

Portobello Sailing and Kayaking Club
Scottish Charity Number – SC041579

Annual Report and Financial Statements
Year ended 31 March 2025

Trustees' Annual Report For the period ended 31 March 2025

The trustees have pleasure in presenting their report together with the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025

Reference and Administrative Information

Charity name

Portobello Sailing & Kayaking Club

Charity no

SC041579

Address

c/o Cowan and Partners
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Trustees

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Structure, Governance and Management

Constitution

The organisation was a company limited by guarantee as defined by the Companies Act 2006, incorporated on 2 April 2008. However, on 19 August 2015, the entity converted into a Scottish Charitable Organisation (SCIO) which is governed by its constitution.

Trustee Recruitment and Appointment

New Trustees are either elected by members at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) or appointed by the Board of Trustees in between Annual General Meetings. At each AGM, one third of the Board of Trustees must retire, which includes any Trustee who has served a period of 3 years and any Trustee appointed by the Board of Trustees in between AGMs. The remaining number to make up to a third of Trustees retiring are those Trustees who have served longest since they were last elected or re-elected. Any retiring Trustee may be re-elected. The maximum number of charity Trustees is 12 and the minimum number of charity Trustees is 5. The opportunity to become a Trustee is advertised to all members ahead of each AGM and any adult member can stand for election.

Objectives and Activities

Charitable purposes

The object of the charity is to support a variety of events determined by the Trustees. The current objectives are:

1. To promote and facilitate public participation in sailing, kayaking rowing and other water sports from its base in Portobello, Edinburgh and from such other place or places as the charity may decide.
2. To advance education through the provision of training and instruction in sailing, kayaking, rowing and other water sports

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

Portobello Sailing & Kayaking Club is run entirely by volunteers and relies on the goodwill of members, particularly volunteer instructors/coaches and maintenance crew, to provide activities and training and to ensure activities remain accessible to all. The main activities are the provision of regular organised sessions for sailing, kayaking and coastal rowing to members throughout the year.

We provide boats, personal safety equipment and protective clothing to facilitate participation in water sports sessions. We also strive to organise and deliver community outreach projects with no participation fees to non-members to further achieve our charitable purposes.

Annual membership fees, which have not changed for many years despite increasing costs, are set at less than £1 a week for adults; less than 20p a week for juniors. Trustees can and do waive membership fees in cases of financial hardship. All of the above removes cost barriers to that are often perceived as expensive and exclusive activities.

Membership is open to anyone who respects the community ethos of the club and members range in age from 8 to 80+. We endeavour to accommodate those with additional needs where possible and practical.

Fundraising by members helps maintain accessibility and low membership fees by covering larger costs such as replacing or purchasing additional (second-hand) equipment. Grant awards also help with equipment purchases and help us provide training and activities to underrepresented or disadvantaged groups from the wider community, out with club membership. For a number of years, the club has been fundraising to build new facilities at its base in Portobello which will significantly enhance its ability to run activities relating to its charitable purposes and enable the inclusion of more participants with additional needs.

Achievements and Performance

During the year, the Portobello Sailing and Kayaking Club (PSKC) made an important advancement by bringing in the Surf and Lifesaving Club (SLSC). In May 2024, the board approved the SLSC's integration into PSKC to create youth water safety training based on Surf Life Saving GB standards. This change helped us recruit volunteers, hold pilot sessions with Dunbar SLSC, and introduce surf lifesaving programs. These efforts raised community safety awareness and opened doors for council funding (e.g., £7,000 for events). We also plan to host a Scottish Championship and buy an SLSC boat to improve our water safety efforts.

Financial review

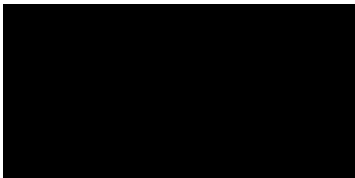
During the year the charity had income of £34,423 (2024: £29,132) of which £7,066 was for restricted purposes (2024: £ 5,281). The charity has incurred expenditure of £32,926 (2024: £24,160) leaving a surplus of £1,496 (£4,972).

Reserves policy

Total reserves at the year ended 31 March 2025 amounted to £70,118 (2024: £68,622), with £21,094 held in unrestricted funds (2024: £21,817).

Reserves will be maintained to ensure that the charity can meet its charitable obligations. Funds held in excess of these requirements will be expended in accordance with the charity's objectives. It is the charity's policy to endeavor to retain sufficient reserves to cover 3 months expenditure which is calculated to be £5,500 (2024: £4,939)

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 05/12/2025 and signed on its behalf by:



Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Portobello Sailing & Kayaking Club

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025 set out on pages six to eleven

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). The charity's trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1)(a) to (c) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under Section 44(1)(c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 44(1)(a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with Regulation 8 of the 2006 Accounts Regulationshave not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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8 December 2025

