

# **UK Veterans Hearing Foundation Trustees Report.**



**Charity Registration Number: 1188611**

**Date we became a Charity:** 18.03.2020- April 2021.

**Address:**

6 New Buildings  
Hinckley  
Leicestershire  
LE10 1HW

## **Charity Report: March 2020 to April 2021**

Our Trustees, Mr Steve Birdsall and Mr Gary Cooper are both Ex-serviceman, they have the heart for what the charity aims to do and they drive the charity to achieve its objects.

### **The Objects of the UK Veterans Hearing Foundation Charity.**

- 1.**The objects for the Charity is to raise awareness within the civilian and armed forces community of hearing damage caused to veterans during their service in the Armed Forces.
- 2.**To support Veterans from all branches of the Armed Forces in accessing first class hearing assessments, equipment and service.
- 3.**To improve their quality of life in a civilian environment whether it be during retirement, for the benefit of their family, or to access work and to compete with individuals in work without this disability.
- 4.**To educate the public of the link between hearing loss and poor mental health and arrange mental health education for the veteran with courses, literature and mental health support from professionals and other charitable bodies.
- 5.**With long standing mental health issues due to hearing loss which may have damaged the veterans quality of life, to offer respite to the veteran and family in support of the desire to improve their life.
- 6.**To utilize a tinnitus pathway in supporting Veterans to manage their tinnitus for a better future going forward.

## **How the charity is managed:**

### **Year 1**

1. Administrative work supporting veterans worldwide with hearing issues. Inputting of personal data and making sure each veterans journey is taken through at its highest standard.
2. Ordering of hearing systems from manufacturers.
3. Liaison with audiologists nationwide arranging appointments. Booking tinnitus courses, etc.
4. Running an online shop, answering enquiries. Putting clothes coming in onto the shop and doing a brief on what they are to market it to the public.
5. Shipping of clothes and items to respond to orders.
6. Marketing role with photography, working on the website.
7. Contacting organisations for more clothes, and donations.
8. Building a network of volunteers from the Armed Forces.
9. Social media support. Creating/having created posts for Instagram and twitter, and Facebook.
10. Grant applications filled out and submitted for funding.
11. Finances managed to each piece of funding, making sure criteria has been met for use of the funding.

### **Year 2**

1. While continuing with tasks set out in year one we will be reviewing our administrative procedures for weaknesses and strengthen and correct.
2. Review data captured and review with organisations that could administer changes should anything become obvious.
3. Increase marketing exposure with leaflets/brochures detailing any relevant evidence found with research.
4. Set up educational days at breakfast mornings and drop in centres, aswell as a newtwork of voluteers to become apart of a buddy scheme.
5. Increase funding to fit more veterans and to increase speed of fit if possible.
6. Run and build the online charity shop, becoming fully functioning with a regular income.

## **Reserves Policy-**

Trustees are working towards maintaining a reserve of approximately equivalent to six months of running costs to pay wages, rent, rates, and utilities, and any direct debits that are required to function. We anticipate that grants from Trusts and Foundations will be an important source of income for UKVHF moving forwards, and currently this represents a significant element of the projected income budget in 2020-21.

December 2020 we now sit with a reserve at £16,000 to allow us to push the Charity in growing.

Annual Accounts-

February 2020- CIC

March 2020- Charity

UKVHF	January	February	March	April
2020				
		SSAFA pathway £3485.84 as a CIC		
Annual Report		1x Veteran Fitted		
		COMPLETED		
Total For month	0	£3,485.84	0	0

May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	TOTAL to year
£30,000 Veterans Foundation/Veterans Lottery £2000 Veteran insurance £3,052.16 CIC	£3500 Hugh James Sponsor a Veteran pathway	£3500 Phonak Sponosor a Veteran Pathway £123.83 from other sources	£5,000 Evered Foundation £100 Donations from other sources	£10,000 The National Lottery Community Fund. Coronavirus Community Support Fund.	£500 Maud Elkington Charitable Trust £60 Mac Stephenson Gutter Cleaning Service £90.00 Donations from other sources	Donations £506.98 from other sources	PayPal Just Giving Fund £521.10	
	1x Veteran Fitted	1x Veteran Fitted/Core costs	1x Facebook Portol and buddy scheme set up	Buddy Scheme, 1x Veteran fitted	Core Costs-Advertising			
1 Veteran Partical Funding Help for Heroes£1,300 TRNBT£700 UK Veterans Hearing Foundation£1,203.79	COMPLETED	COMPLETED	COMPLETED	COMPLETED	COMPLETED	COMPLETED	COMPLETED	<b>£62,157.86</b>
2X Tinnitus Funding COMPLETED								
£38,255.95	£3,500	£3,623.83	£5,100	£10,000	£650	£506.98	£521.10	Additional donations throughout the year from payal-website : £660.39

Total for month	£30,438.60	£75.65	£5,028,50	
Annual Report	Online charity shop 1Xveteran fitted so far	COMPLETED Core costs		
Febuary 2020 - April 2021 £101,711.43 April 2020 to April 2021 Charity Total- to date since becoming the charity £98,361.00				

**Achievements:**

1. A number Veterans fully funded with top of the range hearing technology and they have been taken through their journey with the UK Veterans Hearing Foundation, with ongoing support.
2. More Veterans successfully taken through the tinnitus pathway.

