

Report and Financial Statements for Sixty-One

Year ended 31 December 2019



“Thanks to MentorMe I do college, I’m going for my counselling degree level three, I work, I’ve got my own home, I’ve got my family back in my life. So I’m at my peak now.”

Paul (second left above), MentorMe Mentee.

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Charity No. 1159302

Structure, Governance and Management

Charitable Status

Sixty-One is a CIO (number 1159302) registered in November 2014.

The Charitable Objects

The objects for which the Charity is established are as follows:

The objects of the CIO are the relief of those in need or hardship in Bristol and the surrounding region and in particular prisoners, ex-prisoners and those who are at risk of entering the prison system by (in each case in ways which are consistent with principles of the Christian faith); providing and financing a mentoring service to assist such persons in developing skills to improve their conditions of life and to advance their education; and promoting and financing such other charitable activities as the charity trustees see fit in order to relieve such persons from hardship and to improve their conditions of life.

Trustees

The charity trustees meet at least four times a year to discuss and review the work of the charity. Any new trustees are identified by the remaining trustees. The Chairman of Trustees is responsible for the induction of any new trustee. New trustees are required to gain an awareness of trustees' responsibilities, the governing document, administrative procedures, and the history and ethos of the charity.

Risk Management

The trustees have reviewed the major risks and there are systems in place to manage those risks.

Reserves Policy

The charity's aim is to have six weeks' operating costs within free reserves; currently the required figure for this is £16,000. At the year end the charity held £76,533 of free reserves which is much greater than the stated policy. The target reserves of £16,000 is a minimum holding level but an ending figure of £76,533 allows the charity to scale up its activity subject to funding continuing.

In addition, the charity launched a Reserves Pledge Fund in 2019 that now holds a total of £17,500 in pledges (from supporters). These pledges will be converted to donations if the charity was to enter financial difficulties (as defined in the Pledge Fund). This improves our sustainability by underpinning the organisation with a minimum of six weeks' operating costs, in addition to any cash reserves held, and is in line with the trustees' policy.

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With Thanks

Sixty-One Partnership Charities

- Changing Tunes
- inHope
- DHI (Developing Health and Independence)
- Emmaus Bristol
- See Change (new name for Julian House in Bristol)
- Nilaari
- Logos House
- Prodigal Arts
- New Beginnings 4 U

Sixty-One is particularly grateful for the financial support provided by the following people and organisations;

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| • Haleon Trust | • St Thomas Ecclesiastical Charity |
| • W F Southall Trust | • Noel Buxton Trust |
| • CPF Trust | • Schroder Charity Trust |
| • G W Cadbury Section Trust | • Grant Foundation |
| • Trusted Executive Charitable Foundation | • Tilehouse Trust |
| • Nisbet Charitable Foundation | • Woodward Charitable Trust |
| • Quartet | • J & M Britton Charitable Trust |
| • Alchemy Foundation | • Singer Foundationd |
| • St Paul's Mission House Trust | • Denman Charitable Trust |
| • Souter Charitable Trust | • Monument Trust |
| • Davis Foundation | • Didymus Charity |
| • Sydney Black Charitable Trust | • Trusted Executive Charitable Foundation |
| • Burden Trust | • Sabina Sutherland Charitable Trust |
| • Fairfield Charitable Trust | • John James Bristol Foundation |
| • Walter Guinness Charitable Trust | • Henry Oldfield Trust |
| • Medlock Charitable Trust | • SMB Trust |

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Charity Information

Patron

Marvin Rees

Trustees

Andrew Street (Chair)

Paul Tipler

Sandra Sykes

John Barnett

Andrew Wood

Staff

Tim Snowdon

Director

Lindsay Jarman

MentorMe Manager - until Feb 2019 (then on Maternity leave)

Esther Champion

Project Liaison Officer – until Feb 2019 (then MentorMe Manager covering maternity leave)

Laura Stuckey

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Trustees Report

Sixty-One emerged from a partnership of Bristol based charities, churches, businesses and individuals who came together to work co-operatively to help ex-prisoners lead meaningful lives that are free from crime. As a charity in its own right it also runs its own projects through employed staff.

