

# FIRESTARTERS WALES

England & Wales · Charity number 1175278

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2017-10-20

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

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**Address** 10 Dorchester Avenue  
Penylan  
Cardiff  
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## Activities

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**Objects:** TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH FOR THE BENEFIT OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATEMENT OF FAITH IN WALES AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS. TO HELP YOUNG PEOPLE, ESPECIALLY BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY THROUGH LEISURE TIME ACTIVITIES, SO AS TO DEVELOP THEIR CAPABILITIES THAT THEY MAY GROW TO FULL MATURITY AS INDIVIDUALS AND MEMBERS OF SOCIETY.

**Activities:** We gather Christian youth from all denominations across South Wales to encourage, support, connect them in their love for God and equip them to share their faith. We meet every 6 weeks to worship, teach, mentor and train youth to be strong role models to others. We go into the community with acts of kindness and faith sharing, which sparks love for Jesus for everyday life and into their futures.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People

## Geography

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- Throughout Wales

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£11,051	£8,738	-	-
2024-03-31	£7,632	£8,043	-	-
2023-03-31	£3,652	£3,415	-	-
2022-03-31	£3,678	£3,633	-	-
2021-03-31	£769	£1,577	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>RUTH AKINWALE</b>	Chair	2025-02-24
JANETTE ELIZABETH GORINGE		2017-05-24
Julie Lawrence		2020-01-15
Robert James Burton		2025-06-01
Rodney Davis		2023-05-22

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# Accounts

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# FireStarters **+** Wales

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT & ACCOUNTS 2025

Approved by Trustees on November 24<sup>th</sup> 2025

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Charity Number: 1175278

Registered Office: 10, Dorchester Avenue, Penylan, Cardiff CF23 9BQ

Bank Account: Lloyds Bank

Facebook: FIRESTARTERS WALES

Trustees: for the year ended 31.3.2025

Andrew Goringe

Janette Goringe

Julie Lawrence

Rodney Davis

Matthew Lewis (Chair)

Daniel Hall

Ruth Akinwale

Secretary: Jayne Roberts

## TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT - April 2024- March 2025

Significant highlights, events and developments include the following:

In relation to activities:

The Trustees are committed to enabling as many young people as possible to join in with FireStarters gatherings.

The Trustees maintain oversight of all that we do and make suggestions to review our policies so that these continue to be implemented by the leadership team to include all young people seeking to attend.

When planning our activities for the year, the Trustees and leadership team have considered the commission's guidance on public benefit and in particular the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.

We try to enable youth from all social backgrounds and denominations, with faith or no faith to attend.

Our gatherings always have worship, prayer, teaching from the Bible, sharing the gospel and activation in living out a love for Jesus in everyday life.

We have continued to meet once a month on the 2nd Saturday of every month and this has continued to provide parents and young people with clarity and assurance on when we meet.

We had three weekends this year in June, November and March. We changed our summer weekend this year from July to June to give space for all the necessary planning that needs to happen in July ready for the mission starting later in July.

Attendance has increased further this year as more parents understand our rhythm for signing up and as more young people engage with our Instagram post outs. Many youth leaders have been recognising the positive input of FireStarters and have been planning youth input around our monthly gatherings so that their youth are able to attend. We have had many who attend regularly with a handful each time wanting to taste and see who we are. Those that regularly attended benefited from gaining deeper friendships and received teaching into our themes April to July of 'Being Ambassadors in Christ.' and Oct - March of 'Being Alive in Christ'.

All our events have had a good ratio of adults to young people with around 12 leaders and 50-70 young people attending regularly which is an increase from last year's attendance. Our young teenage leaders have taken an active part in the days set up, worship team, leading small group discussion, giving short teachings and leading games.

We have over 20 voluntary adult leaders that are all DBS checked and willingly attend leaders training in September and help at gatherings when they are available.

Training is paramount so that all our leaders have safeguarding, food hygiene and fire safety input as well as helping everyone gain vision for the full year ahead. Some ongoing training and support for our young and adult leaders also happens before a day's gathering starts and on regular planning zooms between the events. The young leaders' input times have mostly been on zoom due to wide distance of home

location for all and some input at our monthly gatherings. We also gave a focused two-day input in February.

All general admin happens from the leader's home office. The leader has had additional voluntary help with admin from October 2024.

Core team has remained a strong support to the leader by giving constructive feedback of gatherings in regular in person meetings and on zoom throughout the year and this team provide much needed support, oversight and prayer. Members of the core team have attended all planning times and have attended regularly all gatherings, so they are generally more aware of areas of need among the young people and able to support the lead in this. One member of the Core team had to step back from attending most gatherings October 2024 to March 2025 due to commitments to residential training weekends with work. This core team member was missed.

