



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Saltdean Swim and Surf Club

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31st March 2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

1199266

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2025.

**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: Samantha Pratt

Date: 20th January 2026

Name: Samantha Pratt

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

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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Saltdean Swim & Surf Club

1199266

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

1.04.2024

To

31.03.2025

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					
Donations	-	8,419	-	8,419	17,160
Course fees	12,710	-	-	12,710	11,529
Grant Income	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	12,710	8,419	-	21,129	28,689
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	12,710	8,419	-	21,129	8,612
A3 Payments					
High viz Bibs, swim caps, rash vests	561	-	-	561	3,176
SLSGB Fees	2,617	-	-	2,617	1,766
Lifeguard costs	-	-	-	-	250
Pool Hire & swimming lessons	-	1,991	-	1,991	1,794
Legal and Professional fees	250	-	-	250	250
Insurance	2,467	-	-	2,467	2,015
Training	130	-	-	130	-
Food and Drink for volunteers	459	-	-	459	527
Travel	197	-	-	197	128
Website	266	-	-	266	265
Rent of storage	420	-	-	420	-
Repairs and Maintenance	298	-	-	298	507
Sub total	7,666	1,991	-	9,657	10,678
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Manikins	-	1,098	-	1,098	-
Fins	-	115	-	115	-
Rescue boards	-	7,802	-	7,802	12,060
Choke vest	-	147	-	147	-
Sub total	-	9,162	-	9,162	12,060
Total payments	7,666	11,153	-	18,819	22,738
Net of receipts/(payments)	5,044	- 2,734	-	2,311	5,951
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	5,185	3,796	-	8,981	3,030
Cash funds this year end	10,229	1,062	-	11,292	8,981

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		10,229	1,062	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	10,229	1,062	-
	(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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets				
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use				
	Other Equipment		3,063	-
	Boards		22,152	-
	Rescue Tubes		400	-
	Rash Vests and Swim Hats		1,960	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities				

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Sarah Penrose	Sarah Penrose	20.01.26



Saltdean Swim & Surf Club Charity Report

1 April 2024 - 31 March 2025



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Saltdean Swim & Surf Club

The trustees are pleased to present our annual report together with consolidated financial statements of the charity for the period 1 April 2024 through 31 March 2025.



As Chair of Saltdean Swim and Surf Club, I am proud to present our Annual Report for 2024–2025. This year has been another period of positive growth, increased participation, and deeper impact within our local community, reinforcing the club's role as a vital part of coastal life in Saltdean and the surrounding areas.

Our membership continues to grow across all sections of the club. Pool membership has reached 27 members, while our sea programme has expanded to 40 Nippers (up from 32 last year) and 20 Youth members, reflecting strong demand for safe, structured water-based activity. Alongside this, our volunteer base has grown to 28 dedicated individuals, up from 24 last year, whose commitment enables the club to operate safely, inclusively, and consistently week after week.

A core value of Saltdean Swim and Surf Club is accessibility. During the 2024–2025 season, we were able to offer five fully funded places to children who may otherwise have been unable to take part, with two pool places and three beach places supported through grants and donations. We are extremely grateful to Telscombe Town Council for their contribution towards pool sessions and funded memberships, alongside a further donations enabling us to purchase of new boards. Additional funding of £5,500 from The National Lottery Community Fund, together with a mix of further donations, has been instrumental in sustaining and developing our provision for members of our community.

This funding has allowed us to invest in essential equipment to support our growing membership, including 13 new rescue and nipper boards, additional rescue tubes, and a new choking trainer rescue vest. These investments ensure our members benefit from high-quality training while maintaining the highest possible safety standards. We have also been able to widen our first aid and rescue training offer for both members and volunteers.

Community education remains at the heart of what we do. This year, we delivered in-school training sessions, hosted a Saltdean Swim and Surf Club Day in partnership with the RNLI, and provided basic water safety training for local Scout, Beaver, and Rainbows groups. These sessions extend our impact beyond club members, helping to raise awareness and understanding of water safety across the wider community.

