



BOLTON COMMUNITY FIRST RESPONDERS

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ANNUAL REPORT

PERIOD

DECEMBER 2020 – NOVEMBER 2021

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1192584

This document is the annual report presented by the trustees of the charity Bolton Community First Responders, a charitable incorporated organisation.

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The Bolton Community First Responders Charity is an incorporated organisation administered in accordance with the constitution document dated October 2020

Aims & Objectives of the Charity

To provide support services to the North West Ambulance service in the local community through the Bolton Community First Responders team. Support services include responding to 999 emergency calls and providing community support in times of emergency as required by the North West Ambulance service. Supporting the wider needs of the Ambulance service in patient care and in educating the community as a whole in life saving skills through training and education events.

Support will be provided to relieve suffering and save lives via the team who live and work in the Greater Manchester Area, trained to respond to life threatening emergencies, benefiting all of the communities regardless of age, sex, race, political or religious beliefs.

Supporting enhanced community engagement in education and lifesaving skills which will ultimately help save lives.

The charity exists solely for the public benefits and not for any private gain. The charity will support the volunteers to enable them to respond in a timely and effective manner with the right training and equipment to enable lifesaving skills to be available whilst an ambulance is on route.

The Charity is managed by the following trustees

Colin Thomson – Chairman

Trevor Williams – Vice Chairman

Nicola Williams – Treasurer

Noel Boardman – Trustee

ACHIEVEMENT REPORT: DECEMBER 2020 – NOVEMBER 2021

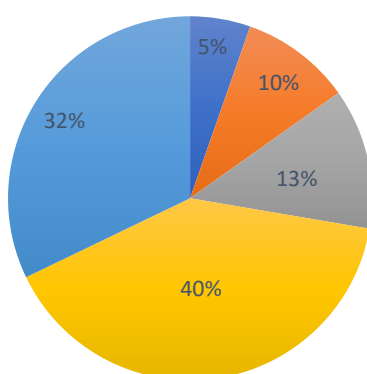
The charity was incorporated on 1st October 2020 which presented the team with significant challenges being in the middle of a pandemic and coping with restrictions, reduced funding opportunities and restrictions imposed by many institutions, not least the banking industry. In addition, the group faced a reduction in responding hours due to PPE and safety restrictions imposed by the NHS.

Despite the restrictions the group were able to meet remotely via teams / zoom and agree the charities direction. This report covers the period December 2020 to November 2021 which represents our accounting period. The charity during this period was supported by our core sponsors which included Kia motors and their kind support by way of a responder vehicle a brand-new Kia Sportage which equipped with 4-wheel drive capability ensured we could respond to incidents over all terrain and in inclement weather. The team consisted of 9 responders during this period and attended over 102 incidents covering over 1200 miles.

The following is a breakdown of attended calls by type and as you can see included several life-threatening incidents from cardiac arrests, difficulty breathing, suspected strokes as well as trauma related incidents. Falls formed a large percentage of the calls and something the group can look to pursue a falls recovery service with the purchase of additional equipment and training.

Sales

■ Cardiac Arrest ■ Chest Pains ■ Difficulty Breathing ■ Falls ■ Others



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In addition to responding, the charity aims to provide training and community engagement which during this 12-month period has been restricted. The group were able to provide community training to local scouting movements and received kind donations for this work. We have conducted Basic Life Support training on a voluntary basis for the local Hospice training 38 delegates.

The charity was able to establish a web site www.boltoncfrs.com during this first period and look forward to developing the site to provide news and valuable information about the charities on going work and how people can become involved. It is also intended to be a resource for training information and lifesaving information.

The charity members and trustees also continued to support the North West Ambulance Service and became involved in the packing and distribution of PPE, provision of welfare facilities for Ambulance Crews across the North West and provided drivers and support workers for equipment and vehicle distribution, critical care covid transfers and upskilled responders to support frontline crews.

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

KIA Bolton has agreed an extension of their sponsorship for a further 6 months in July 2021.

The New mayor of Horwich wants to adopt Bolton Community First Responders as a chosen charity for the coming year to support our events and activities.

