

RHONDDA UNIT 485 OF THE SEA CADET CORPS

England & Wales · Charity number 701058

Details

Other names	RHONDDA SEA CADET CORPS, T.S. MINERVA
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Status	Registered
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Legal form	Other
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Registered	1989-01-05
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Register	View on the Charity Commission register
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Activities

Objects: 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 (MSSC).

Activities: Rhondda Sea Cadets is a voluntary, uniformed youth organisation open to young people 12-17 years and a junior section 9-11 years regardless of sex, religion or race and within the bounds of safety to themselves and others, to those with special needs. The aim of the organisation is to help young people towards responsible adulthood by encouraging valuable personal attributes and high standards

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Education/training, Disability, Religious Activities, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport, Environment/conservation/heritage, Recreation, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** RHONDDA
- Rhondda Cynon Taff

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£28,611	£28,072	-	-
2024-03-31	£22,092	£24,796	-	-
2023-03-31	£13,788	£24,819	-	-
2022-03-31	£16,432	£20,775	-	-
2021-03-31	£50,761	£28,581	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
JEREMY WILLIAMS	Chair	
Fred Stanley		2019-10-14
Graham Warner		2021-12-20
Hannah Wilkinson		2025-10-23
MR BOB EVANS		
Mathew Symes		2021-12-20
REVEREND JOHN COOKE		
Sharon Smith		2024-10-24

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Rhondda Sea cadet Unit 485 Of The Sea Cadet Corps

**Report and
Receipts and Payments Accounts**

31st March 2025

The Charity Registration Number is: 701058

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2025

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The Trustees present their Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025

Reference and administrative details

1. The charity name

The legal name of the charity is: Rhondda Unit 485 Of the Sea Cadet Corps.

The charity is also known by its operating name, Milford Haven Sea Cadets & Royal Marines Cadets.

2. The charity's areas of operation and UK charitable registration.

The charity is registered in England & Wales with the Charity Commission in England & Wales (CCEW) with charity number 701058

3. Legal structure of the charity

The charity is constituted as an unincorporated charity, established by a written constitution. The governing document of the charity is the written constitution approved by the members and endorsed by the Charity Commission in England & Wales (CCEW).

There are no restrictions in the governing documents on the operation of the Charity or on its investment powers other than those imposed by Charity Law.

The trustees are all individuals. Trustees are appointed or re-appointed at the Annual General Meeting each year.

4. The principal operating address is:

Rhondda Sea Cadets,
Llwynypia Road,
Llwynypia,
Rhondda-Cynon-Taff,
CF40 2JQ.

5. Trustees

Mr Jeremy Williams (Chair)
Petty Officer Rhys Davies (Commanding Officer)

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Mr Robert Evans (Vice Chair)

Miss Fred Stanley Treasurer

Mr Graham Warner

Mr Mathew Symes

Mrs Sharon Smith

Padre John Cooke

Objects and activities of the charity

6. Events and charitable activities for the public benefit

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 (MSSC),

In planning our activities, we keep in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit at our trustee meetings.

Achievement and Performance

7. Charitable activities

Throughout this financial year, the Unit has continued to growth from strength to strength with an increase in both cadet numbers and adult volunteers. This is testament to the invaluable work and effort being expended by our dedicated trustees and instructional volunteers into making Rhondda Sea Cadets, a leading youth organisation within our community.

We have seen our young people take part in many different activities throughout our community such as events, services and parades. We also take great pride in our outdoor activities, which give our young people the chance to gain qualifications from various awarding bodies such as the Royal Yachting Association, Paddle UK and British Rowing.

Over the financial year we have received various grants throughout the year that have helped us progress with developing the unit infrastructure, including A grant to purchase our STEM sets a grant from RFCA Wales to send Cadets on a Challenge Wales voyage.

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We are as always very grateful to all our grant funders throughout 2024-25

This year the unit was delighted to be able to celebrate with a pennant from the organisation for performing highly as a Sea Cadet Unit. A massive well done to our cadets, adult volunteers and trustees for making this happen.

A huge thank you to our outstanding adult volunteers from the team of trustees to our uniformed and non-uniformed instructional volunteers, who throughout the year give their time to develop our amazing cadets and charity.

8. Financial Review

The Statement of Financial Activities for the year shows Total Receipts of £28611.54 and Payments of £28072.32 giving a net increase in funds of £539.22.

The Charity holds sufficient reserves and has enough funds set aside to ensure that the Unit can run for at least 6 months without any additional monies coming forward.

