Sound Waves Reg Charity 505124 for the financial year ended on 31st March 2026

Receipts and Payments Account

Receipts	**2025-2026**
Grant and other similar receipts	23710.00
Operating activities to further charity's objectives	3307.00
Bank interest	10.74
Total	**27027.74**

Payments	
Management and administration costs	10135.99
Insurance and subscriptions	389.94
	10525.93

Balance B/F 1/4/25	4629.63
Net of receipts/(payments)	16501.81
Balance C/F 31/3/26	21131.44

Virgin Money

Current Account	21131.44

Signed on behalf of all the trustees

Henry Hardy ..... H. Hardy .....

Date of approval ..... 17.07.2026 .....

The Sound Waves Accounts for the year 2025-2026

The Financial year just ended shows us leaving with a surplus.

Our income was 27027.74

Income came from: Awards For All – Lottery Charity.

Other income came from: Royal Victoria Trust for the Blind.

SOUND WAVES EXPENDITURE

	2025/2026
HEAT/LIGHTING	1129.68
TEL/BB	528.59
RENT	585.84
WATER RATES	372.34
INSURANCE	347.94
OFFICE	7519.54
SUBS	42.00
	10525.93

Declaration I declare, in my capacity as Finance Administrator, that:
The trustees have approved the report above and
have authorised me to sign it on their behalf.
June 2026

The Minutes of Sound Waves Committee Annual General Meeting held at 21, Toronto Road, Thorney Close, Sunderland on 24th. Oct. 2025.

1. The Chairman : Phil Oliver opened the meeting.

2. Present : Phil Oliver, Jean Oliver, Janet Newcombe, Paul Metters, Mandy Metters, Sharon Vincent, Tom Young, Angela Crow, Richard Wood.

3. Apologies : Tom Trueman.

4. Minutes of the last meeting were agreed.

5. Chairman's Report :
Welcome to our Annual Meeting.
This year has been another quite difficult year for the Charity's finances. It was looking for some considerable time that we were possibly facing closure. We are indebted to Richard Wood, who, through his tireless efforts, enabled us to apply to organisations in order to get grants to keep us going. Special thanks must also go to Henry Hardy who took on the responsibility for our accounts - for his knowledge, diligence and attention to detail, which enabled us to submit our accounts to the Charity Commission on time again this year.
So, it is with great delight that I can report that just last Friday, we received the great news that we had been accepted by the "Awards For All" Lottery Charity, who granted us £18,710.
On the same day, from the "Royal Victoria Trust for the Blind", a £5,000 grant.
We are awaiting the formal confirmations and transfer of the funds into our Bank Account.
This means we are financially secure for at least two more years, which is brilliant news.
Over the last few weeks, I was put in touch with Victoria Brown from the Sunderland Voluntary Sector Alliance. She has been extremely helpful in pointing us in the direction of other funders who may be able to help us. She also looked at our set-up and has suggested we need to update our Safeguarding Policy. To this end, she supplied us with a template to use, so today we will visit the Policy and hopefully agree on it. She also put us in touch with another part of the Alliance that may be able to assist in clearing up and redecorating the office using volunteers from industry, which would be very helpful. I'm meeting her here on Monday to discuss the way forward.
May I say a massive "thankyou" to you, our Committee and all our Volunteers for your help and support this year in keeping the Service available each week.
A special mention must be made to Sharon, who, through all these difficult times, has just kept everything going, in ways beyond her remit. Her time and dedication is greatly appreciated.
We are now able to look forward to 2026 as we continue to provide Soundwaves Service to our clients.

6. Finance Update : Invoice from Sharon requested to solidify accounts situation: it was agreed to increase Consultant Fee (Sharon) by 10% to £550:. we are currently seeking a grant for consumables, particularly a printer: Richard suggested continuing funding applications: Janet said she would contact Councillor Paul Edgeworth to support our application to Community Chest: Donation of £248 received from St. Paul's, Ryhope.

7. Safeguarding Policy : Revised Policy was agreed.

8. Election of Committee : It was agreed that current Committee continue.

9. AOB : Richard proposed thanks for Chair and Secretary: Janet suggested flyers to place in new Eye Infirmary.

The Chairman closed the meeting and thanked everyone for attending

Date and time of next meeting on Friday 23rd. January 2026 at 11.00 am.

Signed..... 23rd. January 2026

SOUNDWAVES **Charity number 505124**

Examiner`s report for the year ended 31st March 2026

Independent Examiner`s report to the Trustees of Soundwaves

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2026 which are set out on the attached pages.

Respective Responsibilities of the Trustees and the Independent Examiner

The Charity`s Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity`s Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

(1) Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
(2) To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act; and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner`s Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It 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 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 Statement

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

Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements

(a) To keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
(b) To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

S. Nicholson 22.8.2026.

Sandra Nicholson

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