The charity has held an AGM on the 7th December 2021 in addition to a meeting of members on the 19th July 2021. A record of minutes is available for inspection.

At the Annual General Meeting it was voted and agreed that the existing trustees up for re-election, be re elected for a further term and expressions of interest sought for further trustees.

A further Trustee has been recruited and will be added to the team in due course and we would like to welcome Mike Barnwell into the role of trustee.

CHARITY FUNDING

The Charity is funded entirely on donation and is supported with mileage claims from the North West Ambulance Service for incidents attended.

Our main sponsors during this period were as follows

KIA Motors Bolton

Kia the largest Kia dealer in the UK and are the providers of our scheme responder vehicle and ensure the car is liveried to our design and is kept serviced and maintained. The charity provides the fuel and insurance.

ABC North West Ltd

ABC are training providers in pre hospital care and safety related subjects and have provided funding to support the vehicle and day to day running costs.

Horwich Rotary Club

Horwich rotary club work hard in the local community supporting charitable work and we are pleased to have them as sponsors with donations to assist with our day to day running costs.

Additional funding came by the way of donations from the public via differing sources including Training, Facebook posts, Amazon smile and we received a grant of money from Horwich council to support our promotional work in the local community. In addition, another Manchester company, Manchester Cabins provided a donation to various responder groups including our charity

The charity would like to record its appreciation of all the charitable monies received and in particular to the main sponsors and look forward to a long and continued association.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Attached to the report are the income and expenditure report for the charity during the period and this shows minimal activity due to the ongoing restrictions and the initial lack of a bank account being operational.

Despite the above restrictions and the lack of large sponsorship the accounts show that at the end of the period the group had an operating surplus of £856.25 after meeting all financial commitments.

The majority of income is derived from our core sponsors and donations received from conducting lifesaving courses.

The group anticipate this will grow significantly as we move out of restrictions and community engagement can return to more normal levels.

It is the group's intention to invest heavily in this area of their work in order to further support the local community and secure a more regular income stream to fund the lifesaving work.

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ACCOUNT PERIOD DECEMBER 2020 - NOVEMBER 2021

PROFIT AND LOSS

MONTH	DECEMBER	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPT	OCT	NOV	YEAR
INCOME													
MILEAGE	63.25	19.08	23.45	5.60	24.50	94.85	9.80	-	-	36.51	-	60.48	403.54
DONATIONS	-			114.75	-	-	-	119.22	-	-	-	300.00	533.97
FUNDING	-			300.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	300.00
TOTAL	63.25	19.08	23.45	420.35	24.5	94.85	9.8	119.22	-	36.51	-	360.48	1,237.51
EXPENDITURE													
PETROL	-	-	30.01	-	20.00	-	-	-	25.00	-	20.00	-	95.01
VEHICLE EXPENSES	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
STATIONARY	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	68.73	68.73
BANKING/ INSURANCE	-	-	-	6.00	-	-	-	6.00	-	-	-	-	12.00
EQUIPMENT	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TRAINING	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MISC	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	139.50	139.50
TOTAL	-	-	30.01	6.00	20.00	-	-	6.00	25.00	-	20.00	208.23	315.24
BALANCE / (LOSS)	63.25	19.08	-6.56	414.35	4.50	94.85	9.80	113.22	(25.00)	36.51	(20.00)	152.25	856.25

BANK BALANCE

FUTURE AIMS / OBJECTIVES

Having now established the charity it is the ongoing intention to recruit more members in support of the organisation and develop where possible the services that can be delivered.

Applications for funding and grants will be investigated and training opportunities pursued to enable us to respond more appropriately to the type of calls and where possible become involved with pilot scheme opportunities to develop service.

As funding permits, the group would like to support more community training opportunities and are beginning to forge links with local organisations and authorities to develop training particularly with young people, children and youth organisations.

DECLARATION

The trustees have submitted this report on behalf of Bolton Community First Responders and the information together with the financial statements form a true and accurate reflection of the charity's activities during the identified period.

SIGNED on behalf of the Trustees

CHAIRMAN.......... Colin Thomson

DATED.....25/07/2022.....