

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE SEARCH AND RESCUE

England & Wales · Charity number 1195265

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2021-07-22

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Activities

Objects: TO RELIEVE THE SUFFERING AND DISTRESS AMONGST PERSONS ENDANGERED BY ACCIDENTS OR NATURAL HAZARDS AND THE PRESERVATION OF LIFE IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY: THE PROVISION OF TRAINED RESOURCES TO THE POLICE, OTHER EMERGENCY SERVICES, LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND OTHER SEARCH & RESCUE ORGANISATIONS TO ASSIST STATUTORY AUTHORITIES FOR THE RELIEF OF THOSE IN NEED IN EMERGENCIES THE PROVISION OF USEFUL TRAINING AND SKILLS TO MEMBERS AND TO THE PUBLIC

Activities: We aim to relieve the suffering and distress amongst person endangered by accidents or natural hazards and the preservation of life in particular, but not exclusively by:1. The provision of trained resources to the Police, other emergency services, Local Authorities and other search and rescue organisations2. Assist statutory authorities for the relief of those in need in emergencies

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Northamptonshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-10-31	£94,341	£86,140	-	-
2024-10-31	£61,494	£40,999	-	-
2023-10-31	£76,688	£94,763	-	-
2022-10-31	£65,580	£48,153	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Andre Gonzalez De Savage		2025-03-27
Georgina Feakin		2025-03-27
John James Frostwick		2021-07-23
Katie Anne Crisp		2025-03-27
Martin David Bourne		2025-03-27
Michael David Titcombe		2025-03-27
NEIL BALDERSON		2025-01-25
Nicholas George Strelczuk		2021-11-10
Tony Payne		2025-03-27

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NORTHAMPTONSHIRE SEARCH AND RESCUE

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING

31 OCTOBER 2025

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**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND ANNUAL REPORT
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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

Registered CIO Number	1195265	
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Trustees	Nicholas Strelczuk John Frostwick Tony Payne André González De Savage Michael Titcombe Katie Crisp Georgina Feakin Martin Bourne Neil Balderson David Hough Paul Middlehurst Paul Willis Martin Crisp Grayham Amos Andrew Chatwin	Chair Treasurer From 2 March 2025 From 2 March 2025 From 2 March 2025 From 2 March 2025 From 2 March 2025 From 2 March 2025 From 2 March 2025 From 2 March 2025 Until 27 March 2025 Until 27 March 2025 Until 27 March 2025 Until 27 March 2025 Until 27 March 2025 Until 27 March 2025
Bankers	National Westminster Bank Plc The Co-operative Bank Plc	
Independent Examiner	Steven Jones FCA	

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE SEARCH AND RESCUE TRUSTEE ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 OCTOBER 2025

Introduction

The year ending 31 October 2025 was one of continued development and strengthening for Northamptonshire Search and Rescue (NSAR), both operationally and strategically. The Trustees are pleased to report a year marked by increased capability, enhanced governance arrangements, and sustained commitment from the Charity's volunteers.

NSAR achieved several notable successes, including receipt of the King's Award for Voluntary Service, receiving a national commendation from Lowland Rescue for its role in a major incident response and passing an external audit by Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service.



A significant milestone during the year was the appointment of Trustees from outside the operational membership. This change has strengthened the Board through the addition of Trustees with a wide range of professional expertise, supporting improved governance, strategic oversight, and long-term planning.

Operational capability was further enhanced through successful funding to replace an ageing support vehicle and through investment in training, particularly in swiftwater rescue. With flooding events expected to become more frequent within the county, this proactive approach reflects lessons learned from previous callouts and the Charity's commitment to remaining responsive to emerging risks.

Throughout the year, Northamptonshire Search and Rescue continued to provide a vital, entirely voluntary service in support of the emergency services and local authorities. The Trustees remain grateful for the dedication of the Charity's volunteers and supporters, whose commitment enables NSAR to deliver an effective 24-hour response for the benefit of the public.

During the period, NSAR supported emergency services at 45 incidents, delivered 151 training sessions, and participated in 30 engagement events. Volunteer commitment remained exceptional, with 7,199 total volunteer hours contributed. NSAR ended the year with 62 qualified operational members, demonstrating sustained growth and engagement.

Financially, the Trustees confirm NSAR remains stable and well managed. Reserves are considered appropriate, with free reserves set at £39,800 (equivalent to one year's operating costs), alongside designated and restricted funds to support planned and future activities.

Looking ahead, the Trustees' priorities are to maintain financial resilience, further develop skills and capabilities, and continue strengthening the charity's effectiveness in meeting future operational challenges.

Structure, Governance and Management

Northamptonshire Search and Rescue (NSAR) is governed by a Constitution adopted by its members. The Board of Trustees includes nine Trustees who bring a wealth of experience and skillset to the charity. Trustees are appointed or reappointed annually at the Annual General Meeting by the members.

Risk Management

The Committee and Trustees have continued to strengthen the charity's approach to risk management, with increased focus and rigour applied across governance, finance, and operational delivery. Emphasis has been placed on robust financial oversight and accounting controls, supported by clearer and more disciplined business cases for all significant investments, ensuring that expenditure aligns fully with NSAR's constitutional objectives and delivers clear operational benefit.

Resource planning has been reviewed to ensure the charity maintains the appropriate number and mix of resources to meet the needs of both the wider organisation and specialist operational units, alongside ongoing review of existing and future roles to ensure the charity remains effective, resilient, and sustainable.

Assurance arrangements have been enhanced through an increase of five internally qualified auditors during the year, and through successfully passing an external audit conducted by Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service, providing independent assurance that policies, procedures, and Swiftwater Rescue Technician qualifications remain compliant with current legislation and best practice. The implementation of the SARSYS system has further strengthened oversight and control of operational activity, while increased digitalisation of vehicle and equipment checks has improved safety, consistency, traceability, and auditability.

