

Company registration number: 08334798

Charity registration number: 1150820

Stoke-on-Trent Foodbank

(A company limited by guarantee)

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

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Reference and Administrative Details

Trustees	Lilian Dodd, Chair
	Karen Poxon
	Barry Douglas Lye
	Wendy Marie Mercer
	Gillian Millward
Senior Management / Leadership Team	Corrine Boden MBE, Director of Services
Charity Registration Number	1150820
Company Registration Number	08334798
Registered Office	The charity is incorporated in England and Wales.
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Independent Examiner	Daryl Denson ACMA
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Trustees' Report

The trustees, who are directors for the purposes of company law, present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charitable company for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Trustees and officers

The trustees and officers serving during the year and since the year end were as follows:

Trustees:	Lilian Dodd, Chair
	Glenn Parkes, MBE (resigned 31 August 2024)
	Judith Woodall (resigned 31 August 2024)
	Karen Poxon
	Sheila Cowell (resigned 5 December 2024)
	Barry Douglas Lye (appointed 29 January 2025)
	Philippa Simpson (resigned 28 April 2025)
	Wendy Marie Mercer (appointed 29 April 2025)
	Gillian Millward (appointed 9 September 2025)

Senior Management / Leadership Team:	Corrine Boden MBE, Director of Services
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Objectives and activities

Objects and aims

The Charity's objects ("objects") are specifically restricted to the following: the prevention and relief of poverty in Stoke-on-Trent and the surrounding areas by providing food to local people who are in need of emergency supplies and by such other means as the trustees may determine.

Objectives, strategies and activities

During the 2024/25 reporting period, local schools, businesses, faith groups, individuals and over 200 volunteers have continued to support the Stoke-on-Trent Foodbank.

Local people and organisations have donated food and other essential items, enabling the Foodbank to provide over 18,511 three-day emergency food parcels to 11,386 adults and 7,125 children; this is a decrease of -5% owing to the introduction of the three-voucher limit and the increase of available support at the point of crisis. Although we have seen a reduction, it is imperative to note that a high number of first-time referrals remains. Our return ratio of 1.7 remains a statistic to be proud of, as we now understand from DCS data that food bank guests are utilising emergency food as a last resort.

Christmas vouchers: 635 vouchers were issued in December, totalling 1,733, a 17.8% reduction.

The top three reasons for vouchers being issued are as follows:

- Priority Debt
- The rising cost of essentials
- The ongoing physical and mental health condition

This has changed since last year's report; priority debt is now the primary driver of foodbank use.

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Public benefit

The Stoke-on-Trent Foodbank operates in line with Trussell Trust guidance for food distribution using a standard picking list. Anyone with a voucher code can present at one of our foodbank distribution centres to receive three days of emergency food. Food is distributed to all individuals experiencing temporary food crises due to poverty, sudden job loss, reduction in hours of work, benefit-related issues, or other household emergencies. Generally individuals can receive up to five vouchers per crisis. However, additional support was provided over Christmas, and guests engaging with Money Matters received ongoing support throughout their crisis.

Stoke-on-Trent Foodbank supports people referred by various frontline agencies operating across the city including Citizens Advice, Stoke on Trent City Council, Biddulph Town Council, Schools and Statutory and Voluntary Sector Organisations.

Guests attending Foodbank sessions continued to receive a warm welcome and additional support through signposting. Signposting ensures that our guests receive the best help to resolve their crises. Access to financial inclusion support, including benefits and debt advice, mental health support, and a wide range of other services provided via locality connectors, is core to our services and helps reduce the need for foodbank guests to make return visits. Stoke-on-Trent Foodbank works with partners to reduce the requirement for foodbank clients to make return visits.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Use of volunteers

200 active volunteers per week

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Achievements and performance

1. Emergency food continued to be distributed via the sixteen food distribution centres across the city, including the two centres in Biddulph. Foodbank operations continued despite the substantial number of people who needed support.

2. This was the year we ceased issuing our own vouchers. Handing the referral process to experienced frontline professionals ensured our guests got the proper support at the right time. E-referral remains a great commodity and continues to be a great success across our network of referral agencies. All referral agencies have completed our e-referral training.

