

# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

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| From | Period start date |                  |              | To | Period end date |                   |          |
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## Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

OVERWATER WHEELYBOAT SERVICES

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1179021

Charity's principal address

THE LONG HOUSE

KINSEY HEATH

AUDLEM, CHESHIRE

Postcode

CW3 0DR

### 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 HUMPHRIES   | CHAIRMAN        |                                   |                                                               |
| 2  | MICHAEL COOKSON  | TREASURER       |                                   |                                                               |
| 3  | MICHAEL HARTHERN |                 |                                   |                                                               |
| 4  | MICHAEL VASTO    |                 |                                   |                                                               |
| 5  | ANGUS MAUGHAN    |                 |                                   |                                                               |
| 6  | MICHAEL SMITH    |                 | 18.03.25 TO 31.12.25              |                                                               |
| 7  | PATRICIA HAIGH   |                 | 18.03.25 TO 31.12.25              |                                                               |
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### Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

| Name | Dates acted if not for whole year |
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### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

| Type of adviser | Name    | Address            |
|-----------------|---------|--------------------|
| BANK            | NATWEST | 42 CHESHIRE STREET |
|                 |         | MARKET DRAYTON     |
|                 |         | SHROPSHIRE TF9 1PG |
|                 |         |                    |
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### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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## Section B Structure, governance and management

### Description of the charity's trusts

|                                                                     |                                               |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| Type of governing document<br>(eg. trust deed, constitution)        | CONSTITUTION                                  |
| How the charity is constituted<br>(eg. trust, association, company) | CNARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION          |
| Trustee selection methods<br>(eg. appointed by, elected by)         | MEMBERS OR TRUSTEES MAY APPOINT A NEW TRUSTEE |

### Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

THE CHARITY HAS IN PLCAE A CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS SAFEGARDING POLICY.  
THE PURPOSE OF THIS POLCY IS:-  
TO ENSURE THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS WHO COME INTO CONTACT WITH THE CHARITY.  
TO PROVIDE ALL TRUSTEES, STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS THE OVERARCHING PRINCIPLES THAT GUIDE OUR APPROACH TO SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS.

## Section C Objectives and activities

**Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document**

THE PROMOTION OF SOCIAL INCLUSION FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT AMONG PEOPLE WITH LIMITED MOBILITY, SPECIAL NEEDS AND ELDERLY PEOPLE WHO ARE EXCLUDED FROM SOCIETY BECAUSE THEY HAVE LIMITED ACCESS TO TRANSPORT AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES.

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

THE CHARITY HAS PROVIDED COMMUNITY TRANSPORT FACILITIES VIA A BOAT AND A MINIBUS SERVICE, BOTH THE BOAT AND MINIBUS ARE CAPABLE OF PROVIDING WHEELCHAIR ACCESS.

**Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Section D

Achievements and performance

**Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year**

THE CHARITY HAD AN IMPROVED YEAR OVER 2024 CARRYING MORE PEOPLE BOTH ON THE WHEELYBOAT AND THE WHEELYBUS.

WE CONTINUE TO RECRUIT NEW VOLUNTEERS AND DRIVERS, ALTHOUGH IT IS DIFFICULT TO FIND YOUNG PEOPLE WILLING TO TAKE UP THESE ROLES.

WE HAVE BEEN FORTUNATE IN THAT TWO VOLUNTEERS ACCEPTED OUR OFFER TO BECOME TRUSTEES DURING THE YEAR ADDING THEIR KNOWLEDGE TO THAT OF THE EXISTING TRUSTEES.

WE INTRODUCED A “SUMUP” CARD READE DURING THE YEAR WHICH HAS ENABLED US TO COLLECT DONATIONS WHEREPEOPLE DO NOT CARRY CASH.

WE HAVE BEEN MORE SUCCESSFUL IN OBTAINING GRANTS THIS YEAR AND OUR THANKS GO TO THOSE ORGANISATION WHO

## Section D

## Achievements and performance

HAVE PROVIDED SAME.

