**THE SEA CADETS**

**ANNUAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT* FOR THE UNIT**

**RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT for year ended 31 March** 2026

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| **Unit Name:** | Plymouth Drake Sea & Royal Marine Cadets | **Charity No:** | 300942 |
|---|---|---|---|

**Fund-name/purpose** (if not held for the Unit's general purposes):-

| | Notes | THIS YEAR £ | LAST YEAR £ |
|---|---|---|---|
| **REVENUE RECEIPTS** – | | | |
| ANNUAL FUND/DIRECT GRANT | | £5,000.00 | £4,600.00 |
| SCAVA (Sea Cadet Victualling Allowance) | | £0.00 | £0.00 |
| OTHER GRANTS | | £0.00 | £0.00 |
| CADET CONTRIBUTIONS | | £22,985.26 | £16,974.50 |
| OTHER DONATIONS / LEGACIES | | £4,600.00 | £4,756.15 |
| FUNDRAISING & SPECIAL EVENTS PROCEEDS | | £383.54 | £4,482.00 |
| **OTHER CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES:** | | | |
| COMPETITION RECEIPTS | | £0.00 | £0.00 |
| COURSE FEES | | £115.00 | £545.00 |
| SUNDRY SALES RECEIPTS | | £0.00 | £87.00 |
| BANK DEPOSIT INTEREST | | £1,166.29 | £3,022.50 |
| PROPERTY RENTS (includes any occasional | | £861.38 | £1,737.37 |
| OTHER REVENUE RECEIPTS | | £3,798.31 | £2,073.51 |
| **TOTAL REVENUE RECEIPTS** | **A** | **£38,909.78** | **£38,278.03** |
| **NON-REVENUE RECEIPTS** – | | | |
| PROCEEDS FROM SALES OF OTHER FIXED ASSETS | | £1,500.00 | £0.00 |
| **TOTAL NON-REVENUE RECEIPTS** | **B** | **£1,500.00** | **£0.00** |
| (#Attach that Fund's similar Account of Receipts as page AC1A, and so on) | | | |
| **TOTAL RECEIPTS = A + B** | **C** | **£40,409.78** | **£38,278.03** |

***Reconciliation:-***

| **NET CHANGE FOR YEAR IN CASH/BANK BALANCE:-** | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| - REVENUE ITEMS (= A – D from page AC2) | **G** | £10,661.04 | £38,278.03 |
| - NON-REVENUE ITEMS (= B – E from page AC2) | **H** | -£15,363.22 | £0.00 |
| - COMBINED (=G+H) | | -£4,702.18 | £38,278.03 |
| **CASH/BANK BALANCE FROM LAST YEAR-END** | | £89,344.06 | £0.00 |
| **CASH/BANK BALANCE AT THIS YEAR-END** | **2026** | **£84,641.88** | £89,344.06 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| **REVENUE PAYMENTS** – | | | |
| **DIRECT CHARITABLE ACTIVITY COSTS:** | | | |
| FUNDRAISING & SPECIAL EVENTS COSTS | | £330.42 | £3,663.36 |
| COMPETITION COSTS | | £3,261.76 | £0.00 |
| FUEL & TRAVEL COSTS | | £2,212.10 | £2,054.49 |
| CATERING COSTS | | £3,817.96 | £2,107.70 |
| TRAINING COURSES COSTS | | £0.00 | £626.01 |
| ARTICLES PURCHASED FOR RESALE | | £0.00 | £319.44 |
| **OVERHEAD COSTS FOR:** | | | |
| RENT / COUNCIL TAX | | £3,744.31 | £1,612.89 |
| HEAT, LIGHT & WATER | | £1,483.94 | £913.28 |
| TELEPHONE & BROADBAND | | £486.66 | £532.30 |
| OFFICE SUPPLIES, POSTAGE & PRINTING | | £542.67 | £448.86 |
| **MAINTENANCE COSTS FOR:** | | | |
| BUILDINGS & ESTATE | | £3,695.52 | £1,351.97 |
| BOATS | | £3,531.70 | £2,537.94 |
| VEHICLES | | £1,103.73 | £1,704.80 |
| OTHER MISC EQUIPMENT | | £85.94 | £0.00 |
| INSURANCE COSTS | | £947.40 | £910.20 |
| BANK INTEREST & CHARGES | | £62.32 | £277.71 |
| **CHARITY GOVERNANCE COSTS:** | | | |
| FOR ACCOUNTS/AUDIT OR INDEPENDENT EXAMINA | | £0.00 | £0.00 |
| FOR OTHER PROFESSIONAL FEES | | £0.00 | £0.00 |
| FOR LEGAL ADVICE (for constitution or trustees) | | £0.00 | £0.00 |
| OTHER REVENUE COSTS | | £2,942.31 | £2,050.44 |
| **TOTAL REVENUE PAYMENTS** | **D** | £28,248.74 | £21,111.39 |
| **NON-REVENUE PAYMENTS –** | | | |
| ASSETS | | £16,863.22 | £5,183.99 |
| **TOTAL NON-REVENUE** | **E** | £16,863.22 | £5,183.99 |
| **TOTAL PAYMENTS (=D+E)** | **F** | **£45,111.96** | **£26,295.38** |

