

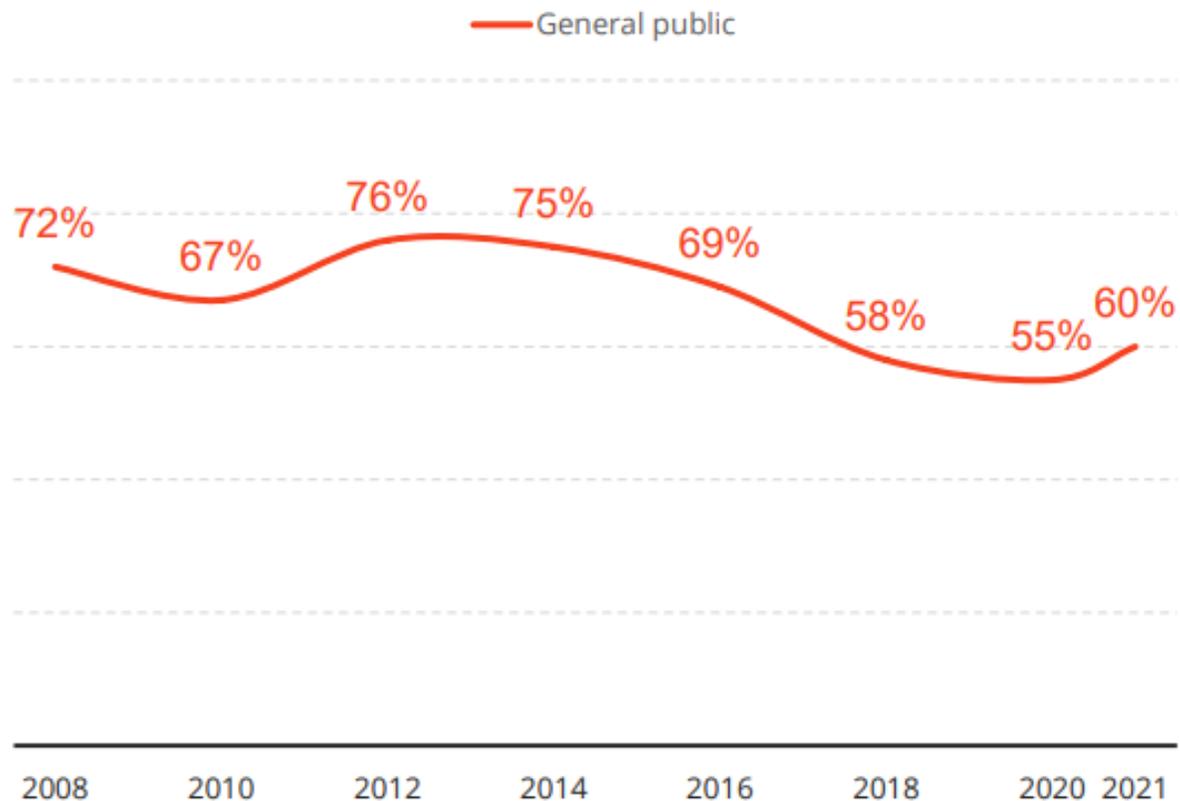
Voluntary Sector Update

“The Opportunities and Challenges of
Restart and Recovery”



National View – Importance

% who describe charities as 'essential' or 'very important'