Aims, Objectives and Public Benefit

We aim to relieve the suffering and distress amongst persons endangered, and the preservation of life, in particular, but not exclusively by:

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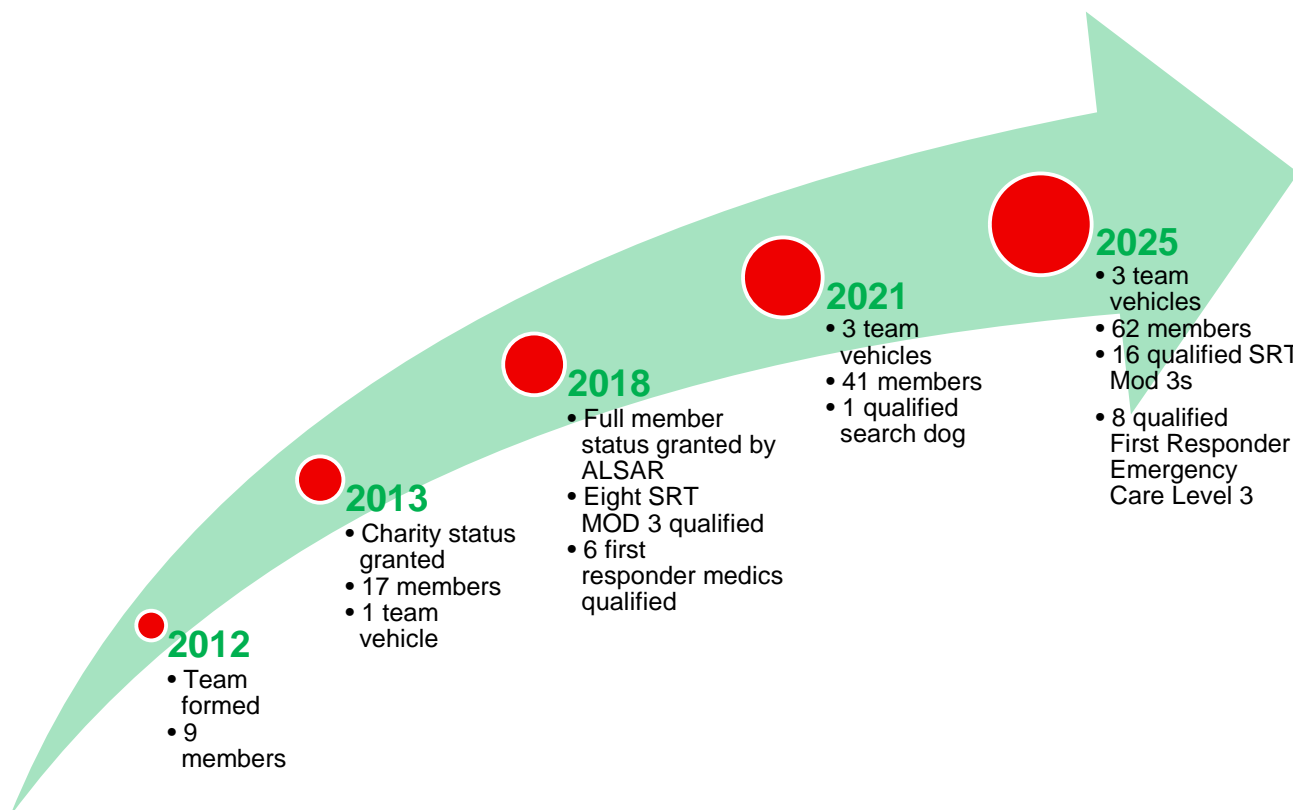
NSAR delivers its services entirely on a voluntary basis. It may be called upon to support incidents including searches for high-risk missing persons where the individual's location is unknown, flooding responses, and welfare checks.

Team members receive comprehensive training across a wide range of specialist skills, including search techniques, search planning, navigation, radio communications, first aid, swiftwater rescue, and bank search operations.

All search activities are managed through a structured command framework comprising a Search Manager, Search Operations, and a Search Planner. Operational teams are deployed with defined roles, including a Team Leader, Communications, Navigation, and Medic.

NSAR works in close partnership with the Police, Fire and Rescue Service, and Local Authorities, who request support when the charity's specialist capabilities are required.

History of Northamptonshire Search and Rescue

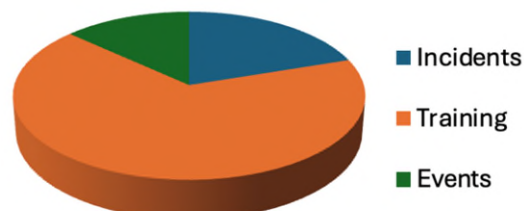


Financial Statements

The Board of Trustees confirm that the financial statements for the year have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the financial statements, comply with the charity's governing document, and have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Achievements and Performance in the Period

During the reporting period, NSAR provided operational support to the Emergency Services at 45 incidents, some of which extended over multiple days. These deployments primarily involved searches for high-risk missing persons, alongside responses to flooding and water-related incidents.



Charity Activity by Type

To ensure operational readiness and continual professional development, NSAR delivered 151 training exercises and training sessions, covering a wide range of specialist and core competencies. In addition, NSAR ran or attended 30 events, supporting engagement, awareness, and partnership working.

Significant progress was made in training and capability development. Two intakes of new recruits successfully completed training. NSAR requalified nine Swiftwater Rescue Technicians, trained two members in Missing Person Behaviour, qualified five additional Internal Quality Auditors, trained one additional Kayaker, and completed one Kayaker requalification. During the period, NSAR also transitioned to a new search planning and management software system, with all search management personnel trained in its use. To enhance operational communications, internet connectivity was upgraded to Starlink, improving coverage across the county.

NSAR was honoured to receive the King's Award for Voluntary Service, recognising the exceptional contribution of its volunteers. The award was formally presented by the Lord Lieutenant for Northamptonshire in March 2025.

NSAR also successfully passed an audit conducted by Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service, providing assurance that policies, procedures, and Swiftwater Rescue Technician qualifications remain compliant with current legislation and best practice.

The team were recognised by its national body Lowland Rescue award committee receiving a certificate of commendation for the work it undertook supporting blue light services including Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service and Northamptonshire Police during the major incident and evacuation of Billing Aquadrome in 2024. This being one of the highest awards a team can receive.



Governance arrangements were strengthened through last year's change to the charity's constitution, enabling Trustees to be elected from outside the membership. This has allowed NSAR to appoint Trustees with extensive professional experience from policing, fire and rescue services, and other relevant sectors. As a result, notable improvements have been made to governance, strategic planning, and the overall organisational structure.

Volunteer commitment remained exceptional throughout the year. Members contributed the following person hours in support of the charity's activities:

- 2,632 search hours
- 3,809 training hours
- 758 event hours
- 7,199 total volunteer hours

Operational activity during the period included the following search and response types:

- One missing child
- Nine dementia-related searches
- 19 despondent person searches
- Two fatalities
- Four flood responses
- Five water searches
- 12 mutual aid searches
- Six drone deployments
- Five callouts at the request of Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service
- Two body recoveries

At the end of the reporting period, NSAR had 62 qualified operational members, reflecting continued growth and sustained volunteer engagement.

