



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1/4/2022 Period start date To 31/3/2023 Period end date

Charity name: VENTNOR SKATEPARK GROUP

Charity registration number: 1165271

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	TO PROMOTE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE INHABITANTS OF VENTNOR AND THE SURROUNDING AREA THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR RECREATION OR OTHER LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION OF INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE NEED OF SUCH FACILITIES BY REASON OF THEIR YOUTH, AGE, INFIRMITY OR DISABLEMENT, FINANCIAL HARDSHIP OR SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC CIRCUMSTANCES OR FOR THE PUBLIC AT LARGE IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITION OF LIFE OF THE SAID INHABITANTS. THE PROMOTION OF COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION IN HEALTHY RECREATION IN PARTICULAR BY THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR SKATEBOARDING, ROLLER BLADING, ROLLER SKATING AND SCOOTERS.
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	The Ventnor Skatepark Group are dedicated to the provision and maintenance of a skatepark facility for the Ventnor and wider community. This is achieved through the organising of a dedicated team of volunteers who carry out the following: Promotion of positive use of the skatepark facility , highlighting outdoor activity and wheeled sports. This is achieved through social media outlets, links to other local organisations, schools and youth groups. Having a presence through local media news sources. Carrying out frequent general maintenance of existing facility: Volunteers inspect the facility weekly and identify any works required. Work teams will then fix up and parts required to ensure the continued use of the facility.

		Fundraising to better the facilities: Through promoting continued awareness of the value of this facility for the local and wider community, financial donations as well as people donating their time to the project has been achieved.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The charity trustees are aware of the necessity of, 'having regard' to the charity commission's public benefit guidance. Through specific meetings they have shown <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • an awareness of the guidance • and that this has been taken into account when making any decisions to which the guidance is relevant To date there has been no occasion when trustees have needed to depart from the guidance.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	N/A
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/A
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	The Ventnor Skatepark Group is made up entirely of volunteers. Their contribution to the project this year has been very limited due to the nearby collapse of the sea wall which has required a complex series of works, likely to span at least 12 months (from Nov 2022).
Other		

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>It was hoped that post pandemic the VSG could continue exploring options for the regeneration of the skatepark site. After some initial conversations with Isle of Wight council, the project was once again halted due to the collapse of part of the seawall, which is in close proximity to the skatepark.</p> <p>Works being carried out by Isle of Wight Council and the Environment Agency are estimated to take around 12-18months.</p> <p>During this time either full or partial closure to the skate park site will be necessary.</p> <p>VSG will remain in contact with IWC in order to stay updated.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>Very little has been able to be achieved throughout this year do the closure/partial closure of the skatepark site due to the collapsed sea wall nearby.</p> <p>VSG volunteers have ensured they stay in communication with the local council so they can be provided with updates.</p>
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Due to the issues of the collapse of the seawall, no direct fundraising has been carried out.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Income achieved through fundraising/donations: £55 Expenditure: £780.60 (Insurance & Lease) End Balance: £10,178.05
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	No specific reserves have been held, however the Ventnor Skatepark committee and trustees have identified a need to ensure a minimum of £1000 is maintained within the charity account to cover the essential spending such as insurance and lease expenses to IWC. There are no financial concerns for the coming financial year due to the current and expected continued pause in main activities.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£10,000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	All banked funds were generated through donations.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/A
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The longer-term aim is to build an improved facility, but we are now in year 3 of disruption to the project. Limiting the achievements of the group as well as fundraising. It is hoped that normal activities can be resumed once the significant revetment/coastal works are completed. The trustee's and committee will consider a way forward with fundraising and the necessary development of the skatepark as a priority

Other		
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Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution adopted July 2015
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	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	Trustees would usually be appointed or reappointed at the annual general meeting, unless there is a requirement for an exceptional meeting. However, due to the pandemic and current pause in the project objectives it has been agreed that the appointment/reappointment will commence once the project can be move forward, anticipated no later than 2025.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	Where possible trustees undertook a localised training, event run by Community Action Isle of Wight covering Trustee Responsibilities. This was then fed back to other trustees (unable to attend the training) as well as non-trustee committee members, in the name of clarity and transparency. Documents specific to the Ventnor Skatepark Group, covering trustee responsibilities are available to all trustees and committee members, and on request by the public.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	<p>The Ventnor Skatepark Group organisational structure consists of a mix of trustees, and committee members. All are volunteers.</p> <p>Some trustees take on dual roles, due to their connection with the project and the area. These individuals are: John Cattle – Trustee & Committee chair Fred Woodworth – Trustee & Committee Treasurer.</p> <p>The charity is made up of 3 additional trustees. The committee in addition to the role of chair, has an elected treasurer and secretary. Other general committee roles are: Fundraising Manager Works Manager</p>
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	The Ventnor Skatepark Group is not affiliated to any other group or organisation.

Other		
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Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	VENTNOR SKATEPARK GROUP
Other name the charity uses	N/A
Registered charity number	1165271
Charity's principal address	C/O 1 Salisbury Gardens Dudley Road Ventnor PO38 1EJ

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	JOHN CATTLE	CHAIR		
2	FRED WOODWORTH	TREASURER		
3	ZOE THOMPSON	SECRETARY		
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
N/A		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
N/A		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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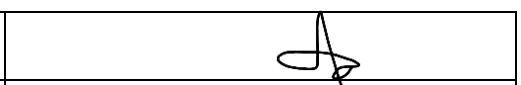
Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	ZOE THOMPSON	JOHN CATTLE
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	SECRETARY / TRUSTEE	CHAIR/TRUSTEE
Date	1/4/23	

Ventnor Skate Park Group Accounts Statement 2022-2023

Starting balance 01/04/2022	£10,903.65
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INCOME

Fund-raising (Easy Fundraising)	£55.00
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Income sub-total	£55.00
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EXPENDITURE

Insurance	-£440.60
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IoW Council rent (2 years)	-£340.00
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Expenditure sub-total	-£780.60
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Balance 31/03/2021	£10,178.05
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