



**CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1 September 2020  
Period end date

Period start date To 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021

**Charity name:** The Asbestos Victims Support Groups' Forum UK

**Charity registration number:** 1183024

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The Charity was established as an umbrella organisation for voluntary sector organisations established for the public benefit of people injured or made ill by asbestos
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• To preserve and protect the physical and mental health of sufferers of asbestos related illnesses, through provision of financial assistance, support, education and practical advice.</li><li>• To support groups to undertake these activities</li><li>• To advance the education of the general public in all areas relating to asbestos related illnesses</li></ul>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	Trustees have seen and read the guidance

## Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
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Contribution made by volunteers		
Other		

## Achievements and Performance

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Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Working with the Department of Work and Pensions to ensure sufferers of asbestos related diseases receive their correct entitlement to benefit speedily</li> <li>Being involved with a national event to raise awareness about the dangers of asbestos and the asbestos related disease mesothelioma</li> <li>Undertaking best practice days to support member groups which in turn will support sufferers of asbestos related illness with the provision of financial assistance, support and practical advice.</li> </ul>

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Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Reasonable financial position
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	£2,000 to continue the basic running of the AVSGF to meet group member needs
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£2,000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	n/a
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	n/a
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	Future depends upon building on the success of the support groups

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g. unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustees selected from representatives of member organisations, with as many groups represented as possible

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Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Asbestos Victims Support Groups' Forum UK
Other name the charity uses	AVSGF
Registered charity number	1183024
Charity's principal address	C/O DAST 34 Glumangate Chesterfield S40 1TX

## 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	Joanne Gordon	Chair		
2	Angela Mulligan	Secretary		
3	Andrew Turner	Membership Secretary		
4	Lisa Booth	Treasurer		
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## Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

## Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
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### Additional information (optional)

#### 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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## Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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## Other optional information

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## Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	J H Gordon	
Full name(s)	J H Gordon	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	1/12/21	



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