

Chairman's Report 2020/21

Cited by one of our private sector supporters "Woody's, large enough to cope, small enough to care", I believe defines us especially in these unprecedented times.

It's hard to believe that just 6 years ago Woody's was a community group meeting on a weekly basis on a pier building in South Wales, with a kettle and 12 mugs to its name. We now work out of 3 green hubs in South, West and North Wales, supported by 13 urban based drop-in centres.

During the COVID crisis, our hubs remained open, although with reduced capacity, but our drop-in centres had to close. I am glad to say these are now beginning to re-open as restrictions start to lift.

I can only wonder and applaud, the resolute and dedicated way Woody's staff and volunteers remained at post and delivered weekly "virtual" coffee mornings and food and pharmacy delivery services. Partnership working with local agencies such as "Feed the Need" in South Wales enabled us to deliver vital support and contact.

Along with my Board of Trustees, I give our absolute thanks to our Welfare Team, who maintained face to face support for those in crisis, working under some significant restrictions and regulations. In the last 18 months, this team again has helped access over £600,000 in welfare and disability benefits, as well as war pensions for our veteran community and their families.

As we look forward:

- we are set to develop our referral pathways enabling seamless working with statutory agencies such as Department of Work and Pensions; Local Authorities; a working brief with the wider NHS and developing partnership working with the Defence Transition Service and Defence Welfare Service.
- To a growing relationship with the ambulance and police emergency services and enabling frontline officers and "back of house" staff, access to Woody's support and surroundings.

Our fundraising continues to grow with Nigel's Walk for Woody's and Steve Owen's walk from Amelia Trust Farm to Penlan Farm, not only raising invaluable funds but increasing the charity's profile. Our corporate support is steadfast with continued support from Masons are Moving, Oncre, Pinnacle, and recently the Kingspan Group. We are also so fortunate to have key donors such as C and P Murphy and Dr R Mottershead, without whom Penlan Farm and Ty Gwalia would have been a dream. Now a dream come true and supporting many hundreds of veterans in West and North Wales.

Our thanks also to the Armed Forces Covenant Charitable Trust and Royal Navy, Royal Marines Charity for their support.

In 2021, we can re-start our Families and Service Children's work with TGP and SSCE respectively; look to launch a unique Flat Holm Island Project with Cardiff City Council and closer working links with Her Majesty's Armed Forces in Wales.

So, a heartfelt thank you to you all and the many not mentioned, for making Woody's a truly inspirational place to work and see grow.... not forgetting our special pets and animals.

Dr David Trotman
Chair

April 2021

Chief Executive Officer's 2020/2021 Annual Report

This is my second annual report as CEO of Woody's Lodge, and I am pleased to share with you details of the hard work carried out by our team in support of the Armed Forces Veterans, Reservists, Emergency Service personnel and their families.

Having just taken over from Dr David Trotman in April 2020, the country was placed into an enforced lockdown due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Although industries and the general community were unsure of the future, we at Woody's continued to work throughout the lockdown, keeping in contact with our beneficiaries and providing much needed support to those who required it. This proves that Woody's remains a key element in the support provided by 3rd sector organisations to our Armed Forces Veterans and their families. We are stronger now than before the pandemic and plan to continue with growth of the organisation in the future.

Our hubs in North, South and Mid-Wales continue to provide a safe, quiet space for our beneficiaries, with 8 satellite drop-in centres in North and 2 in Mid-Wales now open. The team in South Wales are supporting a drop-in run by the regions Armed Forces Liaison Officer in Caerphilly. We have plans to open a rural hub in North Wales, which will provide several outdoor activities such as gardening, walking, art, photography etc. and will allow partner organisations a safe space to work with their beneficiaries.

Since April 2020, Woody's have supported 3332 veterans while working collaboratively with Local Authorities, Statutory Agencies and other Armed Forces Support organisations. Our Welfare Team has continued to work closely with veterans and their families.

We are now a referral pathway for Social Services, NHS, Emergency Services, and the Probation Service as well as our 3rd sector partners, which shows just how the reputation of Woody's has grown since the birth of the charity. Homeless veterans have been placed in veterans' hostels, families suffering financial hardship have been signposted to the appropriate organisations, and those leaving prison have been mentored by our team ensuring the correct level of support is provided. Our work in support of a variety of mental health services continues and those requiring specialist mental health treatment are referred to the most appropriate service provider.

The welfare of our armed forces veterans, reservists, emergency services, and their families remains our priority and will continue to do so in the future. We continually review our staffing structure to suit the needs of the organisation and those we support, which enable us to provide the high level of service that Woody's has and always will give. The training requirements of our staff and volunteers is always evaluated and in fact our Welfare Team, along with senior management, have qualified in Mental Health First Aid and as Trim (Trauma Risk Management) practitioners, providing the correct level of care to those presenting in crisis.

As a former Royal Marine and Police Officer, I am so proud of what Woody's Lodge has achieved and working with such a passionate and energetic team on a day-to-day basis is something money cannot buy. Knowing we have improved the quality of the lives of so many is such an emotional and happy feeling. I am proud to say that I continue to hear from several veterans, "Woody's saved my life".

Graham Jones
CEO

April 2021



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

WOODY'S LODGE

On accounts for the year
ended

31/3/21

Charity no
(if any)

1173752

Set out on pages

RECEIPTS + PAYMENT SCHEDULE 1/2

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above
charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2021

Responsibilities and
basis of report

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

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

Independent
examiner's statement

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to
undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of
applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130
of the Charities Act; or
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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.

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Signed:

Date:

7/10/2021

Name:

Rebecca McElhill

Relevant professional
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Section B

Disclosure

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

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<p>None.</p>



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Woodys Lodge

No (if any)

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

Period start date
01/04/2020

Period end date
31/03/2021

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Marketing and Merchandise	-	-	-	-	926
Events and Activities	-	-	-	-	2,776
Donations	42,023	-	-	42,023	13,931
Grants	-	308,750	-	308,750	182,772
Cais Camera Grant	-	-	-	-	2,500
Admin/IT/Training	361	-	-	361	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	42,384	308,750	-	351,134	202,905
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	42,384	308,750	-	351,134	202,905
A3 Payments					
Marketing and Merchandising	7,311	2,692	-	10,003	11,372
Events and Activities	2,073	3,916	-	5,988	4,324
Donations	-	-	-	-	1,000
Administration	-	11,623	-	11,623	16,582
Utilities	5,173	15,140	-	20,313	11,423
Travel	147	8,653	-	8,801	17,372
Wages/Pensions	13,212	110,994	-	124,206	119,553
Motor Expenses	340	4,390	-	4,730	2,345
Rent	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	28,256	157,407	-	185,664	183,971
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	1,988
	-	-	-	-	295
Sub total	-	-	-	-	2,283
Total payments	28,256	157,407	-	185,664	186,254
Net of receipts/(payments)	14,128	151,343	-	165,470	16,651
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	555
A6 Cash funds last year end	18,051	30,083	-	48,135	30,929
Cash funds this year end	32,179	181,426	-	213,605	48,135

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds		32,179	181,426	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

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	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval

H. Lewis

Howard J. Davies

7/10/21



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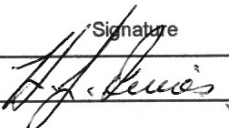
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B2 Other monetary assets				
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets				
		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use				
		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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