(#Attach that Fund's similar Account of Payments as page AC2A, and so on)

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|---|---|---|---|

| **In E&W: STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES** (English/Welsh Units: No valuations/costs or accounts notes required) | **Name of Fund** if restricted | **THIS YEAR £** | **LAST YEAR £** |
|---|---|---|---|
| **ASSETS:** | | | |
| CASH/BANK BALANCE(S) AT YEAR-END (from page AC1) | | £84,641.88 | £89,344.06 |
| BANK DEPOSITS (if any) not included above | | | |
| LOANS RECOVERABLE | | | |
| OTHER DEBTS (total recoverable – exclude any "accruals") | | | |
| *STOCKS OF ITEMS FOR RESALE (total cost) | | | |
| INVESTMENTS (present value of securities &c) | | | |
| INVESTMENTS (ditto – belonging to a Restricted Fund, if | | | |
| ***OTHER FIXED ASSETS:** | | | |
| - LAND & BUILDINGS | | | |
| - BOATS | | | |
| - VEHICLES | | | |
| - COMPUTERS & OTHER EQUIPMENT | | | |
| *For all these items (including any gifts at estimated value when given) state their total present value here if lower than as above | | [ ] | [ ] |
| **LIABILITIES** | | | |
| LOANS REPAYABLE | | | |
| OTHER CREDITORS (total payable – exclude any "accruals") | | | |
| CONTINGENT LIABILITIES (estimated total amount) | | | |

| **[Scottish] ACCOUNTS NOTES*** (if not within Annual Report) | | **[Amounts]** | **Particulars** |
|---|---|---|---|
| For any separate Receipts & Payments Account included in this Statement of Account: the nature and purpose of each Fund accounted for and the legal restrictions on its use | Give page no(s). - or say if none | | |
| Total number and amount of any grants paid to (i) individuals and (ii) institutions, analysed by type of activity or project | | [ ] | |
| Amount of trustee remuneration (inc. to connected persons) paid and the legal authority for it | (or say if none) | [ ] | Authority: |
| Amount of any trustee expenses reimbursed and for how many trustees | (or say if none) | [ ] | For how many: |
| Amount and nature of any other trustee-transactions (including with connected persons, stating the relationship) - together with any amount owing at the year-end (say if none) | | [ ] | Nature: |
| | | [ ] | |
| Any further information that 'may reasonably assist' a reader's | Give page no(s). | | - or say if none |

*(*Show details on an extra attached (numbered) page if necessary)*

K. NORTHMORE Unit Treasurer

A. A. AINSLIE Unit Chairman

Signed as authorised by the Unit's Management Committee - Date: 15/9/2026

***Note:** The statutory audit or independent examination report on this Statement of Account must be attached.*

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| **Unit Name:** | Plymouth Drake Sea & Royal Marine Cadets | **Charity No:** | 300942 |
|---|---|---|---|

