

## Trustee Annual Report Form – April 2022 to March 2023

### Name of Charity

(as it appears on the register and any other names it may be known by)

*Bangor Sea Cadets – TS Decoy*

### NI Charity Commission Number

103974

### Purpose

*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.*

### Principal Address

(address used at the time of registration with the Charity Commission).

*Ward Park, Castle St, Bangor, County Down, BT20 4SU*

### Names of Charity Trustees

(all approved this report and any individual who served during the year)

*Stepped Down November 2022:-*

- *Mr Robert Keenan*
- *Mr Robert Kennedy*
- *Mrs Roberta Kennedy*

*Remained as Trustees November 2022:-*

- *Mrs Roberta Dunlop*
- *Mrs Felicity Atwell – later stepped down in February 2023*
- *Mr Phil Atwell – later stepped down in March 2023*

*Joined November 2022:-*

- *Mr Richard Wilkinson*
- *Mrs Joanne Thompson*
- *Mr Chris Archer*
- *Mr Ian Matchett*
- *Mrs Natalie Carson*

### Financial Year

*01/04/2022 to 31/03/2023*

### Summary of Charities Main Activities

(to further its purpose for the public benefit and its main achievements in the year)

*April 2022 saw the start of the outdoor activities with cadets undertaking a range of activities including rowing, sailing, power boating and Duke of Edinburgh classes. These continued into the Autumn whilst weather and light allowed.*

*The cadets also started competing in local and national competitions for rowing and 5 a side football.*

*June 2022 - the cadets visited HMS Raider and played an active role in the celebrations for Bangor's new city status.*

*October 2022 - the cadets began drill practice for a number of important upcoming events.*

November 2022 – Bangor joined cadets from across Northern Ireland to celebrate the Sea Cadet's 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The cadets also took part in Remembrance events in Bangor and Groomsport.

This month also saw a number of the Trustees step down to be replaced a by a new team. The new Trustees have begun upgrading disabled access and addressing various building maintenance issues. In addition, the Trustees are seeking ways to cut costs, whilst raising more funding, to compensate for the unprecedented increases in all costs. For example, the electric bill increased from £50 per month to £257 per month.

December 2022 - the cadets won Gold & Bronze at Rowing Regattas, and almost every Cadet managed to complete a new element of their logbooks.

January 2022 - the cadets achieved 5 Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Certificates.

February 2022 - the Snr Girls 5 aside football came 1st in UK and the Jnr Boys came 3<sup>rd</sup>. Cadet also achieved awards in Drills, Meteorology, First Aid & Rowing.

March 2023 - the cadets cleaned and polished the unit to perfection, then demonstrated a range of skills, to pass the Area inspection. The cadets also completed a Rowathon which raised over £800 for the unit.

This month also saw the longstanding Commanding Officer step down to be replaced by a new one.

#### **Trustees statement regarding Commission's Public benefit requirements**

All Trustees of Bangor Sea Cadets are aware of the Commission's Public Benefit requirement statutory guidance.

#### **Charity's financial position at the end of the year.**

The charity opened the financial year with a bank balance of £ 3284.59p and closed the financial year with a balance of £ 2525.82p

The charity's assets consist of the meeting hall, 3 sailing dinghies, 3 trinity rowing boats, 1 cheverton champ, 1 rigiflex rescue boat, 10 kayaks, 9 paddleboards and a minibus.

#### **Details of any funds held by the Charity (that was materially in deficit at the end of the year and steps taken to eliminate the deficit).**

The charity does not have any investment funds.

**Signed  
(by one or more of the Charity's Trustees).**



Richard Wilkinson