SPECIAL MENTION MUST GO TO THE AUDLEM CHARITY SHOP WHO ONCE AGAIN HAVE BEEN MOST GENEROUS IN SUPPORTING THE CHARITY.

OUR FUNDRAISING WAS NEARLY SOME £3,000 GREATER THAN IN 2024 AT CIRCA £15,000

UNFORTUNATELY THE ELECTRIC MOTOR ON THE WHEELYBOAT FAILED BEYOND ECONOMICAL REPAIR AND WE HAVE HAD TO PURCHASE A REPLACEMENT AT A COST OF £3,000.

ONCE AGAIN WE MUST THANK THE GENEROUS SUPPORT OF LOCAL ORGANISATIONS – IN PARTICULAR THE OVERWATER MARINA WHERE WE STORE THE WHEELBOAT AND WHEELYBUS.

## Section E

## Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

THE CHARITY AIMS TO HOLD SUFFICIENT FUNDS TO CONTINUE TO OPERATE AND REPLACE ITS ASSETS.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

OUR MAIN SOURCE OF INCOME HAS BEEN GRANTS, DONATIONS AND FUND RAISING EVENTS AND IT IS OUR AIM TO CONTINUALLY SEEK FURTHER FUNDING THIS WAY,

### Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

**Section F****Other optional information**

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**Section G****Declaration**

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

**Signature(s)**

Michael D .Cookson

**Full name(s)**

Michael Dean Cookson

**Position (eg Secretary, Chair,  
etc)**

Treasurer

**Date**

4<sup>th</sup> February 2026



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

|                                                       |             |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Charity Name<br><b>OVERWATER WHEELY BOAT SERVICES</b> | No (if any) |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------|

## Receipts and payments accounts

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|------------------------|-------------------------------------|----|-------------------------------------|
| For the period<br>from | Period start date<br>1 JANUARY 2025 | To | Period end date<br>31 DECEMBER 2025 |
|------------------------|-------------------------------------|----|-------------------------------------|