Our members' continued progression through the GB Surf Life Saving pathway remains a source of great pride. Through structured training, encouragement, and strong role modelling from our volunteers, we are not only supporting young people to develop confidence and resilience, but also nurturing future lifeguards and community role models who will help keep our coastline safer for everyone.

None of this would be possible without the dedication of our volunteers, who give their time and energy every weekend, often behind the scenes, to ensure sessions are safe, welcoming, and enjoyable. Their commitment, alongside the generosity of our funders, donors, and supporters, enables Saltdean Swim and Surf Club to thrive.

As we look ahead to the coming year, we remain firmly committed to providing a safe, inclusive, and supportive environment for all our members, while continuing to strengthen our connections with the local community and partner organisations.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely, Matt Coyne, Chair, Saltdean Swim and Surf Club

Our Purposes and Activities

The objectives of the Saltdean Swim & Surf Club is to advance the education of the public through the provision of education and training in lifesaving, life support, water safety, resuscitation and first aid - through participation in the awards schemes of the Surf Life Saving Club of Great Britain (herein referred to as SLSGB) and such other activities as are appropriate and thereby contributing to the preservation of lives.

Our Aims



The aims of the Club shall be:

- To deliver a quality, customer focused culture that permeates every aspect of the Club
- To provide facilities for and promote participation of the whole community in lifesaving and lifeguarding irrespective of any protected characteristic.
- To create greater opportunities for the general public and in particular young persons in the community to become involved in all aspects of the Club's work
- To promote the wider benefits of Lifesaving and water-based activity as a healthy, fun and worthwhile recreational activity and competitive world class sport
- To promote, publicise and communicate information about SLSCB and any other organization aligned to the principle and vision of the Club to present a positive image of the Club
- To promote and maintain the highest standards of technical competence and safety in water activity and sport
- To provide equal opportunities for successful participation by all sections of the community



Review of Activities and Achievements

This section highlights our activities and achievements over the past season.

The Power of Community with Saltdean Swim & Surf Club

Saltdean Swim & Surf Club was born out of the pandemic by a group of committed volunteers and has continued to grow year on year. What began as the delivery of Royal Life Saving Society training to 15 children at Saltdean Lido has evolved into a thriving community club providing sessions, workshops and education to over 900 children across Saltdean, Ovingdean, Woodingdean, Rottingdean, Peacehaven and Newhaven.

During the 2024–2025 season, we continued to deliver Surf Life Saving Great Britain Nipper, Rookie and Youth programmes both at Saltdean Beach and in Saltdean Lido. Alongside this, we supported schools, community groups and local initiatives through education days, visits and water safety workshops, widening our impact beyond club membership.

Saltdean Swim & Surf Club remains committed to cultivating a strong sense of safety, confidence and inclusion for everyone who takes part, regardless of background or circumstance. We actively promote environmental awareness and respect for the coastline, ensuring learning is engaging, practical and fun. This work is made possible by a growing team of 28 dedicated volunteers, whose enthusiasm and commitment underpin every session we deliver.

As a member-focused club, we work closely with families, schools and community partners to promote health, fitness and water safety. Accessibility remains a priority, and we continually seek ways to ensure opportunities are available to as many young people in the local community as possible.

Ring-Fenced Funded Places & Boards

Saltdean Swim & Surf Club ring-fences a minimum of 20% of annual membership spaces to ensure children from disadvantaged backgrounds can participate in our pool and sea-based lifesaving programmes. This includes financial support for memberships as well as access to essential equipment such as wetsuits and boards.

During the 2024–2025 season, we provided five fully funded membership places, including two pool places and three sea places, ensuring children who may otherwise have been unable to participate could safely take part. In addition, our free community sessions at Saltdean Lido continued to attract significant attendance, meaning our overall delivery exceeded the 20% access commitment.

This work has been supported through grant funding and donations, including £2,140 from Telscombe Town Council towards pool hire and funded places, alongside £5,500 from The National Lottery Community Fund and a further £778 from additional donations. These contributions have enabled us to reduce financial barriers and maintain inclusive access across our programmes.

