

# FAMILIES AGAINST VIOLENCE

England & Wales · Charity number 1166240

## Details

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**Other names** FAV

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2016-03-29

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE RELIEF OF THOSE IN NEED IN GREATER MANCHESTER IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY:- PROVIDING SUPPORT AND GUIDANCE TO LOCAL YOUNG PEOPLE AND THEIR FAMILIES SO THAT THEY BECOME MORE EFFECTIVE MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY;- ADDRESSING AND REDUCING GANG AND GUN CULTURE IN THE COMMUNITY BY USING A PREVENTATIVE AND EARLY INTERVENTION MODEL;- BRINGING YOUNG PEOPLE TOGETHER WITH THE AIM OF PROMOTING SOCIAL INCLUSION THAT WILL BUILD THEIR SELF-ESTEEM, RAISE THEIR ASPIRATIONS AND ENCOURAGE THEM TO TAKE GREATER RESPONSIBILITY FOR THEIR ACTIONS AND DECISIONS; AND BY- MAKING THE WORK OF THE CHARITY ACCESSIBLE TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY ACROSS GREATER MANCHESTER FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT.

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## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, Amateur Sport, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- **Area of benefit:** GREATER MANCHESTER
- Manchester City
- Stockport

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	-	-	-	-
2024-03-31	£200,010	£161,207	-	-
2023-03-31	£129,806	£119,431	-	-
2022-03-31	£158,439	£121,785	-	-
2021-03-31	£2,711	£12,749	-	-
2020-03-31	£91,511	£98,043	-	-

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
Ahmed yassin		2020-02-14
Alexandra Dixon		2021-08-18
Barrington Anthony Reeves		2022-09-13
Linford Sweeney		2022-04-04
Will Forwood		2022-04-04

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# Accounts

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND FINANCIAL  
STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH  
2024 for  
FAMILIES AGAINST VIOLENCE

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Families Against Violence  
Registered Charity No 1166240

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## Trustees Report for the Year Ending 31st March 2024

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The Trustees met regularly throughout the year.

### Risk Management

The Trustees continue to identify the charity's ability to secure consistent and sustainable funding as a key strategic risk. Our core services — mentoring, sports-based engagement, health and wellbeing activities — remain in high demand, and without sufficient financial support, our ability to meet that demand would be compromised. This year, we were successful in securing a three-year Reaching Communities grant, which has provided essential stability, including covering our Chief Executive's post. We also received additional support from Phoenix Funding, which enabled us to strengthen delivery coordination and operational oversight.

Recognising the increasing complexity and scale of our work, Trustees have acknowledged the need for stronger governance and strategic oversight. As a result, we have embarked on a Trustee recruitment process to broaden the skills and lived experience represented on the Board, with a focus on community leadership, finance, and safeguarding.

Safeguarding remains a live and critical area of risk. While we have not experienced any serious safeguarding incidents, our rising caseload and the vulnerability of the young people we support prompted a proactive review. We commissioned a safeguarding expert to conduct training with staff and review internal processes. This has led to the implementation of improved escalation procedures, clearer reporting mechanisms, and enhanced support for frontline mentors.

In addition to operational and funding-related risks, we are increasingly responding to incidents of community unrest that directly affect our beneficiaries. These events often require rapid mobilisation of staff and volunteers, and while our strong community relationships position us to act quickly, they also present challenges around staff wellbeing and capacity. Trustees are monitoring this closely as part of our ongoing risk assessment and planning processes.

#### Development and Achievements 2023/24

Between April 2023 and April 2024, Families Against Violence (FAV) has undergone a significant period of delivery and development, responding to heightened community tensions, growing demand, and the urgent need for safe, youth-led spaces.

Over the past year, we have delivered over 90 hours of targeted mentoring, sport, and wellbeing sessions, with consistent attendance from young people across Moss Side, Hulme, and Longsight. Our reach and relevance continue to grow, with over 150 young people supported in the past month alone, many facing exclusion, violence, or the aftermath of local unrest. We have seen increased pressure on our Youth Club and mentoring provision, particularly during times of community trauma, when FAV has played a stabilising role.

In response to growing concerns around gender-based violence, we have expanded girls-only provision with a strong focus on emotional literacy and safe expression. Feedback from young women has highlighted the importance of culturally sensitive spaces where they can process complex experiences in a supportive environment.

Our Youth Ambassadors have continued to shape the direction of our sessions, contributing to planning, peer mentoring, and evaluation. Their insight has directly influenced the design of new workshops, and their visibility has encouraged greater leadership among their peers.

The CUKI Football Academy now includes new U8, U9, U10 and girls' teams, in partnership with Manchester Academy, reflecting our wider strategy of inclusive and sustained engagement through sport. Our Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme remains heavily oversubscribed, and we continue to

raise concerns about the reporting mechanisms required by MCC, which place disproportionate strain on grassroots organisations.

We also received a £3,000 grant from Manchester City Council to provide food at our Youth Club, which has become a critical weekly touchpoint for many young people. A request for continued support has been submitted, alongside a formal case for sustained investment in this vital service.

### Strategic Advocacy and Community Infrastructure

In a year shaped by unrest and uncertainty, FAV has strengthened its advocacy role. Our Director, James Gregory, met with Afzal Khan MP to discuss the challenges facing young people in our communities. Following this, Wil formally requested a Parliamentary Evidence Session, and we have mapped out potential delegates in anticipation of a response.

Our leadership team is also engaging MCRAActive and GLL regarding the redevelopment of Moss Side Leisure Centre, where we believe FAV should be granted a permanent base. Securing such a hub would allow us to deliver more structured interventions and embed our work deeper into the community fabric.

We remain committed to ensuring representation, equity, and impact—both through direct delivery and by elevating the voices of those we support.

### Funding

Cash funding received in 2023/24 totalled £153,051. A full breakdown of this funding, alongside the associated activities and programme outcomes, is summarised in the financial section at the end of this report. As in previous years, the majority of this income supported our core purpose: delivering high-impact sports, wellbeing, and mentoring activities to children and young people across Moss Side, Hulme, and the wider Manchester area.

- £42,630 from Manchester Active, which supported the delivery of inclusive sports and fitness sessions that engaged hundreds of young people throughout the year.
- £26,181 in core Reaching Communities, which helped us sustain essential staffing and expand our grassroots delivery, particularly for those at risk of exclusion or violence.
- £20,000 from the Postcode Neighbourhood Trust, used to enhance our leadership development work and support the delivery of community safety workshops during periods of unrest.
- £18,280 from Manchester Active (HAF), which enabled additional outreach sports work and covered sessional coach costs during peak months of demand.

- £10,000 from AB Charities, which supported the design and delivery of targeted interventions addressing gang involvement and low mental wellbeing among young men.
- £3,334 from Young Manchester, allowing us to pilot gender-based violence sessions and expand access to girls-only provision.
- £2,000 from the Sports Foundation, used to support access to equipment and venue hire for our football-based mentoring programmes.

Together, this funding has enabled Families Against Violence to meet the complex and growing needs of local young people, build community resilience during times of unrest, and contribute to long-term youth safety strategies.

#### Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' Report above.  
Signed on behalf of the charity's Trustees

Signature required



Linford Sweeney

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Families Against Violence**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 which are set out on pages 11 to 17.

### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees 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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; and
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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

Jennifer Daniel FCCA DChA

Slade & Cooper Limited, Chartered Certified Accountants  
Beehive Mill, Jersey Street  
Manchester, M4 6JG

Date

Families Against Violence  
Receipts and Payments Account  
for the year ended 31 March 2024

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2024 £	<i>Total funds 2023 £</i>
<b>Receipts</b>				
Donations & Fundraising	1,244	-	1,244	3,027
Grants	45,715	153,051	198,766	126,779
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>46,959</b>	<b>153,051</b>	<b>200,010</b>	<b>129,806</b>
<b>Payments</b>				
Salaries	23,600	-	23,600	1,816
Sessional Staff	-	29,871	29,871	52,446
Rent	956	-	956	444
Transport	-	6,177	6,177	799
Facility Hire	-	51,223	51,223	37,630
Equipment				
Fixed Assets	-	763	763	804
Other Equipment	-	-	-	632
Training	-	-	-	137
Administration	7,462	-	7,462	8,797
Event Catering	-	6,402	6,402	12,201
Laundry	-	-	-	72
Match Fees	-	7,834	7,834	2,121
Insurance	562	-	562	1,118
General Expenses	5,520	14,534	20,054	-
Consulting Fees	-	6,303	6,303	414
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>38,100</b>	<b>123,107</b>	<b>161,207</b>	<b>119,431</b>
<b>Net receipts/(payments) before transfers</b>	<b>8,859</b>	<b>29,944</b>	<b>38,803</b>	<b>10,375</b>
Transfer between funds	682	(682)	-	-
<b>Net receipts/payments</b>	<b>9,541</b>	<b>29,262</b>	<b>38,803</b>	<b>10,375</b>
Cash funds at the start of the year	4,550	45,964	50,514	40,139
Cash funds at the end of the year	14,091	75,226	89,317	50,514

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Statement of balances  
as at 31 March 2024

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
<b>Cash funds</b>					
Bank and cash balances at start of year		4,550	45,964	50,514	40,139
Surplus / (deficit) shown on receipts and payments account		9,541	29,262	38,803	10,375
<b>Bank and cash balances at end of year</b>		<b>14,091</b>	<b>75,226</b>	<b>89,317</b>	<b>50,514</b>
<b>Other assets</b>					
	Fund			2024	2023
Fixed assets	Unrestricted			34,785	34,785
<b>Total other assets</b>				<b>34,785</b>	<b>34,785</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>					
	Fund			2024	2023
Current Liabilities	Unrestricted			-	-
<b>Total liabilities</b>				<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

Approved by the trustees on \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

Linford Sweeney (Chair)

# Families Against Violence

## Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024

### **1 Basis of accounting**

These accounts have been prepared on the Receipts & Payments basis in accordance with the

### **2 Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds are available to spend on activities that further any of the purposes of charity.

Restricted funds are donations which the donor has specified are to be solely used for particular

### **3 Trustee remuneration and expenses, and related party transactions**

None of the trustees nor any persons connected with them received any remuneration during the year .

No (2023: no) trustees received travel and subsistence expenses during the year.

Aggregate donations with conditions from related parties were £Nil (2023: £Nil).

There are no donations from related parties which are outside the normal course of business and no restricted donations from related parties.

No trustee or other person related to the charity had any personal interest in any contract or

## Families Against Violence

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024 (continued)

### 4 Analysis of movements in restricted funds

	Balance at 1 April 2023	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	Balance at 31 March 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Manchester Active	42,630	73,805	(60,910)	-	55,525
Young Manchester	3,334	-	(3,334)	-	-
AB Charities	-	10,000	(10,000)	-	-
Main Grants	-	47,246	(26,863)	682	21,065
Postcode Neighbourhood Lottery	-	20,000	(20,000)	-	-
Sports Foundations	-	2,000	(2,000)	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>45,964</b>	<b>153,051</b>	<b>(123,107)</b>	<b>682</b>	<b>76,590</b>

## Families Against Violence

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024 (continued)

### 4 Analysis of movements in restricted funds (continued)

<b>Previous reporting period</b>	<i>Balance at 1 April 2022</i>	<i>Receipts</i>	<i>Payments</i>	<i>Transfers</i>	<i>Balance at 31 March 2023</i>
	£	£	£	£	£
Manchester Active	-	81,279	(38,649)	-	42,630
Young Manchester	-	20,000	(16,666)	-	3,334
<b>Total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>101,279</b>	<b>(55,315)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>45,964</b>
<b>Name of fund</b>	<b>Description, nature and purposes of the fund</b>				

## Families Against Violence

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024 (continued)

### 5 Analysis of movement in unrestricted funds

	Balance at 1 April 2023 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers £	As at 31 March 2024 £
General fund	4,550	46,959	(38,100)	(682)	12,727
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<i>General fund</i>	<i>3,012</i>	<i>8,027</i>	<i>(666)</i>	<i>(5,823)</i>	<i>4,550</i>
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General fund	Bank and cash balances available for general charitable activities.

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### 6 Analysis of fixed assets

#### Assets retained for charity own use

	Net Book Value	Additions	Depreciation	Net Book Value
<b>Purchased in previous years</b>				
Laptops	385	-	-	385
PlayStation	600	-	-	600
Music Equipment	249	-	-	249
ThinkPad	160	-	-	160
Samsung Galaxy	95	-	-	95
iPad	699	-	-	699
Desk Top Computers	239	-	-	239
Gazebos	318	-	-	318
Printer	122	-	-	122
iPhone	1,205	-	-	1,205
Mini Bus	28,275	-	-	28,275
VEO Systems	2,036	-	-	2,036
	<b>34,383</b>	-	-	<b>34,383</b>
	<b>34,383</b>	-	-	<b>34,383</b>
<b>Purchased in 2022/23</b>				
Laptop	402	-	-	<b>402</b>
	402	-	-	<b>402</b>
	<b>34,785</b>	-	-	<b>34,785</b>

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### **Risk Management**

The Trustees still consider that a significant risk facing the Charity is the potential inability to raise sufficient funds to maintain and develop its principal services of sports activities and mentoring to young people. Good performance with our funded projects and the submission of timely and comprehensive monitoring and evaluation reports will mitigate this risk to some extent. In addition, the Charity has also been awarded funding that allows us, as part of a partnership, to hire a professional fundraiser for two days per month

Our priority fundraising goal last year was to secure multiyear funding and we succeed through a three year Reaching Communities grant. This was to support our core costs, including the salary of a Chief Executive.

The increased level of activity that the Charity had built-up over the last year has highlighted the importance of administrative, project management and financial controls. A successful AB Charitable Trust grant was acquired and has supported our core team in the past 12 months. The Trustees have also examined other operational and business risks and can confirm that suitable measures have been taken to mitigate any significant risks.

## Development and Achievements 2022/23

FAV organised a residential trip to Cumbria in 2022, hosting 13 young people from Hulme and Moss Side in collaboration with the Pace Alliance, Violence Reduction Unit, and the Greater Manchester Mayor's Office. The outing provided the young people, who had never ventured beyond Greater Manchester, with outdoor activities focusing on team building and life skills. Our Chief Executive was honoured with the Black FA Award, a testament to our commitment to diversity and inclusion in sports. Winning this award underscores the importance of representation and recognition within our community, especially in empowering marginalised groups.

We're expanding our provision to young people, prioritising accessibility for girls and ethnic minorities, including refugee asylum seekers. Partnering with Manchester Academy, our Football Academy CUKI introduced under U8, 9, 10 teams and a girls team. Our HAF program reached numerous disadvantaged youths, prompting requests for provision in two new areas. Additionally, our Youth Club was launched and quickly established itself offering diversionary activities weekly in a secure, welcoming community space. Exciting partnerships with Barclays, Antz Junction, and Forest Bank Prison are underway, promising further growth and impact in the coming year.

## Funding

Cash funding received in 2022/23 totalled £129,806 (£158,438 in 2021/22). A full breakdown of this funding, together with an indication of what activities and projects those funds were used for, is summarised in the table at the end of this Report. Most of this funding was awarded to enable us to run events and activities for children and young people in our local area. Notable exceptions include:


- i. £32,130 from the Department of Culture, Media and Sport's Youth Investment Fund. This has been used to purchase a mini bus and a camera system that better enables us to provide feedback to participants in our various sports coaching programmes;
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- iv. £6,710 from the Angus Irvine Playing Fields Fund for unrestricted use in furthering the Charity's mission.

Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' Report above.  
Signed on behalf of the charity's Trustees

Signature required:

Linford Sweeney  Date 14th November 2024

## **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Families Against Violence**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 which are set out on pages 10 to 16.

### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

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

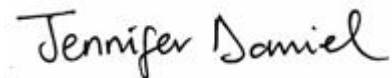
I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

### **Independent examiner's statement**

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; and
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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



Jennifer Daniel FCCA DChA

Slade & Cooper Limited, Chartered Certified Accountants  
Beehive Mill, Jersey Street  
Manchester, M4 6JG

Date 18 November 2024

Families Against Violence  
Receipts and Payments Account  
for the year ended 31 March 2023


	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds 2023	<i>Total funds</i> 2022
Note	£	£	£	£
<b>Receipts</b>				
Donations & Fundraising	3,027	-	3,027	1,592
Grants	5,000	121,779	126,779	156,846
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<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>8,027</b>	<b>121,779</b>	<b>129,806</b>	<b>158,438</b>
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<b>Payments</b>				
Salaries	-	1,816	1,816	1,148
Sessional Staff	-	52,446	52,446	36,937
Rent	-	444	444	255
Transport	80	719	799	1,839
Facility Hire	-	37,630	37,630	25,009
Equipment				
Fixed Assets	-	804	804	32,894
Other Equipment	-	632	632	3,779
Training	-	137	137	150
Administration	586	8,211	8,797	2,790
Event Catering	-	12,201	12,201	12,847
Laundry	-	72	72	726
Match Fees	-	2,121	2,121	879
Insurance	-	1,118	1,118	1,996
General Expenses	-	-	-	1,512
Consulting Fees	-	414	414	500
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<b>Total payments</b>	<b>666</b>	<b>118,765</b>	<b>119,431</b>	<b>123,261</b>
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<b>Net receipts/(payments) before transfers</b>	<b>7,361</b>	<b>3,014</b>	<b>10,375</b>	<b>35,177</b>
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Transfer between funds	-	-	-	-
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<b>Net receipts/payments</b>	<b>7,361</b>	<b>3,014</b>	<b>10,375</b>	<b>35,177</b>
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Cash funds at the start of the year	1,536	38,603	40,139	4,962
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Cash funds at the end of the year	8,897	41,617	50,514	40,139
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Statement of balances  
as at 31 March 2023

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2023 £	Total funds 2022 £
<b>Cash funds</b>					
Bank and cash balances at start of year		40,139	-	40,139	4,962
Surplus / (deficit) shown on receipts and payments account		7,361	3,014	10,375	35,177
<b>Bank and cash balances at end of year</b>		<b>47,500</b>	<b>3,014</b>	<b>50,514</b>	<b>40,139</b>
<b>Other assets</b>					
	Fund			2023	2022
Fixed assets	Unrestricted			34,785	34,383
<b>Total other assets</b>				<b>34,785</b>	<b>34,383</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>					
	Fund			2023	2022
Current Liabilities	Unrestricted			-	1,476
<b>Total liabilities</b>				<b>-</b>	<b>1,476</b>

Approved by the trustees on 14/11/2024 and signed on their behalf by:

  
Linford Sweeney (Chair)

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### Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023

#### **1 Basis of accounting**

These accounts have been prepared on the Receipts & Payments basis in accordance with the

#### **2 Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds are available to spend on activities that further any of the purposes of charity.

Restricted funds are donations which the donor has specified are to be solely used for particular

#### **3 Trustee remuneration and expenses, and related party transactions**

None of the trustees nor any persons connected with them received any remuneration during the year .

No (2022: no) trustees received travel and subsistence expenses during the year.

There are no donations from related parties which are outside the normal course of business and no restricted donations from related parties.

No trustee or other person related to the charity had any personal interest in any contract or

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

**4 Analysis of movements in restricted funds**

	Balance at 1 April 2022	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	Balance at 31 March 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
HMG via Manchester City Council (HAF)	77	-	(77)	-	-
DCM&S / BBC Children in Need	406	-	(406)	-	-
Manchester City Council & Others (CRF)	19,850	-	(19,850)	-	-
HMG via Manchester City Council (HAF)	76	-	(76)	-	-
Sport England / Big Lottery Awards for All	984	-	(984)	-	-
City in the Community	8,275	-	(8,275)	-	-
MCRactive (Half Term)	1,564	-	(1,564)	-	-
Greene King	177	-	(177)	-	-
Sport England	2,091	-	(2,091)	-	-
	1,561	-	(1,561)	-	-
NOMA	65	-	(65)	-	-
KFC	1,399	-	(1,399)	-	-
MCRactive (Breaking MSV Social Housing)	1,500	-	(1,500)	-	-
AB Charitable	578	-	(578)	-	-
Allianze Management		10,000	(10,000)	-	-
Manchester Active		3,000	(3,000)	-	-
		81,279	(38,649)	-	42,630
<b>Total</b>	<b>38,603</b>	<b>121,779</b>	<b>(114,418)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>45,964</b>

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

**4 Analysis of movements in restricted funds (continued)**

<b>Previous reporting period</b>	Balance at 1 April 2021	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	Balance at 31 March 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
<i>HMG via Manchester City Council (HAF)</i>	-	38,115	(38,038)	-	77
<i>DCM&amp;S / BBC Children in Need Manchester City Council &amp; Others</i>	-	32,130	(31,724)	-	406
<i>HMG via Manchester City Council (HAF)</i>	-	20,000	(150)	-	19,850
<i>Sport England / Big Lottery Awards for All</i>	-	10,180	(10,104)	-	76
	-	10,000	(9,016)	-	984
	-	9,800	(1,525)	-	8,275
<i>City in the Community MCRactive (Half Term)</i>	-	5,040	(3,476)	-	1,564
	-	4,802	(4,714)	-	88
	-	3,100	(3,011)	-	89
<i>Greene King</i>	-	3,000	(909)	-	2,091
<i>Sport England</i>	-	2,162	(601)	-	1,561
<i>Forever Manchester</i>	-	2,021	(2,021)	-	-
<i>NOMA</i>	-	2,021	(1,956)	-	65
<i>KFC</i>	-	2,000	(601)	-	1,399
<i>CYP Saturday Soccer Camp</i>	-	1,665	(1,665)	-	-
<i>Payments MCRactive (Breaking Boundaries)</i>	-	1,586	(1,586)	-	-
	-	1,500	-	-	1,500
<i>MSV Social Housing</i>	-	1,000	-	-	1,000
<i>HMG / DWP / Growth</i>	-	1,000	(1,422)	-	(422)
<i>FA Foundation</i>	-	500	(500)	-	-
<i>Manchester FA</i>	-	100	(100)	-	-
<i>Spoted</i>	2,000	-	(3,265)	1,265	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,500</b>	<b>151,722</b>	<b>(117,884)</b>	<b>1,265</b>	<b>38,603</b>

**Name of fund**                      **Description, nature and purposes of the fund**

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

**5 Analysis of movement in unrestricted funds**

	Balance at 1 April 2022 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers £	As at 31 March 2023 £
General fund	3,012	8,027	(666)	-	10,373
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	3,012	8,027	(666)	-	10,373
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<b>Previous reporting period</b>	Balance at 1 April 2021 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers £	As at 31 March 2022 £
General fund	1,462	6,716	(3,901)	(1,265)	3,012
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	1,462	6,716	(3,901)	(1,265)	3,012
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<b>Name of fund</b>	<b>Description, nature and purposes of the fund</b>
General fund	Bank and cash balances available for general charitable activities.

