



# Sandown & Shanklin Independent Lifeboat

## Trustees Annual Report

1 November 2019 – 31 October 2020

Charity No: 299584

Sandown & Shanklin Independent Lifeboat  
Western Esplanade  
Sandown  
Isle of Wight PO36 8JS

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## Introduction



Sandown & Shanklin Independent Lifeboat is a charitable and not-for-profit organisation created with the aim of preserving human life by providing a 24/7 emergency lifesaving service around the south coast of the Isle of Wight. The charity is run entirely by volunteers from the local Sandown and Shanklin community and receives no funding from the government. It is also not affiliated to the RNLI.

Sandown bay is one of the main tourist attractions on the Isle of Wight offering stunning beaches, swimming, windsurfing, paragliding and fossil hunting. In addition, Sandown and Shanklin hold various beach related events throughout the year including regattas, swimming races and fun runs. The Sandown & Shanklin Independent Lifeboat provides the safety for these events and therefore not only supports the massive tourist influx to Sandown Bay by providing sea and beach safety, but also supports the local community in its beach related community events. In addition, crew members from the Sandown & Shanklin Independent Lifeboat visit local schools and organisations giving water safety training and give sea awareness talks to local organisations.

Sandown & Shanklin Independent Lifeboat is a highly visible and integral part of the local Sandown and Shanklin community. It develops members of the local community and helps to encourage more people to use Sandown Bay's beaches safely.

## **Governance**



### **Constitution**

The governance of the Sandown & Shanklin Independent Lifeboat is defined in its Constitution which was last amended in 2018. The charity is constituted as a trust and has its financial year end on 31 October.

### **Patron**

The Sandown & Shanklin Independent Lifeboat is proud and honoured that Mrs. Susie Sheldon, Lord Lieutenant of the Isle of Wight, is the charity's patron.

### **Trustees**

The constitution endows the members of the Sandown & Shanklin Independent Lifeboat with the power to appoint up to 5 of their number to be Trustees. The Trustees as at the end of 2019/2020 are:

Mark Birch (Operations Manager & Lead Coxswain), Sue Bavington, Christopher Bartlett (2nd Coxswain, Training Officer) & Richard Burns (Deputy Launch Authority)

### **Management Committee**

The Trustees of Sandown & Shanklin Independent Lifeboat are invested by the Constitution with the power to appoint a Management Committee to oversee the general management of the charity. The members of the Management Committee as at the end of 31 October 2020 are:

Mark Birch (Operations Manager), Christopher Bartlett, Richard Burns, Sarah Bartlett (Acting Honorary Secretary) & Jennifer Venables (Acting Honorary Treasurer)

## **Charitable Objectives**



The objectives of Sandown & Shanklin Independent Lifeboat are to preserve and save life at sea for the benefit of the public by:

The promotion of technical education in life saving and resuscitation of the apparently drowned, and to provide suitable training of personnel.

The provision of volunteer life-saving services to the beaches and coastline in the area from Bembridge West to St Catherine's Point, and to ensure that this service is efficient and dependable in every way.

The promotion of sea awareness and the principles which underline safety at sea through public lectures, demonstrations, classes of instruction and competitions.



## **Achievements and Performance**



### **Lifesaving**

Sandown & Shanklin Independent Lifeboat provided 24/7 emergency support 365 days last year. The lifeboat was specifically called upon to attend 38 emergency lifesaving situations. All callouts were successful with no loss of life. There were more call outs despite Covid 19 and the pandemic. Many of which related to suicide attempts. All call outs were subject to adherence, where practically possible, to restrictions imposed due to Covid 19. In addition, whenever possible, the lifeboat provided a visible presence at sea during peak season, giving sea safety advice where necessary, and responded to requests by local authorities to curb anti-social or dangerous behaviour by members of the general public using Sandown Bay.

### **Training**

All members of the lifeboat crew voluntarily give up their time on Wednesday evenings and Sundays throughout the year to train new crew members and to provide the mutual support required to ensure that all crew members have the highest possible knowledge of sea safety and experience. In addition, various crew members have voluntarily attended professional sea safety and first aid courses. The level of commitment shown by the crew to training ensures that Sandown & Shanklin Independent Lifeboat can provide the best possible emergency service.

