

THE OSWESTRY AND BORDERS FOODBANK

England & Wales · Charity number 1143519

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2011-08-23

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: THE CHARITY'S OBJECTS ARE THE PREVENTION OR RELIEF OF POVERTY IN OSWESTRY AND BORDERS REGION BY PROVIDING GRANTS, ITEMS AND SERVICES TO INDIVIDUALS IN NEED AND/OR CHARITIES, OR OTHER ORGANISATIONS WORKING TO PREVENT OR RELIEVE POVERTY.

Activities: Organizing the collection and distribution of food and other basic necessities through a foodbank to local people in need. The charity operates as part of the Trussell Trust foodbank network.

Classification

- **How:** Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Powys
- Shropshire
- Wrexham

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£86,222	£179,193	-	-
2024-03-31	£217,962	£180,772	-	-
2023-03-31	£199,336	£126,847	-	-
2022-03-31	£109,532	£64,482	-	-
2021-03-31	£126,345	£61,478	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Alison Baseley Utting		2025-02-18
Carl Trevor Rogers		2022-06-21
Malcolm William Harold Hubbell		2022-06-21
Michael Stewart Jackson		2022-06-21
Susan Ann Forgie		2025-09-08

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

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CHARITY INFORMATION

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

CHARITY'S NAME

The Oswestry & Borders Foodbank

REGISTRATION NUMBER

1143519

ADDRESS

56 Beatrice Street
Oswestry
Shropshire
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TRUSTEES

Kathryn Eleanor Davies (Secretary)
Malcolm William Harold Hubbell
Michael Stewart Jackson (Treasurer)
Andrea Irene Lee
Carl Trevor Rogers (Interim Chair)
Alison Baseley Utting

THE OSWESTRY & BORDERS FOODBANK

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

The Foodbank's Constitution was adopted on 20th June 2011 and amended (in respect of membership) on 12th June 2019. The Charity's objectives are 'the prevention or relief of poverty in Oswestry and Borders region by providing grants, items and services to individuals in need and/or charities or other organisations working to prevent or relieve poverty'. In pursuit of these objectives, the charity:

- provides food parcels to people referred to as being in need. To achieve this, the Foodbank has entered into relationships with local churches, shops and other organisations to collect food.
- hosts a number of organisations who provide help and guidance to clients, these include The Samaritans, Mental Health Service, Citizen's Advice and West Mercia Women's Aid, Adult Social Care and Veterans Support.
- provides small grants to people at risk of, for example, eviction or suspension of power supplies.
- partners with other agencies providing cash vouchers; such as Fuel Bank Foundation, Marches Energy Agency, Community Resource Grant, Oswestry Town Council and Shropshire's Welfare & Support Fund.

The Foodbank's work is made possible through the efforts of its volunteers. There are approximately 35 volunteers who work across different teams in stock, front of house, operations and deliveries. The Foodbank operates from three premises in Oswestry. No. 56 Beatrice Street is the registered address for the charity and houses the main administrative office as well as being the main food distribution hub. The Foodbank also rents the next-door premises No. 58 Beatrice Street which is used to support its collaborations with external organisations. In 2003, the Foodbank made a service level agreement with Citizens Advice for providing/ funding a financial inclusion worker for at least a period of three years, to support people with benefits, maximising income and other related issues in our work in ending the need for foodbanks. Unit 9 Radfords Field Industrial Estate is used for the storage of food stocks.

The Foodbank continues to make deliveries to those households who are not mobile or are unable to collect their emergency food due to costs of transport. The Foodbank has 6 volunteers who work in pairs, delivering to the outlying households. Volunteer drivers are offered mileage costs. Volunteers are also given a free lunch in the form of bought sandwiches, if they are working over the lunch period.

Initially, the Foodbank was wholly operated by volunteers. Some years ago, the Trustees took the decision to employ a part-time Project Manager. Subsequently an additional Deputy Project

Manager was employed also on a part-time basis. This enabled the Project Manager to devote more time to making grant applications and working with partner organisations. During the financial year 2023/24, an additional post was funded by a Trussell Trust (now known as a Trussell) grant for 'Organising and Local Mobilisation'. Due to ill-health, the post holder vacated this role, and the Foodbank refunded the unused portion of the grant in the financial year covered by this report.

The Foodbank currently works with 144 referral agencies, both statutory and other charities, to support households in need. Signposting and referring go both ways. These agencies include housing, children's services, GP surgeries, schools, the council, homeless, mental health and addiction services. Demands for help continue to be high, with 942 households being helped in the financial year 2024/25. 6,947 food parcels were issued during the year, 2434 of these going to households with children. Low income, physical and mental illness, as well as benefit delays and rising cost of essentials all contribute to the increasing need for the Foodbank.

Thanks go to New Life Church for the use of their upstairs rooms to pack Christmas hampers this year where 210 hampers were created using 1,597kg of food, toiletries and gifts for nearly 780 people including children.

The Foodbank's income dropped significantly from £217,962 in 2023/24 to £86,222. This occurred due to a decline in both income from grants and general donations, however the drop in grant income was the most significant. The figure for grant income is not, however, an exact indicator as the third tranche of the Trussell Financial Inclusion grant which would normally have been received in March 2025 was slightly delayed. The amount of this grant is £34,852.57. This drop in income did not affect the ability of the Foodbank to serve its clients as its bank balance at the beginning of the year was well in excess of the amount cited in its financial reserves policy. However, the Trustees recognise that the Foodbank will be unable to function if similar losses are incurred in the future and are therefore actively recruiting a Trustee with fundraising experience.

