

# Report of the Trustees and Financial Statements for the year ended $31^{st}$ March 2019

for

Families Against Violence

Charity No 1166240



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# Trustees Report and Financial Statements for the year ended

# 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019

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#### Reference and administrative information

Charity No 1166240

Constituted as a Foundation Charitable Incorporated Organisation

# Trustees who served in the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019 and to the date of this report

Katie Fraser (Chair)	
Selina Green	until 17.9.20
John Jones	until 24.2.21
James Gregory	
Sheridan McLoughlin	died January 2019
Emily Harrison	until 31.3.19
Akeim Mundell	17.8.20-24.11.20
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# **Principal Office & Registered Address**

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#### **Chief Executive**

James Gregory

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#### **Independent Examiner**

Mark Heaton FCCA FCIE

KM, Chartered Accountants

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# Trustees Report for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019

The Trustees present their report and the Financial Statements for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019.

# **Background**

Fathers Against Violence ("FAV") was established in March 2011 by James Gregory following the death of his son due to gang related violence. FAV subsequently registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, Families against Violence CIO ("FAM") with its constitution dated 29<sup>th</sup> March 2016.

# <u>Objects</u>

The Objects of the charity as per its constitution are:

The relief of those in need in Greater Manchester in particular but not exclusively by:

providing support and guidance to local young people and their families so that they become more effective members of the community;

addressing and reducing gang and gun culture in the community by using a preventative and early intervention model;

bringing young people together with the aim of promoting social inclusion that will build their selfesteem, raise their aspirations and encourage them to take greater responsibility for their actions and decisions; and

making the work of the charity accessible to all members of the community across Greater Manchester for the public benefit.

#### **Objectives**

Families Against Violence's mission is to limit and prevent the damage, disruption and marginalization of inner-city communities as a result of exposure to gang culture by:

- Delivering sports activities to young children in order to raise aspirations and provide tailored support toward positive engagement with education, statutory services and community cohesion initiatives.
- Promoting the positive influence of father figures and male role models with the aim of reducing violence and criminal activity via a bespoke Mentoring Programme
- Providing specialist support services for young boys at risk of exposure to gang culture enabling them to make informed choices about their future.
- Challenging discriminatory policy and practice and informing public perception about issues affecting inner city communities, particularly those of predominantly BME population



#### Our services and activities

In planning the activities for the year, the Trustees have had regard to the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

During the last 12 months FAM has retained existing activity that was delivered between 2017 and 2018 and also secured additional funding and extended service delivery into the Stockport local authority area. It is fair to say that the income and expenditure for the period 2018/19 is significantly higher than in previous years and whilst this has been beneficial in being able to extend service delivery to a wider number of young people across different geographical areas, it has also created problems in terms of core infrastructure required to manage this increase.

The existing three weekly football events were offered for two broad age groups, 11-18, run on weekday evenings using a football pitch in a local high school, and a Saturday event for those aged 6 - 10 year that takes place in a local leisure centre:

- Can u kick it Football Session Thursday Manchester Academy 6-8 pm Ages 11-19 years old
- Can u kick it Football Session Friday Platt Lane Complex 5-7 pm Education Though Sport
- Can u kick it Football Session Saturday Trinity High School 12-2 pm Ages 12-19 year old

In addition, we were also able to deliver two new sessions:

- Can u kick it Football Session Moss Side Centre Wednesday 5-7 pm Ages 9-13
- Can u kick it Football Session Moss Side Power House Wednesday 6-8pm Ages 9-13

#### Structure, Governance and Management

FAV is a Foundation CIO. The charity is managed on a day-to-day basis by James Gregory, Chief Executive and Trustee alongside other independent trustees, with experience in key skills in areas such as Finance, Marketing, HR and Law. In addition, in the Chair has over 15 years Senior Management experience within the Third Sector working closely in partnership with statutory, private and voluntary sector agencies. Unfortunately, in January 2019, FAV lost their long-time supporter and Treasurer, Sheridan McLoughlin when he succumbed to a short battle with cancer. Fellow Trustee John Jones was willing and able to step up and cover this role until FAV was able to recruit another Trustee.