9. Statement of the Trustees' Responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the Charities Act 2011. The Trustees have elected to prepare accounts on a receipts and payments basis under section 133 of the Act. The accounts are a factual report of cash transactions in the reporting period.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. The trustees also have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and other irregularities.

10. Details of The Independent Examiner

This report was approved by the board of trustees on 23rd of October 2025.

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J K Williams

Mr Jeremy Williams
Chair

Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees of the charity on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025

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I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Rhondda Sea Cadet Unit 485 Of the Sea Cadet Corps for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and the Independent Examiner and the basis of the report

As the charity's trustees of Rhondda Sea Cadet Unit 485 Of the Sea Cadet Corps 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 Rhondda Sea Cadet Unit 485 Of the Sea Cadet Corps 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, Report and Opinion

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 Rhondda Unit 485 Of the Sea Corps 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.

Signed: **E A Lloyd**

Name E A Lloyd

This report was signed on 17th September 2025

RHONDDA SEA CADETS BALANCE END OF YEAR ACCOUNTS

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MARCH 31ST 2025

Balance brought Forward	£8472.69
Credit entries	<u>£28611.54</u>
	£37084.23

Debit Entries	£28072.32
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Carry forward 2023/2024	<u>£9011.89</u>
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	RECEIPTS	PAYMENTS
Parking Fine		£35.00
Minibus fuel		£2609.04
Minibus MOT&Repairs		£501.21
Minibus Insurance		£970.60
Minibus Tax		£165.00
Staff Fuel		£230.01
Minibus Tyers		£196.70
ICO Fee		£40.00
MSSC Fuel receipts	£538.35	
CFIW Training Grant	£900.00	£914.54
Stem Equipment Grant	£4320.00	£4786.80
YAP Foundation grant	£2000.00	
Youth Work SLA	£14052.50	
Boiler service		£95.00
Corps Commissionaire's Corps Veterans Donation	£250.00	
Boiler Repairs		£170.43
Junior training		£484.11
MSSC Affiliation Fee		£250.00
Gas		£809.24
Phone and internet		£547.09
Electricity		£765.43
Unit Insurance		£720.94
Welsh Water		£1687.50
Social activities		£650.01
Interlink RCT Grant	£1000.00	£1084.47
RFCA Grant Challenge Wales	£1576.61	£1425.00
RCT Grant	£957.00	£943.73
Building Maintenance		£485.13
Axe throwing sets		£170.90

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Office Equipment		£525.83
Table top display boards		£154.00
Fire Extinguisher Service		£99.00
Training		£1877.78
Grant Christmas party costs	£1000.00	
Christmas Meal Staff		£250.00
Christmas Meal & Cadet Party		£853.35
Halloween Party		£157.72
Easter Eggs		£174.47
Bonfire Night		£74.14
D of E		£136.55
Course Fees Kayaking		£58.40
MSSC Stores		£100.35
AGM/UR Refreshments		£112.90
Office Printer Ink		£204.32
Postage		£66.39
Ground rent		£100.00
Recruitment Equipment		£186.65
Misc. equipment		£193.66
Welsh Water		£1687.50
Subs	£2017.08	
McDonalds Cadets		£140.50
Carol Service + Selection boxes		£180.93
TOTAL	£28611.54	£28072.32

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Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025

1. Accounting policies relating to the production of the accounts.

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The accounts have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis in accordance with section 133 of the Charities Act 2011. The accounts are a factual report of cash transactions in the year and a statement of assets and liabilities at year end.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes. The Charity's funds are all unrestricted.

2. Salary costs and emoluments

There were no employees during the year.

3. Remuneration and payments to Trustees and persons connected with them

No trustees or persons connected with them received any remuneration from the charity, or any related entity



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FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name

Rhondda Unit 485 of the Sea Cadet Corps

On accounts for the year ended

2025

Charity no (if any)

701058

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Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

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:

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- 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:

E A Lloyd

Rhondda Sea Cadets

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Date:

17/09/2025

Name:

Elizabeth Ann LLoyd

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

Address:

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

Accounts

Rhondda Sea Cadets

TS Minerva

Llwynypia Road Llwynypia CF40 2JQ

Charity Registration Number: 701058

Trustees' Annual Report and accounts
for the period

1 Apr 2020 to 31 Mar 2021

Summary

1. Like many charities Rhondda Sea Cadets has experienced a challenging year managing the impacts of COVID. Fundraising was very successful this year, with the proceeds being much needed maintain a dialogue and online training with our cadets Despite COVID and the administrative challenges, Rhondda's dedicated instructors have managed to set up regular online training sessions for the cadets during part of the lockdown period. Objectives and Aims

2. The aim of Rhondda Sea Cadets remains to provide an important educational and training service for young people in the local community. A place where young people can meet regularly to learn about and participate in a wide range of maritime activities which help develop new life skills and experiences. We aim to deliver a range of training opportunities to young people who are seeking a challenge and excitement out of school.