3. Nicola Shaw continues as Pathfinder Lead, developing the evolving Referral Agency network, documenting the Pathfinder journey and liaising with the Trussell Trust to capture learning from across the network. Our Business and Community Liaison, Caroline Wolfe, focuses on improving working relationships with businesses, schools, and communities and continues to excel. As Centre Lead Co-ordinator, Maggie Bradley delivers volunteer inductions and coordinates centre training. These staff members have been invaluable, and their roles are intrinsic to developing our Pathfinder Priority Action Plan and the end of the Pathfinder evaluation.

4. ARC IT Solutions' IT support has been invaluable, and the Foodbank continues to contract them to deliver this service.

5. Our AGM took place last November, during which the annual report and our accounts were shared with all Stoke-on-Trent Foodbank friends, partners, volunteers, and supporters. It was great to meet in person, share stories, and enjoy a much-needed get-together. Thank you to the team at The Bethel for the warm welcome and the excellent buffet.

6. The warehouse has again been the epicentre of enormous activity, with a vast stock turnover.

- Total food donated 2024/25 136448.69 kg, a reduction of -11.8%
- Total food distributed 2024/25 133784.02 kg, a reduction of -8.8%
- However, 28978.01kg of food was purchased at the cost of £53,116, which shows a reduction from the previous year.

The 2024/25 annual stock audit took place, and I am pleased to report that it was highly successful. At that time, 33 tonnes of food were in the warehouse; the audit showed only a -372.85 kg difference, which is a negligible discrepancy. This clearly indicated the efficiency and effectiveness of those running the warehouse. The discrepancy shows a -1.1 % loss, which equates to exactly -372.85kg.

7. Our partnership with Steelite International continued, storing long-dated, non-perishable food at their warehouse in Chesterton. Additionally, DSV visited to see how they could help us and began providing us with six-month warehouse storage. Our thanks go out to the managers at Steelite and DSV for this vital support, which has enabled us to store the increased volume of food needed.

8. Stoke-on-Trent Foodbank is a member of many city-wide groups that oversee, monitor and scrutinise local welfare reforms and hardship issues, including: WWRG - Wider Welfare Reform Group, FIG - Financial Inclusion Group, Stoke-on-Trent Hardship Commission, Local Authority Food Stakeholder Group, Fuel Poverty Action Group, CPAG – Child Poverty Action Group,

NAWRA - National Association of Welfare Rights, Stoke-on-Trent City Forum, VAST- Voluntary Action Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire University - Action on Poverty, Raising Voices, Stoke-on-Trent Council Adult Social Care, Health Integration and Wellbeing Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

Foodbank continues working closely with key partners to highlight and address the impact and consequences of poverty and hardship.

Financial review

The financial results are shown on pages 7-23 of this report.

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Trustees' Report

Policy on reserves

Trustees have considered the level of reserve funds they wish to retain, appropriate to the charity's needs. This is based on the charity's size and the level of financial commitments. Trustees will endeavour not to set aside funds unnecessarily and will ensure that we maintain sufficient reserve funds to fulfil staff salaries and general outgoings for a minimum period of 6 calendar months. This is to be reviewed for the 2025/26 reporting period.

At the end of the period the charity had free reserves of £638,323 (2024: £625,207)

Structure, governance and management

Nature of governing document

Memorandum and Articles incorporated 18/12/2012 as amended by special resolution registered at Companies House on 08/02/2013.

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

We offer a fair recruitment process for new Trustees focusing on equality and diversity, we use the guidance that is supplied by the Charity Commission.

The six Trustees play an active role in supporting the charity. All hold a position of responsibility and give their time unconditionally. They support the staff team and the volunteers and ensure that all governance is in place and adhered to.

Organisational structure

Stoke-on-Trent Foodbank follows the Trussell Trust's model of running a foodbank by following its guidelines and governance. Our regional Trussell Trust Area Manager Representative provides ongoing support including; advice for the annual audit, policy advice, fundraising advice and guidance on national issues. We have partnership agreements with all our 16 food distribution centres ensuring consistency and good practice are maintained.

Small companies provision statement

This report has been prepared in accordance with the small companies regime under the Companies Act 2006.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on ..4/11/2025..... and signed on its behalf by:



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Lilian Dodd
Trustee

Stoke-on-Trent Foodbank

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Stoke-on-Trent Foodbank ('the Company')

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

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the Company's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of , which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of Stoke-on-Trent Foodbank as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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.


