



BOLTON COMMUNITY FIRST RESPONDERS

AT THE HEART OF YOUR COMMUNITY

ANNUAL REPORT

PERIOD

DECEMBER 2023 – NOVEMBER 2024

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

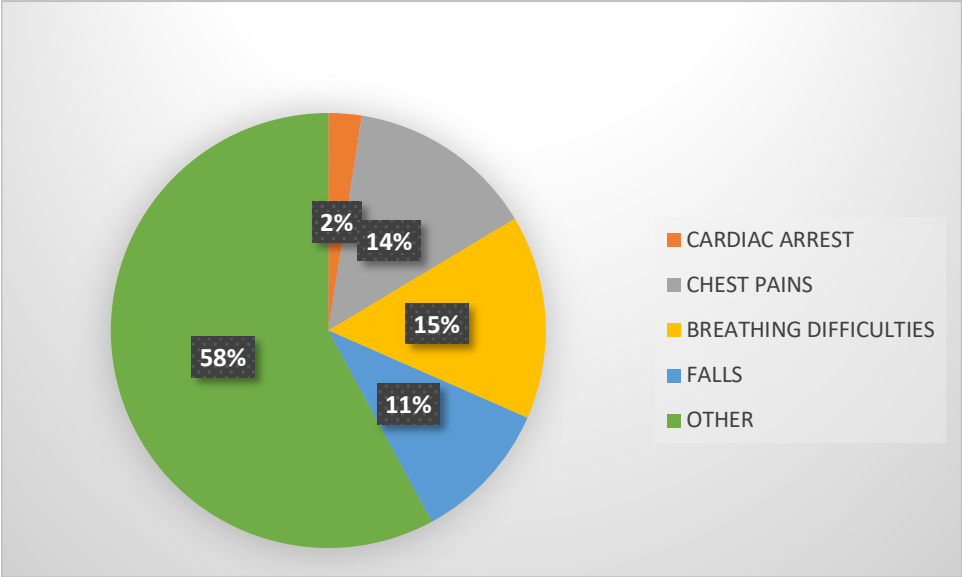
ACHIEVEMENT REPORT: DECEMBER 2023 – NOVEMBER 2024

Since the last annual report submitted November 2023, the Charity has continued to deliver on its main aims and objectives in support of the NHS ambulance service. Some of our volunteers remain as frontline support to the NHS Ambulance service directly. Recruitment of new responders has been essential, as we had a movement of responders leaving which reduced our numbers to 8 and we are pleased to add an additional 4 new responders to the team. We now have 12 active responders in the Bolton area.

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

WORK LOAD:

The breakdown of attended calls is detailed below and there is a slight decrease in job numbers, reflected by the change in responder numbers and anticipate this will start to move up over the next 12 months. Our responders still attended more than 300 job allocations, and the figures continue to show that our responders attend a large percentage of life-threatening calls. 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.



One of the aims of the charity as always is community engagement and the teaching of Basic CPR to members of the public. Over the past twelve months we have trained more than 400 people in Basic Life Support including how to use a lifesaving defibrillator. This training is provided free of charge and is open to all members of the community. The Bolton group supported the emergency services day in Trafford as well as local community scout groups and the local fire service open day.

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

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

ABC North West Ltd, agreed an extension of their support for the next year.

Horwich rotary agreed to continuing financial support to our running costs as in previous years.

The Charity has trained in excess of 400 people in basic life support

The charity has held an AGM on the 16/12/2024 in addition to a meeting of members on the 26/06/2024. 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.

Following the resignation of Mr Colin Thomson last year, Vice Chair Trevor Williams has continued to act as interim chair for meetings going forward.

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 via donations from the public.

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 £241.62 after meeting all financial commitments. This was a significant decrease on the past twelve months however the vehicle insurance was deducted earlier in the accounting period.

The charity continues to operate its account via Barclays Business accounts

The charity will continue in its aim to invest into the operational role and community engagement programs providing more opportunities to teach basic life Support in the communities.

FUTURE AIMS / OBJECTIVES

The charity aims to continue expanding its membership and work alongside North West Ambulance Service to recruit more volunteer responders.

The charity still has proposals to expand the services offered and ensure they can continue to support the NHS Ambulance Service.

The charity is looking forward to expanding its community events during the next 12 months and planning for community partnerships.

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 2024.....

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