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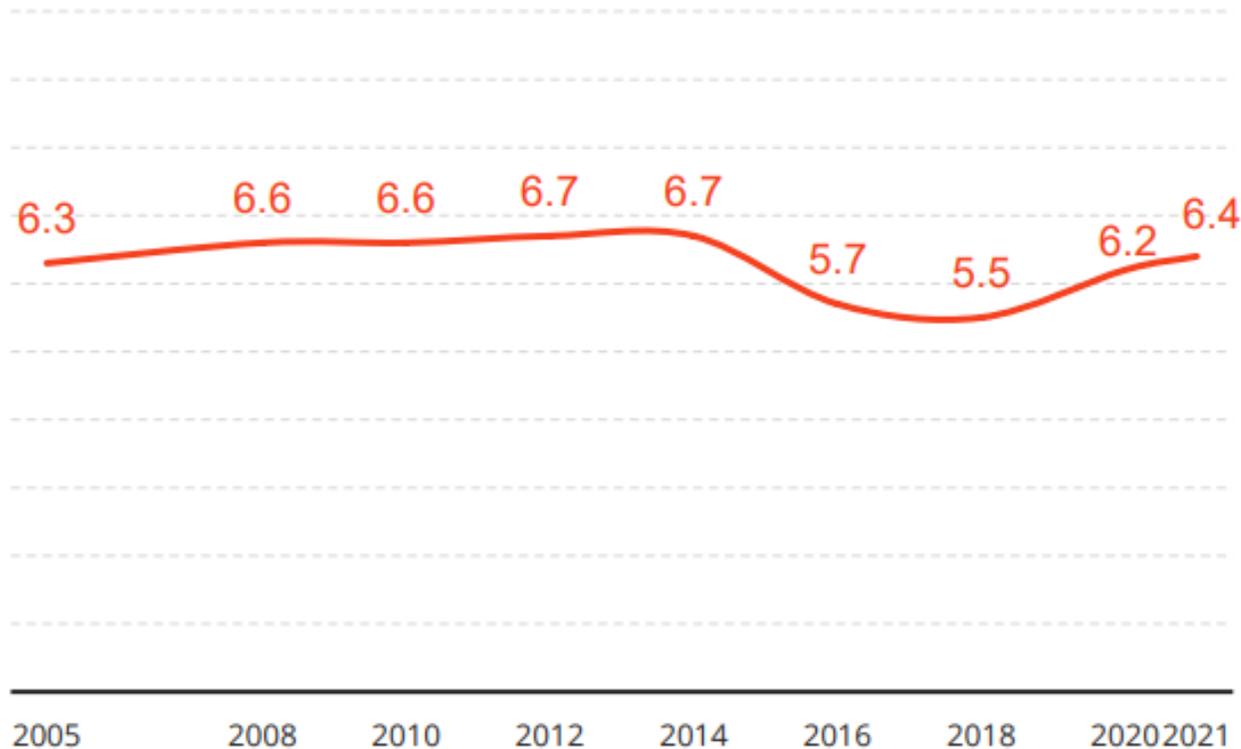
YONDER report for Charity Commission 2021

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National View – Trust / Confidence

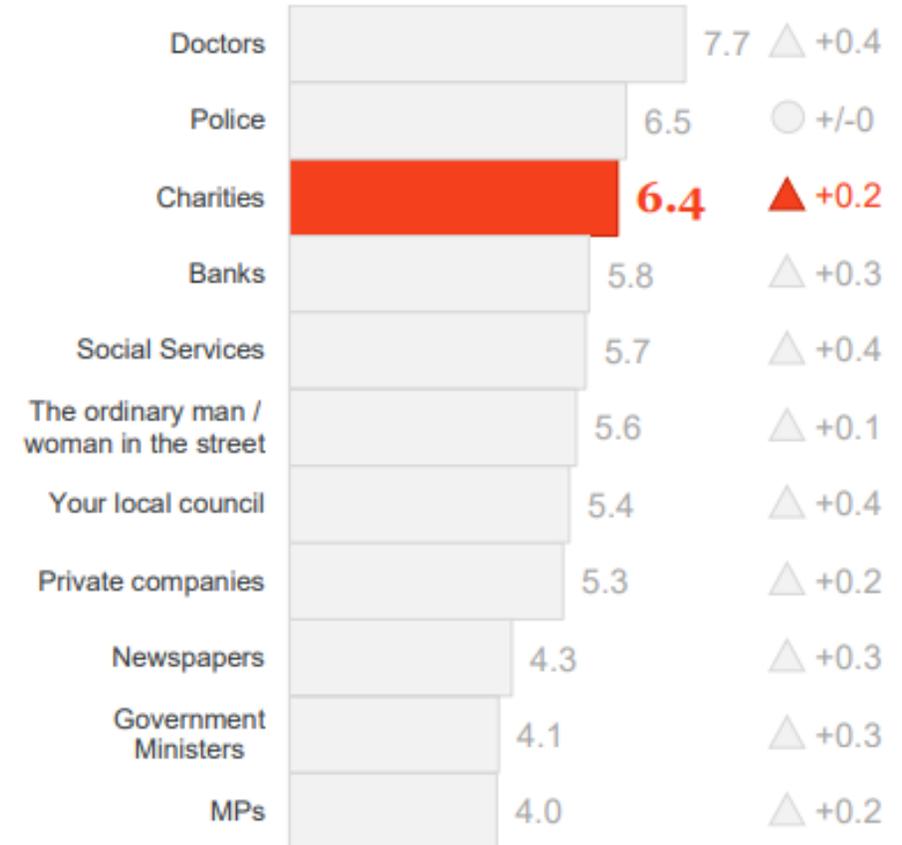
Mean trust and confidence in charities (/10)