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

**6 Analysis of fixed assets**

**Assets retained for charity own use**

	<b>Net Book Value</b>	<b>Additions</b>	<b>Depreciation</b>	<b>Net Book Value</b>
<b>Purchased in previous years</b>				
Laptops	385	-	-	385
PlayStation	600	-	-	600
Music Equipment	249	-	-	249
ThinkPad	160	-	-	160
Samsung Galaxy	95	-	-	95
iPad	699	-	-	699
Desk Top Computers	239	-	-	239
Gazebos	318	-	-	318
Printer	122	-	-	122
iPhone	1,205	-	-	1,205
Mini Bus	28,275	-	-	28,275
VEO Systems	2,036	-	-	2,036
	<b>34,383</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>34,383</b>
<b>Purchased in 2022/23</b>				
Laptop	-	402	-	<b>402</b>
	-	402	-	<b>402</b>
	<b>34,383</b>	<b>402</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>34,785</b>

**FAMILIES AGAINST VIOLENCE**

England & Wales - Charity number 1166240

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# Accounts

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND FINANCIAL  
STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH  
2022**

**for**

**FAMILIES AGAINST VIOLENCE**

**CHARITY NO 1166240**



Families Against Violence  
Registered Charity No 1166240

**Trustees Report and Financial Statements for the Year Ending  
31<sup>st</sup> March 2022**

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## **REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

Charity No. 1166240 - Constituted as a Foundation Charitable Incorporated Organisation

### **Trustees who served in the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 and to the date of this report**

Katie Fraser (Chair) – full year  
James Gregory – full year  
Ahmed Yassin – full year  
Alexandra Dixon – from 18<sup>th</sup> August 2021  
Will Forwood – from 4<sup>th</sup> April 2022  
Linford Sweeney – from 4<sup>th</sup> April 2022

### **Principal Office & Registered Address**

St Wilfrid's Enterprise Centre  
Birchvale Close, Hulme  
Manchester  
M15 5BJ

### **Bankers**

National Westminster Bank  
19 Market Street  
Manchester  
M1 1WR

### **Chief Executive**

James Gregory

### **Website**

[www.fav-uk.org](http://www.fav-uk.org)

### **Independent Examiner**

Neil Yeomans ACA

Trustees Report for the Year Ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022  
**FAMILIES AGAINST VIOLENCE: DRIVING CHANGE**

**Our founder**



“Every child deserves somebody to turn to. They all deserve encouragement and guidance: the kind of example set by positive role models. Families Against Violence empowers men to be just that. We provide support to young, disadvantaged people so that even the most vulnerable can develop self-confidence and self-esteem.”

**James Gregory – Founder & Chief Executive**

## **Background**

Fathers Against Violence (“FAV”) was established in March 2011 by James Gregory following the death of his son due to gang related violence. The organisation subsequently registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation on 29<sup>th</sup> March 2016 with the name, Families Against Violence (“FAM”).

## **Objects**

The Objects of the charity as per its constitution are: -

The relief of those in need in Greater Manchester in particular but not exclusively by: -

- providing support and guidance to local young people and their families so that they become more effective members of the community;
- addressing and reducing gang and gun culture in the community by using a preventative and early intervention model;
- bringing young people together with the aim of promoting social inclusion that will build their self-esteem, raise their aspirations and encourage them to take greater responsibility for their actions and decisions; and
- making the work of the charity accessible to all members of the community across Greater Manchester for the public benefit.

## **Mission**

FAM’s mission is to limit and prevent the damage, disruption and marginalisation of inner-city communities as a result of exposure to gang culture by: -

- Delivering sports activities to young children in order to raise aspirations and provide tailored support toward positive engagement with education, statutory services and community cohesion initiatives;
- Promoting the positive influence of father figures and male role models with the aim of reducing violence and criminal activity via a bespoke Mentoring Programme;
- Providing specialist support services for young boys at risk of exposure to gang culture enabling them to make informed choices about their future;
- Providing training to local young people to become sports coaches, supporting them through that process and giving them opportunities to practice the acquired skills; and
- Challenging discriminatory policy and practice and informing public perception about issues affecting inner city communities, particularly those of predominantly BME population.

## **Our Services and Activities**

In planning the activities for the year, the Trustees have had regard to the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

In the past year FAM has rebuilt its services to a degree that exceeds the hopes the Trustees had when we eventually emerged from COVID lockdown in Spring 2021. Essentially, entering Spring 2021 all of our face-to-face engagements with children and young people were no more and we were unable to run any sporting activities. At the time of writing, we run seven (7) organised 2-hour sessions per week and, in addition, run a Under 21 football team (CUKI FC) that competes in the Manchester Amateur Sunday League. The full list is: -

**Mondays** – After School Club for 6- to 11-year-olds at Moss Side Leisure Centre

**Mondays** – Fitness, Employability & Lifeskills for 18- to 21-year-olds at Platt Lane Sports Complex

**Wednesdays** - After School Club for 12- to 16-year-olds at Moss Side Leisure Centre

**Thursdays** - Fitness, Employability & Lifeskills for 18- to 21-year-olds at Platt Lane Sports Complex

**Fridays** – Organised Football Session for 16- to 25-year-olds at Platt Lane Sports Complex

**Saturdays** – Soccer School for 6- to 11-year-olds at Platt Lane Sports Complex

**Saturdays** – Soccer School for 12- to 16-year-olds at Platt Lane Sports Complex

**Sundays** – CUKI FC U21 matches at various locations in Greater Manchester.

In addition, FAM in collaboration with partners Claremont Youth Project, Connecting Steps and Hide Away has run Camps during school holidays in Summer, October & December 2021 and in February and April 2022. These Camps, for 6- to 11-year-olds and 12- to 16-year-olds, have featured football and football-related fitness activities, together with classroom-based sessions which, for the older group, have been delivered by experts covering subjects such as gangs and street crime, Black History and the Peace Education Programme.

Over the 2021/22 year we estimate that we have had a total of some 9,000 engagements with children and young people, featuring many hundred distinct individuals. None of this would have course been possible without the efforts of our sessional coaches & classroom leaders (20 in the year) and volunteers (45+ in the year), backed by the organisations who have provided financial and in-kind support for our activities. We are also indebted to management and staff at the local sports facilities we use for their support, advice and patience. These facilities are referenced in the narrative of this Report. MACC, the organisation that supports the voluntary community and social enterprise sector in Manchester, has provided advice and guidance throughout the year.

A special word of thanks must also go to Sported<sup>1</sup> who provided a mentor to work with us to rebuild the charity over the past year.

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<sup>1</sup> Sported is a charity that supports some 3,000 community sports groups in the UK with advice, mentoring and training.

## **Structure, Governance and Management**

FAM is a Foundation CIO. The charity is managed on a day-to-day basis by James Gregory, Chief Executive and Trustee, alongside our independent Trustees with experience and key skills in areas such as Finance, Marketing, HR and Law. The Chair, Katie Fraser, has over 15 years Senior Management experience within the Third Sector working closely in partnership with statutory, private and voluntary sector agencies. Until recently she was the national safeguarding lead for a national charity. Our other long-standing Trustee is Ahmed Yassin, an acknowledged local community leader with much experience in youth work. He is also an award-winning football coach.

Alex Dixon, with a career full of notable marketing and communication contributions, joined us as a Trustee in August 2021. Will Forwood from the financial services industry joined as a Trustee in April 2022 and is our Treasurer. Linford Sweeney, the renowned Black History researcher, educator and writer also joined us as a Trustee in April. We plan to further strengthen our Board in 2022.

The Trustees met regularly throughout the year.

## **Risk Management**

The Trustees still consider that a significant risk facing the Charity is the potential inability to raise sufficient funds to maintain and develop its principal services of sports activities and mentoring to young people. Despite the success in raising funds in 2021/22, none of the funding secured is of a multi-year nature. Good performance with our funded projects and the submission of timely and comprehensive monitoring and evaluation reports will mitigate this risk to some extent. In addition, the Charity has also been awarded funding that allows us, as part of a partnership, to hire a professional fundraiser for two days per month

Our priority fundraising goal this year is to secure long-term monies to support our core costs, including the salary of a Chief Executive. Obtaining core funding is notoriously difficult but it is essential if the medium- and longer-term future of the Charity is to be assured.

The increased level of activity that the Charity had built-up over the last year has highlighted the importance of administrative, project management and financial controls. Experience gained by the core team in the past 12 months in these areas, together with appropriate training (something for which funding has already secured), the contribution from the newly appointed Treasurer and appropriate volunteer recruitment will ensure we are appropriately resourced in these areas.

The Trustees have also examined other operational and business risks and can confirm that suitable measures have been taken to mitigate any significant risks.

## **Development and Achievements 2021/22**

April 2021 saw the lockdown of local leisure and sports centres end as society gradually started to recover from the ravages of COVID 19. Although the impact of the virus will be with us for a long time yet, over the past 12 months FAM has made big strides to re-engage with its local community and to expand its services, whilst at the same time strengthening its internal management processes so it can confidently control the increased activity levels.

