

FREE FAMILY REPRESENTATION & ADVOCACY PROJECT

England & Wales · Charity number 1179710

Details

Other names	FREE FAMILY REPRESENTATION AND ADVICE PROJECT, FFRAP
Status	Registered
Legal form	CIO
Registered	2018-08-29
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	Northways College Crescent NW3 5DR
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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECT OF THE CIO IS THE RELIEF OF POVERTY BY THE PROVISION OF FREE LEGAL ADVICE AND ASSISTANCE TO PERSONS WHO, THROUGH LACK OF MEANS AND THE REMOVAL OF LEGAL AID, WOULD OTHERWISE BE UNABLE TO OBTAIN SUCH ADVICE.

Activities: Provide free representation and assistance (advice and support) to those who attend the family court without a lawyer.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty

Geography

- Throughout England

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-05	£40,147	£31,570	-	-
2024-04-05	£15,000	£14,201	-	-
2023-04-05	£21,211	£9,833	-	-
2022-04-05	£8,500	£3,508	-	-
2021-04-05	£4,900	£2,628	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
FARHANA BEGUM	Chair	2018-08-01
MARY ISLAM		2022-10-06
Shiria Khanam		2022-10-06
Sofia May Napolitano		2024-07-14

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5TH APRIL 2025
FOR
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Watergates Ltd
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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

In total, for the financial year 2024-2025, FFRAP has assisted LIPs in 232 hearings through the provision of support and/or advice and advocacy.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

We aim to utilise the funds as soon as we identify suitable individuals and cases.

The funds the charity holds is to ensure that it has sufficient reserves to cover the costs of managing and administering the charity for the following year.

The Trustees consider it prudent that the reserves should be sufficient for the charity's use. The Trustees have approved that all unrestricted reserves will be utilised in helping the charity achieve its objectives.

Going concern

Currently no concerns about the charity continuing as a going concern.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

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The board of Trustees of the charity are responsible for the charity's strategic direction. The board of Trustees meet on a termly basis to discuss the activities of the charity.

The board of trustees are supported through the aid of volunteers to manage the running of the charity.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1179710

Principal address

Northways
College Crescent
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Trustees

Mrs F Begum
Ms S Khanam
Ms M Islam
S M Napolitano (appointed 14/7/2024)

Independent Examiner

Watergates Ltd
109 Coleman Road
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 12th January 2026 and signed on its behalf by:

Mrs F Begum - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FREE FAMILY REPRESENTATION & ADVOCACY
PROJECT**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Free Family Representation & Advocacy Project

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Free Family Representation & Advocacy Project (the Trust) for the year ended 5th April 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

Nazir Malida

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12th January 2026

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5TH APRIL 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	5/4/25 Total funds £	5/4/24 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		<u>40,147</u>	-	<u>40,147</u>	<u>15,000</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Other		<u>31,570</u>	-	<u>31,570</u>	<u>29,201</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		8,577	-	8,577	(14,201)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		<u>7,010</u>	-	<u>7,010</u>	<u>21,211</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>15,587</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>15,587</u></u>	<u><u>7,010</u></u>

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
5TH APRIL 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	5/4/25 Total funds £	5/4/24 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank		15,947	-	15,947	7,370
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	4	(360)	-	(360)	(360)
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>15,587</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,587</u>	<u>7,010</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
		<u>15,587</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,587</u>	<u>7,010</u>
NET ASSETS					
		<u>15,587</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,587</u>	<u>7,010</u>
FUNDS					
Unrestricted funds	5			<u>15,587</u>	<u>7,010</u>
TOTAL FUNDS					
				<u>15,587</u>	<u>7,010</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 12th January 2026 and were signed on its behalf by:

Trustee

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5TH APRIL 2025**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF PREPARING THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

INCOME

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

EXPENDITURE

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

TAXATION

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

FUND ACCOUNTING

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

During the year, total Trustees' remuneration was £0 (2024: £18,932).

