

HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS

England & Wales · Charity number 1148155

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Charitable company

Company number [08050428](#)

Registered 2012-07-17

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: THE CHARITY'S OBJECTS ('OBJECTS') ARE SPECIFICALLY RESTRICTED TO THE FOLLOWING:THE RELIEF OF CHARITABLE NEED OF HOMELESS EX-SERVICE PERSONNEL, IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY:-A) THE PROVISION OF SAFE AND PERMANENT HOUSING AND THROUGH A PROGRAM OF RE-EDUCATION AND THE TEACHING OF LIFE SKILLS TO HELP THEM BACK INTO THE COMMUNITY ANDB) ADVICE AND COUNSELLING TO ENABLE THEM ADDRESS THE ISSUES THAT MADE THEM HOMELESS IN THE FIRST PLACE AND HELPING THEM RE-ADJUST TO CIVILIAN LIFE THROUGH RE-TRAINING.

Activities: Our aim is to identify homeless Veterans living rough or in unsatisfactory accommodation . We then arrange suitable, sustainable accommodation in an individual or shared living environment,which ensures the candidate can access other relevant charities. A home provides a platform from which to access employment, medical and other welfare benefits with the assistance of our charity

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Accommodation/housing, Armed Forces/emergency Service Efficiency, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups

Geography

- Barnsley
- City Of Wakefield
- City Of York
- Doncaster
- East Riding Of Yorkshire
- Leeds City
- North East Lincolnshire
- North Yorkshire
- Rotherham
- Sheffield City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-30	£90,893	£86,642	-	-
2024-04-30	£58,450	£87,680	-	-
2023-04-30	£83,129	£114,430	-	-
2022-04-30	£157,222	£68,596	-	-
2021-04-30	£98,457	£77,772	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ANDREW RICHARD MARTIN		2022-08-31
Darren Sidebottom		2021-01-01
Elizabeth Shirin Butcher		2017-08-02
John Patrick HEALY		2015-11-18
Sarah Jane Sidebottom		2025-10-19

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Accounts

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REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2025



HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS
TRUSTEES' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2025

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION
YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2025

Full name: HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS

Registered charity number: 1148155

Registered company number: 08050428

Registered office & principal address: 23 Queens Road
Barnsley
S71 1AN

Trustees & Directors: E S Butcher
J Healy
E R Keenan
A R Martin
D Sidebottom
S Ward (Appointed October 2024)

Chair: J Healy

Bankers: National Westminster Bank Plc
26 Market Hill
Barnsley
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Independent examiner: Stephanie Tolson
Community Accountant
BCVS Services Limited
23 Queens Road
Barnsley
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HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS

TRUSTEES' REPORT

YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2025

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the period 01 May 2024 to 30 April 2025.

Structure, governance and management

HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS is a registered charity with the Charity Commission and a company limited by guarantee, governed by its Articles of Association, dated 30th April 2012. The company has no share capital and the liability of each member in the event of winding-up is limited to a sum not exceeding £10. The affairs of the charity are managed by the trustees, who may exercise all the powers of the charity, through its Chief Executive Officer (CEO).

Appointment of trustees

The trustees are also directors of the company for the purpose of company law. The trustees are appointed at the Annual General Meeting. At the Annual General Meeting one-third of the trustees shall retire from office by rotation, ie those who have been longest in office since their last appointment or reappointment. The number of trustees shall not be less than three.

The trustees who served during the period, to the date of signing the accounts, are listed on page 3 of this report.

Related parties

The trustees consider that there are no related parties to the charity.

Risk management

The trustees have ultimate responsibility for identifying and managing risk. The trustees examine the major risks that the charity faces and to put into operation systems so that necessary steps can be taken to lessen these risks. The charity has a risk management policy which is reviewed regularly by the trustees.

Charitable aims and objectives

The objectives of the charity are:

The relief of charitable need of homeless ex-service personnel, in particular but not exclusively by:

- a) the provision of safe and permanent housing and through a programme of re-education and the teaching of life skills to help them back into the community.***
- b) advice and counselling to enable them to address the issues that made them homeless and helping them re-adjust to civilian life through re-training.***

Public Benefit

In shaping the activities for the year, the trustees have paid due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

Chairman's Introduction to the Annual Report

There is certainly change in the air as we now have a new Labour Government intent on change. For our charity it affords the opportunity of moving forward on a shared dream of building our own property which will be available to homeless veterans.

To help achieve this goal last year the Trustees agreed to increase our members of staff by one. We welcomed to our team Amber Guymmer-Hoskins. She has proved herself as an effective worker supporting our CEO Steve Bentham-Bates.

We have also increased our number of Trustees by one and I welcome on board Sally Ward who is a legal expert within the commercial world.

On a personal note I had intended to stand down as Chair once the CEO stood down. He has decided to carry on. Assuming the Trustees still want me as their chair, I will continue in that position albeit this is my 75th year my birthday being in April just gone. As of May 1st, 2025 following the local elections I stand down as a Cllr for City of Doncaster Council. It is my intention to continue either as Chair or a Trustee to work to achieve a new building managed and owned by H4HV. To this end I support the Buy A Brick Campaign.

There will be other fund-raising events in our area and hopefully we will be invited to attend. This will enable us to raise awareness of our aims in building a property to provide emergency accommodation for homeless veterans. Along with other trustees and volunteers I will be there to support the event and our stall.

The statistics on our record of helping veterans is documented by our CEO Steve Bentham-Bates and I do not intend to repeat them here.

I would like to pay tribute to our founder Tom Wood MBE who through ill health has stood down. I would also like to thank all the trustees and volunteers for their help over the last year.

John Healy B.A (Hons)

Chairperson, Help 4 Homeless Veterans

CEO's Annual Report

Once again, this operating year has been challenging in terms of both fundraising and delivering support to vulnerable veterans but despite our small size we continue to disburse assistance in a timely manner.

We have reduced our financial outgoings by changing our storage facilities and closing the drop-in facility. This released sufficient funds to take on a part-time assistant last July on the national living wage rate which was recently increased in April as per government figures. My salary hasn't changed since 2022 to keep the overheads down.

The good news is that during this 12-month period, **77** veterans, all Army apart from 2 former RAF Airmen and 1 former Royal Marine, have benefited from our rapidly delivered support.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT continued

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The help was in the form of paying for: initial rents, deposits, buying essential household items such as beds, cookers etc. We delivered food parcels at Christmas and in January and February we delivered winter fuel payments of £100 each to OAP veterans who had lost their government WFP. As per previous years trips to the Therapy Farm, we received a grant from the Veterans Foundation to help fund future visits, and just a couple of weeks ago our Trustee Cllr Reverend Eve Rose Keenan led a service for visitors and on Tuesday this week a further 8 veterans visited the farm.

We have referred just 2 veterans towards Op Fortitude due to their particular circumstances needing greater support: one was sent to Catterick, the other to Devon and we paid their transport costs. We have highlighted the lack of their cover here in South Yorkshire to the Defense Secretary who is also my local MP.

We were awarded the MOD Employer Recognition Scheme SILVER Award, and I agreed with the RFCA that we would take a year out to concentrate on our house purchase campaign before applying for consideration for the Gold Award during the following year.

Moving forward:

I have agreed with the trustees to work past my 70th birthday this June to help to deliver the BUY A BRICK campaign and get a Halfway House up and running in South Yorkshire if we raise sufficient funds.

We are engaging with some important people such as our MP and 2 local Mayors offering their support. Unfortunately, the application we made to the AFCFT under their capital purchase scheme was turned down as ineligible as it doesn't include purchase of properties for homeless veterans.

Therefore, we are fundraising ourselves as it is the charity's hope that we will be able to purchase a house to use as emergency accommodation to offset the current expensive hotel/ B & B bills we pay for which makes it difficult to build up the savings account.

However, our reserves remain healthy exceeding our own 12-month rule. Any funds above that amount will be put toward the house purchase scheme.

As at 30th April 2025 our Bank balances stood at:

Current £7936.27, Reserve £160509.77, Cash £499.65, Total £168,945.69

At this point last year we had £163,908.79.

At this point I wish to thank everyone who has fundraised for us this year in a variety of ways. Too many to mention individually, but groups like the local Veterans Breakfast Clubs are getting behind us with our campaign to buy a house. We are also invited to several VE Day 80th day events in a couple of weeks.

Once again, THE VETERAN'S FOUNDATION has provided help that we would like to thank them for. This includes further funding towards our homeless work, the FARM THERAPY PROJECT we work on with my old RAF Regt colleague Jamie Quinn as well as the Winter Fuel Payment scheme for a second winter.

Due to very serious health conditions requiring regular hospital visits/treatments our Founder Tom Wood MBE finally stood down last July.

In April 2025 Trustee Andy Martin was awarded a South Yorkshire High Sheriff Community Award for his ten years working as a volunteer for the charity.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT continued

YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2025

Although the end of the Mayoral year is mid-May, we would like to place on record now, our deep appreciation to Rotherham MBC Councilor, Mayor Sheila Cowen ex WRAF for all the support she has shown to our charity this financial year. We were chosen as one of her charities for her mayoral year and though the final donation isn't yet calculated, it is likely to be a substantial amount due to her successful fundraising, which is amazing.

We have also been invited to the incoming Mayor of Barnsley's installation, another ex-Soldier who it turned out served in Northern Ireland at the same time as our Founder Tom Wood MBE, and we hope to enjoy a closer working relationship with the Armed Forces community and Barnsley council in the next financial year.

In May we will push our **BUY A BRICK campaign**, articles in local magazines, newspapers and social media will help to spread the word to encourage the public to donate towards purchasing our emergency housing. We have also approached local TV and hope to get wider coverage and therefore support as a result of that publicity.

The final thank you goes to my new part-time assistant Amber Guymer-Hosking. Originally 8 years ago she was a homeless veteran that we helped. Later she became an ambassador and last July I asked the Trustees to offer her a part-time role which she has thrown herself into with gusto. She has made a massive contribution, taking a lot of work off my plate enabling me to concentrate on future strategy, amongst the case work and all the administrative work needed to keep a charity operating correctly. She has walked the walk, and now that experience is channeled to help fellow veterans.

On a personal note, as I approach completing ten years in post as the CEO, I look back on all we have done with pride. We have not been afraid to adapt to overcome problems or try fresh ideas, but the end result is that there are many hundreds of veterans who are in a much better place because of our efforts. (Over 1100 now since 2010).

If we can get the Buy A Brick Campaign to meet its aim and we get to purchase our halfway house, then that will up our game even more and it will be something permanent to be able to finally retire from with head held high.

Onwards and Upwards.

Steve Bentham-Bates

Chief Executive Officer, Help 4 Homeless Veterans



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TRUSTEES' REPORT continued

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The charity's policy on reserves

Reserves are needed to meet the working capital requirements of the charity and to ensure that Help 4 Homeless Veterans is able to continue in the event of a gap in funding. Reserves are also needed to meet all statutory obligations in the event of winding up. The trustees aim to keep reserves at a level equivalent to 12 months' running costs at any one time.

At the end of the financial year the actual level of reserves held, represented by unrestricted revenue funds were £159,424 (2024: £160,250). The level of reserves currently exceeds 12 months running costs. This is due to a donation of £74k received upon the closure of the Once We Were Soldiers charity in 2022. The trustees will use additional reserves to enhance the charity's support and services to veterans in need of our help, and to help towards the goal of purchasing a house for veteran emergency accommodation.

Exemptions

The trustees have taken advantage of the exemptions available to small companies, including the audit exemption.

Statement of trustee's responsibilities

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity at the end of the year and of the surplus or deficiency for the year then ended.

In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to: select suitable accounting policies and then apply them on a consistent basis, making judgements and estimates that are prudent and reasonable. The trustees must also prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the charity, and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud or other irregularities.

Financial Position

The financial statements are set out in pages 10 to 17. The Statement of Financial Activities shows a surplus for the year of £4,251 (2024: deficit of £29,230). The total funds at 30 April 2025 stand at £166,893 (2024: £162,642). Total funds include balances remaining on restricted funds of £7,469 and a general reserve of £159,424.

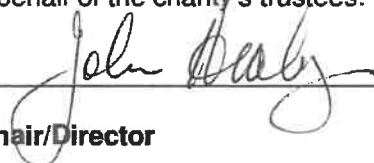
Small company provisions:

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed



Date: 27 May 2025

J Healy, Chair/Director

HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2025

I report on the accounts of the charity, which are set out on pages 10 to 17.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities 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 general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 the trustees concerning any 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 matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102).

