



FAITH IN PEOPLE CHARITY

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1176000

**Trustees' Annual Report and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the year ended
31st March 2022
for the
Faith in People Charity (FIP)**

Faith in People Charity is Registered Charity in England and Wales No.1176000

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Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st March 2022

The following Trustee Annual Report gives a true and fair view of the current state of the *Faith in People Charity* affairs and its accounts for the period stated. It focuses on the main activities undertaken by the organization to further its charitable purposes for the public benefit.

We would like to thank all our volunteers, Trustees and friends. They are all remarkably busy and give up their time to ensure this charity is properly, lawfully, and prudently run, now, and in the future.

Structure, governance and management

Faith in People Charity was established on 29th November 2017 as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO); it is registered in England and Wales. It is governed by a Trust Deed controlled by the Trustees. Our Trustees receive no remuneration from Faith in People Charity. Trustees are elected at the annual general meeting.

Objectives

The object of the charity is designed to provide relief for those in need anywhere in the UK, by reason of homelessness, drug or alcohol addiction and social or economic disadvantage. In particular, but not exclusively, by coordinating and developing services such as the provision of bedding, clothing, food, some finance and similar services as determined by the trustees.

Trustees

The Trustees serving during the year 2021-2022 were as follows: -

Angela Dos Santos	Chair and Founder
Corina Julia Poore	Secretary
Ángela Cruz Sánchez	Treasurer
Eugene Pires	Trustee
Sergio Murilio de Sousa	Trustee
Gina Rocker	Trustee
Bibiana Timpanaro Crosier	Trustee

GENERAL OUTLOOK

Upon reviewing the activities of the last twelve months, we are very proud of the contributions this organization has made. The charity is well organised and professional about the important role it contributes towards the enhancement of the lives of those we help.

Future outlook

Since the sad and unfortunate death of the Founder, Director and Chair *Angela dos Santos* on July 22nd 2022, the Trustees are planning to introduce some new operating procedures and Internal Controls, for the cash management, financial reporting, data protection, health and safety, insurance, public benefit, anti-money laundering, combating the financing of Terrorism as well as, for public transparency. These changes will be major transformational efforts and require enhanced skills in our Trustees and management. This will all be more clearly outlined in the next Annual Report.

Achievements and performance

We have managed to continue our work helping homeless people and those sleeping rough throughout the year despite the drawbacks. This was thanks, in large part, to the unfailing dedication of the volunteers. Although we are small compared to other charities, we have managed to achieve our aims, step-by-step, without concerns and with every confidence in the future, thanks to the hard work of the Trustees and in particular the volunteers. Angela dos Santos congratulated the hard-working volunteers who, even when they are unable to attend the weekly distribution, continue to make regular donations and buy food from McDonalds and other outlets.

Since the Pandemic, the Faith in People Charity has not been able to hold any more fundraising events. Fortunately, from April 12th 2021, as groups larger than 6 persons were allowed once again, the charity was able to restart the food distribution on the Strand and went back to normal, providing food for an average of 80-100 homeless persons. The charity aims to provide vegetarian and vegan options and clarify the use of products that could cause allergic reactions.

Efforts to find a base to prepare hot food

Angela dos Santos tried very hard to find a suitable place near the distribution area on the Strand, where hot food could be prepared. She tried to contact the

Coven Garden Community Centre, but had no response. Her requests for suggestions from Westminster Council were not very useful. They recommended '*Passenger*'. This turned out to be a homeless shelter in Victoria that opens for the homeless to sleep overnight and provides breakfast in the morning. It was too far and not suitable. One trustee suggested we write to the Westminster MP, Nicky Allen for help on the matter, but this was also a dead end. The Trustees voted to cease the attempt for the time being.

Bibiana Timpanaro Crosier suggested we could sound out using a catering firm and requests quotes for deliveries of weekly hot food. There was concern this could be too costly. This remained in the balance and Angela also offered the possibility of cooking at her home and delivering it in a taxi, but there remained the question of having to register as a Food Business Provider. For the moment, it was decided to put this idea on a back burner until we could find a better solution.

Christmas 2021

For Christmas 2021, Angela dos Santos reported that she and the volunteers handed out over 120 gift parcels for the homeless, all beautifully gift-wrapped by Angela. They were well received as they were handed out on a very cold and rainy day. They included 2 pairs of warm socks, gloves and beanies. They also handed out some Christmas pudding, sandwiches, chocolates, cakes, crisps, hot pastries (prepared by Gina Rucker), toiletries and some clothes.

Website

In December 2021, the charity's website provider, '*Moonfruit*' went out of business leaving the charity without access to its website. The Trustees therefore, voted to create a new website in the future, but meanwhile, to continue to use the Instagram, Twitter and Facebook accounts.

<https://www.facebook.com/faithinpeoplecharity.org.uk/>

https://www.instagram.com/faith_in_people_charity/

Financial review

As part of the requirement to be a registered Charity, FIP needs to keep a record of its financial accounting and implement governance, risk management and

compliance procedures to comply with the Charity Commission's Trustee Statutory Duties. All the work carried out for our charity is done on a voluntary basis and there are no paid employees. We rely on donations and fundraising. As Trustees, we have the responsibility of reviewing the effectiveness of the system of internal controls. At the end of the fiscal year, the heads of each function confirmed the adequacy of the risk management and control arrangements for which they had responsibility to provide assurance.

The operating statements, Receipts and Payments have been prepared in accordance with Charity Commission's TAR and Statement of Recommended Practice by Mark Harvey of Fuller Spurling. See (Page 7) below, for the accounts.

Many thanks to all those who contributed to our Charity in the past 5 years.

Gift Aid: currently we have a number people who have signed the Gift Aid Declaration. We keep records of all receipts and payments, and they are reviewed every three months at our annual Trustees meetings and at our AGM.

Fundraising: We have not had any fundraising events during the year 2021-2022, due to COVID-19. Instead of carrying out fundraising events, we decided to ask those who support our charity keep up their donations. This has been successful.

Food Street Distribution: Every Tuesday, a group of our volunteer gathers in Charing Cross, on The Strand at 7:00pm to distribute sandwiches, tea and coffee, soup, cakes and fruits. We attend in average 90-100 people every week. We have 21 volunteers taking turns to help the Street food distribution process every week. We try to provide vegetarian and vegan options and clarify the use of products that can cause allergic reactions.

Plans for the future: Faith in People Charity will continue with its campaign "Help the Homeless". The charity will maintain its focus on supporting homeless, rough sleepers and those in need. We have plans to write up leaflets that can be handed out free, that will include practical information that could be useful to them.

In conclusion: The Board of Trustees of Faith in People Charity would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of our volunteers, our friends, our donors because, without their help, hard work, dedication and their free giving of their time, our Charity could not operate and could not have had such a successful year.

This report has been approved by the Trustees of the Faith in People Charity and is signed on their behalf on **January 18th 2023** by: -

Chairperson

Secretary

Bibiana Timpanaro Crosier

Corina J Poore

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Receipts and payments Account for the year ended 31st March 2022 and Statement of Assets and liabilities at 31st March 2022

Bank balance at 1st April 2021		9,404.92
Receipts	Receipts	
Donations Received	6,300.40	
Gift Aid Received	<u>594.61</u>	
		6,895.01
Payments		
Food and related expenses	(2,556.36)	
Insurance	(122.32)	
Other expenses	<u>(103.04)</u>	
		<u>(2,781.72)</u>
Bank balance at 31st March 2022		<u><u>13,518.21</u></u>

All funds were unrestricted.

There were no other assets or liabilities at 31st March 2022.