



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## **Trustees' Annual Report for the period**

**From 1 Jan 2021 To 31 Dec 2022**

**Charity name: FRONT LINE NAVAL CHAPLAINS**

**Charity registration number: 1187195**

### **Objectives and Activities**

The purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document are:

1. To advance the education of the public in the subject of the history of Royal Navy Chaplaincy; in such ways as the charity trustees think fit, including by:
  - a. research into the history of Royal Navy Chaplaincy and its contribution to the wellbeing of the Naval Service, naval service veterans and their families; in particular, but not limited to, the impact of such ministry during armed conflicts, and
  - b. the creation and secure storage of an archive of relevant learning and material, in both digital and physical forms, to illustrate and evidence that history, and
  - c. the dissemination and publication of that material and knowledge through the use of information media such as the internet, books, photographs, exhibitions, conferences and lectures.

For the purpose of this clause, the naval service and the royal navy and royal marines includes the royal navy, royal marines, royal fleet auxiliary and ships taken up from the

trade, together with embedded elements of the other armed forces and supporting organisations.

2. To promote the military efficiency of the armed forces of the crown by identifying and encouraging excellence and best practice in Royal Naval chaplaincy through:

a. running the Association of Royal Naval Chaplains, to support the Naval Chaplaincy Service and to enable serving and former members to mix together,

b. encouraging esprit de corps within naval chaplaincy.

**Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit.**

1. The charity took over the work of the Association of Royal Naval Chaplain on 1 January 2022. The Association's newsletter has been relaunched as "Pennant" magazine, with much additional content and a new format and style.

The Association's membership and mailing list has been refreshed.

Running the association has emphasised the charity's role promoting the military efficiency of the armed forces, and application was made to the Charity Commission to add this as a specific charitable purpose (permission was received after the end of this reporting period, and will be reported next year).

2. Work continues on the Naval Chaplaincy Service (NCS) History project, with access to the NCS archives.

3. An acquisitions policy has been crafted, and through a generous grant from the Archdeacon's Central Naval Church Fund the charity was able to purchase a rare WWI Chaplain's badge. A number of rare books were also obtained.

4. A number of visits to the National Archives have brought to light previously unknown gallantry awards to WWII Naval Chaplains.

5. Research continues to find supporting materials, in particular photographs.

**Public benefit.**

The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

**Volunteers.**

All our work is undertaken by our trustees and volunteers.

**Achievements and Performance**

Summary of the main achievements of the charity.

1. By collecting and disseminating examples of chaplaincy best practice the charity enables serving chaplains and other clergy to minister effectively in real-life situations of stress and anxiety. This activity also informs Service Personnel and others about the support available from chaplains, and thus to access this support.
2. Through the Association of Royal Naval Chaplains serving and retired chaplains are supported and their esprit de corps encouraged.
3. The history of Naval Chaplaincy is researched, preserved and disseminated, thus enabling the development of best practice in ministry.

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<b>The charity does not hold reserves.</b>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	<b>Nil</b>
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	<b>The charity's structure is such that there are no liabilities requiring the holding of a reserve.</b>
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	<b>n/a</b>
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	<b>The trustees are content that the charity is a going concern.</b>

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document  (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	<b>Constitution</b>
How is the charity constituted?  (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	<b>CIO</b>
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	<b>The trustees appoint new trustees as required, bearing in mind the expertise and capabilities required to run the charity.</b>

## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Front Line Naval Chaplains
Other name the charity uses	The Association of Royal Navy Chaplains
Registered charity number	1187195
Charity's principal address	99 Eggbuckland Road Plymouth, PL3 5JR

**Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity**

	<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Office (if any)</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	<b>Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)</b>
1	Simon Springett	Chair		
2	Linda Parker			
3	John Spurr	Secretary		
4	Paul Springett	Treasurer		
5	Ed Wills			

**The charity does not hold any funds as custodian trustees on behalf of others.**

## Declarations

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	
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Charity Name	No (if any)
Front Line Naval Chaplains	1187195

## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 1-Jan-22	To	Period end date 31-Dec-23
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### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donations, legacies and grants	6,835	-	-	6,835	2,031
Gift aid (tax recovered)	43	-	-	43	-
ARNC donations and grants	1,328	-	-	1,328	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>8,205</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>8,205</b>	<b>2,031</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>8,205</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>8,205</b>	<b>2,031</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Costs of charitable activities	3,563	-	-	3,563	1,036
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-



	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>3,563</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,563</b>	<b>1,036</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>3,563</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,563</b>	<b>1,036</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>4,642</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,642</b>	<b>994</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>4,796</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,796</b>	<b>3,802</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>9,438</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9,438</b>	<b>4,796</b>

## 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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>				
		9,438	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>9,438</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>		-	-	-

	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

### B3 Investment assets

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

### B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
Recording equipment	Unrestricted funds	300	225
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

### B5 Liabilities

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

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

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Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
<i>Paul Springett</i>	<b>PAUL SPRINGETT</b>	<b>31/03/22</b>
<i>Simon Springett</i>	<b>SIMON SPRINGETT</b>	<b>31/03/22</b>