Since our formation 5 years ago Sixty-One has become well established as not only a deliverer of rehabilitative projects within greater Bristol, but also a facilitator, enabler and supporter of community-based activity which supports offenders.

Key characteristics of this work are partnership working, and building self-dependence for offenders - self-dependence builds self-worth which is a significant factor in long-term, effective rehabilitation. We continue to run MentorMe, the Christmas Gift Project and hold events to train and inspire the local community. In addition, we partner with churches, business, charities, statutory bodies and individuals. Some highlights of last year are:

1. Our MentorMe programme developed well by inspiring, enabling and supporting local individuals to be able to provide the human support that can make such a difference to an ex-prisoner's motivation. Our mentoring is based around targets the ex-prisoner has set, and is not so much about helping the ex-prisoner, but helping them to help themselves. Our team provide the mentor training and ongoing support, they locate suitable mentees by visiting a number of local prisons, undertake risk assessments with external agencies and look to work with other partner organisations who can help with referrals and support.
"MentorMe is an invaluable mentoring service. It has proven success at HMP Bristol and continues to develop as a service." Lorna Slark, Head of Reducing Reoffending at HMP Bristol.



2. One of our ambitions is to create communities of hope that help break down isolation, which can be a major factor in reoffending. We do this through events, like the quiz night shown in the photo above. If the only welcoming community you know is in prison, what motivation do you have for change?

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3. A former mentee/befriender has agreed to join our Board.
4. Mentees were involved in setting up a Hub at Fishponds Baptist church. This hub is providing specialist support for female ex-prisoners and is already making a significant impact on the women attending.
5. We are in discussion with further churches regarding setting up new church Hubs
6. We run a constructive masculinity course in HMP Bristol and in the community (within one of our Hubs).
7. Through our partnership and enabling work we continue to support Thornbury Baptist Church with their project to provide accommodation for female ex-prisoners coming out of HMP Eastwood Park. We have just updated their mentoring training.
8. In 2019 we helped a local businessman, Rupert Vernalls, launch his successful and innovative MBA Empowerment course in HMP Bristol. We have involved ex-prisoners in developing the course's content and will re-run the course on a number of occasions throughout 2020.



9. We are exploring the possibility of securing a house providing accommodation for four or five ex-prisoners taking part in our MentorMe programme.
10. We again ran a Christmas Gift project in HMP Bristol, Leyhill and Ashfield providing a simple bag of gifts - this was fully funded by local churches.
11. We continued to build our profile in the City through our *Out of sight, but not out of mind* event. This significantly raised our profile, recruited new mentors, increased giving and led to discussions with churches regarding the start of two new Church Hubs. Bishop Graham Tomlin was our keynote speaker.
12. We met with the Ministry of Justice regarding running a national course for the majority black church, the Redeemed Christian Church of God. The aim is to help more people from the black community volunteer within the prisons.
13. We launched a Reserves Pledge Fund to our supporters in an effort to strengthen our sustainability. Through this we have raised £17,500 in pledges which would become payable if we were to encounter financial difficulties.

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14. We produced a video promoting our work (fully funded by the Trusted Executive Foundation) which can be seen on the homepage of our website.

Over the year we have undertaken organisational strengthening activities that looked at managing risk, enabled secure email, improved our IT security, updated safeguarding training and developed an on-line database.

We appointed a new Board member with financial expertise and will look to improve the diversity of our Board in 2020.

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Impact Statement 2019

Our objective is to help ex-prisoners by inspiring, enabling and supporting the local community to provide the relational and practical support they need to lead meaningful crime-free lives.

