



THE **ROYAL  
MARINES** CHARITY

**IMPACT  
REPORT  
2017**



WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH



**ROYAL MARINES  
ASSOCIATION**

A PROUD PART OF



**ROYAL NAVY &  
ROYAL MARINES  
CHARITY**

# SUPPORT THAT LEAVES NO ONE BEHIND



**AS AN ISLAND NATION DEPENDENT ON THE SEAS FOR 95% OF OUR TRADE, THE UK NEEDS A STRONG ROYAL NAVY; AND AS THE VITAL AMPHIBIOUS ELEMENT OF THE RN, THE ROYAL MARINES ARE A KEY COMPONENT OF THE NATION'S DEFENCE.**

Despite withdrawal from Afghanistan, the Royal Marines remain deployed on duty serving the nation around the globe 365 days a year – whether on anti-piracy duties, protecting the nuclear deterrent, guarding embassies, or on Special Forces operations. The Royal Marines form 49% of UK Special Forces personnel and have won 211 national-level gallantry and meritorious service awards, including 25% of all gallantry awards made during the Afghan campaign.

We are the Royal Marines' own Charity, and are uniquely placed to understand, respond and react, enabling Marines and

their families to overcome their challenges, from life changing injury or limiting illness, to mental disability, transition to civilian life and even poverty. We can target support to ensure no one is left behind.

The Royal Marines Charity is a proud part of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines Charity, the overarching Naval Service charity. We work in close co-operation with the Royal Marines Association in service of the Corps Family. Together, we provide camaraderie, welfare and amenity grants, benevolence support, transition and employment assistance, and enhancement of ethos and heritage.

## OUR VISION

Royal Marines and their families supported through life.

## OUR MISSION

To raise resource and provide the best possible through life charitable support for Royal Marines, Veterans and their families.

## OUR VALUES

We seek to mirror the values of the Royal Marines:

- **Excellence** – we will strive to provide the best service for our beneficiaries
- **Integrity** – we will act with honesty and transparency in all our dealings
- **Self-Discipline** – we will ensure that our charitable activities are undertaken in accordance with charity law and best practice
- **Humility** – we will behave in ways that respect and value others and enhance teamwork.

# THANKS TO YOUR GENEROUS DONATIONS

IN 2016 WE HELPED WITH...

## TRANSITION



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## BEREAVEMENT

**8**

8 FAMILY MEMBERS RECEIVED BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT AFTER THE LOSS OF A LOVED ONE

## RECOVERY



**95**

95 ROYAL MARINES AND THEIR FAMILIES HAVE RECEIVED SUPPORT TO HELP THEM RECOVER FROM MEDICAL CONDITIONS AND INJURIES

## AMENITIES GRANTS



**12,566**

12,566 SERVING ROYAL MARINES WERE AWARDED AMENITIES GRANTS IN 2016

## BENEVOLENCE



**288**

288 VETERANS AND SERVING ROYAL MARINES AND THEIR FAMILIES RECEIVED FINANCIAL SUPPORT IN 2016

## SPORTS AND AT



**2,756**

2,756 SERVING ROYAL MARINES HAVE BENEFITTED FROM SPORT AND ADVENTURE TRAINING, ENHANCING PHYSICAL FITNESS, COMMANDO VALUES AND TEAM COHESION

## WE DISBURSED £1,793,261 IN SUPPORT TO ROYAL MARINES AND THEIR FAMILIES.

OF THIS £1.79M, £723,327 WAS FUNDED BY DONATIONS WHICH COME FROM ROYAL MARINES THEMSELVES THROUGH A DAY'S PAY SUBSCRIPTION FUND; £1,063,634 CAME FROM FUNDS RAISED BY THE ROYAL MARINES CHARITY FROM WIDER SOURCES.



