any reserves which have been generated in the year are carried forward to the next financial year and are used to provide additional training and equipment and used against operational costs – fuel, maintenance costs etc.

Further financial review details

YRB generates most of its running costs through self-generated fundraising. It applies for both government, business, and individual grants to fund training and major equipment purchases.

All purchase orders over £100 require Trustee approval:

£100 - £499 – 1 Trustee

£500 - £999 – 2 Trustees

Over £1,000 – all Trustees to approve.

Daily running costs involving sums less than £100 do not require trustee approval but are audited by the bookkeeper and treasurer on a regular basis and must be supported by receipts.

Signed on behalf of the trustees.

D Garbowski

A McCleary

13 February 2024

YORK RESCUE BOAT
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
YORK RESCUE BOAT

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 5 April 2023 which comprises of the receipts and payments accounts, the assets and liabilities statement and the notes to the accounts.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Frances Howard FCA
Fortus North Ltd
Chartered Accountants
Equinox House
Clifton Park
Shipton Road
York
YO30 5PA

13 February 2024

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted 2023 £	Restricted 2023 £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Grants		9,000	19,868	28,868	101,567
Donations		10,569	-	10,569	25,027
Fundraising		36,517	-	36,517	-
Charitable activities income		582	-	582	286
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Income		56,668	19,868	76,536	138,885
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Sale of assets		500	2,891	3,391	-
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Total receipts		57,168	22,759	79,927	138,885
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Fundraising costs		9,618	-	9,618	2,517
Charitable activities	2	26,244	8,403	34,647	23,299
Assets purchased	3	8	70,720	70,728	79,716
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Total payments		35,870	79,123	114,993	105,532
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Net receipts/(payments) for the year		21,298	(56,364)	(35,066)	33,353
Transfers between funds		(15,704)	15,704	-	-
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Net movement in the year		5,594	(40,660)	(35,066)	33,353
Cash at bank at 5 April 2022		42,958	79,444	122,402	89,049
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Cash at bank at 5 April 2023	4	48,552	38,784	87,336	122,402
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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES – 5 APRIL 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
ASSETS HELD FOR CHARITY'S USE		
Vehicles	83,928	55,438
Equipment	11,196	12,659
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	95,124	68,097
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CASH AT BANK		
Current account	86,935	121,254
PayPal account	401	1,148
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	87,336	122,402
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Approved on behalf of the trustees on 13 February 2024

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D Grabowski – Trustee

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A McCleary - Trustee

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS – 5 APRIL 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention, on a receipts and payments basis, in accordance with Section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 and following the guidance for accounting for smaller charities issued by the Charity Commissioners.

2. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2023 £
Boat cost	2,814	3,755	6,569
Equipment	2,768	3,596	6,364
Motor cost	5,299	1,052	6,351
Insurance	3,949	-	3,949
Phone	98	-	98
IT costs and postage	424	-	424
Website	245	-	245
Subscriptions	934	-	934
Training	-	-	-
Storage	4,507	-	4,507
Independent examination	3,300	-	3,300
Sundry	1,906	-	1,906
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	26,244	8,403	34,647
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	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2022 £
Boat cost	2,799	1,306	4,105
Equipment	1,593	528	2,121
Motor cost	2,991	827	3,818
Insurance	2,465	-	2,465
Phone	89	-	89
IT costs and postage	1,901	-	1,901
Website	158	-	158
Subscriptions	1,464	-	1,464
Training	190	-	190
Storage	5,137	-	5,137
Independent examination	1,740	-	1,740
Sundry	111	-	111
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	20,638	2,661	23,299
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3. ASSETS PURCHASED

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2023 £	Total and Restricted 2022 £
Vehicles	-	63,512	63,512	72,589
Equipment	8	7,208	7,216	7,127
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	8	70,720	70,728	79,716
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4. FUNDS

	Opening balance £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfer between funds £	Closing balance £
Unrestricted	42,958	57,168	35,870	(15,704)	48,552
Restricted					
Provisional ground Mark Lodge	278	-	-	-	278
D A Platt Scrappy Fund	80	-	-	-	80
Pontoon	6,500	2,051	600	-	7,951
North Yorkshire Police	901	-	-	(350)	551
Sunshine Campaign	17,598	2,710	20,177	-	131
York Butchers Company Charitable Trust	177	-	178	1	-
George A Moore Foundation	500	2,891	343	(1,083)	1,965
Ed De Nunzio Charitable Trust	858	-	-	2,000	2,858
Charles and Elsie Sykes Trust	3,104	5,000	2,025	-	6,079
BGC Main Grants	1,384	1,287	1,047	350	1,974
Fundraising/Educational Van	5,468	-	690	-	4,778
Tesco Bags of Help COVID-19 Communities Fund	-	1,000	678	-	322
Aviva Fund	2,669	3,000	4,384	-	1,285
Operations Van Fund	29,792	-	46,578	16,786	-
Crowdfunder Ltd	7,329	-	-	-	7,329
Donations defibrillator & Kit bag	306	-	-	-	306
Nestle	500	-	495	-	5
York Children's Trust	2,000	-	-	(2,000)	-
Clothing	-	428	-	-	428
Equipment	-	4,392	1,928	-	2,464
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	79,444	22,759	79,123	15,704	38,784
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	122,402	79,927	114,993	-	87,336
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4. FUNDS (continued)

Provisional ground Mark Lodge fund represents monies towards cardiac AED and training.

D A Platt Scrappy fund represents monies towards kayaks and drysuits.

Pontoon fund represents monies received from Masonic Relief Chest Fund, Minster Lions and Freemasons Charity towards a pontoon.

North Yorkshire Police represents monies towards resuscitation kits.

Sunshine Campaign represents monies towards a new boat & boat trailer.

York Butchers Company Charitable Trust represents monies towards the maintenance of the boat.

The George A Moore Foundation money towards repairs & renewals on equipment.

Ed De Nunzio Charitable Trust monies towards repairs & renewals.

The Charles & Elsie Sykes Trust monies towards boat repairs & new equipment.

Fundraising/Educational Van monies towards a new vehicle.

BGC Main Grants represents monies towards equipment.

Tesco Bags of Help COVID-19 Communities Fund represents monies towards fuel.

Aviva Fund represents monies towards equipment.

Operations Van Fund represents monies towards a new operations van.

Crowdfunder Ltd represents monies towards kayaks.

Donations defibrillator & kit bag represents monies towards new equipment.

Nestle represents monies towards reach & search poles.

York Children's Trust represents monies towards educational equipment.

Clothing represents monies towards clothing and kit.

Equipment represents monies towards equipment.