Last year this report noted a significant rise in the expenditure on food stocks and expressed the hope that the rate of increase would decline in future years. In fact, expenditure on food dropped by a considerable amount in this financial year. The Foodbank accepts donations of non-perishable food from several locations in the Oswestry and Borders area. These are supplemented by fresh food (e.g. bread, vegetables and milk) in the parcels handed out to clients. The fresh food is purchased from local supermarkets on the day. This year food donations have been at a level which has meant that there has been less need to purchase non-perishable items for food parcels.

The financial reserves policy agreed by the Trustees in 2022/23 requires them to maintain a reserve to the value of 50% of the projected yearly expenditure.

The trustees confidently believe that they have complied fully with the legal duty of having regard to public benefit, as set out in Charity Commission guidance.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees on 26th June 2025.

Carl Trevor Rogers (Interim Chair)

Kathryn Eleanor Davies (Secretary)

THE OSWESTRY & BORDERS FOODBANK

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

INCOME	£	<u>2025</u> £	£	<u>2024</u> £
Grants (Note 1)		17,228		140,463
General Donations (Note 2)		<u>68,994</u>		<u>77,499</u>
		<u>86,222</u>		<u>217,962</u>
 LESS EXPENSES				
Rent (Note 3)	23,775		13,800	
Utilities	6,774		6,565	
Insurances	1,308		1,253	
Salaries (Note 4)	41,079		43,571	
Food Stocks	45,065		72,374	
Christmas Hampers	11,830		9,720	
Client Welfare Payments	687		1,093	
Winter Fuel Payments	2,580		-	
I.C.O. Membership	47		35	
Citizens' Advice	29,434		26,159	
Office Supplies (Note 5)	3,274		2,503	
Volunteer Expenses (Note 6)	1,220		1,873	
Health & Safety Expenses (Note 7)	167		658	
Training	414		18	
Trustee Expenses	363		32	
Employee Expenses	1,076		456	
Accountancy fees	690		612	
Donations	-		50	
Grants	<u>9,410</u>		<u>-</u>	
		<u>179,193</u>		<u>180,772</u>
 EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE		 <u>(92,971)</u>		 <u>37,190</u>
 Bank reconciliation				
Opening balance		244,522		207,332
Income less Expenditure		<u>(92,971)</u>		<u>37,190</u>
Closing balance		<u>151,551</u>		<u>244,522</u>
 Funds Balance				
Restricted Funds		8,503		44,612
Unrestricted Funds		<u>143,048</u>		<u>199,910</u>
		<u>151,551</u>		<u>244,522</u>

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**2025****2024****1. GRANTS**

	£	£
Trussell Trust	7,200	55,508
Shropshire Towns & Rural Housing	-	5,000
Marches Energy	500	-
Powys CC	4,298	1,510
Oswestry Town Council	5,000	8,000
The Neighbourly Foundation	230	-
Joseph Keith Burgess Foundation	-	30,445
Community Organisations Cost of Living Fund	-	40,000
	<u>17,228</u>	<u>140,463</u>

2. GENERAL DONATIONS

As noted in the Trustees Annual Report, general donations were 15% lower than 2023/24. Donations from standing orders grew substantially from £17,370 in 2023/24 to £27,727. The amount donated as a “one-off” donation either through bank transfer, cheque or cash was 30% smaller than in 2023/24.

The Foodbank Trustees are grateful to all donors for their generosity.

3. RENT

This year's rental figure includes an advance payment of £9,720 for the industrial estate unit. This covered a twenty-four month period from 1st September 2024.

4. SALARIES

	£	£
Gross Salary Project Manager	23,766	22,684
Employer's Pension Contributions	526	493
Adjustment re PAYE creditor	(58)	(181)
	<u>24,234</u>	<u>22,996</u>
	£	£
Gross Salary Deputy Project Managers	16,319	17,355
Employer's Pension Contributions	302	224
Adjustment re PAYE creditor	(239)	(145)
	<u>16,382</u>	<u>17,434</u>
	£	£
Gross Salary Campaigns Manager	-	3,267
Employer's Pension Contributions	-	36
Adjustment re PAYE creditor	463	(162)
	<u>463</u>	<u>3,141</u>

5. OFFICE/CONTAINER EXPENSES

Printing, Stationery & Postage	887	1,112
Shelving	-	-
Repairs, Maintenance & Consumables	388	415
Shredding	29	32
Kitchen Equipment	9	-
Room Rental	54	-
Broadband & Computer Costs	789	424
Furniture & Blinds	326	-
Supported Giving set-up costs	360	-
Capital expenditure - Laptop and printer	432	520
	<u>3,274</u>	<u>2,503</u>

6. VOLUNTEER EXPENSES

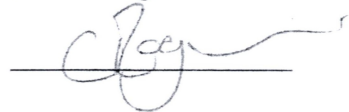
Gifts	253	405
Parking Permit & Parking	-	-
Counselling Services	-	-
Travelling Expenses	236	400
Volunteers' Meals & Expenses	731	1,068
	<u>1,220</u>	<u>1,873</u>

7. HEALTH & SAFETY EXPENSES

Hand Sanitiser, Masks, Screens & Hi-viz items	-	9
Fire Extinguishers & Services	167	492
Fire Exit Signs	-	12
First Aid Kit	-	145
	<u>167</u>	<u>658</u>