### RECOVERY £107K

- Provided **£40k** in grants to Royal Marines in recovery from wounds in battle, injury on operations, or illness (£30k on education, £8k on social and medical needs, £2k other).
- 98 wounded, injured or sick Royal Marines who were discharged from the service were supported during 2016 to move into employment or education successfully.
- **£67k** was provided in grant funding to retrain 33 injured personnel in transition.
- 19 workshops were provided or supported with external agencies.



### AMENITIES GRANTS £723K

#### This includes:

- **£214k** sport and adventure training (funded from subscriptions)
- **£101k** in minor amenities grants

Since 2010, **£12m** has been given in grants towards recovery, quality of life and through life care. The Royal Marines Charity needs to raise **£2m** each year to meet the needs of the Corps Family.



### BENEVOLENCE £948K

Total benevolence expenditure was **£948k**:

- **£234k** in benevolence grants to individuals and families in need
  - **£190k** in support given to 285 Veterans
  - **£44k** in aid given to serving Royal Marines.
  - **£353k** for major benevolence grants to individuals including Jon White's sockets, and the building of Cpl Phil Eaglesham's house – you can read more about these in this report
  - **£160k** in major benevolence funding to organisations supporting those in need (£56k to Rock to Recovery responding to those who are suicidal with immediate response and then stabilisation coaching; £100k to Royal Marines Association to fund assessment and distribution of benevolence grants and also the leading of the RMA Support Network).
  - **£15k** to support provision of families' pastoral support workers at the
- Commando Training Centre
- **£8k** was provided to support the international Commando Training Centre Rehabilitation triathlon in June, which acts as a feeder into the Invictus Games
  - 20 Royal Marines Support Network Support officers were trained by RMA with RMC funding
  - 132 individual Veterans were supported by RMSN plus 22 families with RMC funding
  - **£71k** was provided to fund RMSN's work
- Following a successful three case pilot in late spring/early summer 2016, a Veterans Referral Plan went live in September ensuring prompt access to expert psychiatric support within two weeks. RMSN now also offers support to Veterans appealing against Armed Forces Compensation Scheme tribunal decisions through a Tribunals Officer funded by the charity, who continues also to offer advice funded by the charity to those still serving at the Naval Service Recovery Centre.



### BEREAVEMENT £15K

**£15k** was provided in bereavement grants to the families of the three Royal Marines who died in service during 2016.



## THANK YOU FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Royal Marines have always striven to be the first to understand, the first to adapt and respond, and the first to overcome. This is the Commando mindset. Sometimes however, despite drawing on great mental and physical courage to battle their challenges, there are serving and retired Royal Marines and families who are facing daily challenges they cannot overcome alone.

Even today, following the cessation of combat operations in Iraq and Afghanistan, they are still regularly exposed to situations where both physical and mental injury is a very real threat.

The Royal Marines Charity with its sister organisation, the Royal Marines Association, are uniquely placed to understand and respond to these challenges. A particular focus going forward is how we best support the mental wellbeing of serving and retired Marines and their families, looking out especially for those who have become vulnerable through the stresses of service. Our network, working with external partners, can target support across every need to ensure the best possible through-life assistance for the whole Corps

I have been hugely impressed by the continuous efforts of the charity and can only describe its work as phenomenal. It reaches every facet of the Corps and its daily interactions directly underpin the Military

Covenant between our nation and its Armed Forces. The excellent level and spectrum of support offered provides significant confidence to those serving, allowing them to focus on the job at hand, and thereby directly contributes to the operational effectiveness of the Royal Marines and to the defence of our nation.

I know that the Trustees and all of the dedicated staff who contribute to the charity's operations are determined that the life changing service offered to the whole Corps Family should continue to become even more effective in its delivery in the future. A major step in achieving this will be through the merger with the Royal Marines Association. This merger will provide even greater clarity on how help and assistance can be sought and will provide a one stop shop for through life support.