### **Presentations**

Sandown & Shanklin Independent Lifeboat was unable to make any sea awareness presentations this year due to Covid 19. The charity hopes to continue this vital work in the coming year once restrictions imposed by the government due to the pandemic have been lifted.

## **Financial Review**



### **Cash Reserves**

The cash receipts and payments are presented below. As of the 31 October 2020 the charity had a bank cash reserve of £231,269 which was split between operational reserves and the funds donated for the new build of the lifeboat station extension. The charity has adopted a low-risk strategy on the investment of reserves and holds the cash in two bank accounts: a major part of the cash reserve is invested in an interest-bearing savings bank account; the remaining funds required for operational purposes are held in a separate running account.

### **Fundraising**

The Sandown & Shanklin Independent Lifeboat has a dedicated team of volunteer fundraisers who man a lifeboat stall at local events and raise money. The stall sells items kindly donated by the general public, branded lifeboat merchandise and raises money through tombolas, raffles and other attractions. The team consists primarily of:

Mary Birch, Angie Burns, Jackie Kelly, Katrina Kelly, Keith Kelly, Janet O'Mara & Samantha Smitherham

The team is also supported by members of the lifeboat crew and the management committee.

The Trustees would like to express their gratitude to the dedication and hard work of all fundraisers.

Unfortunately, due to Covid 19 all fundraising events were cancelled in the current financial year.

### **Donations**

The Sandown & Shanklin Independent Lifeboat gratefully received a total of £13,186 in donations this year.

### **Collection Boxes**

Numerous businesses in Sandown and Shanklin kindly agreed to collect funds for the Sandown & Shanklin Independent Lifeboat by displaying collection boxes on counters and other locations within

their business. The Trustees are grateful to all the local businesses and organisations who have supported the charity in this way.

### **Grants**

Sandown & Shanklin Independent Lifeboat gratefully accepted a grant of £15,116 from the Department of Transport (Inshore and Inland Rescue Boat Grant Fund). This grant was allocated to new boat modifications; life jackets; helmet lights; dry suits; rib hoist with ladder; Salvare Minipod 1.4; a starter charger unit; and handheld VHF.

### **HMRC**

Sandown & Shanklin Independent Lifeboat received £1,433 from HMRC from the Gift Aid Small Donations Scheme (GASDS) for the tax year 2018–19.

### **Lotto**

Sandown & Shanklin Independent Lifeboat received £15,989 from The Lifeboat Lotto Scheme this year, an average of £1,332 per month. This represented an increase of £574 in the current financial year.

### **The New Build Fund**

The appeal for funds to build a new extension to the existing lifeboat station was launched in 2004. The target amount was set at £150,000. As at the end of the last financial year the fund stood at £95,544.

No further work has been done on the new build this year due to Covid 19. However, there was a cliff fall which necessitated the instruction of a surveyor and the removal of cliff waste. The fund reserved for the new build stands at £94,425 as at the end of 2020.

### **The New Boat**

The new Atlantic 75 is still being stored and worked on by Will Squibb Ltd, Attrills Yard, The Duver, St Helens, Isle of Wight, PO33 1YB. £12,897 was spent on the new boat in 2020. The new boat has now had the following fitted namely the A Frame; the console; skin fittings; and hydraulic steering.



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**Sandown & Shanklin Independent Lifeboat**

(Registered Charity No 299584 )

**Income & Expenditure Report for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> October 2020**

| INCOME            |                  | EXPENDITURE             |                  |
|-------------------|------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| Collections       | 2.415,00         | Clothing                | 309,00           |
| Donations         | 13.186,00        | Food, Drink, Detergents | 252,00           |
| Eco               | 237,00           | Fuel                    | 864,00           |
| Fundraising       | 1.587,00         | Fundraising Costs       | 420,00           |
| Funeral Donations | 150,00           | Insurance               | 1.778,00         |
| Grants            | 16.116,00        | New Boat                | 12.897,00        |
| HMRC              | 1.433,00         | New Build               | 1.119,00         |
| Internet Giving   | 59,00            | Phone & Pagers          | 2.493,00         |
| Lotto             | 15.989,00        | Post                    |                  |
|                   |                  | PPE                     | 10.401,00        |
| Bank Interest     | 89,00            | Premises costs          | 1.668,00         |
| Misc              | 34               | Stationery              | 299,00           |
|                   |                  | Tractor/Boat Costs      | 3.081,00         |
|                   |                  | Training                |                  |
|                   |                  | Travel                  |                  |
|                   |                  | Misc                    | 23,00            |
|                   |                  | Sundry                  |                  |
|                   |                  | Surplus/(Deficit)       | 15.691,00        |
|                   | <u>51.295,00</u> |                         | <u>51.295,00</u> |

