

BTC (SOUTHAMPTON) ROWING CLUB

England & Wales · Charity number 1195586

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 2021-08-20

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

Contact

Address Crosshouse Road
Southampton
SO14 5GZ

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Activities

Objects: THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE AMATEUR SPORT OF ROWING IN SOUTHAMPTON, PARTICULARLY THE RIVER ITCHEN, FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT BY THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE SPORT OF AMATEUR ROWING.

Activities: The charity raises funds to provide premises and equipment to enable people in the Southampton region experience, take up and enjoy the sport of rowingIt provides free trial sessions for people who may be interested in trying the sport.It provides coaching and training to those that take up the sport to enable them to improve, develop and meet their personal goals.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** Amateur Sport
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Southampton City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£59,964	£54,182	-	-
2024-08-31	£45,925	£50,931	-	-
2023-08-31	£49,028	£50,328	-	-
2022-08-19	£84,391	£60,402	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
John Stanley Purkess	Chair	2021-08-20
James Godfrey King		2021-08-20
Norman Lawrence Harper		2021-08-20

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Accounts

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1st September 2024 To 31st August 2025

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Southampton,
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Structure, Governance and Management

Governing document

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The Charity recognises that a key aspect of trying to increase participation is to ensure that cost is not a barrier. For that reason the club offers free taster sessions and heavily discounted fees for children, full-time students, apprentices and all first year rowers.

Financial Review

Reserves policy

The Charity holds reserve funds to ensure that ongoing project costs can be met when required and that operations can continue in case any unforeseen circumstances arise. The reserves held on 31st August 2025 were £68,938. The main risk the club faces is the loss of support of Southampton City Council. The premises which they provide are vital but our lease arrangements do not provide a great deal of security of tenure and an improvement in our lease arrangements would help secure the club's medium to long term future. It is hoped that if we can offer to self-fund improvements to the buildings we can enjoy better lease arrangements.

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Notes to Financial Report

None

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature



Full name

James Godfrey King

Position

Treasurer

Date

09/10/25



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

BTC (Southampton) Rowing Club

1195586

CC16a

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period
from

1st September 2024

To

31st August 2025

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					
Membership Payments	25,885	-	-	25,885	21,954
Donations / Grants	9,724	-	-	9,724	4,821
Events	12,847	-	-	12,847	12,881
Hall & Equipment Hire	1,465	-	-	1,465	655
Bank Interest	3,094	-	-	3,094	981
Lease & Utility Contribution	5,299	-	-	5,299	4,353
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	58,314	-	-	58,314	45,645
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Asset sales	1,650	-	-	1,650	280
Loan Repayment	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	1,650	-	-	1,650	280
Total receipts	59,964	-	-	59,964	45,925
A3 Payments					
Operational Costs	12,060	-	-	12,060	10,597
Rowing activity costs	19,264	-	-	19,264	16,947
Event costs	8,081	-	-	8,081	9,121
Equipment hire	960	-	-	960	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	40,365	-	-	40,365	36,665
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Boats and Equipment	13,817	-	-	13,817	14,266
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	13,817	-	-	13,817	14,266
Total payments	54,182	-	-	54,182	50,931
Net of receipts/(payments)	5,782	-	-	5,782	-5,006
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	78,613	-	-	78,613	83,621
Cash funds this year end	84,395	-	-	84,395	78,615

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		84,395	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	84,395	-	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))		OK	OK	OK

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	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
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			-	-
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	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval

King

JAMES KING

9.10.25



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name
B T C (SOUTHAMPTON) ROWING CLUB

On accounts for the year ended

31/08/2025	Charity no (if any)	1195586
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Set out on pages

(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 DD / MM / YYYY.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 all 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:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did 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 this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

David Tripp

Date:

10-6-2026

Name:

DAVID TRIPP FAIA

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

THE ASSOCIATION OF INTERNATIONAL ACCOUNTANTS (AIA)

Address:

Tree Tops, Richmond Close

Chandlers Ford

SO53 5RA

Section B**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material 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.

