



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date				Period end date		
From	01	10	2021	To	30	09	2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name Solent Rescue

Other names charity is known by N/A

Registered charity number (if any) 267039

Charity's principal address 12 Culford Avenue, Southampton, Hampshire

Postcode SO40 9BY

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	Carl Seabourne	Chair	Appointed Sept 2022	Members of the charity
2	Lee Cooper	Lifeboat Operations Manager		Members of the charity
3	Bruce McKoen	Secretary	Appointed Dec 2022	Members of the charity
4	Russell Hemmings	Treasurer	Appointed Sep 2022	Members of the charity
5	Linda White	Fund Raising Manager	Appointed July 2022	Members of the charity
6	Nathan Mansbridge		Appointed Dec 2022	Members of the charity
7	Cameron Critchfield	Chair	Resigned Sept 2022	Members of the charity
8	Aldred Drummond		Resigned Dec 2022	Members of the charity
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
N/A	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
N/A		

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution, first adopted in 1972
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Unincorporated
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Nominated by other trustees/members and voted in by trustees/members at the AGM

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

As per constitution

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

Inshore lifeboat service to help save life and protect those in positions of difficulty within the Western Solent.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Section 17(5) of the Charities Act and the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 require the trustees of a charity to have regard to the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance would be relevant. All trustees are aware of this guidance.

Training the crew both landside and on the boats is extremely important in being able to provide for the public benefit as is the correct boat maintenance.

Operationally Solent rescue have attended 46 incidents during the 2021/22 season which is the highest number on record for our unit. This included operations that directly resulted in lives being saved. In addition to our operations training is ongoing with our training manager assembling a small team to implement a new training system for 2023. In total for the 21/22 season there was 124 training sessions held equating to 831 hours and 19 minutes of voluntary service on training alone.

Land side operations have seen an increase in attendance over the last year, this ensures we have a presence at Lepe Country Park and are on hand to offer support to the Country Park should an incident occur.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Solent Rescue does not provide grant facilities and does not have a programme of investment. All grants and donations are solely used for the purpose of crew training and boat operations and maintenance.

There are no paid members of the Charity, all members of Solent Rescue are volunteers. The charity relies on these volunteers to crew the boats, maintain a landside operation within Lepe Country Park and maintain all the Solent Rescue assets.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Operationally Solent rescue have attended 46 incidents during the 2021/22 season which is the highest number on record for our unit. This included operations that directly resulted in lives being saved. In addition to our operations training is ongoing with our training manager assembling a small team to implement a new training system for 2023. This will no doubt help massively in working towards our declared unit status. In total for the year 21/22 season there was 124 training sessions held equating to 831 hours and 19 minutes of voluntary service on training alone.

Land side operations have seen an increase in attendance over the last year which is a real positive as this is something that we have historically struggled with. This ensures we have a presence at Lepe and are on hand to offer support to the country park should an incident occur.

Recruitment is ongoing with a strong process put into place by our recruitment manager. Overall, the main method of recruitment appears to be face to face interaction with members of the public often at fundraising events.

Both boats, Solent rescue 1 and Solent rescue 2, remain fully operational with a full maintenance procedure being carried out by our maintenance manager and outsourced when a higher level of expertise is required. The same can be said about our launch vehicle and land response asset Solent rescue mobile. Our lookout is now fully operational with all the relevant IT equipment to aid in the smoothing running of operations and has a full clinical suit to receive casualties ensuring the best possible care whilst ensuring their privacy and dignity. Away from operations there has been a keen focus on improving the governance for Solent rescue. This includes:

- Improved record keeping
- Monthly trustee meeting
- Working on a revised constitution, bringing it in line with the charity commissions gold standard template
- Improvements to our financial security process such as addition of dual signatures on the bank account and spending reviews by the trustees before a financial commitment is made.

In summary Solent Rescue saw an extremely busy 21/22 season demonstrating its ability to flex to demand. We remain operational at sea and on land and are fully trained and equipped to respond to all emergency within our remit. We continue to improve our processes to ensure the charity remains strong in all aspects and as a going concern.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

In the last AGM the value of the reserves was increased to £25,000 from £10,000. This is in recognition of the continuing increase in prices to maintain the 2 boats.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The principle income for Solent Rescue is generated through grants from local and national businesses. Solent Rescue has a fund raising manager responsible for this, street collections are also organised through the year to not only raise funds for the charity but also to raise the awareness of the charity in the local community.

Section F

Other optional information

N/A

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

RUSSELL HEMMINGS

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

TREASURER

Date

18/5/23

P&L for the period 1/10/21 to 30/9/22 for Solent Rescue Charity Registration 267039

	2021/22	2021/22	2020/21	2020/21
Grants	£40,464		£38,871	
Donations	£9,544		£2,853	
Total Income		£50,007		£41,724
Profit / (loss) on sale of assets		(£176)		£0
Fuel	(£4,159)		(£1,605)	
Maintenance	(£10,840)		(£18,658)	
Berthing	£0		(£333)	
Road vehicle costs	(£2,763)		(£1,589)	
Transportation	£0		£0	
Medical	(£512)		(£1,523)	
Training	(£582)		(£275)	
Crew gear	(£2,564)		(£2,198)	
Expenses	£0		£0	
Misc	(£1,816)		(£1,872)	
Depreciation	(£20,989)		(£16,584)	
Total Expenditure		(£44,225)		(£44,637)
Surplus / (Deficit) for the period		£5,606		(£2,913)
Opex Expenditure	£44,225		£44,637	
Less Depreciation	(£20,989)		(£16,584)	
Opex Cash Expenditure		£23,236		£28,053
Capex Additions	£30,240		£0	
Less Asset Disposals				
Asset 1	£0		(£1,220)	
Capex Expenditure		£30,240		(£1,220)
Total Expenditure		£53,477		£26,833

Balance Sheet for Solent Rescue as at 30/9/22

	30/09/2022	30/09/2022	30/09/2021	30/09/2021
Buildings	£22,729		£17,051	
Boats and vehicles	£58,292		£53,962	
Personal crew protection	£0		£933	
Total Fixed Assets		£81,021		£71,946
Cash in hand at at bank	£67,011		£71,268	
Debtors	£4,117		£3,329	
Current Assets		£71,128		£74,597
Current Liabilities		£0		£0
Total Assets and Liabilities		£152,149		£146,543
Capital and Reserves				
Reserves B'fwd	£146,543		£149,456	
Surplus / (deficit) in period	£5,606		(£2,913)	
Total Capital and Reserves		£152,149		£146,543

Solent Rescue has no long term debts / liabilities at the time of the creation of this balance sheet
Solent Rescue aim to hold a cash reserve of £25,000 at all times, raised from £10,000 following the latest AGM proposal to ensure sufficient funding for boat maintenance

On behalf of Solent Rescue and to the best of our knowledge, all Information in this trustees report is a true and fair view as at 24/03/2023.

Signed



RUSSELL HEMMINGS (ACMA CGMA)

18/05/2023



CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Solent Rescue

On accounts for the year
ended

Sept 2022

Charity no
(if any)

267039

Set out on pages

1-7

(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 **30/09/2022**.

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 (other than that disclosed below *) 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.

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

Signed:

[Signature]

Date:

18/11/23

Name:

J. Stanbrooke

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

CIMA

Address:

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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.