Statement of Receipts and Payments for the Year Ended 31st March 2025

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Receipts					
Donations	5	2,986	3,044	6,030	4,069
Grants	6	-	2,530	2,530	3,140
Fundraising		-	492	492	528
Other Trading Activities	7	24,371	1,000	25,371	21,395
		<u>27,357</u>	<u>7,066</u>	<u>34,423</u>	<u>29,132</u>
Payments					
Trading Payments	8	6,369	-	6,369	3,845
Costs of Charitable Activities	9	10,858	2,880	13,738	14,784
Grants and Donations	10	-	150	150	-
Governance Costs					
Independent Examination		1,200	-	1,200	1,140
Accountancy		580	-	580	740
Bank Charges		855	-	855	911
Purchase of Fixed Assets		8,218	1,816	10,034	2,740
		<u>28,080</u>	<u>4,846</u>	<u>32,926</u>	<u>24,160</u>
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year		<u>(723)</u>	<u>2,220</u>	<u>1,496</u>	<u>4,972</u>
Cash Funds Brought Forward		21,817	46,805	68,622	63,650
Transfer Between Funds		-	-	-	-
Cash Funds Carried Forward		<u>21,094</u>	<u>49,025</u>	<u>70,118</u>	<u>68,622</u>

Statement of Balances for the Year Ended 31st March 2025

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£
Bank & Cash Balances				
Cash at Bank	21,094	49,025	70,118	68,622
	<u>21,094</u>	<u>49,025</u>	<u>70,118</u>	<u>68,622</u>

Fixed Assets

	Fund	Cost £	Current Value £	2024 Value £
Development Costs	Unrestricted	6,398	6,398	6,398
Plant & Machinery	Unrestricted	108,142	12,921	9,721
Plant & Machinery	Restricted	1,816	1,453	-
Fixtures & Fittings	Unrestricted	1,764	87	175
		<u>118,120</u>	<u>20,859</u>	<u>16,294</u>

Liabilities

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£
Independent Examination	720	-	720	1,200
Bookkeeping Creditor	-	-	-	480
Creditors	-	-	-	2,507
	<u>720</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>720</u>	<u>4,187</u>

Notes for Accounts

1. Basis of Accounting

These accounts have been prepared on the Receipts and Payments basis.

2. Nature and purpose of funds

Unrestricted funds are those that may be used at the discretion of the members in furtherance of the objects of the organisation.

Restricted Funds may only be used for specific purposes. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for specific purposes.

3. Trustee Remuneration and Expenses

There was no Trustee Remuneration or Expenses during the year to 31 March 2025 nor 31 March 2024.

4. Transactions with Trustees or Connected Persons

During the year 2 Trustees donated £1,460 to the charity and one Trustee paid £200 for storage and membership.

5. Income from Donations

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£
Jar Donations - Rowing	2,712	-	2,712	2,856
Donations relating to Building Development		1,330	1,330	1,043
Surf Life Saving Club Start up		1,336	1,336	
Rotary Club		378	378	
Other Misc. Donations	274	-	274	170
	<u>2,986</u>	<u>3,044</u>	<u>6,030</u>	<u>4,069</u>

6. Income from Grants

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£
Edinburgh City Council	-	2,530	2,530	3,140
	<u>-</u>	<u>2,530</u>	<u>2,530</u>	<u>3,140</u>

Notes for Accounts – Continued

7. Income from Trading Activities

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£
Course Income	4,873	-	4,873	-
Equipment Hire Income	200	-	200	-
Event Income	-	-	-	970
Ian Coldwell Trust	-	-	-	625
Kayaking Income	-	-	-	2,256
Memberships	13,980	1,000	14,980	8,820
New Club Building	-	-	-	445
Rowing Income	-	-	-	432
Sailing	1,143	-	1,143	3,638
Stripe Income	-	-	-	1,659
Storage	4,175	-	4,175	2,550
	<u>24,371</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>25,371</u>	<u>21,395</u>

8. Trading Payments

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£
Insurances	2,863	-	2,863	2,615
Repairs and Mainenance	3,506	-	3,506	1,230
	<u>6,369</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,369</u>	<u>3,845</u>

9. Costs of Charitable Activities

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£
Club Events	803	-	803	100
Community Outreach Project costs	-	-	-	1,829
Equipment repairs	1,146	-	1,146	-
External Course Delivery	-	2,730	2,730	-
Health & Safety	897	-	897	-
Kayaking Costs	-	-	-	2,166
Marine Fuel	359	-	359	-
Online Systems and IT	2,518	-	2,518	-
Pool Hire	1,368	-	1,368	-
Rent or Lease of Building	2,000	-	2,000	2,078
Rowing Costs	472	-	472	2,423
Sailing Costs	72	-	72	5,539
Subscriptions	485	150	635	649
Venue Hire	354	-	354	-
Training	175	-	175	-
Travel	209	-	209	-
	10,858	2,880	13,738	14,784

10. Grants and Donations provided

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£
Dunbar Surf Life Saving Club	-	150	150	-
	-	150	150	-

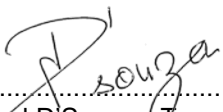
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11. Movement in Funds

	As at 31/03/2024	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	As at 31/03/2025
	£	£	£	£	£
<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>					
General Fund	21,817	27,357	(28,080)	-	21,094
		-	-	-	-
	21,817	27,357	-	28,080	-
					21,094
<u>Restricted Funds</u>					
Community Outreach	2,323	2,030	(2,730)	-	1,623
Ian Coldwell Fund	3,488	-	-	-	3,488
Building Fund	40,994	1,822	-	-	42,816
Surf Lifesaving Club	-	3,214	(2,116)	-	1,098
				-	
	46,805	7,066	-	4,846	-
					49,025
Total Funds	68,622	34,423	(32,926)	-	70,118

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on

.....05/12/2025..... and were signed on its behalf by:



 Jared D Souza - Treasurer