3. Supported many Veterans with their mental health by fitting them with top of the range hearing technology.
4. Our sponsor a Veteran pathway has been a success with 2 more Veterans supported fully funded- along with a further 3 Veterans we supported with gifted hearing aids from manufacturers, which then we utilised funding to support their fitting and aftercare service.
5. Our website has had a lot of updated work done to it, adding on lots of areas of support for our Veterans.
6. Starting up our Veterans Hearing Foundation online events wear shop to support an income of funding on a regular basis.
7. Working with other Charities and organisations such as SSAFA, Help for Heroes and The Royal Navy Benevolent Trust and many more to get the Veterans the help and support they need and deserve.
8. We have raffled off our first hamper, which included and Facebook Portal to support mental health.
9. Started up our buddy scheme to support mental health.
10. The charity has had a great first year and supported many veterans, since becoming a charity in March 2020.
11. 12.05.2021 added onto the Veterans Gateway as an Information Organisation

### **Ongoing and Charity aims:**

1. We are sharing our successes with newspapers/magazines from all over to get the word out what our Charity is achieving and the ongoing support we need.
2. Our social media is worked upon each week to get exposure, and to share our success, and reaching out for funding support.
3. Our new Veterans Hearing Foundation Shop FB page (new and being worked on) is now expanding and an online shop is being built to support the Charity in the upcoming future. Going Live April 2021!
4. 2x Veterans who we supported both in 2018 are supporting the Charity. Mr Stephenson has a gutter cleaning business who is donating a percentage each month from this service. Mr Mason in 2021 is driving a taxi from London to Norway to raise money for 3 chosen charities, which we are one of them.
5. Ongoing small donations coming in from our website and other sources which we will utilize in growing the Charity to support our Veterans.
6. Working with other charities in providing Veterans with Facebook portals which will support with their mental health and isolation.
7. Continuing to apply for funding applications the Charity is eligible for, for us to continue our support on.
8. We continue to build a buddy's scheme as the charity grows and more funding becomes available for this, this will involve a network of volunteers.

Trustees:

Mr Steve Birdsall, Mr Gary Cooper





CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

UK Veterans Hearing Foundation

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## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period  
from

18th March 2020

To

6th April 2021

### 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>					
Grants	87,500	-	-	87,500	-
Donations	10,861	-	-	10,861	-
Shop	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>98,361</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>98,361</b>	<b>-</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>98,361</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>98,361</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Advertising	201	-	-	201	-
Cost of sales	35,727	-	-	35,727	-
Subcontractors	16,075	-	-	16,075	-
Donation	128	-	-	128	-
Gift	504	-	-	504	-
Post & stationary	119	-	-	119	-
Sundry	470	-	-	470	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>53,225</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>53,225</b>	<b>-</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>53,225</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>53,225</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>45,137</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>45,137</b>	<b>-</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>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>45,137</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>45,137</b>	<b>-</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>				
	Current account	45,078	-	-
	Paypal account	59	-	-
		-	-	-
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<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>45,137</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			

## B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

## B3 Investment assets

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

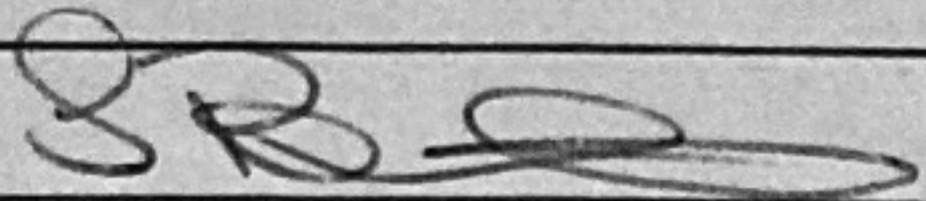
## B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

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

## 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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	S.P. BIRDSALL.	15 04 21





Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Charity Name  
UK Veterans Hearing Foundation

On accounts for the year  
ended

6<sup>th</sup> April 2021

Charity no  
(if any)

1188611

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 06/04/2021.

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

As the charity trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with 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

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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 to be reached

Signed:

Date:

08/04/2021

Name:

Stephen Foster

Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body  
(if any):

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

**Give here details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.**