Financial Review

The Trustees have reviewed the financial position of Northamptonshire Search and Rescue and are satisfied that the charity remains financially stable, with a strong balance sheet at the year end. Financial management throughout the year has focused on maintaining resilience, supporting operational readiness, and ensuring resources are applied effectively in furtherance of the charity's objectives.

At the reporting date, the charity held £407 in restricted funds, which are held in accordance with donor requirements for specific purposes. In addition, £59,370 of unrestricted funds have been formally designated by the Trustees to support planned projects, agreed budgets, and known future expenditure, reflecting prudent financial planning and forward-looking management.

The Trustees maintain a formal Reserves Policy to support the continuity of operations and provide financial resilience in the event of unforeseen circumstances. Free reserves are held to mitigate identified financial and operational risks, including short-term cashflow pressures, fluctuations in income, unexpected increases in service demand, and unplanned expenditure relating to vehicles, equipment, training, insurance, and volunteer welfare.

In determining an appropriate level of reserves, the Trustees have considered NSAR's risk profile, anticipated cashflow requirements, core operating costs, and potential contingencies over the coming year. Based on this assessment, the Trustees have set a target level of free reserves equivalent to one year of annual operating costs, currently £39,800. The Trustees consider this level of reserves to be reasonable, justified, and sufficient to support NSAR's ongoing activities, protect operational capability, and enable the continued delivery of public benefit. This approach is consistent with NSAR's governing document and Charity Commission guidance, and the level of reserves is kept under regular review.

Welfare and Safeguarding

The welfare and wellbeing of members remain a key priority for the Trustees, recognising the challenging and often stressful environments in which the team operates, including searches for vulnerable missing persons and responses to flooding and other critical incidents.

During the year, NSAR increased the number of designated Welfare Officers, strengthening its ability to provide timely and appropriate support to members. NSAR continues to maintain a dedicated Welfare and Safeguarding Lead, reflecting the importance placed on safeguarding, duty of care, and member wellbeing.

Since the introduction of the SARSYS system, welfare considerations have been further embedded within operational activity with Trauma Risk Management (TRIM), ensuring wellbeing is actively considered before, during, and after deployments. To further enhance this capability, three team members will be attending the TRIM Practitioner course, providing additional internal expertise and resilience to support the ongoing welfare needs of the team.

Looking Ahead

Financial stability will be a key focus. We have worked diligently to consolidate our financial position, ensuring long-term sustainability and operational security and we aim to continue to strengthen this over the coming year.

In addition, we are actively exploring new ways to advance the skills and capabilities of our team. A key priority will be investing in Mental Health First Aid training for team members, recognising the importance of wellbeing, resilience, and early intervention in the work we do.

By investing in professional development and strategic growth, we aim to enhance our effectiveness and impact, equipping our team for future challenges and opportunities.

Acknowledgements

The Trustees would like to express their gratitude to all those who continue to support NSAR. The delivery of our vital service would not be possible without the generosity and commitment of our donors, partners, and supporters.

The Trustees extend particular thanks to Enterprise, the Michael Guest Charitable Foundation, Cherry Lane Garden Centre, Weston Favell Garden Society, and Lamport Hall for their ongoing support, which continues to make a significant contribution to NSAR's operations and development.

Finally, the Trustees wish to place on record their appreciation to NSAR's volunteers. Their dedication and professionalism, providing an on-call service 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year, remain central to NSAR's ability to respond whenever support is needed.

Presented and approved at a board meeting held on 5th February 2026 and signed on their behalf.

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Nicholas Strelczuk
Chair

**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE SEARCH AND RESCUE
INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES AND MEMBERS
ON THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 OCTOBER 2025
CHARITY NUMBER 1195265**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 October 2025 as set out on pages 9 to 13.

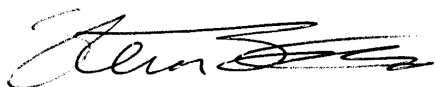
As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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



Steven Jones Bsc(Hons), FCA
Chartered Accountant and Registered Auditor

Dated: 06 February 2026

c/o Cube Partners Ltd
Chartered Accountants
5 Giffard Court
Millbrook Close
Northampton
NN5 5JF

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 OCTOBER 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2024 £
Income from:							
Donations and legacies		29,903	1,000	30,903	34,198	-	34,198
Grant income	1	25,000	10,000	35,000	3,526	14,625	18,151
Fundraising and other events		5,723		5,723	3,033	-	3,033
Members contributions		1,654		1,654	3,010	-	3,010
VAT refunds		16,803		16,803	1,743	-	1,743
Other Income		2,296		2,296	1,359	-	1,359
Total Income Receipts		81,379	11,000	92,379	46,869	14,625	61,494
Asset Sales							
		1,962		1,962	-	-	-
TOTAL RECEIPTS		83,341	11,000	94,341	46,869	14,625	61,494
Expenditure on:							
Search operations costs		4,801		4,801	3,424	-	3,424
Medical & other consumables		309		309	488		488
Subscriptions and insurances		7,859		7,859	10,880		10,880
Vehicle fuel and running costs		5,088		5,088	4,451		4,451
Training		3,734		3,734	3,155		3,155
Base costs		12,591	1,013	13,604	237	10,112	10,349
Other		3,164	593	3,757	1,248	-	1,248
Total Expenditure Payments		37,546	1,606	39,152	23,883	10,112	33,995
Asset purchases							
		36,988	10,000	46,988	2,004	5,000	7,004
TOTAL PAYMENTS		74,534	11,606	86,140	25,887	15,112	40,999
Net of Receipts/(Payments)							
		8,807	(606)	8,201	20,982	(487)	20,495
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds brought forward from last year		96,128	1,013	97,141	75,146	1,500	76,646
Cash funds carried forward this year end	3	104,935	407	105,342	96,128	1,013	97,141

All income and expenditure derive from charitable operations.