— General public



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Mean trust and confidence by sector/group (/10), with change vs 2020



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NCVO – Respond, Recover, Reset Report

- **Finance**
 - 28% reported a deteriorating financial position in previous month, 45% stable, and 27% improving picture.
 - 55% expect stable position in next month, 20% to worsen and 23% to improve.
 - 9% quite likely/very likely that their organisation wouldn't be operating next year.
- **Services**
 - 32% decreased range of services since March 2020, 47% increased range.
 - 68% expect an increase in demand in next month
 - 64% expect Covid-19 to have a moderate or significant negative impact on delivering their objectives in the coming year.
- **People**
 - Paid workforce 47% stayed same, 9% decreased and 19% increased.
 - Volunteers 50% stayed same, 23% increased and 18% decreased

Findings from SCC VCSE Surveys (1)

- **96%** (126/131) believe the Council should continue to invest in capacity building (infrastructure) support.
- **Current support** most accessed includes:
 - Funding/Income generation
 - Information, advice and guidance
 - Training
 - Networking
 - Safeguarding (incl. DBS checks)

“invaluable”

“very supportive”

Key to helping many groups stay financially sustainable during the pandemic

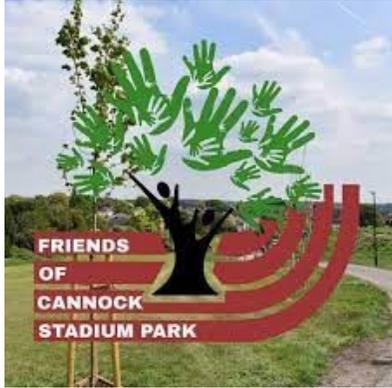
Findings from VCSE surveys (2)

- **Future Support needs from Sector:**
 - Fundraising support
 - Networking opportunities
 - Volunteer recruitment/retention support
 - Information, Advice and Guidance
 - Promotion of VCSE support to communities
- **What SCC values from VCSE Strategic Partners:**
 - Youth offer, addressing social isolation, response, recovery and restart to Covid, partnership in SCC's Communities Principle including Early Help, Supportive Communities and digital inclusion.

SCVYS Census 2021

- **Volunteer Capacity**
 - 8,607 active volunteer roles, 869 Under 18s
- **Support Requested**
 - Safeguarding (including IAG, Training and free DBS Checks for Volunteers)
 - Training (including First Aid, Food Safety, Mental Health, Youth work)
- **Funding Support**
 - Signposting and connecting to relevant funders
 - Bid writing training/support
- **Future Confidence**
 - 72% scored 8/10 or above. (CAF Report suggests 63% nationally)
 - Low confidence scores related to securing venues, volunteers and funding

Case study - Cannock Stadium Allotment Group



Case Study – WHAM Plan

- **Peer led**
 - Delivered by young people to young people (11-18 at present)
- **Youth led**
 - Owned, designed, applied, evaluated & improved
- **Preventative**
 - Supports individual reflection and self care, and builds resilience
- **Accessible and Equitable**
 - Open to all young people
- **Dynamic**
 - Delivered in various ways, content selected to match cohort, new sessions can be created,

WHAM Plan outcomes

- **Young people develop:**
 - Character, resilience, confidence, leadership, capability to self manage wellbeing, presentation / communication / group work / evaluation / planning skills
- **Young people feel:**
 - More valued, engaged, connected, empowered and involved
- **Young people experience:**
 - Making a positive difference to others, higher levels of well being, access to tools which can be applied to help and support themselves and their peers resulting in lower likelihood for access to more formalised support

Summary of Restart / Recovery challenges

- **Operational**
 - Funding (immediate, medium and longer term)
 - Access to appropriate spaces to deliver from
 - Volunteer capacity
 - Access to relevant, affordable training
 - Information, advice and guidance
 - Promotion and awareness of VCS offer to communities/partners
 - Hybrid of Digital and Physical delivery
- **Place Based**
 - Wider embedded inequalities and their impact on levels of local support
 - Overwhelming levels of need in key areas – Mental Health, Inactivity, Isolation, etc.

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