CSUK
ANNUAL REPORT 2024


WOMEN'S WEEKEND 2024

CHRISTIAN SURFERS
UNITED KINGDOM

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INTRODUCTION

The mission of CSUK is *'that every surfer and surfing community might have the opportunity to know and follow Jesus.'*

This Mission is expressed through the enabling of local CS groups all around the coast and in many major cities of the UK. It is enabled through the Jesus Surf Series our 2 long established surf competitions. It is enabled through a host of events that gather our community together, like the Leaders weekend, National Gathering, Women's weekend and Men's weekend. CSUK seek to serve the UK surfing community and in so doing, to share Jesus.

2024 Was a year which saw our founding National Director - Phil Williams - announce his intention to step down from the role in July 2025 and take a timely sabbatical. This created a significant opportunity and work process to plan for succession and enable a healthy transition for CSUK into new leadership. Much of this work was capably held by the Chair of Trustees Dr Rob Crouch. CSUK is indebted to his service towards this 2024/25 transition.

PREPARED BY

REV BEN LILLIE
DEPUTY CHAIR OF TRUSTEES

22ND OCTOBER 2025

STRUCTURE



Structure of Christian Surfers UK

CSUK is part of Christian Surfers International, which is reaching out to surfers in over thirty countries around the world. It has been a registered charity since 1999 (charity number 1070830).

Staff Team

During the financial year of 2024, CSUK did not employ any staff. The organisation is run by a National Director, who lives by faith and give his time freely. In addition, we are also fantastically supported by a part time, self-employed Administrator, and some amazing volunteers.

Board of Trustees

A Board of Trustees oversees the work, and these women and men come from a variety of backgrounds and professions joined by their shared love of Jesus and the ocean.

Trustees no longer serving. In date order.
Dave Matthews 17.03.24
Helen Rundle 02.01.25
Rev Ben Lillie 02.05.25
Andi Swift 01.08.25
Mike Scott 01.08.25
Phil Williams 01.08.25

Trustees who have started to serve as of 01/09/25
Pippa Renyard
Stuart Dobson
Iain Springate
Grant Garge

Trustees who have continued to serve:
Jonathan Ellse
Andy Quinn
Chelsea Holter
Dr Rob Crouch
Alice Ovenden

Vision Statement

That every surfer and every surfing community has opportunity to know and follow Jesus.

Core Values

We share the good news of Jesus with surfers, following them together in community, enabling them to do the same. We are:

Gospel-centred – Bible based, Jesus, discipleship, prayer and incarnational, (Matt 28:18-20)

Servant-hearted – humility, trust, sacrificial, empowering, (Matt 20:26-27)

People of Integrity – accountability, character, authentic, (Titus 2:11-12, James 4:17)

Inclusive – celebrate diversity, open source, partnering, relational, community (Gal 3:28)

Adventurous – Fun loving, surfing, fun, have a go, (John 10:10)





Broad Based Strategies

Connecting – Those activities that enable us to have a platform in the surfing community that help us initiate relationships e.g. personal surfing, media, movie nights, camps and contests.

Discipling – Those activities that will help and grow a surfer in their lifelong relationship with Jesus. e.g. Bible Studies, Camps, local missions, prayer

Serving – Those activities that enable us to meet the needs of our wider surfing community e.g. chaplaincy, events, logistical support, community development.

Equipping – Those activities that empower our people to advance the vision e.g. Training, mentoring, resources, leadership development, spiritual disciplines.

Partnering – Those activities that by sharing and joining with others help us to achieve our mission e.g. surf industry, local church, mission agencies, industry, alumni.







2024 OVERVIEW

2024 had a full calendar of events planned into it.



March saw our annual Leaders gathering at St George's House, Georgeham, North Devon. Our sincere thanks go to Baz and the team there for welcoming and hosting us so faithfully. We gathered 30 volunteer leaders to share, encourage, equip and send back out into our surf community mission field. We are always blown away with God's goodness towards the work of Christian Surfers and feel so blessed to have such a great dedicated team across the UK.

