



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date				Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
From	01	04	2020	To	31	03	2021

Charity name

Veterans in Sefton CIO

Other names charity is known by

N/A

Registered charity number (if any)

1168128

Charity's principal address

52 St Elizabeth Ave

Bootle

Sefton

Postcode

L20 6FA

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Jon Price			Trustees when quorate
2	Stephen Calderbank			"
3	Andrew Robertson	Chairman		"
4	Paulette Lappin			"
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by a quorate meeting of the Trustees properly notified as per our constitution and considered to have skills valuable to the charity

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

Veterans in Sefton will relieve the need of persons living in Sefton, Merseyside and surrounding areas, who are currently serving or who have served in the Armed Forces, Regular and Reservists, their families and dependents, by advancing any lawful charitable purpose at the discretion of the Trustees and in particular but not exclusively by: -

- Providing opportunities to participate in activities which promote their social inclusion;
- Providing counselling, advice and mentoring support;
- Promoting and protecting their health, mental health and well-being and well-being;
- Advancing the education and awareness of the public in the armed forces and to promote and organise cooperation in the achievement of the above purposes.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Veterans in Sefton organised this year:

Weekly NAAFI Breaks (coffee mornings) in Southport, Bootle and Netherton
156 in total

3-day Holistic residential Snowdonia breaks
8 in total

4-day adventure residential Snowdonia breaks
7 in total

Weekly allotment activities
57 in total

Weekly and weekend walking groups
18 in total

Weekly yoga & meditation sessions
14 in total

Education day trips
37 in total

A combined total number of 289 fully supported activities have taken place this year with over 360 individuals taking part

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grant making;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Our volunteers massed a staggering 3500 hours between them for support in the local community.

The volunteers play a major role at Veterans in Sefton; it is very much peer support lead and is a fundamental part of the transition back into the community.

As a referral joins us we carry out a needs assessment and start to identify various issues. As part of this process we identify the existing skills, some of them thought they had lost, and reignite them by way of encouraging them to volunteer with in community or with the Veterans in Sefton.

Some of the volunteers have formed an official Veterans in Sefton Peer Support Group; they meet once a month and have minutes taken. The results or request are then presented to the CEO for appraisal and further possible request through the Board of Trustees, for example the Peer Support Group may have requested they would like a day trip to Wales, the CEO can grant that request or they may wish to purchase a new shed for the allotment, the CEO will request funds for this through the Board.

Terms of agreement have been drawn up for all those volunteers involved with the Peer Support Group and all volunteers and participants of activities have signed a code of conduct as guided by our Policies and Procedures

Regular Activity Programme

Working with existing mentors we will expand our volunteer programme, developing peer led activities in a more coordinated and sustainable programme. Already there are occasional 'taster sessions' and relatively ad hoc activity - cycling canoeing, fishing, yoga - but we recognise a need to deliver more regular, structured sessions either utilising the skills and qualifications of Veterans in Sefton's veterans or through local partnerships.

Current provision of an allotment, art group and woodwork will provide the core for growing new, varied activity and existing mentors, befrienders and volunteers with established policies and practices will provide the basis for recruitment increasing these roles and building VIS capacity.

Extended Activity

VIS is an active member of the Anabasis Mountain Club in North Wales, providing 3 day, cost effective breaks with greater diversity of activities designed to suit the needs of individuals requiring support. To date over 90 Veterans have attended, with the added advantage of a different yet 'safe' environment aiding personal and group development. Monthly sessions provide a special focus for regular activities and will form an important part of volunteer development.

