

TRUSTEES REPORT 2024-25

Formal Report to the Charities Commission

Welcome to the tenth Trustees' report under our constitution as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. This report to the Charities Commission was prepared by Mark Bouch, as Chair, on behalf of the Club's Trustees for the period 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025.

This report will be circulated to members with 2024/25 accounts for approval at the Club's AGM in November 2025.

CIO Trustee Committee

Devizes Canoe Club is a "Charitable Incorporated Organisation". Our Charity number is 1156402. We were registered with the Charities Commission on 27th March 2014. Legal decisions are taken by the CIO trustees, who in 2024/25 were Mark Bouch, Sue Colby, Lindyanne Ehrnrooth, Chris Jones, Nick Prichard, Hannah Snowsill, Andrew Park, Dan Colby, Hannah Snowsill, Trevor Hunter and Simon Darling.

The CIO Trustees have a legal responsibility to the Charities Commission for effective governance and management of the CIO's assets in line with our CIO constitution and Charity Commission guidelines. CIO Trustees have six legal responsibilities, including delivering purpose, managing conflicts of interest, reporting information, safeguarding people, making decisions, managing finances and overseeing club policy. Club property, including the club's estate, is held by the CIO on behalf of the Club itself and not by any individual. Trustees meet annually and as required.

A decision of members at the Club AGM appoints trustees. At the November 2024 AGM, eleven Trustees were appointed/reappointed. No additional members stood for election as Trustees. At the forthcoming one-third of the Trustees must retire (three to four people). We have an opportunity to appoint up to twelve trustees in total, and any club member is welcome to nominate themselves, at least fourteen days before the AGM, as a CIO Trustee.

At this AGM, Trevor Hunter, Andrew Park and Nick Prichard will retire. Andrew Park and Nick Prichard intend to stand for re-election. Trevor Hunter has decided not to stand again. The Trustees and Club Members would like to thank Trevor Hunter for his guidance and support as a highly experienced Trustee over the last two years and warmly support his wish to focus on coaching. No nominations have yet been received for first-time election as Trustees.

Club Management Committee

The CIO Trustees delegate power to a management committee which meets monthly, to coordinate the operational management of the Club. The Management Committee are responsible for ensuring club operations comply with policy and best practice.

The CIO Trustees appoint the key management committee roles: Club Chair, Deputy Chair, Treasurer and Secretary and invite the management committee to fill other key roles necessary for effective management.

The Chair and Deputy Chair divide their roles with Chair's focus being club strategy, development and governance and the Deputy Chair's focus being club operations.

The committee has invited other members to fill important volunteer roles, including leading paddling groups, managing boat storage, delivering the coaching programme, and providing bankside support during organised sessions. These appointments do not need to attend committee meetings, but are welcome to do so.

All key volunteer appointments are recorded in the members' section on our website.

Our AGM provides the formal opportunity to approve management committee members for 2026/27. Committee membership is open to all Club members, though we will only appoint committee members to fill specific roles required to ensure the efficient management of club business.

Members wishing to stand for election to the management committee or challenge the nominations proposed should submit their names in writing to the Club Secretary at least one week before the AGM.

The Club management committee intends to meet monthly, except in August. Meetings take place face-to-face and virtually. Minutes are taken and are published on the club website. Copies of minutes are available on request to any club member without website access.

The proposed 2026/27 management committee are Sue Colby (Chair and Volunteer Coordinator), Simon Darling (Treasurer), Lindyanne Ehrnrooth (Secretary), Jenny Jones (Welfare and Safeguarding Officer), James Papworth-Smith (H&S), Stuart Colby (Facilities), James Mahoney (Coaching Group Lead), Nigel Chivers (Senior Programme Coordinator and Captain of Boats), and Charlie Mayo (Club Public Relations and Press Officer). We have vacancies for a Junior Programme Coordinator, which could be filled a parent representative from either the racing or adventure group, and for an Events & Entertainments member.

