

## **SVWScheme – Trustees’ Meeting – 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2021 – Item 5.1**

### **The Sainsbury Veterans Welfare Scheme (Charity No; 1125046) Annual Trustees’ Report for the year ending 31 December 2020**

#### **Introduction**

The Sainsbury Veterans Welfare Scheme (the charity) was afforded charitable status on 17 July 2008. It had become an independent trust on 11 July 2007, and prior to that had been operating within Sainsbury Supermarkets Ltd, as part of the company’s commitment to its veterans.

The charity exists to provide assistance to Sainsbury’s Veterans who are in need of help to enhance the quality of their lives. There are nearly 20,000 Sainsbury Veterans. A Sainsbury Veteran is defined as a former employee who has retired from the company having completed a required period of continuous company service. For the purposes of the Welfare Scheme the definition also covers spouses and partners of Sainsbury Veterans and surviving spouses and partners of former Sainsbury Veterans. Whilst priority is given to the above categories, over 12,000 other Sainsbury employees who have retired but have not formally become Veterans, may also benefit.

The charity provides essential items to assist beneficiaries to better maintain independence in their lives in and around their homes. Such essential items might typically, but not exclusively, include bathroom enhancements and aids, walk-in showers, transport and other mobility aids, rise and recline beds and chairs, and household items. Support can also be provided for respite care and convalescence.

#### **Structure, Governance and Management**

The charity is constituted as a Trust and its governing document is a Declaration of Trust dated 11 July 2007, amended by a Deed of Variation of Trust dated 25 June 2008. The declaration of Trust provides that there shall be a minimum of five and a maximum of 7 Trustees. The Trustees use their best endeavours to ensure

that one of their number is an independent person with experience of or a professional qualification in a discipline relevant to the objects. Otherwise, Trustees are appointed from the Veterans Association. Trustee appointments and re-appointments are for a period of 3 years, up to maximum of three re-appointments.

The Trustees during 2020 were:

Name	Date of Appointment	Date of Re-Appointment	Date of Resignation
David Clapham	19/07/2018		
Eric Nicholls	11/07/2007	11/07/2017	15/10/2020
Ian Fidler	01/01/2013	01/01/2019	
David Dahms	01/01/2013	01/01/2019	
Brian Doonar	22/11/2018		
Tim Straker	16/05/2019	(Independent Trustee)	
John Padgett	06/10/2019		
Douglas Parkin	28/10/2019		

The trustees are aware that they have a duty to act in the best interests of the charity. Accordingly, Trustees openly declare any personal and professional connections that might bring benefits to the work of the charity but which could also give rise to conflicts of interest.

Mr. John Padgett took over from Mr. Eric Nicholls MBE as Welfare Scheme Manager during 2020. The role co-ordinates grant applications through a local network of regional welfare co-ordinators and regional Chairs.

## Objectives and Achievements

The principal objective of the Trustees is to reach as many potential beneficiaries as possible. Significant efforts continue to be made throughout the year to communicate the existence and benefits offered by the charity to Sainsbury Veterans. Communication was effected through 'The News' for Sainsbury's Veterans which is published quarterly, and also the Veterans Website. The Covid-19 pandemic however prevented the usual face-to-face Local Association meetings and Veteran Reunions from taking place.

A 'Just Giving' page was set up to accept online donations to help mitigate the loss of collections for the charity at Reunions.

The Trustees regularly review other ways to relieve need amongst Sainsbury Veterans.

## **Financial Review**

The activities of both the veteran's section and the welfare scheme were severely impacted during 2020 by the Covid-19 crisis. The lack of reunions and local association meetings impacted both the opportunities for fund raising and the processing of grant applications.

Income from reunion collections and local association proceeds totalled £400, from the Bristol reunion, compared with £5,301 the previous year. There was however an encouraging increase in personal donations to £1,957 up from £539 in 2019. In total, fundraising reduced from £5,840 in 2019 to £2,357 in 2020.

7 grants were processed in 2020 at an average of £2,699 per grant compared with 16 in 2019 at an average of £1,636. This is the second highest average grant in the history of the scheme after 2018 and compares to an overall scheme average of £1,706.