MAJOR GENERAL  
ROB MAGOWAN CBE,  
**COMMANDANT GENERAL,  
ROYAL MARINES,  
PRESIDENT OF THE ROYAL  
MARINES CHARITY**

# HOW YOU ARE HELPING JASON AND HIS FAMILY OVERCOME ADVERSITY



**WHILST SERVING AS A SENIOR WARRANT OFFICER 2 WITH 30 COMMANDO, JASON WAS INJURED DURING A MORTAR ATTACK AT LASHKAR GAH ON 16 SEP 2010, FALLING AWKWARDLY ON EQUIPMENT WHICH DAMAGED HIS L3/L4/L5 VERTEBRAE. HIS PARALYSING INJURIES WILL NEVER HEAL, AND DUE TO THE POTENTIAL OF SPINAL DAMAGE AND PARALYSIS, THEY ARE INOPERABLE.**

At his lowest point, Jason couldn't even manage the stairs to go to bed at night, and spent days staring at a blank wall. As PTSD tore through him "like a tsunami", he

experienced the darkest thoughts, and he began to spiral into deep depression. Jason's condition has had a devastating effect on his wife Andrea - who herself suffers with an inoperable condition - as well as their children, Ethan, Georgia and Grace.

In 2014, the SSAFA sourced a council house at the heart of Jason's South Shields community for him and his family, which with significant internal renovation and specialist equipment, had the potential to meet Jason's needs. The Royal Marines Charity spent £31,000 to make this a reality, which included the levelling of the back garden to allow him safe access in his EPV (Electrically Powered Vehicle). The Royal Marines Charity sourced pro bono assistance from Artificial Grass Ltd, which kindly supplied football stadium standard premium astro turf for the project.

Jason says, "We appreciate it so much. I cannot, and will never be able to thank the charity enough for the effect the support has had on me, both physically and mentally, and also on the rest of the family."

Now settled into the new family home, Jason has been asked to act as an adviser for the local council to those with housing problems, and wants to assist his wife in a new Veteran's outreach service in South Shields.



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JASON BURNS  
**SENIOR WARRANT OFFICER**

# FUNDRAISING HEROES

## ROAN TAYLOR FUNDRAISES IN MEMORY OF HIS FATHER

**EACH YEAR, YOUNG ROAN AND HIS FRIENDS UNDERTAKE A BRILLIANT FUNDRAISER FOR THE ROYAL MARINES CHARITY, IN MEMORY OF HIS FATHER, SERGEANT LUKE TAYLOR.**

Sergeant Luke Taylor was tragically killed after a rogue Afghan soldier opened fire at the UK headquarters in Helmand Province. Sergeant Luke Taylor, aged 33, joined the Royal Marines in 1997. Over the course of his impressive career, Luke gathered extensive operational experience doing a job that he loved. He readily sought out new challenges and tackled them with enthusiasm and a determination to succeed.

Roan's determination itself is clear for all to see. Each year he does something, his father himself would have loved to do.

"The Royal Marines Charity helped us as a family in so many ways. Without their support we would have had so much more to deal with at such a tragic time." *Niki Taylor, Roan's mum*

## THE INCREDIBLE "BAND OF MOTHERS"

**ROYAL MARINE MUMS FROM ALL OVER THE UK TAKE UP THE CHALLENGE TO RAISE FUNDS FOR THE CHARITY EVERY YEAR. IN 2016 THEY UNDERTOOK AN EPIC 24KM 'FAN DANCE CHALLENGE' WALK, RAISING THOUSANDS OF POUNDS IN AID OF THE ROYAL MARINES CHARITY.**

The walk included some of the highest mountains in the Brecon Beacons, including the iconic Pen Y Fan, the highest peak in South Wales. The mums, aged from 40 through to 70, are all from very different backgrounds and locations, but all have one thing in common: their sons are or were Royal Marines Commandos. The Royal Marines Family.

Through this common bond, they have come together over the last few years and developed firm friendships.