These accounts were approved by the Trustees on 26th June 2025.

and were signed on its behalf by :



Carl Trevor Rogers (Interim Chair)



Kathryn Eleanor Davies (Secretary)

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE OSWESTRY & BORDERS FOODBANK

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity for the year ended 31st March 2025.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act

It is my responsibility to:

- (i) examine the financial statements under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- (ii) to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity
- (iii) to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (a) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - (i) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - (ii) to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act;have not been met or
- (b) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

AS AT 31ST MARCH 2025

	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u>	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u>	<u>Endowment</u> <u>Funds</u>
CASH FUNDS	£	£	£
Current Account	8,503	143,048	-
INVESTMENT ASSETS		<u>Unrestricted assets</u>	<u>Cost or value</u>
Food Supplies			15,235
Furniture and Equipment			
Second-hand freezer			200
Trestle tables			400
Shelving			3,500
Weighing scales			400
Kitchen equipment			800
Plastic boxes and crates			300
Anti-slip mats			1,000
Sofa, footstool, coffee table & 4 chairs			1,600
Second-hand stacking chairs			200
As-new large privacy sofa			5,000
Second-hand kitchen table			80
Table and chairs			350
Pictures			100
Sundries			50
20 shelving units			3,500
Trolleys			200
Paper bags			800
Christmas items			1,500
Office Equipment			
Printer 58			329
Printer 56			300
Computers			2,500
Wi-Fi network disks			100
Second-hand filing cabinets 58			150
Filing cabinets 56			400
Desk top stand-up desk			85

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Initially, the Foodbank was wholly operated by volunteers. Some years ago, the Trustees took the decision to employ a part-time Project Manager. In the previous financial year, an additional Deputy Project Manager was employed also on a part-time basis. This enabled the Project Manager to devote more time to making grant applications and working with partner organisations. In the current financial year, the Trustees decided to employ two part-time Deputy Project Managers. As of November 2023, one of these posts was funded by a Trussell Trust grant for 'Organising and Local

Mobilisation'. Due to ill-health, this post is now vacant.

The Foodbank currently works with 144 referral agencies, both statutory and other charities, to support households in need. Signposting and referring go both ways. These agencies include housing, children's services, GP surgeries, schools, the council, homeless, mental health and addiction services. Demands for help continue to be high, with 7530 people being helped in the financial year 2023/24. Low income, physical and mental illness, as well as benefit delays and rising cost of essentials all contribute to the increasing need for the Foodbank.

Thanks go to New Life Church for the use of their upstairs rooms to pack Christmas hampers this year where 211 hampers were created using 2,500kg of food, toiletries and gifts for nearly 700 people including children.

The Foodbank's income grew from £199,336 in 2022/23 to £217,962 in 2023/24. Once again, this growth was largely through grant income which grew by over £18,000. A portion of this income was from grants obtained in 2021/22 which were awarded for three years. The total of donations from individual givers rose only marginally.

The trend of rising expenditure on food stocks has continued. The 2022/23 report noted an increase in the expenditure on food stocks from £18,164 in 2021/22 to £32,197. This trend has been repeated in 2023/24 with expenditure on food stock rising to £72,374. The need to make this expenditure has occurred because whilst client demand continues to grow, food donations have not grown at the same rate. The Trustees expect that the rate of increase in food expenditure will lessen next year.

In 2023/24, the Foodbank achieved a surplus of £37,190 which can be compared with the surplus of £72,489 in 2022/23. The Trustees intend to use this surplus to further the work begun in 2022/23 to prevent poverty in the Oswestry and Borders region. Current surpluses will help to ensure that this work can continue when the grants which enabled it to begin reach the end of their term.

The financial reserves policy agreed by the Trustees in 2002/23 requires them to maintain a reserve to the value of 50% of the projected yearly expenditure.

The trustees confidently believe that they have complied fully with the legal duty of having regard to public benefit, as set out in Charity Commission guidance.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees on 20th June 2024.



Rev Antony Bryan Maude (Chairman)



Kathryn Eleanor Davies (Secretary)

THE OSWESTRY & BORDERS FOODBANK

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

INCOME	£	<u>2024</u>	£	<u>2023</u>
Grants (Note 1)		140,463		122,265
General Donations (Note 2)		<u>77,499</u>		<u>77,071</u>
		<u>217,962</u>		<u>199,336</u>
 LESS EXPENSES				
Rent (Note 3)	13,800		21,582	
Utilities	6,565		5,683	
Insurances	1,253		1,042	
Salaries (Note 4)	43,571		28,138	
Food Stocks	72,374		32,197	
Christmas Hampers	9,720		7,169	
Client Welfare Payments	1,093		898	
Trussell Trust Membership	-		-	
I.C.O. Membership	35		35	
Community Money Advice	-		268	
Citizens' Advice	26,159		-	
Refurbishment of 58 Beatrice Street	-		21,830	
Office Supplies (Note 5)	2,503		4,166	
Volunteer Expenses (Note 6)	1,873		1,338	
Health & Safety Expenses (Note 7)	658		759	
Training	18		876	
Trustee Expenses	32		210	
Employee Expenses	456		-	
Accountancy fees	612		576	
Donations	50		-	
Petty Cash	-		80	
		<u>180,772</u>		<u>126,847</u>
 EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE		<u>37,190</u>		<u>72,489</u>
 Bank reconciliation				
Opening balance		207,332		134,843
Income less Expenditure		<u>37,190</u>		<u>72,489</u>
Closing balance		<u>244,522</u>		<u>207,332</u>
 Funds Balance				
Restricted Funds		44,612		30,559
Unrestricted Funds		<u>199,910</u>		<u>176,773</u>
		<u>244,522</u>		<u>207,332</u>