We also continue to work with local organisations and community partners to support corporate social responsibility initiatives, ensuring equipment and training remain accessible and safety standards remain high.

At Saltdean Swim & Surf Club, we believe strongly in the power of community. Our sessions not only teach vital lifesaving skills, but also foster a sense of belonging and equality — when you're in the sea, we're all equal.

"It's the highlight of their week — they're up early, excited, and already talking about getting in the water before we've even left the house." shared one parent.

This feedback reflects the positive impact our sessions have on children and families, building confidence, motivation and connection that extends beyond the beach and pool.



Free Community Pool Life-Saving Sessions

In addition to our ring-fenced membership places, we continue to deliver free community lifesaving sessions at Saltdean Lido every Friday from May through to September, open to all local children of the appropriate age.

Through close working relationships with local schools, we actively encourage families who may benefit from additional support to attend these sessions. Schools communicate directly with families and liaise with the club to help remove barriers to participation and ensure children most in need can access opportunities.

These free sessions play a vital role in promoting water confidence, lifesaving skills and community cohesion, while also supporting our wider mission of encouraging environmental awareness and respect for the coastline among young people from all backgrounds.

School and Community Group Sessions

Increasing engagement with schools and community groups has remained a key focus during the 2024–2025 season. Building on previous years, we continued to deliver water safety and lifesaving education to children who may not otherwise access beach or pool-based activity.

This year, we delivered in-school and community group sessions for local schools and organisations, including Scout, Beaver and Rainbows groups, focusing on basic water safety, sea awareness and rescue principles. A highlight of the season was a Saltdean Swim & Surf Club Day delivered in partnership with the RNLI, providing a full day of sea safety education and awareness for children at Saltdean Primary School.

All sessions are delivered by qualified volunteer coaches and our water safety team, ensuring consistent, age-appropriate and engaging learning experiences. By tailoring sessions to suit schools and community groups, we ensure children gain practical knowledge, confidence and respect for the sea, regardless of background or prior experience.

Through this work, we aim to equip young people with skills that help keep them safe while also inspiring future lifeguards, volunteers and environmentally conscious citizens.

Equipment and Training Investment

To support our growing membership and increased community delivery during the 2024–2025 season, we invested significantly in new equipment and training resources.

This included the purchase of 13 new rescue and nipper boards, additional rescue tubes, and a new choking trainer rescue vest, enabling us to widen our first aid and rescue training for both members and volunteers. These investments ensure sessions can run safely, with appropriate ratios and equipment in place as numbers continue to grow.

Funding support from Telscombe Town Council, The National Lottery Community Fund and individual donors has been instrumental in enabling these improvements, ensuring our club can continue to meet high safety standards while expanding access.

Membership and Volunteers

Membership growth continued across all areas of the club during the 2024–2025 season. Pool membership reached 27 members, while sea-based programmes grew to 40 Nippers (up from 32) and 20 Youth members, reflecting increasing demand for structured, safe water activity.

Our volunteer team expanded to 28 volunteers, up from 24 the previous year. This growth has enabled us to maintain high levels of supervision, coaching and support across all sessions, while also investing in volunteer training and development.

Volunteers remain the backbone of Saltdean Swim & Surf Club. Their commitment, passion and consistency ensure the club operates safely and inclusively every weekend. With a growing waiting list and increasing community interest, we are exploring ways to responsibly expand capacity in future seasons while maintaining quality, safety and accessibility.



Community Partnerships

There has been a number of community groups working together to help make our sessions available and accessible to all young people in our local community. From our partnerships with our local primary school for example, where we have established a direct line of communication with families who may require additional support or opportunities to attend our sessions to the Saltdean Community Charity which helped fund regular pool sessions at Saltdean Lido making it accessible to all in the community.

We aim to continue to work with and support Saltdean Lido CIC throughout the year and other community organizations over the next season to further develop our relationship with other local schools and community groups.

Through these partnerships, we hope to continue making a positive impact on the lives of young people in our community by providing them with opportunities for physical activity, water safety education, and environmental awareness. By working together, we can create a stronger, more inclusive community that values the importance of both physical and mental well-being. We believe that by investing in our youth through these partnerships, we are creating a better future for everyone.

