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Annual Report for the Charity Commission for the year to 31 January 2023

In October 2022 Dover Harbour Board announced they were abandoning their plans to dredge the Goodwin Sands for marine aggregate. However, in January 2023 The Crown Estate (who own the UK seabed out to the 12nm limit) confirmed they still intend to put the Sands out to tender sometime in the future. Thus our work continues.

It also means that our research on the quality of bathymetric modelling required for an Environmental Impact Assessment remains very valid. We approached the Coastal Marine Applied Research group at the University of Plymouth who confirmed they would be happy to peer review our research report for a fee of £2,500.

The Ramsgate Society invited us to join a working group to oversee the regeneration of Ramsgate Maritime Museum. Funds have been raised through the Government's Levelling Up programme but further money is required. The new museum intends to have a Goodwins Gallery – hence our involvement in the project.

We continued working with the Kent and Essex Inshore Fisheries & Conservation Authority to draw up an effective management plan for the Goodwin Sands Marine Conservation Zone.

We took part in a number of speaking engagements and pop up displays around the Deal area. We took part in the Deal Music & Arts Childrens Festival by providing a giant colouring canvas for children (and adults) to colour in. The result is spectacular and we are still looking for a home to hang the completed canvas.

In November 2022 we held a very successful exhibition at the Taylor-Jones gallery in Deal entitled *Dark and Stormy*. The display included story boards and artefacts from wrecks on the Goodwins. It was then transferred to Dover Museum for three months. We raised £1,000 from a Preview Night which will go towards the cost of editing our podcast series (see below).

In December 2022 we started recording a series of podcasts. Our interviewees are all people with various different and interesting experiences of the Goodwin Sands. One was a wonderful old fisherman who helped discover the wreck of the *Stirling Castle* and who sadly died a couple of months after making the recording. The podcasts will be edited and broadcast as a series. Ramsgate Radio has indicated an interest in doing this.



GOODWIN SANDS CONSERVATION TRUST CHARITY NO. 1179289
ACCOUNT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR TO 31 JANUARY 2023

RECEIPTS	2023	2022
Donations received	878	948
Grants received	1,300	1,000
Gift Aid received	-	158
Merchandise Sales	1,742	1,518
Total Receipts	3,920	3,625
PAYMENTS		
Admin	6	29
Displays	1,738	1,995
Postage, Printing, Stationery	371	181
Projects	3,192	-
Subs to Others	-	15
Sundry	184	-
Training	-	210
Travel Expenses	200	16
Total Expenditure	5,691	2,438
Net of Receipts/(Payments)	(1,771)	1,187
Cash in hand at year end	2,667	4,438

Signed *JBS*

Date *12/7/23* Position *Chairman*

Independent Examiner's Report on the Receipts and Payments Account for the year to 31.1.23

I have no concerns and have not come across any matters in connection with my examination to which attention should be drawn in order to understand the accounts properly.

Signed *[Signature]*

Date *11/7/23*