We have continued to enjoy worship leaders coming in to support our present team and this has given our young people a wider experience of worship styles and kept worship fresh and dynamic. A worship training was given for those that opted in. Two of our team were part of this. This was in collaboration with Liberty Church, Newport. We hope to collaborate again in the future.

Two new churches were excited to open their doors to us this year, City Church Swansea and then Oasis/ Vineyard Church in Blackwood.

Outreach times as part of our days continues to be a catalyst to many young people recognising they have a very real hope to share with people outside of the building. Many expressed an increase of boldness and excitement in being able to step out to share about Jesus with those that have perhaps never heard about Him.

Our Firestarter's Lead continues to meet with Cefnogi, a youth leaders support group. This group enables Firestarters to connect with many different youth leaders from Cardiff, Newport, Caerphilly and the valley's towns. She also attends a monthly zoom to connect with leaders in north Wales discussing discipleship of young people in Wales and still connects with leaders and youth leaders through Message Wales prayer gatherings and some termly Youth Nights.

Our website after much work was launched in early April. It's been a great success. It enabled more young people to sign up and gave current FireStarters young people a place to point their friends to. Many were now able to know who we are, what we do, and parents were reassured that we are a charity that take seriously our responsibility to the safety and growth of their young person joining us.

Our joint mission in late July, early August with FireStarters Scotland to Manchester was a great success and impacting for all those that attended. We collaborated with our host church, Bethany Church in Gatley and several key ministries within Manchester. We were so grateful to have had speakers from PrayerStorm, 24/7 youth prayer, YWAM and Message come and join us.

A further joint mission to Swansea for summer 2025 is being planned.

## Funding

Total income for the year was £11,051 and total expenditure was £8,738.09 therefore reserves have increased by £2,313.

Donations made by Firestarters during the year were for £445 to Pontypridd Youth and £230 to Titus and Timothy Trust.

There has been ongoing financial support from our young people's subscriptions at each gathering covering costs for speakers, building hire, PA services, trustees travel expenses, weekend food, ongoing admin and annual insurance, Churchsuite - our admin hub, membership and DBS checks and online safeguarding training with Thirtyone Eight and payments for the launch of our website.

Firestarters Hoodies were purchased and sold during the year.

We received a number of one-off gifts throughout the year and some regular monthly donations.

Gift aid is being prepared ready for the next financial year.

We are grateful to all our supporters and volunteers and wish to thank them for their ongoing encouragement and commitment to the young people.



**Firestarters Wales Charity Number 1175278**  
**Income and Expenditure Report Year Ended 31 March 2025**

	31.03.2024	31.03.2025
<b>Income</b>		
Subs	£4452	£6131
Mission income	£2221	£1799
Gifts/Donations	£526	£688
Gift aided donations	£433	£1608
Hoody Sales		£825
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£7632</b>	<b>£11051</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Arts and crafts	£94	£181
Outreach Supplies	£158	£229
Stationary	£121	£66
Speakers' fees and expenses	£719	£861
Trustee expenses (Travel Costs)	£132	£47
PA services	£30	
Gifts given	£274	£56
Canteen supplies	£1032	£1253
Donations	£519	£675
Building hire	£1000	£740
Insurance	£304	£319
DBS Checks and training	£263	£649
Equipment		£31
Administration.	£1089	£1064
Mission expenses	£2308	£1799
Hoodies purchased		£768
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>£8043</b>	<b>£8738</b>
<b>TOTAL surplus / deficit</b>	<b>(£411)</b>	<b>£2313</b>



**Firestarters Wales Charity Number 1175278**

**Balance Sheet Report Year Ended 31 March 2025**

	Balance 31.03.2024	Balance 31.03.2025
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Bank Current Account	£5,712	£8025
Petty Cash	£20	£20
Total	£5,732	£8045
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Total	£0	£0
	£5,732	£8045
<b>Reserves</b>		
Surplus/Deficit YTD	(£411)	£2313
Surplus brought forward	£6143	£5732
Surplus/deficit plus last year's balance	£5732	£8045

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Janette Goringe

Julie Lawrence

Rodney Davies

Matthew Lewis

Secretary: Jayne Roberts

## TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT - April 2023- March 2024

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We have continued to meet once a month on the 2nd Saturday of every month and this has continued to provide parents and young people with clarity and assurance on when we meet.

We had three weekends this year in July, November and March. We added a further weekend this year to give room for depth of input, relationship building and time to meaningfully connect with God.

Attendance has increased further this year as more parents understand our rhythm for signing up and as more young people engage with our Instagram post outs. Many youth leaders have been recognising the positive input of FireStarters and have been planning youth input around our monthly gatherings so that their youth are able to attend. We have had many who attend regularly with a handful each time wanting to taste and see who we are. Those that regularly attended benefited from gaining deeper friendships and received teaching into our themes April to July of 'Freedom That Is Ours in Christ.' and Oct - March of Being Ambassadors in Christ.'