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

Signed: 

Date: 27 May 2025

Stephanie Tolson
Community Accountant
BCVS Services Limited
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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(Incorporating an Income & Expenditure Account)**

YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2025

		Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2025 Total Funds £	2024 £
	Note					
Incoming resources						
Donations & fundraising	2	57,559	-	-	57,559	47,394
Grants received	3	15,000	-	15,000	30,000	9,100
Bank interest		3,334	-	-	3,334	1,956
Total incoming resources		75,893	-	15,000	90,893	58,450
Resources expended						
Salaries cost	11	38,923	-	-	38,923	27,998
Rent, rates & utilities		-	-	-	-	5,454
Office & admin expense		1,112	-	-	1,112	1,058
Telephone & Website		1,973	-	-	1,973	397
Room hire		472	-	-	472	205
Veteran accommodation		9,236	-	3,856	13,092	12,126
Repairs & redecoration		-	-	-	-	990
Furniture & household equipment		1,941	-	403	2,344	1,922
Equipment & fittings		2,131	-	-	2,131	1,241
Insurance		427	-	-	427	2,111
Storage		1,954	-	-	1,954	5,996
Legal & professional fees		154	-	-	154	133
Veteran support		1,287	-	3,451	4,738	2,419
Publicity & events		11,452	-	-	11,452	6,834
Fundraising costs		906	-	1,350	2,256	865
Travel & meetings		2,678	-	54	2,732	2,954
Accountancy, bookkeeping & payroll		2,604	-	-	2,604	2,250
Bank charges		253	-	-	253	210
Vehicle costs		-	-	-	-	1,145
Key personnel death in service costs		-	-	-	-	3,591
Depreciation		-	-	-	-	5,174
Loss on the disposal of assets		-	-	-	-	2,607
Sundries/misc		25	-	-	25	-
Total resources expended		77,528	-	9,114	86,642	87,680
Net income/(expenditure)		(1,635)	-	5,886	4,251	(29,230)
Transfers between funds	13	809	-	(809)	-	-
Total funds brought forward		160,250	-	2,392	162,642	191,872
Total funds carried forward	12	159,424	-	7,469	166,893	162,642

Prior year income included restricted grants of £6,600. All other income was unrestricted.

A comparison of expenditure to the prior year, by fund, is included in note 4 to the accounts.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 30 APRIL 2025

	Note	£	2025 £	£	2024 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	7	-	-	-	-
Total fixed assets			-	-	-
Current assets					
Debtors & prepayments	5	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand		168,946	168,946	163,909	163,909
Total current assets		168,946	168,946	163,909	163,909
Liabilities					
Creditors & accruals amounts falling due within one year	6	(2,053)	(2,053)	(1,267)	(1,267)
Net current assets			166,893	162,642	162,642
Net assets			<u>166,893</u>	<u>162,642</u>	<u>162,642</u>
Funds of the charity	12				
Unrestricted funds			159,424	160,250	160,250
Designated funds			-	-	-
Restricted funds			7,469	2,392	2,392
Total funds			<u>166,893</u>	<u>162,642</u>	<u>162,642</u>

Exemption from audit

For the year ending 30 April 2025 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

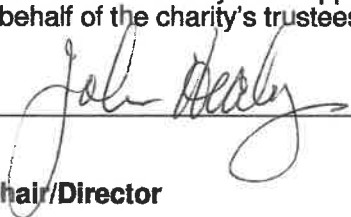
- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small company's regime.

The trustees declare that they have approved the accounts above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed



Dated: 27 May 2025

J Healy, Chair/Director

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2025

1. Accounting policies

Basis of the preparation of the accounts

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities - Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102), Charities SORP (FRS102)) and the Companies Act 2006.

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value, unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

Income and expenditure has been analysed in the accounts using natural classification, in accordance with the provisions of Section 4.6 of the Charities SORP (Smaller Charities). The charity also meets the requirements for exemption from preparing a statement of cash flows.

Going Concern Note

The charity has a healthy reserve and has been successful in accessing grant funding to contribute to running costs. There are no material uncertainties at the balance date and the trustees have reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operation for the foreseeable future. The charity therefore continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

Incoming resources

All material incoming resources have been included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is entitled to the income, when any performance conditions attached are met, when it is probable that the income will be received and when the amount can be measured reliably.

Resources Expended

Resources expended have been analysed using natural classification.

All expenditure is included on an accruals basis and is recognised as a liability is incurred. The charity is not registered for VAT and accordingly resources expended are shown gross of irrecoverable VAT.

Donated goods and services

Donated facilities and services are recognised in the accounts at the amount the charity would pay in the open market for a service equivalent to that being donated, when the charity would otherwise have purchased them and the value can be measured reliably.

Donated goods for the charity's own use are recognised as income, at their fair value. The contribution of general volunteers is not recognised as income in the charity accounts

Fixed Assets & Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated to write down the cost or valuation less estimated residual value of all tangible fixed assets, with a cost exceeding £1,000, over their expected useful lives. The rates applicable are:

Equipment, Fixtures & Fittings – 20% on a straight line basis.

Vehicles - 20% on a straight line basis

In the year of acquisition, assets are depreciated for the full year.

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Funds Structure

The charity maintains a general unrestricted fund which represents funds which are expendable at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the objects of the charity.

Restricted funds have been provided to the charity for particular purposes and may only be spent for the purposes for which they were given. Any balance remaining outstanding on a restricted fund at the end of the year is carried forward as a balance on the fund, unless permission has been given by the funder to remove the restriction on the balance outstanding.

Funds relating to capital expenditure are transferred to a designated fund against which depreciation is charged.

2. Income from Donations & Fundraising

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2025 Total Funds £	2024 Total Funds £
General Donations	45,365	-	45,365	41,697
Fundraising & Events	12,194	-	12,194	5,697
Total	57,559	-	57,559	47,394

All prior year Donations and Fundraising income is unrestricted.

3. Grants Received

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2025 Total Funds £	2024 Total Funds £
The Veterans' Foundation Farm Therapy	-	5,000	5,000	5,000
Asda Foundation	-	-	-	1,600
The Veterans' Foundation Fuel grant	-	5,000	5,000	-
The Veterans' Foundation general purpose	5,000	-	5,000	-
The Veterans' Foundation Veterans Support	-	5,000	5,000	-
ABF general purpose	10,000	-	10,000	-
West Riding Masonic Charities	-	-	-	2,500
Total	15,000	15,000	30,000	9,100

The prior year grant from West Riding Masonic Charities is unrestricted. All other prior year grants are restricted funds.

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4. Analysis of Expenditure by Fund

	2025	2024
	£	£
Unrestricted Funds:		
Salaries cost	38,923	15,932
Office & admin expense	1,112	706
Telephone & Website	1,973	397
Room hire	472	205
Veteran accommodation	9,236	12,126
Furniture & household equipment	1,941	1,922
Equipment & fittings	2,131	1,141
Insurance	427	2,111
Storage	1,954	5,996
Legal & professional fees	154	133
Veteran support	1,287	1,461
Publicity & events	11,452	3,046
Fundraising costs	906	865
Travel & meetings	2,678	2,220
Accountancy, bookkeeping & payroll	2,604	2,250
Bank charges	253	210
Vehicle costs	-	1,145
Key personnel death in service costs	-	3,591
Depreciation (Designated Funds)	-	5,174
Loss on the disposal of assets (Designated Funds)	-	2,607
Sundries/misc	25	-
Total	<u>77,528</u>	<u>63,238</u>
Restricted Funds:		
Salaries cost	-	12,066
Rent & rates	-	5,454
Office & admin expense	-	352
Veteran Accomodation	3,856	-
Repairs & redecoration	-	990
Furniture & household equipment	403	-
Equipment & fittings	-	100
Veteran support	3,451	958
Publicity & events	-	3,788
Fundraising Costs	1,350	-
Travel & meetings	54	734
Total	<u>9,114</u>	<u>24,442</u>

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5. Debtors

	2025	2024
	£	£
Prepayments	-	-
Total	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

6. Creditors

	2025	2024
	£	£
Creditors & accruals	900	800
PAYE liability	1,153	467
Total	<u>2,053</u>	<u>1,267</u>

7. Fixed Assets

There were no fixed assets during the financial period.

8. Trustees' remuneration, benefits and expenses

Out of pocket expenses were paid to one trustee, to the total value of £496 during the financial year (2024: £1,031). Other than reimbursement of items purchased on behalf of the charity, there were no further payments, remuneration or benefits made to trustees in this or in the previous accounting period.

9. Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions, in this or in the previous accounting period.

10. Independent examination and accountancy services

During the period, the total cost of the independent examination, accountancy, bookkeeping and payroll services, provided by BCVS, was £2,604 (2024: £2,250).

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11. Staff costs and numbers

	2025	2024
	£	£
Total Salaries Cost	<u>38,923</u>	<u>27,998</u>

The average number of employees during the year was 2 (2024: 1).

12. Movement in Funds

	Opening balance £	Incoming resources £	(Resources expended) £	Fund Transfers £	Closing balance £
Unrestricted Funds:					
General Fund	160,250	75,893	(77,528)	809	159,424
	<u>160,250</u>	<u>75,893</u>	<u>(77,528)</u>	<u>809</u>	<u>159,424</u>
Designated Funds:					
Fixed Assets	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Restricted Funds:					
Asda Foundation Cost of Living grant	1,142	-	(333)	(809)	-
Veterans' Foundation - Farm Therapy	1,250	5,000	(1,472)	-	4,778
Veterans' Foundation - Veteran Support	-	5,000	(4,409)	-	591
Veterans' Foundation - Fuel	-	5,000	(2,900)	-	2,100
	<u>2,392</u>	<u>15,000</u>	<u>(9,114)</u>	<u>(809)</u>	<u>7,469</u>
TOTAL	<u>162,642</u>	<u>90,893</u>	<u>(86,642)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>166,893</u>

13. Fund transfers

The balances remaining on the prior year Asda Foundation grant of £809 was transferred to the General fund at the year end. The trustees confirm that all obligations to the funders have been met.

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14. Restricted Funds

- Asda Foundation – Cost of Living grant – a grant to support veterans with food costs.
- Veterans' Foundation – Farm Therapy Project– a grant to support the Farm Therapy Project.
- Veterans' Foundation – Veteran Support – a grant to contribute to Veteran accommodation costs and household equipment.
- Veterans' Foundation – Fuel Grant – to provide individual fuel support grants of £100 to veterans struggling to cover the high cost of gas and electricity over the winter period.
- Drop-in Centre – restricted funding for the running of the Drop-in Centre.

HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS

England & Wales - Charity number 1148155

Accounts

Charity Registration Number. 1148155

Company Number. 08050428 (England and Wales)

HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

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The Queen's Award
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**HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS
TRUSTEES' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2024**

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HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS
LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION
YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2024

Full name: HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS

Registered charity number: 1148155

Registered company number: 08050428

Registered office & principal address:
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Barnsley
S71 1AN

Trustees & Directors:
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J Healy
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A R Martin
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Chair: J Healy

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HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS

TRUSTEES' REPORT

YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2024

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the period 01 May 2023 to 30 April 2024.

Structure, governance and management

HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS is a registered charity with the Charity Commission and a company limited by guarantee, governed by its Articles of Association, dated 30th April 2012. The company has no share capital and the liability of each member in the event of winding-up is limited to a sum not exceeding £10. The affairs of the charity are managed by the trustees, who may exercise all the powers of the charity, through its Chief Executive Officer (CEO).

Appointment of trustees

The trustees are also directors of the company for the purpose of company law. The trustees are appointed at the Annual General Meeting. At the Annual General Meeting one-third of the trustees shall retire from office by rotation, ie those who have been longest in office since their last appointment or reappointment. The number of trustees shall not be less than three.

The trustees who served during the period, to the date of signing the accounts, are listed on page 3 of this report.

Related parties

The trustees consider that there are no related parties to the charity.

Risk management

The trustees have ultimate responsibility for identifying and managing risk. The trustees examine the major risks that the charity faces and to put into operation systems so that necessary steps can be taken to lessen these risks. The charity has a risk management policy which is reviewed regularly by the trustees.

Charitable aims and objectives

The objectives of the charity are:

The relief of charitable need of homeless ex-service personnel, in particular but not exclusively by:

- a) ***the provision of safe and permanent housing and through a programme of re-education and the teaching of life skills to help them back into the community.***
- b) ***advice and counselling to enable them to address the issues that made them homeless and helping them re-adjust to civilian life through re-training.***

Public Benefit

In shaping the activities for the year, the trustees have paid due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS
TRUSTEES' REPORT continued
YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2024

Chairman's Introduction to the Annual Report

This year I have been fortunate enough to lead a group of Trustees who have assisted in the development of Help 4 Homeless Veterans charity, and at short notice. With the introduction in July 2023 of OP FORTITUDE. It was necessary to review the area of the charity's operation. The Trustees approved the reduction of H4HV operational area from all of England to the Yorkshire & The Humber regions.

Two years ago, we introduced our drop-in centre in Barnsley. Despite all efforts the centre never really got the support from local veterans. The centre was closed in February of this year, and this released resources of £10k to spend on supporting vulnerable veterans.

I am informed by our CEO Steve Bentham-Bates that over this year we have assisted 56 veterans. This does demonstrate that notwithstanding OP FORTITUDE and the reduction of our area of operations, the help and resources of the H4HV charity are very much in demand.

The charity continues to raise funds, but if we are to maintain our position in helping vulnerable veterans, we as trustees need to increase our efforts in fund raising. The ever-increasing cost of living has meant we have had to increase our support, in financial terms, to needy vulnerable veterans. An example has been the level of private property rents, which have increased dramatically over this last year.

In looking forward, the Trustees have got to give some serious thought to the replacement of our CEO who has re-iterated his wish to retire in May 2025. I too will retire from the Charity in May 2025.

Should the Trustees be willing to move forward we need to look at new initiatives, not just in fundraising. This needs to be better coordinated, not relying on the work of the CEO alone.

The Trustees need to seriously consider new projects like a refuge for vulnerable homeless veterans. Starting in Barnsley, with progression of a property in differing parts of the region we now cover.

Finally, I would like to thank Tom Wood, our founder, for his help and guidance over the last year. To our CEO, always at the end of the phone should I need him, my thanks for being there.

