

FAMILY COMFORT NI
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 DECEMBER 2023

Charity Number NIC107536

FAMILY COMFORT
LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE
CHARITY YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

Registered Charity Name	Family Comfort NI
Charity Registration Number	NIC107536
Registered Office	218 York Street, Belfast, Northern Ireland, BT15 1GY
Trustees	Olanrewaju Abiona (Trustee) Precious Ganuyu (Trustee) Christian Eneh (Trustee)

**FAMILY COMFORT NI
TRUSTEES REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

The Executive Committee of Family Comfort NI presents its report and the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2023. Legal and administrative information set out on page 1 forms part of this report. The financial statements comply with statutory requirements and the Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT
Governing Document.

Family Comfort NI is a registered charity governed by the Constitution reviewed and updated on 26/05/20.

Appointment, Induction and Appointment of Trustees

Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g., election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Election to post
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Risk Management.

The trustees have a risk management strategy, which comprises of:

- An annual review of the risks the charity may face
- The establishment of systems and procedures to mitigate those risks identified in the plan: and
- The implementation of procedures designed to minimise any potential impact on the charity should those risks materialise.

Principal Activity:

The objects of the charity are exclusively charitable being the benefit to women and young people (families) by means of family support programs, creating awareness, provision of opportunities for creativities and empowerment.

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Objectives and Activities	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	<p>AIMS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We exist to support children, young people and Women especially from BAME communities who are struggling and in crisis due to domestic violence, racial discrimination and inequality, financial hardship, ill-health & disability; especially for those whose health may or have been affected adversely or compromised by these factors. • We also advance the arts, education, culture, heritage or science among children and young people promoting equality, integration, diversity of culture, peace, workshops, seminars and events; and towards improving lives; and engage community development programs.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the Activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family support services- Be friendliness, advice, Networking/ mental & moral support • Education/ Training / capacity building Programs • After-school Extra-curricular programs • Living and basic need support Services
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

This year 2023 has been a tremendous year for the charity in its work of impact within the community. It has also been a challenging one with increase in demand that we have experienced in the number of families added to us. Family support -As a grassroots organization that works with families with children and young people who are homeless, discriminated and struggling due to different circumstances, we have supported more than 140 as against 65 families in the previous year, predominately from minority backgrounds to reduce isolation and adapt to life in Northern Ireland.

We have carried out 8 different projects amounting to 58 sessions that boosted women's health and young people's confidence, bringing a mutual understanding of different cultures and building social resilience through the series of activities, such as craft, music, dance, fitness, ICT, filming, well-being programs, cookery, games and outdoor activities to name a few.

Working collaboratively with parents and children within the community, identifying when families are at their most vulnerable and act accordingly towards early intervention responses/needed support.

Learning/Educative-Programs-We have provided awareness on a variety of issues, provide learning and information services to help the families to enrich themselves and their local communities. Educate and give equal opportunity to young people to reach their full potential, boost healthy and improve wellbeing.

These projects ensured that cultural understanding and acceptability continued to bring both parents and young people together. Families are given the opportunity to meet and have direct contact with other families who have been neighbours but never got along. Provided opportunities that built and sustained continuous relationships.

We have been working and still working in collaboration with other local groups/organization to ensure adequate reach of struggling families in crisis, especially those with children and young people, in order to support as the case may be.

Financial Review

The statement of Financial Activities shows a total income for the year of £57,341 and expenditure of £57,341, resulting in a balance of £0.00 for the year.

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RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES


Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the charity (account and report) regulation of Northern Ireland 2015 which give a true and fair view of the asset and liability of the charity; and any surplus or deficit for that year.

Preparing the financial statements, trustees are required to;

1. Choose suitable account policies and apply them consistently
2. Make reasonable and wise judgements and estimations
3. Prepare financial statements on-going concern basis unless the presumption that the charity will continue is in-appropriate.

The trustees are solely responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time of the financial position of the charity. They are responsible to safeguard the charity assets and taking reasonable actions for the prevention and detection of fraud and any other irregularities.

Approved by the trustees on 17 – April - 2024 and signed on its behalf by:



Olanrewaju Abiona (Trustee)

FAMILY COMFORT NI
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

We have examined the accounts of the charity for the period ended 31st December 23, which are set out on pages 8 to 15.

To the trustees of Family Comfort NI

I report on the Financial Statements as attached

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 64 of the Charities Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for the Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

I have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act.

My examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to Believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Independent examiner's statement

I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a registered Member of the Chartered Accountants England, which is one of the listed bodies.

Independent Examiner's Report for the year ending 31st December 2023 (con't)

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.



Javed Azam FCCA
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19-04-2024

FAMILY COMFORT NI
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING THE
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
INCOME FROM					
Grants	2	0	57,341	57,341	24,080
Income from charitable Activities	3				
Other trading activities	4	0		0	0
Investment income	5	0		0	0
TOTAL INCOME		<u>0</u>	<u>57,341</u>	<u>57,341</u>	24,080
EXPENDITURE ON					
Cost of raising funds Charitable activities	6		(57,341)	(57,341)	(24,080)
TOTAL EXPENDITURE			<u>(57,341)</u>	<u>(57,341)</u>	(24,080)
NET INCOME /(EXPENDITURE)		0	0	0	0
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		(234)	0	(234)	(234)
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>(234)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(234)</u>	<u>(234)</u>

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All of the above amounts relate to continuing activities.

