

Veterans in Communities Membership



Rossendale Armed Forces
Community Pledge Event 2011

Veterans in Communities (VIC) is an ex-services charity based in East Lancashire. Established in September 2012, VIC supports ex-service personnel, their families and members of the uniformed services who have experienced difficulties re-integrating with the community on returning to civilian life.

VIC is a Membership led organisation and our ethos is that we encourage the Armed Forces Community and the Wider Community to support us through a range of memberships. Our current membership comprises of the serving, ex-service personnel, uniformed services, and their families, members of the community that have a family association with the military, or members of the community with no family association and some local businesses.



Rossendale Chamber of Commerce presenting a cheque to VIC

VIC recognise that to support the work we do, we need a variety of memberships, and that our members have a diverse set of skills and experiences that can support the Armed Forces Community.

We offer a number of VIC membership schemes and we appreciate that some of our members are not able to join in our activities or are unable to access our centre due to other commitments.

By way of supporting the foundation of VIC, We need to further develop another level of membership, that is able to support, spread awareness and finance the development of VIC services, the projects and social enterprise models the members are developing.

Rossendale Valley At Work Awards, VIC winner of the 'Not For Profit Business' 2013



Member Plus

A monthly subscription basis that would provide people with regular updates, newsletters etc. Keeping them updated with all the developments within VIC. These members may also want to work alongside the veterans, sharing their knowledge, skills and experiences to encourage and help with the projects and development of VIC.

A skills base that will encourage the build of knowledge in areas such as marketing the VIC concept, marketing VIC products, raising awareness of VIC and the value that those who have served can bring back into the local community. So that public, private and third sector organisations are actually encouraging and promoting their areas to the veteran community rather than the reverse.

Corporate Membership

Local and national businesses willing to help finance and support VIC and it's members. Encouraging the development of the community projects in the areas that VIC operates in. Not only does this level of funding provides opportunities to invest in a veteran based charity but it will also provides the opportunity to invest in community based projects providing volunteering opportunities, work experience, improvements in the local community and a future skilled workforce mentored by veterans with core values, e.g. trustworthy, integrity, and reliability.

Service Providers

VIC has always valued the partnerships that have developed with service providers within our industry. These relationships are vital to the transition of veterans and their families. Not only the provision of health and wellbeing services but the provision of employability services such as education, training and work experience. Building a list of special relationships that guarantee a level of service provision that will be acknowledged as market leaders in the transition of the Armed Forces back into in their local communities.



Rossendale Armed forces Community Covenant signing