Throughout the year we have continued to demonstrate and evidence great strength and value in the provision of sporting activities for disadvantaged and at-risk children and young people. We have coupled this with the provision of mentoring, role models and formal input in areas such as gangs and street crime, Black History, Peace Education Programme. Learning respect for oneself and for others is one of the cornerstones of what we do.

Building on Marcus Rashford's campaign to continue free school meal provision into school holiday periods we have been able to use funding from the Government's Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) fund to provide hot nutritious lunches at our Summer and Winter Camps. Funding from MCRactive allowed us to continue to supply lunches at our school holiday Camps in October and February.

Specific achievements in 2021/22 include: -

- i. Entering into a formal Partnership Agreement with local organisations Claremont Youth Project (CYP) and Connecting Steps Manchester project (CS). The first fruits of this Partnership were seen when it was awarded a £40k grant by the Covid Recovery Fund for capacity building and service extension;
- ii. Launching CUKI FC as an Under 21 young men's team in the Manchester Amateur Sunday League. At the time of writing the team lies second in League Division 2. We are grateful for the financial support for the team received from the Football Association, Manchester FA, the Central Social Fund and from Greene King. City in the Community have provided in-kind support, including football kit;
- iii. Being awarded funding by the Football Association, via the Manchester FA, to start running girls-only football training sessions. To support this, we are developing a cadre of female coaches, helping them to get the relevant qualifications and to provide them with mentoring and experience;
- iv. In addition to developing the abovementioned cadre of female coaching we have invested more broadly in sports coach training and development through the year. The Covid Recovery Fund award will enable us to accelerate and broaden this training in 2022/23;
- v. Recruiting a social media and marketing apprentice for six months as part of the Government's Kickstart scheme;

- vi. Joining the Greater Manchester Federation of Youth Clubs. This step should enable us to access a broader range of services and activities to make available to children and young people;
- vii. Launching a new, modern website – something made possible with support from Power to Change;
- viii. James Gregory being selected to have his portrait exhibited as part of the ‘Portrait of Black Britain’ Exhibition that took place in Manchester in Summer 2021; and
- ix. Being able to make a small contribution to getting our local community connected and online by securing a small number of tablets from Manchester City Council and some Data SIMs from Vodafone.

## **Funding**

Cash funding received in 2021/22 totalled £158,439 (£2,711 in 2020/21). A full breakdown of this funding, together with an indication of what activities and projects those funds were used for, is summarised in the table at the end of this Report. Most of this funding was awarded to enable us to run events and activities for children and young people in our local area. Notable exceptions include: -

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- iv. £6,710 from the Angus Irvine Playing Fields Fund for unrestricted use in furthering the Charity’s mission.

In addition, a number of funding awards were made near the end of 2021/22 for which the cash has yet to be received as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022, including: -

- i. A HAF award of £13,129 from MCRactive (from the Department of Education via Manchester City Council) to enable us to run an Easter Camp in April 2022;
- ii. £900 plus training and equipment from the FA Foundation under the Weetabix Wildcats scheme for us to run football activities for girls aged 5 to 11 years old;
- iii. £900 plus training and equipment from Football England under the Squad Girls Football scheme for us to run football activities for girls aged 12 to 14 years old; and
- iv. £9,138 from Manchester City Council's Neighbourhood Investment Fund as part of a package of funding to enable us to carry out street work and set up and run a youth club in the Fallowfield area of Manchester.

Furthermore, a £500 award from the Central Social and Recreational Trust to help with the running of CUKI FC was paid direct to our suppliers for services provided to support CUKI.

Some of our funders and supporters provided in-kind assistance to the Charity, including: -

- i. Tony McLean, Billa Nanra and their colleagues generously ran Peace Education Programme sessions for our young people at many events during the year, starting with the Friday evening football sessions at Platt Lane. Hot food was also provided gratis by Tony for the Friday sessions. Such was the success of the initial sessions that we decided to incorporate the Programme into our Summer and Winter Camps (on a partially funded basis) and to train local people to help deliver the Programme in the future (funding from the Covid Recovery Fund);
- ii. Power to Change - £3,000 of consultancy and advice to help us create a new website to showcase our events and activities and to help us better communicate with our users and local community;
- iii. Coaching support, kit and other equipment from Manchester City FC's charitable arm, City in the Community;
- iv. A 2-day sports leadership course for young people run by Access Sport and delivered in February 2022;
- v. 15 Data SIMs from Vodafone (distributed to children at a local school); and
- vi. 8 Tablet Computers from Manchester City Council (also distributed to children at a local school).

### **Feedback from Service Users**

Comments shared with the Charity include:

“It [the Summer Camp] was amazing programme; [my]kids loved it, especially during COVID”

“My children have enjoyed the Summer Camp. It has been very beneficial and hope to see it continue”

“Thank you to all of the staff and team for providing great care to the kids and going above and beyond for them”

“My kids love the [October Half Term] Camp and keep it going. Excellent trainers and very well organised”

“Great for the children to have something to do in the [October Half Term] holiday and be active. They have made friends and been able to work as a team with great coaches”

Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' Report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's Trustees



**Katie Fraser** .....  
Trustee

**Date** 8th July 2022.....

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF FAMILIES AGAINST VIOLENCE

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Families Against Violence (the charity) for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 as set out on pages 14 to 20 of this Report.

### Responsibilities and Basis of Report

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

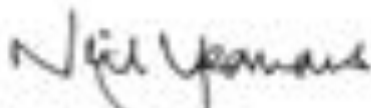
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I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
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I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Neil Yeoman FCA  
Chartered Accountant  
5<sup>th</sup> July 2022

## Receipts and Payments Account for the Year Ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 (£)

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL FUNDS	Last Year Total Funds
<b>Receipts</b>				
Donations, Fundraising & Sponsorship	6	1,586	1,592	
Grants	6,710	150,136	156,846	2,711
Sub-Total	<b>6,716</b>	<b>151,722</b>	<b>158,439</b>	<b>2,711</b>
<b>Payments</b>				
Salaries		1,148	1,148	
Sessional Staff	120	36,817	36,937	7,954
Rent		255	255	272
Transport	948	891	1,839	297
Facility Hire		25,009	25,009	0
Equipment				
Fixed Assets	699	32,195	32,894	
Other Equipment			3,779	44
Training		150	150	
Administration	2,135	654	2,790	1,689
Event Catering		12,847	12,847	84
Laundry		726	726	
Match Fees		879	879	
Insurance		1,996	1,996	573
General Expenses		37	37	15
Consulting / Fees		500	500	
Sub-Total	<b>3,902</b>	<b>117,884</b>	<b>121,785</b>	<b>12,749</b>
Net Receipts Before Transfers	<b>2,815</b>	<b>35,839</b>	<b>36,653</b>	<b>(10,038)</b>
Transfers	<b>(1,265)</b>	<b>1,265</b>		
Net Receipts	<b>1,450</b>	<b>35,103</b>	<b>36,653</b>	
Cash Funds at the Start of Year	<b>1,462</b>	<b>3,500</b>	<b>4,962</b>	<b>15,000</b>
Cash Funds at the End of Year	<b>3,012</b>	<b>38,603</b>	<b>41,615</b>	<b>4,962</b>

**Statement of Assets and Liabilities as of 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 (£)**

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
<b>Assets</b>		
<b>Fixed Assets</b>	<b>34,383</b>	<b>1,653</b>
<b>Cash Assets</b>		
Bank Account	<b>41,615</b>	<b>4,962</b>
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	<b>Total</b> <b>71,998</b>	<b>6,615</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
<b>Rent</b>	<b>1,476</b>	<b>1,132</b>
<b>Independent Examination</b>		<b>600</b>
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	<b>Total</b> <b>1,476</b>	<b>1,732</b>

These financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2022 and signed on their behalf by:



**Katie Fraser**

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### Accounting Policies

#### Basis of Accounting

The Financial Statements have been prepared on a Receipts and Payments basis.

Restricted funds are as stated.