The board met regularly throughout the year.

James Gregory received sessional coaching fees of £10,020. This is authorised by the constitution.

#### **Risk Management**

The Trustees examined operational and business risks and identified a shortcoming in the Charity's financial control and monitoring procedures following the death of the Charity's Treasurer in early 2019 after a short illness. Robust measures have since been implemented to prevent further issues of this kind, moving forward.



A further risk is an inability to raise sufficient funds to maintain and develop its core service of sports activities to young people. However, the Fundraising Strategy ensures that all core services are evaluated, taking into account current political and policy environment, the successes and challenges of each element of service delivery and the current and most pressing needs of marginalised innercity youth. Based on this review, fundraising strategies are implemented.

The charity has robust safeguarding procedures.

# **Funding**

In 2018/19 we were awarded service contracts by Manchester Young Lives (£48,560 received in the year), Stockport Council (£7,416) and Stockport Homes (£10,968). Among the donations and sponsorship income received in the year are payments from the Greater Manchester Police and Crime Commissioner (£3,000), the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Manchester (£500), Sported Foundation (£350), Mosscare St. Vincent's Housing Group (£250) and Arawak Walton Housing Association (£300).

The trustees are in the process of determining a reserves policy.

# Development and Achievements 2018-19

Throughout the year we have continued to demonstrate and evidence great strength and value in the field of sporting activities for disadvantaged youth. We have maximised potential by:

- Delivering presentations to Schools and Colleges
- Offering Awards to our young people in their achievements at the end of the year
- Offered Parents and Peers the opportunity to engage in the work of the charity via a number of Open Events

As previously stated, FAV secured new funding in order to deliver two new sessions:

- Can u kick it Football Session Moss Side Power House Wednesday 6-8pm Ages 9-13
- Can u kick it Football Session Moss Side Centre Wednesday 5-7 pm Ages 9-13

This work was commissioned by the Young Manchester charity as part of their Youth and Play Fund; a partnership between Young Manchester, Manchester City Council and the #IWillFund. In 2018/19, this partnership invested in the voluntary and community sector to provide a varied offer of universal open access youth and play for children and young people across the City of Manchester. As such, FAV was able to secure funding for these additional sessions and join the wide variety of provision in order to reach out to more young people.

The most exciting development for FAV in this period was being approached by Reaching Communities @ Stockport Homes and The Big Life Company in Brinnington to extend service delivery into the Stockport borough. FAV was commissioned to carry out detached work with young people in



and around the Stockport town centre area, Edgeley, Hollywood Towers, Swythamley Estate, and also to deliver 1-2-1 and group work with Highfield School Pupil Referral Unit.

The target group was youth in the age range of 11-16+, with the aim to engage them in activities at local hubs/centres, local to them or the town centre area.

Activities with this cohort included:

- 5 a side football sessions
- Skate boarding and BMX Riding
- Placement on the Unity Radio Changing Self Belief Course targeting at-risk of or history-of missing from home young people.
- Make-Up, Skating, Dance, Cooking, Gym time and other activities

We were able to work in partnership with other organisations including:

- Stockport Youth Offending Service
- Stockport Housing group
- Greater Manchester Police
- Stockport Wellbeing Centre
- The Space
- Manchester United Foundation
- City in The Community
- Preston United
- Life Leisure
- Rose Walker Centre

FAV's partnership work demanded that we had to be very flexible in our approach. So we have developed a framework to enable delivery to be tailored to specific audience needs. This included delivering focus group sessions at the beginning of each programme to ascertain, the education, employment and enterprise needs of the participants. We then placed special emphasis on developing learning objectives based on the recurring themes in our findings without compromising the main ethos/aims of the FAV Stockport Mission, curtailing Anti-Social Behaviour and promoting Social Action, Community Cohesion, and Positive Engagement with youth and local services.

