

**Charity Registration No. 1157843**

**Company Registration No. 08978334 (England and Wales)**

**SAFER STRONGER CONSORTIUM**

**ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021**

## **SAFER STRONGER CONSORTIUM**

### **LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

#### **Trustees**

A Milliner  
JP Mcleavy  
P Reeve  
M Topham

**Charity number** 1157843

**Company number** 08978334

#### **Principal address**

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#### **Independent examiner**

Koreen James FMAAT Synergy Accounting 6 Deer Park Close Teignmouth Devon TQ14 9HQ

#### **Bankers**

CAF Bank Limited 25 Kings Hill Avenue Kings Hill WEST MALLING Kent ME19 4JQ

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## **SAFER STRONGER CONSORTIUM**

### **TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)**

#### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021**

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 30 April 2021. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006 and "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 (FRS 102)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016)

### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

#### **Objectives and aims**

The Company's Objects are specifically restricted to the following (in each case for the benefit of the public):-

1. Promoting social inclusion by preventing people from becoming socially excluded, relieving the needs of those people who are socially excluded and assisting them to integrate into society.

For the purpose of this clause 'socially excluded' means being excluded from society, or parts of society, as a result of one or more of the following factors: unemployment; financial hardship; youth or old age; ill health (physical or mental); substance abuse or dependency including alcohol and drugs; discrimination on the grounds of sex, race, disability, ethnic origin, religion, belief, creed, sexual orientation or gender re-assignment; poor educational or skills attainment; relationship and family breakdown; poor housing (that is housing that does not meet basic habitable standards; crime (either as a victim of crime or as an offender rehabilitating into society).

2. Promoting the rehabilitation of offenders by supporting voluntary and community organisations working with or for offenders and their families;

3. Advancing education particularly, but not exclusively, about crime and criminal justice;

4. Relieving unemployment for the benefit of the public in such ways as may be thought fit, including assistance to find employment; and

5. The prevention and relief of poverty.

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**Significant activities**

- Developing and Consolidating the Partners and Members of SSC and maintaining the SSC Due Diligence process.
- Partner training and delivery of services by partners under the OPCC Victim Care Services Contract, contract managed by SSC and coordinated by SSC Member CASS Plus
- Partnership Development through regular Partnership Meetings and Commissioner Engagement
- Quality and Performance Management of SSC service delivery
- Development and review of SSC Policies & Procedures
- Securing and delivering 6-month project through National Lottery Coronavirus Community Support. To support vulnerable women and enable them to become community leaders.
- Delivery on Safer Stronger Women's project funded through Homeless Link's Ending Women's Homeless grant funded by the governments' Tampon tax fund. Homeless Link's grants programme aims to help end women's homelessness by building capacity for gender and trauma-informed services and developing partnerships between homelessness and specialist women's sector charities. To amplify its impact, it will create a community of organisations that meet to share expertise and learning.
- Assist in the development of linkages between the sector and with the out of court settlement programme for low risk first time offenders, 'Pathfinder'.
- Consultation with Service Users, Partners and Stakeholders
- Sector representation and linkages to the Cornwall Community Safety Partnership (Safer Cornwall) including sub-groups such as the Reducing Re-offending Strategy Implementation Group and Making Every Adult Matter (MEAM) subgroup.

**Public benefit**

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty under Section 4 of the Companies Act 2006 to have due regards to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

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**ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE**

**Charitable activities**

The following outcomes were achieved during the course of the reporting period:

1. Consolidating the Membership of SSC including the addition of new Partners.
2. Renewal of Due Diligence records for all existing Members and Partners.
3. Successful coordination, management and delivery of services under the OPCC Victim Care Services Contract.
4. Providing support to 14 women through the Community Women's Leader programme.
5. Set up a Trauma Informed Network for Cornwall. The network work represents a multi-agency effort to implement and support trauma informed care initiatives across Cornwall.
6. Provided support to 31 women who had housing issues through the Safer Stronger Women's project
7. Enabling of Restorative Justice delivery opportunities for SSC Partners through networking and upskilling.
8. Continue to raise the profile for the Consortium amongst key stakeholders within the sector.

**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

All income is budgeted for against core costs and service delivery activity.

