



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **April 2023** Period start date To **March 2024**  
Period end date

**Charity name: Connect 2 Combat Homelessness**

**Charity registration number: 120598**

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives</li></ul>
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	To provide high quality community support to all Vulnerable Homeless persons, as and when they need it. Our ultimate mission is to help them achieve independence and fulfilment by transforming their lives
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	

## Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	

Other		

## Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p><b>We have been able to continue to give our outreach services to the homeless in North Staffordshire, and maintain a presence at the drop ins in Newcastle under Lyme on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.</b></p> <p><b>Also for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year we have helped to deliver the SWEP (severe weather emergency protocol) night shelter provision for Newcastle under Lyme at no chargeable cost to the local authority. Receiving payment for good used only, and the expenses required for the volunteer night shelter workers to cover 16 hours night shifts.</b></p>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

## 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	
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	<b>Fundraising remains a main focus to enable us to continue with the work we do within our community.</b>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	<b>We rely solely on public donations, and applying for applicable grant funding. We are not in receipt of any ongoing funding.</b>
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	<b>As with most charities a lack of funding is our main risk to continuing our work within the community.</b>
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document ( <a href="#">trust deed</a> , <a href="#">royal charter</a> )	Para 1.25	<b>Constitution</b>
How is the charity constituted? (e.g <a href="#">unincorporated association</a> , <a href="#">CIO</a> )	Para 1.25	<b>Unincorporated</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>New trustees are vetted and check by present board of trustees, and appointed for an initial 5 year period.</b>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Connect 2 Combat Homelessness
Other name the charity uses	C2CH
Registered charity number	120598
Charity's principal address	St Georges Chambers 23 Merrial Street Newcastle under Lyme ST5 2AE

### **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	Trevor Bailey			
2	Eric Teague Hellon			
3	Alex Coombs			
4	John Painter			
5	Susan Moffat			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

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## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

### Additional information (optional)

#### 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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## Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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## Other optional information

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## Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

**Signature(s)**

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Eric Teague H

**Full name(s)**

Trevor Bailey

Eric Teague Hellon

**Position (eg Secretary,  
Chair, etc)**

Trustee

Trustee

**Date**

11/02/2025

## **Connect 2 Combat Homelessness Financial Report April 2023 to March 2024**

### **Income**

Public Donations  
£1471.00

Van sale  
£900.00

National Lottery Awards for All £9850.00

CoOp Foundation  
£1906.37

Newcastle under Lyme Borough Council SWEP Costs £3583.41

Nightshelter expenses  
£4700.00

( this is not income to charity, expenses charged to local authority, and paid direct to individuals and food invoices accordingly)

Forwarded from Veterans Connect CIC account £6794.95

### **Total Income**

£29205.73

Actual expenditure  
£24505.73

### **Expenditure**

Broadband and Telephone £502.81

Office Decoration £484.59

Van Purchase £2495.00

Van Tax/Insurance £1256.50

Van fuel and maintenance £1131.82

Parking Permit £477.40

Van conversión £9850.00

Liability Insurance £145.60



Waste Removal	£150.00
Office equipment/stationary	£885.43
Food/Toiletries	£1734.32
Sleeping Bags/clothes etc	£880.50
Medical consumables	£898.54
night shelter Staff Expenses	£4700.00

**total expenditure** £25592.51

**Actual expenditure** £20892.51

Amount in bank April 2024 £3613.22

Total Income for Period £24505.73

Total expenditure £20892.51

**Nightshelter expenses £4700** is not income, but amount transferred from Borough Council to pay volunteer night shelter staff their Out of Pockets expenses