

Support Our Military Veterans
(Registered charity, number 1190432)
Financial statements
for the period from 16 July 2020 to 31 July 2021

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**Support Our Military Veterans
Trustees' annual report
for the period from 16 July 2020 to 31 July 2021**

Full name Support Our Military Veterans

Organisation type Charitable incorporated organisation

Registered charity number 1190432

Principal address

Enterprise Centre
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Trustees

Neil Fox, Chair
Johnathan Fox, Treasurer
Wendy Murray-Carr, Secretary
Robert Coughtrey, Health & Safety Officer (from 19/04/2021)

Independent examiner

John O'Brien, employee of Community Accounting Plus, Units 1 & 2 North West, 41 Talbot Street, Nottingham, NG1 5GL

Governance and management

The charity is operated under the rules of its constitution adopted 16/07/2020.

The methods adopted for the recruitment and appointment of new trustees

According to the guidelines from the Charity Commission. This has been extremely difficult, due to the Covid restrictions. The Trustees have discussed requirements & potential candidates at trustee meetings, looking to the Veteran community in particular. Neil Fox has looked to address this through Facebook Veteran Groups, asking for interested individuals to make contact. Neil Fox has also advertised for trustees on the LinkedIn network.

Objectives and activities

To relieve financial hardship, need, suffering and distress amongst veterans of all branches of the armed forces and their partners, spouses and dependents in such ways as the trustees shall think fit, particularly but not exclusively by: a) providing grants of money, providing or paying for accommodation, advice and assistance in obtaining suitable housing; b) providing or paying for vocational training, development of personal skills, advice and mentoring; c) providing or paying for medical services, items, counselling or facilities; d) providing grants, items or support for suffering caused by age or infirmity.

To promote the resettlement and rehabilitation of former armed forces personnel into the civilian community by such means as the trustees decide, including by providing

training and support and by fostering good relations between former armed forces personnel and the wider community.

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To advance education and vocational training for former armed forces personnel by the provision of grants, providing or paying for courses, learning materials and providing other items or services.

Public benefit statement

Provision of services and supported structure that provides the local military community with a range of integrated services. That provides intervention to support those that are experiencing a significant stressful life event and need immediate support. A reduction in the level of rough sleeping and homelessness amongst the ex-military population, a reduction in the level of crime associated with a homeless lifestyle of veterans, an increase in the number of military community sustaining resettlement in the community, an increase in the number of ex-service personnel accessing education, training, volunteering and employment opportunities, an increase in the number of the military community accessing appropriate healthcare including specialist substance misuse and mental health services. SOMV work with and link service users into the range of community based support agencies which exist locally. The aim is to develop a network of support with individuals actively encouraged to support each other. The development of mutual aid will be crucial to successful sustainable resettlement in the community.

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, 'Charities and Public Benefit'.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit

SOMV provides a focal point for veterans & the military community. The main aim of the charity is to help military veterans that have need of support to respond to life events that present welfare needs, by advising / signposting to all appropriate services. In addition, we look to support those disadvantaged, in isolation, in need of educational support & development.

Through support from fundraising and grants, additional aims are to provide 'crisis' accommodation to veterans that find themselves homeless at short notice, progressing them through to permanent housing. Relief of poverty (daily needs) are supported where possible.

Support & guidance in addressing past service related injuries, medical conditions is also provided.

Mental Health and Well-Being support is being developed with service providers, ensuring that our veterans have access to a range of specialist services that can meet their individual needs.

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Summary of the main achievements during the period

This is SOMV's first year, so getting things on track has been the focal point for the charity, it has been an achievement just to get everything in place, and make contact with organisations/individuals that are part of our operational plans.

SOMV have attracted funding from Charity Aid Foundation, are working closely with Raisemore to gain funding through marketing streams, and have received Gift Aid from HMRC.

Financial review

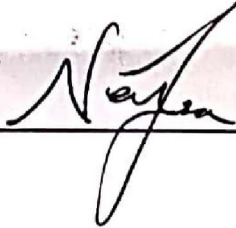
Attracting funding has been difficult, as Covid restrictions have impacted on revenue streams. This being SOMV's first year of operation, the charity would anticipate a slow burn start to funding revenue. The positive news is that SOMV's financial position at the end of the reporting period will be in a surplus of over £6,000.

The charity's policy on reserves

The charity has no specific policy with regard to the level of reserves.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed _____
Neil Fox, Trustee



Date 4/10/21

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of
Support Our Military Veterans
for the period from 16 July 2020 to 31 July 2021**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Support Our Military Veterans (the charity) for the period from 16 July 2020 to 31 July 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity 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 charity'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 matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity 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 to be reached.

Signed  Date 11/10/21
John O'Brien MSc, FCCA, FCIE
Employee of Community Accounting Plus

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Receipts & payments account
for the period from 16 July 2020 to 31 July 2021

	2021 £
Receipts	
Sundry grants & donations	5135
Fundraising donation income	13523
Gift Aid	3239
Total receipts	<u>21897</u>
Payments	
Advertising & marketing	133
Equipment, repairs & renewals	290
Fundraising costs	12949
Insurance	188
IT	305
Mileage	724
Phone costs	204
Printing, stationery & postage	27
Rent & services	790
Total payments	<u>15610</u>
Net receipts/(payments)	6287
Cash funds at start of this period	-
Cash funds at end of this period	<u>6287</u>

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Statement of assets and liabilities
at 31 July 2021

		2021
	Note	£
Cash assets		
Bank accounts		6287
		<u>6287</u>
 Liabilities		
Creditors	2	(1556)
		<u>(1556)</u>

These financial statements are accepted on behalf of the charity by:

Signed 
 Johnathan Fox, Trustee

Dated 7.10.21

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Notes to the accounts
for the period from 16 July 2020 to 31 July 2021

1. Receipts & payments accounts

Receipts and payments accounts contain a summary of money received and money spent during the period and a list of assets and liabilities at the end of the period. Usually, cash received and cash spent will include transactions through bank accounts and cash in hand.

2. Creditors

	£
Neil Fox - charity expenditure to be reimbursed	1136
Independent examination fee	420
	<u>1556</u>

3. Trustees' remuneration

During this period, a total of £928 was reimbursed to 4 trustees for mileage and phone expenses incurred.

4. Previous period comparison

The previous period's figures have not been included for comparison because this is the charity's first accounting period.

5. Glossary of terms

Creditors: These are amounts owed by the charity, but not paid during the accounting period.