



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	April	2023		31	March	2024

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name Southampton Veterans' Trust

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1196088

Charity's principal address 8 Fern Road

Woolston

Postcode SO19 9RD

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	Colin Anthony Gaylor	Chairman		
2	Tracy Anne Gaylor			
3	Richard Wesemeyer			
5	Marie Whitehouse			
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

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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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	CIO
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Trustees are selected as a representative of each of the armed forces plus the chairman and the vice chair. As such a trustee has been appointed from each of The Army, The Royal Navy and Royal Air Force.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

SORP accounting principles have been applied to the calculations of income and expenditure shown in the annual report.

Although the charity does not participate as a part of a wider network, the charity has received funds from 'Fill your boots' for the help of specific individuals. These are disclosed in the annual accounts. We have also worked with the RBL and SSAFA.

The major risk faced by the charity in the reporting period was the loss of the Woodley Road site. This meant that we needed to find alternative accommodation and meet associated costs.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

TO PROMOTE THE HEALTH, WELLBEING AND RESETTLEMENT INTO THE COMMUNITY OF ANY AND ALL EX H.M. ARMED FORCES PERSONNEL, EX H.M. ARMED FORCES RESERVISTS, FORMER MEMBERS OF THE MERCHANT NAVY WHO HAVE SERVED ALONGSIDE THEIR ARMED FORCES COMRADES DURING A CONFLICT (ALSO REFERRED TO AS VETERANS) OR ROYAL FLEET AUXILIARY ALONG WITH THEIR FAMILIES AND DEPENDENTS WHO RESIDE IN

SOUTHAMPTON OR THE SURROUNDING AREA AND WHO ARE IN CHARITABLE NEED INCLUDING THOSE WHO ARE SUFFERING FROM MENTAL OR PHYSICAL ILLNESS OF ANY DESCRIPTION OR ARE IN NEED OF REHABILITATION AS A RESULT OF SUCH ILLNESS, WHO ARE EXPERIENCING DIFFICULTIES ADJUSTING TO POST SERVICE CIVILIAN LIFE, ARE EXPERIENCING HARDSHIP, UNEMPLOYMENT OR HOMELESSNESS BY: A) PROVIDING A SINGLE POINT OF CONTACT TO ASSIST IN THE PROVISION OF PHYSICAL, PSYCHOLOGICAL, PRACTICAL SUPPORT, ADVICE AND ENCOURAGEMENT TO RELIEVE A VETERAN'S DISTRESS, ILLNESS OR HARDSHIP. B) PROVIDING OR ASSISTING IN THE PROVISION OF ACTIVITIES AND FACILITIES IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE FOR RECREATION OR OTHER LEISURE TIME ACTIVITIES WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING VETERANS' WELLBEING, SELF-ESTEEM, SELF-CONFIDENCE AND AIDING THEIR TRANSITION BACK INTO LOCAL SOCIETY. C) PROVIDING OR ARRANGING PROVISION OF EDUCATION, VOCATIONAL SKILLS TRAINING OR OTHER ASSISTANCE AND TO CREATE AND FACILITATE JOB OPPORTUNITIES ALONG WITH ASSISTING H.M ARMED FORCES VETERANS TO PREPARE FOR AND FIND EMPLOYMENT. D) OPERATE A DROP IN AND ACTIVITY CENTRE STAFFED BY VOLUNTEER H.M ARMED FORCES VETERANS AND ASSOCIATED SUPPORT STAFF TO PROVIDE ADVICE, EMPATHY, SUPPORT AND A SIGN POSTING SERVICE TO HELP HM ARMED FORCES VETERANS WHO ARE EXPERIENCING PROBLEMS DUE TO ONE OF THE ABOVE CHALLENGES AND TO ASSIST THEM IN ACCESSING LOCAL SERVICE PROVIDERS AND SUPPORT ORGANISATIONS THAT MAY BE ABLE TO PROVIDE HELP OR SUPPORT OUTSIDE OF SVT'S ABILITIES. E) TO CONDUCT OUTREACH INTO THE COMMUNITY AND DO ALL SUCH LAWFUL THINGS THAT MAY FURTHER THE CHARITIES OBJECTIVES.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