TRUSTEES' EXPENSES

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 5th April 2025 nor for the year ended 5th April 2024.

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3. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	15,000	-	15,000
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Other	29,201	-	29,201
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(14,201)	-	(14,201)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	21,211	-	21,211
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>7,010</u>	<u> </u>	<u>7,010</u>

4. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	5/4/25 £	5/4/24 £
Other creditors	360	360
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

5. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 6.4.24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	7,010	8,577	15,587
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>7,010</u>	<u>8,577</u>	<u>15,587</u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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5. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	40,147	(31,570)	8,577
	<u>40,147</u>	<u>(31,570)</u>	<u>8,577</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>40,147</u>	<u>(31,570)</u>	<u>8,577</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 6.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	21,211	(14,201)	7,010
	<u>21,211</u>	<u>(14,201)</u>	<u>7,010</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>21,211</u>	<u>(14,201)</u>	<u>7,010</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	15,000	(29,201)	(14,201)
	<u>15,000</u>	<u>(29,201)</u>	<u>(14,201)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>15,000</u>	<u>(29,201)</u>	<u>(14,201)</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 6.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	21,211	(5,624)	15,587
	<u>21,211</u>	<u>(5,624)</u>	<u>15,587</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>21,211</u>	<u>(5,624)</u>	<u>15,587</u>

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A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	55,147	(60,771)	(5,624)
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>55,147</u>	<u>(60,771)</u>	<u>(5,624)</u>

6. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

During the year, consultancy fees of £25,114 (2024: £3,863) were paid to companies of which Trustees were directors.

Signed By

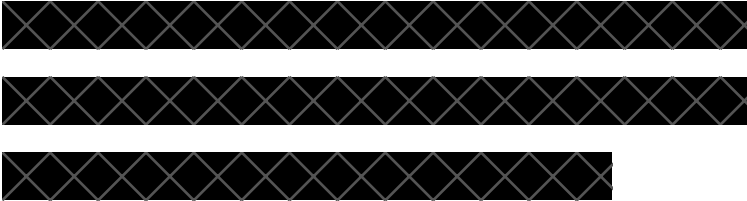
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8th January 2025

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5TH APRIL 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	5/4/24 Total funds £	5/4/23 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		<u>15,000</u>	-	<u>15,000</u>	<u>21,220</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Other		<u>29,201</u>	-	<u>29,201</u>	<u>9,833</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(14,201)	-	(14,201)	11,387
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		<u>21,211</u>	-	<u>21,211</u>	<u>9,824</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>7,010</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>7,010</u></u>	<u><u>21,211</u></u>

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
5TH APRIL 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	5/4/24 Total funds £	5/4/23 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank		7,370	-	7,370	21,511
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	4	(360)	-	(360)	(300)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>7,010</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,010</u>	<u>21,211</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
		7,010	-	7,010	21,211
NET ASSETS		<u>7,010</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,010</u>	<u>21,211</u>
FUNDS					
Unrestricted funds	5			<u>7,010</u>	<u>21,211</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>7,010</u>	<u>21,211</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 8th January 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

Trustee

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TAXATION

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

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Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

During the year, total Trustees' remuneration was £18,932 (2023: £2,897).

TRUSTEES' EXPENSES

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 5th April 2024 nor for the year ended 5th April 2023.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5TH APRIL 2024**

3.	COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES		
		Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £
			Total funds £
	INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM		
	Donations and legacies	21,220	-
		<u>21,220</u>	<u>-</u>
			<u>21,220</u>
	EXPENDITURE ON		
	Other	9,833	-
		<u>9,833</u>	<u>-</u>
			<u>9,833</u>
	NET INCOME	11,387	-
		<u>11,387</u>	<u>-</u>
			<u>11,387</u>
	RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS		
	Total funds brought forward	9,824	-
		<u>9,824</u>	<u>-</u>
			<u>9,824</u>
	TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>21,211</u>	<u>-</u>
		<u><u>21,211</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>
			<u><u>21,211</u></u>