FAV quickly established a robust reputation as an effective outreach in the town centre, well received and respected by the young people who showed themselves to be more than ready to engage in regular activities with the FAV team. Over this time period, FAV worked with just under 300 young people across the outreach and school/college workshop group activities.



#### Feedback from Service Users

"Since joining 2 years ago from a friend (CAN U KICK IT) CUKI.FC I have found a place where I feel safe welcomed and enjoy playing football with members of our community. I have made many brilliant friends who motivate me in many ways and enjoy the team spirit and motivation for the future that we all share.

This is a testament to the great work from the staff behind the programme and I am very happy to be a part of this project and a part of the legacy of the charity."

"Can You Kick It has helped the community to come together show love to one and other in the right direction to successful futures."

#### **Approval**

The trustees approved the report on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2021 and it is signed by:

Katie Fraser Trustee



#### INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF FAMILIES AGAINST VIOLENCE

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019 as set out on pages 10 to 12.

# **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees 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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the 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 charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- 2. the accounts do not accord with those records

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.

Mark Heaton FCCA FCIE KM Chartered Accountants 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Block C, The Wharf Manchester Rd Burnley BB11 1JG 6<sup>th</sup> April 2021



# Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019 (£)

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL FUNDS	Last Year Total Funds
Receipts	2				
Manchester Young Lives			48,960	48,960	
Stockport Homes			10,968	10,968	
Stockport Council			7,416	7,416	
Police and Crime Comm'r		3,000		3,000	
Sponsorship		500		500	
Sported			350	350	10,000
Donations	-	800	300	1,100	8,132
TOTAL RECEIPTS	2	4,300	67,994	72,294	18,132
Payments					
Sessional Coaches			30,356	30,356	6,356
Rent		71	1,129	1,200	100
Transport		154	2,434	2,588	
Facility Hire			11,240	11,240	7,354
Training Equipment		20	319	339	1,080
Administration		106	1,682	1,788	2,160
Food & Drink		419	6,620	7,039	
Insurance		35	555	590	529
General Expenses	-	17	434	451	1,744
Sub-Total	=	822	54,769	55,591	19,323
Asset Purchases					
Laptop		385		385	
PlayStation			600	600	
Music Equipment	-		249	249	
Sub-Total	=	385	849	1,234	
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TOTAL PAYMENTS	=	1,207	55,618	56,825	19,323
Net Receipts	-	3,093	12,376	15,469	(1,191)
Balances Brought Forward	3	6,064		6,064	7,255
Balances Carried Forward	=	9,156	12,376	21,532	6,064



#### Statement of Assets and Liabilities at the end of the Year

	Unrestricted Funds	<b>Restricted Funds</b>	TOTAL FUNDS
Cash Funds			
Manchester Young Lives		12,091	12,091
Stockport Homes		249	249
Stockport Council Police and Crime		169	169
Commissioner	2,426		2,426
Sported	256		256
Sponsorship	410	84	494
Donations		(217)	(217)
Other	6,064		6,064
Total Cash Funds	9,156	12,376	21,532

# Assets Retained for the Charity's Own Use

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Laptop		385
PlayStation	MYL	600
Music Equipment	MYL	249

	Fund to which Liability Relates	Amount due
Liabilities		
Independent examination	General	300

These financial statements were approved by the Trustees at a meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2021 and signed on their behalf by:

Katie Fraser..... \_\_\_\_\_

Trustee



#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **Accounting Policies**

#### **Basis of Accounting**

The Financial Statements have been prepared on a Receipts and Payments basis.

Restricted funds are as stated.

Accounting records for the period covered by this report are incomplete so the Trustees have used their best judgement to allocate income and expenditure where necessary. Steps are being taken to address these shortcomings.

# **Funds Brought Forward from Previous Year**

Opening funds as previously reported were  $\pm 6,008$ .  $\pm 56$  was omitted from the 2017/18 Accounts so the actual funds at 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018 were  $\pm 6,064$ .

# **Transactions with Trustees**

Trustee and CEO James Gregory was paid sessional coaching fees which are authorised by the constitution.