Club Purpose

The Club's purpose is **"The promotion of community participation in healthy recreation in particular by the provision of facilities for the sport of canoeing and kayaking"**. We have regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. We provide identifiable benefits in advancing health and sport to the public. Our membership criteria and what we offer are inclusive and open to all members of the public without restriction. We make it clear that if anyone finds it difficult to pay our membership and coaching fees we can help, and we regularly do.

Our priorities for the current three-year period were established in the 2024 to 2027 strategy document. This consisted of an intent:

To become one of the top 10 clubs nationally judged on growing participation, competitive excellence and a varied development and activity programme that includes all age groups

Our strategy comprises seven pillars that establish high-level priorities for the club. Four priorities focus on the club's kayaking and canoeing disciplines:

1. Developing a Passion for Paddlesport – introducing young people and adults to paddlesport, using this as an opportunity to attract members and generate income.
2. Junior Talent Development – Offering junior paddlers the opportunity to progress to performance racing through a structured, coached performance programme to maximise their potential in marathon and sprint racing.

3. Competitive Marathon Racing – Offering all paddlers the opportunity to compete in flatwater racing across all marathon formats.
4. Recreational and Touring – Increasing opportunities for young people and adults to enjoy non-competitive recreational, social and adventure activities.

Three additional priorities focus on the key enablers that support all club activity:

5. Developing Paddle Skills – Delivering the coaching and leadership capability to support the club's current and future needs.
6. Developing Paddle Fitness – Introducing members to core conditioning to support all members and all disciplines to develop paddle fitness.
7. Quality Club of Choice – Providing facilities and programme to meet or exceed Quality Club standards and maintain a supportive and cohesive club environment.

From this strategic framework, our objectives and annual development plans provide a framework for the management team to implement the strategy.

Club Accreditation

In the period covered by the last report, the Club achieved accreditation under Paddle UK's Quality Club programme, demonstrating that we met the highest possible standards of governance and safeguarding.

Activity Report

This report summarises our activities and achievements in 2024-25 in pursuit of our paddlesport objectives. By publishing this report on the Charity Commission website, we display the benefit to club members and society.

Sprint Regattas

In 2024/25 the club sent teams to:

British Sprint National Regatta - April

The sprint season started really well for DCC at the April regatta, with two of our juniors, Mollie Ball and Philippe Ehrnrooth, selected to be on the GB Canoe Sprint Junior European Championships Team. Highlights of the British National Sprint Regatta included:

- Max Poole placing first in both the Boys U14 K1 200m and K1 500m.
- Arthur Hunter-Hopkins placed 2nd in the Boys U16 K1 500m and made the finals in both the U16 K1 1000m and U18/U16 K2 1000m. Together with Philippe, he placed 4th by 1/100th of a second in the U18/U16 K2 500m.
- Mollie Ball placed first in the Girls U18/U16 K2 500m. She also placed 3rd in the Girls U18 K1 1000m.
- Philippe Ehrnrooth won the K1 1000m and the K1 500m and 2nd in Boys U18/U16 K2 1000m.
- Regan Toop achieved the equal 2nd fastest time in the Boys U18 K1 200m.
- Alex Sheppy placed second in the Men Senior/U23 K2 200m.

The Ghent Regatta - May

A small team of DCC juniors, joined by paddlers from Worcester CC, attended and raced against paddlers from Belgium, France and Germany. As a team, we won a handful of medals

and made a number of finals. It was a great experience practising a racing routine in an international environment with warm-ups and eating plans.

National Sprint Racing Championships - June

DCC continued to perform really well at the June event. Philippe Ehrnrooth was selected to be on the Great Britain Canoe Sprint Junior World Championships Team. Highlights included:

- Philippe 1st Boys U18 K1 500m, 2nd Boys U18 K1 1000m
- Regan Toop 6th Boys U18 K1 1000m F2, 3rd Boys U18/U16 K2 500m F2
- Arthur 2nd Boys U16 K1 500m F2, 5th Boys U18/U16 K2 500m F2, 6th Boys U16 K1 1000m
- Mollie 1st Girls U18/U16 K2 500m and with Philippe 4th Mixed U18/U16 K2 500m
- Max Poole 2nd Boys U14 K2 500m, 4th Boys U14 K1 500m
- Charlie 6th in the Masters K1 1000m