#### Transactions with Trustees

Trustee and CEO James Gregory was paid sessional coaching fees of £11,545 (£5,874 in 2020/21), as provided for in the Charity's constitution and approved by the Trustees. Sessional coaching payments to Trustee Ahmed Yassin of £9,559 in 2021/22 (£Nil in 2020/21) were similarly provided for and approved.

#### Assets Retained for the Charity's Own Use (£)

	Fund to Which Asset Belongs	Cost (Purchased)
<b>Purchased in Previous Years</b>		
Laptop	General	385
PlayStation	MYL	600
Music Equipment	MYL	249
ThinkPad	Angus Irvine Fund	160
Samsung Galaxy	Angus Irvine Fund	95
Printer	Angus Irvine Fund	164
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1,653</b>
<b>Written Off in 2021/22</b>		
Printer	Angus Irvine Fund	164
	<b>Total</b>	<b>164</b>
<b>Purchased in 2021/22</b>		
iPad	Angus Irvine Fund	699
Desk Top Computers	MP&CC	239
Gazebos	HAF	318
Printer	HAF	122
iPhone	Awards for All	1,205
Mini Bus	Youth Investment Fund	28,275
VEO System	Youth Investment Fund	2,036
	<b>Total</b>	<b>32,894</b>
<b>Total Purchase Cost of Assets Retained for Own use at end 2012/22</b>		<b>34,383</b>

## **Liabilities**

The charity's landlords at St. Wilfrid's Enterprise Centre agreed a rent holiday in 2020 due to COVID and generously agreed to extend it to 2021. The Charity started paying down the backlog (now £1,476) in March 2022 and started to pay ongoing rent in April 2022.

## Funds Analysis

	Opening Balance	Receipts	(Payments)	Transfers	Closing Balance	
<b>Restricted Funds (£)</b>						
HMG via Manchester City Council (HAF)		38,115	38,038		77	
DCM&S / BBC Children in Need		32,130	31,724		406	
Manchester City Council & Others (CRF)		20,000	150		19,850	
HMG via Manchester City Council (HAF)		10,180	10,104		76	
Sport England / Tackling Inequalities		10,000	9,016		984	
Big Lottery Awards for All		9,800	1,525		8,275	
City in the Community		5,040	3,476		1,564	
MCRactive (Half Term Camp Feb-22)		4,802	4,714		88	
MCRactive (Half Term Camp Oct-22)		3,100	3,011		89	
Greene King		3,000	909		2,091	
Sport England		2,162	601		1,561	
Forever Manchester (Made by Sport)		2,021	2,021		-	
NOMA		2,021	1,956		65	
KFC		2,000	601		1,399	
CYP		1,665	1,665		-	
Saturday Soccer Camp Payments		1,586	1,586		0	
MCRactive (Breaking Boundaries)		1,500			1,500	
MSV Social Housing Kindness Fund		1,000			1,000	
HMG / DWP / Growth Company		1,000	1,422		(422)	
FA Foundation		500	500		-	
Manchester FA		100	100		-	
Sported	2,000		3,265	1,265	-	
MP&CC	1,500		1,500		-	
					-	
Restricted Funds	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,500</b>	<b>151,722</b>	<b>117,884</b>	<b>1,265</b>	<b>38,603</b>
						-
<b>Unrestricted Funding (£)</b>						
Angus Irvine Foundation		6,710	2,440	(1,259)	3,012	
Donations		6		(6)	-	
Other	1,462		1,462		-	
Unrestricted Funds	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,462</b>	<b>6,716</b>	<b>3,902</b>	<b>(1,265)</b>	<b>3,012</b>
						-
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>4,962</b>	<b>158,439</b>	<b>121,786</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>41,615</b>	

The specific purposes to which the funds listed above have been applied / are to be applied are as follows: -

**HAF Fund** – monies from the Department of Education’s Holiday Activities and Food Fund were received via Manchester City Council and latterly administered by MCRactive. With these monies we ran a Summer Camp for 5 weeks in August 2021 and a 6-day Winter Camp in December. The Camps comprised sports-related activities, plus classroom work which, for the older children, featured workshops on gangs and street crime, Black History and the Peace Education Programme. Hot nutritional food was provided to attendees at lunchtimes and this was supplemented by information about healthy eating and the preparation of value for money meals.

**DCMS / Children in Need / Youth Investment Fund** – monies from this fund were used to purchase, insure and ‘wrap’ a mini bus for community use and to purchase a sophisticated video camera system (VEO) to enhance the coaching experience at our football activities.

**Manchester City Council & Others (CRF)** – The Covid Recovery Fund is aimed at enhancing capability and building capacity with FAM and its partner organisations, Claremont Youth Project and Connecting Steps Manchester Project. In addition to using the funds for various types of training, this award has enabled us to hire a contract fundraiser for two days per month.

**Sport England / Tackling Inequalities** – this award has enabled us to run a twice a week after-School club for local youngsters at Moss Side Leisure Centre.

**Big Lottery Awards for All** – this award has enabled us to run a twice-a-week evening fitness / mental health / employability session for local young men at Platt Lane Sports Complex.

**City in the Community** – this provides for the running costs of our Friday evening open football session at Platt Lane Sports Complex.

**MCRactive / Half Term Camps** – funding has been provided to enable us to run 5-day Camps during the October 2021 and February 2022 Half-Term School holidays. Content was similar to the HAF Camps.

**Greene King** – funding under their ‘Proud to Pitch’ scheme has been provided to help support the set-up and running costs of CUKI FC.

**Sport England** – monies received have been used to run the Saturday Soccer Schools held at Platt Lane Sports Complex.

**Forever Manchester (Made by Sport)** – monies received have been used to run the Saturday Soccer Schools.

**NOMA** – monies received have been used to run the Saturday Soccer Schools.

**KFC** – monies received have been used to run the Saturday Soccer Schools.

**Claremont Youth Project** – these monies have been used to pay for venue hire at the Whalley Range Sports Centre that we booked on CYP's behalf.

**Saturday Soccer Camp Fees** – a £2 per head fee is charged for attendance at the Saturday Soccer Schools, in order to enable the funding for the schools to stretch over a longer period.

**MCRactive (Breaking Boundaries)** – monies received have been used to help run the Saturday Soccer Schools.

**MSV Kindness Fund** – monies received have been used to help run the Saturday Soccer Schools.

**HMG / DWP / Growth Company** – this award was to enable us to recruit a marketing and social media apprentice for six months.

**FA Foundation** – monies received under their 'Return to Football' scheme were used to support the set-up and running costs of CUKI FC.

**Manchester FA** – monies received were used to support the set-up and running costs of CUKI FC.

**Central Social & Recreational Trust** – monies received were used to support the set-up and running costs of CUKI FC.

**FAMILIES AGAINST VIOLENCE**

England & Wales - Charity number 1166240

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# Accounts

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Report of the Trustees and Financial Statements for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup>  
March 2021

for

Families Against Violence

Charity No 1166240



Families Against Violence  
Registered Charity No 1166240

**Trustees' Report and Financial Statements for the year ended  
31<sup>st</sup> March 2021**

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## **Reference and administrative information**

Charity No. 1166240

Constituted as a Foundation Charitable Incorporated Organisation

## **Trustees who served in the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 and to the date of this report**

Katie Fraser (Chair)

Selina Green until 17.9.20

John Jones until 24.2.21

James Gregory

Akeim Mundell 17.8.20-24.11.20

Ahmed Yassin from 18.9.20

## **Principal Office & Registered Address**

St Wilfrid's Enterprise Centre  
Birchvale Close, Hulme  
Manchester  
M15 5BJ

## **Bankers**

NatWest  
323 Oxford Road  
Manchester  
M13 9PS

## **Chief Executive**

James Gregory

## **Website**

[www.fav-uk.org](http://www.fav-uk.org)

## **Independent Examiner**

Neil Yeomans ACA

**Our founder**



“Every child deserves somebody to turn to. They all deserve encouragement and guidance: the kind of example set by positive role models. Families Against Violence empowers men to be just that. We provide support to young, disadvantaged people so that even the most vulnerable can develop self-confidence and self-esteem.”