Unit address (or address for correspondence):-

| | |
|---|---|
| House name: | |
| Street and No: | Crownhill Fort Road |
| Area or Estate | Crownhill |
| Town/City: | Plymouth |
| County | Devon |
| Post Code: | PL6 5BX |

Unit Management Team members (the 'charity trustees') at date of signing Report:-

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Arthur Ainslie | David Kime | |
| David Hawkins | Elaine Dalton-Fyfe | |
| Nick Cowley | | |
| Karen Northmore | | |
| Trudie Wakefield | | |
| Janette Cooper | | |

Names of any other persons who were charity trustees of the Unit at any time in the financial year:-

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Len Lamerton | | |
| Roy Linden | | |
| | | |
| | | |

Name of any person who is now (or was, in the financial year) a 'trustee for the charity' - i.e., holding or in possession of any assets belonging to the Unit (includes custodians, nominees &c) *[not: Scotland]*:-

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| | | |

**Nature and date of the Unit's constitution (governing document):-** Governed by **Sea Cadet Standard Constitution**

**The method(s) adopted for recruiting new trustees, and how trustees are elected or otherwise appointed (and by whom) in accordance with the Unit's constitution, are as follows:-**

*Unit Management Team (UMT) members are elected annually at the Annual General Meeting (AGM). UMT members are elected from the membership of the Sea Cadet Unit which is drawn loosely as being those with an interest in the unit. In the event of a vacancy arising during the year (known as a casual vacancy), The UMT have the power to appoint a new UMT member. The UMT member appointed will serve until the date of the next AGM, after which the post will be filled by election.*

**The Unit's charitable purpose(s) as set out in its constitution 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).

**The Unit's main activities and achievements in the financial year were:-**

As detailed at AGM.

**Public Benefit**

The UMT continue to give due regard to the public benefit provided by the Unit in relation to the charitable purpose of the Sea Cadet movement as set out in the activities and achievements as outlined above. The aim is to promote the development of young people in achieving their physical, intellectual and social potential as individuals and responsible citizens in a safe environment. In order to achieve this the Unit takes young people from all backgrounds, including where possible those with disabilities and develops their skills and abilities by:

- Regular and structured activities with a nautical theme.
- Allowing young people to take part in activities connected with the wider Sea Cadet movement such as waterborne activities, events and competitions at district, area and national levels.
- Availability of formal educational achievements whilst taking courses to earn badges and promotions

Contributions are kept low in order to ensure all those who wish to take part in the activities of the Unit may do so.

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|---|---|---|---|

**Reserves Policy**

The charity trustees' policy aims to maintain unrestricted reserves at a level 12 months revenue payments in order to safeguard the Unit's ongoing activities from any unexpected fluctuations in Year-end reserves amounted £34,531.88 months' on that basis.

*[Delete this section if not applicable]*

*The Unit holds <enter sum> in designated funds representing fixed assets needed for future activities and <enter sum> for future projects to be carried out in <Enter No of Months/Yrs> as currently planned/expected*

*[Delete this section unless the Unit has a Restricted Fund in deficit]*

A restricted fund held for the purpose of
was in deficit to the extent of
and the steps being taken to rectify it are:-

During the financial year the Unit received the following donated facilities/services [not: English, Welsh or NI Units]:-

The Unit and/or its trustees held the following assets for the charity/ies named below, whose charitable purposes are as set out hereunder. Special arrangements for the safe custody of those assets and their segregation from the Unit's own assets are as set out below [English, Welsh & NI Units: Delete this section if not applicable; Units in Scotland: This disclosure is not mandatory]:-

Date signed as authorised by the Unit's Management Team:

..... K. NORMORE ..... Unit Treasurer

..... A A AINSLIE ..... Unit Chairman

C Hunt CECILE HUNT ..... Independent Examiner

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**AC5**

| UNIT NAME |
| --- |
| Plymouth Drake Sea & Royal Marine Cadets |
| CHARITY NUMBER |
| 300942 |
| YEAR ENDING |
| 2026 |

| RECONCILLIATION | |
| --- | --- |
| | **Opening Balances** |
| £9,124.82 | Bank Account |
| £80,130.77 | Saving Account |
| £88.47 | Petty Cash |
| £89,344.06 | **Total Opening Balance at 1st April 2025** |
| | **Closing Balances** |
| £1,531.88 | Bank Account |
| £83,000.00 | Saving Account |
| £110.00 | Petty Cash |
| £84,641.88 | **Total Closing Balance at 31st March 2026** |
| £84,641.88 | Closing Balance per A3 Report |
| £0.00 | |