Accounts

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

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Financial Review

Reserves policy

The Charity holds reserve funds to ensure that ongoing project costs can be met when required and that operations can continue in case any unforeseen circumstances arise. The reserves held on 31st August 2024 were £67,500. The main risk the club faces is the loss of support of Southampton City Council. The premises which they provide are vital but our lease arrangements do not provide a great deal of security of tenure and an improvement in our lease arrangements would help secure the club's medium to long term future. It is hoped that if we can offer to self-fund improvements to the buildings we can enjoy better lease arrangements.

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Notes to Financial Report

None

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature



Full name

James Godfrey King

Position

Treasurer

Date

17/10/24



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Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

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To

31st August 2024

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	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					
Membership Payments	21,954	-	-	21,954	22,208
Donations / Grants	4,821	-	-	4,821	5,582
Events	12,881	-	-	12,881	10,439
Hall & Equipment Hire	655	-	-	655	950
Bank Interest	981	-	-	981	1,108
Lease & Utility Contribution	4,353	-	-	4,353	4,541
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	45,645	-	-	45,645	44,828
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Asset sales	280	-	-	280	1,700
Loan Repayment	-	-	-	-	2,500
Sub total	280	-	-	280	4,200
Total receipts	45,925	-	-	45,925	49,028
A3 Payments					
Operational Costs	10,597	-	-	10,597	11,041
Rowing activity costs	16,947	-	-	16,947	18,411
Event costs	9,121	-	-	9,121	10,126
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	36,665	-	-	36,665	39,578
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Boats and Equipment	14,266	-	-	14,266	10,750
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	14,266	-	-	14,266	10,750
Total payments	50,931	-	-	50,931	50,328
Net of receipts/(payments)	-5,006	-	-	-5,006	-1,300
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	83,621	-	-	83,621	-
Cash funds this year end	78,615	-	-	78,615	-1,300

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

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B1 Cash funds		78,615	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	78,615	-	-
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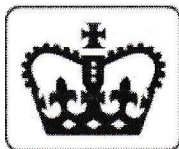
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Date of approval

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JAMES KING

24.5.25



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
B T C (SOUTHAMPTON) ROWING CLUB

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31/08/2024

**Charity no
(if any)**

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** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

David Tripp

Date:

16/05/2025

Name:

David Tripp FAia

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The Association of International Accountants (AIA)

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Financial Review

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Notes to Financial Report

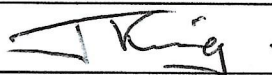
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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature



Full name

James Godfrey King

Position

Treasurer

Date

15/10/23



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

BTC (Southampton) Rowing Club

No (if any)
1195586

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
20/08/22

To

Period end date
31/08/23

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					
Membership Payments	22,208	-	-	22,208	21,355
Donations/ Grants	5,582	-	-	5,582	48,961
Events	10,439	-	-	10,439	8,624
Hall and Equipment Hire	950	-	-	950	5,442
Bank Interest	1,108	-	-	1,108	9
Lease & Utility Contribution	4,541	-	-	4,541	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total(Gross income for AR)	44,828	-	-	44,828	84,391
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Asset Sales	1,700	-	-	1,700	3,777
Loan Repayment	2,500	-	-	2,500	-
Sub total	4,200	-	-	4,200	3,777
Total receipts	49,028	-	-	49,028	88,168
A3 Payments					
Operational Costs	11,041	-	-	11,041	11,996
Rowing Activity Costs	18,411	-	-	18,411	14,698
Event Costs	10,126	-	-	10,126	5,279
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	39,578	-	-	39,578	31,973
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Boats and Equipment	10,750	-	-	10,750	23,429
Loans Made	-	-	-	-	5,000
Sub total	10,750	-	-	10,750	28,429
Total payments	50,328	-	-	50,328	60,402
Net of receipts/(payments)	-1,300	-	-	-1,300	27,766
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	84,921	-	-	84,921	57,155
Cash funds this year end	83,621	-	-	83,621	84,921

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		83,621	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	83,621	-	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))		OK	OK	OK

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

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	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

IT King.