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31 OCTOBER 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2024 £
ASSETS:							
Fixed Assets at Current Value	2	16,287	74,086	90,373	7,339	61,733	69,071
Current Assets							
Cash at Bank and in hand	3	104,935	407	105,342	96,128	1,013	97,141
		104,935	407	105,342	96,128	1,013	97,141
LIABILITIES:							
Creditors							
Amounts falling due within one year		-	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-	-
NET ASSETS OF THE CHARITY		121,222	74,493	195,715	103,467	62,746	166,212

Approved by the trustees at a meeting held on 5 February 2026, and signed on their behalf


 John Frostwick Treasurer

ACCOUNTING POLICIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 OCTOBER 2025

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis and in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and applicable UK Accounting Standards.

Income recognition

Monetary donations and legacies income is accounted for when received.

Grants are accounted for when received.

Fundraising and other events income are sponsorship and other donations raised at events, and are accounted for when received.

Donations of consumable goods are not included in Income, as it is not considered practicable to quantify such income.

Intangible Income

Intangible income, in the form of donated facilities and services etc., is not included in the financial statements since it is not considered practicable to quantify such income.

Expenditure

Expenditure is stated inclusive of value added tax, and is brought into account in the period it is paid for. Costs are allocated to the functional cost heading or asset heading to which it relates in the Receipts and Payments accounts

Employees

The charity does not have any employees. It is operated purely by volunteers.

Tangible fixed assets

Fixed assets are shown in total in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities at their estimated current value.

The Notes to the Financial Statements summarises the charity's Fixed Assets at both their original cost and at their estimated current value.

The charity has a policy of regular maintenance of its fixed assets, so as to maintain their longevity, and provide value to donors.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised or set aside for particular restricted purposes.

Reserves

The current reserve policy is to maintain sufficient cash flow for known operating commitments, and the replacement of certain assets.

Risk

The trustees do not believe the charity is subject to any substantial risk.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1	Grant income	Unrestricted		Restricted		Total	Total
		2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024
		£	£	£	£	£	£
	Maud Elkington			-	-	1,500	1,500
	David Laing Foundation			-	-	10,000	10,000
	Drax Corporate			-	-	2,000	2,000
	Tesco Groundworks			-	-	1,125	1,125
	Enterprise Holdings	3,000		3,000	2,500		2,500
	PayPal			-	26		26
	Movement for Good			-	1,000		1,000
	Postcode lottery	20,000		20,000			-
	PFCC Grant		10,000	10,000			-
	Michael Guest Charitable Foundation	2,000		2,000			-
		25,000	10,000	35,000	3,526	14,625	18,151

2	Fixed Assets - Current Value	Unrestricted		Restricted		Total	Total
		2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024
		£	£	£	£	£	£
	Asset Detail						
		<i>Orig cost</i>					
	Major Asset 1 - Incident Control Van	19,680	11,014	11,014	-	14,685	14,685
	Major Asset 2 - Incident Support Vehicle	47,308	25,635	25,635	-	34,180	34,180
	Major Asset 3 - Response Vehicle (sold)	8,040	-	-	-	1,000	1,000
	Major Asset 4 - 4x4 Response Vehicle	42,069	10,000	32,069	-	-	-
	Search & Rescue Equipment - purch 2025	4,919	3,689	-	3,689	-	-
	Search & Rescue Equipment - purch 2024	7,004	1,002	2,500	3,502	1,503	3,750
	Search & Rescue Equipment - purch 2023	17,855	1,596	2,868	4,464	3,386	5,542
	Search & Rescue Equipment - purch 2022	20,101	-	-	-	2,450	2,576
	Total Current Values	16,287	74,086	90,373	7,339	61,733	69,071

Major fixed asset purchases are individually assessed for their Current Value.

Other fixed assets ("Search & Rescue Equipment" above) are deemed to have a Current Value based on a 4 year useful life

Search & Rescue Equipment fixed assets purchased prior to FY2022 are deemed to have no material current value

3	Cash at Bank	Unrestricted		Restricted		Total	Total
		2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024
		£	£	£	£	£	£
	Current Accounts	3,259		3,259	500	-	500
	Savings Accounts	101,636	407	102,043	95,587	1,013	96,600
	Cash in Hand	40		40	40	-	40
		104,935	407	105,342	96,127	1,013	97,140

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

4 Unrestricted Funds

	Opening Balance 01.11.24 £	Movement In £	Movement Out £	Transfer Between Funds £	Closing Balance 31.10.25 £
General Reserve	96,128	83,341	(74,534)	-	104,935
	96,128	83,341	(74,534)	-	104,935

5 Restricted Funds

	Opening Balance 01.11.24 £	Movement In £	Movement Out £	Transfer Between Funds £	Closing Balance 31.10.25 £
David Laing Foundation	1,013		(1,013)		-
DC Heating Ltd		1,000	(593)		407
PFCC		10,000	(10,000)		-
	1,013	11,000	(11,606)		407

Purpose, use and restrictions of funds:

- a This grant is to fund the fit out of the charity's base
- b This grant is to fund the charity volunteers event
- c This grant is to fund the charity's new vehicle

7 Ultimate Controlling Party

The Charity is controlled by the board of Trustees, who are listed in the Legal and Administrative Information page.

7 Transactions with Trustees and Connected Parties

During the year, the Charity purchased services to the value of £1,000 from a business owned by the spouse of a Trustee. The transaction was on an arms length basis.

8 Events After the End of the Reporting Period

There have been no significant events since the end of the reporting period.

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All of our activities and decision making is carried out to further the Charity's aims and objectives which are for the public benefit.

Activities

Our services are entirely voluntary. Incidents we may be called upon include where the location of a high risk missing person is unknown, flooding or welfare checks.

Team members are highly trained in a variety of skills including search techniques, search planning, navigation, radio operation, first aid, swiftwater rescue and bank search.

Searches are coordinated through a Search Manager, Search Operations and Search Planner. Each team operates with a Team Leader, Comms, Navigation and Medic.

We work closely with the Police, Fire Service and Local Authority who contact us when our services are required.

History of Northamptonshire Search & Rescue (NSAR)



2012

- Team formed
- 9 x members

2013

- Charity Status Granted
- 17 x Members
- 1 x Land Rover Discovery

2016

- 28 x Members
- 1st ICU Acquired
- 4x4 Ambulance Acquired
- 2 x Search managers
- 2 x Team leaders

2018

- Full member status Granted by ALSAR
- 8 x SRT MOD 3 qualified
- 6 x First Responder medics qualified

2021

- 1 x Custom built ICU
- 1 x Custom Built Support vehicle
- 1 x 4x4 Ambulance
- 41 x members
- 1 x search dog



Financial Statements

The Board of Trustees confirm that the financial statements for the year:

- i) have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in notes to the financial statements;
- ii) comply with the charity's governing document;
- iii) and; comply with The Charities Act 2011

Achievements and Performance in the Period

The charity assisted the Emergency Services with **65 incidents**, some multiple days in duration, covering the search for high risk missing persons and responding to flooding.