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**2024****2023****1. GRANTS**

	£	£
Trussell Trust	55,508	56,452
Shrewsbury Food Hub (UNICEF)	-	-
Shropshire Towns & Rural Housing	5,000	10,000
Co-op Local Food Community	-	-
Powys CC	1,510	3,547
Oswestry Town Council	8,000	3,000
JJH Rausing Trust	-	4,990
Joseph Keith Burgess Foundation	30,445	41,776
Western Power Distribution	-	2,500
Community Organisations Cost of Living Fund	40,000	-
	<u>140,463</u>	<u>122,265</u>

2. GENERAL DONATIONS

As noted in the Trustees Annual Report, general donations grew by less than 1% (£428) from 2022/23. Donations from the Charities Aid Foundation amounted to £7,355, whilst donations from churches in the area to £715. The remaining £69,429 came from a wide variety of voluntary and commercial organisations and from many individual people.

The Foodbank Trustees are grateful to them all for their generosity.

3. RENT

Last year's rental figure included an advance payment of £8,167 for the industrial estate unit. This covered a twenty four month period from 1st September 2022 so there is no cost in this year's accounts

4. SALARIES

	£	£
Gross Salary Project Manager	22,684	19,784
Employer's National Insurance Contributions	-	-
Employer's Pension Contributions	493	407
Adjustment re PAYE creditor	(181)	(117)
	<u>22,996</u>	<u>20,074</u>
	£	£
Gross Salary Deputy Project Managers (x3)	17,355	8,190
Employer's National Insurance Contributions	-	-
Employer's Pension Contributions	224	84
Adjustment re PAYE creditor	(145)	(210)
	<u>17,434</u>	<u>8,064</u>

	£	£
Gross Salary Campaigns Manager	3,267	-
Employer's National Insurance Contributions	-	-
Employer's Pension Contributions	36	-
Adjustment re PAYE creditor	(162)	-
	<u>3,141</u>	<u>-</u>

5. OFFICE/CONTAINER EXPENSES

Printing, Stationery & Postage	1,112	1,385
Shelving	-	705
Repairs, Maintenance & Consumables	415	258
Shredding	32	-
Kitchen Equipment	-	55
Sign	-	336
Broadband & Computer Software	424	-
Furniture & Blinds	-	280
Capital expenditure - Mac Air	-	845
Capital expenditure - Asus Laptop & Printer	-	302
Capital expenditure - Laptop	520	-
	<u>2,503</u>	<u>4,166</u>

6. VOLUNTEER EXPENSES

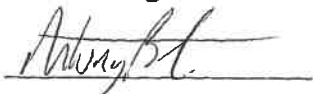
Gifts	405	78
Parking Permit & Parking	-	2
Counselling Services	-	50
Travelling Expenses	400	503
Volunteers' Meals	1,068	705
	<u>1,873</u>	<u>1,338</u>

7. HEALTH & SAFETY EXPENSES

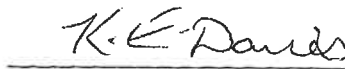
Hand Sanitiser, Masks, Screens & Hi-viz items	9	81
Fire Extinguishers & Services	492	678
Fire Exit Signs	12	-
First Aid Kit	145	-
	<u>658</u>	<u>759</u>

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Basis of independent examiner's report

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Independent examiner's statement

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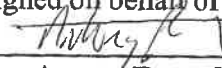
THE OSWESTRY & BORDERS FOODBANK


STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

AS AT 31ST MARCH 2024

	<u>Restricted Funds</u>	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>	<u>Endowment Funds</u>
CASH FUNDS	£	£	£
Current Account	44,612	199,910	-
 INVESTMENT ASSETS	 <u>Unrestricted assets</u>	 <u>Cost or value</u>	
Food Supplies		21,048	
Furniture and Equipment			
Second-hand freezer		200	
Trestle tables		400	
Shelving		3,500	
Weighing scales		200	
Kitchen equipment		500	
Plastic boxes		100	
Anti-slip mats		500	
Sofa, footstool, coffee table & 4 chairs		1,600	
Second-hand stacking chairs		200	
As-new large privacy sofa		5,000	
Second-hand kitchen table		80	
New kitchen equipment		300	
New table and chairs		350	
New pictures		100	
New sundries		50	
20 shelving units		3,500	
Weighing scales		200	
Trolleys		200	
Plastic crates		200	
Paper bags		800	
Christmas items		2,000	
Office Equipment			
Printer 58		329	
Printer 56		300	
Computers		2,500	
Wi-Fi network disks		100	
Second-hand filing cabinets 58		150	
Filing cabinets 56		400	

Signed on behalf of the Trustees on 20th June 2024.