To you the Trustees who have attended the meetings and made valuable contributions at the meetings or via email, when necessary. Thank you.

How could I forget Amber Guymer our illustrious ambassador. She has been a great ambassador for the charity as well as fundraiser.

I must also mention here one volunteer, Mrs Diane Martin, who has sadly passed away. She was with Andy at the Barnsley Drop-In, with a ready smile and willingness to prepare the food and drinks for all who passed through the doors to the centre.

John Healy B.A (Hons)
Chairperson, Help 4 Homeless Veterans

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TRUSTEES' REPORT continued
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CEO's Annual Report

This period has been for the charity, one of its most challenging since I took control in 2015. We have made several decisions regrouping, taking the charity back to basics, to ensure that we can continue to provide the coal-face assistance to vulnerable homeless veterans when they need it, as our Founder set out to do when he created H4HV back in 2010.

Like many other organisations, we have faced higher costs necessitating some difficult decisions by the Trustees, thus enabling us to continue providing our core support to homeless veterans, of paying initial rents and bonds and helping them set up homes.

Last year we made the realistic decision to withdraw from covering all of England and Wales to the four Yorkshire Counties and North and Northeast Lincolnshire, essentially the **Yorkshire & The Humber regions**.

That has proved to be a sound decision enabling us to focus our limited resources. This wasn't purely a financial call. With the introduction of OP FORTITUDE last July and the growth of similar regional charities to ours in various other areas, it was and remains the correct change of policy.

We introduced our DROP-IN support centre in Barnsley two years ago, but it never really gained the support from local veterans. The footfall didn't justify the expense of keeping it open, so we closed that in February this year, releasing £10k + a year to be spent on homeless veterans.

Likewise, the two vehicles: a display van and a minibus have not paid their way, so again we have sold them to top up our cash reserves, to be used for our core work supporting vulnerable veterans.

Due to a 50% increase in rent and utility bills for the storage lock-up we recently took the decision to cancel that agreement, releasing sufficient monthly funds to cover another veterans rent bill, again our core work. Instead of storing items ready for issue we now buy and have delivered, if necessary, items such as fridges cookers etc to the veterans new homes.

The average cost of supporting each veteran we assist has risen. Two recent examples, a former RA soldier we paid out over £1400, and another ex-infantry soldier over £906 in rents. Compared to a couple of years ago when it usually cost around £600 to help one veteran, you can appreciate the additional funding stress we face.

Notwithstanding all of the above, the good news is that during this 12-month period, 56 veterans have benefited from our rapid support. The oldest was a 73-year-old former Green Howard Northern Ireland veteran.

In addition, we have steered 6 veterans towards Op Fortitude, due to their circumstances needing greater support i.e. supported housing help.

Moving forward:

I have agreed with the trustees to work until June 2025, my 70th birthday, to complete the financial year starting 1st May 2024.

Last week, after 14 years of selfless voluntary service, our Founder Tom Wood MBE retired due to serious health issues.

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YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2024

We also received the MOD Employer Recognition Scheme Bronze Award.

We have sufficient reserves to enable us to plan ahead for at least 12 months, a strong position for a charity of our size. Our unrestricted funds are healthy because of the support you, the public, give.

So at this point I wish to thank everyone who has fundraised for us this year in a variety of ways, including some of our own trustees and volunteers, abseiling 150 feet in the dark at Magna Centre.

Also, once again THE VETERANS FOUNDATION has provided help that we would like to thank them for. This includes another two years of funding, towards the FARM THERAPY PROJECT, we work on with my old RAF Regt colleague Jamie Quinn.

Despite the serious health conditions requiring regular hospital visits/treatments of our Founder, he continued to provide ongoing rapid reactions to requests for our charitable assistance. But this leaves a massive gap in our team and I will be seeking a couple of volunteers to join us.

Sadly, one of our key volunteers: Mrs Diane Martin, passed away in January, and it is with Diane in mind that I dedicate the work of Help 4 Homeless Veterans charity to you, the reader, this year.

Steve Bentham-Bates BA Hons
Chief Executive Officer
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TRUSTEES' REPORT continued

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The charity's policy on reserves

Reserves are needed to meet the working capital requirements of the charity and to ensure that HELP4HOMELESS VETERANS is able to continue in the event of a gap in funding. Reserves are also needed to meet all statutory obligations in the event of winding up. The trustees aim to keep reserves at a level equivalent to 12 months' running costs at any one time.

At the end of the financial year the actual level reserves held, represented by unrestricted revenue funds, were £160,250 (2023: £158,336). The level of reserves currently exceeds 12 months running costs. This is due to a donation of £74k received upon the closure of the Once We Were Soldiers charity in 2022. The trustees will use additional reserves to enhance the charity's support and services to veterans in need of our help.

Exemptions

The trustees have taken advantage of the exemptions available to small companies, including the audit exemption.

Statement of trustee's responsibilities

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity at the end of the year and of the surplus or deficiency for the year then ended.

In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to: select suitable accounting policies and then apply them on a consistent basis, making judgements and estimates that are prudent and reasonable. The trustees must also prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the charity, and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud or other irregularities.

Financial Position

The financial statements are set out in pages 10 to 18. The Statement of Financial Activities shows a deficit for the year of £29,230, with funds being utilised to support the cost of the Drop in Centre and provide support to veterans in need. (2023: £31,301). The total funds at 30 April 2024 stand at £162,642 (2023: £191,872). Total funds include balances remaining on restricted funds of £2,392 and a general reserve of £160,250.

Small company provisions:

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed 

Date: 20 May 2024

J Healy, Chair/Director

HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2024

I report on the accounts of the charity, which are set out on pages 10 to 18.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities 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 general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 the trustees concerning any 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 matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102).

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

Signed: 

Date: 20 May 2024

Stephanie Tolson
Community Accountant
BCVS Services Limited
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HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(Incorporating an Income & Expenditure Account)

YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2024

		Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2024 Total Funds £	2023 £
	Note					
Incoming resources						
Donations & fundraising	2	47,394	-	-	47,394	51,428
Grants received	3	2,500	-	6,600	9,100	31,000
Bank interest		1,956	-	-	1,956	701
Total incoming resources		51,850	-	6,600	58,450	83,129
Resources expended						
Salaries cost	11	15,932	-	12,066	27,998	27,750
Rent, rates & utilities		-	-	5,454	5,454	9,966
Office & admin expense		706	-	352	1,058	1,812
Room hire		205	-	-	205	-
Veteran accommodation		12,126	-	-	12,126	22,174
Repairs & redecoration		-	-	990	990	384
Furniture & household equipment		1,922	-	-	1,922	5,562
Equipment & fittings		1,141	-	100	1,241	633
Insurance		2,111	-	-	2,111	1,857
Storage		5,996	-	-	5,996	3,840
Legal & professional fees		133	-	-	133	1,151
Veteran support		1,461	-	958	2,419	11,215
Publicity & events		3,443	-	3,788	7,231	5,409
Fundraising costs		865	-	-	865	2,016
Travel & meetings		2,220	-	734	2,954	2,868
Accountancy, bookkeeping & payroll		2,250	-	-	2,250	2,005
Bank charges		210	-	-	210	230
Vehicle costs		1,145	-	-	1,145	1,368
Key personnel death in service costs		3,591	-	-	3,591	-
Depreciation		-	5,174	-	5,174	7,574
Loss on the disposal of assets		-	2,607	-	2,607	6,600
Sundries/misc		-	-	-	-	16
Total resources expended		55,457	7,781	24,442	87,680	114,430
Net income/(expenditure)		(3,607)	(7,781)	(17,842)	(29,230)	(31,301)
Transfers between funds	13	5,521	(7,750)	2,229	-	-
Total funds brought forward		158,336	15,531	18,005	191,872	223,173
Total funds carried forward	12	160,250	-	2,392	162,642	191,872

Prior year income included restricted grants of £30,000 and restricted donations of £1,350. All other income was unrestricted.

A comparison of expenditure to the prior year, by fund, is included in note 4 to the accounts.

HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 30 APRIL 2024

	Note	£	2024 £	£	2023 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	7	-		15,531	
Total fixed assets			<u>-</u>	<u>15,531</u>	15,531
Current assets					
Debtors & prepayments	5	-		4,970	
Cash at bank and in hand		163,909		172,563	
Total current assets		<u>163,909</u>		<u>177,533</u>	
Liabilities					
Creditors & accruals amounts falling due within one year	6		<u>(1,267)</u>	<u>(1,192)</u>	
Net current assets			162,642		176,341
Net assets			<u>162,642</u>		<u>191,872</u>
Funds of the charity					
Unrestricted funds	12		160,250		158,336
Designated funds			-		15,531
Restricted funds			2,392		18,005
Total funds			<u>162,642</u>		<u>191,872</u>

Exemption from audit

For the year ending 30 April 2024 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

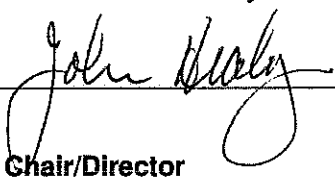
Directors' responsibilities:

- *The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476;*
- *The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.*

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small company's regime.

The trustees declare that they have approved the accounts above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed 

Dated: 20 May 2024

J Healy, Chair/Director

HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2024

1. Accounting policies

Basis of the preparation of the accounts

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities - Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102), Charities SORP (FRS102)) and the Companies Act 2006.

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value, unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

Income and expenditure has been analysed in the accounts using natural classification, in accordance with the provisions of Section 4.6 of the Charities SORP (Smaller Charities). The charity also meets the requirements for exemption from preparing a statement of cash flows.

Going Concern Note

The charity has a healthy reserve and has been successful in accessing grant funding to contribute to running costs. There are no material uncertainties at the balance date and the trustees have reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operation for the foreseeable future. The charity therefore continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

Incoming resources

All material incoming resources have been included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is entitled to the income, when any performance conditions attached are met, when it is probable that the income will be received and when the amount can be measured reliably.

Resources Expended

Resources expended have been analysed using natural classification.

All expenditure is included on an accruals basis and is recognised as a liability is incurred. The charity is not registered for VAT and accordingly resources expended are shown gross of irrecoverable VAT.

Donated goods and services

Donated facilities and services are recognised in the accounts at the amount the charity would pay in the open market for a service equivalent to that being donated, when the charity would otherwise have purchased them and the value can be measured reliably.

Donated goods for the charity's own use are recognised as income, at their fair value. The contribution of general volunteers is not recognised as income in the charity accounts

Fixed Assets & Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated to write down the cost or valuation less estimated residual value of all tangible fixed assets, with a cost exceeding £1,000, over their expected useful lives. The rates applicable are:

Equipment, Fixtures & Fittings – 20% on a straight line basis.

Vehicles - 20% on a straight line basis

In the year of acquisition, assets are depreciated for the full year.

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Funds Structure

The charity maintains a general unrestricted fund which represents funds which are expendable at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the objects of the charity.

Restricted funds have been provided to the charity for particular purposes and may only be spent for the purposes for which they were given. Any balance remaining outstanding on a restricted fund at the end of the year is carried forward as a balance on the fund, unless permission has been given by the funder to remove the restriction on the balance outstanding.

Funds relating to capital expenditure are transferred to a designated fund against which depreciation is charged.

2. Income from Donations & Fundraising

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2024 Total Funds £	2023 Total Funds £
General Donations	41,697	-	41,697	39,853
Drop in Centre Donations	-	-	-	1,350
Fundraising & Events	5,697	-	5,697	10,225
Total	<u>47,394</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>47,394</u>	<u>51,428</u>

The prior year Drop-in donations are restricted funds. All other prior year Donations and Fundraising income is unrestricted.

3. Grants Received

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2024 Total Funds £	2023 Total Funds £
The Veterans' Foundation	-	5,000	5,000	30,000
Asda Foundation	-	1,600	1,600	-
Amazon Grant	-	-	-	1,000
West Riding Masonic Charities	2,500	-	2,500	-
Total	<u>2,500</u>	<u>6,600</u>	<u>9,100</u>	<u>31,000</u>

The prior year Amazon grant is unrestricted. All other prior year grants are restricted funds.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued

YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2024

4. Analysis of Expenditure by Fund

	2024	2023
	£	£
Unrestricted Funds:		
Salaries cost	15,932	11,891
Rent, rates & utilities	-	-
Office & admin expense	706	1,289
Room hire	205	-
Veteran accommodation	12,126	22,174
Repairs & redecoration	-	30
Furniture & household equipment	1,922	5,356
Equipment & fittings	1,141	240
Insurance	2,111	1,857
Storage	5,996	3,840
Legal & professional fees	133	1,151
Veteran support	1,461	3,115
Publicity & events	3,443	3,185
Fundraising costs	865	2,016
Travel & meetings	2,220	1,142
Accountancy, bookkeeping & payroll	2,250	2,005
Bank charges	210	230
Vehicle costs	1,145	1,368
Key personnel death in service costs	3,591	-
Depreciation (Designated Funds)	5,174	7,574
Loss on the disposal of assets (Designated Funds)	2,607	6,600
Sundries/misc	-	7
Total	<u>63,238</u>	<u>75,070</u>

Restricted Funds:		
Salaries cost	12,066	15,859
Rent & rates	5,454	9,966
Office & admin expense	352	523
Repairs & redecoration	990	354
Furniture & household equipment	-	206
Equipment & fittings	100	393
Veteran support	958	8,100
Publicity & events	3,788	2,224
Travel & meetings	734	1,726
Sundries/misc	-	9
Total	<u>24,442</u>	<u>39,360</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued

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5. Debtors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Prepayments	-	4,970
Total	<u>-</u>	<u>4,970</u>

6. Creditors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Creditors & accruals	800	725
PAYE liability	467	467
Total	<u>1,267</u>	<u>1,192</u>

7. Fixed Assets

	Vehicles	Equipment, Fixtures & Fittings	Total
	£	£	£
Cost			
as @ 01-May-2023	21,395	4,475	25,870
Additions	-	-	-
Disposals	(21,395)	(4,475)	(25,870)
as @ 30-Apr-2024	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Depreciation			
as @ 01-May-2023	6,759	3,580	10,339
Disposals	(11,038)	(4,475)	(15,513)
Charge this period	4,279	895	5,174
as @ 30-Apr-2024	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net book value			
as @ 30-Apr-2024	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
as @ 30-Apr-2023	<u>14,636</u>	<u>895</u>	<u>15,531</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued

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8. Trustees' remuneration, benefits and expenses

Out of pocket expenses were paid to two trustees, to the total value of £1,031 during the financial year (2023: £371). Other than reimbursement of items purchased on behalf of the charity, there were no further payments, remuneration or benefits made to trustees in this or in the previous accounting period.

9. Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions, in this or in the previous accounting period.

10. Independent examination and accountancy services

During the period, the total cost of the independent examination, accountancy, bookkeeping and payroll services, provided by BCVS, was £2,250 (2023: £2,005).

11. Staff costs and numbers

	2024	2023
	£	£
Total Salaries Cost	<u>27,998</u>	<u>27,750</u>

The average number of employees during the year was 1 (2023: 1).

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12. Movement in Funds

	Opening balance £	Incoming resources £	(Resources expended) £	Fund Transfers	Closing balance £
Unrestricted Funds:					
General Fund	158,336	51,850	(55,457)	5,521	160,250
	158,336	51,850	(55,457)	5,521	160,250
Designated Funds:					
Fixed Assets	15,531	-	(7,781)	(7,750)	-
	15,531	-	(7,781)	(7,750)	-
Restricted Funds:					
Asda Foundation Cost of Living grant	-	1,600	(458)	-	1,142
Veterans' Foundation - Farm Therapy	1,632	5,000	(3,750)	(1,632)	1,250
Veterans' Foundation - Salaries	12,066	-	(12,066)	-	-
Veterans' Foundation - Fuel	1,900	-	(500)	(1,400)	-
Drop-in Centre	2,407	-	(7,668)	5,261	-
	18,005	6,600	(24,442)	2,229	2,392
TOTAL	191,872	58,450	(87,680)	-	162,642

13. Fund transfers

	Fixed Assets £	General Fund £	Drop-in Centre £	Farm Therapy £	Fuel Grant £
Funds transferred from the designated Fixed Asset Fund due to the sale of two vehicles	(7,750)	7,750	-	-	-
Contribution to Drop-in Centre costs	-	(5,261)	5,261	-	-
Balance of grant	-	3,032	-	(1,632)	(1,400)
Total	(7,750)	5,521	5,261	(1,632)	(1,400)

The balances remaining on the prior year 'Fuel' and 'Farm Therapy' grants were transferred to the General fund at the year end. The trustees confirm that all obligations to the funders have been met.

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14. Restricted Funds

- Asda Foundation – Cost of Living grant – a grant to support veterans with food costs.
- Veterans' Foundation – Farm Therapy Project – a grant to support the Farm Therapy Project.
- Veterans' Foundation – Salaries – a grant to contribute to the salary cost of the CEO, for a period of 2 years.
- Veterans' Foundation – Fuel Grant – to provide individual fuel support grants of £100 to veterans struggling to cover the high cost of gas and electricity over the winter period.
- Drop-in Centre – restricted funding for the running of the Drop-in Centre.

HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS

England & Wales - Charity number 1148155

Accounts

Charity Registration Number. 1148155

Company Number. 08050428 (England and Wales)

HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

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TRUSTEES' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2023

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HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS
LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION
YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2023

Full name: HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS

Registered charity number: 1148155

Registered company number: 08050428

Registered office & principal address: 11a Regent Street South
Barnsley
S70 2HT

Trustees & Directors: E S Butcher
J Healy
E R Keenan – *appointed 01.01.2023*
A R Martin – *appointed 15.09.2022*
J C Mayo – *resigned 14.09.2022*
D Sidebottom

Chair: J Healy

Bankers: National Westminster Bank Plc
26 Market Hill
Barnsley
S70 2QU

Independent examiner: Angela Hayes
Community Accountant
BCVS Services Limited
23 Queens Road
Barnsley
S71 1AN

HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS

TRUSTEES' REPORT

YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2023

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the period 01 May 2022 to 30 April 2023.

Structure, governance and management

HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS is a registered charity with the Charity Commission and a company limited by guarantee, governed by its Articles of Association, dated 30th April 2012. The company has no share capital and the liability of each member in the event of winding-up is limited to a sum not exceeding £10. The affairs of the charity are managed by the trustees, who may exercise all the powers of the charity, through its Chief Executive Officer (CEO).

Appointment of trustees

The trustees are also directors of the company for the purpose of company law. The trustees are appointed at the Annual General Meeting. At the Annual General Meeting one-third of the trustees shall retire from office by rotation, ie those who have been longest in office since their last appointment or reappointment. The number of trustees shall not be less than three.

The trustees who served during the period, to the date of signing the accounts, are listed on page 3 of this report.

Related parties

The trustees consider that there are no related parties to the charity.

Risk management

The trustees have ultimate responsibility for identifying and managing risk. The trustees examine the major risks that the charity faces and to put into operation systems so that necessary steps can be taken to lessen these risks. The charity has a risk management policy which is reviewed regularly by the trustees.

Charitable aims and objectives

The objectives of the charity are:

The relief of charitable need of homeless ex-service personnel, in particular but not exclusively by:

- a) ***the provision of safe and permanent housing and through a programme of re-education and the teaching of life skills to help them back into the community.***
- b) ***advice and counselling to enable them to address the issues that made them homeless and helping them re-adjust to civilian life through re-training.***

Public Benefit

In shaping the activities for the year, the trustees have paid due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

Chairman's Introduction to the Annual Report

This has been a very successful year for the Charity and I am proud of the inclusive efforts of the team of staff, volunteers, Ambassadors and Trustees.

The profile of the charity is rising thanks to the efforts of one particular ambassador, Amber Guymer-Hosking. I must also welcome, to the Board, two new trustees Andy Martin and Cllr Eve Rose Keenan.

The charity has assisted 108 veterans and obtained funding for the Fuel Support Grant for veterans, assisting 80 veterans with their fuel bills in partnership with The Veterans Foundation.

The charity achieved the Founders aim of a Drop – In Centre in Barnsley, celebrating its first birthday on 28 April 2023. Ably run by Andy and Dianne with Tom Wood our founder. My thanks to them for all that they have achieved through the Hub.

Funds have been, in the main, raised through our CEO, Steve Bentham-Bates, completing the various grant funding application forms. Whilst on the subject of our CEO I would like to add here my thanks to him and Marion his wife. I am aware that Steve is looking to step down following the diagnosis of cancer. The charity needs to acknowledge the work he has done over the last eight years and to recognise his desire to step down following the appointment of a successor to the post of CEO.

Should the trustees still see value in my being the Chair of H4HV, I will continue to 2025. In that year my term as a Councillor for Doncaster comes to an end. At that point I will stand down as Chair of H4HV.

In the meantime we still have a lot of work to do by raising funds for the charity to support the ever growing number of veterans asking for our help, both directly and in future with the new OP Fortitude.

Our best ever year of operations 2022 – 2023.

John Healy B.A (Hons)

Chairperson, Help 4 Homeless Veterans

CEO's Annual Report

This is my 8th year as the CEO. I am proud of the achievements this tiny charity has continued to produce. By every measure we, and how others use to judge our work, results have been bettered year on year, this reporting period more than any other in our history.

The charity has assisted 108 Homeless Veterans during this reporting period.

Last full 12 months it was 99

Previous year to that it was 90

Total around 900 since we began 10 years ago.

We have handled referrals from many sources in this time.



We reached a decision effective from the 1st February 2023 to restrict our support to veterans in future to those in:

South, East, North & West Yorkshire and North and NE Lincolnshire

as the call on our service, the number of other regional similar charities that have grown and importantly OP FORTITUDE, MODs initiative for homeless veterans was due online on 1st April to share the load amongst providers.



The FUEL SUPPORT GRANT was introduced on 1st October 2022 in partnership with the Veterans Foundation. Since then, we have disbursed over 80 x £100 grants to veterans taking the total number of veterans receiving help from us to almost 1000!



The big news for us in the past 12 months was the opening of our new DROP IN Hub in Barnsley Town Centre without BMBC or anyone else's help. We very recently celebrated its first birthday with a number of high-profile visitors as well as many veterans, some who have become regulars.

It is proving a useful resource with veterans visiting for hot food, Food Vouchers, comradeship, practical assistance and advice. It has a computer room that can be used by veterans. It is a focal point now for our activities and has become our Head Office.



We exchanged our exhibition trailer for a Van that was an RAF Recruiting vehicle in a past life just like me!

The other mechanical update is we have upgraded our 6-seater minibus for a 12-seater, with disabled ramp access, to use on Therapy farm and other days out we plan to introduce.



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We recently restocked our Lock up store with essential items such as cookers, fridges, washing machines, microwaves, kettles, cups, plates. KFS etc ready for issuing to veterans in need.



Last May we donated a Remembrance Bench to RMBC Town Hall.



Therapy Farm visits began again on 21st March. Anyone who has already visited will tell of the enjoyment it gives. The funding for this project came from THE VETERANS FOUNDATION. That cash is virtually all spent now but the benefits to veterans, quite a few who have had more than 1 visit, are immediately apparent.



Now some exciting news, H4HV profile is going to be lifted by the production of a TV series and the publication of a book of poems by our own ambassador Amber which was launched on 28th April at our Drop In birthday party.

This may be my final CEOs report; both age and illness are gaining on me, I need to start taking more time to help me combat the cancer illness and treatment. After my forthcoming discussion with the consultant, I will decide when I wish to retire.

I want to place on official record my enormous admiration for Tom Wood, our Founder. Thank him also for giving me the opportunity in 2015 to take the reins of his charity. I believe we have made a first-class team providing most of the front-line support to so many vulnerable veterans. See below for a selection of the thank you messages received from grateful veterans who benefitted from our charity.

Thank you to our Chair, Councillor John Healy, who has been my sounding board for difficult decisions, Andy and Diane Martin who are the backbone of the Drop In and the rest of the team of Trustees past and present who have helped to make HELP 4 HOMELESS VETERANS charity the success it has become.

Finally, as always **THANK YOU to everyone who has supported the charity by fund raising during the past 12 months.** Without your help we would not be in such a strong position to continue helping the ever-growing number of vulnerable veterans seeking assistance from our charity.

Whatever the future holds, the charity remains in a strong financial position to meet its obligations for at least another full operating period.

**Steve Bentham-Bates BA Hons
Chief Executive Officer
HELP 4 HOMELESS VETERANS**

THANKYOU MESSAGES

Thank you for your rapid help. I'm grateful that I don't have to sleep on the streets anymore.

i needed a roof over my head and hope. after numerous emails to every charity i could find i stumbled onto "Help 4 Homeless Veterans charity" charity number 1148155 and sent an email to their CEO Steve Bentham-Bates. It could not have been more than 40 minutes that i had an email back, not stating a place to wash clothes or directions to the nearest food bank. He stated he would pay and fund my 1st months rent if and when i found accommodation. at last, a bit of hope came my way 12 days sleeping rough. In the space of 40 minutes everything just got flipped upside down again but for the better.

I would like today a special thank you to Help 4 Homeless Veterans. When ex service personnel find themselves at absolute rock bottom it is nice to know that there is a charity that really cares.

I was advised to contact Help 4 Homeless Veterans. Having Steve and the team to help me acquire and pay for a new Apartment was a life saver.

Importantly they gave me back my dignity, without their help and support I don't know where I would be today.

I don't think you realise the difference you make to someone like me who is rock bottom. I cannot thank you all enough.

I would like to take this opportunity to say a massive thank you to yourself and the help I received from Help4Homelessveterans. After twelve years of marriage, I found myself homeless and with no money to my name, I had nowhere to go. The local council could not offer me anywhere to live that was close to work, they said I would have to private rent, I found a property but could not afford the bond that they were asking for. That is where H4HV stepped in and told me that they would be able to pay my bond for me, I now move into my apartment on Friday.

*I owe H4HV a debt of gratitude, **if it wasn't for your help, I would still be homeless, and possibly would have ended my life with everything that has happened to me.** Thank you Steve from the bottom of my heart.*

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TRUSTEES' REPORT continued

YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2023

The charity's policy on reserves

Reserves are needed to meet the working capital requirements of the charity and to ensure that HELP 4 HOMELESS VETERANS is able to continue in the event of a gap in funding. Reserves are also needed to meet all statutory obligations in the event of winding up. The trustees aim to keep reserves at a level equivalent to 12 months running costs at any one time.

At the end of the financial year the actual level reserves held, represented by unrestricted revenue funds, were £158,336 (2022: £180,349). The level of reserves currently exceeds 12-months running costs. This is due to a donation of £74k received upon the closure of the Once We Were Soldiers charity in the prior year. The trustees will use additional reserves to enhance the charity's support and services to veterans in need of our help.