All our events have had a good ratio of adults to young people with around 12 leaders and 40-60 young people attending regularly which is a marked increase from last year's attendance. Our young teenage leaders have taken an active part in worship, small group discussion, short teachings and games.

We have over 22 voluntary adult leaders that are all DBS checked and willingly attend leaders training in September and help at gatherings when they are available.

Training is paramount so that all our leaders have safeguarding and fire safety input as well as helping everyone gain vision for the full year ahead. Some ongoing training and support for our young and adult leaders also happens before a day's gathering starts and on regular planning zooms between the events. The young leaders' input times have all been in person with a focused two day input in February.

All general admin happens from the leader's home office or free desk space at Urban Crofters office.

Core team has remained a strong support to the leader by giving constructive feedback in regular in person meetings and on zoom. Members of the core team have led planning times for several sessions in the year and have attended regularly all gatherings so they are generally more aware of areas of need among the young people and able to support Janette in this.

We have continued to need worship leaders to come in to support our team but this has given our young people a wider experience of worship styles and kept worship fresh and dynamic.

Two new churches were excited to open their doors to us this year, one in Ely, Reflect Community Church and Thornhill Church in Llanishen.

Reflect church were renovating some rooms in faith for youth and children. Many years ago this chapel had over 1000 children and youth coming into their building each week. They have very few now but have a stirring to trust for more once more. On our April gathering we went out in small adult led groups to pray around the church in Ely. Prayer seemed hard going but we prayed. One group met three boys who attached themselves to the group and taunted our youth wanting attention. They followed us back to the church and over dinner many of our young people spoke to them. This same group met a man who openly asked why a group would talk to him and be in the area. He exclaimed "It's not a good place to be." The leader shared that Jesus didn't come for those who thought they had it altogether but came to the broken places and people who knew they needed help and a saviour. He heard this!

After a time of testimony in the evening we spontaneously went into prayer focused on those three boys and the man. One young 12 year old said sorry for judging the boys and prayed. In that time the tangible presence of God was in our midst. We thank God for all He showed us. We thank God ALMIGHTY who wants to heal the land around Ely and hears the prayers of His people who are called by His name!

One of our leaders in her 20's realised this was the chapel her Great Grandad had helped build because he had seen the many kids out on the street needing Jesus.

We later took up an offering for this church and together with our yearly tithe we were able to give the church £519.

Outreach times as part of our days continues to be a catalyst to many young people recognising they have a very real hope to share with people outside of the building. Many expressed an increase of boldness and excitement in being able to step out to share about Jesus with those that have perhaps never heard about Him.

The Firestarters Leader continues to meet with Cefnogi, a youth leaders support group. This group enables Firestarters to connect with many different youth leaders from Cardiff, Newport, Caerphilly and the valley's towns as well as other ministries such as Message Wales and Tearfund.

There has had a committed Core team around the leader this past year facilitating some of the planning times, feedback from each gathering and general oversight and prayer.

Our website has been forming well through this past year and is set to launch in early April. This will allow many more young people to sign up and enable FireStarters young people to share easily with their friends as to who we are, what we do and to reassure parents that we are a charity that take seriously our responsibility to the safety and growth of our young people.

Our joint mission in late July, early August with FireStarters Scotland to the Isle of Lewis was a great success and impacting for all those that attended. We collaborated with several churches on the island, encouraging them to keep in prayer for their younger generation. We were able to listen and learn from several men and women who had been in the last revival 1949-1952. It was wonderful to honour their faithfulness and see how spiritually alive they remain in their 90's.

A further joint mission to Manchester for summer 2024 is being planned. This appears to be a hub of youth prayer at this time with Prayerstorm, 24/7 youth prayer and Message and we will seek to partner with leaders of these during this mission week.

#### **In relation to funding:**

- There has been ongoing financial support from our young people's subs at each gathering covering costs for speakers, building hire, PA services, worship leaders from outside our

team, trustees travel expenses, weekend food, ongoing admin in annual insurance, Churchsuite - our admin hub, membership and DBS checks with Thirtyone Eight and then a one off payment for our website design.

- We had 9 one off gifts throughout the year and some regular monthly donations.

We are grateful to all our supporters and volunteers and wish to thank them for their ongoing encouragement and commitment to the young people.