Rev Antony Bryan Maude (Chairman)


Kathryn Eleanor Davies (Secretary)

THE OSWESTRY AND BORDERS FOODBANK

England & Wales - Charity number 1143519

Accounts

THE OSWESTRY & BORDERS FOODBANK

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

THE OSWESTRY & BORDERS FOODBANK

CHARITY INFORMATION

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

CHARITY'S NAME

The Oswestry & Borders Foodbank

REGISTRATION NUMBER

1143519

ADDRESS

56 Beatrice Street
Oswestry
Shropshire
SY11 1QW

TRUSTEES

Rev Antony Bryan Maude (Chairman)
Kathryn Eleanor Davies (Secretary)
David Francis Ward (Treasurer) resigned - 21.06.2022
Rev Russell Douglas Howes resigned - 21.06.2022
Andrea Irene Lee
Ruth Margaret Joyce Belk
Carl Trevor Rogers - Appointed 21.06.2022
Michael Stewart Jackson (Treasurer) - Appointed 21.06.2022
Malcolm William Harold Hubbell - Appointed 21.06.2022

THE OSWESTRY & BORDERS FOODBANK

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

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- provides food parcels to people referred to as being in need. To achieve this, the Foodbank has entered into relationships with local churches, shops and other organisations to collect food.

- hosts a number of organisations who provide help and guidance to clients, these include The Samaritans, Mental Health Service, Citizen's Advice and West Mercia Women's Aid.

- provides small grants to people at risk of, for example, eviction or suspension of power supplies.

During the Covid pandemic the Foodbank developed the capability to make deliveries of food parcels to clients. Given the large geographical area covered by the Foodbank, this facility has been carried on post-pandemic. Volunteer drivers are refunded mileage costs. A further practice initially adopted during the lockdown which has been continued is the provision of snacks and sandwiches for volunteers working at the Foodbank over lunchtime.

The Foodbank has operated from 56 Beatrice Street for some years. At the beginning of this financial year 58 Beatrice Street, an adjoining property became available to rent. The Foodbank made the decision to rent the property in order to provide space in which clients could obtain advice from relevant agencies. This incurred a one-off cost for the refurbishment of the property which was predominantly funded by grant income.

Initially, the Foodbank was wholly operated by volunteers. Some years ago, the Trustees took the decision to employ a part-time Project Manager. For this financial year, an additional Deputy Project Manager was employed also on a part-time basis. This enabled the Project Manager to devote more time to making grant applications and working with partner organisations.

Demands for help continued to be high, with referrals from the agencies associated with the Foodbank leading to 6,904 people being fed. Low income, sickness/ill health and benefit changes/delays were the most frequently mentioned reasons for referral. Over the 2022 Christmas period hampers were provided for 759 people (including 389 children) - the amount of food being provided amounting to 3 tonnes. The Foodbank was grateful to a local firm - Aico - who once again provided premises for assembling hampers, as well as practical assistance and a financial donation.

The Foodbank's income grew from £109,532 in 2021/22 to £199,336 in 2022/23. This was largely driven by an increase (over 500%) in grants which were obtained from a wide spectrum of sources. Standing order donations increased by about 10%, however general donations fell by 6%.

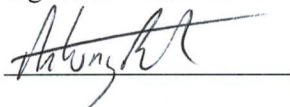
The 2021/22 report noted an increase in the expenditure on food stocks from £7,266 in 2020/21 to £18,164. This trend has been repeated in 2022/23 with expenditure on food stock rising to £32,197. The need to make this expenditure has occurred because whilst client demand has grown, food donations have not grown at the same rate. The Trustees expect that there will be a further increase in food expenditure over the next year.

Although expenditure has doubled when compared to 2021/22 the increase in income ensured that the Foodbank achieved a surplus of £72,489. The Trustees intend to use this surplus to further the work begun in 2022/23 to prevent poverty in the Oswestry and Borders region.

During 2022/23 the Trustees agreed a financial reserves policy which requires them to maintain a reserve to the value of 50% of the projected yearly expenditure.

The trustees confidently believe that they have complied fully with the legal duty of having regard to public benefit, as set out in Charity Commission guidance.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees on 21st June 2023



Rev Antony Maude (Chairman)



Kathryn Davies (Secretary)

THE OSWESTRY & BORDERS FOODBANK

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

	<u>2023</u>		<u>2022</u>	
INCOME	£	£	£	£
Donations by Standing Orders		16,604		14,451
Money Advice Connect Centre		-		1,104
Kingswell Account		-		3,590
Grants (Note 1)		122,265		22,891
General Donations (Note 2)		60,467		67,496
		<u>199,336</u>		<u>109,532</u>
LESS EXPENSES				
Rent (Note 3)	21,582		6,284	
Utilities	5,683		4,185	
Insurances	1,042		792	
Salaries (Note 4)	28,138		19,528	
Food Stocks	32,197		19,503	
Christmas Hampers	7,169		2,293	
Client Welfare Payments	898		1,801	
Trussell Trust Membership	-		360	
I.C.O. Membership	35		35	
Community Money Advice	268		1,195	
Refurbishment of 58 Beatrice Street	21,830		-	
Office Supplies (Note 5)	4,166		4,135	
Volunteer Expenses (Note 6)	1,338		2,734	
Health & Safety Expenses (Note 7)	759		279	
Training	876		-	
Trustee Expenses	210		-	
Translation Service	-		42	
Accountancy fees	576		540	
Petty Cash	80		635	
CCPAS	-		141	
		<u>126,847</u>		<u>64,482</u>
EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE		<u>72,489</u>		<u>45,050</u>
Bank reconciliation				
Opening balance	134,843		89,793	
Income less Expenditure	72,489		45,050	
Closing balance	<u>207,332</u>		<u>134,843</u>	
Funds Balance				
Restricted Funds	30,559			
Unrestricted Funds	176,773			
	<u>207,332</u>			

