THE ANNUAL NATIONAL SERVICE FOR SEAFARERS IN ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL (ANSS)

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR TO 31 DECEMBER 2025

Charity No: 292659

Address: 8 Hatherley Street
London
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Trustees: Admiral Sir James Burnell-Nugent KCB CBE (Chairman)
Alan Marsh MBE (Vice Chairman)
Robert Woods CBE
Rear Admiral Nick Harris CB MBE
Deborah Layde
Captain Nigel Palmer OBE MNM
Martin Coles CBE (from 16 June 2025)

1. The Charity (ANSS) was established under a Trust Deed dated 30 July 1985 and its objects are to:
   - Hold an Annual Service for Seafarers in St. Paul's Cathedral.
   - Encourage pupils at Reddam House Berkshire (previously Bearwood College), Pangbourne College, The Royal Hospital School Ipswich, The Royal School and the London Nautical School to become involved with maritime affairs by performing at the Service.
   - Contribute to the upkeep of St. Paul's Cathedral.

In 2023, Reddam House Berkshire decided that they no longer wished to participate and in 2025, The Royal School had to close therefore they could no longer take part.

2. Trustees are appointed for a maximum of 2 x five-year terms with the Chairman being appointed from within the body of Trustees for a three-year term; new Trustees are normally selected from those organisations who directly support the ANSS. However, in view of the Charity Commission's guidelines on Trustee Recruitment, Trustees will be reviewing the current process with a view to bringing it more in line with those guidelines where appropriate.

3. The administration of the ANSS is carried out by the Executive Department of The Seafarers' Charity, assisted by Trinity House. Their annual charges are reflected in the accounts.

4. During the year to 31 December 2025, the Charity held its annual service in St Paul's on Wednesday 8 October. The Preacher was the Rt Revd Dr Christopher Cocksworth, Dean of Windsor, College of St George, and the congregation was estimated to be over 2,200.

5. The payment to St. Paul's amounted to £12,204 of which £3,084 was offset by the collection.

6. The Trustees recognise the importance of maintaining adequate reserves to safeguard the mid-term sustainability of the ANSS. In view of the Charity's reliance on voluntary donations and the significant costs incurred each year, the Trustees have adopted a policy of holding unrestricted reserves equivalent to up to three years' operating costs. This level of reserves is considered prudent to protect the charity against unforeseen circumstances, including cancellation of the Service, unexpected increases in expenditure, or reductions in fundraising income, and to ensure the continued delivery of ANSS's charitable objectives while maintaining financial stability and resilience.

7. Next year's Service will take place on Wednesday 14 October 2026 at 1700.

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Patron Her Royal Highness The Princess Royal
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ANSS

Income & Expenses
1 January to 31 December 2025

	ANSS 2025	ANSS 2024
Income		
Donations (Excluding Gift Aid)		
Donations with Gift Aid		
Organisations	30,200	30,300
Individuals	1,775	3,525
Cathedral Collection	3,084	3,726
Enthuse	1,651	2,085
Gift Aid current year	721	
Gift Aid adj prior year	- 3	264
Total Receipts	37,428	39,900
Expenses		
ICO Registration	47	35
St Paul's Cathedral	12,204	11,281
Seafarers' Charity Admin Fee	18,000	18,000
Donation Envelopes	453	327
Enthuse platform costs	151	12
Total Payments	30,855	29,655
Net Receipts	**6,573**	**10,245**
Cash Funds brought forward	63,360	53,115
Cash Funds carried forward	69,933	63,360

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Balance Sheet

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Statement of Assets & Liabilities	31-Dec-25 2025	31-Dec-24 2024
Cash Funds		
Current Account	75,636	57,568
Total Cash Funds	75,636	57,568
Other Assets		
ANSS Donations received via TSC	5,781	5,531
Gift Aid 2024	- 0	261
Gift Aid Estimated - accrued 2025	721	
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