

Doncaster Armed Forces and Veterans

VISION

The Armed Forces and Veterans Steering Group was established with the purpose of identifying key issues across partnerships affecting the Armed Forces Community and work together to ensure that these are challenged and changed.

THE DONCASTER ARMED FORCES COMMUNITY PICTURE

Communication

4 successful virtual events & communications reaching over 220,000 residents

Recognition

Doncaster is seen as best practice Regionally in its coordination of support to the Armed Forces Community

Health

13 Veterans Friendly Accredited GP practices in Doncaster

CROSS-CUTTING FACTORS

That affect service provision for Veterans across all Key Themes



Collaboration



Coordination



Perception



Data



Recognition

KEY THEMES

That emerged as affecting Veterans' lives



Community and relationships

294 veterans identified and supported by DMBC Communities teams

16 people supported through Communities Virtual Armed Forces Drop in sessions

17 veterans in Doncaster supported by Blind Veterans UK

"I feel well supported and happier because of all the support I have been given! Thank you"

Quote from a DMBC Communities Wellbeing Team Client



Employment, education and skills

295 Children accessing Service Pupil Premium across 80 Doncaster Schools

29 Doncaster Business's have signed the Armed Forces Covenant

DWP now have a dedicated Armed Forces Champion for South Yorkshire along with veteran identifiers on their system

"Thank you to everyone who has made my life better, without the intervention of SSAFA none of this would have been possible."

Quote from a SSAFA Doncaster & Thorne client



Finance and debt

SSAFA Supported 70 cases
12 older veterans referred to the joint SSAFA & Age UK 'Doncaster Stands by our Veterans' project'

205 cases supported by The Royal British Legion

"Thank you for everything you have done for me. Without you, I really would not know where I would be. Your support has been my survival."

Quote from a Project Nova Client



Health and wellbeing

33 Veterans Supported by The Veterans Mental Health TILS Service

RDaSH have established partnerships across the region

Keeping Families In Mind have supported 49 new military families and have provided 411 hours of therapy

The Patient Participation Group are working collaboratively with the steering group to tackle health inequalities and promote the Veterans Friendly GP Accreditation



Housing

91 veterans supported with housing need nationally through Help 4 Homeless Veterans

9 Veterans identified and 2 placed on platinum banding through Doncaster Home Choice (St Leger Homes)

Collaborative work with the South Yorkshire region in implementing recommendations around Veterans and homelessness

Project Nova supported 3 veterans into secure housing



Veterans and the law

287 veterans in South Yorkshire supported by Project Nova, 62 of these supported in the Doncaster area with 10 supported into employment.

Committed representative from South Yorkshire Police and HMP working with veterans across the Doncaster Borough