Open & British National Paracanoe, Senior and Junior Sprint Championships - July

The National Championships were a huge success for DCC sprinters, who won two trophies and lots of medals. Highlights included:

- Max Poole won gold in Boys U14 K1 200m, bronze in Boys U14 K1 500m, silver in Boys U14 K2 1000m, gold in Boys U14 K2 500m, gold in Boys U14 K4 500m.
- Mollie won gold in Girls U18 K2 500m, collected a bronze medal with Philippe in the mixed U18 K2 500m and placed 4th in the Girls U18 K1 1000m
- Alex Sheppy placed 4th in the Men Senior K1 200m
- Arthur Hunter-Hopkins won the silver medal in Boys U16 K4 500m and Boys U16 K1 1000m F1 - 9th, Boys U16 K1 500m F2 - 2nd, Boys U16 K2 500m F - 6th
- Philippe Ehrnrooth won both the Rhodes Trophy for Boys U18 K1 500m and the Barry Murray Trophy for Boys U18 K1 1000m and was in the fastest U17 crew in Boys U18 K2 500m. Philippe was selected for the Great Britain Olympic Hopes Regatta team (Hungary, September 2024).

National Inter-Club Regatta - September

Highlights from the inter-club regatta included first places for Philippe Ehrnrooth in Boys A K1 1000m, Boys A K1 500m and with Arthur Hunter-Hopkins a win in Boys A K2 500m. Other club members competing included Regan Toop, Max Poole, Fred Johnson, Jared Kelly, Cameron O'Hare, Luke Mason, Simeon Kendall, Mary Johnson, Connie O'Hare, Charlie Mayo (senior masters) and Alex Sheppy (senior). Everyone did multiple events and placed well in their finals.

The 2024 Olympic Hopes Regatta in Szeged, Hungary.

Philippe Ehrnrooth represented the club and GB, and won the silver medal in the Under 17 boys K1 500m – GB's first medal at this event in 6 years. He also placed 6th in the K2 1000m A final, with a paddler from Richmond Canoe Club.

Marathon Racing

DCC Hasler Race - May

In May 2024, DCC hosted our round of the SW Hasler Series at Saltford due to issues with the venue at Chippenham. We were 3rd overall with 2 wins and 5 podium places.

SW Region Hasler Series

In 2024/25, we did not set a target for the Hasler Series qualification. Trustees do not believe it is realistic to expect paddlers to travel the length and breadth of the SW Region Hasler to collect Hasler Series points. At the end of the season DCC was placed 7th in the SW region with 73 races compared to the SW Region winners, Bradford on Avon CC, who completed 237 races.

The SW Region poses difficulties for Devizes CC as we are located at the far eastern extreme of the largest Paddle UK region in the UK. The SW Region clubs that qualify for the National Hasler Regatta tend to compete at every event. DCC tends to compete in the five nearest events in the region. There are about ten events in the calendar, fourteen active clubs, and 70% of the in-region races require four or more hours of travelling time, with the associated financial burden on paddlers and parents. DCC continues to lobby MRC for changes in the regional scoring system which in the SW now requires only the best n races to count from the series. This number will vary depending on the number of active clubs and races scheduled.

National Marathon Championships

Eight DCC paddlers went to the National Marathon Championship at Reading. Nick Poole & Pete Jones won the SC2 class.

Waterside Series 2025

The Waterside Series, run by Newbury CC in early 2024, is recognised as the classic build-up to the Devizes to Westminster Race. However, the Waterside Series presents its own challenge, and completing it, which spans around 80 miles across four races, is an achievement. Eighteen DCC paddlers competed in at least one of the four races of the series.

We had enough open canoe paddlers to enter a C1 team for the first time. Two DCC crews completed the whole series.

- Nick Poole won the C1 trophy, having come 2nd in Races A, B, and C and 1st in D.
- Ian Thackray came 3rd in the C1 class.
- Ian Tait & Daniel Tait came 2nd in the Junior/Veteran class.
- Sue Colby also completed the series in C1/C2.