**James Gregory – Founder & Chief Executive**

## Background

Fathers Against Violence (“FAV”) was established in March 2011 by James Gregory following the death of his son due to gang related violence. FAV subsequently registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, Families against Violence CIO (“FAM”) on 29<sup>th</sup> March 2016.

## Objects

The Objects of the charity as per its constitution are:

The relief of those in need in Greater Manchester in particular but not exclusively by:

- providing support and guidance to local young people and their families so that they become more effective members of the community;
- addressing and reducing gang and gun culture in the community by using a preventative and early intervention model;
- bringing young people together with the aim of promoting social inclusion that will build their self-esteem, raise their aspirations and encourage them to take greater responsibility for their actions and decisions; and
- making the work of the charity accessible to all members of the community across Greater Manchester for the public benefit.

## Mission

Families Against Violence’s mission is to limit and prevent the damage, disruption and marginalization of inner-city communities as a result of exposure to gang culture by:

- Delivering sports activities to young children in order to raise aspirations and provide tailored support toward positive engagement with education, statutory services and community cohesion initiatives;
- Promoting the positive influence of father figures and male role models with the aim of reducing violence and criminal activity via a bespoke Mentoring Programme;
- Providing specialist support services for young boys at risk of exposure to gang culture enabling them to make informed choices about their future; and
- Challenging discriminatory policy and practice and informing public perception about issues affecting inner city communities, particularly those of predominantly Black and Ethnic Minorities population.

## Our Services and Activities

In planning the activities for the year, the Trustees have had regard to the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

The past year at Families Against Violence (FAV) has been a time of momentous change, both internally and externally. We now enter a new era of possibilities presented by rebuilding in the wake of the Covid19 pandemic and the multiple harms of structural racism, which Black Lives Matter have shone such light on. Over the last twelve months, we have made a commitment to ensuring that equality, diversity and inclusion are central to all strands of our work. We recognise that we need to do much more to address all forms of discrimination,

including racism in the world of youth sports and football in particular. We are proud of leading the way in innovative services, such as our rapid digital mobilisation during the height of the Coronavirus pandemic. None of the work of the last year would have been possible without the drive, determination and passion of our team: trustees and volunteers - including the young people who access our services. The generosity of our funders and supporters has often extended beyond financial contributions, showing deep faith in our mission to limit and prevent the damage, disruption and marginalization of inner-city communities as a result of exposure to gang culture.

During the last 12 months FAM was able to retain existing activity that was delivered between 2019 and 2020 and also secured additional funding until all activity had to be curtailed in line with Government guidelines around Covid 19. Again, this additional funding was beneficial in extending service delivery but, in turn, highlighted issues around the core infrastructure required to manage this additionality. These issues, particularly around financial management were further compounded when FAM was unable to recruit a Trustee with expertise in Finance (following the previously reported tragic death of our Treasurer), despite a robust recruitment procedure on Charity Jobs websites.

Initially, until March 2020, the existing three weekly football events were offered for two broad age groups, 11-18, run on weekday evenings using a football pitch in a local high school, and a Saturday event for those aged 6 – 10 year that takes place in a local leisure centre:

- Can u Kick it Football Session Thursday Manchester Academy 6-8 pm Ages 11-19 years old
- Can u Kick it Football Session Friday Platt Lane Complex 5-7 pm Education Though Sport
- Can u Kick it Football Session Saturday Trinity High School 12-2 pm 6-11 year 12–19-year-olds.

In addition, we were able to continue to deliver two new sessions:

- Can u Kick it Football Session Moss Side Centre Wednesday 5-7 pm - Ages 9–13-year-olds
- Can u Kick it Football Session Moss Side Power House Wednesday 6-8pm - Ages 9–13-year-olds.

When the Covid 19 crisis hit and we had to cease our sporting activities we were aware that we would have to make a rapid digital mobilisation in order to continue to support our young people. We also recognised that our families lacked the basic resources to engage in virtual support. Most of our families only have a basic mobile phone that lacks the smart technology required to maintain engagement with our virtual community. We needed to provide a basic Smart phone and top up credit for our most vulnerable families so that we could continue to support them effectively. We also needed to provide our Mentors and Mentees with basic tablets and in some circumstances, a dongle (where there is no internet in the house) so that they could continue their 1-2-1 work and also develop group activities that can be delivered to young people via their mobile phones. We were successful in a bid to the Covid-19

Community Response Fund offered by We Love Manchester which allowed us to offer much needed IT equipment as detailed above to our young people and their families.

### Structure, Governance and Management

FAV is a Foundation CIO. The charity is managed on a day-to-day basis by James Gregory, Chief Executive and Trustee alongside other independent trustees, with experience in key skills in areas such as Finance, Marketing, HR and Law. In addition, the Chair has over 15 years Senior Management experience within the Third Sector working closely in partnership with statutory, private and voluntary sector agencies.

Selina Green stood down as a Trustee in September 2020 and John Jones stood down in February 2021, but we were fortunate enough to appoint Akeem Mundell as a short-term Trustee from August to November 2020. In addition, we were delighted to be able to appoint Ahmed Yassin as a Trustee in September 2020. Ahmed brings a wealth of local knowledge, contacts and energy to our team. Additional recruitment is planned for 2021 with focus on BAME applicants and those with lived experience and also focused on applicants with expertise in accountancy/financial planning and those with marketing capability.

The Trustees met regularly throughout the year.

### Risk Management

The Trustees consider that a risk facing the Charity is an inability to raise sufficient funds to maintain and develop its core services of sports activities and mentoring to young people. This has never been more evident than this year when we have had to rapidly adapt our service delivery model in order to continue to offer support to our young people without the offer of our sporting activities.

Covid-19 and Lockdown has had a major impact on our fundraising. Whilst existing funders have been incredibly supportive, several strong funding prospects have been put on hold because funders have changed their own longer-term plans to focus on emergency relief. The pandemic has also limited our ability to progress public fundraising, and restrained our ability to organise events to raise awareness of services, including those like our Annual Awards Events and public speaking opportunities across local schools, colleges and forums for Young People.

Our fundraising goals this year are to strengthen our core funding streams over the longer term, so as to ensure that our service capability is fully funded. We expect the financial impact of Covid-19 to put severe pressure on the resources of our funders in the coming year and beyond. We are already in talks with funders about what this means for the sustainability of services going forward, particularly when needs of the young people we support are likely to be even more extreme for some time to come. Our main sources of funding are through the delivery of grants and contracts, and through the support of charitable trusts and foundations.

The Trustees have also examined other operational and business risks and can confirm that suitable measures have been taken to mitigate any significant risks.

### **Funding**

As mentioned previously, funding levels in 2020/21 were massively down compared with 2019/20 and 2018/19 due to the impact of Covid. Our net income in 2020/21 was some 3% of the prior year. We were in receipt of continued funding from Stockport Council (£3,091) and received a grant from We Love Manchester (£3,000) under the Covid-19 Community Response Fund mentioned above.

As mentioned in the 2019/20 Report, a service contract with Brinnington Big Local (contracted via Groundworks) was terminated early and this led to a repayment of £6,880.

We are grateful to all funders who support our work, including a grant of £1,500 from Greater Manchester Police and Crime Commissioner under the Government's Asset Recovery Incentivisation Scheme and a grant of £2k was from Sported in February 2021, used to fund pitch hire and sessional coaches to enable us to start delivering football sessions again as soon as the lifting of lockdown restrictions made this possible - April 2021.

2021/22 got off to a good start with funding being secured from the Angus Irvine Trust, the Football Foundation, City in the Community, the Big Lottery and the Holiday Activities & Food Fund.

### **Development and Achievements 2020-21**

The past year at FAM has been a time of momentous change, both internally and externally. We now enter a new era of possibilities presented by rebuilding in the wake of the Covid-19 pandemic and the multiple harms of structural racism, which Black Lives Matter have shone such light on and of which FAM has been long aware.