4.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		
		5/4/24 £	5/4/23 £
	Other creditors	360	300
		<u>360</u>	<u>300</u>

5.	MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		
		At 6.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £
			At 5.4.24 £
	Unrestricted funds		
	General fund	21,211	(14,201)
		<u>21,211</u>	<u>(14,201)</u>
			<u>7,010</u>
	TOTAL FUNDS	<u>21,211</u>	<u>(14,201)</u>
		<u><u>21,211</u></u>	<u><u>(14,201)</u></u>
			<u><u>7,010</u></u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

		Incoming resources £	Resources expended £
			Movement in funds £
	Unrestricted funds		
	General fund	15,000	(29,201)
		<u>15,000</u>	<u>(29,201)</u>
			<u>(14,201)</u>
	TOTAL FUNDS	<u>15,000</u>	<u>(29,201)</u>
		<u><u>15,000</u></u>	<u><u>(29,201)</u></u>
			<u><u>(14,201)</u></u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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5. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 6.4.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	9,824	11,387	21,211
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>9,824</u>	<u>11,387</u>	<u>21,211</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	21,220	(9,833)	11,387
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>21,220</u>	<u>(9,833)</u>	<u>11,387</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 6.4.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	9,824	(2,814)	7,010
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>9,824</u>	<u>(2,814)</u>	<u>7,010</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	36,220	(39,034)	(2,814)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>36,220</u>	<u>(39,034)</u>	<u>(2,814)</u>

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6. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

During the year, consultancy fees of £3,863 (2023: nil) were paid to companies of which Trustees were directors.

FREE FAMILY REPRESENTATION & ADVOCACY PROJECT

England & Wales - Charity number 1179710

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**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5TH APRIL 2023
FOR
FREE FAMILY REPRESENTATION & ADVOCACY
PROJECT**

Watergates Ltd
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**TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5TH APRIL 2023**

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 5th April 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objects, Activities, Achievements and Performance FFRAP's Purpose

FFRAP's object is the relief of poverty through the provision of free legal advice and assistance to persons who, through lack of means and the removal of legal aid, would otherwise be unable to obtain such advice.

FFRAP's Activities

FFRAP provides access to legal services, advice, representation or support to individuals who cannot afford to instruct a lawyer. This provision is in the area of Family Law, specifically in s.8 Children Act 1989 cases.

FFRAP's beneficiaries do not have access to professional legal advice, representation or support on a court site, which can lead to more protracted cases that are not in the interests of the child and family unit nor the family court. FFRAP's services therefore provides free legal advice and representation as well as support to court users which also makes the family court process in relation to s.8 Children Act 1989 issues more effective and efficient

FFRAP's Volunteers

FFRAP trains pro-bono volunteers to assist in providing support and/or advice and advocacy in the context of S.8 Children Act hearings.

All volunteers are professionals from legal organisations and are legally qualified or in the process of training to become qualified. All volunteers must attend obligatory training in order to participate in the service provision. FFRAP attends the firm of all volunteers to conduct regular training and also provides a detailed training handbook and notes to all volunteers. FFRAP assesses all the training materials and the performance of volunteers on an ongoing basis. Feedback is also provided by the court as to the service and the performance of volunteers.

Client Quality Control & Feedback

FFRAP regularly seeks feedback from its users.

Annual Numbers, Types of Hearing and Numbers

In total, for the financial year 2022/2023, FFRAP has assisted LIPs in 66 hearings through the provision of support and/or advice and representation. The majority of cases follow the return of the in-person duty desk at a local court in December 2022.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes a charity incorporated organisation.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1179710

Principal address

Northways
College Crescent
NW3 5DR

**FREE FAMILY REPRESENTATION & ADVOCACY
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**TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5TH APRIL 2023**

Trustees

Mrs F Begum

Ms S Khanam (appointed 6/10/2022)

Ms M Islam (appointed 6/10/2022)

