



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From : 1st April 2024 Period start date To: 31st March 2025 Period end date

Charity name: Wandsworth Chelsea and Fulham Unit 278 of the Sea Cadet Corps

Charity registration number: 303283

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The charitable purpose of the Unit (the Purpose) is to promote the development of young people in achieving their physical, intellectual and social potential as individuals and as responsible citizens by the provision of education and leisure time activities using a nautical theme and in accordance with the principles, ethos and practices of the Marine Society & Sea Cadets.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	By providing education and training including but not restricted to: sailing (inshore and offshore), paddle sports, power boating, seamanship, navigation, marine engineering, cooking, music, first aid, piping and public services, we offer young people a structured environment in which to develop. We also provide opportunities for young people to obtain a range of qualifications as well as opportunities for community involvement.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	In carrying out the charitable purpose the Unit and Trustees have regard to the aim and values of the Sea Cadet Corps and the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Additional information (optional)

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	N/R
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/R
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	All the charities functions are carried out by volunteers. There are no salaried staff.
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>The majority of WSC cadets are resident in Wandsworth and represent a social mix with two cadets at present under social care orders; two others with a Statement of Special Educational Needs and one with a physical disability. Cadets learn and compete in boat handling, canoeing & sailing, navigation, meteorology & marine engineering.</p> <p>Since April 2024, Cadets have achieved a remarkable 272 qualifications, reflecting both breadth and depth across training areas. Twenty of these have been earned in specialist disciplines such as First Aid and Physical Training, while others include 33 British Rowing awards, 9 RYA Powerboat qualifications, 15 UK Paddle-sports certifications, 8 Offshore Sailing achievements, 5 BTEC awards, and 5 Duke of Edinburgh completions. The remaining qualifications span a wide range of proficiency awards in Navigation, Meteorology, Community Work, Fieldcraft, and Personal Development.</p> <p>Currently, eight Cadets are working towards Bronze DofE, four towards Silver, and five towards Gold. In addition, three Cadets are undertaking instructor training in Powerboating and Paddle-sports, strengthening our future capacity for peer-led instruction.</p> <p>Outside of regular parade nights, Cadets have taken part in four training weekends, attended summer camp, and participated in nationally hosted training events. The unit has also welcomed over 300 visiting Cadets from districts across London, offering them a hands-on experience of our programme and facilities.</p>

Additional information (optional)

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The charity showed a loss for the year of £5,382 . This included a restricted grant of £4,385 which had been spent by year end. Our unrestricted reserves decreased to £35,388 and our restricted reserves to £13,500 .
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Our reserves are the accumulated net income of the charity since inception which has included legacies and other donations. They provide a financial buffer against both expected and unexpected costs.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£48,888 .
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	

Additional information (optional)

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Grants and donations. Cadet subscriptions. Unit fundraising activities.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	All reserves are held on short-term deposits with major financial institutions and covered by the FSCS compensation scheme.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	Please see section above: "Explanation of any uncertainties etc".
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document	Para 1.25	Trust deed.
How is the charity constituted?	Para 1.25	Un-incorporated association.
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Elected/Re-elected at AGM.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees.	Para 1.51	Trustees have to attend an onboarding courses run by the Marine Society on safeguarding and health and safety within a set period of joining.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	The charity is affiliated to the Marine Society and Sea Cadets, a national charity.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Wandsworth Chelsea and Fulham Unit 278 of the Sea Cadet Corps
Other name the charity uses	Wandsworth Sea Cadets
Registered charity number	303283
Charity's principal address	Ashlone Buildings Putney Embankment London SW15 1LB

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)
Liv Gussing	Chair		
Henry Fowkes	Co-chair		
Philip Forrester	Treasurer		
Emma Fyers			

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
N/A		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
N/A		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	None.
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)**Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)**

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

--

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

--

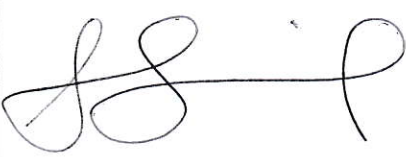

Other optional information

--

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	LIV GUSSING	PHILIP FORRESTER
Position	TRUSTEE AND CHAIR	TREASURER
Date	13/10/2025	13.10.2025



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Wandsworth, Chelsea and Fulham Sea Cadets

303283

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

Period start date
01/04/2024

To

Period end date
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					
Rental income from hire of hall	£3,670			£3,670	£24,106
Fundraising	£333			£333	£857
Grants non-specific	£9,300			£9,300	£6,490
Cadet subscriptions	£6,372			£6,372	£5,858
MSSC	£5,042			£5,042	£0
Grants for specific items	£0	£4,385		£4,385	£6,500
Interest	£1,582			£1,582	£1,331
Other	£1,618			£1,618	£1,693
Sub total	£27,916	£4,385		£32,301	£46,835
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
None	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0
	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0
Sub total	£0	£4,385	£0	£0	£0
Total receipts	£27,916	£4,385	£0	£32,301	£46,835
A3 Payments					
Rent and Council Tax	£13,288			£13,288	£13,275
Utilities & telephone	£5,609			£5,609	£14,396
New boats	£5,075			£5,075	£0
Maintenance - buildings, boats, vehicles	£4,851			£4,851	£2,407
Miscellaneous	£7,044			£7,044	£2,299
Insurance	£1,650			£1,650	£1,634
Fuel and travel	£165			£165	£1,660
Computer and other equipment	£0			£0	£463
New motor vehicles	£0			£0	£0
Sub total	£37,682			£37,681	£36,133
A4 Asset and investment purchases					
	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0
	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0
Sub total	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0
Total payments	£37,682	£0	£0	£37,681	£36,133
Net of receipts/(payments)	-£9,766	£4,385	£0	-£5,382	£10,702
A5 Transfers between funds	£4,385	-£4,385	£0	£0	£0
A6 Cash funds last year end	£40,770	£13,500	£0	£54,270	£43,568
Cash funds this year end	£35,388	£13,500	£0	£48,888	£54,270

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	Cash at hand	£35,388	£13,500	£0
				£0
				£0
	Total cash funds	£35,388	£13,500	£0


	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	None	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets	None		-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	None		-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	None		-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Philip Forrester	13/10/2025

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the Wandsworth Chelsea and Fulham Unit 278 of the Sea Cadet Corps

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025 which are set out in the attached Trustees' Annual Report and Receipts and Payments Account.

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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those 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.



John Howard FCA
Azets Audit Services
2nd Floor, Regis House,
45 King William Street,
London, EC4R 9AN

Date: 10 December 2025
Date:

We are an accounting, tax, audit, advisory and businesses services group that delivers a personal experience both digitally and at your door.

Accounting | Tax | Audit | Advisory | Technology