|         |  |                   |
|---------|--|-------------------|
| Summary | Opening Balances as at 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2019 | 215.578,00        |
|         | Income   | 51.295,00         |
|         | Expenditure  | <u>35.604,00</u>  |
|         | Closing Balances as at 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2020 | <u>231.269,00</u> |

|                 |                  |                   |
|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Represented by: |                  |                   |
| General Account | General Funds    | 2.581,00          |
|                 | Projects Reserve |                   |
| Savings         | General Funds    | 228.688,00        |
|                 | Projects Reserve | <u>231.269,00</u> |

I have scrutinised the above Income & Expenditure Report for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020 with reference to the records and information supplied and confirm that this represents a true and fair view of the fund for the year.

39, High Street  
Shanklin, I.W.

Martin Bridges



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Sandown & Shanklin Independent Lifeboat

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## Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period  
from

01/11/19

To

31/10/20

### Section A Receipts and payments

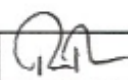

|                                       | Unrestricted<br>funds<br>to the nearest £ | Restricted<br>funds<br>to the nearest £ | Endowment<br>funds<br>to the nearest £ | Total funds<br>to the nearest £ | Last year<br>to the nearest £ |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|--|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>A1 Receipts</b>                    |   |   |  |                                 |                               |
| Bank Receipts                         | 33.764                                    | 15.116                                  | -                                      | 48.880                          | 63.392                        |
| Cash Receipts                         | 2.756                                     | -                                       | -                                      | 2.756                           | 734                           |
|                                       | -   | -                                       | -                                      | -                               | -                             |
|                                       | -   | -                                       | -                                      | -                               | -                             |
|                                       | -   | -                                       | -                                      | -                               | -                             |
|                                       | -   | -                                       | -                                      | -                               | -                             |
|                                       | -   | -                                       | -                                      | -                               | -                             |
| <b>Sub total (Gross income for</b>    | <b>36.520</b>                             | <b>15.116</b>                           | <b>-</b>                               | <b>51.636</b>                   | <b>64.126</b>                 |
| <b>A2 Asset and investment sales,</b> |   |   |  |                                 |                               |
|                                       | -   | -                                       | -                                      | -                               | -                             |
|                                       | -   | -                                       | -                                      | -                               | -                             |
| <b>Sub total</b>                      | <b>-</b>                                  | <b>-</b>                                | <b>-</b>                               | <b>-</b>                        | <b>-</b>                      |
| <b>Total receipts</b>                 | <b>36.520</b>                             | <b>15.116</b>                           | <b>-</b>                               | <b>51.636</b>                   | <b>64.126</b>                 |
| <b>A3 Payments</b>                    |   |   |  |                                 |                               |
| Bank Payments                         | 19.369                                    | 16.235                                  | -                                      | 35.604                          | 47.195                        |
| Cash Payments                         | 690                                       | -                                       | -                                      | 690                             | -                             |
|                                       | -   | -                                       | -                                      | -                               | -                             |
|                                       | -   | -                                       | -                                      | -                               | -                             |
|                                       | -   | -                                       | -                                      | -                               | -                             |
|                                       | -   | -                                       | -                                      | -                               | -                             |
|                                       | -   | -                                       | -                                      | -                               | -                             |
|                                       | -   | -                                       | -                                      | -                               | -                             |
| <b>Sub total</b>                      | <b>20.059</b>                             | <b>16.235</b>                           | <b>-</b>                               | <b>36.294</b>                   | <b>47.195</b>                 |
| <b>A4 Asset and investment</b>        |   |   |  |                                 |                               |
|                                       | -   | -                                       | -                                      | -                               | -                             |
|                                       | -   | -                                       | -                                      | -                               | -                             |
| <b>Sub total</b>                      | <b>-</b>                                  | <b>-</b>                                | <b>-</b>                               | <b>-</b>                        | <b>-</b>                      |
| <b>Total payments</b>                 | <b>20.059</b>                             | <b>16.235</b>                           | <b>-</b>                               | <b>36.294</b>                   | <b>47.195</b>                 |
| <b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>     | <b>16.461</b>                             | <b>- 1.119</b>                          | <b>-</b>                               | <b>15.342</b>                   | <b>16.931</b>                 |
| <b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>     | <b>-</b>                                  | <b>-</b>                                | <b>-</b>                               | <b>-</b>                        | <b>-</b>                      |
| <b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>    | <b>120.769</b>                            | <b>95.544</b>                           | <b>-</b>                               | <b>216.313</b>                  | <b>-</b>                      |
| <b>Cash funds this year end</b>       | <b>137.230</b>                            | <b>94.425</b>                           | <b>-</b>                               | <b>231.655</b>                  | <b>16.931</b>                 |