A total of **133 training exercises** and sessions were conducted covering a broad range of subjects.

We ran or attended **8 fundraising events** in the period.

We trained one Search Planner, two in Point of Find, four for the kayak team, six Training Assessment Quality Assurance, two Trainee Team Leaders, two Qualified Team Leaders and two Incident Commanders.

During the period, our members volunteered the following total hours to the Charity:

2596 Search hours

2795 Training hours

2665 Events hours

The Search Types undertaken in the period were as follows:

4 Missing child

9 Dementia

29 Despondent

5 Fatality

5 Flood response

14 Water searches

19 Mutual aid searches

We have grown to **46** Qualified Members.

Financial Review

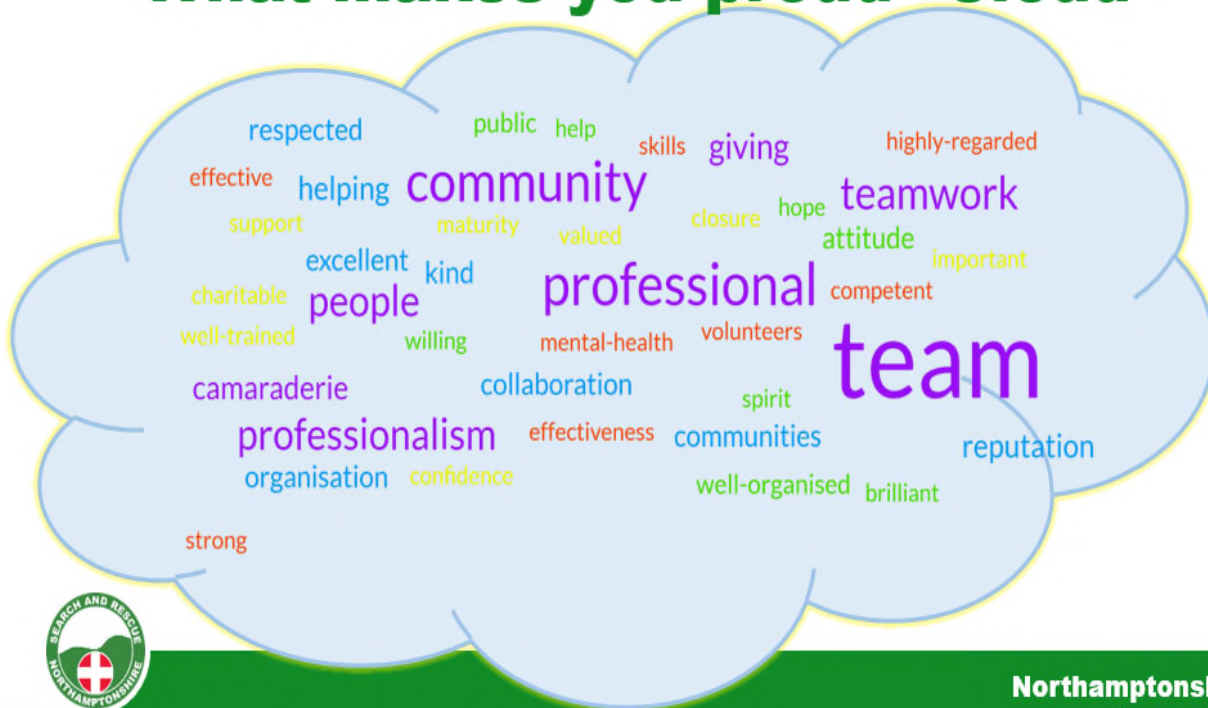
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The purpose of the Reserves Policy is to ensure the ongoing operations of the charity. The reserves are intended to provide a source of funds for situations such as an unexpected cashflow problem and to cover contingency plans such as unexpected expenditure. This amount held under the reserves policy is £39,800.

Our Members' Feedback

We surveyed our volunteers during the year, and this is what made them proud to be part of NSAR:

“What makes you proud” Cloud



A Thank You to Our Supporters

We rely upon the generosity and support of our donors and supporters without whom we could not carry out our vital public service.

The Northamptonshire Fire Service continue to provide us with a secondary base to store some of our vital equipment and vehicle.

Weetabix have been supportive in providing us with training space.

Lamport Hall have been very generous in supporting our operation.

The David Laing Foundation have supported us with funding for our new base fit out.

We thank also GW Construction who helped in the major fit out work of our new base.

Finally, our biggest thanks goes to our volunteers who are on call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.

Looking Ahead

This year marked a significant step forward in our governance structure. Our new governing document now allows us to appoint Trustees who are not part of the core team. This change opens the door for Trustees with diverse expertise, strengthening our leadership with a broad range of skills and perspectives.

Financial stability will be a key focus, especially following the acquisition of our new base. We have worked diligently to consolidate our financial position, ensuring long-term sustainability and operational security and we aim to continue to strengthen this over the coming year.

In addition, we are actively exploring new ways to advance the skills and capabilities of our team. By investing in professional development and strategic growth, we aim to enhance our effectiveness and impact, equipping our team for future challenges and opportunities.

Presented and approved at a board meeting held on 20th February 2025, and signed on their behalf.

N Strelczuk

Nicholas Strelczuk
Chair

**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE SEARCH AND RESCUE
INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES AND MEMBERS
ON THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 OCTOBER 2024
CHARITY NUMBER 1195265**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 October 2024 as set out on pages 7 to 11.