Exemptions

The trustees have taken advantage of the exemptions available to small companies, including the audit exemption.

Statement of trustee's responsibilities

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity at the end of the year and of the surplus or deficiency for the year then ended.

In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to: select suitable accounting policies and then apply them on a consistent basis, making judgements and estimates that are prudent and reasonable. The trustees must also prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the charity, and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud or other irregularities.

Financial Position

The financial statements are set out in pages 11 to 19. The Statement of Financial Activities shows a deficit for the year of £31,301, with funds being utilised to support the cost of the Drop in Centre and provide support to veterans in need. (In 2022 there was a surplus of £88,626 which included a substantial donation received upon the closure of the Once We Were Soldiers charity). The total funds at 30 April 2023 stand at £191,872 (2022: £223,173). Total funds include fixed assets of £15,531, balances remaining on restricted funds of £18,005 and a general reserve of £158,336.

Small company provisions:

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed 

Date: 05 June 2023

J Healy, Chair/Director

HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2023

I report on the accounts of the charity, which are set out on pages 11 to 19.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

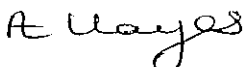
My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any 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 matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102).

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

Signed: 

Date: 05 June 2023

Angela Hayes
Community Accountant
BCVS Services Limited
23 Queens Road
Barnsley
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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(Incorporating an Income & Expenditure Account)**

YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2023

		Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2023 Total Funds £	2022 £
	Note					
Incoming resources						
Donations & fundraising	2	50,078	-	1,350	51,428	124,712
Grants received	3	1,000	-	30,000	31,000	32,500
Bank interest		701	-	-	701	10
Other income		-	-	-	-	-
Total incoming resources		51,779	-	31,350	83,129	157,222
Resources expended						
Salaries cost	11	11,891	-	15,859	27,750	25,001
Rent, rates & utilities		-	-	9,966	9,966	2,833
Office & admin expense		1,289	-	523	1,812	565
Room hire		-	-	-	-	454
Veteran accommodation		22,174	-	-	22,174	14,117
Repairs & redecoration		30	-	354	384	82
Furniture & household equipment		5,356	-	206	5,562	922
Equipment & fittings		240	-	393	633	1,794
Insurance		1,857	-	-	1,857	1,730
Storage		3,840	-	-	3,840	3,840
Legal & professional fees		1,151	-	-	1,151	128
Veteran support		3,115	-	8,100	11,215	2,601
Publicity & events		3,185	-	2,224	5,409	3,428
Fundraising costs		2,016	-	-	2,016	1,006
Travel & meetings		1,142	-	1,726	2,868	1,363
Accountancy, bookkeeping & payroll		2,005	-	-	2,005	1,701
Bank charges		230	-	-	230	154
Vehicle costs		1,368	-	-	1,368	386
Depreciation		-	7,574	-	7,574	6,374
Loss on the disposal of assets		-	6,600	-	6,600	-
Sundries/misc		7	-	9	16	117
Total resources expended		60,896	14,174	39,360	114,430	68,596
Net income/(expenditure)		(9,117)	(14,174)	(8,010)	(31,301)	88,626
Transfers between funds	13	(12,896)	8,995	3,901	-	-
Total funds brought forward		180,349	20,710	22,114	223,173	134,547
Total funds carried forward	12	158,336	15,531	18,005	191,872	223,173

Prior year income included restricted grants of £27,500 and restricted donations of £8,405. All other income was unrestricted.

A comparison of expenditure to the prior year, by fund, is included in note 4 to the accounts.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 30 APRIL 2023

	Note	£	2023 £	£	2022 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	7	15,531		20,710	
Total fixed assets			<u>15,531</u>	<u>20,710</u>	20,710
Current assets					
Debtors & prepayments	5	4,970		2,895	
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>172,563</u>		<u>200,635</u>	
Total current assets		177,533		203,530	
Liabilities					
Creditors & accruals amounts falling due within one year	6		<u>(1,192)</u>	<u>(1,067)</u>	
Net current assets			176,341		202,463
Net assets			<u>191,872</u>		<u>223,173</u>
Funds of the charity					
Unrestricted funds	12		158,336		180,349
Designated Fund			15,531		20,710
Restricted funds			18,005		22,114
Total funds			<u>191,872</u>		<u>223,173</u>

Exemption from audit

For the year ending 30 April 2023 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.


Directors' responsibilities:

- *The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476;*
- *The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.*

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small company's regime.

The trustees declare that they have approved the accounts above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed  _____
J Healy, Chair/Director

Dated: 05 June 2023

HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2023

1. Accounting policies

Basis of the preparation of the accounts

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities - Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102), Charities SORP (FRS102)) and the Companies Act 2006.

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value, unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

Income and expenditure has been analysed in the accounts using natural classification, in accordance with the provisions of Section 4.6 of the Charities SORP (Smaller Charities). The charity also meets the requirements for exemption from preparing a statement of cash flows.

Going Concern Note

The charity has a healthy reserve and has been successful in accessing grant funding to contribute to running costs. There are no material uncertainties at the balance date and the trustees have reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operation for the foreseeable future. The charity therefore continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

Incoming resources

All material incoming resources have been included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is entitled to the income, when any performance conditions attached are met, when it is probable that the income will be received and when the amount can be measured reliably.

Resources Expended

Resources expended have been analysed using natural classification.

All expenditure is included on an accruals basis and is recognised as a liability is incurred. The charity is not registered for VAT and accordingly resources expended are shown gross of irrecoverable VAT.

Donated goods and services

Donated facilities and services are recognised in the accounts at the amount the charity would pay in the open market for a service equivalent to that being donated, when the charity would otherwise have purchased them and the value can be measured reliably.

Donated goods for the charity's own use are recognised as income, at their fair value. The contribution of general volunteers is not recognised as income in the charity accounts

Fixed Assets & Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated to write down the cost or valuation less estimated residual value of all tangible fixed assets, with a cost exceeding £1,000, over their expected useful lives. The rates applicable are:

Equipment, Fixtures & Fittings – 20% on a straight line basis.

Vehicles - 20% on a straight line basis

In the year of acquisition, assets are depreciated for the full year.

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Funds Structure

The charity maintains a general unrestricted fund which represents funds which are expendable at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the objects of the charity.

Restricted funds have been provided to the charity for particular purposes and may only be spent for the purposes for which they were given. Any balance remaining outstanding on a restricted fund at the end of the year is carried forward as a balance on the fund, unless permission has been given by the funder to remove the restriction on the balance outstanding.

Funds relating to capital expenditure are transferred to a designated fund against which depreciation is charged.

2. Income from Donations & Fundraising

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2023 Total Funds £	2022 Total Funds £
Once We Were Soldiers: Donation on closure of charity	-	-	-	74,699
General Donations	39,853	-	39,853	34,997
Legacy (for Drop-in Centre)	-	-	-	8,337
Drop in Centre Donations	-	1,350	1,350	68
Fundraising & Events	10,225	-	10,225	6,611
Total	50,078	1,350	51,428	124,712

The prior year legacy and Drop-in donations are restricted funds. All other prior year Donations and Fundraising income is unrestricted,

3. Grants Received

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2023 Total Funds £	2022 Total Funds £
The Veterans' Foundation	-	30,000	30,000	12,500
ABF The Soldiers	-	-	-	15,000
Amazon Grant	1,000	-	1,000	-
Albert Hunt SP	-	-	-	5,000
Total	1,000	30,000	31,000	32,500

The prior year Albert Hunt SP grant is unrestricted. All other prior year grants are restricted funds.

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4. Analysis of Expenditure by Fund

	2023 £	2022 £
Unrestricted Funds:		
Salaries cost	11,891	11,530
Rent, rates & utilities	-	-
Office & admin expense	1,289	565
Room hire	-	454
Veteran accommodation	22,174	572
Repairs & redecoration	30	-
Furniture & household equipment	5,356	-
Equipment & fittings	240	700
Insurance	1,857	1,730
Storage	3,840	3,840
Legal & professional fees	1,151	128
Veteran support	3,115	360
Publicity & events	3,185	3,055
Fundraising costs	2,016	1,006
Travel & meetings	1,142	846
Accountancy, bookkeeping & payroll	2,005	1,701
Bank charges	230	154
Vehicle costs	1,368	330
Depreciation (Designated Funds)	7,574	6,374
Loss on the disposal of assets (Designated Funds)	6,600	-
Sundries/misc	7	60
Total	<u>75,070</u>	<u>33,405</u>
Restricted Funds:		
Salaries cost	15,859	13,471
Rent & rates	9,966	2,833
Office & admin expense	523	-
Veteran accommodation	-	13,545
Repairs & redecoration	354	82
Furniture & household equipment	206	922
Equipment & fittings	393	1,094
Veteran support	8,100	2,241
Publicity & events	2,224	373
Travel & meetings	1,726	517
Vehicle costs	-	56
Sundries/misc	9	57
Total	<u>39,360</u>	<u>35,191</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued

YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2023

5. Debtors

	2023	2022
	£	£
Prepayments	4,970	2,895
Total	<u>4,970</u>	<u>2,895</u>

6. Creditors

	2023	2022
	£	£
Creditors & accruals	725	650
PAYE Liability	467	417
Total	<u>1,192</u>	<u>1,067</u>

7. Fixed Assets

	Vehicles	Equipment, Fixtures & Fittings	Total
	£	£	£
Cost			
as @ 01-May-2022	27,400	6,175	33,575
Additions	8,995	-	8,995
Disposals	(15,000)	(1,700)	(16,700)
as @ 30-Apr-2023	<u>21,395</u>	<u>4,475</u>	<u>25,870</u>
Depreciation			
as @ 01-May-2022	8,480	4,385	12,865
Disposals	(8,400)	(1,700)	(10,100)
Charge this period	6,679	895	7,574
as @ 30-Apr-2023	<u>6,759</u>	<u>3,580</u>	<u>10,339</u>
Net book value			
as @ 30-Apr-2023	<u>14,636</u>	<u>895</u>	<u>15,531</u>
as @ 31-Apr-2022	<u>18,920</u>	<u>1,790</u>	<u>20,710</u>

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8. Trustees' remuneration, benefits and expenses

Out of pocket expenses were paid to one trustee, to the total value of £371 during the financial year (2022: nil). Other than reimbursement of items purchased on behalf of the charity, there were no further payments, remuneration or benefits made to trustees in this or in the previous accounting period.

9. Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions, in this or in the previous accounting period.

10. Independent examination and accountancy services

During the period, the total cost of the independent examination, accountancy, bookkeeping and payroll services, provided by BCVS, was £2,005 (2022: £1,701).

11. Staff costs and numbers

	2023	2022
	£	£
Total Salaries Cost	<u>27,750</u>	<u>25,001</u>

The average number of employees during the year was 1 (2022: 1).

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued

YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2023

12. Movement in Funds

	Opening balance £	Incoming resources £	(Resources expended) £	Fund Transfers	Closing balance £
Unrestricted Funds:					
General Fund	180,349	51,779	(60,896)	(12,896)	158,336
	180,349	51,779	(60,896)	(12,896)	158,336
Designated Funds:					
Fixed Assets	20,710	-	(14,174)	8,995	15,531
	20,710	-	(14,174)	8,995	15,531
Restricted Funds:					
Big Salute	1,099	-	-	(1,099)	-
Veterans' Foundation - Farm Therapy	9,025	-	(2,393)	(5,000)	1,632
Veterans' Foundation - Salaries	7,925	20,000	(15,859)	-	12,066
Veterans' Foundation - Fuel	-	10,000	(8,100)	-	1,900
Drop-in Centre	4,065	1,350	(13,008)	10,000	2,407
	22,114	31,350	(39,360)	3,901	18,005
TOTAL	223,173	83,129	(114,430)	-	191,872

13. Fund transfers

	Fixed Assets £	General Fund £	Drop-in Centre £	Farm Therapy £	Big Salute £
Funds transferred to the designated Fixed Asset Fund to cover capital purchases (New Mini-Bus))	8,995	(8,995)	-	-	-
Contribution to Drop-in Centre costs	-	(10,000)	10,000	-	-
Repayment of transfer in prior year	-	5,000	-	(5,000)	-
Balance of grant	-	1,099	-	-	(1,099)
Total	8,995	(12,896)	10,000	(5,000)	(1,099)

The balance remaining on the prior year 'Big Salute' grant was transferred to the General fund at the year end. The trustees confirm that all obligations to the funder have been met.

14. Restricted Funds

- Big Salute – a grant to cover the cost of TV licences.
- Veteran’s Foundation – Farm Therapy Project– a grant to support the Farm Therapy Project.
- Veteran’s Foundation – Salaries– a grant to contribute to the salary cost of the CEO, for a period of 2 years.
- Veteran’s Foundation – Fuel Grant – to provide individual fuel support grants of £100 to veterans struggling to cover the high cost of gas and electricity over the winter period.
- Drop-in Centre – restricted funding for the running of the Drop-in Centre.



HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS

England & Wales - Charity number 1148155

Accounts

Charity Registration Number. 1148155

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HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2022



The Queen's Award
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HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS
TRUSTEES' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2022

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HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS
LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION
YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2022

Full name: HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS

Registered charity number: 1148155

Registered company number: 08050428

Registered office & principal address: 12 Sedge Close
Bramley
Rotherham
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Trustees & Directors: J Healy
J W Hayward – *resigned 11/01/2022*
E S Butcher
D Sidebottom
J C Mayo

Chair: J Healy

Bankers: National Westminster Bank Plc
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Independent examiner: Angela Hayes
Community Accountant
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The trustees present their report and financial statements for the period 01 May 2021 to 30 April 2022.

Structure, governance and management

HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS is a registered charity with the Charity Commission and a company limited by guarantee, governed by its Articles of Association, dated 30th April 2012. The company has no share capital and the liability of each member in the event of winding-up is limited to a sum not exceeding £10. The affairs of the charity are managed by the trustees, who may exercise all the powers of the charity, through its Chief Executive Officer (CEO).

Appointment of trustees

The trustees are also directors of the company for the purpose of company law. The trustees are appointed at the Annual General Meeting. At the Annual General Meeting one-third of the trustees shall retire from office by rotation, ie those who have been longest in office since their last appointment or reappointment. The number of trustees shall not be less than three.

The trustees who served during the period, and to the date of signing the accounts, are listed on page 3 of this report.

Related parties

The trustees consider that there are no related parties to the charity.

Risk management

The trustees have ultimate responsibility for identifying and managing risk. The trustees examine the major risks that the charity faces and to put into operation systems so that necessary steps can be taken to lessen these risks. The charity has a risk management policy which is reviewed regularly by the trustees.

Charitable aims and objectives

The objectives of the charity are:

The relief of charitable need of homeless ex-service personnel, in particular but not exclusively by:

- a) the provision of safe and permanent housing and through a programme of re-education and the teaching of life skills to help them back into the community.***
- b) advice and counselling to enable them to address the issues that made them homeless and helping them re-adjust to civilian life through re-training.***

Public Benefit

In shaping the activities for the year, the trustees have paid due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

Chairman's Introduction to the Annual Report

What an exceptional year this has been. Through the efforts of our CEO & our Founder who have been fundamental in bringing in finance for the charity which recently topped 200k, a phenomenal result.

We need to recognise and thank the outgoing charity Once We Were Soldiers. The Trustees chose H4HV to be given £74k, upon their closing down. We also received £8k from an ex-soldier who personally served with Tom, our founder, to help in the development of the Drop in Hub in Barnsley. This new venture was opened by an old friend, Vice Lord Lieutenant John Holt.

Our CEO saw the development of our new Web site –

www.help4homelessveterans.org

This year has seen our charity receive yet more accolades in that our founder Tom Wood received his MBE from the retiring Lord Lieutenant Andrew Coombe in the summer of 2021.

I was honoured when in early April of this year I received my Community Service Award from the High Sheriff of South Yorkshire, Martin McVervey, the day before my 72nd birthday.

But such accolades are of no use without the funds and the support of our trustees and volunteers. The funding goes to help homeless veterans, so far this year the charity has supported 99 veterans, up from last year. The charity has sold the trailer and replaced it with our new exhibition van which is nearing completion in preparation for shows. In this I would like to thank Tom and Darren who have contributed to the vans' transformation. Particularly the vans' new logos.

The van will, I am sure, be an attraction at events and assist the Charity in raising necessary funds and awareness of our work.

One other event to come that I feel needs to be mentioned and thanks go to Trustees John Mayo and Liz Butcher who are working in the background preparing the Dragon Race, an event to be held in 2023. This event we hope will realise several thousand in funds for the charity.

In looking forward and to ensure the success of our projects as in the Drop-In Hub and the new exhibition van we need to recruit willing volunteers. I would be most interested in volunteers having some experience in mental health and welfare rights. Most importantly they should have served in the armed forces.

As in last year's report to you, I would like to give my thanks to the volunteers, Trustees and especially Steve Bentham-Bates and Tom Wood for all their help and advice over the last year. Their and your support has helped me to carry out my role to, what I hope, is a sustainable level of satisfaction.

John Healy B.A (Hons)

Chairperson, Help 4 Homeless Veterans

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TRUSTEES' REPORT continued

YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2022

CEO's Annual Report

Yet again, despite the drawbacks of the pandemic severely restricting our fund-raising activities for a second full year, our charity has offered help to a further 99 veterans facing being homeless during this reporting period, almost doubling our traditional annual average.

We have paid for 1st month rents, bonds, provided essential items such as cookers fridges and smaller kitchen equipment right down to knives, forks and spoons. We have provided emergency B & B and have bought food for some of our clients.

The veterans have ranged in age from early 20s to late 50s and have come from all 3 Services, but the majority were as previously mainly ex-Army. The most common reason for becoming homeless was relationship breakdown. Some of which can be attributed to the additional stresses caused by Covid, making people remain couped up for long periods and loss of work, losing income and facing debt and eviction.

Once again, we have been supported by The Soldiers Fund (ABF) and The Veterans Foundation for which we are extremely grateful. Their substantial grants make a massive difference to the work we are then able to do supporting the most vulnerable veterans. We have also had money raised by a variety of groups and individuals including one former RN veteran lady, now an NHS Nurse, who did a parachute jump for us recently. Everyone who has contributed deserves our grateful thanks, without that ongoing help we would have difficulty reacting to so many requests for help. THANK YOU ALL.

As the restrictions imposed upon society begin to ease, we have started regularly monthly visits for veterans to THE VETERANS THERAPY FARM, a project we have engaged with through my connection with a fellow ex RAF colleague who now farms near Scunthorpe. To date around 40 veterans have attended and without exception everyone has enjoyed their experiences, and a few are regulars already.

We decided to sell our exhibition trailer as sadly none of us are really fit enough these days to manhandle it. However, we have replaced it with an Exhibition Van, a self-contained display vehicle ready to roll and we are looking forward to a summer season using it to raise both funds and awareness of our work.

The most important addition to our charity this year was the opening of our DROP-IN CENTRE in Barnsley town centre on the 25th April 2022, officially by the Vice Lord Lieutenant of South Yorkshire, Mr John Holt DL. We are proud to say this has been done completely independently without assistance of any other organisation. This has always been one of the original aims of our Founder Tom Wood MBE. The next twelve months will prove its value to veterans.

In July 2021 our Founder Tom Wood received his MBE at an Investiture by the Lord Lieutenant of South Yorkshire Mr Andrew Coombe in Barnsley rather than Buckingham Palace, again due to the Covid restrictions.

We were further honoured on the 4th April 2022 when our Chair, Doncaster Councillor John Healy, was presented with a High Sheriff of South Yorkshire COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD by Mr Martin McKervey for his work over 6 years supporting homeless veterans. Another one for the virtual Trophy Cabinet!

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TRUSTEES' REPORT continued

YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2022

In April 2022 we received a substantial amount of cash from another homeless veterans charity (ONCE WE WERE SOLDIERS) that decided to close down. This is very welcome for us as a charity but proves the pressure many people are under trying to assist fellow veterans. We wish Andy Spiers all the best for the future and enjoy a well-earned rest after 8 years non-stop volunteering.

On a personal note, I reached national retirement age last June so am fast approaching my 67th birthday. I have agreed to work on for at least a further year to help bed in the new projects of the Therapy Farm, Drop-In Centre and Exhibition Van operations.

H4HV charity is in a strong position to meet all its obligations to vulnerable veterans throughout England and Wales who need our assistance, and whilst I am in charge, we will continue to provide rapid reactions to requests for help from fellow veterans with alacrity where and whenever it is possible to do so.

Steve Bentham-Bates BA Hons
CEO
HELP 4 HOMELESS VETERANS



Tom Wood MBE



Therapy Farm



Drop In opening



High Sheriff Award

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TRUSTEES' REPORT continued

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The charity's policy on reserves

Reserves are needed to meet the working capital requirements of the charity and to ensure that HELP 4 HOMELESS VETERANS is able to continue in the event of a gap in funding. Reserves are also needed to meet all statutory obligations in the event of winding up. The trustees aim to keep reserves at a level equivalent to 12 months running costs at any one time.

At the end of the financial year the actual level reserves held, represented by unrestricted revenue funds, were £180,349 (2021: £98,463). The level of reserves has increased significantly since the previous financial year, mainly due to the donation of £74k upon the closure of the Once We Were Soldiers charity. The trustees will use additional reserves to enhance the charity's support and services to veterans in need of our help.

Exemptions

The trustees have taken advantage of the exemptions available to small companies, including the audit exemption.

Statement of trustee's responsibilities

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity at the end of the year and of the surplus or deficiency for the year then ended.

In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to: select suitable accounting policies and then apply them on a consistent basis, making judgements and estimates that are prudent and reasonable. The trustees must also prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the charity, and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud or other irregularities.

Financial Position

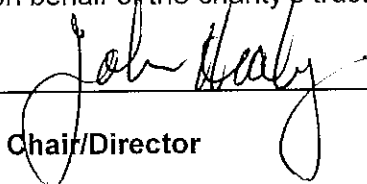
The financial statements are set out in pages 10 to 18. The Statement of Financial Activities shows a surplus for the year of £88,626 (2021: £20,735). The total funds at the year end stand at £223,173 (2021: £134,547). Total funds include fixed assets of £20,710, balances remaining on restricted funds of £22,114 and a general reserve of £180,349.

Small company provisions:

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed 

Date: 25 May 2022

J Healy, Chair/Director

HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2022

I report on the accounts of the charity, which are set out on pages 10 to 18.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities 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 general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 the trustees concerning any 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 matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102).

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

Signed: *A Hayes*

Date: 25 May 2022

Angela Hayes
Community Accountant
BCVS Services Limited
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HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(Incorporating an Income & Expenditure Account)

YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2022

		Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2022 Total Funds £	2021 £
	Note					
Incoming resources						
Donations & fundraising	2	116,307	-	8,405	124,712	52,724
Gift aid reclaim		-	-	-	-	2,500
Grants received	3	5,000	-	27,500	32,500	43,211
Other income		10	-	-	10	22
Total incoming resources		121,317	-	35,905	157,222	98,457
Resources expended						
Salaries cost		11,530	-	13,471	25,001	24,327
Rent & rates		572	-	14,414	14,986	10,829
Office & admin expense		565	-	-	565	1,683
Room hire		454	-	-	454	285
Repairs & redecoration		-	-	82	82	-
Furniture & household equipment		-	-	922	922	12,691
Equipment & fittings		700	-	1,094	1,794	5,500
Insurance		1,730	-	-	1,730	415
Storage		3,840	-	-	3,840	3,840
Legal & professional fees		128	-	-	128	113
Veteran support		360	-	4,205	4,565	5,543
Publicity & events		3,055	-	373	3,428	3,382
Fundraising costs		1,006	-	-	1,006	331
Travel & meetings		846	-	517	1,363	400
Accountancy, bookkeeping & payroll		1,701	-	-	1,701	1,575
Licences & fees		-	-	-	-	158
Bank charges		154	-	-	154	159
Vehicle costs		330	-	56	386	1,845
Depreciation		-	6,374	-	6,374	4,610
Loss on the sale of assets		-	-	-	-	6
Sundries/misc		60	-	57	117	30
Total resources expended		27,031	6,374	35,191	68,596	77,722
Net income/(expenditure)		94,286	(6,374)	714	88,626	20,735
Transfers between funds	13	(12,400)	12,400	-	-	-
Total funds brought forward		98,463	14,684	21,400	134,547	113,812
Total funds carried forward	12	180,349	20,710	22,114	223,173	134,547

Prior year income included restricted grants of £43,211. All other income was unrestricted.

A comparison of expenditure to the prior year, by fund, is included in note 4 to the accounts.

HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 30 APRIL 2022

	Note	£	2022 £	£	2021 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	7	20,710		14,684	
Total fixed assets			20,710		14,684
Current assets					
Debtors & prepayments	5	2,895		1,242	
Cash at bank and in hand		200,635		119,783	
Total current assets		203,530		121,025	
Liabilities					
Creditors & accruals amounts falling due within one year	6	(1,067)		(1,162)	
Net current assets			202,463		119,863
Net assets			223,173		134,547
Funds of the charity					
12					
Unrestricted funds					
Fixed Assets			20,710		14,684
Reserves			180,349		98,463
Restricted funds			22,114		21,400
Total funds			223,173		134,547

Exemption from audit

For the year ending 30 April 2022 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

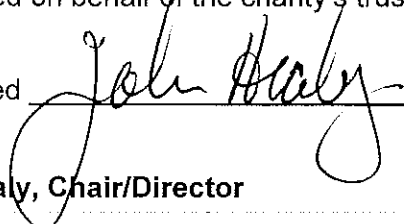
- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small company's regime.

The trustees declare that they have approved the accounts above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed



Dated: 25 May 2022

J Healy, Chair/Director

HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2022

1. Accounting policies

Basis of the preparation of the accounts

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities - Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102), Charities SORP (FRS102)) and the Companies Act 2006.

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value, unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

Income and expenditure has been analysed in the accounts using natural classification, in accordance with the provisions of Section 4.6 of the Charities SORP (Smaller Charities). The charity also meets the requirements for exemption from preparing a statement of cash flows.

Going Concern Note

The charity has a healthy reserve and has been successful in accessing grant funding to contribute to running costs. There are no material uncertainties at the balance date and the trustees have reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operation for the foreseeable future. The charity therefore continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

Incoming resources

All material incoming resources have been included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is entitled to the income, when any performance conditions attached are met, when it is probable that the income will be received and when the amount can be measured reliably.