In Prison

- We had referrals from **7** prisons: HMP Bristol, Eastwood Park (Women), Portland, Ashfield, Guys Marsh, Erlestoke and Leyhill.
- We worked with **7** agencies, departments and charities whilst seeking referrals.
- Our MentorMe team met with **119** serving prisoners holding **355** face-to-face meetings to locate suitable mentees to prepare them for their release.
- We connected with over **1,600** serving prisoners over the year.
- We enabled local volunteers to run **2** courses within prison – a constructive masculinity and a MBA Empowerment course which were attended by nearly **60** prisoners.

In the Community

- Our volunteer mentors supported **67** different mentees, meeting them a combined total of **582** times.
- **3** celebration meals were held to acknowledge the achievements of our mentees and mentors.
- We ran **3** four-part mentor training courses that were attended by **32** volunteers, **28** of whom completed the training.
- At the end of 2019 we had **72** trained volunteer mentors available.
- Just **2** mentors stopped mentoring in 2019
- Only **11.9%** of the mentees we worked with last year were recalled/reoffended, a **75%** reduction compared to the national average. This resulted in a saving to the tax payer of **£1.56 million**.⁽¹⁾
- **46%** of our mentoring relationships have lasted more than a year, **27%** are between 3 and 12 months and **27%** are less than three months. This is a very high engagement level for ex-prisoners.
- **16** mentees are now supported through long-term befriending by their ex-mentor.
- **2** mentees were involved with setting up a new Hub for female ex-prisoners.
- **3** Hubs provided nearly **120** mid-week meetings for ex-prisoners. These are run by **3** local churches: Hope Community Church, God's House International Centre and Fishponds Baptist.

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- We are in discussion with **2** further churches regarding running another Hub, one near to HMP Bristol.
- **19** churches have supported our work practical and **21** with funding.
- We currently have **203** people who volunteer for Sixty-One.
- **1,500** prisoners received a bag of Christmas presents through our Christmas gift project. This was funded by **14** churches.
- **70** influential people from the city attended our *Out of Sight out of Mind* event

⁽¹⁾ This is based on a national first year reoffending rate of 55%, which reflects the cross section of mentees we work with; which includes repeat offenders, offenders on short sentences and offenders with addiction issues. It is based on a first year reconviction cost of £65,000, which includes prison, police, probation, court and benefit costs. The commonly quoted £35,000 cost of imprisoning a person just covers the prison costs.

Case Studies

‘J’ had been out of prison for a few months and had been residing in a hostel. He was due to move into his own flat and was feeling quite apprehensive about this. He had severe anxiety, no goals and no direction, with pretty much no support network. With the support of his mentor he has been able to achieve some important goals, such as being more confident about using buses and doing voluntary work. He now feels able to manage this, which has helped improve his mental health.

‘W’ had been in and out of prison for the majority of his life. When he was released we introduced him to a mentor, but he sadly went back to prison. The mentor visited him whilst in prison and continued to build the rapport. When W went to court, the judge saw the support he was being given by MentorMe and decided to give him a suspended sentence instead of custodial. Since then, W has got a part-time job and is feeling more content living in the community. His mentor continues to support him.

‘S’ has been supported by his mentor for over a year now. Recently they set about tackling his bit of the communal garden, which is part of his accommodation. S continued working on the garden and during this time was able to have some positive conversations with some of his neighbours. He has been able to fully clear the garden and had a bonfire, which he notified his neighbours of beforehand. Since then, he has been able to help a neighbour with their computer, and due to being friendly with both neighbours, enabled them to talk again after a 5-year stand-off!

When I came out of prison my mentor meant so much to me, because I was all alone and it was just nice to have someone who thought enough of me to meet me.... People end up in prison for different reasons, you don't get born and think I want to be a criminal. Everyone deserves a second chance. I now help with the Hub for women ex-prisoners. It's great to be able to give something back. I've also done the mentoring training and one day may become a mentor myself.