**Firestarters Wales Charity Number 1175278**  
**Income and Expenditure Report Year Ended 31 March 2024**

	31.03.2024	31.03.2023
<b>Income</b>		
Subs	£4451.62	£2889.20
Mission income	£2220.57	
Gifts/Donations	£526.00	£355.00
Gift aided donations	£433.37	£408.07
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£7631.56</b>	<b>£3652.27</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Arts and crafts	£94.28	£91.21
Outreach Supplies	£157.40	£65.10
Stationary	£120.38	£93.70
Speakers fees and expenses	£719.05	£448.00
Trustee expenses(Travel Costs)	£132.38	
PA services	£30.00	
Gifts given	£274.41	£264.95
Canteen supplies	£1031.95	£721.88
Donations	£519.00	£0.00
Building hire	£1000.00	£330.00
Insurance	£304.10	£304.38
DBS Checks	£263.00	£304.25
Travel/Petrol		£53.91
Administration.	£1088.47	£610.49
Mission expenses	£2308.22	
Miscellaneous	£0.00	£126.92
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>£8042.64</b>	<b>£3414.79</b>
<b>TOTAL surplus / deficit</b>	<b>(£411.08)</b>	<b>£237.48</b>



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**Balance Sheet Report Year Ended 31 March 2024**

	Balance 31.03.2024	Balance 31.03.2023
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Bank Current Account	£5,711.99	£6,123.07
Petty Cash	£20.00	£20.00
Total	£5,731.99	£6,143.07
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Total	£0.00	£0.00
	£5,731.99	£6,143.07
<b>Reserves</b>		
Surplus/Deficit YTD	(£411.08)	£237.48
Surplus brought forward	£6143.07	£5905.59
Surplus/deficit plus last year's balance	£5731.99	£6143.07

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# FireStarters†Wales

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Approved by Trustees at the AGM on 2.10.2023

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Facebook: FIRESTARTERS WALES

Trustees: for the year ended 31.3.2022

Sarah Richards (resigned Feb 2023)

Andrew Goringe

Janette Goringe

Julie Lawrence

Matthew Lewis

Secretary: Jayne Roberts

# TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT - April 2022- March 2023

Significant highlights, events and developments include the following:

## **In relation to activities:**

We have continued to meet once a month on the 2nd Saturday of most months, and this has continued to provide parents and young people with clarity attending.

We had two weekends in Oct and in March. Weekends give room for depth of input, relationship building and time to meaningfully connect with God.

We have had an increase of new young people attending this year through invitation via their youth leaders and hearing testimony through friends who have attended. Many of these were younger school Year 7-9's. Those that kept attending benefited from gaining deeper friendships and receiving the fullness of teaching into our theme April to July of 'Knowing Our Identity in Christ' and Oct - March of 'Freedom That Is Ours in Christ.'

All our events have had a good ratio of adult to young people with 35-40 young people attending regularly. Our young teenage leaders have taken an active part in worship, group led discussion, short teachings, leading quiet times, leading dance, games and creative work.

Outreach this year became a joy once more as we could go onto the streets with blessing and greater confidence to speak to people post covid. One particular time in Cwmbran we went with paper and pens asking the Lord to show us His heart for the individual people we saw. We asked the Lord to show us what He wanted for them. We brought all these back at the end and prayed over them all. A further step was to approach people saying that we were wanting to pray God's blessing over them. One group approached a young mother and her 2 year old. The mother was very touched as she had just decided to dedicate her son at the local church she had started attending. She was clearly new to faith and one of the girls reaching out in this group attended her church. This was further testimony for this young person.

Our joint mission in late July with FireStarters Scotland to the Commonwealth Games in Birmingham was a great success and impacting for all those that attended. We collaborated with Urban Devotion, (a Birmingham all year-round youth outreach team) 24/7 prayer, YWAM and several local churches who gave us accommodation and enabled us to meet and outreach from their buildings.

A further joint mission to the Isle of Lewis for summer 2023 is being planned.

## **Team**

We have over 22 voluntary adult leaders that are all DBS checked and will come to gatherings when they are available. We strengthened our recruitment process this year, revising our leadership role profile and commitments.

We provide training and support for our young and adult leaders at regular leaders' gatherings at the start of the year and in between the events. The young leaders input times have all been in person, but regular planning involving young and adult leaders happened on zoom.

Janette continues to meet with Cefnogi, a youth leaders support group. This group enables Janette to connect with many different youth leaders from Cardiff, Newport, Caerphilly and the valley's towns as well as other ministries such as Message Wales and Tearfund.

Janette has continued to meet with two youth leaders in Cardiff for mutual support and encouragement in youth leadership. Core team has remained a strong support to Janette in giving constructive feedback, taking on planning for several days in the year and generally being more aware of areas of need among the young people and all gatherings.

There has been a growing increase of young people wanting to be involved in our worship team. We had several of our adult team step back or were unable to be with us during the year, so we needed to invite people to help us. Our young people responded well and were happy to play or sing alongside these visiting worship leaders.