Resources Expended

Resources expended have been analysed using natural classification.

All expenditure is included on an accruals basis and is recognised as a liability is incurred. The charity is not registered for VAT and accordingly resources expended are shown gross of irrecoverable VAT.

Donated goods and services

Donated facilities and services are recognised in the accounts at the amount the charity would pay in the open market for a service equivalent to that being donated, when the charity would otherwise have purchased them and the value can be measured reliably.

Donated goods for the charity's own use are recognised as income, at their fair value. The contribution of general volunteers is not recognised as income in the charity accounts

Fixed Assets & Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated to write down the cost or valuation less estimated residual value of all tangible fixed assets, with a cost exceeding £1,000, over their expected useful lives. The rates applicable are:

Equipment, Fixtures & Fittings – 20% on a straight line basis.

Vehicles - 20% on a straight line basis

In the year of acquisition, assets are depreciated for the full year.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued

YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2022

Funds Structure

The charity maintains a general unrestricted fund which represents funds which are expendable at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the objects of the charity.

Restricted funds have been provided to the charity for particular purposes and may only be spent for the purposes for which they were given. Any balance remaining outstanding on a restricted fund at the end of the year is carried forward as a balance on the fund, unless permission has been given by the funder to remove the restriction on the balance outstanding.

Funds relating to capital expenditure are transferred to a designated fund against which depreciation is charged.

2. Income from Donations & Fundraising

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2022 Total Funds	2021 Total Funds
	£	£	£	£
Once We Were Soldiers:				
Donation on closure of charity	74,699	-	74,699	-
General Donations	34,997	-	34,997	47,249
Legacy (for Drop-in Centre)	-	8,337	8,337	-
Drop in Centre Donations	-	68	68	-
Fundraising & Events	6,611	-	6,611	5,475
Total	116,307	8,405	124,712	52,724

3. Grants Received

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2022 Total Funds	2021 Total Funds
	£	£	£	£
The Veterans' Foundation	-	12,500	12,500	22,492
The Armed Forces Covenant Trust Fund	-	-	-	20,000
ABF The Soldiers	-	15,000	15,000	-
Albert Hunt SP	5,000	-	5,000	-
World's Big Sleepout	-	-	-	719
Total	5,000	27,500	32,500	43,211

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued

YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2022

4. Analysis of Expenditure by Fund

	2022	2021
	£	£
Unrestricted Funds:		
Salaries cost	11,530	20,723
Rent & rates	572	-
Office & admin expense	565	824
Room hire	454	285
Equipment & fittings	700	500
Insurance	1,730	415
Storage	3,840	2,240
Legal & professional fees	128	113
Veteran support/B&B accommodation	360	-
Publicity & events	3,055	1,501
Fundraising costs	1,006	331
Travel & meetings	846	356
Accountancy, bookkeeping & payroll	1,701	1,575
Bank charges	154	159
Vehicle costs	330	1,845
Depreciation (Designated Funds)	6,374	4,610
Loss on the sale of assets (Designated Funds)	-	6
Sundries/misc	60	30
Total	<u>33,405</u>	<u>35,513</u>
Restricted Funds:		
Salaries cost	13,471	3,604
Rent & rates	14,414	10,829
Office & admin expense	-	859
Repairs & redecoration	82	-
Furniture & household equipment	922	12,691
Equipment & fittings	1,094	5,000
Legal & professional fees	-	1,600
Veteran support	4,205	5,543
Publicity & events	373	1,881
Travel & meetings	517	44
Licences & fees	-	158
Vehicle costs	56	-
Sundries/misc	57	-
Total	<u>35,191</u>	<u>42,209</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued

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5. Debtors

	2022	2021
	£	£
Prepayments	2,895	1,242
Total	<u>2,895</u>	<u>1,242</u>

6. Creditors

	2022	2021
	£	£
Creditors & accruals	650	600
PAYE Liability	417	562
Total	<u>1,067</u>	<u>1,162</u>

7. Fixed Assets

	Vehicles	Equipment, Fixtures & Fittings	Total
	£	£	£
Cost			
as @ 01-May-2021	15,000	6,175	21,175
Additions	12,400	-	12,400
Disposals	-	-	-
as @ 30-Apr-2022	<u>27,400</u>	<u>6,175</u>	<u>33,575</u>
Depreciation			
as @ 01-May-2021	3,000	3,491	6,491
Disposals	-	-	-
Charge this period	5,480	894	6,374
as @ 30-Apr-2022	<u>8,480</u>	<u>4,385</u>	<u>12,865</u>
Net book value			
as @ 30-Apr-2022	<u>18,920</u>	<u>1,790</u>	<u>20,710</u>
as @ 31-Apr-2021	<u>12,000</u>	<u>2,684</u>	<u>14,684</u>

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8. Trustees' remuneration, benefits and expenses

Other than reimbursement of items purchased on behalf of the charity, there were no payments, remuneration or benefits made to trustees in this period, or in the previous accounting period.

9. Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions, in this or in the previous accounting period.

10. Independent examination and accountancy services

During the period, the total cost of the independent examination, accountancy, bookkeeping and payroll services, provided by BCVS, was £1,701 (2021: £1,575).

11. Staff costs and numbers

	2022	2021
	£	£
Total Salaries Cost	<u>25,001</u>	<u>24,327</u>

The average number of employees during the year was 1 (2021: 1).

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YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2022

12. Movement in Funds

	Opening balance £	Incoming resources £	(Resources expended) £	Fund Transfers	Closing balance £
Unrestricted Funds:					
General Fund	98,463	121,317	(27,031)	(12,400)	180,349
	98,463	121,317	(27,031)	(12,400)	180,349
Designated Funds:					
Fixed Assets	14,684	-	(6,374)	12,400	20,710
	14,684	-	(6,374)	12,400	20,710
Restricted Funds:					
Big Salute	1,418	-	(319)	-	1,099
ABF The Soldiers 2020	1,388	-	(1,388)	-	-
ABF The Soldiers 2021	-	15,000	(15,000)	-	-
Veterans' Foundation - Farm Therapy	9,698	-	(673)	-	9,025
Veterans' Foundation - Salaries	8,896	12,500	(13,471)	-	7,925
Drop-in Centre	-	8,405	(4,340)	-	4,065
	21,400	35,905	(35,191)	-	22,114
TOTAL	134,547	157,222	(68,596)	-	223,173

13. Fund transfers

	Fixed Assets £	General Fund £
Funds transferred to the designated Fixed Asset Fund to cover capital purchases (Exhibition Van)	12,400	(12,400)
Total	12,400	(12,400)

HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued

YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2022

14. Restricted Funds

- Big Salute – a grant to cover the cost of TV licences.
- ABF The Soldiers - grant funding towards the cost of rent, furniture and veteran support.
- Veteran's Foundation – Farm Therapy Project– a grant to support the Farm Therapy Project.
- Veteran's Foundation – Salaries – a grant to contribute to the salary cost of the CEO, for a period of 2 years.
- Drop-in Centre – restricted funding for the running of the Drop-in Centre.

HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS

England & Wales - Charity number 1148155

Accounts

Charity Registration Number. 1148155

Company Number. 08050428 (England and Wales)

HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021



The Queen's Award
for Voluntary Service



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TRUSTEES' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION
YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021

Full name: HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS

Registered charity number: 1148155

Registered company number: 08050428

Registered office & principal address: 12 Sedge Close
Bramley
Rotherham
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Trustees & Directors: K J Hartley - *resigned 06/12/2020*
J Healy
J Watkins - *resigned 09/05/2020*
J W Hayward
E S Butcher
D Sidebottom
M A Wakeford – *resigned 02/12/2020*
K E Wood – *appointed 20/08/2020; resigned 04/01/2021*
J C Mayo – *appointed 29/03/2021*

Chair: J Healy

Bankers: National Westminster Bank Plc
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Independent examiner: Angela Hayes
Community Accountant
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HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS

TRUSTEES' REPORT

YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the period 01 May 2020 to 30 April 2021.

Structure, governance and management

HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS is a registered charity with the Charity Commission and a company limited by guarantee, governed by its Articles of Association, dated 30th April 2012. The company has no share capital and the liability of each member in the event of winding-up is limited to a sum not exceeding £10. The affairs of the charity are managed by the trustees, who may exercise all the powers of the charity, through its Chief Executive Officer (CEO).

Appointment of trustees

The trustees are also directors of the company for the purpose of company law. The trustees are appointed at the Annual General Meeting. At the Annual General Meeting one-third of the trustees shall retire from office by rotation, ie those who have been longest in office since their last appointment or reappointment. The number of trustees shall not be less than three.

The trustees who served during the period, and to the date of signing the accounts, are listed on page 3 of this report.

Related parties

The trustees consider that there are no related parties to the charity.

Risk management

The trustees have ultimate responsibility for identifying and managing risk. The trustees examine the major risks that the charity faces and to put into operation systems so that necessary steps can be taken to lessen these risks. The charity has a risk management policy which is reviewed regularly by the trustees.

Charitable aims and objectives

The objectives of the charity are:

The relief of charitable need of homeless ex-service personnel, in particular but not exclusively by:

- a) ***the provision of safe and permanent housing and through a programme of re-education and the teaching of life skills to help them back into the community.***
- b) ***advice and counselling to enable them to address the issues that made them homeless and helping them re-adjust to civilian life through re-training.***

Public Benefit

In shaping the objectives for the year, the trustees have paid due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS
TRUSTEES' REPORT continued
YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021

Chairman's Introduction to the Annual Report

This is the year for survivors following the devastation that the current pandemic has caused. Most of us will have known someone close who has suffered or passed away due to Covid-19. Whilst people grieve there is a recognition that others are worse off than themselves.

I speak of the homeless people in this country especially those people who have served in the armed forces. We the trustees and our Founder plus CEO have not forgotten them. Only this year we have trimmed down the number of trustees to focus on the direction of this charity H4HV.

I would also like at this stage to welcome John Mayo our new trustee who has been busy with a few suggestions on how we, as a charity, can raise funds. For this year our activities have been heavily restricted, due to the lockdown and social distancing rules, but the charity has been awarded funds and has also received charitable donations which has taken us over the £100k mark.

To achieve this figure has been down, in my view, to the hard work of our CEO Steve Bentham-Bates. This will be seen in the annual financial returns.

Looking to the future we have Darren, our trustee responsible for ensuring the trailer is working for the Charity, and we are looking to book the trailer into other events once the Covid-19 rules are lifted in July of this year.

I have regular phone conversations with our CEO who keeps me briefed on the activities he has undertaken to re house, temporary or otherwise, those veterans seeking our help. However, we are not always successful and all veterans are helped or signposted to a more suitable charity. No one is turned away.

One final point I would make is that we may yet see a rise in veterans seeking our help with this government reducing the size of our armed forces. Neither can we ignore the fact that the economy may bounce back, post Covid, but not in the way some will expect it to.

As in last year's report to you the Trustees. I would like to give my thanks to the volunteers, Trustees and especially Steve Bentham-Bates and Tom Wood for all their help and advice over the last year. Their and your support has helped me to carry out my role to, what I hope, is a sustainable level of satisfaction.

John Healy B.A (Hons)
Chairperson, Help 4 Homeless Veterans

HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS
TRUSTEES' REPORT continued
YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021

CEO's Annual Report

This reporting period (1st May 2020 to 30th April 2021) has been completely overshadowed by the Covid-19 Pandemic restrictions to society in general, and the impact it has had on all aspects of the running of our charity.

Despite this, it has been the most successful year of its existence in various ways:

Normal fundraising activities have all been virtually stalled, however, we have increased our income to the most ever attracted in a single year by submitting many grant applications to a variety of fund making bodies.

Also, greater public awareness of us has generated additional support which included 3 anonymous donations totaling £25k from people and organizations who recognize our contribution towards alleviating homelessness.

We have been identified by a number of benefactors as an excellent charity worthy of their financial support. The VETERANS FOUNDATION has once again been a major supporter of our work and in January made two more grants, one giving 50% of salary outgoings for this, and the next financial year; the second to help us introduce our new project, that of the THERAPY FARM FOR VETERANS in conjunction with Jamie Quinn, a former RAF colleague of mine from the 1980s who runs a farm near Scunthorpe where he already runs school visits from which we have copied the model. We also received a grant of £20k from the Dept of Culture support scheme for charities last July which had to be spent by the end of October.

The total bank balances at the end of the financial year stands at **£119,783**.

The number of veterans we have supported has once again exceeded what was traditionally our annual average of 50 and last year's record of 85.

Since 1st May 2020 we have offered help to a **total of 90 veterans**.

This has taken the form of provision of payment of 1st months rents, bonds, furniture such as beds, essential kitchen equipment including major items such as cookers, fridges, washing machines as well as kettles, toasters, microwaves, crockery and cutlery etc.

We have also provided TVs and sometimes licenses too, from the BFBS BIG SALUTE grant we received last year. We have also assisted veterans purchasing food and some general living expenses providing funds for electric/gas.

The recipients of our help are from all 3 Armed Services, the vast majority from the Army but a small number from the RN and RM and the RAF. They have included wives, partners and children in a few cases, but the majority have been single males. The main reason we have heard causing requests for help is relationship breakdowns, many caused by loss of income because of unemployment brought about through the Pandemic causing extreme stress between partners with the man leaving the home.

