



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	April	2024		31	March	2025

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address

Postcode

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)

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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.

We have also worked with the RBL and SSAFA.

We moved into our new premises within Cobbett Road Library

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
- 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.
- 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

Settling in to our new home has been a great achievement after 6 months of limbo.
We have plans to install a kitchen if permission and funds allow

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

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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 with a few setting up a monthly donation 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 our information stand at fetes Fayres etc

Section F Other optional information

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Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>C Gaylor</i>	
Full name(s)	Colin Gaylor	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	30/04/2026	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name	No (if any)
Southampton Veterans Trust	

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	2/4/2024		4/4/2025

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
		10,855	-	10,855	34,444
Payment refunds		475	-	475	-
petty cash	500	-	-	500	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	500	11,330	-	11,830	34,444
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	500	11,330	-	11,830	34,444
A3 Payments					
Counselling	-	1,305	-	1,305	-
Rent	-	33,509	-	33,509	-
Direct veteran welfare	-	2,949	-	2,949	-
Veterans activities	-	700	-	700	-
phone	-	296	-	296	-
insurance	-	573	-	573	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	39,332	-	39,332	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	39,332	-	39,332	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	500	28,002	-	27,502	34,444
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	500	28,002	-	27,502	34,444

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Natwest bank		6,442	-
	Petty cash	500	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	500	6,442	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	Agreement Error	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
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			-	-
			-	-
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			-	-
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	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
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			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
C Gaylor	Colin Gaylor	25/05/2026