

Somerset Armed Forces Covenant Partnership Directory



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RNAS Yeovilton (HMS HERON)

Commanding Officer
Commodore Nick Tindal

Base Warrant Officer and Community Relations Officer
WO1 Simon Ashdown
Website: <http://www.royalnavy.mod.uk/our-organisation/where-we-are/air-stations/rnas-yeovilton>



40 Commando Royal Marines

Commanding Officer 40 Commando RM
Lt Col Paul Maynard

Outreach Officer
Maj Chris Hurt



Royal Navy and Royal Marines Welfare (RNRMW)

Central Hub Manager
Julie Simmonds
Website: www.royalnavy.mod.uk/welfare



1 Regiment Army Air Corps

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The Royal British Legion
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Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Families Association
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Public Health, Somerset County Council

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Somerset Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG)

Armed Forces Lead

Lee Reed

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Somerset Partnership NHS Trust

Consultant Forensic Clinical Psychologist

Dr Karen Gough

Veterans Champion

Hannah Melia

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**National Probation Service**

Head of National Probation Service – Local Delivery Unit
Somerset Cluster
Liz Spencer

**Somerset Chamber of Commerce**

Interim Chief Executive
Chris Langdon
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**Naval Families Federation (NFF)**

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Peter Hawley
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**Army Families Federation (AFF)**

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**Royal Air Force Families Federation (RAF FF)**

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**Help for Heroes**

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**Somerset Admiral Nurse Service**

Admiral Nurse
Saul Mason
Website: <http://www.britishlegion.org.uk/get-support/care/admiral-nurses/>

**Combat Stress**

Chair - South of England Regional Committee
Dr Robin Carr
Website: <http://combatstress.org.uk/>



Defence Medical Welfare Service (DMWS)
Somerset and Avon Aged Veterans Project
Welfare Officer
Julie Ponton
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