Devizes to Westminster Race 2025

Six crews competed in the Devizes to Westminster Senior Doubles straight through race and three crews in the Stages race. A headwind throughout the race made for challenging paddling conditions. A summary of results confirms that DCC are amongst the most active DW clubs in the UK:

Senior Doubles

- Edd Dobson and Mike Rees-Clark paddled C2 in memory of Edd's father, DCC founding member Kevin Dobson, and came 17th overall in 23hr 09m 45s
- Pete Clarke paddled with Iain Robert (Sutton Bingham & District CC) and came 18th in 23hr 12m 45s
- James Last and Stuart Bell came 24th in 25hr 18m 30s
- Reeve Stevens and Callum King came 25th in 25hr 45m 47s
- Kevin Crabb & Neil Edgar and Tim Long & Toby Thorman retired.

Stages

- Andrew Park came 16th in Senior K1 in 23hr 48m 14
- Ian Tait & Daniel Tait came 3rd in Junior/Veteran in 25hr 01m 39s
- Nic Davey & Ros Gill completed the Endeavour class
- A special mention has to go to Reeve and Callum who changed in to running gear immediately after their straight through finish and then ran a full marathon, 26 miles, back up the Thames Path in order to raise money for the CALM charity!

Overall, our results have been excellent. They demonstrate the hard work and commitment of our paddlers, coaching team, parents and supporters throughout the year.

Membership

Our membership number at year end in March 2025 was 146, down from 158 the previous year. We experienced a lower-than-normal non-renewal rate of 7.6% overall, which was all senior non-renewals (down to 107 from 123 (-13%)), whilst junior numbers increased from 35 to 39 (+11.4%). This is the second year we have not seen net growth in membership numbers.

Non-renewals were a mix of DW paddlers who intended to join for only a single year, non-paddling parents who were previously paddlers or joined to support their junior, and a few long-term members who moved from the area. A few seniors reported that work commitments prevented them from rejoining, although no one leaving the club reported that their nonrenewal resulted from dissatisfaction with the club.

Our next member survey will be conducted in early 2026 and will inform the annual development plan.

Development

We changed the way we introduced juniors in 2024 by having ad hoc sessions, which allowed parents to pay a reduced annual membership fee and then pay per session. This allowed more juniors to be members, even if they only paddled through the summer months. We ran a taster day in March 2024, and Pay-per-Play sessions were held during half-term. These events cleared our junior waiting list, allowing 18 juniors to join our expanded adventure group.

- We have formed a Racing C group for juniors interested in racing.
- We had 15 seniors complete intro courses, with six going on to join the club.

Sustainability

Sustainability is a topic of broad interest to many people in the paddling community who prefer to paddle in clean water and care about our environment. In the 2024 Quality Club review, we committed to conducting a sustainability review in 2025. Terms of Reference were agreed upon, and two volunteers were identified to lead the review and determine its scope. We intend that this review framework will be an ongoing activity, not a one-off study.

Support to external organisations

In 2023/24 our support to external organisations included:

- **Support to Dauntsey's School.** We ran weekly sessions on both Tuesdays and Thursdays throughout the spring and autumn terms for approximately 20 pupils of mixed paddling ability as part of either their school games option or Moonrakers which is for the middle school adventure programme and a lower school outdoor activity programme.
- **Support to Wiltshire College.** We agreed a College/Club Partnership with two of the Wiltshire College Campuses, Salisbury, and Trowbridge. This programme started towards the end of the 2023/24 year running from January to March and provided structured development support to groups of young people on the Public Service course as an integral part of their curriculum. There is interest in further developing this programme, with the possibility of other Wiltshire College campuses getting involved.

These commitments are only possible with the enthusiastic support of our coaching team. In 2023/24 they have, once again, risen to the challenge and delivered high-quality experiences to external organisations.

Although supporting external programmes places considerable demand on our coaching team, they provide a vital income stream for the club. Our new charging structure has been in place for a year and was well-received by all educational establishments we partner with as a more straightforward basis for budgeting. We reviewed our payments to volunteers policy in 2023 and now have a predictable surplus from our external activities. Coaching capacity to deliver mid-week, daytime sessions continue challenging and stretching the team. This remains the single most limiting factor for future support to external programmes.