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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



.....
Steven Jones Bsc(Hons), FCA
Chartered Accountant and Registered Auditor

Dated: 21st February 2025

c/o Cube Partners Ltd
Chartered Accountants
5 Giffard Court
Millbrook Close
Northampton
NN5 5JF

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 OCTOBER 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2024 £	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2023 £
Income from:							
General donations and legacies		34,198	-	34,198	36,323	-	36,323
Grant income	1	3,526	14,625	18,151	2,000	2,625	4,625
Fundraising and other events		3,033	-	3,033	8,203	-	8,203
Members contributions		3,010	-	3,010	3,637	-	3,637
VAT refunds		1,743	-	1,743	13,773	-	13,773
Other Income		1,359	-	1,359	1,627	-	1,627
Total Income Receipts		46,869	14,625	61,494	65,563	2,625	68,188
Asset Sales							
		-	-	-	8,500	-	8,500
TOTAL RECEIPTS		46,869	14,625	61,494	74,063	2,625	76,688
Expenditure on:							
Search operations costs		3,424	-	3,424	4,152	-	4,152
Medical & other consumables		488	-	488	1,240	-	1,240
Subscriptions and insurances		10,880	-	10,880	8,901	-	8,901
Vehicle fuel and running costs		4,451	-	4,451	5,855	-	5,855
Training		3,155	-	3,155	6,972	-	6,972
Fundraising costs		-	-	-	2,283	-	2,283
Base costs		1,362	8,987	10,349	-	-	-
Other		1,248	-	1,248	197	-	197
Total Expenditure Payments		25,008	8,987	33,995	29,600	-	29,600
Asset purchases							
		2,004	5,000	7,004	6,772	58,391	65,163
TOTAL PAYMENTS		27,012	13,987	40,999	36,372	58,391	94,763
Net of Receipts/(Payments)		19,857	638	20,495	37,691	(55,766)	(18,075)
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds brought forward from last year		75,146	1,500	76,646	37,455	57,266	94,721
Cash funds carried forward this year end	3	95,003	2,138	97,141	75,146	1,500	76,646

All income and expenditure derive from charitable operations.

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31 OCTOBER 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2024 £	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2023 £
ASSETS:							
Fixed Assets at Current Value	2	7,339	56,574	63,913	11,677	73,734	85,411
Current Assets							
Cash at Bank and in hand	3	96,127	1,013	97,140	75,146	1,500	76,646
		96,127	1,013	97,140	75,146	1,500	76,646
LIABILITIES:							
Creditors							
Amounts falling due within one year		-	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-	-
NET ASSETS OF THE CHARITY		103,466	57,587	161,053	86,823	75,234	162,057

Approved by the trustees at a committee meeting held on 20th February 2025, and signed on their behalf

J Frostwick

John Frostwick

Treasurer

ACCOUNTING POLICIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 OCTOBER 2024

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis and in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and applicable UK Accounting Standards.

Income recognition

Monetary donations and legacies income is accounted for when received.

Grants are accounted for when received.

Fundraising and other events income are sponsorship and other donations raised at events, and are accounted for when received.

Donations of consumable goods are not included in Income, as it is not considered practicable to quantify such income.

Intangible Income

Intangible income, in the form of donated facilities and services etc., is not included in the financial statements since it is not considered practicable to quantify such income.

Expenditure

Expenditure is stated inclusive of value added tax, and is brought into account in the period it is paid for. Costs are allocated to the functional cost heading or asset heading to which it relates in the Receipts and Payments accounts

Employees

The charity does not have any employees. It is operated purely by volunteers.

Tangible fixed assets

Fixed assets are shown in total in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities at their estimated current value.

The Notes to the Financial Statements summarises the charity's Fixed Assets at both their original cost and at their estimated current value.

The charity has a policy of regular maintenance of its fixed assets, so as to maintain their longevity, and provide value to donors.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised or set aside for particular restricted purposes.

Reserves

The current reserve policy is to maintain sufficient cash flow for known operating commitments, and the replacement of certain assets.

Risk

The trustees do not believe the charity is subject to any substantial risk.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1	Grant income	Unrestricted		Restricted		Total	Unrestricted		Restricted		Total
		2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2023	2023
		£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
	Maud Elkington	-	1,500	1,500	-	1,500	-	-	-	-	-
	David Laing Foundation	-	10,000	10,000	-	10,000	-	-	-	-	-
	Drax Corporate	-	2,000	2,000	-	2,000	-	-	-	-	-
	Tesco Groundworks	-	1,125	1,125	-	1,125	-	1,125	-	1,125	-
	Enterprise Holdings	2,500	-	2,500	-	2,500	-	-	-	-	-
	PayPal	26	-	26	-	26	-	-	-	-	-
	Movement for Good	1,000	-	1,000	-	1,000	-	-	-	-	-
	Ruth Lee Ltd Volunteer Heroes	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,500	-	1,500	-
	Michael Guest Charitable Foundation	-	-	-	-	-	2,000	-	-	2,000	-
		3,526	14,625	18,151	-	18,151	2,000	2,625	-	4,625	-

2	Fixed Assets - Current Value	Unrestricted		Restricted		Total	Unrestricted		Restricted		Total
		2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2023	2023
		£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
	Asset Detail										
			<i>Orig cost</i>								
	Major Asset 1 - Incident Control Van	19,680	-	14,685	14,685	14,685	-	17,276	-	17,276	17,276
	Major Asset 2 - Incident Support Vehicle	47,308	-	34,180	34,180	34,180	-	40,212	-	40,212	40,212
	Major Asset 3 - 4x4 Response Vehicle	8,040	-	1,000	1,000	1,000	-	1,500	-	1,500	1,500
	Search & Rescue Equipment - purch 2024	7,004	1,503	3,750	5,253	5,253	-	-	-	-	-
	Search & Rescue Equipment - purch 2023	17,855	3,386	384	3,770	3,770	5,079	8,312	8,312	13,391	13,391
	Search & Rescue Equipment - purch 2022	20,101	2,450	2,576	5,025	5,025	4,900	5,151	5,151	10,051	10,051
	Search & Rescue Equipment - purch 2021	11,922	-	-	-	-	1,698	1,283	1,283	2,981	2,981
	Total Current Values	7,339	56,574	63,913	63,913	63,913	11,677	73,734	73,734	85,411	85,411

Major fixed asset purchases are individually assessed for their Current Value.