April saw the 16th Jesus Longboard Classic take place in Polzeath, with the generous support of our friends at Tubestation. Over two days we saw 80 competitors join us in this much loved surf competition that brings a beautiful community of longboard surfers together from across the UK, serving them and speaking Jesus into surfing.





June had us carry out our National Gathering at a new location - Menadue Farm, North Cornwall- which was an incredible blessing for all who came. Our opportunity to connect as the wider Christian family around worship, word, surfing and fire pit conversation. This year we hosted 80 attendees from the uk and Holland. Members and friends alike joined in an awesome weekend of fun and fellowship.



August saw a dedicated team of 12 volunteers serving at the World Surf League Boardmasters Surf Competition, Fistral Beach, Newquay Cornwall. 250 competitors eating through nearly 300 breakfast and lunches over 5 days, the partnership with the surf competition over 20 years has continued to grow and we were thrilled once again to serve and outreach at such a prestigious event.

September saw our long standing Jesus Surf Classic Competition at Croyde being postponed due to unsurfable conditions. Where were pleased to have gained 120 competitors and 30 volunteers for the two day event, each where sad not to see it go ahead but look forward to the next one.





October saw our 2nd Mens Weekend at OA Surf Club in Widemouth Bay. This three day event had 25 men enjoy fellowship, teaching and surfing together, building community and faith.

November saw our 7th annual Women's weekend taking place at St George's House, Georgham, North Devon. With a full house of 32 women of mixed surf ability, this three day event brought joy and spiritual nourishment to those that attended. Thanks to our 6 volunteer female leaders we celebrated another year of new members an and friends into Christian Surfers.



Behind all these events is a raft of faithful, generous, beautiful volunteers, partnerships and collaborations. You know who you are and we thank you for helping to make CSUK what it is.

Beyond all the CSUK main events, Phil continued to serve and support the wider UK surf community in a variety of ways.

The Future: *2025 and beyond*

2024 has been a pivotal year for CSUK with the announcement from Phil Williams of his intention to step down from the role of CSUK National Director. The Trustee body is confident in its ability to establish an appropriate transition board and to successfully recruit a new National Director into the role during 2025. We look forward to all that God will reveal in this process. As ever our eyes are on Him who calms the wind and the waves (Matthew 8:27).



CSUK ACCOUNTS FINANCIAL NOTES



Summary

In summary net contribution to reserves of £27,613, of which £20,931 was unrestricted and £6,682 was restricted. Total reserves as at 31 December 2024 were £149,580, of which £123,305 is unrestricted and £26,275 is restricted. Details of the restricted funds are in the notes to the accounts.

Reserves

Since 31st December 2024, there have been significant changes in staff and structure. The unusually large reserves are to support the new staff and other costs while a sustainable income strategy is developed. A full review of structures, processes and ways of working will be undertaken to ensure we are using CSUK funds effectively. It is anticipated that once this transition period is over the reserves policy will be reviewed again.

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FINANCIAL REPORT

CHRISTIAN SURFERS UK **Charity No. 1070830**

RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS for the year ended 31 December 2024

RECEIPTS	**Unrestricted funds**	**Restricted funds**	**Total funds**	**Year ended 31 December 2023**
	£	**£**	**£**	**£**
Membership and Partnership	15,188		15,188	16,719
Donations	18,611		18,611	21,358
Legacy income	10,000		10,000	0
Events:				
- Boardmasters	2,821		2,821	3,263
- Womens Weekend	3,534		3,534	3,981
- Jesus Surf Series	2,948	6,012	8,960	9,051
- Leaders Gathering	1,330		1,330	1,260
- Mens Weekend	4,125		4,125	2,220
- National Gathering	2,994		2,994	5,319
- Iceland Event	4,666		4,666	
Income tax refunds	8,926		8,926	5,046
Sales of Resources	3,789		3,789	2,500
Interest Income	2,093		2,093	1,388
Restricted Income: CS Europe		3,120	3,120	
Restricted Income: Surfers Bible		573	573	
Restricted Income: Gifts for Phil Williams		16,403	16,403	
Other income	119		119	138
Sub total	81,143	26,108	107,251	72,244
Asset & Investment sales			0	
Total receipts	81,143	26,108	107,251	72,244