All support to external organisations is charged unless approved explicitly as a 'charitable purpose' to ensure we meet our costs and make a reasonable surplus for the club. This helps to keep membership fee increases to a minimum. Our Trustees are mindful that loss of income from these programmes would have significant budgetary consequences for other discretionary activities, including investment in coach development, investment in equipment replacement and support for participation in competitive events.

Financials (all figures subject to confirmation in final accounts)

Our financial accounting period runs from 1st April to 31st March 2025, so the accounts presented at this AGM relate to a period ending eight months ago. This report will provide a narrative to support the club's financial statement and a forward-looking view of the club's financial health. An informal update covering the more recent period will be reported at the AGM. At the end of the last accounting period:

8. The club held an operating surplus of £37,534, of which £27,645 are unrestricted reserves. This represents an increase of £5,932 on 2023/24. While our expenditure has remained stable in 2024/25, this masks an expected trend of rising insurance costs (to include an enlarged boat fleet) offset by reductions in maintenance costs. The main driver of the surplus is the increase in Grants, Donations and equipment sales.
9. The Club was awarded a £1000 grant from Asda for Gym equipment and £2500 was raised towards a new competition K2 for the junior team (Donations £1282, Boat sale £1600). The new boat was purchased in the current Financial Year.
10. Membership income and the related boat storage income were at the same level as last year.
11. Expenditure has increased in several areas with significant increases above 2023/24 on:
12. Insurance increase driven by insuring the club boat fleet.
13. Equipment purchases £2000 more than last year (£1000 being expenditure linked to the grant from Asda mentioned above).
14. Despite the increases mentioned above, total expenditure for the year was very similar to the previous year because of reduced spending on premises and merchandise.

The club maintains around one year's operating costs in a general reserve. Our restricted reserves included, at the end of the 2024/25 year, a £889 junior fund for the exclusive use of junior projects and bursaries and a facilities (property) reserve of £9,000. The club's trustees plan to review the club's reserve policies to assess whether the current property reserve is adequate or needs to be further built up over time.

Our expenses in 2024/25, as last year, include the payment of entry fees for all crew boat entries to incentivise crew boat entries in competitions. Although this policy is expensive and

accounts for some of our excess expenditure over income, it reduces the cost of competition and eases the burden on families of participation in regional and national events. This is changing in 25/26 for Sprint Regattas as the fee structure for these events has been changed with a one-off fee per competitor per regatta covering all boat entries.

The club received grant funding totalling £2000 in 2024/25. In addition to these successful applications, the Club was also successful in obtaining a £5000 grant from the Landfill Communities Fund representing 50% of the total cost of renovating the Gable end of the club house and the canal steps. This work was completed in September 2025.

Club trustees approved several projects to improve club facilities, including security upgrades. All these projects were delivered on time and below the approved budget. We put on hold plans to re-render the building pending development decisions.

A summary of financial recommendations for AGM 2025

1. We will continue tightening control of event budgets to ensure they deliver an overall surplus, so the overall programme is self-funding.
2. All purchases of competition equipment must be based on matched funding from grant or fundraising activities.
3. The club will continue to maximise income streams from external programmes.

We are pleased to report that the club is in robust financial shape at the end of this year.

A summary of the accounts is sent to the Members with this report before the AGM. Full accounts are submitted to the Charity Commission and are available for public scrutiny.

Post Financial Year-End Events

- Successful grant funding of the remaining 50% cost and purchase of a new Competition K2 for Juniors £5175.
- Successful application for £5000 Grant to undertake gable end and canal steps maintenance. Project complete September 2025.
- Purchase of 2 new Kayak Ergos £3400.

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Strategic Development

At our last AGM we updated members about plans to develop Wadworth & Co's brewery site adjacent to the Club. In 2024/2025 we actively engaged with elected councillors to represent the club's interests in the planning process.