Former Royal Marines Commando and 65 Degrees North Expedition leader Rich, proudly led the group which included his own mum Janice. Rich said:

"I am very proud and honoured that this group of ladies wanted to take on this immense challenge and raise money for The Royal Marines Charity. 65 Degrees North aims to inspire and motivate others through the 'Spirit of Adventure' and this is a true demonstration of that statement" *Rich Morgan, Janice's son*





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## WORKING TOWARDS GOOD MENTAL HEALTH

**MANY OF OUR ROYAL MARINE VETERANS HAVE BEEN REQUIRED TO LIVE AND WORK IN A VARIETY OF STRESSFUL ENVIRONMENTS, LEAVING THEM VULNERABLE TO EMOTIONAL EFFECTS. WHILE MANY OF THESE ARE QUICKLY RECOGNISED AND DEALT WITH EFFECTIVELY, CERTAIN MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES CAN GO UNDETECTED FOR A LONG WHILE, AND AS TIME GOES ON, THEY CAN IMPACT ON RELATIONSHIPS WITH FAMILIES AND FRIENDS.**

With your continued support, The Royal Marines Support Network (RMSN), funded by the Royal Marines Charity, and part of the Royal Marines Association (RMA), has developed a Psychotherapy Protocol to address this.

Providing safe and practical assistance to RM Veterans who are suffering from mental health related issues, the “Veterans Referral Plan” (VRP) aims to enrol the client onto a therapeutic placement, and provide treatment from a trained psychotherapist who is listed on the relevant professional qualifications register.

Each case is run by a Clinical Case Manager

who is professionally qualified in trauma cases, and part of the RMSN. The target is to get the veteran into clinical assessment and therapy within 15 working days after completion of the initial paperwork.

Not all challenges occur in battle, and life-changing mental health problems can arise just as easily at home. Many of those affected believe that it is something they can rectify for themselves, but with over 20 years of experience working with PTSD sufferers, we know that this is often not the case.

As many people have previously discovered, assistance from a trained mental health professional can make a marked improvement to the quality of their lives, allowing them to return to being the person their families know and love. Without your continued support, none of this would be possible.

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# CRITICAL SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES

## **PASTORAL WORKERS, FUNDED BY THE ROYAL MARINES CHARITY.**

Over the past 12 months, Aggie Weston's workers, funded by The Royal Marines Charity, have successfully supported many of our people through times of critical and complex need, helping them to deal with a variety of issues ranging from domestic violence and marital breakdown, to mental health issues. They have also helped by safeguarding and supporting families whose children have suffered trauma, or who have special educational needs (SEN).

Particular stresses are felt by families whose children have SEN. Two of the pastoral workers have many years experience of working with children with SEN, which means that they can provide informed and practical help, reducing anxiety for parents.

With your help, The Royal Marines Charity, in partnership with Aggie Weston's, is further developing and strengthening the support given to Royal Marines families.

## **In 2016, our pastoral workers:**

- Intervened to help offer safety and support to spouses and children of families in crisis.
- Offered practical, low level support which lies outside the RNRM Welfare remit to families and spouses; helping to both prevent and remedy parenting and relationship problems.
- Targeted pastoral and practical support to mums and spouses experiencing depression, post-natal depression and anxiety, or where there is an issue surrounding child safety.
- Referred individuals and families to other agencies (including RNRM Welfare, Chaplains, Social Services, Special Needs Support, local schools), thus enabling many issues to be addressed at an early stage before reaching crisis point.

# LIFE AFTER SERVICE



**TELECOMS AND POWER COMPANY, LINBROOKE, HAS BEEN AN AMAZING SOURCE OF SUPPORT TO THE ROYAL MARINES CHARITY, NOT JUST IN HELPING US TO RAISE MONEY, BUT ALSO OFFERING WORK EXPERIENCE AND PERMANENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR THOSE KEEN TO FIND A NEW ROLE IN A PRACTICAL ENVIRONMENT. THE COMPANY IS OWNED AND RUN BY FORMER BOOTNECK, LEE HALLAM, WHO IS KEEN TO PASS ON HIS LIFE LESSONS AND SUPPORT THOSE**

## **FACING THEIR OWN CHALLENGES AS THEY COME THROUGH THE RANKS.**

Lee has now taken on six former Royal Marines with just the right mix of grit, determination and enthusiasm to succeed, and one of those was Kev. Here's his story.