3. In a year dominated by the COVID pandemic, with much of the period in lockdown or unable to hold Face to Face (F2F) cadet training, our typical annual objectives have had to change. Instead of trying to achieve three faces to face weekly training nights at the unit we have to revery to three nights of online training.

4. The unit continues to operate under the guiding rules of the Charity Commission and the direction of the Marine Society and Sea Cadets (MSSC) processes and procedures. The tools to verify our compliance remain visits by MSSC officials and the Unit Management Administration tool, jointly updated periodically.

Cadets, Staff, Volunteers and Community

5. Thankfully Cadet numbers have been stable during this period, it's hard to be certain if it was because we have suspended monthly subscriptions and we ran a busy online training programme. Several of the cadets have made use of the online training. Where possible this was made interactive, including training kits (such as knot tying kits) being sent to cadet homes so they could join in online. Now back to regular training, trustees and staff will need to focus on recruitment, which is generally quite successful in Rhondda.

6. Despite the temporary closure of the unit, staff, volunteers and trustees' have remained committed and on-call to support each other and the cadets during this period. There is probably more work to do to establish an effective succession plan which will be our next challenge.

7. Obviously with the COVID restrictions Rhondda Sea Cadets has not been able to reach out to the local community, which it normally has done for Remembrance Parades, fundraising, supporting other charities (such as the RNLI) and other local events.

Financial Review

8. Fundraising - The previous year's financial reports and advice from the Treasurer based on a financial year forecast, highlighted a need to increase fundraising to avoid an end of year deficit. Several grant applications were made,

which later included some offering support from the Coronavirus impacts. The financial report below reveals which grants were successful.

9.Expenditure – Due to the temporary closure of the unit and lockdown, our expenditure was lower than forecast. Accounts – With grants, COVID support, community funding, the End of Year accounts are looking healthy (see End of Year accounts below. Our accounts were independently examined by an accountant, the examiner's report is Enclosed.

Names of Trustees

Mr Jeremy Williams (Chair) Mrs Tracey Handley Mr Robert Evans (Vice Chair)

Mrs Lisa Richards (Secretary) Mr John Cooke (Padre) Miss F Stanley (Treasurer)
Mr Graham Warner Mr Phillip Selby Miss Kirsty Davies Mr Mathew Symes

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature **J K Williams**

Full Name Jeremy Keith Williams

Unit Management Committee acting Chairperson

Date: ____20/12/2021_____

RHONDDA SEA CADETS BALANCE END OF YEAR ACCOUNTS

MARCH 31ST 2020

Balance brought Forward	4370.82
Credit entries	<u>50761.89</u>
	55132.71

Debit Entries	<u>28581.22</u>
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Carry forward 2020/2021	<u>26551.49</u>
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	RECEIPTS	PAYMENTS
Venue Hire	528.00	
Minibus fuel MOT + REPAIRS		1586.91
Minibus Insurance		374.96
RFCA Laptops		1199.97
Covid NDR Payments	24000	
Phone and internet		338.65
Boiler cover		264.79
Youth Work Strat Grant	5000	
Grants	17915.92	15251.24
MSSC	804	417
Gas		748.74
Interlink tablets		999.95
Electricity		968
Fund Raising	2124.50	
Personal Donations	389.47	
Social		1428.09
Building Maintenance		1361.26
Training		1441.30
Postage		65.92
Ground rent		100
Unit Insurance		641.68
Misc. equipment		883.26
Welsh Water		159.50
Miscellaneous		350
TOTAL	£50761.89	£28581.22

Treasurer signed

Auditor signed

F Stanley

E A Lloyd

date 20/12/21

date 20/12/21

RHONDDA SEA CADETS BALANCE END OF YEAR ACCOUNTS

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Treasurer signed F Stanley

date 20/12/21

Auditor signed **E A Lloyd** date 20/12/21



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the
trustees/ members
of**

Charity Name

Rhondda Unit 485 of the Sea Cadet Corps

**On accounts for the
year ended**

2021

**Charity
no (if
any)**

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Signed: E A LLOYD

Date: 04/10/2021

Name: Elizabeth Ann LLoyd

**Relevant
professional**

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

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Blackwood Caerphilly
NP12 1WA

Section B

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