



# **YORK CITY BATHS CLUB**

*Incorporating*  
**York City Swimming Club (Founded 1882)**  
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## **Treasurers statement 2025**

### **Summary**

2025 has been another strong year with a good income from monthly fees and 2 successful galas over the year. Costs have remained relatively stable, although we have increased the coaching provision over year. Overall, the club has generated a surplus of around £8,000, along with an increase of around £21,000 in the value of the Protected Fund, resulting in an increase of around £29,000 on the balance sheet.

This will be the final set of accounts for York City Baths Club as an unincorporated company, as the club has now been granted status as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). At the AGM, we are proposing to wind up the existing entity and transfer all the assets and liabilities to the new CIO during 2026.

I would like to thank Elaine Yuan for her review of the accounts.

### **Income & Expenditure**

#### Income - fees

Monthly fee income has increased during 2025, mainly as a result of promotions within and into the training squads, as well as an increase in the number of masters swimmers. The teaching fees fell this year, as a result of St Peters pool being closed over the summer. A number of swimmers were unable to attend replacement sessions and so their fees were paused for a couple of months.

The strong membership numbers have also contributed to a good income from the membership fees.

#### Income – galas

Again, we have successfully run 2 galas this year, as well as the club championships. The National Qualifier gala in March was a huge success although entries were down from the previous year. The gala made a profit of around £13,000. The gala in December was also very successful. Despite the number of withdrawals due to illness, we made a profit of around £9,500. The raffle and tombola stalls at the winter gala were very successful, with a total of around £650 being raised. Thank you to everyone who donated items towards this.

The club championships are run on a break even basis, which is broadly the case for 2025. This was helped by around £250 being raised from the sale of refreshments during the day. Thank you to everyone who brought cakes along to sell.

#### Income - other

Fundraising has been fairly quiet this year, with the main income coming from EasyFundraising.

#### Expenditure – Pool hire

Pool hire is our biggest cost, but costs in 2025 were lower than expected as a result of St Peters Pool being closed over the summer. We managed to source some additional pool time at Yearsley and New Earswick, but on a reduced basis compared to St Peters. The club also paid for pool hire for the Swim Camp which took place in November.



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## Expenditure – service providers

There have been a number of changes in the coaching structure over the year, which have resulted in an increase in service provider fees. With the new head coach, we made a decision to revert to separate coaches for National and Regional squads. We also recruited additional coaches to provide some resilience in our coaching cover.

In June, we entered into an agreement with York St John university to support a masters student, who has provided the club with strength and conditioning training, along with some further coaching support. This agreement also came with the use of the gym for an additional land training session, at no additional cost.

Over the year, we have continued to train new teachers as well as providing necessary training to existing teachers, coaches and volunteers.

## Expenditure - other

This year the club has invested in a full electronic starting system, with semi-automatic timing. This has been used by the training squads at club champs, and also by the teaching section at their race nights. As well as being of benefit to the swimmers, it has also helped reduce the time taken to produce the results

There is a small expenditure on the Swim England fees as the club covers the costs for volunteers in the club, including volunteer teachers, swimming officials, team managers and other volunteers. Due to a growing number of volunteers, the expenditure has increased slightly this year, but it is good news to see so many volunteers offering their time.

The club provides clothing and refunds entry fees for swimmers who successfully reach the National and British championships, as a recognition of their achievement. This year saw another large increase in the number of swimmers achieving National and British times, and so this cost has increased again this year.

The club held its annual presentation evening in January 2025 which was a huge success with the costs broadly in line with the budget.

## Club shop

The club shop sells items marginally above cost and so should make a small profit in the long run, although the timing of sales can result in a small loss due to stock held. This year, there is a small profit.

Overall, the club has made a profit of around £8,000, which mainly comes from the strong membership, and from the 2 galas run by the club.



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## **Balance sheet**

There has been a large increase to the balance sheet over the year, with around £8k profit, boosted by an increase of £21k in the value of the Protected Fund. However, there are restrictions on how much can be taken out of this fund, in order to protect the capital for future generations. The Protected Fund is an investment bond held by the club, currently managed by investment managers Brewin Dolphin. The value of the fund is linked to various stock market funds and in line with markets has performed well over the year. The value of this fund is volatile and can also fall.

## **Forecast for 2026**

The club continues to look strong for 2026, although with increasing costs, we made the decision to increase monthly fees by a small amount from January 2026. However, the club continues to look at ways to ensure profits are invested back into the club for the benefit of the swimmers.

The current forecast is to break even over the year. We regularly monitor the budget and will carefully consider our options if there are significant changes. However, we are starting the year in a strong position which will provide a buffer against adverse conditions. Given the current position, we are proposing no change to the annual membership fee, of £42 p.a.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Claire Rowson".

**Claire Rowson**  
**Honorary Treasurer**