Other fixed assets ("Search & Rescue Equipment" above) are deemed to have a Current Value based on a 4 year useful life

Search & Rescue Equipment fixed assets purchased prior to FY2021 are deemed to have no material current value

3	Cash at Bank	Unrestricted		Restricted		Total	Unrestricted		Restricted		Total
		2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2023	2023
		£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
	Current Accounts	500	-	500	500	500	493	-	-	493	493
	Savings Accounts	95,587	1,013	96,600	96,600	96,600	74,612	1,500	1,500	76,112	76,112
	Cash in Hand	40	-	40	40	40	40	-	-	40	40
		96,127	1,013	97,140	97,140	97,140	75,145	1,500	1,500	76,645	76,645

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

4 Unrestricted Funds

	Opening Balance 01.11.23 £	Movement In £	Movement Out £	Transfer Between Funds £	Closing Balance 31.10.24 £
General Reserve	75,146	46,869	(27,012)	-	95,003
	<u>75,146</u>	<u>46,869</u>	<u>(27,012)</u>		<u>95,003</u>

5 Restricted Funds

	note	Opening Balance 01.11.23 £	Movement In £	Movement Out £	Transfer Between Funds £	Closing Balance 31.10.24 £
Ruth Lee Limited Volunteer Heroes	a	1,500	-	(1,500)	-	-
Maud Elkington	b	-	1,500	(1,500)	-	-
David Laing Foundation	c	-	10,000	(8,987)	-	1,013
Drax Corporate	d	-	2,000	(2,000)	-	-
Tesco Groundworks	e	-	1,125	(1,125)	-	-
		<u>1,500</u>	<u>14,625</u>	<u>(15,112)</u>		<u>1,013</u>

Purpose, use and restrictions of funds:

- a This grant is to fund training of the Swiftwater Rescue Team
- b This grant is to fund the charity's new kayak team equipment
- c This grant is to fund the fit out of the charity's base
- d This grant is to fund the charity's new kayak team equipment
- e This grant is to fund the fit out of the charity's base

6 Ultimate Controlling Party

The Charity is controlled by the board of Trustees, who are listed in the Legal and Administrative Information page.

7 Events After the End of the Reporting Period

Since the year end the Charity was privileged to be awarded the Kings Award for Voluntary Service for 2024. The Charity updated its Constitution on 23 December 2024 to further strengthen its governance structure.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE SEARCH AND RESCUE

England & Wales - Charity number 1195265

Accounts



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name Northamptonshire Search and Rescue	No (if any) 1195265
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01/11/2022	To	Period end date 31/10/2023
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	36,323	-	-	36,323	36,963
Grants	2,000	2,625	-	4,625	15,320
Events	8,203	-	-	8,203	1,800
Members contributions	3,637	-	-	3,637	6,738
VAT refunds	13,773	-	-	13,773	3,801
Other	848	-	-	848	869
Interest	779	-	-	779	89
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	65,563	2,625	-	68,188	65,580
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Landrover - ambulance	8,500	-	-	8,500	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	8,500	-	-	8,500	-
Total receipts	74,063	2,625	-	76,688	65,580
A3 Payments					
Search operations costs	4,152	-	-	4,152	6,304
Medical & other consumables	1,240	-	-	1,240	1,463
Subscriptions and insurances	8,901	-	-	8,901	7,826
Vehicle fuel and running costs	5,855	-	-	5,855	3,659
Training	6,972	-	-	6,972	7,899
Fundraising costs	2,283	-	-	2,283	-
Other	197	-	-	197	901
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	29,600	-	-	29,600	28,052
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Equipment	6,772	58,391	-	65,163	20,101
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	6,772	58,391	-	65,163	20,101
Total payments	36,372	58,391	-	94,763	48,153
Net of receipts/(payments)	37,691	- 55,766	-	- 18,075	17,427
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
Funds transferred from Northamptonshire Search and Rescue - Charity No: 1155712	-	-	-	-	77,294
A6 Cash funds last year end	37,455	57,266	-	94,721	
Cash funds this year end	75,146	1,500	-	76,646	94,721

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash at bank	75,146	1,500	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	75,146	1,500	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Peugeot Van - Incident Control Unit	-	-
	Toyota 4x4 - Response vehicle	-	-
	Mercedes Van - Incident Support Vehicle	-	-
	Drone	-	-
	Search & rescue equipment	-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
<i>J Frostwick</i>	John Frostwick	08/12/2023
<i>N Strelczuk</i>	Nicholas Strelczuk	08/12/2023



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01/11/2022 To 31/10/2023

Charity name: Northamptonshire Search & Rescue

Charity registration number: 1195265

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The charity shall relieve the suffering and distress amongst persons, in particular by: 1. The provision of trained resources to the Police, other emergency services, Local Authorities and other Search and Rescue organisations. 2. To assist statutory authorities for the relief of those in need in emergencies. 3. The provision of useful training and skills to members and to the public.
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	Our services are entirely voluntary. Incidents we may be called upon include where the location of a high risk missing person is unknown, flooding or welfare checks. Team members are highly trained in a variety of skills including search techniques, search planning, navigation, radio operation, first aid, swift water rescue and bank search. Searches are coordinated through a Search Manager, Search Operations and Search Planner. Each team operates with a Team Leader, Comms, Navigation and Medic. We work closely with the Police, Fire Service and Local Authority who contact us when our services are required.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the commission's public benefit guidance.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	

Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
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>The charity assisted the Emergency Services with 82 incidents, some multiple days in duration, covering the search for high risk missing persons and responding to flooding.</p> <p>A total of 146 training exercises and sessions were conducted covering a broad range of subjects.</p> <p>We ran or attended 248 events which included fundraising events, first aid event cover and training, and community engagement.</p> <p>A total of 9107 hours were volunteered towards the Charity and the Community.</p> <p>We trained three Search Ops, four Team Leaders, six FREC 3 and 17 members in Lost Person Behaviour.</p> <p>We ran a two recruitment campaigns in 2023. From these, fourteen members were inducted into the team.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	

Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The Trustees have reviewed the financial position of the Charity and are happy we have a strong balance sheet. There are £1,500 of reserved funds for projects. There is also £32,801.17 which has been earmarked for various other projects, budgets and expenses.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The purpose of the Reserves Policy is to ensure the ongoing operations of the charity. The reserves are intended to provide a source of funds for situations such as an unexpected cashflow problem and to cover contingency plans such as unexpected expenditure.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£39,800
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	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	

Other		
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Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted?	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 are appointed or reappointed annually the Annual General Meeting by the members.