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A further joint mission to the Isle of Lewis for summer 2023 is being planned.

### **Administration**

All general admin happens from Janette's home office or free desk space at Urban Crofters office.

During the year most of our past host churches welcomed us back with generosity towards us. Many continued to support us as they heard testimony of God at work in the lives of their church youth with us. However, running costs for many churches saw huge increases as gas and electric prices almost doubled and therefore the costs to an outside organisation using their facilities increased, especially in winter. This meant we needed to be hosted by two new churches (Vineyard Cardiff Central and Rhiwbina Baptist) which did help the young people from these churches attend more easily.

A website is still not set up but talks have started with a website designer who is giving us a quote.

### **In relation to funding:**

- There has been ongoing financial support from our young people's subs at each gathering covering costs for speakers, building hire, worship leaders from outside our team, leaders lunches and weekend food, ongoing admin, including a one-off payment to give FireStarters storage on Google, our annual insurance and membership to Thirtyone Eight.
- We had 9 one off gifts throughout the year, one specifically to be used for the summer mission to Lewis and two regular monthly gifts all totalling £763.07.
- We have applied to receive gift aid as a charity and will have this in place moving forward this next year ahead.

We are grateful to all our supporters and wish to thank them for their ongoing commitment and encouragement.



**Firestarters Wales Charity Number 1175278**  
**Income and Expenditure Report Year Ended 31 March 2023**

	31.03.2023	31.03.2022
<b>Income</b>		
Subs	£2889.20	£3090.01
Gifts/Donations	£355.00	£588
Gift aided donations	£408.07	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£3652.27</b>	<b>£3678.01</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Arts and crafts	£91.21	£127.38
Outreach Supplies	£65.10	£0.00
Stationary	£93.70	£71.04
Speakers	£448.00	£640.00
Gifts given	£264.95	£55.55
Canteen supplies	£721.88	£636.70
Photocopier	£0.00	£6.50
Building hire	£330.00	£170.00
Insurance	£304.38	£304.38
DBS Checks	£304.25	£39.99
Equipment Supplies	£0.00	£309.77
Travel/Petrol	£53.91	£0.00
Administration.	£610.49	£1110.13
Miscellaneous	£126.92	£147.86
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>£3414.79</b>	<b>£3632.98</b>
<b>TOTAL surplus / deficit</b>	<b>£237.48</b>	<b>£45.03</b>



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**Balance Sheet Report Year Ended 31 March 2023**

	Balance 31.03.2023	Balance 31.03.2022
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Bank Current Account	£6,123.07	£5,885.59
Petty Cash	£20.00	£20.00
Total	£6,143.07	£5,905.59
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Total	£0.00	£0.00
	£6,143.07	£5,905.59
<b>Reserves</b>		
Surplus/Deficit YTD	£237.48	£45.03
Surplus brought forward	£5905.59	£5860.56
Surplus/deficit plus last year's balance	£6143.07	£5,905.59

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Jo Dinsmore (Resigned February 2022)

Matthew Lewis (Appointed September 2021)

Secretary: Jayne Roberts

## TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT – April 2021- March 31st 2022

Significant highlights, events and developments include the following:

### **In relation to activities:**

It's been a year where we have been able to build continuity of in person gatherings through much of the year. We realised the importance of gathering in person after such a prolonged period of meeting only on zoom. The young people desperately desired connection and a safe place to process the isolation many had felt the previous year. Having changed last year to regularly meeting the 2nd weekend of each month the core team agreed this should continue as it gave us the regularity and stability that was needed.

Meeting back in person restored links with churches that were absent while we had met entirely on zoom. Good relationships with a few regular churches remained. We did have some churches express they were wary of a huge group of youth descending on their building post covid restrictions being lifted. This meant that we met in several accommodating churches more than once during the year. We hope to restore connection as more churches become open again to outside groups using their buildings.

There was only one month in January where covid levels were so high that trustees felt it was not advisable to meet in person. We did however meet on zoom providing a connection for those who wanted to meet.

In July we felt it would be good to give parents a chance to hear who we are as a ministry so we put on a parents evening where they could hear our vision, meet our core leaders, trustees, hear from a few of our young leaders and have a chance to ask any questions they may have. This was a great success, and it was agreed should happen annually possibly at the start of an academic year.

Attendance this year was lower than previous years, but we had a core group of young people attending regularly with a few new young people each time. Trust needed to be built post covid which was not always easy with restrictions changing monthly. However, we did manage to persevere and adhere to restrictions whilst still meeting.

A few youth groups post covid started to gather together jointly on a monthly basis in the valleys and in and around Cardiff and Newport. It seemed they recognised youth engagement had declined and those wanting to meet enjoyed times of connection with larger groups of others their age. Thankfully these groups were keen to plan these gatherings at different times to FireStarters, so their youth weren't compromised on where they went.