JAMES KING

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 20th August 2022 To 31st August 2023

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name: **BTC (Southampton) Rowing Club**

Charity registration number: **1195586**

Charity's principal address:

**Crosshouse Road,
Southampton,
SO14 5GZ**

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office	Dates acted (if not whole year)
1	John Purkess	President and Chairman	
2	Norman Harper	Vice President	
3	James King	Treasurer	
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Structure, Governance and Management

Governing document

The charity is governed by its Declaration of Charitable Trust dated 5th May 2021

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Trustees are appointed by a resolution of the trustees passed at a special meeting in accordance with the Declaration of Charitable Trust.

Induction and training of new trustees

They are introduced with a full range of relevant guidance and appropriate information on their new responsibilities.

Additional Governance information

Under their powers the Trustees delegate much of the day to day administration and operation of the club to a Committee which operates in accordance with a constitution. This sets out the roles and responsibilities of the various Committee members. These positions are appointed or reappointed at the Annual General Meeting of the Club held in February. The club depends on volunteers giving their time freely for all roles including Trustees, Committee members and Coaches.

The club is open to all in the Southampton area above the age of 12 years and we have active members from 12 to 80+.

The Club is affiliated to British Rowing and the Hants and Dorset Amateur Rowing association and follows all recommendations, adopts policies and submits to audits including those relating to child protection, health and safety and risk management.

Objectives and Activities

Objectives and Aims

The objectives are set out in the Declaration of Charitable Trust. The Charities Act 2011 requires the Trustees to comply with their duty to have due regard to public benefit guidance, PB3, published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers or duties.

The Charity's objectives are:

- The advancement of the amateur sport of rowing in Southampton, particularly the river Itchen, for the public benefit by the provision of facilities for participation in the sport of amateur rowing.

In order to meet our objectives we aim to:

- Promote community participation in healthy recreation, in particular rowing, sculling and other related activities.
- Provide and assist in providing facilities for sport, recreation or other leisure time activities of persons who have need for such facilities by reason of their age, health, economical or social circumstances or for the public at large in the interests of social welfare and with the object of improving their conditions and life.

- Provide help in advancing the education of people who wish to gain experience and qualifications through such means as the Trustees see fit

Achievement and Performance

Charitable activities

BTC (Southampton) Rowing Club was established in 1927. For 60 years the rowing club operated from Southampton docks as a self-financing section of the British Transport Commission (BTC) Sports and Social Club. When the docks and railways were privatised the club relocated in 1987 to Crosshouse Hard into buildings and on land leased from the City Council. It has operated as an Unincorporated Friendly Society until August 2021 when charity status was attained. Although the club does not own its buildings or land it has managed to build a large fleet of both coastal and fine boats as well as training and safety equipment. The Club monitors the needs for equipment and has developed a 5 year plan to add to and improve the assets in line with the changing personnel.

As a charity the Club has newly defined objectives as set out above. As such, we now have philanthropic ambitions and responsibilities which go beyond the objectives of the old organisation.

Key to the club being able to fulfill its requirement of providing a public benefit it needs to retain and improve its waterside premises. Charity status has enabled us to obtain significant additional funding and this will form the basis of a bid to make much needed improvements to the premises we lease at Crosshouse Hard, Southampton. This may require changes to our terms of lease and require further outside funding and this will form a major focus for the Trustees in the coming years.

The Charity undertook certain key performance objectives in the past year. These included holding taster sessions to attract more new members, particularly more under 18 year olds, adding a new coastal pair and an additional fine scull to our fleet, replacing and upgrading some of our regatta trophies through personal grant funding and supporting some of our younger coaches to achieve improved coaching qualifications.

The Charity recognises that a key aspect of trying to increase participation is to ensure that cost is not a barrier. For that reason the club offers free taster sessions and heavily discounted fees for children, full-time students, apprentices and all first year rowers.