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

| Categories  | Details   | Unrestricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Restricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Endowment funds<br>to nearest £ |
|---|---|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>B1 Cash funds</b>                                | Cash at Bank  | 136,845                            | 94,425                           | -                               |
|   | Petty Cash  | 385                                | -                                | -                               |
|   |   | -                                  | -                                | -                               |
|   | <b>Total cash funds</b><br>(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s)) | <b>137,230</b>                     | <b>94,425</b>                    | <b>-</b>                        |
|   |   | OK                                 | OK                               | OK                              |
|   |   | Unrestricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Restricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Endowment funds<br>to nearest £ |
| <b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>                     |   | -                                  | -                                | -                               |
|   |   | -                                  | -                                | -                               |
|   |   | -                                  | -                                | -                               |
|   |   | -                                  | -                                | -                               |
|   |   | -                                  | -                                | -                               |
|   |   | -                                  | -                                | -                               |
|   |   | -                                  | -                                | -                               |
| <b>B3 Investment assets</b>                         |   |                                    | Cost (optional)                  | Current value (optional)        |
|   |   |                                    | -                                | -                               |
|   |   |                                    | -                                | -                               |
|   |   |                                    | -                                | -                               |
|   |   |                                    | -                                | -                               |
|   |   |                                    | -                                | -                               |
| <b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b> |   | Fund to which asset belongs        | Cost (optional)                  | Current value (optional)        |
|   | Land (4 beach huts equivalent)  |                                    | -                                | 180,000                         |
|   | New Boat  |                                    | -                                | 45,000                          |
|   | New Build (at cost)   |                                    | -                                | 30,472                          |
|   | New Tractor   |                                    | -                                | 16,000                          |
|   | Boat Trailers   |                                    | -                                | 15,000                          |
|   | Boat (Dove II)  |                                    | -                                | 10,000                          |
|   | Old Tractor   |                                    | -                                | 5,000                           |
|   | Direction Finding Radio   |                                    | -                                | 2,000                           |
|   | Total   |                                    | -                                | 303,472                         |
| <b>B5 Liabilities</b>                               |   | 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 |
|---|------------|------------------|
|  | R BURNS    | 14 JUL 21        |
|  | M. BIRCH   | 14 JUL 21        |





Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Sandown & Shanklin Independent Lifeboat

On accounts for the year  
ended

31<sup>st</sup> October 2020

Charity no  
(if any) 299584

Set out on pages

N/A

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 / 10 / 2020.

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

As the charity trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with 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 Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

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

Signed:

M Bridges

Date:

6TH MAY 2021

Name:

Martin Bridges

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

N/A

Address:

39 High Street, Shanklin, I.W.

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**Section B**

**Disclosure**

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 details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.**

None

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### **Trustee Sign Off**

The trustees declare that they have approved this report.

Signed by the following trustees:

**Signature**



**Mark Birch**

**Full name**

**Trustee & Operations Manager**

**Position**

**2 August 2021**

**Date**

**Signature**



**Full name**

**Christopher Bartlett**

**Position**

**Trustee & Training Officer**

**Date**

**2 August 2021**

**Signature**



**Full name**

**Richard Burns**

**Position**

**Trustee**

**Date**

**2 August 2021**