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	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Northamptonshire Search and Rescue
Other name the charity uses	NSAR
Registered charity number	1195265
Charity's principal address	16 Neale Close Wollaston Wellingborough NN29 7UT

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	Nicholas George Strelczuk	Chair		
2	Kyle Joseph Burke	Vice Chair		
3	John James Frostwick	Treasurer		
4	Martin David Bourne	Training Officer		
5	Emily Rose Cockerill	Secretary		
6	Annalise Kerr	Equipment Officer		
7	Andrew Paul Chatwin	Medical Officer		
8	David Hough	Membership Secretary	29 November 2022 to present	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
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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)	<i>J Frostwick</i>	<i>N Strelczuk</i>
Full name(s)	John James Frostwick	Nicholas George Strelczuk
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer	Chair
Date	8/12/2023	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Northamptonshire Search and Rescue

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 October 2023

**Charity no
(if any)**

1195265

Set out on pages

1 - 2

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/10/2023

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

Signed:

Date:

12/12/2023

Name:

Steven Jones ACA

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

Chartered Accountant (ICAEW)

Address:

c/o Cube Partners Limited Chartered Accountants
5 Giffard Court, Millbrook Close
Northampton. NN5 5JF

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE SEARCH AND RESCUE

England & Wales - Charity number 1195265

Accounts



Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 22/07/2021	To	Period end date 31/10/2022
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	36,963	-	-	36,963	-
Grants		15,320	-	15,320	-
Events	1,800	-	-	1,800	-
Members contributions	6,738	-	-	6,738	-
VAT refunds	3,801	-	-	3,801	-
Other	869	-	-	869	-
Interest	89	-	-	89	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	50,260	15,320	-	65,580	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
		-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	50,260	15,320	-	65,580	-
A3 Payments					
Search operations costs	6,304	-	-	6,304	-
Medical & other consumables	587	876	-	1,463	-
Subscriptions and insurances	7,826	-	-	7,826	-
Vehicle fuel and running costs	3,659	-	-	3,659	-
Training	6,398	1,501	-	7,899	-
Other	901	-	-	901	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	25,675	2,377	-	28,052	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Equipment	9,799	10,302	-	20,101	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	9,799	10,302	-	20,101	-
Total payments	35,474	12,679	-	48,153	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	14,786	2,641	-	17,427	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Funds transferred from Northamptonshire Search and Rescue - Charity No: 1155712	22,669	54,625	-	77,294	-
Cash funds this year end	37,455	57,266	-	94,721	-

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash at bank	37,455	57,266	-
		-	-	-

	-	-	-
Total cash funds	37,455	57,266	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
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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)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

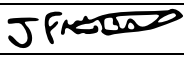

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
Landrover Defender 1.10 - ambulance	Unrestricted Funds	-	-
Converted Peugeot- Incident Control Unit	Unrestricted Funds	-	-
4x4 response vehicle	Unrestricted Funds	-	-
Search & rescue equipment	Restricted / Unrestricted Funds	-	-
Drone	Restricted / Unrestricted Funds	-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

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
	John Frostwick	12/12/22
	Nicholas Strelczuk	12/12/22



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 22 July 2021 To 31 October 2022

Charity name: Northamptonshire Search and Rescue

Charity registration number: 1195265

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The charity shall relieve the suffering and distress amongst persons, in particular by: 1. The provision of trained resources to the Police, other emergency services, Local Authorities and other Search and Rescue organisations. 2. To assist statutory authorities for the relief of those in need in emergencies. 3. The provision of useful training and skills to members and to the public.
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	Our services are entirely voluntary. Incidents we may be called upon include where the location of a high risk missing person is unknown, flooding or welfare checks. Team members are highly trained in a variety of skills including search techniques, search planning, navigation, radio operation, first aid, swift water rescue and bank search. Searches are coordinated through a Search Manager, Search Operations and Search Planner. Each team operates with a Team Leader, Comms, Navigation and Medic. We work closely with the Police, Fire Service and Local Authority who contact us when our services are required.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the commission's public benefit guidance.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	

Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
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>The charity assisted the Emergency Services with 78 incidents, some multiple days in duration, covering the search for high risk missing persons and responding to flooding.</p> <p>A total of 103 training exercises and sessions were conducted covering a broad range of subjects.</p> <p>We ran or attended 14 events which included fundraising events, first aid event cover and training, and community engagement.</p> <p>A total of 6059 hours were volunteered towards the Charity and the Community.</p> <p>There were five Swiftwater and Flood Rescue Technician requalified; four new Swiftwater and Flood Rescue Technicians; two Swiftwater and Flood Rescue Technician Team Leaders; one Search Planner; and one Training, Assessing and Quality Assurance Assessor trained.</p> <p>We ran a two recruitment campaigns in 2022. From these, sixteen members were inducted into the team.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
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Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The Trustees have reviewed the financial position of the Charity and are happy we have a strong balance sheet. There is £57,266 of reserved funds for a new vehicle purchase and equipment. There is also £11,985.34 which has been earmarked for various projects.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The purpose of the Reserves Policy is to ensure the ongoing operations of the charity. The reserves are intended to provide a source of funds for situations such as an unexpected cashflow problem and to cover contingency plans such as unexpected expenditure.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£22,800
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	
Investment policy and objectives including any	Para 1.46	

social investment policy adopted		
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted?	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 are appointed or reappointed annually the Annual General Meeting by the members.

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	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Northamptonshire Search and Rescue
Other name the charity uses	NSAR
Registered charity number	1195265
Charity's principal address	16 Neale Close Wollaston Wellingborough NN29 7UT

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	Mark Stuart Lawson	Chair	22 July 2021 to 10 November 2021	
2	Ian Mark Horton	Vice Chair	22 July 2021 to 10 November 2021	
3	John James Frostwick	Treasurer	22 July 2021 to present	
4	Christopher Sean Bohin	Membership Secretary	22 July 2021 to 10 November 2021	
5	Paul John Marlow	Medical Officer	22 July 2021 to 10 November 2021	
6	Gareth Lewis Williams	Fundraising Officer	22 July 2021 to 10 November 2021	
7	Nicholas George Strelczuk	Chair	10 November 2021 to present	
8	Kyle Joseph Burke	Vice Chair	10 November 2021 to present	
9	Martin David Bourne	Training Officer	10 November 2021 to present	
10	Emily Rose Cockerill	Secretary	10 November 2021 to present	
11	Annalise Kerr	Equipment Officer	8 April 2022 to present	
12	Andrew Paul Chatwin	Medical Officer	8 April 2022 to present	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
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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)	<i>N. Strelczuk</i>	
Full name(s)	Nicholas Strelczuk	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	15/12/2022	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Northamptonshire Search and Rescue

**On accounts for the
period ended**

31 October 2022

**Charity no
(if any)**

1195265

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the period ended 31/10/2022

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

Signed:

Date:

16/12/2022

Name:

Steven Jones ACA

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

Chartered Accountant (ICAEW)

Address:

c/o Cube Partners Limited Chartered Accountants

5 Giffard Court, Millbrook Close

Northampton. NN5 5JF

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.