April to July we kept building into the ABC (Acceptance, Beloved and Chosen) of identity as our theme which had started in September 2020. In September 2021 we felt to consolidate identity and launched our next year's vision of speaking into 'standing strong in our identity in Christ' and how we can become rooted and established in who we are in Christ.

We were able to invite a couple called Dom and Thea Muir who have an established UK ministry called "I am so many things" come to speak to us for our October weekend. This was our first wknd since March 2020 when Covid had stopped us meeting together. The weekend was shrouded in rumblings of Covid, but government legislation meant we could meet with everyone testing negative for Covid on arrival. The relief and joy at meeting was tangible. We had some exuberant times of worship and fun dance times together. The highlight of this weekend was seeing a few of our young people give their lives to Jesus after Dom shared the gospel on the Saturday night. Planning and facilitating a whole weekend did take a lot of energy and commitment but we all agreed that we could see that the young people needed time to almost marinate in Gods' presence so that they were open to prayer, worship and the word. Our next weekend in March was eagerly anticipated by many.

A highlight from our November gathering was putting on a huge banqueting table decorated elaborately for our evening mealtime. Our teaching this day was on being Gods masterpiece worthy of restoration and value.

Another highlight was our next weekend in March based at Woodville Christian Centre where we had Fawn Parish come to speak all the way from America. She powerfully helped bring understanding of God's presence continually surrounding us and how we are known by Him. Many understood for the first time that they walk in relationship with God. What a revelation to receive! Many young people were open to prayer ministry.

It was a year of movement amongst our leaders. A few had to step back as pressures from work and family life meant they couldn't engage in quite the same way as they had. Two core leaders needed to step back at the end of the academic year. There still remains a dedicated team of 22 who commit to coming along to gatherings as much as possible and many more are prayerfully considering joining our team.

A new job description for leaders was written by Janette and the Trustees giving clearer expectations and values we want a leader to hold and display in and out of FireStarters. It was decided that we wanted to have clear expectations written down so that this could be easily discussed before applying and for the core team to be able to discuss with leaders anything arising post committing as a leader. Many leaders considering applying expressed they found it helpful to have clear expectations written down.

All planning meetings, core team and Trustees meetings were held on Zoom throughout the year. All general admin is done from Janette's home office.

Janette has continued to meet with the youth support network run by Cefnogi although many of those have gone back to in person on the same monthly weekend as FireStarters gathers. This has meant she can't often attend.

Janette continues to have links with Youth for Christ meeting on zoom every couple of months and also Message Wales through the Cefnogi zooms.

Janette also meets every two weeks with two youth leaders in Cardiff for mutual support and encouragement within roles as youth leaders.

We still haven't been able to launch the website, but we have had an offer of help with this from the husband of a past leader who works in website building full time.

Trustees from Scotland and Wales were able to meet on zoom in November 2021 and this was a beneficial time of hearing about each other and having needed connection as ministries running with the same core values and vision. Another zoom is planned for November 2022

In January 2022 discussion started between Lynn Howson FireStarters ambassador and the leaders in Scotland Tai and Gaynor Murebwe about the possibility of doing a joint mission to the commonwealth games being held in Birmingham. All leaders were in agreement that a mission would be so beneficial to both groups. The dates and applications were only able to be released when a host church was found. Sadly, the dates clashed with two large summer youth camps, DTI and Limitless which meant that many of our young people had booked on these before we were able to decisively say we would go ahead with the mission week. Excitement is building for those able to book on this mission trip with a dedicated team of leaders coming from Scotland, Wales and from Birmingham. The theme for the week will be 'the joy of the Lord is our strength'

### **In relation to funding:**

This year we have had regular financial support from young people through their £5 subs at each gathering and 4 regular gifts by direct debit through church suite. We also had two larger one-off gifts from one family and a church. Going back to in person gatherings meant we have had an increased monthly income, but we have also had increases in payments for Insurance and admin charges. It was agreed we should stop paying the zoom monthly payment as we were no longer using this for our gatherings and the 40min free version would suffice for planning meetings.