No paid staff were employed. No payments were made to Trustees, who are all volunteers. Administration expenses claimed were £244 including stationery design costs. The Trustees are extremely grateful to Welfare Co-ordinators and Trustees who incurred expenses in undertaking voluntary work for the Welfare Scheme but who chose not to claim them. The Trustees also wish to thank Mr. Derek Salt FCA who undertook an independent examination of the Welfare Scheme's financial records and statement on a pro-bono basis.

In total for the year there was an excess of £16,953 in expenditure over income with total scheme funds at year end of £39,478 compared to £56,071 at the end of 2019.

**John Padgett**

**16.2.2021**

## THE SAINSBURY VETERANS WELFARE SCHEME

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#### Statement of Activity and Funds 1st January -31 December 2020

		£	£
<b>Cash Balance at 31st December 2019</b>			<b>11,070.84</b>
<b>Income</b>			
Transfer from			
CCLA	17/01/20	15,000.00	
	10/07/20	15,000.00	
Deposit Interest		89.93	
Donations	CAF Bank	273.00	
	Individual	1,683.85	
	Bristol Reunion	400.00	
Bank			
Compensation		100.00	
			<b>32,546.78</b>
<b>Grants Made</b>			
16/01/20	Mrs Brenda Owen	3,000.00	
14/02/20	Mrs Gillian Broomhall	1,565.00	
18/02/20	Mrs Kathleen O'Connor	2,873.00	
09/04/20	Mr Costa Christofis	2,458.35	
24/08/20	Mrs. J Somerset	3,000.00	
23/09/20	Mrs Pauline Cheeseman	3,000.00	
15/10/20	Mrs J Woodiwiss	3,000.00	
			<b>18,896.35</b>
	Administration Costs		
	Bank Transfers	3.60	
	Design Costs	240.00	
			243.60
	<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b>19,139.95</b>
	Cash Balance at 31st December 2020		
	Current Account	24,477.67	
	CCLA Deposit	15,000.00	
			<b>39,477.67</b>

## THE SAINSBURY VETERANS WELFARE SCHEME

Charity Number 1125046

### Statement of Receipts and Payments 1st January-31st December 2020

Unrestricted Income	£	£
Proceeds from Events	400	
Donations and Gift Aid	1,957	
Deposit Interest received	90	
Bank Compensation	100	
		2,547
Expenditure		
Grants Made	18,896	
Administration Costs	244	
		19,140
Excess Expenditure over Income		-16,593
Opening funds at 31st December 2019		56,071
Closing Funds at 31st December 2020		39,478

Approved on behalf of the Board of  
Trustees

Name:

Name:

Name:

## THE SAINSBURY VETERANS WELFARE SCHEME

### GRANT POSITION 01 JANUARY 2008 TO 31 DECEMBER 2020

	GRANTS MADE	£ VALUE	AVERAGE GRANT £
2008	21	28,572	1,361
2009	15	15,599	1,040
2010	18	31,877	1,771
2011	33	59,008	1,788
2012	30	41,973	1,399
2013	49	84,467	1,724
2014	44	73,272	1,665
2015	35	55,910	1,597
2016	33	62,805	1,903
2017	28	51,800	1,850
2018	10	28,077	2,808
2019	16	26,182	1,636
2020	7	18,896	2,699
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>339</b>	<b>578,438</b>	<b>1,706</b>

## The Sainsbury's Veterans Welfare Scheme

### Annual Financial Review for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020.

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**Doug Parkin – Final – 23.2.2021**



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Charity Name

THE SAINSBURY VETERANS WELFARE SOCIETY

On accounts for the year  
ended

31st DECEMBER 2020

Charity no  
(if any)

1125046

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above  
charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2020.

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation  
of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act  
2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out  
under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I  
have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission  
under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent  
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have  
come to my attention (~~other than that disclosed below~~ \*) in connection with  
the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material  
respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of  
the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection  
with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a  
proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

[Signature]

Date:

06/08/2021

Name:

DEREK SART

Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body  
(if any):

FCA.

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

**Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.**