Funds were derived from three sources during the reporting period; The National Lottery; the Devon and Cornwall Office of Police and Crime Commission) and Homeless Link.

Looking to the future the charity will continue work to develop its work with victims of crime as well as explore opportunities in various areas including:

1. Developing the SSC response to the re-commissioning of the Victim Care service commissioned by the Office for the Police and Crime Commissioner which will commence on 1 April 2022.
2. Development of SSC through the identification of new funding opportunities
3. Partnership development including training and upskilling opportunities.
4. Community Safety - participation in Safer Cornwall, the community safety partnership for Cornwall.

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5. Assisting the Sector respond to local strategic needs, such as the key priorities identified through the Safer Cornwall Partnership Plan.
6. Assisting in the development of a Trauma Informed Network for Cornwall
7. Supporting Cornwall Making Every Adult Matters
8. Support for ex-offenders
9. Support for families and communities of victims/offenders within the criminal justice system
10. Restorative Justice
11. Health & Social Care Agenda

**Structure, governance and management**

The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law and under the company's articles are known as Board of Trustees. Trustees are elected by company Members.

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

A Milliner  
JP Mcleavy  
P Reeve  
M Topham

**Organisational structure**

Lydia Mills - (Chief Executive Officer).

**Related parties**

Full details of any related party transactions between company Members and Safer Stronger Consortium are provided in the notes to the financial statements.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

**JP Mcleavy**

Trustee

Dated: 24 January 2022





## **SAFER STRONGER CONSORTIUM**

### **STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES**

#### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021**

The trustees, who are also the directors of Safer Stronger Consortium for the purpose of company law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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 and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that year.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that 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. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

## **SAFER STRONGER CONSORTIUM**

### **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF SAFER STRONGER CONSORTIUM**

**Charity number 1157843**

**Company number 08978334**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Safer Stronger Consortium (the charity) for the year ended 30 April 2021.

#### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the trustees of the charity (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 (the 2006 Act).

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the charity are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

#### **Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act;

or

2 the financial statements do not accord with those records;

or

3 the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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

4 the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

I have no concerns and 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 financial statements to be reached.

Signed



Date 24<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Koreen James – Fellow of the Association of Accounting Technicians (FMAAT)  
Synergy Accounting 6 Deer Park Close Teignmouth Devon TQ14 9HQ

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021**

		Restricted funds 2021	Unrestricted funds 2021	Unrestricted funds 2020
	Notes	£	£	£
<b>Income from:</b>				
Donations and legacies	3		2,950	4,425
Charitable activities	4	21,900	<u>50,693</u>	<u>112,016</u>
Total income		<u>21,900</u>	<u>53,643</u>	<u>116,441</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>				
Charitable activities	5	<u>21,900</u>	<u>102,748</u>	<u>118,697</u>
<b>Net (expenditure)/income for the year/ Net movement in funds</b>		0	(49,105)	(2,256)
Fund balances at 1 May 2020		<u>0</u>	<u>48,189</u>	<u>50,445</u>
<b>Fund balances at 30 April 2021</b>		<u>0</u>	<u>(916)</u>	<u>48,189</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.  
All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

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### BALANCE SHEET

#### AS AT 30 APRIL 2021

	Notes	2021 £	£	2020 £	£
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	9	40		6,678	
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>48,492</u>		<u>48,032</u>	
		48,532		54,710	
 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	<u>(49,448)</u>		<u>(6,521)</u>	
 Net current assets		<u>(916)</u>		<u>48,189</u>	
 <b>Income funds</b>					
Unrestricted funds		<u>(916)</u>		<u>48,189</u>	
		<u>(916)</u>		<u>48,189</u>	

The company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 30 April 2021.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the charity keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Act and for preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 24 January 2022

JP Mcleavy  
Trustee



Company Registration No. 08978334

## **SAFER STRONGER CONSORTIUM**

### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021**

#### **1 Accounting policies**

##### **Charity information**

Safer Stronger Consortium is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is The Old Library, Lower Bore Street, Bodmin, Cornwall, PL31 2JX.

##### **1.1 Accounting convention**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's Memorandum & Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006 and "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 (FRS 102)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

##### **1.2 Going concern**

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

##### **1.3 Charitable funds**

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the charity.

