



Cobseo
**The Confederation
of Service Charities**

The Sector and The Way Forward

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Cobseo, The Confederation of Service Charities

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The way forward**

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- Cobseo is a membership organisation that reaches over 900 organisations
- We exist to represent, promote and further the interest of our members who support the Armed Forces Community
- We do this by:
 - **Engaging at the highest level**
 - **Identifying issues of common concern across the Sector and strengthening the Confederation**
 - **Encouraging collaboration and co-operation across the sector**

The Service Charity Sector

What is the role of the Service Charity Sector?

Its purpose is to enhance the quality of life for the Armed Forces Community

The Way Forward

Veterans' Places, Pathways and People programme

The **Veterans' Places People and Pathways** programme is creating better, more sustainable support for veterans in the communities where they live. It is supporting major projects to enable veterans to access support that meets their needs.

Strategic Leads

Grants have been awarded to Cobseo, ASDIC, SSAFA and Combat Stress to act as Strategic Leads

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Portfolio Leads

10 Portfolio grants have been awarded, with one each in Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland, with seven regional grants reflecting the Op Courage areas, awarded in England.

Across all of the portfolios 170 individual projects are being supported with funding from the Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust.

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Veterans' Places, Pathways and People programme

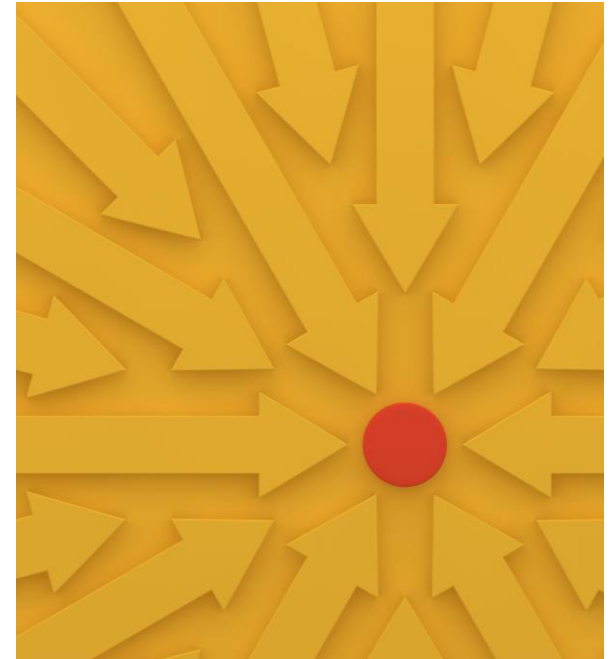
Sector Oversight Group

The Strategic Leads are working within the wider Veterans Places, Pathways and People programme, and with the Sector Oversight Group to encourage the integration of existing clinical mental health provision with the broader non-clinical services for veterans needing general wellbeing support as well as those on the mental health recovery pathway across the sector.

Veteran Mental Health Awareness Standard

- Support the VPPP programme
- Compliment the work of the Contact Group
- Non-clinical
- Safe Place for Veterans with mental health needs
- Aim –

To develop and implement a Veterans Mental Health Awareness Standard (VMHAS) that is recognised as Best Practice for the benefit of all Veterans and beneficiaries.



Process “The Working Group”

- Diverse range of Cobseo members (including Contact Gp) and Grant Holders
- Small and large Charities represented
- 6 meeting in 6 months focused and productive
- Guiding Principles & Capabilities
- Change of Project Name
- Developing the content of the Self-Assessment Tool

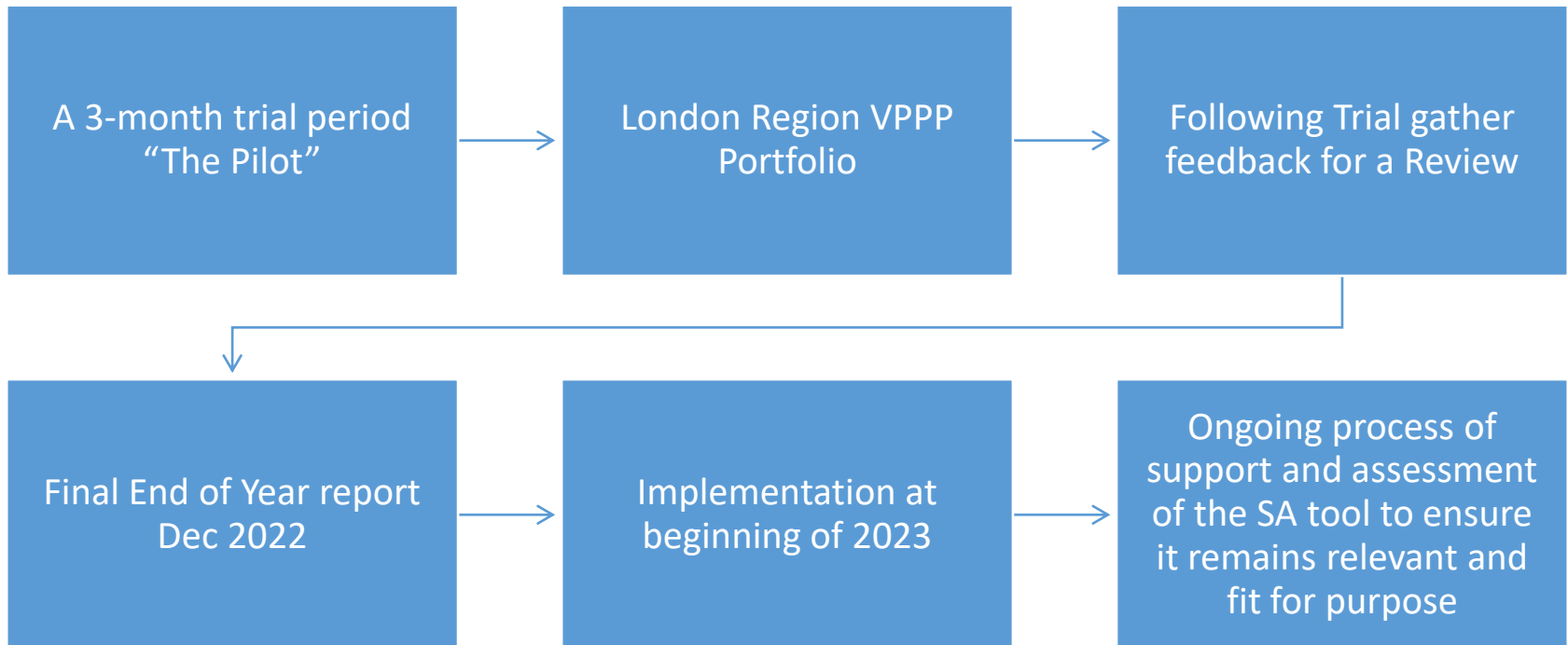


Self-Assessment Tool

- 38 Questions based on Guiding Principles and Capabilities
- Provides guidance and examples of good practice
- Draws their attention to issues
- Asks for supporting evidence
- **How you** deliver it
- **What you plan** to deliver and when
- **Why don't you**, what assistance do you required



Trial, Review & Implementation





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