"When I first found out I was being discharged from the Royal Marines, I was devastated", he says.

"I got in touch with The Royal Marines Charity and was given some excellent advice on building my CV. After some work on identifying the kind of environment that might suit me, I expressed my interests in Linbrooke, and The Royal Marines Charity submitted my CV for me.

"Several weeks later, I received a phone call from Linbrooke regarding a work placement, and I jumped at the opportunity. I have now been on work placement for about three months, and every day, I learn something new. From day one, I've been made to feel like one of the team, and the company has paid for various courses so that I could train and become qualified as a cable jointer's mate.

"With hard work and determination, I believe I have an excellent new career ahead of me. I never would have been given this opportunity if it wasn't for The Royal Marines Charity, and I will be forever grateful for all that they have done for me."

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KEV CHATER  
**ROYAL MARINE**

# THE EAGLESHAM FAMILY'S STORY

## A NEW HOME AND A NEW BEGINNING

**THANKS TO THE GENEROSITY AND DONATIONS FROM OUR KIND SUPPORTERS, THE ROYAL MARINES CHARITY HAS BEEN ABLE TO DELIVER ONE OF THE BIGGEST AND MOST AMBITIOUS PROJECTS IT HAS EVER UNDERTAKEN. IN MAY 2016, WE WERE DELIGHTED TO BE ABLE TO CHANGE THE EAGLESHAM FAMILY'S LIFE BY HANDING THE KEYS TO THEIR NEW HOME.**

In March 2010, Corporal Philip Eaglesham was deployed to Afghanistan on his third operational tour with the Royal Marines. Whilst preparing to leave for home in October 2010, he became ill.

"I assumed I had the flu", he says. After a short stay in hospital, Philip returned home to his worried wife and their newborn baby, but two weeks later, he was admitted to hospital. Following numerous tests, it was confirmed that he had contracted bacterial infection, Q Fever.

Philip's condition quickly deteriorated, and before long he found himself unable



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to get around his home. Even simple things like tucking his children in at night were a distant memory. In a bid to give Philip back his quality of life, we stepped in to help, and began to put together a plan that would enable the family to stay together while Philip recuperated.

Consulting closely with both the Royal Marines and the Royal Navy, plans for a bespoke and specially adapted home were brought to fruition, with support from across the construction industry helping to make our vision a reality.



Now settled into his new home alongside his family, the house has been a life changer for Phil, and for the first time in a long time, he finally feels positive about the future. “Words could never express how grateful and thankful we are”, he says.

“Just over a year ago, I tried to take my own life, but this house has given us the chance to make a new life, and to feel that we have a real future again. From the bottom of our hearts, we would like to thank The Royal Marines Charity, its supporters, and everyone that has given their time and effort

to help us with this life changing project.”

*The Royal Marines Charity would like to convey their sincere thanks to those who donated services, time and materials to the project.*

*With particular thanks to Persimmon Homes, Haldons Construction Consultants and Grainge Architects. Along with Mundy Construction, Howdens, Joinery, Michelmores LLP, Stafford and Coomber, Brothwell Irvine, ArjoHuntleigh, Pasquill, Taunton Fabrications, Edenhall, Timoleon, and the team on site managed by Paul Edwards.*

# BUILDING A MEANINGFUL SECOND CAREER



## **DARREN'S CAREER WITH THE ROYAL MARINES SPANNED OVER 20 YEARS, DURING WHICH HE WAS DEPLOYED ON POSTS AROUND THE WORLD.**

After leaving the services, he spent the next six years in maritime security, but following the downturn in the oil and gas industry and a subsequent medical diagnosis, Darren decided it was time to consider a new career.