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

2023

2022

1. GRANTS

	£	£
Trussell Trust	56,452	15,874
Shrewsbury Food Hub (Unicef)	-	4,250
Making a Difference Locally	-	414
Shropshire Towns & Rural Housing	10,000	-
Co-op Local Food Community	-	844
Powys CC	3,547	509
Oswestry Town Council	3,000	-
JJH Rausing Trust	4,990	-
Joseph Keith Burgess Foundation	41,776	-
Western Power Distribution	2,500	-
Other	-	1,000
	<u>122,265</u>	<u>22,891</u>

2. GENERAL DONATIONS

A noted in the Trustees Annual Report, general donations fell by 6% -£4876 - from 2021/22. Donations from the Charities Aid Foundation amounted to £9,500, from churches in the area to £2,058. The remaining £65,513 came from a wide variety of voluntary and commercial organisations and from many individual people. The Foodbank Trustees are grateful to them all for their generosity.

3. RENT

This year's rental figure includes an advance payment of £8,167 for the industrial estate unit. This covered a twenty four month period from 1st September 2022.

4. SALARIES

	£	£
Gross Salary Project Manager	19,784	19,184
Employer's Pension Contributions	407	388
Expenses	-	-
Adjustment re PAYE creditor	(117)	(44)
	<u>20,074</u>	<u>19,528</u>
	£	£
Gross Salary Deputy Project Manager	8,190	-
Employer's Pension Contributions	84	-
Expenses	-	-
Adjustment re PAYE creditor	(210)	-
	<u>8,064</u>	<u>-</u>

5. OFFICE/CONTAINER EXPENSES

Printing, Stationery & Postage	1,385	276
Shelving	705	267
Repairs, Maintenance & Consumables	258	449
Traffic Cones & Lines	-	75
Shredding	-	8
Kitchen Equipment	55	-
Sign	336	-
Flooring	-	2,451
Furniture & Blinds	280	-
Capital expenditure - Mac Air	845	609
Capital expenditure - Asus Laptop & Printer	302	-
Capital expenditure - Vacuum Cleaner	-	-
	<u>4,166</u>	<u>4,135</u>

6. VOLUNTEER EXPENSES

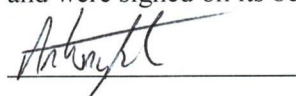
Gifts	78	959
Parking Permit & Parking	2	5
Counselling Services	50	-
Travelling Expenses	503	1,272
Volunteers' Meals	705	498
	<u>1,338</u>	<u>2,734</u>

7. HEALTH & SAFETY EXPENSES

Hand Sanitiser, Masks & Screens	81	71
Fire Extinguishers & Services	678	-
Table Covers	-	125
Standing Desk	-	70
First Aid Kit	-	13
	<u>759</u>	<u>279</u>

These accounts were approved by the Trustees on 21st June 2023

and were signed on its behalf by :





Rev Antony Maude (Chairman)

Kathryn Davies (Secretary)

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE OSWESTRY & BORDERS FOODBANK

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity for the year ended 31st March 2023

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- (i) examine the financial statements under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- (ii) to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- (iii) to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the financial statements present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the next statement.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (a) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - (i) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - (ii) to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act;have not been met or
- (b) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Simon Rivara BSc (Hons) FCCA CTA
Cadwallader & Co LLP
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Date 21st June 2023

THE OSWESTRY AND BORDERS FOODBANK

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THE OSWESTRY & BORDERS FOODBANK

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- has initiated a 'Money Advice Service' to help its clients improve the management of their finances and avoid the consequences of persistent debt.

- provides small grants to people at risk of, for example, eviction or suspension of power supplies.

The corona virus pandemic again affected the Foodbank's operations. While lockdown was over, and the Foodbank was open as it had been, many clients were still self-isolating and needed deliveries of food parcels. Reimbursing volunteers' travelling expenses, therefore, continued to be a substantial element of the Foodbank's spending.

Demands for help continued to be high, with referrals from the 114 agencies associated with the Foodbank leading to 4,660 people being fed. Low income, sickness/ill health and benefit changes/delays were the most frequently mentioned reasons for referral. Over the 2021 Christmas period hampers were provided for 798 people (including 422 children) - the amount of food being provided amounting to 3 tonnes. The Foodbank was grateful to a local firm - Aico - who provided premises for assembling hampers, as well as practical assistance and a financial donation.

The Foodbank's income fell from £126,345 in 2020/21 to £109,532 in 2021/22. If transfers of funds from the Kingswell account (a fund already administered by the Foodbank) and from the Money Advice Connect Centre (bringing these funds into the main account) are ignored, income fell to £104,838 - a drop of £21,507 (17%). In large part, this resulted from a 34% fall in Government and other grants but financial donations from individuals, churches and philanthropic groups also fell, though only by 11%.

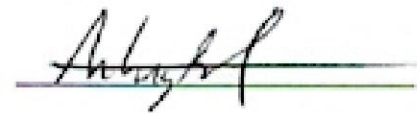
Similarly, donations of food from traditional sources also fell as a proportion of the overall amount. In 2018/19, 27% of the Foodbank's food donations came from churches. By 2021/22, this had halved and a similar proportion was now purchased - a negligible figure in earlier years. The Foodbank spent £18,164 on food stocks in 2021/22 compared with £7,266 in 2020/21 - an increase of 150%.

