



BOLTON COMMUNITY FIRST RESPONDERS

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ANNUAL REPORT

PERIOD

DECEMBER 2022 – NOVEMBER 2023

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

Trevor Williams – Vice Chairman

Nicola Williams – Treasurer

Noel Boardman – Trustee

Mike Barnwell - Trustee

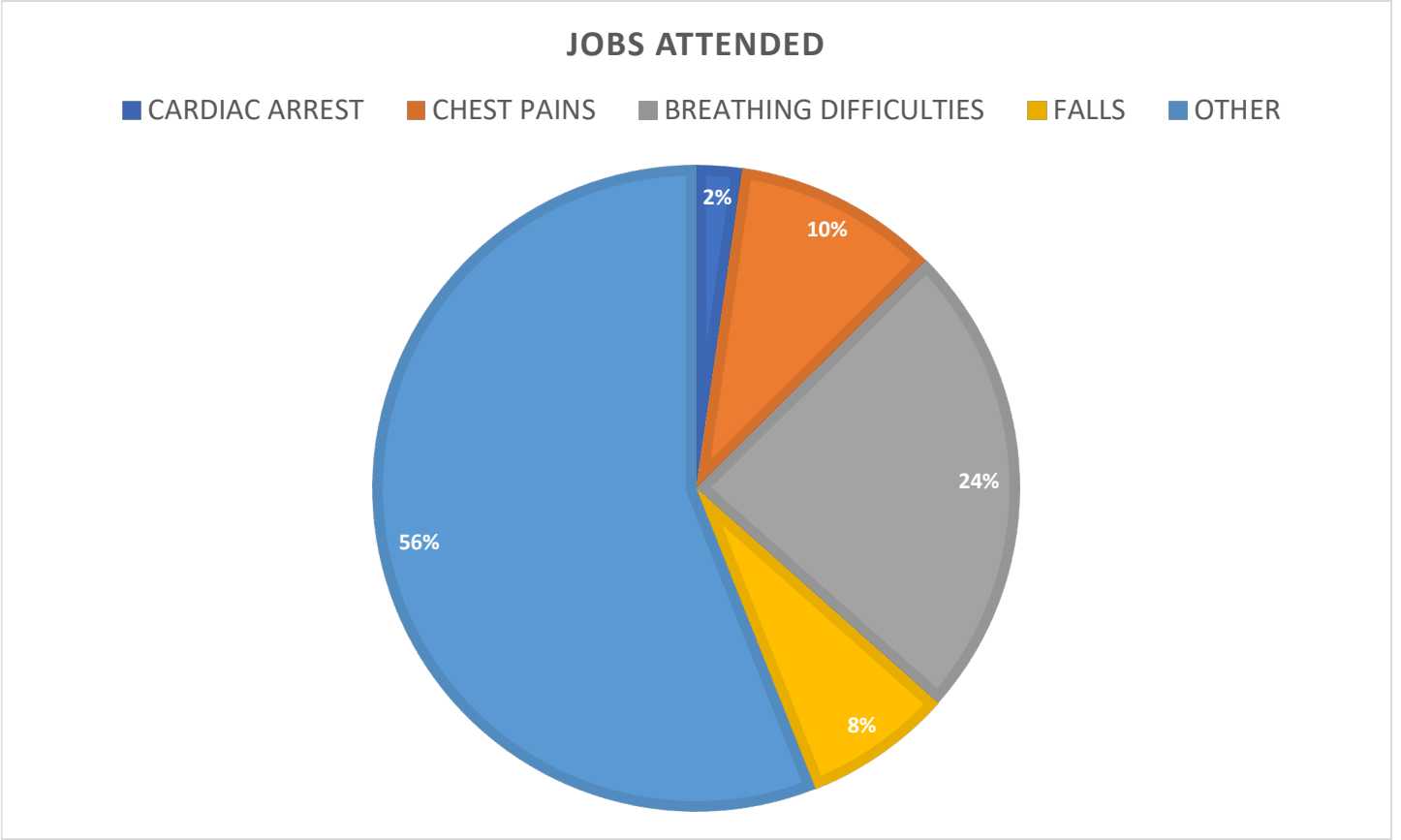
ACHIEVEMENT REPORT: DECEMBER 2022 – NOVEMBER 2023

Since the last annual report submitted November 2022, the Charity has continued to deliver on its main aims and objectives in support of the NHS ambulance service. It has been encouraging that since covid restrictions ended, some of our volunteers remain as frontline support to the NHS Ambulance service directly. Recruitment of new responders has been essential, and we are pleased to number 13 responders so an increase in real terms of five responders as unfortunately we had our chairman re locate and due to personal circumstances had to resign from being a trustee.

We have continued to retain our previous sponsors and record our appreciation of Kia Bolton for the new vehicle and for the support of Horwich rotary club and ABC North West Ltd

With the influx of new responders, we have attended over 350 incidents covering over 2000 miles.

The breakdown of attended calls is detailed as follows and due to a change in the way calls are categorised and coded it is difficult to make direct comparisons with previous years, but the figures continue to show that our responders attend a large percentage of life-threatening calls with breathing difficulties accounting for a large proportion of those. The calls categorised as others can include trauma related injuries, unconscious casualties, minor conditions and a percentage of aborted calls.



SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

KIA Bolton has agreed an extension of their sponsorship for the next year

ABC North West Ltd, continued to sponsor the Charity with financial support.

Horwich rotary provided a contribution to our running costs as in previous years.

The Charity has trained in excess of 250 people in basic life support

The charity has held an AGM on the 18/12/2023 in addition to a meeting of members on the 15/02/2023. A record of minutes is available for inspection.

The charities chairman Colin Thomson unfortunately resigned in January 2023 due to relocation and a change in personal circumstances and the organisation would like to put on record their appreciation for his hard work and dedication to the charity from its initial inception and wish him well in the future

At the previous 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.

Following the resignation of Mr Colin Thomson, Vice Chair Trevor Williams has agreed to act as interim chair for meetings going forward until re election.

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.

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 reports for the charity during the period.

The charity was able to support all of its financial commitments and the accounts show that at the end of the period the group had an operating surplus of £2273.36 after meeting all financial commitments.

The charity will continue to invest more into the operational role and further invest in community engagement programs providing more equipment to enable the continued teaching of basic life Support in the community

FUTURE AIMS / OBJECTIVES

The charity would like to continue expanding its membership and expand the services offered and ensure they can continue to support the NHS Ambulance Service.

The charity have ambitions to introduce new services in support of the emergency services when training and funding permit and would like to be able to investigate the provision of a falls service going forward.

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.

VICE CHAIRMAN..... TREVOR WILLIAMS

DATED.....30th November 2023.....