Independent Examiner

Watergates Ltd

109 Coleman Road

Leicester

LE5 4LE

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 22nd December 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Mrs F Begum - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FREE FAMILY REPRESENTATION & ADVOCACY
PROJECT**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Free Family Representation & Advocacy Project

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Free Family Representation & Advocacy Project (the Trust) for the year ended 5th April 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

Nazir Malida

Watergates Ltd
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22nd December 2023

**FREE FAMILY REPRESENTATION & ADVOCACY
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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5TH APRIL 2023**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	5/4/23 Total funds £	5/4/22 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		21,220	-	21,220	8,500
EXPENDITURE ON					
Other		9,833	-	9,833	3,508
NET INCOME		11,387	-	11,387	4,992
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		9,824	-	9,824	4,832
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		21,211	-	21,211	9,824

The notes on page 0 form part of these financial statements

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
5TH APRIL 2023**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	5/4/23 Total funds £	5/4/22 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank		21,511	-	21,511	10,304
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	4	(300)	-	(300)	(480)
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>21,211</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>21,211</u>	<u>9,824</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
		<u>21,211</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>21,211</u>	<u>9,824</u>
NET ASSETS					
		<u>21,211</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>21,211</u>	<u>9,824</u>
FUNDS					
Unrestricted funds	5			<u>21,211</u>	<u>9,824</u>
TOTAL FUNDS					
				<u>21,211</u>	<u>9,824</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 22nd December 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:

Trustee

The notes on page 0 form part of these financial statements

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5TH APRIL 2023**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF PREPARING THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

INCOME

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

EXPENDITURE

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

TAXATION

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

FUND ACCOUNTING

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

During the year, total Trustees' remuneration was £2,897 (2022: nil).

TRUSTEES' EXPENSES

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 5th April 2023 nor for the year ended 5th April 2022.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5TH APRIL 2023**

3. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	8,500	-	8,500
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Other	3,508	-	3,508
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
NET INCOME	4,992	-	4,992
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	4,832	-	4,832
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>9,824</u>	<u> </u>	<u>9,824</u>

4. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	5/4/23 £	5/4/22 £
Other creditors	300	480
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

5. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 6.4.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	9,824	11,387	21,211
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>9,824</u>	<u>11,387</u>	<u>21,211</u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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5. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	21,220	(9,833)	11,387
	<u>21,220</u>	<u>(9,833)</u>	<u>11,387</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>21,220</u>	<u>(9,833)</u>	<u>11,387</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 6.4.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	4,832	4,992	9,824
	<u>4,832</u>	<u>4,992</u>	<u>9,824</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>4,832</u>	<u>4,992</u>	<u>9,824</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	8,500	(3,508)	4,992
	<u>8,500</u>	<u>(3,508)</u>	<u>4,992</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>8,500</u>	<u>(3,508)</u>	<u>4,992</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 6.4.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	4,832	16,379	21,211
	<u>4,832</u>	<u>16,379</u>	<u>21,211</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>4,832</u>	<u>16,379</u>	<u>21,211</u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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5. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	29,720	(13,341)	16,379
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>29,720</u>	<u>(13,341)</u>	<u>16,379</u>

6. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 5th April 2023.

FREE FAMILY REPRESENTATION & ADVOCACY PROJECT

England & Wales - Charity number 1179710

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**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5TH APRIL 2022
FOR
FREE FAMILY REPRESENTATION & ADVOCACY
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**TRUSTEES' REPORT
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The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 5th April 2022. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objects, Activities, Achievements and Performance

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Client Quality Control & Feedback

FFRAP regularly seeks feedback from its users. Some user feedback can be found on FFRAP's website: www.ffrap.org

Impact of Covid-19

Due to the coronavirus pandemic and lock-down in relation to the same FFRAP had to stop attending court in-person in March 2020. The court moved hearings online, and it took some time to get the support of the court to support litigants in person in the remote hearings.