### Section A Receipts and payments

|                                                       | Unrestricted funds<br>to the nearest £ | Restricted funds<br>to the nearest £ | Endowment funds<br>to the nearest £ | Total funds<br>to the nearest £ | Last year<br>to the nearest £ |
|-------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>A1 Receipts</b>                                    |                                        |                                      |                                     |                                 |                               |
| DONATIONS AND GRANTS                                  | 12 792                                 | -                                    | -                                   | 12 792                          | 10 407                        |
| FUND RAISING EVENTS                                   | 2 159                                  | -                                    | -                                   | 2 159                           | 1 890                         |
| INTEREST                                              | -                                      | 546                                  | -                                   | 546                             | 236                           |
|                                                       | -                                      | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | -                             |
|                                                       | -                                      | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | -                             |
|                                                       | -                                      | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | -                             |
|                                                       | -                                      | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | -                             |
| <b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>                | <b>14 951</b>                          | <b>546</b>                           | <b>-</b>                            | <b>15 497</b>                   | <b>12 533</b>                 |
| <b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>    |                                        |                                      |                                     |                                 |                               |
|                                                       | -                                      | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | -                             |
|                                                       | -                                      | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | -                             |
| <b>Sub total</b>                                      | <b>-</b>                               | <b>-</b>                             | <b>-</b>                            | <b>-</b>                        | <b>-</b>                      |
| <b>Total receipts</b>                                 | <b>14 951</b>                          | <b>546</b>                           | <b>-</b>                            | <b>15 497</b>                   | <b>12 533</b>                 |
| <b>A3 Payments</b>                                    |                                        |                                      |                                     |                                 |                               |
| REPLACEMENT ENGINE                                    | 3 050                                  | -                                    | -                                   | 3 050                           | -                             |
| INSURANCES & LICENCES                                 | 2 611                                  | -                                    | -                                   | 2 611                           | 2 709                         |
| EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE                                 | 1 625                                  | -                                    | -                                   | 1 625                           | 1 805                         |
| FUEL                                                  | 1 190                                  | -                                    | -                                   | 1 190                           | 885                           |
| CLOTHING                                              | -                                      | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | 343                           |
| DRIVER TRAINING & MEDICALD                            | 309                                    | -                                    | -                                   | 309                             | 250                           |
| I.T.SYSTEM                                            | 240                                    | -                                    | -                                   | 240                             | 308                           |
| STATIONERY,POSTAGE & SUNDRIES                         | 323                                    | -                                    | -                                   | 323                             | 180                           |
|                                                       | -                                      | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | -                             |
| <b>Sub total</b>                                      | <b>9 348</b>                           | <b>-</b>                             | <b>-</b>                            | <b>9 348</b>                    | <b>6 480</b>                  |
| <b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b> |                                        |                                      |                                     |                                 |                               |
|                                                       | -                                      | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | -                             |
|                                                       | -                                      | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | -                             |
| <b>Sub total</b>                                      | <b>-</b>                               | <b>-</b>                             | <b>-</b>                            | <b>-</b>                        | <b>-</b>                      |
| <b>Total payments</b>                                 | <b>9 348</b>                           | <b>-</b>                             | <b>-</b>                            | <b>9 348</b>                    | <b>6 480</b>                  |
| <b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>                     | <b>5 603</b>                           | <b>546</b>                           | <b>-</b>                            | <b>6 149</b>                    | <b>6 053</b>                  |
| <b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>                     | <b>- 5 000</b>                         | <b>5 000</b>                         | <b>-</b>                            | <b>-</b>                        | <b>-</b>                      |
| <b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>                    | <b>5 114</b>                           | <b>20 236</b>                        | <b>-</b>                            | <b>25 350</b>                   | <b>19 297</b>                 |
| <b>Cash funds this year end</b>                       | <b>5 717</b>                           | <b>25 782</b>                        | <b>-</b>                            | <b>31 499</b>                   | <b>25 350</b>                 |

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

| Categories            | Details              | Unrestricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Restricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Endowment funds<br>to nearest £ |
|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>B1 Cash funds</b>  |                      |                                    |                                  |                                 |
|                       | BANK ACCOUNT(NATWES) | 5 717                              | 25 782                           | -                               |
| CCXX R1 accounts (SS) | 1                    | -                                  | -                                | -                               |

|                                                        |              |               |          |
|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|----------|
|                                                        | -            | -             | -        |
| <b>Total cash funds</b>                                | <b>5 717</b> | <b>25 782</b> | <b>-</b> |
| (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s)) | OK           | OK            | OK       |

## B2 Other monetary assets

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

## B3 Investment assets

| Details      | Fund to which asset belongs | Cost (optional) | Current value (optional) |
|--------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|
| BUS          | UNRESTRICTED                | 33 842          | 12 500                   |
| BOAT         | UNRESTRICTED                | 10 000          | 1 000                    |
| SPARE ENGINE | UNRESTRICTED                | 3 050           | 3 050                    |
| TRALER       | UNRESTRICTED                | 600             | 250                      |
| HEATER       | UNRESTRICTED                | 1 782           | 750                      |

## B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

| Details | Fund to which asset belongs | Cost (optional) | Current value (optional) |
|---------|-----------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|
|         |                             | -               | -                        |
|         |                             | -               | -                        |
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|         |                             | -               | -                        |
|         |                             | -               | -                        |
|         |                             | -               | -                        |
|         |                             | -               | -                        |

## B5 Liabilities

| Details | Fund to which liability relates | Amount due (optional) | When due (optional) |
|---------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
|         |                                 | -                     |                     |
|         |                                 | -                     |                     |
|         |                                 | -                     |                     |
|         |                                 | -                     |                     |
|         |                                 | -                     |                     |

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

| Signature       | Print Name      | Date of approval |
|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| MICHAEL COOKSON | MICHAEL COOKSON |                  |
|                 |                 |                  |