Financial Review

Reserves policy

The Charity holds reserve funds to ensure that ongoing project costs can be met when required and that operations can continue in case any unforeseen circumstances arise. The reserves held on 31st August 2023 were £71,000. The main risk the club faces is the loss of support of Southampton City Council. The premises which they provide are vital but our lease arrangements do not provide a great deal of security of tenure and an improvement in our lease arrangements would help secure the club's medium to long term future. It is hoped that if we can offer to self-fund improvements to the buildings we can enjoy better lease arrangements.

Financial position

We have seen a rise in membership subscriptions from the previous year, reflecting a continued increased number of members. These payments form our largest income stream in a normal year. Donations also form a good proportion of our income, much of this is from BTC Rowing Centre Ltd., a company set up by the Club to operate sales of drinks and snacks in the Clubhouse. Other personal donations were made to help improve the Club's regatta trophies. The largest expenditure item was the purchase of a new Coastal pair boat at a cost of £5.2k. The overall financial result for the year was a small deficit of income over expenditure of about £1.3k.

Notes to Financial Report

None

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature



Full name

James Godfrey King

Position

Treasurer

Date

15/10/23

BTC (SOUTHAMPTON) ROWING CLUB

England & Wales - Charity number 1195586

Accounts

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Financial position

In the first year operating as a Charity we have seen a significant rise in membership subscriptions from the previous year, reflecting the increased number of members. Following a couple of years when Covid caused the cancellation of our two regattas we were able to resume these and we made good income from them. But the largest income item in the accounts is the £43k legacy fund received from the wound-up BTC Sports and Social Club. Along with other funds held as reserve funds this gives us the opportunity to plan for much needed improvements in our facilities. The largest expenditure item was the purchase of a new Wintech river coxed four boat at a cost of £14.7k. The overall financial result for the year was an excess of income over expenditure of just under £28k.

Notes to Financial Report

The Trustees met on the 20th August 2021 and agreed to assign all funds from the Unincorporated Friendly Society, operating under the name of British Transport Commission Rowing Club, to the newly created BTC (Southampton) Rowing Club. It is the closing balance of the old organisation that is given in A6, 'Cash funds last year end'.

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature



Full name

James Godfrey King

Position

Treasurer

Date

14/06/23



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

BTC (southampton) Rowing Club

1195586

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

20/08/2021

To

19/08/2022

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Membership Payments	21,364	-	-	21,364	-
Donations / Grants	48,961	-	-	48,961	-
Events	8,624	-	-	8,624	-
Asset hire	5,442	-	-	5,442	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	84,391	-	-	84,391	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Asset Sales	3,777	-	-	3,777	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	3,777	-	-	3,777	-
Total receipts	88,168	-	-	88,168	-
A3 Payments					
Operational Costs	11,996	-	-	11,996	-
Rowing Activity Costs	14,698	-	-	14,698	-
Event Costs	5,279	-	-	5,279	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	31,974	-	-	31,974	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Boat and Equipment	23,429	-	-	23,429	-
Loans Made	5,000	-	-	5,000	-
Sub total	28,429	-	-	28,429	-
Total payments	60,402	-	-	60,402	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	27,765	-	-	27,765	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	57,155	-	-	57,155	-
Cash funds this year end	84,920	-	-	84,920	-

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		84,920	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	84,920	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

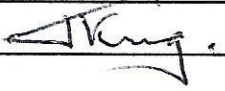
	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Loan repayment Due to Charity (agreed prior to the year end but not paid)	2,500	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	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	Boats and Equipment	Unrestricted	-	168,714
	Club Trophies (Insured Value)	Unrestricted	-	10,000
	Fixtures and Fittings	Unrestricted	-	7,500
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	Unpaid Suppliers at the Year End	Unrestricted	4,556	End of August'22
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	JAMES GODFREY KING	10.6.23



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
BTC (Southampton) Rowing Club

**On accounts for the year
ended**

19/08/2022

**Charity no
(if any)**

1195586

Set out on pages

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 **19/08/2022**.

**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:

18.6.2023

Name:

Tom Evans

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

Chartered Institute of Management Accountants

Address:

163 Hill Lane

Southampton

SO15 7NP

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.

None to report