Suzanne ex-mentee



Statement of Public Benefit

The trustees have complied with their legal duty under the Charities Act to have regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

High reoffending rates of prisoners in the UK remains one of society's most intractable problems (over 60% reoffend within two years), and this is continuing to have considerable negative impact, both social and financial, within families and communities.

Long-term mentoring of individuals as provided by the MentorMe programme, which starts from within the prison walls, through to successful reintegration into the community is emerging as a highly effective model that can finally break this cycle.

In addition, our wide-ranging contacts with the church network across the greater Bristol area allows us to be able to connect ex-prisoners with supportive communities that have been trained in how to work safely with them.

The independent National Audit Office estimates that reoffending costs the tax payer £10 billion per year. Each prisoner who is sent back to jail costs the tax payer around £65,000 in their first year if police, court, benefit and prison costs are taken into account, and £38,000 in subsequent years.

Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards including Financial Reporting Standard 102: The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the income and expenditure of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping sufficient accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to

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ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed/constitution. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Signed by order of the Trustees

Andrew Street, Chairman

Date: 10 June 2020

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Sixty-One

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Sixty-One (the Charity) for the year ended 31st December 2019

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Charity 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 Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

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Date: 10 June 2020

SIXTY-ONE**YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019****RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT**

	General Funds £	Restricted MentorMe Funds £	Restricted Christmas Gift Bag Funds £	Total Funds 2019 £	Total Funds 2018 £
RECEIPTS					
Grants	140,020	19,650	-	159,670	92,261
Donations	26,909	5,149	4,823	36,881	30,066
Bank interest received	30	-	-	30	49
TOTAL RECEIPTS	166,959	24,799	4,823	196,581	122,376
PAYMENTS					
Costs of charitable activities					
Wages and other staff costs	42,293	68,477	-	110,770	105,803
Staff travel	-	-	-	-	2,133
Mentee/ Mentor costs	-	1,904	-	1,904	1,489
Event costs	258	550	-	808	1,200
Insurance	261	783	-	1,044	924
Office and telephone costs	555	299	-	854	783
Training costs	-	-	-	-	161
Publishing and printing	1,366	2,049	-	3,415	1,087
Stationery & post	309	573	-	882	1,388
Bank charges	28	51	-	79	63
Rent	2,520	840	-	3,360	3,360
IT Consultancy	845	455	-	1,300	3,091
Equipment	432	1,008	-	1,440	96
Membership	180	120	-	300	572
Consultancy	2,534	-	-	2,534	-
Christmas Gift Packs	-	-	6,262	6,262	6,523
Accounting & Independent examination fees	321	321	-	642	615
Miscellaneous expenses	104	104	-	208	637
Costs of raising funds					
Fundraising costs	645	430	-	1,075	7,280
TOTAL PAYMENTS	52,651	77,964	6,262	136,877	137,205
NET RECEIPTS/(PAYMENTS)	114,308	(53,165)	(1,439)	59,704	(14,829)

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

	2019 £	2018 £
Cash funds		
Current account	76,533	16,829
	<u>76,533</u>	<u>16,829</u>
Gift Aid due	355	13
Total Assets	<u><u>76,888</u></u>	<u><u>16,842</u></u>
Liabilities		
Accruals	680	650
Total Liabilities	<u><u>680</u></u>	<u><u>650</u></u>

CASH RESERVES

	2019 £	2018 £ Restated
General funds		
Brought forward	16,829	30,514
Net receipts/(payments) for the year	114,308	30,115
Transfer between funds	<u>(54,604)</u>	<u>(43,800)</u>
	76,533	16,829
Restricted funds		
Brought forward	-	1,144
Net receipts/(payments) for the year	(54,604)	(44,944)
Transfer between funds	<u>54,604</u>	<u>43,800</u>
	-	-
Total cash reserves	<u><u>76,533</u></u>	<u><u>16,829</u></u>

Signed on behalf of the trustees on 10 June 2020

A Street (Chair of Trustees)
