

SOMERSET ACCIDENT VOLUNTARY EMERGENCY SERVICE **(SAVES)**

Registered Charity Number: 264354

UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	04	2022		31	03	2023

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name SOMERSET ACCIDENT VOLUNTARY EMERGENCY SERVICES

Other names charity is known by SAVES
SOMERSET AND AVON VOLUNTARY EMERGENCY SERVICE

Registered charity number (if any) 264354

Charity's principal address NORTH CURRY MEDICAL CENTRE,
GREENWAY, NORTH CURRY, TAUNTON
SOMERSET
Postcode TA3 6NQ

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	DR J HICKMAN	CHAIR		
2	DR R SPEKE	TREASURER		
3	DR D BLACKLIDGE		RETIRED 01/11/2022	
4	DR E FORD			
5	MR A NEWLAND			
6	DR J SEDDON		APPOINTED 01/11/2022	
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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
ACCOUNTANT	LENTELLS	17-18 LEACH ROAD, CHARD, SOMERSET, TA20 1FA

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 ADOPTED 07/06/1972 AS AMENDED BY RESOLUTION DATED 05/06/1974 AS ADMENDED ON 30/11/2004 AS AMENDED ON 23/11/2010 AS AMENDED ON 12/11/2012
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	TRUST
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE SHALL NUMBER 5; AT LEASE 3 OF WHOM SHALL BE MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS WITH NO MORE THAN 2 FROM ONE MEDICAL PRACTICE. TRUSTES SHALL BE RE- APPOINTED AT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS.

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.

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Section C Objectives and activities

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

THE RELIEF OF PERSONS SUFFERING SICKNESS OR INJURY IN THE AREA OF BENEFIT BY THE PROVISION OF IMMEDIATE MEDICAL TREATMENT TO ANY PERSON INJURED IN ANY SERIOUS ACCIDENT OR MEDICAL EMERGENCY WITHIN SOMERSET AND SURROUNDING COUNTIES

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)

VOLUNTARY PROVISION OF IMMEDIATE PREHOSPITAL MEDICAL CARE WORKING IN SUPPORT OF SOUTH WEST AMBULANCE SERVICE NHS FOUNDATION TRUST

THE TRUSTEES HAVE HAD REGARD TO THE GUIDANCE ISSUED BY THE CHARITY COMMISSION ON PUBLIC BENEFIT. THE CHARITY ASSISTS THE COMMUNITY IN THE ADVANCEMENT OF HEALTH AND SAVING OF LIVES.

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.

SAVES RESPONDERS ARE VOLUNTEERS WHO GIVE THEIR TIME FREELY TO RESPOND IN SUPPORT OF SOUTH WESTERN AMBULANCE SERVICE NHS TRUST (SWASFT). FUNDING FROM THE SOMERSET CLINICAL COMMISSIONING GROUP IS PREDOMINANTLY USED FOR THE REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES FOR ACTIVE SAVES RESPONDERS FOLLOWING THE PRINCIPLE THAT, WHILST THEY GIVE THEIR TIME FREELY, THEY SHOULD NOT BE "OUT OF POCKET" AS A RESULT OF THEIR WORK. SOME FUNDING IS ALSO MADE AVAILABLE TO EMPLOYERS/PARTNERSHIPS OF SAVES RESPONDERS IN RECOGNITION OF CALL OUTS DURING WORKING HOURS TO SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGE THE RELEASE OF DOCTORS TO RESPOND TO SAVES CALLS.

Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

This report covers the period from 1 April 2022 - 31 March 2023.

The officers for this year are as follows:

President	David Rawlins
Chairman	James Hickman*
Vice-Chair	Edward Ford*
Treasurer	Richard Speke*
Secretary	James Seddon*
BASICS SW Representative	Matthew Booker*

The Management Committee is constitutionally composed of five, including the Chairman, Vice-Chair, Treasurer and Secretary. Dr Matt Booker fills the fifth chair. (At least three of the management committee must be medical practitioners). The Medical Committee is effectively a sub-committee of the Management Committee and comprises those members of the Management Committee, who are also active Medical Responders – marked above*. Andy Newland also attends management committee meetings as a Trustee. Other individuals may be invited to Management Committee meetings regarding specific projects.

The current trustees are:

James Hickman
 Andy Newland
 Richard Speke
 Ed Ford
 James Seddon

The officers and trustees are responsible for the proper running of the charity.

According to the membership database, at the end of March 2023, SAVES membership comprised:

- 3 honorary life members
- 5 active medical members (although one currently dormant)
- 1 co-opted (ambulance service) members
- 1 lay volunteer & trustee
- 3 other medical members; 2 not actively responding, 1 responding for BASICS Dorset
- 1 other member & fundraiser

Between April 2022 and March 2023 our four, currently active, responders in Somerset responded on 117 occasions. The range of number of calls per responder was between 12 and 45, with an average of 29 calls per responder:

- Q1: 23 calls
- Q2: 26 calls
- Q3: 40 calls
- Q4: 28 calls

This is a further fall from our 143 calls in 2021-22 and 178 calls in 2020-21 and compares with our average annual activity over the previous seven years of 154 calls per year.

