

The Workers Memorial
Registered charity No 1167731
Annual Report 2022/2023

The board of Trustees present the Trustees report for the year ending 18th June 2023
The period beginning 19th June 2022 and includes the accounts for the charity
The report is required by the Charity Commission and covers our activities and financial position

We still enjoy the patronage of Lord Watts of Ravenhead and the both of the towns MPs, Marie Rimmer CBE MP (St Helens South) and Conor McGinn MP (St Helens North)

We organised the annual service of remembrance on the 28th April presided over by the Vicar of St Thomas', inviting many dignitaries, including the Lord Mayor and both of the towns MPs who attended the service to pay their respects and lay wreaths. The speakers included Thompsons solicitors, The Royal College of Nursing and Fire Brigade Union. Haydock Band provided the music and volunteered their services for free

As well as remembering the dead the service also highlights the dangers in the workplace and the need for safety.

We still enjoy the sponsorship of Unite the Union St Helens Central. While Amazon have now closed down the Amazon Smile program. We have registered to participate in the Give As You Live scheme to raise funds

We also raise funds by applying for grants and from peoples generosity.

We looked into using the services of a professional fundraiser, but after enquiring it was decided it was too much of a gamble as a result couldn't be guaranteed

Insurance and maintenance are necessary requirements, but apart from this we have no overheads. The trustees still give their time for nothing, we have no paid staff. We neither rent or own any property and have no outstanding loans nor do we plan to take out any loans

The Workers Memorial statue was unveiled in 2019 and is showing signs of weathering. We are looking into most cost effective way of restoring the statue to its former self

The defibrillator installation is now complete and registered with The National Defibrillator Network and the North West Ambulance Service. The defibrillator (AED) is now rescue ready and is available to the public 24 hours a day 365 days a year.

Grants from the National Lottery, Tesco and donations from local business helped to pay for the AED

St Helens council pledged £2000.00 towards the installation of the defibrillator, to date we have not received a donation from the council

Installation proved a very long drawn out and challenging task due to the difficulties in running out an electrical supply because of the comparatively remote location.

We needed to take into account the location of underground services and get the necessary permissions to excavate before any work could be undertaken. The cost to install was high compared with mounting an AED on an outside wall with an easily accessible electricity supply.

Electricity is a necessary requirement to store an AED unit. We held a meeting with St Helens Council regarding the cost of the electricity used by the storage unit. The council engineer said the cost of the energy used is negligible and besides that it would be impossible to accurately meter the amount of electricity consumed so no charge would be made for electricity.

As the project neared completion the installation was vandalised. Destroying the valuable equipment that had been installed

This set us back by well over £1000.00, we had to remove the damaged kit and replace it with new and pay to get the new equipment installed again. As well as the burden of extra cost, this delayed completion of the project by a month.

Unfortunately this wasn't the only instance of vandalism. The statue was "tagged", with graffiti being painted on the memorial. To save on costs we cleaned off offending "tag" ourselves, the trustees paying for the cleaning materials out of their own pockets. The matter was reported to the police, to date no one has been held to account.

Installing architectural lighting to the statue would improve the aesthetics of the area and it would also improve security as it is recognised a well lit area deters anti social behaviour. At present we do not have sufficient funds to move forward with the lighting, but this is a case of work in progress

We also intend to run Defibrillator training courses at various locations in St Helens and the surrounding area

Places on these courses are worth £150, these are offered completely free of charge to individuals who wish to learn. We will continue to do this for as long as we get funding

We are also committed to promoting safety at work. We are preparing a lecture to take into schools and colleges making people aware of the dangers in the workplace and the industrial heritage of St Helens and the surrounding area

We are funded through Grants, public donations, business donations and our sponsors
Any money we get is treated carefully and spent wisely
For the period 19th June 2022 to 18th June 2023 out expenditure was £957.00 and our income £971.

The largest single item of expenditure in this period was replacing the kit damaged by vandalism (£519.84) followed by insurance premiums.

The true cost of the vandalism isn't known yet as we haven't been invoiced for the work to strip out the damaged kit and re-install the new kit.

On an upbeat note we managed to sell the damaged kit on eBay, Clawing back some money, helping to keep costs down a little

The vandalism figure would be higher but for the fact we shouldered the cost of removing the graffiti ourselves

We remain fully in control of our finances and operate well within our means and continue to use the services of the Coop bank, deposits are covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme. We do not intend to overdraw the account or borrow any money

Financially we are in good shape and the unchanged board of trustees still continue to operate effectively

By submitting this report the Trustees approve the accounting and reporting of the charity and agree this is an accurate account of the financial health, future aspirations and past activities of the charity.

The Trustees

R McCauley



Date 16/07/2024

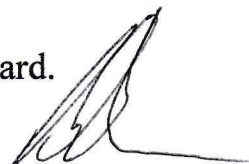
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List of transactions

Transactions List:						
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