Annual Numbers, Types of Hearing and Numbers

In total, for the financial year 2021/2022, FFRAP has assisted LIPs in 40 hearings through the provision of support and/or advice and advocacy.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes a charity incorporated organisation.

**FREE FAMILY REPRESENTATION & ADVOCACY
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**TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5TH APRIL 2022**

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1179710

Principal address

Northways
College Crescent
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Trustees

Mrs F Begum
Ms S Khanam (appointed 6/10/2022)
Ms M Islam (appointed 6/10/2022)

Independent Examiner

Watergates Ltd
109 Coleman Road
Leicester
LE5 4LE

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 20th December 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

Mrs F Begum - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FREE FAMILY REPRESENTATION & ADVOCACY
PROJECT**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Free Family Representation & Advocacy Project

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Free Family Representation & Advocacy Project (the Trust) for the year ended 5th April 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

Nazir Malida
FCCA
Watergates Ltd
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Leicester
LE5 4LE

20th December 2022

**FREE FAMILY REPRESENTATION & ADVOCACY
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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5TH APRIL 2022**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	5/4/22 Total funds £	5/4/21 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		<u>8,500</u>	-	<u>8,500</u>	<u>4,900</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Other		<u>3,508</u>	-	<u>3,508</u>	<u>2,629</u>
NET INCOME		4,992	-	4,992	2,271
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		<u>4,832</u>	-	<u>4,832</u>	<u>2,561</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>9,824</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>9,824</u></u>	<u><u>4,832</u></u>

The notes on page 0 form part of these financial statements

**FREE FAMILY REPRESENTATION & ADVOCACY
PROJECT**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
5TH APRIL 2022**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	5/4/22 Total funds £	5/4/21 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank		10,304	-	10,304	4,832
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	4	(480)	-	(480)	-
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>9,824</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,824</u>	<u>4,832</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
		<u>9,824</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,824</u>	<u>4,832</u>
NET ASSETS					
		<u>9,824</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,824</u>	<u>4,832</u>
FUNDS					
Unrestricted funds	5			<u>9,824</u>	<u>4,832</u>
TOTAL FUNDS					
				<u>9,824</u>	<u>4,832</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 20th December 2022 and were signed on its behalf by:

Trustee

The notes on page 0 form part of these financial statements

**FREE FAMILY REPRESENTATION & ADVOCACY
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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5TH APRIL 2022**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF PREPARING THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

INCOME

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

EXPENDITURE

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

TAXATION

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

FUND ACCOUNTING

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 5th April 2022 nor for the year ended 5th April 2021.

TRUSTEES' EXPENSES

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 5th April 2022 nor for the year ended 5th April 2021.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5TH APRIL 2022**

3. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	2,887	2,013	4,900
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Other	616	2,013	2,629
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
NET INCOME	2,271	-	2,271
	<u> </u>		
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	2,561	-	2,561
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>4,832</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,832</u>

4. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	5/4/22 £	5/4/21 £
Other creditors	480	-
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

5. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 6.4.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	4,832	4,992	9,824
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>4,832</u>	<u>4,992</u>	<u>9,824</u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5TH APRIL 2022**

5. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	8,500	(3,508)	4,992
	<u>8,500</u>	<u>(3,508)</u>	<u>4,992</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>8,500</u>	<u>(3,508)</u>	<u>4,992</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 6.4.20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	2,561	2,271	4,832
	<u>2,561</u>	<u>2,271</u>	<u>4,832</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>2,561</u>	<u>2,271</u>	<u>4,832</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	2,887	(616)	2,271
Restricted funds			
Membership	2,013	(2,013)	-
	<u>4,900</u>	<u>(2,629)</u>	<u>2,271</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>4,900</u>	<u>(2,629)</u>	<u>2,271</u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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5. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 6.4.20	Net	At
	£	movement	5.4.22
		in funds	£
		£	
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	2,561	7,263	9,824
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>2,561</u>	<u>7,263</u>	<u>9,824</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming	Resources	Movement
	resources	expended	in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	11,387	(4,124)	7,263
Restricted funds			
Membership	2,013	(2,013)	-
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>13,400</u>	<u>(6,137)</u>	<u>7,263</u>

6. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 5th April 2022.