Along with so many charities like ourselves, the Covid-19 pandemic has had a major impact on our fundraising plans, operational service delivery and strategic plans for the future. FAM started working from home in March 2020, following closure of our office and the cessation of all organised team sports activities in line with government guidance and regulations. As a small charity, FAM was able to move rapidly to a virtual model of service delivery, offering video calling, more intensive phone support to young people and some individual tailored support in order to meet emergency needs during lockdown, e.g. food parcels etc. We posted materials to young people to support their wellbeing during the Covid-19 crisis and lockdown period, such as information and tools to support mental health awareness, self-care, exercise, nature and relaxation including creative activities. We also provide on-line workshops and group work. On the whole service users have responded positively to this change but the vital face-to-face and community elements of our sporting activities services have been deeply affected and anecdotally we see a detrimental impact on the mental health of the young people who access our services.

Throughout the year we have continued to demonstrate and evidence great strength and value in the field of sporting activities for disadvantaged youth. We have maximised potential by:

- The distribution of electronic tablets to young people across two partner schools: Chorlton High School South & Chorlton High School
- The distribution of track suits, bottoms, tops, basketballs and telephones to young people identified as being most in need
- Workshops to over 30 young people Ages 10-16 on Anti-Social Behaviour and Gangs for the Charity Eagle Learning Centre Newton Heath.

#### Feedback from Service Users

Comments shared with the Charity include:

From a Year Head of a local School –

*“I am writing this letter to express our thanks to your organisation for donating some Samsung tablets PC to our students, parents are chuffed and happy, we reached out to our most disadvantaged students in the year group who really appreciated this.*

*Having this device will allow students to continue being the best version of themselves, whilst they continue to study at St Matthew’s High School, parents have been informed and they have expressed their thanks.”*


From a regular attendee at our football sessions –

*“I’ve been coming to CUKI since winter 2016 and since then the project has been growing ever since, bringing the community together and introducing new opportunities to the charity. Over the years CUKI has been very helpful to many people that was struggling to find their way of life and has helped many of the youth to enjoy something they love which is football and CUKI brings benefits to giving out free courses helped with the FA and gets the younger generation engaged and gives them a positive mindset for the outside world. Since March 2020 till now covid has had a detrimental effect to all of sport around the UK and one of the main factors CUKI has helped the community was keeping well aware of mental well-being and health this is important because if something is preventing people do what they enjoy (COVID) then mentally this is challenging for people that can’t participate in activities like this. CUKI on the other hand has done well exceptionally following the guidelines and- Has helped by continuing on the project after months being out, by putting out some football training over the months and some enjoyable matches at the parks and brought the community back on its feet and with the help of the city in the community has also opened up more facilities such as playing again at the Platt Lane complex which has really helped the charity to get back on the strong foot to carry on developing the organisation and offer more opportunities to the younger generation As a summary, covid has been a factor in both ways for CUKI and as a person that’s been through the ups and downs for a few years CUKI has managed to keep growing and I’m thankful to see the charity blossom and can’t wait for the future it holds*

Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' Report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

  
Kate Fraser .....  
Trustee

Date ..... 08.09.2021 .....

## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF FAMILIES AGAINST VIOLENCE**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 as set out on pages 12 to 15 of this Report.

### **Responsibilities and Basis of Report**

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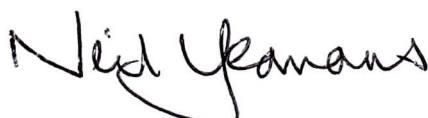
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Neil Yeomans ACA  
Chartered Accountant  
7<sup>th</sup> September 2021

## Receipt and Payment Accounts for the Year Ended 31st March 2021 (£)

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL FUNDS	Last Year Total Funds
<b>Receipts</b>				
Manchester Young Lives			0	34,315
We Love Manchester		3,000	3,000	
Manchester City Council			0	3,450
Stockport Homes			0	1,800
Stockport Council		3,091	3,091	11,475
Stockport Sports Trust			0	21,339
Groundworks		(6,880)	(6,880)	11,642
Police and Crime Comm'r		1,500	1,500	
Trafford College			0	1,000
Angus Irvine Fund			0	5,590
Sponsorship			0	
Sported		2,000	2,000	
Donations			0	900
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,711</b>	<b>2,711</b>	<b>91,511</b>
<b>Payments</b>				
Sessional Staff	2,994	4,960	7,954	70,465
Rent	272		272	1,100
Transport		297	297	3,690
Facility Hire			0	14,581
Training Equipment		44	44	1,111
Administration	939	750	1,689	1,696
Food & Drink		85	85	4,161
Insurance	573		573	629
IT Equipment Donated to Community		1,820	1,820	
General Expenses	15		15	188
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>4,793</b>	<b>7,956</b>	<b>12,749</b>	<b>97,621</b>
<b>Asset Purchases</b>				
Total			0	422
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>4,793</b>	<b>7,956</b>	<b>12,749</b>	<b>98,043</b>
<b>Net Receipts</b>	<b>(4,793)</b>	<b>(5,245)</b>	<b>(10,038)</b>	<b>(6,532)</b>
<b>Transfers</b>	<b>(8,731)</b>	<b>8,731</b>	<b>0</b>	
Balances Brought Forward	14,986	14	15,000	21,533
Balances Carried Forward	1,462	3,500	4,962	15,000

## Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31st March Each Year

	2021	2020
<b>Assets</b>		
Fixed assets	<u>1,653</u>	<u>1,653</u>
Cash assets		
Bank accounts	<u>4,962</u>	<u>15,000</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Rent	1,132	0
Independent examination	600	600
Repayment to Groundworks	<u>0</u>	<u>6,880</u>
	<u>1,732</u>	<u>7,480</u>

These financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 7<sup>th</sup> September 2021 and are signed on their behalf by:



Kate Fraser  
Trustee

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### Accounting Policies

#### Basis of Accounting

The Financial Statements have been prepared on a Receipts and Payments basis.

Restricted funds are as stated.

#### Transactions with Trustees

Trustee and CEO James Gregory was paid sessional coaching fees of £5,874 (£10,020 in 2019/20), as provided for in the charity's constitution, and was approved by the Trustees.

#### Funds Analysis

	Opening balance	Receipts	(Payments)	Transfers	Closing balance
Restricted Funds					
Manchester Young Lives	(3,518)			3,518	0
Manchester City Council	(1,569)			1,569	0
Stockport Homes	(383)			383	0
Stockport Council	(37)	3,091	(4,809)	1,755	0
Stockport Sports Trust	(383)			383	0
Groundworks	6,058	(6,880)		822	0
Trafford College	(20)			20	0
We Love Manchester		3,000	(3,147)	147	0
Sported		2,000			2,000
Police and Crime Comm'r		1,500			1,500
Other	(134)			134	0
	14	2,711	(7,956)	8,731	3,500
Unrestricted funds	14,986		(4,793)	(8,731)	1,462
Total funds	15,000	2,711	(12,749)	0	4,962

The specific purposes for which the funds were / are to be applied is as follows: -

**Stockport Council** – monies were paid to the charity for 1:1 mentoring services provided under the Next Steps Programme

**Groundworks** – monies were repaid to Brinnington Big Local (contracted via Groundworks) due to the early termination of a service contract

**We Love Manchester** – the grant received under the Covid-19 Community Response Fund was used to purchase much needed IT and communications equipment which was then donated to the local community

**Sported** – the monies received under the Simplyhealth X Sported Project are to help the charity restart its provision of football-based activities

**Greater Manchester Police & Crime Commissioner** - the monies received under the Asset Recovery Incentivisation Scheme (ARIS) are to help the charity restart its provision of football-based activities.

### **Liabilities**

The Accounts record a liability of £600 for independent examination of the Charity's Accounts for 2018/19 and 2019/20. This fee was paid on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

The charity's landlords at St. Wilfrid's Enterprise Centre agreed a rent holiday in 2020, due to Covid. The landlords have generously agreed to extend this rent holiday into the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of 2021/22, pending the charity securing sufficient core funding to start paying rent again and to start paying off the accumulated £1,132 backlog. The Trustees are cautiously confident that the necessary core funding will be secured in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of 2021/22 and funding bids to that end have been submitted.