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## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF Plymouth Drake Sea & Royal Marine Cadets Unit No 270 CHARITY No:300942

I report on the accounts of Plymouth Drake Sea & Royal Marine Cadets Unit No 270 for the year ended 31st March 2026

### Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Charity's Trustees are responsible for:

- The preparation of the accounts.
- The Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and that an Independent Examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the Accounts under Section 145 of the Charities Act
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under Section 145 (5) of the Charities Act), and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention

### Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with these records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures I undertake do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

### Independent Examiner's Statements

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

(1) Which give me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep proper accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act;
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or

(2) To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

C Hunt

Cecile Hunt FMAAT Date: 22 June 2026

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Rear Admiral Paul Halton
OBE

**Sent by email only:** 09/09/2026

***Re: Commanding Officers Annual Report – Annual General Meeting***

It is always a pleasure to write my annual short form report on the unit's operations since the previous Annual General Meeting (AGM). I would like to begin by thanking the Unit Management Team (UMT) for their ongoing support to all parts of the cadet experience; from fundraising for infrastructure to lobbying senior leaders and policiticans, the UMT have worked tirelessly to ensure our continued success. On behalf of my officers, instructors and most importantly cadets, thank you for your hard work.

In terms of training, we completed the 2025/26 training year on a high with a successful unit review resulting in the award of a Burgee efficiency award (the highest award a unit can receive). This was following a successful end of year training period where the units Sea Cadets came 2nd in District Drill and progressed to the Area competition. Perhaps the biggest news was the selection of the Royal Marines Cadet Detachment selected to represent Alpha company as the best detachment at the Gibraltar Cup. Facing fierce competition, the detachments team finished 4th overall which was an outstanding achievement.

The 2026/27 training year has already shaped up to be one of great success with a number of highlights already achieved. I've mentioned Gibraltar Cup above which was certainly a highlight as it spanned both training years. We've also had two cadets progress to the finals of the national sailing competition which will take place later this month. Overall cadets numbers are stable however more work is needed to progress qualifications and promotion of cadets; the appointment of our new unit training officer should assist with this. I would like to thank all my CFAVs for there incredible dedication in

Table 1. Cadet numbers

| Training year | Sea Cadets | Junior Cadets | RM Cadets |
|---|---|---|---|
| 25/26 | 36 | 15 | 30 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 26/27 | 40 | 9 | 24 |

*Note – the next intake of new entry cadets and Juniors will take place one week after the AGM brining the total unit strength above the 25/26 training year. Total strength is anticipated as being around 85 cadets.*

The unit has invested in the facilities and equipment available for training; in particular large spending has taken place in the excellent changing rooms in our unit boat yard. These have been game changing for afloat training and have greatly improved the ability to conduct paddlesports and sailing. The unit has also purchased a considerable amount of field kit to support the RM Cadets. We are also beneficiaries of a large number of privately owned buoyancy aids which have made our afloat season a real success. All of this has enhanced the cadet experience ensuring we are delivering excellent and safe training for our cadets.

Looking ahead, we have a number of uncertainties as a unit and indeed as an organisation. The most obvious being the ongoing discussions between MSSC and the Royal Navy on the direction and control of the Corps. Despite the challenges we will face, the unit is a good position to face these challenges thanks to the work of our trustees. The unit remains in a strong financial position with further investment being explored in on site equipment and buildings.

Our overall aims for the next twelve months will be to continue to explore options for growth, in particular whilst we enter our 85th anniversary year. We will continue to recruit and develop new CFAVs to ensure that we can deliver the cadet experience consistently to as many cadets as possible,

Yours aye,



David

Sub Lieutenant (SCC) David Hawkins RNR
Commanding Officer
Plymouth Drake Sea & Royal Marines Cadets
TS GOLDEN HIND