It was then that he contacted The Royal Marines Charity for help.

An intelligent and modest man, Darren had been applying for roles that were far beneath his capabilities, and The Royal Marines Charity was able to help him identify his transferable skills, pointing him in the right direction for career success.

Having previously gained NEBOSH qualifications, it made sense for Darren to

consider a role in health and safety, and we were able to help him see that his ideal role was something more than the junior posts he had been applying for.

“Due to the downturn in the oil industry and its effects on the shipping sector, I could see a decline in career opportunities in security management. Already NEBOSH qualified, I decided that health and safety management was the obvious career choice. I have always been interested in a career in construction but I had no contacts in the industry. I approached The Royal Marines Charity to exploit their network of contacts across the different sectors. They helped me to construct a specific CV and suggested Willmott Dixon would be a good match to my profile”.

Darren had a small wish list, which included the possibility of regional travel, as well as a company car, if possible - but he was prepared to be flexible with everything else.

Contracting, residential development and property support business, Willmott Dixon is a great supporter of The Royal Marines Charity, and we have been fortunate enough to place several former Marines with them. The company had recently been in contact with us regarding potential work experience opportunities and an opening in their health and safety department. Following some impressive site visits and interviews, Darren landed the job.

Today, he is an integral part of Willmott Dixon's health and safety team - and is very happy to be travelling South Wales in his new company car!





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DARREN ROBERTS  
**ROYAL MARINE**

# SUPPORT THROUGH LIFE



**JON WHITE WAS INJURED BY AN IMPROVISED EXPLOSIVE DEVICE IN 2010 WHILE SERVING AS A CAPTAIN WITH 40 COMMANDO ROYAL MARINES ON OP HERRICK, IN AFGHANISTAN. HE LOST BOTH LEGS ABOVE THE KNEE AS WELL AS HIS RIGHT ARM ABOVE THE ELBOW AS A RESULT, AND HAS SUFFERED ACUTE PHYSIOLOGICAL CHALLENGES EVER SINCE.**

Jon's first prosthetic treatment was provided by the MOD, but over time his body shape and weight changed so much that in 2013 he required new sockets and replacement prosthetic limbs. At this point already discharged, Jon was not entitled to MOD funding, and the NHS was not willing to pay for overseas treatment. The Royal Marines Charity funded his equipment and treatment at a cost of £97,500.

His new limbs provided Jon with the freedom he had longed for, allowing him to work in a variety of environments without using a wheelchair, and to use vehicles without special adaptations. He was also able to play a very interactive role in raising his son, George and daughter Pippa, relieving a great deal of pressure for their mother.

Unfortunately, it wasn't all plain sailing for

Jon from there. "The explosion that took my legs and arm left me with extensive and fragile skin grafts, which, inevitably, could not hold out. In August 2014, I ended up in hospital with a severe infection, with wounds that would not heal and a perfect spike of bone growing out of the bottom of my right femur", he says.

Jon required new sockets, and flew to Oklahoma, in the USA, for them to be made and fitted. The Royal Marines Charity funded these with a donation of £16,750.

"The clinicians there are the best in the world at treating people with my level of amputation", he continues. "This time, I spent a total of three weeks there. I'm now able to travel alone and independently around the world, and to work and play with my kids in a fashion akin to other fully limbed men.

"I am grateful to The Royal Marines Charity for funding this treatment, and to H4H for funding the travel. Thank you to all who support us; it really does have an impact!"

Throughout his predicament, Jon still found the time to help others. In 2015, The Royal Marines Charity and our partner charity Blesma – the Limbless Veterans Charity, commissioned Jon to write a report urging the Government to improve the treatment provided to trans-femoral (above knee) amputees. As a result the Government has agreed that discharged veterans can again access MOD treatment facilities with NHS funding; a remarkable u-turn.

