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## OTLEY SAILING CLUB

# Development Plan Executive Summary 2015 - 2020

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Otley Sailing Club was founded in 1959 and is located on Weston Water, 1 mile to the west of the market town of Otley in West Yorkshire in the Metropolitan District of Leeds.

Sailing opportunities are very limited in Yorkshire and the former gravel quarry at Otley provides one of only two sailing areas in Leeds. Otley Sailing Club is an RYA Recognised Teaching Establishment (RTE).

It is also the RYA Centre of Excellence for Disability Sailing, and has been awarded the Queens Award for Volunteering along with the Duke of York Community Initiative award in October 2013.

Otley Sailing Club aim to provide sailing for ALL, young, old & less abled people alike  
We have an active membership and provide training for Sailing & Power boating to RYA teaching standards

### **Purpose and Aims of the Plan:**

This plan has been developed and approved by the Committee of Otley Sailing Club, and the purpose is to:

- Identify the development needs of Otley Sailing Club Ltd;
- Prioritise those needs to enable officers of the club to make investment decisions;
- Provide an objective basis for seeking external funding from sponsors and from grant making bodies making use of the Club's charitable status;

### **The plan aims to:**

- Support the published aims of Otley Sailing Club, which are contained within the Club's constitution and rules
- Support the current development aims of the Committee, which are published in the Development Plan

### **Development objectives:**

The objectives are to secure the future of the Club by maintaining and improving

- Facilities
- Equipment
- Volunteers
- Membership
- Sailing opportunities to the broader community

### **Development Areas:**

- Lake - with water's edge, pontoons, slipways and water quality
- Club house, changing rooms, galley and teaching room/store room
- Access to the Club via single file track, carpark, pathways and steps to slipway
- Dinghy Park providing secure and efficient storage for members and club boats/equipment
- Club boats to be maintained and kept current to support the training and activity programmes
- Safety throughout the club to meet regulations laid down in the Club's safety policy and by external bodies
- Increased membership and volunteers numbers

All Committee members will actively pursue and identify potential new sources of sponsorship and grant aid. To progress a project, the Committee will appoint a Project Officer who will co-ordinate the initiative and secure the funding.

All grant applications and sponsorship proposals should be to secure developments in accordance with the Development Plan and need to be approved by both the Commodore and the Treasurer. The Development Plan can be updated and modified to take advantage of emerging new sources of funding- with the approval of the Committee.

Where possible projects should seek to be self-financing through grant aid and sponsorship, with the balance being made up from current club funds. No applications should place the Club at financial or reputational risk  
Inevitably, the availability of outside funding is hard to plan for and will steer initiative towards the priorities of the funding organisation. This plan provides a framework and process to align the needs of funding bodies and the Club.