



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **1st April 2024** to **31st March 2025**

Charity name: FastAid

Charity registration number: 1117114

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The objective of the Association is to: 1. Provide the relief of injury, sickness and the preservation of good health to persons in Birmingham, Solihull and surrounding areas by providing trained and equipped volunteers to attend emergencies as directed by West Midlands Ambulance Service University NHS Foundation Trust. 2. Provide training and education to further the object and engage with the local community in health promotion activities.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<u>Activities</u> 1. Respond to 999 calls as directed by West Midlands Ambulance Service University NHS Foundation Trust 2. Training and supporting organisations and the general public 3. Increasing public awareness of heart and general health problems and prevention. 4. Providing Awareness courses to educate groups and individuals within the community on lifesaving skills. 5. Supporting other charities & community events with first aid cover.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees confirm that they have regarded the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	FastAid does not provide grants.

Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	FastAid does not make any social investments apart from training members of the public in life-saving skills.
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	100% - FastAid is a charity entirely managed by volunteers, there are no employed or paid members; all members are volunteers who give their time to carry out the charity objectives of supporting public health, wellbeing, education & fundraising.
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>Training in lifesaving skills: An average of 2 Community Training session were run by our members per month, training well in excess of 700 members of the community in CPR and lifesaving skills through the year.</p> <p>West Midlands Ambulance and other Public Service initiatives were supported, as requested, including supporting WMAS Re-Start a Heart day in schools throughout the region.</p> <p>Our responders logged 2496 attendances to emergency calls, we arrived on scene first in around 90% of these.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	23 new recruits joined, were trained and received mentoring in the year.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Fundraising activities were set to cover the target number of new recruits in our area for West Midlands Ambulance Service. The fundraising team had a successful year with a clear objective which was met, funding was obtained to ensure our vehicles could remain operational and equipment be replaced when needed.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other		

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Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Financial position as at 31/03/25: £59,596
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We have sufficient funds and therefore don't currently hold a separate reserve fund
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	n/a
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	n/a
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	n/a
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	n/a

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	<p>We are able to support small community/charitable events with first-aid cover within our scope of practice, and we generally benefit with a donation from the totals raised.</p> <p>Donations are collected during Community Training sessions, after talks, during community fun-days, Public CPR demonstrations, supporting Public Service open days or from grants from public or private sector organisations.</p> <p>This period we have been extremely grateful to receive a large grant from the Arconic Foundation and a very generous donation from Eversfield prep school. We also received donations from the Heart of England CCSW fund, Solihull 41 club, Solihull Round table, Warwickshire Masonic foundation, Castle Strength and Crossfit, as well as grants from Costco and LoveBrum. Moseley and Kings Health Lions donated funds for us to purchase a new monitor for our Moseley responder car, and Knowle and Dorridge Lions donated us new kit bags for the cars.</p>
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	<p>Economic strain on individuals owing to worsening economic climate & increased pressure within healthcare & all public services.</p> <p>Lower volunteer availability, higher attrition & loss of interest in the role / less time to commit. This is a volunteering activity which makes great</p>

		<p>demands for its volunteers' time in terms of CPD, reaccréditation, evidenced learning, fundraising, community engagement and active service.</p> <p>There was a significant influx of new recruits needing volunteer support for mentoring, this further stretched available volunteer resources.</p>
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		None
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Charitable Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Incorporated Charity
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustees are elected by the membership; posts have a 3 year rotation. Trustees have the right to appoint replacement for a mid-term vacancy until the next AGM when that post is up for election.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	Trustees are referred to the Charity Commission's guidance. Trustee Declarations are signed.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	The Charity is managed by an elected Committee including Chairman, Vice Chair, Secretary, Equipment Manager, Events Coordinator, Training & Recruitment Manager; Clinical Governance & oversight is provided by West Midlands Ambulance Service. Area Coordinators maintain contact in their local area taking responsibility for mentoring and reporting.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	Arrive Alive Charity fundraises to provide Emergency Responder Scheme Vehicles for use by Community Responder groups within the West Midlands Ambulance Service Area. Their vehicles are on loan but fully maintained by the user group. The charities are otherwise not affiliated.
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	FastAid
Other name the charity uses	FastAid Birmingham & Solihull
Registered charity number	1117114
Charity's principal address	Arden Storage, Friday Lane, Barston, Solihull, West Midlands B92 0HY

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Hiran Patel	Trustee	From January 2025	Committee vote at AGM
2	Mike Smith	Secretary		Committee vote at AGM
4	Toby Saunders	Trustee	From January 2025	Committee vote at AGM

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
None		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	None
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Hiran Patel	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	
Date	24/11/2025	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Fastaid

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31st March 2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

1117114

Set out on pages

12-13

(If members include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2025.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date:

27/11/2025

Name:

Mike Slater

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

Address:

Avoncroft, Binton Road

Welford on Avon

Warwickshire, CV37 8PP

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

No matters of concern noted.

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from

Period start date
01 April 2024

To

Period end date
31 March 2025

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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restrictede funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £	
A1 Receipts						
CPAD Funding	4,130	-	-	4,129.54	1,858	
Funded Equipment	2,407			2,406.52	-	
Donations	59,783	-	-	59,782.62	13,591	
WMAS Fuel cost recovery	6,331	-	-	6,330.80	4,189	
Bank interest received	196	-	-	196.00	179	
Sub total(Gross income for AR)	72,845	-	-	72,845.48	19,818	Check -
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).						
	-	-	-	-		
	-	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	
Total receipts	72,845	-	-	72,845	19,818	
A3 Payments						
Consumables	1,005	-	-	1,005	1,328	
CPAD Purchase	3,871	-	-	3,871	2,683	
Equipment	1,077	-	-	1,077	412	
Funded Equipment purchase	9,988					
Fuel	7,102	-	-	7,102	4,166	
Insurance	4,349	-	-	4,349	4,242	
Other costs	1,533	-	-	1,533	337	
Storage facility	2,194			2,194	2,114	
Uniform	1,988			1,988	589	
Vehicle costs	3,763	-	-	3,763	2,749	
Sub total	36,869	-	-	36,869	18,620	Check -
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)						
Training equipment	-	-	-			
	-	-	-	-		
Sub total	36,869	-	-	36,869	18,620	
Total payments	36,869	-	-	36,869	18,620	
Net of receipts/(payments)	35,976	-	-	35,976	1,197	
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-	
A6 Cash funds last year end	23,619	-	-	23,619	22,422	
Cash funds this year end	59,596	-	-	59,596	23,619	Check -

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Account 1	49,142	-	-
	Account 2	10,453	-	-
	Total cash funds	59,596	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

B2 Other monetary assets

	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
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B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Hiran Patel

Date of approval

24/11/2025