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5TH APRIL 2022

	5/4/22 £	5/4/21 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	8,500	2,700
Grants	-	2,200
	<u>8,500</u>	<u>4,900</u>
Total incoming resources	8,500	4,900
EXPENDITURE		
Other		
IT & Website Costs	465	375
Reimbursements	306	-
Advice Fees	244	129
PI Insurance	2,013	2,125
Accountancy fees	480	-
	<u>3,508</u>	<u>2,629</u>
Total resources expended	3,508	2,629
Net income	4,992	2,271

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FREE FAMILY REPRESENTATION & ADVOCACY PROJECT

England & Wales - Charity number 1179710

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Trustees' Annual Report and Financial Review for the year ended 5 April 2021

The Free Family Representations & Advocacy Project (also referred to as "**FFRAP**" for short) is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation governed by its constitution. Its registered address is Flat 29 Northways, College Crescent, London, NW3 5DR and registered charity number is 1179710.

Trustees and Trustee declarations

The Charity Trustees are as follows:

Farhana Begum (Chair)
Nina Garnham (09/2019 – present)
Isobel Renzulli (09/2019 – present)

The Trustees have fully complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers and duties.

The Trustees review the aims, objectives and activities of the Charity each year. This report looks at what the Charity has achieved and the outcomes of its work in the reporting period. The review also helps the Trustees ensure the Charity's aims, objectives and activities remain focused on its stated purposes.

The Trustees have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Charity's aims and objectives and in planning its future activities. In particular, the Trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives that have been set.

Objects, activities, achievements and performance

FFRAP's purpose

FFRAP's object is the relief of poverty through the provision of free legal advice and assistance to persons who, through lack of means and the removal of legal aid, would otherwise be unable to obtain such advice.

FFRAP's activities

FFRAP provides access to legal services, advice, representation or support to individuals who cannot afford to instruct a lawyer. This provision is in the area of Family Law, specifically in s.8 Children Act 1989 cases.

FFRAP's beneficiaries do not have access to professional legal advice, representation or support on a court site, which can lead to more protracted cases that are not in the interests of the child and family unit nor the family court. FFRAP's services therefore provides free legal advice and representation as well as support to court users which also makes the family court process in relation to s.8 Children Act 1989 issues more effective and efficient.

FFRAP's volunteers

FFRAP trains pro-bono volunteers to assist in providing support and/or advice and advocacy in the context of S.8 Children Act hearings.

All volunteers are professionals from legal organisations and are legally qualified or in the process of training to become qualified. All volunteers must attend obligatory training in order to participate in the service provision. FFRAP attends the firm of all volunteers to conduct regular training and also provides a detailed training handbook and notes to all volunteers. FFRAP assesses all the training materials and the performance of volunteers on an ongoing basis. Feedback is also provided by the court as to the service and the performance of volunteers.

Client quality control & feedback

FFRAP regularly seeks feedback from its users. Some user feedback can be found on FFRAP's website: www.ffrap.org.

Impact of Covid-19 &

Due to the coronavirus pandemic and lock-down in relation to the same FFRAP had to stop attending court in-person in March 2020. The court moved hearings online, and it took some time to get the support of the court to support litigants in person in the remote hearings.

Annual Numbers, types of hearing and numbers

In total, for the financial year 2020/2021, FFRAP has assisted 2 LIPs through the provision of support and/or advice and advocacy remotely. The breakdown of this figure per month is shown below:

TYPE	APRIL 2020	MAY 2020	JUN 2020	JUL 2020	AUG 2020	SEP 2020	OCT 2020	NOV 2020	DEC 2020	JAN 2021	FEB 2021	MAR ¹ 2021	APR ² 2021
FHDRA	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	0	0
DRA	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	2	0
FINAL HEARING	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	0	0
FACT-FINDING	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	0	0
PTR	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	0	0
OTHER	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	0	0
Total	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	0	0

* Denotes that services did not function following the closing of the physical courts. During this time FFRAP was making preparations and building relationships in order to run the service remotely, which it has been doing successfully since March 2021.