PAYMENTS	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Year ended 31 December 2023
	£	£	£	£
Administrative Expenses	12,420		12,420	9,388
Director Expenses	6,093		6,093	7,173
Advertising, Publicity and Website	336		336	535
Trustee Meetings	855		855	
Rent	1,294		1,294	
Membership costs including magazine	660		660	6,204
Events:				
- Boardmasters	2,354		2,354	2,172
- Womens Weekend	3,049		3,049	3,240
- Jesus Surf Series	4,214	3,321	7,535	10,562
- Leaders Gathering	1,264		1,264	1,289
- Mens Weekend	4,215		4,215	2,285
- National Gathering	3,802		3,802	5,296
- CS Europe Event	2,168		2,168	
- CreationFest	1,180		1,180	
- Iceland Event	4,262		4,262	
Resources for resale	6,816		6,816	3,485
Subscriptions	459		459	
CSI Expenses	1,766		1,766	
CSI Tithe and other donations	300		300	2,627
Bank and card charges	282		282	
Insurance	387		387	
Restricted Fund Expenditure: CS Europe		790	790	
Restricted Fund Expenditure: Gifts for Phil Williams		14,385	14,385	
Oher Restricted Fund Expenditure		1,507	1,507	
Other	1,460		1,460	6,833
Sub total	59,635	20,003	79,638	61,087
Asset & Investment purchases			0	
Total payments	59,635	20,003	79,638	61,087

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Year ended 31 December 2023
	£	£	£	£
Net receipts/(payments)	**21,508**	**6,105**	**27,613**	**11,157**
Transfers between funds	-577	577	0	0
Other movements 2023				-1,443
Cash funds last year end	102,373	19,593	121,967	112,253
Cash funds this year end	123,305	26,275	149,580	121,967

CASH FUNDS	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	At 31 December 2023
	£	£	£	£
HSBC Current	33,410		33,410	28,488
HSBC Deposit	88,200	26,275	114,476	92,383
Paypal	525		525	
iZettle	50		50	50
Cash floats	1,119		1,119	1,046
Total cash funds	123,305	26,275	149,580	121,967

STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES

ADDITIONAL NOTES

Summary of movements on funds	Balance at 31/12/23	Income	Expenditure	Transfers between funds	Balance at 31/12/24
Unrestricted & Designated Funds					
General Fund	102,373	81,143	59,635	-577	123,305
Total Unrestricted & Designated Funds	102,373	81,143	59,635	-577	123,305
Restricted Funds					
CS Europe	14,412	3,120	790	577	17,318
CS Wales	216				216
Jesus Surfboard Classic	1,300	6,012	3,321		3,991
Nailsea Skate	1,725		746		978
Surf Relief	2,191		83		2,108
Surfers Bible		573	677		-104
Gifts for National Director (See Related Party note)	-250	16,403	14,385		1,768
Total Restricted Funds	19,593	26,108	20,003	577	26,275
Total Funds	121,967	107,251	79,638	0	149,580

Related Party Transactions

During the year, one trustee, Phil Williams, received gifts through the charity. These donations were given by donors specifically for the work of Mr Williams as National Director. The amount paid out during the year amounted to £14,385. At the year end the amount of the gifts held for payment to Mr Williams amounted to £1,768.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT

Christian Surfers UK

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Christian Surfers UK

Year ended 31st December 2024

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) does not apply.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioner 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 also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning 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:

1. 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
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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If there are any further questions about anything in this brief report, please do not hesitate to contact CSUK Trustee Chair

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