Calls were categorised as follows:

- 42 (36%) RTCs
- 26 (22%) "Other Trauma" (Excludes RTCs, Stabbings/Shootings & Drowning)
- 22 (19%) Medical
- 21 (18%) Cardiac Arrests
- 4 (3%) Stabbing/Shooting
- 3 (3%) Psychiatric
- 1 (<1%) Telephone advice
- 1 (<1%) Drowning
- 2 (2%) "Other"

We remain indebted to Mr Calby for continuing to support our fundraising and PR including Social Media in addition to his work in correlating data via the

Section D

Achievements and performance

BASICS SW Toolkit. Our Facebook and Twitter feeds have 371 and 811 followers respectively

Bimonthly CPD meetings have been co-ordinated by Dr Seddon. Themes included:

- Trauma Moulages
- Thoracostomy, Traction Splinting and Case Reviews
- First On-Scene Assessments including BLS and ALS skills
- Prehospital management of acute behavioural disturbance

The meetings have become increasingly popular with colleagues from the ambulance service who have benefited from the training. In May we were honoured to be visited by the High Sheriff of Somerset who presented Diamond Jubilee Medals to SAVES Responders.

SAVES continues to hold a contract with the Somerset ICB that provides additional funding to support us to support our responders.

The charity continues to provide a valuable contribution to the Somerset Community and in support of The South Western Ambulance Service. However, we face various challenges that need consideration for the future. Last year I reported that we were awaiting further information on training requirements for blue light driving. This is still the case but it is clear that the new requirements will add a significant time financial for new responders and significant supportive funding for the charity. We currently only have a small pool of active responders and need to actively look at recruitment, resilience and “workforce planning”. At the time of writing we have two potential medical responders amongst the membership, with another serious expression of interest. In addition to the voluntary hours spent responding, all of our currently active members are also actively involved in running the charity. This is likely to be increasingly difficult to sustain and the management committee will be actively exploring potential strategies for the charity’s development.

During the year the charity purchased two Zoll Monitors with the help of a significant funding from BASICS HELP Appeal Money and donations from Tesco.

We are grateful for the continued use of Taunton Ambulance Station for meetings (when permitted) and the support of colleagues within the Ambulance Service.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity’s policy on reserves

UNRESTRICTED RESERVES ARE HELD IN THE CHARITY’S BANK ACCOUNTS TO SUPPORT ITS ONGOING WORK IN THE COMMUNITY. THE CHARITY IS SATISFIED THAT IT HAS SUFFICIENT FUNDS TO CONTINUE TO SUPPORT RESPONDERS FOR THE FORSEEABLE FUTURE

Details of any funds materially in deficit

NONE

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.

Section F

Other optional information

DURING THE YEAR 4 TRUSTEES AND THEIR EMPLOYERS/PARTNERSHIPS WERE REIMBURSED OUT OF POCKET ACTIVE SAVE RESPONDER EXPENSES TOTALLING £4,351 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CHARITY'S POLICY (PREVIOUS PERIOD 3 TRUSTEES, EXPENSES £2,087).

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Richard Speke
Signed on 31/10/23 @ 13:13



James Hickman
Signed on 08/11/23 @ 13:36

Full name(s)

DR RICHARD SPEKE

DR JAMES HICKMAN

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

TREASURER

Date



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
SOMERSET ACCIDENT VOLUNTARY EMERGENCY SERVICE

On accounts for the year
ended

31 MARCH 2023

Charity no
(if any)

264354

Set out on pages

9 to 10

(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 PERIOD ended 31/03/2023.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Robert Wegner
Signed on 08/11/23 @ 13:47

Date:

Name:

MR ROBERT WEGNER FCCA

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

ASSOCIATION OF CHARTERED CERTIFIED ACCOUNTANTS (ACCA)

Address:

17-18 LEACH ROAD, CHARD BUSINESS PARK, CHARD, SOMERSET
TA20 1FA

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 brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

NONE



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Somerset Accident Voluntary Emergency Service

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

01/04/2022

To

31/03/2023


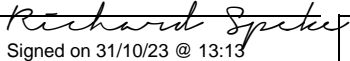


Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Year to 31 March 2022
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	2,226	25,000	-	27,226	3,582
NHS Contract - community services	32,500	-	-	32,500	19,500
Interest received	34	-	-	34	2
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	34,760	25,000	-	59,760	23,084
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	34,760	25,000	-	59,760	23,084
A3 Payments					
Insurance	1,763	-	-	1,763	1,581
Response vehicle expenses	-	-	-	-	442
Medical & other equipment expenses	6,769	25,000	-	31,769	11,061
Responder reimbursed expenses	5,075	-	-	5,075	2,712
Subscriptions	96	-	-	96	196
Other administrative expenses	354	-	-	354	191
Honorarium	900	-	-	900	1,000
Accountancy	390	-	-	390	360
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	15,347	25,000	-	40,347	17,543
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	15,347	25,000	-	40,347	17,543
Net of receipts/(payments)	19,413	-	-	19,413	5,541
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	69,780	-	-	69,780	64,239
Cash funds this year end	89,193	-	-	89,193	69,780

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 £
B1 Cash funds	Lloyds Treasurer's account	71,093	-	-
	Lloyds Savings account	18,100	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	89,193	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
	NHS contract (Jan 23 to Mar 23)	6,500	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	Accountancy	Unrestricted	420	
	Reimbursed responders expenses	Unrestricted	184	
	Honorarium	Unrestricted	200	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
  Signed on 31/10/23 @ 13:13	DR RICHARD SPEKE	
  Signed on 08/11/23 @ 13:36	DR JAMES HICKMAN	