In 2016 this went a step further and Jon was able to persuade NHS England to pay for replacement X3 prosthetic legs for above knee amputees. This is a fantastic achievement, although sockets will still have to be sourced overseas and funded by the charity.

Jon is now preparing to begin studying for an MSc in clinical psychology at Exeter University, in the hopes of being better equipped to assist those facing their own trauma and challenges.



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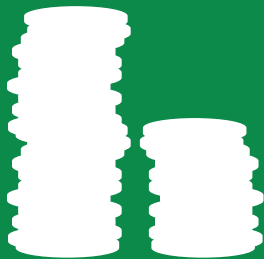
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JON WHITE  
**CAPTAIN**  
**ROYAL MARINES**

# WORKING TOGETHER

## HOW WE FUND OUR PARTNERSHIPS

### ROCK TO RECOVERY...



**£28,000**

TO FUND COACHING COSTS FOR ROYAL MARINES



**£23,000**

TO FUND IMMEDIATE RESPONSE AVAILABILITY AND WELFARE SUPPORT IN THE EXMOUTH DROP-IN CENTRE

### ... AND FOR THE RMA



**£65,000**

TO FUND THE ROYAL MARINES SUPPORT NETWORK



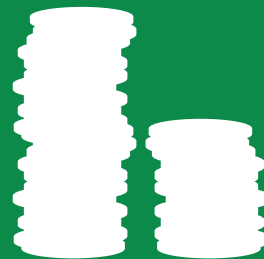
**£51,375**

TO FUND ROYAL MARINES ASSOCIATION PROVISION OF CENTRAL OFFICE WELFARE SUPPORT, PLUS DELIVERY OF BENEVOLENCE GRANTS TO SERVING PERSONNEL AND VETERANS



**£40,000**

TO FUND THE ROYAL MARINES ASSOCIATION OPERATIONS TO ASSIST THE ROYAL MARINES CHARITY ACTIVITIES AND PROMOTE DAY'S PAY GIVING TO THE CHARITY FROM SERVING PERSONNEL



**£51,250**

TO ENABLE THE RMA TO REACH OUT TO THE ENTIRE ROYAL MARINES FAMILY WITH MAJOR EVENTS AND MEMORIAL PARADES

# OUR TRUSTEES

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## WITH THANKS TO OUR CORPORATE SUPPORTERS



Supporting the charity with funding, mentoring and career advice and respite breaks for dependants of injured Royal Marines



A group of like-minded businesses committed to raising £1,000 a year for The Royal Marines Charity

## WITH THANKS TO OUR CHARITY PARTNERS



Our parent charity, providing back-office support, sharing amenities grants and overheads to ensure cost-effectiveness and efficiency



Our sister organisation, providing welfare support services funded by the Charity, and assisting in the distribution of benevolence grants



Our subsidiary charity, encompassing the 32 sports clubs and associations of the Corps



The Navy's oldest charity, Greenwich Hospital - providing advice to the Charity and funding towards projects



Sharing benevolence grants with the Charity to serving and former Royal Marines officers



Our most significant benevolence grant making partner, sharing grants to Royal Marines and dependants in need



Sharing grants with the Charity to children and families in need



Providing indispensable casework undergirding our benevolence grants to the Veteran community



Sharing facilities, advice and grants to assist Royal Marines in need.



Providing lifesaving support funded by the Charity to Veteran Royal Marines fighting PTS.

# YOU MAKE ALL THE DIFFERENCE

Nothing that has been achieved in this impact report could have been done without your help; this is the difference you make to the lives of serving and retired Royal Marines and their families.

The enthusiasm, energy and sheer imagination of our supporters has been awe inspiring and the inventive ways

people use to raise funds never ceases to amaze us.

Thank you for the support you have given and continue to give to The Royal Marines Charity.

If you would like to connect with the charity or require support of your own please use the following details:

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