

Sailing Vision Trust

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 January 2025

Charity Registration Number - 1197634

Trustees

William Bridge

Peter Burke

Vicki Sheen (Appointed 28 May 2024)

Tony Whitelaw (Appointed 20 November 2024)

Alex Whatley (Appointed 20 November 2024)

Charity Address

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Structure and Objectives

Sailing Vision Trust is a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO) established in 2022. SVT's Constitution sets out its objective to be: the relief of people with disabilities in particular, but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, by the provision of facilities for sailing other outdoor pursuits by persons with visual impairment.

The Trustees deliver this objective primarily through organising events and supporting the development of technology which provide blind and visually impaired people with opportunities for sailing and watersports.

The charity is managed by a Trustee Board which meets at two monthly intervals. They decide on the annual program and manage its delivery, oversee the collection and allocation of funds, and CIO administration generally.

The main activities of SVT in the year to January 2025 have been organising (1) a major UK-based annual sailing week which took place in the Solent area, based in Falmouth Cornwall, and working with Neilson Activity Holidays, a Mediterranean sailing week in Greece planned for September 2025. The UK event provided the opportunity for 45 visually impaired people of all ages from 18 and above to participate in sailing over a period of a full week in June/July. Priority was given to increasing the number of younger and novice VI sailors attracted. To maximise the empowerment of VI sailors, technology - app based, online and 3D charting - has also been maintained and developed.

Following the Solent event a feedback exercise was carried out from all visually impaired and sighted participants. The results were reported to the Trustee Board, and whilst predominantly positive, they also provided helpful pointers for changes and improvements for the future.

During the year we added a further three Trustees to the board, of which two are visually impaired. We continue to be supported by a voluntary Trust Administrator, and a small group of Trust Associates who provide additional sailing, VI awareness, and regional contact support and expertise.

Trust Finances

Trustees submitted their Annual Financial Return to the Charity Commission in October 2025. The reduction in funds reflects the cost of chartering additional boats to maximise the number of VI crew places for the 2024 event. The charity has no debts and a continuing operational balance of funding for future Trust activities.



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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01/02/2024	To	31/01/2025
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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	-	3,961	-	3,961	12,395
Gift Aid	-	126	-	126	-
Sailing Vision Income	-	13,825	-	13,825	10,850
Bank Interest	-	1,573	-	1,573	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	-	19,485	-	19,485	23,245
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	-	19,485	-	19,485	23,245
A3 Payments					
Sailing Vision Expenses	-	30,431	-	30,431	19,891
Direct costs	-	1,082	-	1,082	1,619
Telephone & Internet	-	11	-	11	154
Insurance	-	821	-	821	811
Marketing	-	-	-	-	200
Accountancy	-	756	-	756	720
Bank Charges	-	122	-	122	67
Donations	-	45	-	45	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	33,267	-	33,267	23,462
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Equipment	-	-	-	-	225
Computer Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	225
Total payments	-	33,267	-	33,267	23,687
Net of receipts/(payments)	-	13,782	-	13,782	442
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	73,477	-	73,477	73,920
Cash funds this year end	-	59,695	-	59,695	73,477

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	Bank Accounts		59,695	-
	Deposits held	-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	-	59,695	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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)
	Equipment		993	-
	Computer Equipment		299	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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	
	<i>Peter Burke</i>	Peter Burke	23/10/2025	