Despite these reductions in income, 2021/22 ended with a further excess of income over expenditure, this time of £45,050. The Foodbank, therefore, has a healthy bank account. This will help to cushion any financial adversity, where demands for help grow and financial donations decline. It will also allow the Foodbank to develop the services it offers, particularly in the area of money and debt advice.

The Foodbank has no policy on financial reserves, seeking to limit its activities to the income it derives annually from donations and grants.

The trustees confidently believe that they have complied fully with the legal duty of having regard to public benefit, as set out in Charity Commission guidance.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees on 29th July 2022



Rev Antony Maude (Chairman)



Kathryn Davies (Secretary)

THE OSWESTRY & BORDERS FOODBANK

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2022

		<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
INCOME	£	£	£
Donations by Standing Orders		14,451	14,032
Shropshire Council Covid Grant		-	10,000
Trussell Trust		15,874	17,070
Money Advice Connect Centre		1,104	-
Kingswell Account		3,590	
Other Grants (Note 1)		7,017	7,849
Sale of Container		-	1,000
General Donations (Note 2)		67,496	76,394
		<u>109,532</u>	<u>126,345</u>
LESS EXPENSES			
Rent (Note 3)	6,284		16,140
Utilities	4,185		3,601
Insurances	792		713
Project Manager (Note 4)	19,528		20,992
Food Stocks	18,164		7,266
Christmas Hampers	2,293		391
Client Welfare Payments	1,801		696
Trussell Trust Membership	360		360
I.C.O. Membership	35		35
Community Money Advice	1,195		-
Office/Container Supplies (Note 5)	5,474		3,322
Volunteer Expenses (Note 6)	2,734		2,193
Health & Safety Expenses (Note 7)	279		4,474
Osnosh Breakfast Contribution	-		500
Translation Service	42		-
Accountancy fees	540		426
Petty Cash	635		240
CCPAS	141		129
		<u>64,482</u>	<u>61,478</u>
EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE		<u>45,050</u>	<u>64,867</u>
Bank reconciliation			
Opening balance	89,793		24,927
Income less Expenditure	45,050		64,866
Closing balance	<u>134,843</u>		<u>89,793</u>

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

2022

2021

1. OTHER GRANTS

	£	£
Shrewsbury Food Hub (Unicef)	4,250	3,675
Making a Difference Locally	414	1,524
Shropshire Food Hub	-	1,000
Co-op Local Food Community	844	-
Powys CC	509	-
Other	1,000	1,650
	<u>7017</u>	<u>7,849</u>

2. GENERAL DONATIONS

A noted in the Trustees Annual Report, general donations fell by 11% - nearly £9,000 - from 2020/21. Had it not been for a remarkably generous donation, of over £20,000, from a charitable foundation, this reduction would have been much steeper. Nevertheless, general donations were still considerably higher than they were in the pre-pandemic year of 2019/20, when £11,610 was given. Donations from the Charities Aid Foundation amounted to £11,529, from churches in the area to £3,461 and from local Rotary clubs to £3,659. The remaining £28,550 came from a wide variety of voluntary and commercial organisations and from many individual people. The Foodbank Trustees are grateful to them all for their generosity.

3. RENT

Last year's rental figure included an advance payment of £7055 for the industrial estate unit. This covered the period from 1st April 2021 to 31st August 2022.

4. PROJECT MANAGER

	£	£
Gross Salary	19184	20580
Employer's Pension Contributions	388	430
Expenses	-	-
Adjustment re PAYE creditor	(44)	(18)
	<u>19528</u>	<u>20992</u>

5. OFFICE/CONTAINER EXPENSES

Printing Stationery & Postage	276	485
Packaging & Storage	1,339	547
Shelving	267	1,066
Repairs, Maintenance & Consumables	449	554
Traffic Cones & Lines	75	-
Shredding	8	-
Flooring	2,451	321
Capital expenditure - Laptop	609	-
Capital expenditure - Vacuum Cleaner	-	349
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6. VOLUNTEER EXPENSES

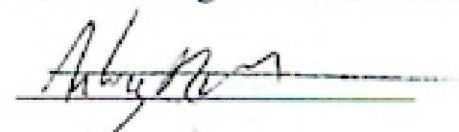
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Parking Permit & Parking	5	-
T-shirts	-	383
Anti-fatigue Mats	-	150
Travelling Expenses	1,272	999
Volunteers' Meals	498	661
	<u>2,734</u>	<u>2,193</u>

7. HEALTH & SAFETY EXPENSES

Hand Sanitiser, Masks & Screens	71	914
Table Covers	125	-
Standing Desk	70	-
First Aid Kit	13	-
Social Distancing Signage	-	174
Refurbishment of Toilets	-	1,289
Trestle Tables & Stools	-	319
Lighting	-	978
Sanitising Stations	-	800
	<u>279</u>	<u>4,474</u>

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Rev Antony Maude (Chairman)



Kathryn Davies (Secretary)

ACCOUNTANTS' STATEMENT

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29th July 2022



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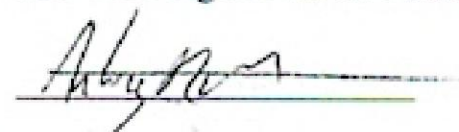
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2021

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-has initiated a 'Money Advice Service' to help its clients improve the management of their finances and avoid the consequences of persistent debt.

