McPin Foundation

Our year in numbers

1st April 2025 to 31st March 2026

The McPin Foundation is a mental health research charity. We champion expertise from experience in research so that people's mental health is improved in communities everywhere. We deliver high quality mental health research and evaluations. We support and help to shape the research of others, often advising on patient and public involvement strategies. We work to ensure research achieves positive change. Find out more about us at www.mcpin.org, or follow us on LinkedIn www.linkedin.com/company/the-mcpin-foundation.

Our participants

In 2025-26, we engaged with people across England, as well as some overseas – both as research participants in our studies, and attending our training, events and talks.

3,759

Our team

Our team integrates expertise from experience into research, advisory, operational, voluntary and consultancy roles.

	April 2026	April 2025	April 2024
Employees	31	28	38
Consultants	30	29	23
Volunteers	3	4	4
Lived experience advisory group members, peer researchers (adults and young people)	237	225	229

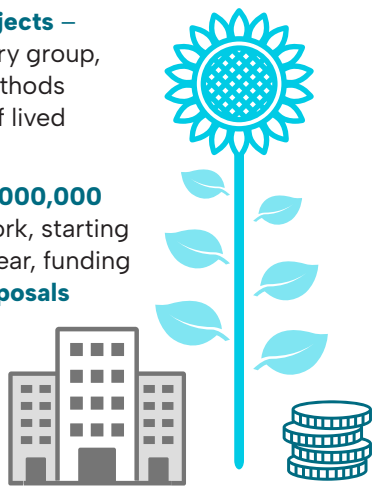
Our new and developing projects

In 2025-26, we were involved in developing proposals to secure funding and start new research projects.

We were involved in **64 projects** – **92%** involved a peer advisory group, **41%** used peer research methods and **100%** had some form of lived experience input.

We received a little over **£1,000,000** to deliver commissioned work, starting **11 new projects** within the year, funding **13 new projects** and **87 proposals** were developed in the year.

We collaborated with **27 universities** and **15 other partners** to deliver projects.



Our outputs

A vital part of our work is producing practical resources to inform and influence others, alongside comment pieces.

We have been particularly active contributing to peer review journal articles, writing blogs and speaking at events.

1,596 10 for 10 resource downloads

3 Hosted overseas visitors

33 Blogs and news pieces

24 Peer review outputs

6 Published reports

16 Webinars / Podcasts / Videos

25 Presentations at conferences/ events

4 Infographics

3 Commissioner reports

Our involvement panels

We run Lived Experience Advisory Panels (LEAPs) or Young People Advisory Groups (YPAGs). These are made up of people with expertise from experience relevant to the research topic being studied.

Number of involvement panels or groups **30**

Number in university projects **26**

Capacity building

How many people have left McPin to start a PhD / Msc or been supported to do these studies whilst at the charity **15**

Number of externally funded fellowships McPin is supporting **4**

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