##### **1.4 Income**

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

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### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021**

#### **1 Accounting policies (Continued)**

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset

#### **1.5 Expenditure**

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Donated services and facilities are included in the Statement of Financial Activities at the value of the underlying cost borne by the provider of the donation, estimated at open market value, and offset the incoming resource.

#### **1.6 Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

#### **1.7 Financial instruments**

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

#### **Basic financial assets**

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

## **SAFER STRONGER CONSORTIUM**

### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021**

#### **1 Accounting policies (Continued) –**

##### **Basic financial liabilities**

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

##### **Derecognition of financial liabilities**

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

#### **1.8 Employee benefits**

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

#### **1.9 Retirement benefits**

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

#### **2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements**

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021

### Accounting policies (Continued) –

#### 3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Unrestricted funds 2020 £
Donations and gifts	<u>2,950</u>	<u>4,425</u>

#### Donations and gifts

Learning Partnership - Provision of office space - rent	2,560	3,840
Learning Partnership - Provision of a book-keeper - seconded staff	<u>390</u>	<u>585</u>
	<u>2,950</u>	<u>4,425</u>

#### 4 Charitable activities

	2021 £	2020 £
Charitable activity income		
Unrestricted	50,693	112,016
Restricted – National Lottery Community Fund		
Coronavirus Community Support Fund	<u>21,900</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>72,593</u>	<u>112,016</u>

#### 5 Charitable activities

	Restricted funds 2021 £	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Unrestricted funds 2020 £
Staff costs		3,577	21,678
Insurance		307	299
Telephone		128	173
Sundries		282	129
Meetings and events		(31)	984
Travel		24	490
Office rent		2,560	3,840
Seconded staff		390	585
Stationery		76	245
Partner fees	17,918	62,083	75,293
Consultancy costs	3,982	32,129	13,109
Bank charges		72	60
Trustees expenses		-	-
	<u>21,900</u>	<u>101,597</u>	<u>116,885</u>
Share of governance costs (see note 6)		<u>1,151</u>	<u>1,812</u>
	<u>21,900</u>	<u>102,748</u>	<u>118,697</u>



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### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021

#### Accounting policies (Continued) –

#### 6 Support costs

	Support costs £	Governance costs £	2021 £	Support costs £	Governance costs £	2020 £
Accountancy	-	551	551	-	412	412
Independent examination	<u>-</u>	<u>600</u>	<u>600</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,400</u>	<u>1,400</u>
	<u>-</u>	<u>1,151</u>	<u>1,151</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,812</u>	<u>1,812</u>
Analysed between Charitable activities	<u>-</u>	<u>1,151</u>	<u>1,151</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,812</u>	<u>1,812</u>

#### 7 Trustees

One of the trustees (2020: one of the trustees or any persons connected with them) received remuneration of £1660 (2020: £19,500) for her services provided to the charity as CEO.

None of the trustees (2020: none) were reimbursed expenses during the year (2020: £0)

#### 8 Employees

##### Number of employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2021 Number	2020 Number
Core	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
<b>Employment costs</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	£	£
Wages and salaries	3,577	19,998
Other pension costs	<u>-</u>	<u>1,680</u>
	<u>3,577</u>	<u>21,678</u>

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was £60,000 or more.

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### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021

#### Accounting policies (Continued) –

#### 9 Debtors

	2021	2020
	£	£
<b>Amounts falling due within one year:</b>		
Other debtors	40	6,678
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>40</u>	<u>6,678</u>

#### 10 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2021	2020
	£	£
Trade creditors	1,257	2,992
Income Received In Advance	47,591	-
Accruals	<u>600</u>	<u>3,529</u>
	<u>49,448</u>	<u>6,521</u>

#### 11 Government grants

Income from Government grants totalled £80,000 (2020: £80,000).

#### 12 Retirement benefit schemes

##### Defined contribution schemes

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifying employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund.

The charge to profit or loss in respect of defined contribution schemes was £0 (2020 - £1680).

The charity owed the pension scheme £0 (2020: £482) at the balance sheet date.

#### 13 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2020 - none) other than as already disclosed in Note 7.