Training

This season, we continued to strengthen our in-house capability by investing in one of our trustees becoming a Surf Life Saving Great Britain (SLSGB) Trainer Assessor. This has enabled us to deliver training courses and qualifications internally, supporting both our members and volunteer team.

Developing this capability has brought clear benefits to the club. It has reduced the need to pay for external assessors, allowing us to reinvest funds directly into safety, equipment and access. It also means we can tailor training to our specific needs — including supporting the progression of our young members through their award pathways and building the skills and confidence of our volunteer water safety team.

Across the 2024–2025 season, we trained and supported our growing volunteer base (now 28 volunteers) and continued to deliver structured lifesaving education through both our pool and sea programmes. Alongside regular sessions, we widened our first aid and rescue training using new resources, including a choking trainer rescue vest, helping ensure our delivery remains safe, consistent and aligned to best practice.

We remain committed to developing both young people and volunteers through clear progression routes — from Nippers through to Youth awards and onward into future lifeguarding opportunities within our community.

Equipment & Maintenance

Secured funds enabled us to secure enough equipment so that we could grow the club this last season. We continued to invest in new or recycled equipment, ensuring our members had access to the best and safest gear for their water and land based activities and ensure we are spending charities money appropriately.

In addition to acquiring new equipment, we also dedicated resources to maintaining and repairing our existing equipment which not only ensures the safety of our members but also allows us to extend the lifespan of our equipment, reducing unnecessary waste and promoting sustainability.

We are committed to continuously improving and investing in our equipment to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for all members. This includes regular checks and maintenance, as well as upgrading equipment when necessary. Our goal is to provide the best possible resources for our members and volunteers while also being mindful of our impact on the environment.

Future Plans



We remain committed to creating a safe, welcoming environment where young people can learn about the sea, build confidence, and develop vital lifesaving skills.

Following another year of strong growth across both pool and sea programmes, our focus for the coming season is on sustainable expansion — ensuring that as demand increases, quality, safety and inclusion remain at the centre of everything we do. We will be reviewing our beach session numbers and structure to ensure we can continue to deliver efficient, effective training with appropriate supervision and equipment in place. Alongside this, we plan to further develop our pool sessions to better accommodate different ability levels, helping every young person progress at a pace that is right for them.

Accessibility will remain a core priority. We believe every child should have access to water safety education and recreational opportunities, regardless of background or financial circumstances. Building on the funded places delivered this season, we aim to dedicate even more time and energy to widening access in the years ahead — through funding, partnerships and practical support such as equipment provision.

We also plan to continue strengthening our community impact by working closely with schools and local community groups, expanding our education and awareness sessions and deepening partnerships such as our delivery alongside the RNLI. In parallel, we will continue to grow and develop our volunteer team through training opportunities, ensuring volunteers feel confident, qualified and well-supported.

To improve the reliability and efficiency of our delivery, a key practical goal for the forthcoming season is to secure suitable storage with easy access to our equipment and training resources. This will support smoother session delivery, protect vital safety equipment, and make it easier for volunteers to access what they need to run safe, high-quality sessions.

Finally, we will continue our fundraising efforts to sustain and expand the resources required to meet growing demand. We are extremely grateful to all funders, donors and supporters who have enabled us to develop this season, and we look forward to building on this progress — promoting water safety, environmental awareness and community development for the next generation.

Together, we can continue to make a positive impact and help create a safer future for young people across our local coastal communities.

Our Finances

The financial statements accompanying this report show net incoming resources for the club's activities as from the accounting period 01.04.24 – 31.03.25

Our principle source of income this last season was through donations, fundraising and club membership fees.

We also received generous donations from individuals and local businesses, as well as grants from community organizations. These contributions have allowed us to continue growing and providing valuable resources for our members.

We are committed to being transparent with our finances and ensuring that all funds are used effectively towards fulfilling our mission. As a charity organization, we strive to maximize the impact of every donation and make sure that our budget reflects our values and goals.