- provides small grants to people at risk of, for example, eviction or suspension of power supplies.

The corona virus pandemic dominated the entire year. Demands for help were higher than ever before as substantial numbers of people lost their jobs or were furloughed or otherwise became dependent on benefits. Traditional sources of food donations were lost as churches and schools were closed. However the plight of the people was recognised by more financial donations from extremely generous people than ever before and by corporate grants. The net effect on the Foodbank's finances was to leave us in a much stronger position.

Grants from a number of sources, some specifically for food purchase, totalled nearly £35,000, an increase of 80% over the previous year. The number of people donating by standing order increased from 39 at the start of the year to 62 at the end. One-off donations from individuals and philanthropic groups increased by over 500%.

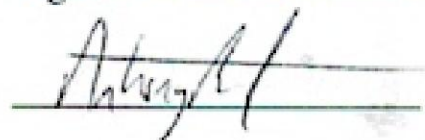
Much more food was donated, either supplied by supermarkets or bought using specific funds. This demanded more storage space and the decision was taken to replace the shipping container previously used with a unit on one of Oswestry's industrial estates.

Other significant changes during the year were: a substantial increase in deliveries of food parcels to people self isolating; and significant spending on health and safety measures in both the Foodbank's premises.

The Foodbank has no policy on financial reserves, seeking to limit its activities to the income it derives annually from donations and grants.

The trustees confidently believe that they have complied fully with the legal duty of having regard to public benefit, as set out in Charity Commission guidance.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees on 27th September 2021

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Rev Antony Maude (Chairman)

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K.E. Davies', written over a horizontal line.

Kathryn Davies (Secretary)

THE OSWESTRY & BORDERS FOODBANK

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2021

		<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
INCOME	£	£	£
Donations by Standing Orders		14,032	5,960
Shropshire Council Covid Grant		10,000	-
Trussell Trust		17,070	1,652
Grants from Asda & Tesco		-	17,596
Other Grants (Note 1)		7,849	-
Sale of Container		1,000	-
General Donations (Note 2)		76,394	11,610
		<u>126,345</u>	<u>36,818</u>
LESS EXPENSES			
Rent (Note 3)	16,140		6,180
Utilities	3,601		2,445
Insurances	713		513
Project Manager (Note 4)	20,992		15,963
Food Stocks	7,266		1,227
Christmas Hampers	391		719
Client Welfare Payments	696		182
Trussell Trust Membership	360		360
I.C.O. Membership	35		35
Job Club	-		50
Debt Centre	-		850
Office/Container Supplies (Note 5)	3,322		1,489
Travel	-		-
Volunteer Expenses (Note 6)	2,193		2,281
Health & Safety Expenses (Note 7)	4,474		-
Osnosh Breakfast Contribution	500		-
Pension Scheme Setup Fee	-		300
Accountancy fees	426		-
Petty Cash	240		500
CCPAS	129		120
		<u>61,478</u>	<u>33,214</u>
EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE		<u>64,867</u>	<u>3,604</u>
Bank reconciliation			
Opening balance	24,927		21,323
Income less Expenditure	64,866		3,604
Closing balance	<u>89,793</u>		<u>24,927</u>

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

2021

2020

1. OTHER GRANTS

	£	£
Shrewsbury Food Hub (Unicef)	3,675	-
Making a Difference Locally	1,524	-
Shropshire Food Hub	1,000	-
Other	1,650	-
	<u>7849</u>	<u>-</u>

2. GENERAL DONATIONS

These have greatly increased and include £27,630 from the Charities Aid Foundation and £2,200 from Wonderful, an online source of donations which ceased during the year,. The Trustees acknowledge the extreme generosity of all donors during this difficult year, some of whom made individual donations of £1000.

3. RENT

The rental figure of £16140 includes an advance payment of £7055 for the industrial estate unit. This covers the period from 1st April 2021 to 31st August 2022.

4. PROJECT MANAGER

	£	£
Gross Salary	20580	16087
Employer's Pension Contributions	430	233
Expenses	-	225
Adjustment re PAYE creditor	(18)	(582)
	<u>20992</u>	<u>15963</u>

5. OFFICE/CONTAINER EXPENSES

Printing Stationery & Postage	485	413
Packaging & Storage	547	104
Shelving	1,066	-
Repairs, Maintenance & Consumables	554	239
Sign for Building	-	282
Shredding	-	95
Shropshire Design & Print	321	-
Capital expenditure - 2 Filing Cabinets	-	356
Capital expenditure - Vacuum Cleaner	349	-
	<u>3,322</u>	<u>1,489</u>

6. VOLUNTEER EXPENSES

Gifts	-	319
Parking Permit & Parking	-	216
T-shirts	383	-
Anti-fatigue Mats	150	-
Travelling Expenses	999	759
Volunteers' Meals	661	987
	<u>2193</u>	<u>2,281</u>

7. HEALTH & SAFETY EXPENSES

Hand Sanitiser, Masks & Screens	914	-
Social Distancing Signage	174	-
Refurbishment of Toilets	1,289	-
Trestle Tables & Stools	319	-
Lighting	978	-
Sanitising Stations	800	-
	<u>4,474</u>	<u>-</u>

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