We are grateful to all our supporters and wish to thank them for their ongoing commitment and encouragement



**Firestarters Wales Charity Number 1175278**  
**Income and Expenditure Report Year Ended 31 March 2022**

	31.03.2022	31.03.2021
<b>Income</b>		
Subs	£3090.01	£368.64
Gifts/Donations	£588.00	£400.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£3678.01</b>	<b>£768.64</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Arts and crafts	£127.38	£0.00
Postage	£13.68	£50.53
Stationary	£71.04	£3.50
Speakers	£640.00	£110.00
Gifts given	£55.55	£60.00
Canteen supplies	£636.70	£145.21
Photocopier	£6.50	£0.00
Building hire	£170.00	£100.00
Insurance	£304.38	£293.91
DBS Checks	£39.99	£178.00
Equipment Supplies	£309.77	£14.62
Travel/petrol costs		£40.00
Administration.	£1110.13	£317.05
Miscellaneous	£147.86	£264.08
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>£3632.98</b>	<b>£1,576.90</b>
<b>TOTAL surplus / deficit</b>	<b>£45.03</b>	<b>-£808.26</b>



**Firestarters Wales Charity Number 1175278**  
**Balance Sheet Report Year Ended 31 March 2022**

	Balance 31.03.2022	Balance 31.03.2021
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Bank Current Account	£5,885.59	£5,840.56
Petty Cash	£20.00	£20.00
Total	£5,905.59	£5,860.56
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Total	£0.00	£0.00
	£5,905.59	£5,860.56
<b>Reserves</b>		
Surplus/Deficit YTD	£45.03	-808.26
Surplus brought forward	£5860.56	£6,668.82
Surplus/deficit plus last year's balance	£5,905.59	£5,860.56

**FIRESTARTERS WALES**

England & Wales - Charity number 1175278

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# Accounts

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FireStarters Wales

A generation set on fire for Jesus to be sparks of revival!

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT & ACCOUNTS 2021

Approved by Trustees at the AGM on 1.11.2021

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Charity Name: FireStarters Wales

Charity Number: 1175278

Registered Office: 10, Dorchester Avenue, Penylan, Cardiff CF23 9BQ

Bank Account: Lloyds Bank

Facebook: FIRESTARTERS WALES

Trustees: for the year ended 31.3.2021

Sarah Richards

Andrew Goringe

Janette Goringe

Julie Lawrence

Jo Dinsmore

Secretary:

Jayne Roberts

## **TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT – April 2020- March 31<sup>st</sup> 2021**

Significant highlights, events and developments include the following:

### **In relation to activities:**

This has been the strangest of seasons for us as COVID restrictions forced us to predominantly meet on zoom for most of our gatherings. Last year we were meeting irregularly between 4-6 weeks apart but because we were predominantly only able to meet on zoom this year it was decided to meet every 4 weeks on the second Saturday of each month. Due to lacking time together meeting 'in person' we also introduced a few Instagram live worship times hosted by some of our young people. Many did join in.

Our continued links with churches has mainly been through the young people and our weekly prayer email that some receive.

We had an incredible team of leaders who helped to shape our times on zoom and Instagram helping them be fun, interactive, faith filled and exceptionally organised times together. We used breakout rooms to enable the young people to interact in smaller more intimate groups. We gave lots of opportunity for our young leaders to lead discussion and to share testimony on our zoom times. We usually had games, worship led by a Young Leader which led into a small talk and then breakout rooms for small group discussion. We also tried to get creative on our zooms. One month we had everyone sign up in advance to a certain breakout room. On this particular gathering they built houses on Minecraft in one breakout room whilst others painted together, danced, found out about media or did some expressive writing. This particular gathering on zoom was a great way to integrate many new ones into FireStarters and we found that they started inviting their friends.

Our leavers zoom in July 2020 was a particular highlight hearing from so many who had been with us for many years and to hear how impacting FireStarters had been in their lives. These were recorded and sent out via Instagram so others could hear these testimonies.

It was decided that that many needed extra connection times so Janette and another leader alongside her also had weekly zoom chats in between the monthly larger zoom gatherings so that those who wanted to connect could. We found this was a vital connection time for some.

In the September and October rulings enabled us to meet outside so we seized the day and put on a fun day on a farm in Mountain Ash in September playing games in the fields and having time worshipping around a large camp fire. We had a limited number that we were allowed which was difficult as so many wanted to come, however others were able to come when sadly some had to pull out because of restrictions to travel from their regions.

In October we again worked within the rulings but this time met in four different areas because travel out of areas was restricted and to enable the maximum amount of young people to be able to attend. Some met in Cardiff, Pontypridd, Merthyr and Caerphilly. We each looked at the history of those places going from building to building praying and hearing how these areas had been impacted by revival.

Our next few gatherings November 2020- March 2021 then had to go back to zoom. Some young people expressed that they were zoomed out but we managed to keep connection with a lot of the young people and had some very impacting times together.

We felt led to speak into identity from September 2020 as many had struggled with this area when all normal life had changed and they were forced to go onto screens for nearly every activity. We centred on three main areas, which we called the ABC of identity, these being Acceptance, Beloved and Chosen. We recognised the need for as much personal connection as possible in September so a group of leaders painted handmade cards and sent a personal message to every child to introduce the identity topic. Many responded in thanks to having something so lovely arrive in the post.