- Emergency food provision and provision of help where needed to cover the cost of utilities for veterans in need
- Provision of household white goods items
- Resettling of homeless veterans
- Assistance in the homes of vulnerable veterans
- Servicing of veteran mobility equipment e.g. mobility scooters
- In centre group meals for key events e.g. ER 70th anniversary providing opportunity to participate in values core to the armed forces as a part of a community
- Emergency help after mental health episodes e.g. help at drop in centre such as counselling and food
- Ongoing provision of counselling provided by trained counsellors and in turn appropriate supervision for counsellors
- Drop in centre provided for veterans to have a place to be with other veterans 3 days per week
- Dental treatment provided by volunteer dentists at Dentech
- The majority of the year saw us moving out of Woodley road putting all of our furnishings etc into storage whilst looking for new facilities until we moved in to the Cobbett road library in February
- During this time of upheaval our Counselling services were located in temporary accommodation provided by Pinnacle Group
- Our outreach working increased with home visits
- Summer Walk & Talk group established to help with the isolation and exercise

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

The centre benefits hugely from the participation of volunteers, particularly in the spirit of 'Veterans helping veterans'.

In addition both the trust and the Drop in centre benefit from the expert advice of civilian volunteers in the spirit of 'with the help of a few good civilians'. In particular veterans benefit from the contribution of qualified counsellors who donate time weekly.

Other expert volunteers make contributions with book keeping, skills acquisition, health and well being and advice from the DWP. Other community volunteers have offered help with grant writing.

**Summary of the main
achievements of the charity
during the year**

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Details of any funds materially in deficit

No funds are materially in deficit.

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The charity's principal source of funds continues to be one off donations from individuals including through their own fundraising efforts and through memorial donations from the veterans who we miss dearly.

The charity also raises funds through our own fundraising such as the annual ball.

We have recently have begun as we grow as a charity so have begun to seek grant writing opportunities.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

C Gaylor

Full name(s)

Colin Gaylor

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair

Date

30/05/2025



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Southampton Veterans Trust

1196088

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	01/04/2023		31/04/24

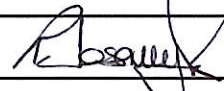
Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £
A1 Receipts				
			-	
	29,547	12,000	-	41,547
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	29,547	12,000	-	41,547
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	29,547	12,000	-	41,547
A3 Payments				
Counsellors supervision	-	1,485	-	1,485
Centre supplies	1,373		-	1,373
Veterans direct support	5,512	-	-	5,512
Ball exspenes	6,817	-	-	6,817
Fundraising events cost	15	-	-	15
Insurance	694	-	-	694
Activities	-	8,759	-	8,759
Moving out costs & rent	4,672	-	-	4,672
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	19,083	10,244	-	29,327
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)				
Printed Gazebo	1,132	-	-	1,132
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	1,132	-	-	1,132
Total payments	20,215	10,244	-	30,459
Net of receipts/(payments)	9,332	1,756	-	11,088
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	21,691	1,665	-	23,356
Cash funds this year end	31,023	3,421	-	34,444
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Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Natwest Bank	32,688	1,756
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		-	-
	Total cash funds	32,688	1,756
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	Agreement Error
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
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B3 Investment assets			Cost (optional)
			-
			-
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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
			-
			-
			-
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			-
			-
			-
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B5 Liabilities		Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)
			-
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Signed by one or two trustees on
behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name
	Richard Hasenmeyer
	John Crayton

Independent Examiner's report

Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of the Southampton
Veterans Trust for the period of 1st April 2023 – 31st March 2024

Following examination of these accounts, to the best of my knowledge, I can confirm
that these accounting records agree with the Trust's records.

Name: Victoria Payer

Signature:



Date: 27/06/25

Position held: Director, Chalk and Cheese Catering Limited

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