We are always looking for ways to increase our revenue streams, whether it be through fundraising events or partnerships with local businesses. We also work diligently to keep our expenses low, ensuring that the majority of our funds go directly towards supporting our activities and members.

Before any monies of value £500 and above are spent, a forum of at least three trustees must approve, to ensure responsible spending. Otherwise the Chair and / or Vice Chair can approve spend and both act as signatories.

Reimbursed expenses to trustees - this was £371 paid to David Collins

Saltdean Swim & Surf Club Charity Report



	Lottery Community Fund	Telscombe town council	Charity night	Crowdfunder	Fundraising	Total restricted
Closing restricted balance as at 31st March 2024						3796
donations						
main grant	5500					5500
donation for 5 children subs and boards		2140				2140
charity night			566			566
crowdfunder				96.88		97
					115.68	116
total income received	5500	2140	566	96.88	115.68	8419
Payments						
Pool hire						1916
Swimming lessons						75
Equipment						9162
Total payments						11153
Closing restricted balance as at 31st March 2025						1062



Charity Structure, Governance and Management

The charity trustees are responsible for the overall management and control of the Saltdean Swim & Surf Club and meet monthly with breaks in summer and winter for our volunteers.

The work of implementing the club's policies is carried out by the trustees. No trustee or person connected with a trustee received any financial benefit from the club.

The charity is governed by a set of policies and procedures, including a safeguarding policy to ensure the safety and well-being of our members. We also have a code of conduct in place for all volunteers, members and families to uphold our values and create a positive environment for everyone.

We are committed to regularly reviewing and updating these policies to ensure that they reflect best practices and align with our mission and vision.

In addition to the trustees, we also have a dedicated team of volunteers who help with various aspects of the club's operations. These volunteers play an integral role in helping us achieve our goals and make a difference in the community.

We are constantly looking for ways to improve our governance and management structure, as well as engage more individuals in key roles within the charity. We value diversity and welcome individuals from all backgrounds to join our team and contribute their unique skills and perspectives.

We believe that strong governance and effective management are crucial for the success of any charity and we are committed to upholding these standards to ensure the sustainability and growth of our organization and aim to further training of our trustees over the coming seasons.

Overall, we are a dedicated team working towards a common goal - to create a safe, inclusive, and sustainable community through water-based activities and we are committed to being a well-run and transparent charity that puts the needs of our community first. We welcome any feedback or suggestions on how we can continue to improve and make a positive impact in our local communities.

Trustees

- Chair - Matt Coyne, Chair - April 2022
- Vice Chair - Richard Valder Davies - April 2022
- David Collins - Trustee - April 2022
- Graeme Forrest - Trustee - April 2022
- Kevin Pope - Trustee - April 2022
- Sarah Penrose - Treasurer - March 2024

- Anna Glazebrook - Treasurer - April 2022 - March 2024
- Phillip Gilbert - Trustee - April 2022 - December 2024



Conclusion

The 2024–2025 season has been one of our busiest and most impactful to date. From growing membership and an expanding volunteer team, to increased community delivery, investment in equipment, and strengthened partnerships, Saltdean Swim & Surf Club continues to evolve as a trusted, valued presence within our coastal community.

Our work goes far beyond teaching lifesaving skills or encouraging physical activity. We are building confidence, resilience and responsibility in young people, while fostering a culture of safety, inclusion and environmental respect. Every session delivered, every volunteer trained, and every child supported reflects our belief that access to water safety education should be available to all, regardless of background.

As we look ahead, our focus is clear: to grow sustainably, widen access, strengthen our training pathways, and deepen our impact across schools and community groups. With the continued support of our volunteers, funders, partners and families, we are well positioned to meet the challenges and opportunities of the coming seasons.

Saltdean Swim & Surf Club is a community in motion; busy, ambitious and purpose-driven. Together, we are helping to create a safer, more confident and more connected future for the young people who live, learn and grow along our coastline.

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Charity Report Signed on behalf of Saltdean Swim & Surf Club Trustee's by:

Matt Coyne

Chair of Saltdean Swim & Surf Club

8 December 2025