The planning process concluded in July 2025 when the proposed development was approved at a full planning meeting. Since then, several reserved matters have been approved, including the demolition method statement and phasing plan. We have also engaged with the development proposal for the listed part of the Wadworth & Co brewery estate, although this development has little/no impact on the club.

Demolition is now underway adjacent to the club. We have registered a dispute over party wall matters and appointed an independent Party Wall Surveyor to represent the club. The

developer will bear the cost of this. A Party Wall Award will be agreed in due course and govern the conduct of works within three meters of our boundary.

Our engagement strategy is to have conversations with critical stakeholders who are directly involved and privy to confidential information about adjacent developments. These include Wiltshire Council, and the consultants appointed to represent it, Devizes Town Council, the planning department, Wiltshire Historic Buildings Trust, and the Devizes Assize Court Trust (DACT). It remains vital to build the club's public profile over the next few years to give key stakeholders a much better understanding of our priorities and development needs.

The Club Trustees' position remains that we have no concerns about the club's long-term viability or the site we occupy. Two feasible options remain for future club development and growth:

- To remain at our Lower Wharf site for the foreseeable future and make plans to develop it further as resources, finances and available space allow.
- To relocate to another site (probably Central Wharf), provided Wiltshire Council commission a major development project to coordinate a development spanning the Central Wharf, former Police Station and empty commercial premises on New Park Street and the availability of significant funding (around £1,250,000) is available to develop a suitable facility.

At Lower Wharf we have a 125-year lease and 25-year leases on the section of Lower Wharf roadway within club boundaries and the launch area. With a legally sound right of access over the Lower Wharf roadway, this gives us a strong hand in any negotiations and unfettered ability to ensure that local development, whilst inconvenient, does not restrict club activity.



Mark Bouch
Chair, on behalf of the Trustees

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period	01/04/2024	To	31/03/2025
from			

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Grants and donations	3,283	-	-	3,283	466
Members subscriptions	10,630	-	-	10,630	6,492
Fundraising events	3,212	-	-	3,212	2,760
Boat storage and jobs	4,827	-	-	4,827	3,412
Memberships in advance	3,270	-	-	3,270	2,016
External Courses	18,782	-	-	18,782	3,848
Equipment sale	2,050	-	-	2,050	865
Merchandise	229	-	-	229	485
Sub total (Gross income for A/R)	46,283	-	-	46,283	20,346
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	46,283	-	-	46,283	20,346
A3 Payments					
Cost of Fundraising events	9,040	-	-	9,040	9,603
Lighting and Heating	3,377	-	-	3,377	3,473
Insurance and subscriptions	4,839	-	-	4,839	2,046
Grant related expenditure	-	-	-	-	-
Camp expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Premises expenditure	1,081	-	-	1,081	5,027
Welfare and training	959	-	-	959	691
Sundry	1,802	-	-	1,802	1,999
Website	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	21,098	-	-	21,098	22,840
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	6,360	-	-	6,360	5,163
Equipment	6,360	-	-	6,360	5,163
Sub total	6,360	-	-	6,360	5,163
Total payments	27,458	-	-	27,458	28,002
Net of receipts/(payments)	18,824	-	-	18,824	7,556
A5 Transfers between funds	14,131	9,969	-	24,100	31,756
A6 Cash funds last year end	32,955	9,969	-	42,924	24,100
Cash funds this year end	32,955	9,969	-	42,924	24,100

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories

Details

Details

Unrestricted funds
to nearest £

Restricted funds
to nearest £

B1 Cash funds

Bank	32,935	9,969	9,969
Cash	20	-	-
	-	-	-
	32,955	9,969	9,969

Total cash funds

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Cost (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-


B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Cost (optional)
Equipment	Unrestricted	-	-
Stock	Unrestricted	-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	Amount due (optional)
Trade Creditors	1423		

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	S. Darling	26.11.25



Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Devizes Canoe Club

On accounts for the year
ended

31/03/2025

Charity no
(if any)

1156402

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

**Basis of independent
examiner's statement**

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.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

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

1. 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 Charities Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or

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

Signed:

Date:

27/01/2026

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