The notes on pages 10 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

**FAMILY COMFORT NI
BALANCE SHEET
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

	Note	2023 £	£	2022 £	£
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at Bank and in Hand	7	18,809		7,586	
Debtors	8	0		0	
		18,809		7,586	
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	9	(19,043)		(7,820)	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			(234)		(234)
NET ASSETS			(234)		(234)
CHARITY FUNDS					
Restricted Funds	10				
Unrestricted Funds	11		(234)		(234)
TOTAL FUNDS			(234)		(234)

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard 102 (effective January 2015)

These financial statements were approved by the Management Committee on: 17- Apr – 2024



Olanrewaju Abiona (Trustee):

The notes on pages 10 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

FAMILY COMFORT NI
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

Basis of accounting

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. 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) issued on 16 July 2014, the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2015.

Income

All income is recognised once the Centre has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis

Restricted funds

Restricted income received are accounted for separately as restricted funds and are used for the purposes specified by the donor

2. GRANTS:

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£
Grants	-	-	-	-

2a. GRANTS:

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£
Arnold Clark Autom		2,500	2,500	-
Belfast City Council		12,715	12,715	3,300
Belfast Region		4,066	4,066	12,601
Main Grants		24,645	24,645	7,380
NI Community Relations		1,381	1,381	800
Migrant Centre NI		1,975	1,975	-
Community Foundation Grant		1,143	1,143	-
Heritage Project		6,667	6,667	-
Trustees of the Lft		2,250	2,250	-
	-	57,341	57,341	24,080

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3. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES:

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
Grants				
Playscheme Fees				
Miscellaneous				
	=	=	=	=

3a. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES /GRANTS:

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
Charitable Activities / Grant				
	=	=	=	=

4. OTHER TRADING INCOME:

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
Hall and Centre Hire				
	=	=	=	=

5. INVESTMENT INCOME:

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
Bank Interest Received	0		0	0
	0		0	0
	=	=	=	=

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6. COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES:

	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£
Staff Costs	8,633	1,961
Support Costs	47,708	21,619
Direct Project Expenditure		
Governance	1,000	500
	<u>57,341</u>	<u>24,080</u>

6a. STAFF COSTS:

	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£
Staff Salaries	8,202	1,961
Employers NI		
Employer Pension	432	
	<u>8,633</u>	<u>1,961</u>

6b. SUPPORT COSTS:

	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£
Activity Cost	39,160	19,061
Advertisement	505	617
Other Office Supplies		
Computer Expenses & Website		
Foodbank Purchases	668	437
Utilities	533	
Insurance	182	
Travel & Subsistence		
Material & Equipment	571	
Rent		
Rent and rates	6,088	1,500
Repairs and Maintenance		
Bank Charges		4
	<u>47,708</u>	<u>21,619</u>

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6c. DIRECT PROJECT EXPENDITURE:

	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
Trips & Activities	0	0
Publicity	0	0
Tutors		
Equipment and Materials	0	0
	0	0

6d. GOVERNANCE:

	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
Independent Examination	1,000	500
Payroll Services		
Membership/Subscription		0
	1,000	500

7. CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND:

	2023 £	2022 £
Total Cash	18,809	7,586
	=	=

8. DEBTORS:

	2023 £	2022 £
Accrued Income		
Other Debtors	0	0
	0	0

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9. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Deferred Income	17,816	7,086
Accruals	1,000	734
Other Creditors	227	
	19,043	7,820

10. RESTRICTED INCOME FUNDS:

	Balance at 1 Jan 2023	Incoming resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers In/(Out)	Balance at 31 Dec 2023
Dispossessed Fund Festival	0	57,341	(57,341)		0
	0	0	0		0

11. UNRESTRICTED INCOME FUNDS:

	Balance at 1 Jan 2023	Incoming resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers In/(Out)	Balance at 31 Dec 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
General	(234)	0			(234)
	(234)	0			(234)

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
EXPENDITURE		
COST OF RAISING FUNDS		
Fundraising and Publicity	-----	-----
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CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES		
Staff Costs		
Staff Salaries		
Employers NI		
Staff Cost	8,202	1,961
Employer Pension	432	
Support Costs		
Activity Cost	39,160	19,061
Printing, Postage, Stationery		
Other Office Supplies		
Computer Expenses & Website		
Advertisement	505	617
Utilities	533	
Insurance	182	
Foodbank Purchases	668	437
Material & Equipment	571	
Rent		
Rents and Rates	6,088	1,500
Repairs and Maintenance		
Miscellaneous		
Direct Project Costs		
Trips & Activities		
Publicity		
Tutors		
Equipment and Materials		
Governance Costs		
Independent Examination	1,000	500
Payroll Services		
Membership/Subscription		
Bank Charges		4
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	57,341	24,080
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TOTAL EXPENDITURE	57,341	24,080
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NET INCOME / (EXPENDITURE)		
FOR THE YEAR	=	=