A Sustainable approach

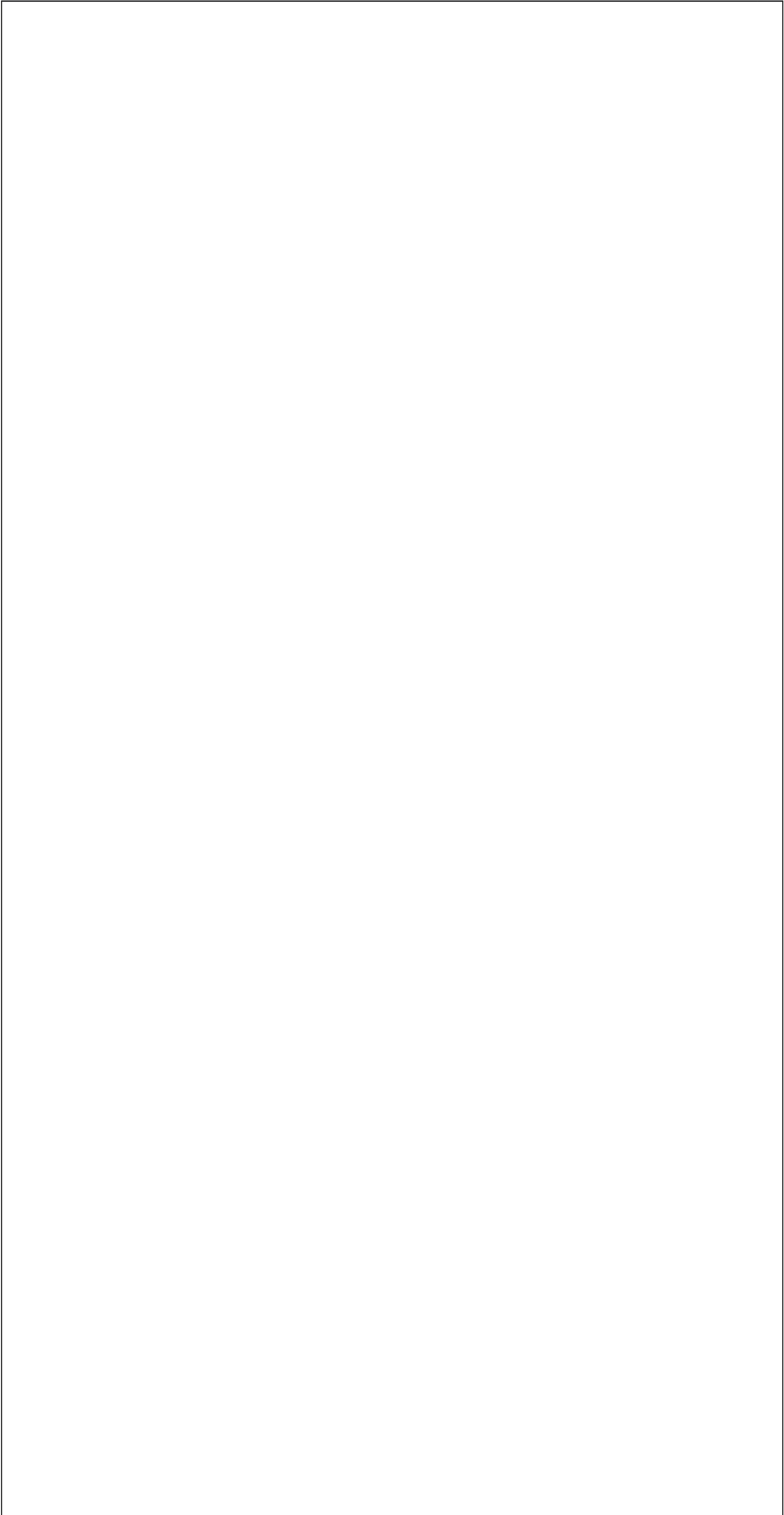
This progressive programme of engagement, activity and Veteran involvement is designed to support volunteer development, building VIS capacity and, in turn sustaining expanded and enhanced activity. The activities and volunteering roles are designed to deliver the 'Five Ways to Wellbeing: Connect, Keep Learning, Give, Take Notice and Be Active and this will be integral

to Veteran transition and sustaining a programme to complement the core holistic work of VIS



Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

1. Another year of commissioning from Greater Manchester West Mental Health services for our wrap around service
2. 2 years of commissioning from Sefton Council for our strategies against male suicide programme
3. A revamped and updated SLA with One Vision Housing which includes more support services.
4. A SLA made with Veterans UK to provide a much speedier referral process and more integrated support for veterans and families
5. A SLA made with Households into Work to integrated support for veterans and families
6. A continued and improved contract with My Space Housing providing veterans with issues that need support and aren't quite ready for independent living to gain access to housing with support
7. Level 3 added to the diploma programme set up by Myers Scope to work directly with veterans on our allotment to gain City and Guilds 1,2&3 to assist with into employment
8. An employment contract set up with the City of Liverpool College and the Liverpool Waters Construction Hub on a 1.2-million-pound deal gaining direct access for veterans into employment for the next 20 years on the Liverpool Waterfronts 2.2 billion pound construction deal with Peel Ports.
9. 421 referrals have been put through the programme, all provided with guidance assistance and support.
10. Over 500 veterans and dependants have accessed our activities this year covering a plethora of outcomes and personal achievements.
11. We have rehoused 32 veterans 14 of which were homeless and through our various Housing SLAs and with the support of partnerships with One Vision Housing, Sleepy Headzz Beds, The Armed Forces Bikers, The Royal British Legion.
All the veterans that have moved in have all engaged in a full wrap around service provided by our Holistic Support Programme
12. 122 individuals and 8 couples have engaged with our holistic programme reducing the financial stress on an already overstretched mainstream Mental Health NHS service
13. Our Facebook entries are getting an average 4000 views and similar figures on shares.





Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

We fund raise constantly to ensure we have sufficient unrestricted funds to cover our operating costs. We adjust expenditure inline with income. Restricted funds are used for the purpose given and within the time period stated by the provider. These are not considered to be reserves.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

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Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

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Section F

Other optional information

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)		
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)		

Date

Charity Number: 1168128

Veterans In Sefton

Unaudited Accounts

For The Year Ended 31st March 2021

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT
To Veterans In Sefton

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Veterans In Sefton for the year ended 31st March 2021.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the charities trustees of Veterans In Sefton accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

I am a member of the AAT and I am bound by the code of ethics issued by FRC's Revised Ethical Standard 2016.

Accounts preparation services were provided by Sefton CVS, my employer, and I as examiner have applied the ethical standard to my work.

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

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of Bootle Tool Shed as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. The accounts do not accord with those records

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 accounts reached.

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Finance Manager
Sefton Council for Voluntary Service
3rd Floor, Suite 3b, Burlington House, Crosby Road North,
Waterloo, Liverpool, L22 0LG

Signed:

Date:

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Receipts				
General Funds	-	-	-	-
Gifts & Donations	3,500	-	3,500	59
Big Lottery	-	78,901	78,901	59,176
NHS GWW FT	6,000	-	6,000	10,500
Barbara Oats	-	-	-	1,000
Mayor of Sefton' Fund	-	-	-	600
Asda	-	-	-	500
Arrow Head Masonic Lodge	-	-	-	300
Arrow Lodge	-	-	-	250
Rotary	-	-	-	632
Rotary Club South Sefton	-	-	-	1,000
Rotary Club Crosby	-	-	-	700
Sefton CVS	-	-	-	-
Shelter	-	-	-	6,574
NEA	-	-	-	750
Grantscape	-	-	-	7,000
Awards for All	-	-	-	-
Sefton MBC	-	-	-	-
Sefton MBC Housing Investment Scheme	25,000	-	25,000	15,000
Sefton MBC wards	-	-	-	2,200
Armed Forces Covenant	-	33,250	33,250	-
PH Holt	-	-	-	5,000
Covid 19 Response Lottery grant	8,370	-	8,370	-
Community Foundation Grant	-	8,800	8,800	-
Total Receipts	42,870	120,951	163,821	111,241
Payments				
Charitable Activities	12,331	1,182	13,513	8,203
Equipment	2,485	-	2,485	6,410
Computer Expenses	3,258	690	3,948	2,137
DBS	200	-	200	338
Insurance	1,463	-	1,463	1,627
Printing	-	-	-	-
Stationery & Office Supplies	-	-	-	1,689
Telephone	613	1,930	2,543	2,730
Clothing	-	113	113	931
Staff Expenses	-	-	-	-
Sundry Expenses	-	-	-	-
Training	-	-	-	145
Payroll	24,737	58,389	83,126	71,417
Payroll charges	702	-	702	654
Professional Services	-	-	-	150

Mini Bus	-	-	-	-
Rent	2,600	7,742	10,342	7,800
Motor Fuel	2,231	57	2,288	1,201
Motor Repairs	737	-	737	2,773
Motor road tax	165	-	165	165
Motor Insurance	1,192	-	1,192	1,190
Repairs	1,334	-	1,334	2,224
Membership Fees	390	-	390	-
Heating	-	-	-	-
Total Payments	<hr/>			
	54,438	70,103	124,541	111,784
Net Receipts For Period	-	11,568	50,848	39,280
			-	543
Net Cash Funds B/F	19,041	15,929	34,970	35,512
Net Cash Funds C/F	<hr/>			
	7,474	66,777	74,250	34,969

	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Monetary Assets		
Cash at Bank	73,549	34,269
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Fixed Assets		
Equipment	823	823
Computer Equipment	6,686	6,686
	7,509	7,509

The accounts have been prepared under the Receipts and Payments basis.

These financial statements have been approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Chair of Trustees:

Date: 31.03.21

Andrew Robertson

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