Communication via our closed Facebook page, and Instagram has remained successful. We find parents look at Facebook and the young people all look at Instagram Both still feel necessary for communication. Our WhatsApp group for the leaders and young leaders definitely helped to provide a place of encouragement and communication in between gatherings. Church Suite has continued to be invaluable as a place to store all consent and to send out invites via email. In September we added a giving tab so that parents could gift us and we have had a few one-off gifts. We felt to add this tab as we were not having any income during our times on zoom (we didn't feel we could ask for money at a difficult financial time for many) but as a charity we were still paying out for Zoom, Church suite, insurance, some speakers and design work for the logo and website.

We were excited to finally have our new logo for FireStarters Wales in February 2021 replacing the FireStarters UK logo. We hope to have a new website up and running with this new logo in place as soon as possible as this will provide all the links for parents and young people to find out about us rather than word of mouth.

We currently have 23 leaders all DBS checked who are available to lead throughout the year. We have had two new leaders in their early 20's join us in September 2020 They have brought a youthful charismatic dynamic to the team.

Our Core team has continued to work through the year, helping the leadership have a place for feedback after gatherings and to make decisions on logo design, admin stream lining and making communication clearer for all. Two of our core leaders have needed to step back because of family needs.

All planning meetings, core team and trustees' meetings were held on Zoom throughout the year. All general admin is done from Janette's home office.

Janette has continued to meet monthly with Cefnogi a charity to support youth leaders in South Wales. This was invaluable to be open with other youth leaders about the struggles during the covid pandemic, have support and to glean ideas of what worked well on zoom.

Janette has also had involvement with a gathering of youth ministries across Wales led by Youth for Christ who have wanted to bring connectedness and a shared heart to collaborate, envision and move forward together. There have been 3 of these gatherings on zoom and Janette has been able to attend two of them. It has been good to realise we all desire to see youth impacted with the gospel and growing strong in their walks with Jesus. As yet we have not found what we might collaborate into for the youth of Wales but it does feel as if this will be a group that will be made ready when God gives the yes to something nationwide.

Trustees from FireStarters UK in Scotland and our trustees in Wales signed a legal agreement in the spring 2021 clarifying the relationship between the two separate charities given their shared core values and vision. We have agreed to meet once a year on zoom to maintain and foster this relationship.

Janette occasionally has chats with the leaders of FireStarters UK and the FireStarters UK Ambassador, Lynn. Lynn has given invaluable support due to her 25 years of experience leading Firestarters in Scotland. Lynn is on most forums of communication with us so she is able to see all we are doing on a monthly basis and also receives our weekly prayer email sent out to all our leadership and supporters.

Any plans we had hoped to have for a mission in Cyprus for August 2021 was not able to happen due to Covid. We are still unsure what the future holds for overseas travel and planning ahead for anything seems to be difficult in this time but we will continue to keep open to possibilities for a mission for summer 2022.

**In relation to funding:**

- There has been only one gathering where we felt we could ask for subs but a gift of £400 was given to FireStarters in the Autumn of 2020 and we had a few one-off gifts coming through our ChurchSuite giving tab.

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**Firestarters Wales Charity Number 1175278**  
**Income and Expenditure Report Year Ended 31 March 2021**

	31.03.2021	31.03.2020
<b>Income</b>		
Subs	£368.64	£2,209.20
Gifts/Donations	£400.00	£100.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£768.64</b>	<b>£2,309.20</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Arts and crafts	£0.00	£89.43
Postage	£50.53	
Stationary	£3.50	£45.15
Speakers	£110.00	£132.50
Gifts given	£60.00	
Canteen supplies	£145.21	£508.48
Photocopier	£0.00	£30.75
Building hire	£100.00	£290.00
Insurance	£293.91	£286.07
DBS Checks	£178.00	£120.00
Equipment Supplies	£14.62	£93.63
Travel/petrol costs	£40.00	£70.00
Administration.	£317.05	£266.60
Miscellaneous	£264.08	£6.50
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>£1,576.90</b>	<b>£1,939.11</b>
<b>TOTAL surplus / deficit</b>	<b>-£808.26</b>	<b>£370.09</b>



**Firestarters Wales Charity Number 1175278**

**Balance Sheet Report Year Ended 31 March 2021**

	Balance 31.03.2021	Balance 31.03.2020
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Bank Current Account	£5,840.56	£6,648.82
Petty Cash	£20.00	£20.00
Total	£5,860.56	£6,668.82
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
	£0.00	£0.00
Total	£0.00	£0.00
	£5,860.56	£6,668.82
<b>Reserves</b>		
Surplus/Deficit YTD	-808.26	£370.09
Surplus brought forward	£6,668.82	£6,298.73
Surplus/deficit plus last year's balance	£5,860.56	£6,668.82