In terms of public recognition to aid public awareness of our work we have appointed 3 new Ambassadors during this year:

The first is AMBER GUYMER-HOSKING herself a veteran who along with her young son received help from our charity in 2017 for 2 years and now helps us to spread our message from her new home in East Anglia.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT continued

YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021

The second lady is SAMANTHA BUMFORD based in Bournemouth, a reigning beauty queen who has previously helped our charity most notably by undertaking a Wing Walk to raise funds for us.

Finally, a Yorkshire based successful businessman DAVID WINTERBURN whose long career recruiting high level positions means he brings a brilliant network of contacts to our group.

In 2018 we received our first Royal Award through THE DUKE OF YORK COMMUNITY INITIATIVE SCHEME. We top trumped that this reporting year in the Queen's Birthday Honours List when HELP 4 HOMELESS VETERANS charity received the highest accolade any charity can get from Her Majesty The Queen represented by the Vice Lord Lieutenant of South Yorkshire who presented us with:

THE QUEENS AWARD FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE last September.

Finally, in the New Year's Honours List our Founder Tom Wood was awarded the **MBE** for services to homeless veterans an honour earned jointly with his wife Jean over the past 12 years giving their time and energy despite ill-health, freely generously creating and growing the charity.

By any measure, an amazingly successful reporting period.

Finally, looking to the future. We are secure financially with a year's reserves in the bank and even though the pandemic has slowed down our future plans, we are working on building up the Therapy Farm project recently launched and before the end of 2021 we want to have opened a drop-in Centre for veterans in Barnsley town centre providing a focal point in the town for veterans to use as an advice point.

HELP 4 HOMELESS VETERANS has had an amazing year but we now look to the future and continue to support as many veterans facing homelessness as we can.

S Bentham-Bates
Steven Bentham-Bates BA Hons
CEO
HELP 4 HOMELESS VETERANS

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TRUSTEES' REPORT continued

YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021

The charity's policy on reserves

Reserves are needed to meet the working capital requirements of the charity and to ensure that HELP 4 HOMELESS VETERANS is able to continue in the event of a gap in funding and meet all statutory obligations in the event of winding up. The trustees aim to keep reserves at a level equivalent to 12 months running costs at any one time.

At the end of the financial year the actual level reserves held, represented by unrestricted revenue funds, were £98,463 (2020: £91,114). The level of reserves at the year-end represents approximately 15 months running costs.

Exemptions

The trustees have taken advantage of the exemptions available to small companies, including the audit exemption.

Statement of trustee's responsibilities

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity at the end of the year and of the surplus or deficiency for the year then ended.

In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to: select suitable accounting policies and then apply them on a consistent basis, making judgements and estimates that are prudent and reasonable. The trustees must also prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the charity, and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud or other irregularities.

Financial Position

The financial statements are set out in pages 10 to 16. The Statement of Financial Activities shows a surplus for the year of £20,735 (2020: £20,068). The total funds at the year end stand at £134,547 (2020: £113,812).

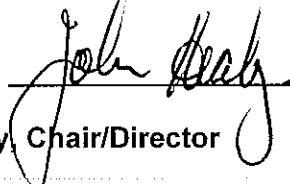
The trustees consider the financial performance of the charity during the year and its financial position at the end of the year to be satisfactory.

Small company provisions:

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed 
J Healy, Chair/Director

Date: 12-07-2021

HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021

I report on the accounts of the charity, which are set out on pages 10 to 16.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities 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 general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 the trustees concerning any 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 matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102).

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

Signed: *A Hayes*

Date: *12/7/2021*

Angela Hayes
Community Accountant
BCVS Services Limited
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HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(Incorporating an Income & Expenditure Account)

YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2021 Total Funds £	2020 £
Note					
Incoming resources					
Donations & fundraising	52,724	-	-	52,724	60,572
Gift aid reclaim	2,500	-	-	2,500	-
Grants received	2	-	43,211	43,211	28,000
Rent received	-	-	-	-	18,239
Other income	22	-	-	22	147
Total incoming resources	55,246	-	43,211	98,457	106,958
Resources expended					
Salaries cost	20,723	-	3,604	24,327	15,869
Rent & room hire	-	-	10,829	10,829	23,605
Office & admin expense	824	-	859	1,683	902
Room hire	285	-	-	285	-
Repairs & redecoration	-	-	-	-	2,392
Furniture & household equipment	-	-	12,691	12,691	1,678
Equipment & fittings	500	-	5,000	5,500	-
Insurance	415	-	-	415	473
Telephone	-	-	-	-	274
Storage	2,240	-	1,600	3,840	4,740
Legal & professional fees	113	-	-	113	1,643
Veteran support	-	-	5,543	5,543	7,983
Publicity & events	1,501	-	1,881	3,382	6,200
Fundraising costs	331	-	-	331	644
Travel & meetings	356	-	44	400	3,573
Accountancy, bookkeeping & payroll	1,575	-	-	1,575	1,602
Licences & fees	-	-	158	158	602
Bank charges	159	-	-	159	274
Vehicle costs	1,845	-	-	1,845	2,199
Depreciation	-	4,610	-	4,610	4,829
Loss on the sale of assets	-	6	-	6	7,373
Sundries/misc	30	-	-	30	35
Total resources expended	30,897	4,616	42,209	77,722	86,890
Net income/(expenditure)	24,349	(4,616)	1,002	20,735	20,068
Transfers between funds	11	(17,000)	12,000	5,000	-
Total funds brought forward	91,114	7,300	15,398	113,812	93,744
Total funds carried forward	10	98,463	14,684	21,400	134,547

Prior year income included restricted grants of £28,000.

Prior year expenditure included the following restricted expenditure:

- Rent £7,915
- Furniture & Household equipment £1,678
- Storage £1,580
- Licences & fees £602
- Veteran support £3,481

Depreciation of £4,829 and a loss on the sale of fixed assets of £7,373 were charged to Designated funds

All other prior year income and expenditure was unrestricted.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 30 APRIL 2021

	Note	£	2021 £	£	2020 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	5	14,684		7,300	
Total fixed assets			14,684		7,300
Current assets					
Debtors & prepayments	3	1,242		1,301	
Cash at bank and in hand		119,783		106,167	
Total current assets		121,025		107,468	
Liabilities					
Creditors & accruals amounts falling due within one year	4	(1,162)		(956)	
Net current assets			119,863		106,512
Net assets			134,547		113,812
Funds of the charity					
10					
Unrestricted funds					
Fixed Assets			14,684		7,300
Reserves			98,463		91,114
Restricted funds			21,400		15,398
Total funds			134,547		113,812

Exemption from audit

For the year ending 30 April 2021 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

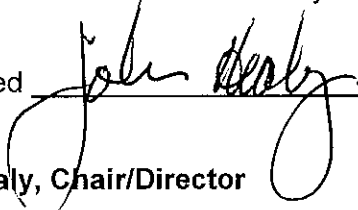
Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small company's regime.

The trustees declare that they have approved the accounts above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed  _____
J Healy, Chair/Director

Dated: 12.07.2021

HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021

1. Accounting policies

Basis of the preparation of the accounts

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities - Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102), Charities SORP (FRS102)) and the Companies Act 2006.

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value, unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

Income and expenditure has been analysed in the accounts using natural classification, in accordance with the provisions of Section 4.6 of the Charities SORP (Smaller Charities). The charity also meets the requirements for exemption from preparing a statement of cash flows.

Going Concern Note

Charity fundraising has been difficult since March 2020 due to the Coronavirus Pandemic. 2020 saw the collapse of active fundraising at shows and events, which is a vital source of income for the charity. However, the charity has a healthy reserve and has been successful in accessing grant funding to continue supporting veterans during the pandemic. There are no material uncertainties at the date of the balance sheet and the trustees have reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operation for the foreseeable future. The charity therefore continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

Incoming resources

All material incoming resources have been included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is entitled to the income, when any performance conditions attached are met, when it is probable that the income will be received and when the amount can be measured reliably.

Resources Expended

Resources expended have been analysed using natural classification.

All expenditure is included on an accruals basis and is recognised as a liability is incurred. The charity is not registered for VAT and accordingly resources expended are shown gross of irrecoverable VAT.

Donated goods and services

Donated facilities and services are recognised in the accounts at the amount the charity would pay in the open market for a service equivalent to that being donated, when the charity would otherwise have purchased them and the value can be measured reliably.

Donated goods for the charity's own use are recognised as income, at their fair value. The contribution of general volunteers is not recognised as income in the charity accounts

Fixed Assets & Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated to write down the cost or valuation less estimated residual value of all tangible fixed assets, with a cost exceeding £1,000, over their expected useful lives. The rates applicable are:

Equipment, Fixtures & Fittings – 20% on a straight line basis.

Vehicles - 20% on a straight line basis

In the year of acquisition, assets are depreciated for the full year.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued

YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021

Funds Structure

The charity maintains a general unrestricted fund which represents funds which are expendable at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the objects of the charity.

Restricted funds have been provided to the charity for particular purposes and may only be spent for the purposes for which they were given. Any balance remaining outstanding on a restricted fund at the end of the year is carried forward as a balance on the fund, unless permission has been given by the funder to remove the restriction on the balance outstanding.

Funds relating to capital expenditure are transferred to a designated fund against which depreciation is charged.

2. Grants Received

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2021 Total Funds £	2020 Total Funds £
The Veterans' Foundation	-	22,492	22,492	10,000
The Armed Forces Covenant Trust Fund	-	20,000	20,000	-
Big Salute (BFBS)	-	-	-	3,000
ABF The Soldiers	-	-	-	15,000
World's Big Sleepout	-	719	719	-
Total	<u>-</u>	<u>43,211</u>	<u>43,211</u>	<u>28,000</u>

3. Debtors

	2021 £	2020 £
Prepayment of insurance	1,242	1,301
Total	<u>1,242</u>	<u>1,301</u>

4. Creditors

	2021 £	2020 £
Creditors & accruals	600	600
PAYE Liability	562	356
Total	<u>1,162</u>	<u>956</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued

YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021

5. Fixed Assets

	Vehicles	Equipment, Fixtures & Fittings	Total
Cost	£	£	£
as @ 01-May-2020	5,634	6,175	11,809
Additions	15,000	-	15,000
Disposals	(5,634)	-	(5,634)
as @ 30-Apr-2021	<u>15,000</u>	<u>6,175</u>	<u>21,175</u>
Depreciation			
as @ 01-May-2020	2,254	2,255	4,509
Disposals	(2,628)	-	(2,628)
Charge this period	3,374	1,236	4,610
as @ 30-Apr-2021	<u>3,000</u>	<u>3,491</u>	<u>6,491</u>
Net book value			
as @ 30-Apr-2021	<u>12,000</u>	<u>2,684</u>	<u>14,684</u>
as @ 31-Apr-2020	<u>3,380</u>	<u>3,920</u>	<u>7,300</u>

6. Trustees' remuneration, benefits and expenses

Other than reimbursement of items purchased on behalf of the charity, there were no payments, remuneration or benefits made to trustees in this period, or in the previous accounting period.

7. Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions, in this or in the previous accounting period.

8. Independent examination and accountancy services

During the period, the total cost of the independent examination, accountancy, bookkeeping and payroll services was £1,575 (2020: £1,602).

9. Staff costs and numbers

	2021	2020
	£	£
Total Salaries Cost	<u>24,327</u>	<u>15,689</u>

The average number of employees during the year was 1 (2020: 1).

HELP4HOMELESSVETERANS

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued

YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021

10. Movement in Funds

	Opening balance £	Incoming resources £	(Resources expended) £	Fund Transfers	Closing balance £
Unrestricted Funds:					
General Fund	91,114	55,246	(30,897)	(17,000)	98,463
	91,114	55,246	(30,897)	(17,000)	98,463
Designated Funds:					
Fixed Assets	7,300	-	(4,616)	12,000	14,684
	7,300	-	(4,616)	12,000	14,684
Restricted Funds:					
Big Salute	3,160	-	(1,742)	-	1,418
ABF The Soldiers	8,657	-	(7,269)	-	1,388
The Armed Forces Covenant	-	20,000	(20,000)	-	-
Veterans' Foundation 2019-20	3,581	-	(3,581)	-	-
Veterans' Foundation - Farm Therapy	-	9,992	(5,294)	5,000	9,698
Veterans' Foundation - Salaries	-	12,500	(3,604)	-	8,896
World's Big Sleepout	-	719	(719)	-	-
	15,398	43,211	(42,209)	5,000	21,400
TOTAL	113,812	98,457	(77,722)	-	134,547

11. Fund transfers

	Fixed Assets £	General Fund £	Farm Therapy £
Funds transferred to the designated Fixed Asset Fund to cover capital purchases	15,000	(15,000)	-
Sale of Fixed Assets	(3,000)	3,000	-
Farm Therapy Project	-	(5,000)	5,000
Total	12,000	(17,000)	5,000

12. Restricted Funds

- Big Salute – a grant to cover the cost of TV licences.
- ABF The Soldiers - grant funding towards the cost of rent, furniture and veteran support.
- The Armed Forces Covenant Trust Fund – a grant from the Covid-19 Impact Programme to support homeless veterans into accommodation.
- Veteran’s Foundation 2019-20 – a grant to contribute to the cost of rent, furniture and veteran support.
- Veteran’s Foundation – Farm Therapy Project– a grant to support the Farm Therapy Project.
- Veteran’s Foundation – Salaries – a grant to contribute to the salary cost of the CEO, for a period of 2 years.
- World’s Big Sleepout - restricted funding for this event.