¹ Pilot period to assess the feasibility of a remote service.

² Pilot period to assess the feasibility of a remote service.

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Statement of financial activities (incorporating income and expenditure account)

For the year ended 05 April 2021

	Notes	2021			2020		
		Unrestricted (£)	Restricted (£)	2021 Total (£)	Unrestricted (£)	Restricted (£)	2020 Total (£)
Income from:							
Grant		187.00	2,013.00	2,200.00	64.00	0.00	64.00
Donation		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Membership		2,700.00	0.00	2,700.00	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
Total income		2,887.00	2,013.00	4,900.00	5,064.00	0.00	5,064.00
Expenditure on:							
Charitable activities	2	615.64	2,013.00	2,628.64	2,503.6	0.00	2,503.6
Total expenditure		(615.64)	(2,013.00)	(2,628.64)	(2,503.6)	0.00	(2,503.6)
Net movement in funds		2,271.36	0.00	2,271.36	2,560.40	0.00	2,560.40
Total funds carried forward		4,832.49	0.00	4,832.49	2,561.13	0.00	2,561.13

All of the above results are derived from continuing activities. There were no other recognised gains or losses other than those stated above.

Balance Sheet

As at 05 April 2021

		2021	2020
	Note	£	£
Fixed assets:		0.00	0.00
Current assets:			
Debtors		0.00	0.00
Cash at bank and in hand		4,832.49	2,561.13
Liabilities:			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		0.00	0.00
Net current assets		4,832.49	2,561.13
Total net assets		4,832.49	2,561.13
The funds of the charity:			
Restricted income funds		00.00	00.00
Unrestricted income funds			
General funds		4,832.49	2,561.13
Total charity funds		4,832.49	2,561.13

Statement of cash flow**For the year ended 05 April 2021**

Reconciliation of net income / (expenditure) to net cash flow from operating activities

	2021	2020
Net income / (expenditure) for the reporting period (as per the statement of financial activities)		
Net cash provided by / operating activities		
Cash flow from operating activities		
Net cash provided by investing activities		
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year	(0)	(0)
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	(0)	(0)
Analysis of cash and cash equivalents	As 05 April 2021 (£)	As 05 April 2020 (£)
	4,832.49	2,561.13
Total cash and cash equivalents	4,832.49	2,561.13

Notes to the financial statements**For the year ended 05 April 2021**

Accounting Policies:

1. Accounting Policies

a. Statutory information

The Free Family Representation & Advocacy Project (FFRAP) is a charitable incorporated organisation in the United Kingdom. The registered address is Flat 29 Northways, College Crescent, London, NW3 5DR.

b. Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP FRS 102), The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (September 2015/March 2018).

c. Public benefit entity

The charitable company meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

d. Going concern

The Trustees consider that there are no material financial uncertainties that affect the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

e. Income

Income is recognised when the charity is in receipt of actual funds.

2. Note 2 - Analysis of expenditure

	2021	2020
Type of expenditure	Total (£)	Total (£)
PI Insurance	2013.00	2013.00
Trustee insurance	112.00	112.00
Website fee	374.64	249.60
Advice UK fee	129.00	129.00
Total expenditure 2021	2,628.64	2,503.60

Financial Review

Currently, FFRAP does not have a reserve policy.

There is enough cash in bank to pay for the charities largest outgoing which is the insurance premium.

The Trustees consider that there are no material financial uncertainties that affect the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Independent Examiner's Statement

As FFRAP did not generate £25,000, an independent examiner's report is not required.

Trustee Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved this Trustee Report.

Signed on their behalf by
Farhana Begum
(Founder & Trustee)