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04/11/25

Date:.....

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2025 (Including Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses)

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2025 £
Income and Endowments from:				
Donations and legacies	3	85,325	293,281	378,606
Investment income	4	18,324	-	18,324
Total income		103,649	293,281	396,930
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	5	(90,533)	(300,811)	(391,344)
Total expenditure		(90,533)	(300,811)	(391,344)
Net income/(expenditure)		13,116	(7,530)	5,586
Net movement in funds		13,116	(7,530)	5,586
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		625,207	56,636	681,843
Total funds carried forward	16	638,323	49,106	687,429
	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £
Income and Endowments from:				
Donations and legacies	3	109,741	253,369	363,110
Investment income	4	15,871	-	15,871
Total income		125,612	253,369	378,981
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	5	(20,207)	(346,298)	(366,505)
Total expenditure		(20,207)	(346,298)	(366,505)
Net income/(expenditure)		105,405	(92,929)	12,476
Net movement in funds		105,405	(92,929)	12,476
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		519,802	149,565	669,367
Total funds carried forward	16	625,207	56,636	681,843

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.
The funds breakdown for 2024 is shown in note 16.

The notes on pages 9 to 23 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	12	26,102	37,547
Current assets			
Debtors	13	4,092	8,748
Cash at bank and in hand	14	<u>676,571</u>	<u>637,422</u>
		680,663	646,170
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	15	<u>(19,336)</u>	<u>(1,874)</u>
Net current assets		<u>661,327</u>	<u>644,296</u>
Net assets		<u><u>687,429</u></u>	<u><u>681,843</u></u>
Funds of the charity:			
Restricted income funds			
Restricted funds		49,106	56,636
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted funds		<u>638,323</u>	<u>625,207</u>
Total funds	16	<u><u>687,429</u></u>	<u><u>681,843</u></u>

For the financial year ending 31 March 2025 the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the charity to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476; and
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The financial statements on pages 7 to 23 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on4/11/2025..... and signed on their behalf by:



Lilian Dodd
Trustee

The notes on pages 9 to 23 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

1 Charity status

The charity is limited by guarantee, incorporated in England and Wales, and consequently does not have share capital. Each of the trustees is liable to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 towards the assets of the charity in the event of liquidation.

The address of its registered office is:

Magdalen Road
Blurton
Stoke-on-Trent
ST3 3HS

2 Accounting policies

Summary of significant accounting policies and key accounting estimates

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

Statement of compliance

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 in October 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Basis of preparation

Stoke-on-Trent Foodbank meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern nor any significant areas of uncertainty that affect the carrying value of assets held by the charity.

Income and endowments

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

Donations and legacies

Donations are recognised when the charity has been notified in writing of both the amount and settlement date. In the event that a donation is subject to conditions that require a level of performance by the charity before the charity is entitled to the funds, the income is deferred and not recognised until either those conditions are fully met, or the fulfilment of those conditions is wholly within the control of the charity and it is probable that these conditions will be fulfilled in the reporting period.

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Grants receivable

Grants are recognised when the charity has an entitlement to the funds and any conditions linked to the grants have been met. Where performance conditions are attached to the grant and are yet to be met, the income is recognised as a liability and included on the balance sheet as deferred income to be released.

Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Governance costs

These include the costs attributable to the charity's compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements, including audit, strategic management and trustees meetings and reimbursed expenses.

Government grants

Government grants are recognised based on the accrual model and are measured at the fair value of the asset received or receivable. Grants are classified as relating either to revenue or to assets. Grants relating to revenue are recognised in income over the period in which the related costs are recognised. Grants relating to assets are recognised over the expected useful life of the asset. Where part of a grant relating to an asset is deferred, it is recognised as deferred income.

Taxation

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets costing £500.00 or more are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

Asset class
Fixtures and Fittings
I.T. Equipment

Depreciation method and rate
Straight Line 25%
Straight Line 33.3%

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Motor Vehicles	Straight Line 25%
Land and Buildings	Straight Line 15%

Trade debtors

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of trade debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the charity will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Trade creditors

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if the charity does not have an unconditional right, at the end of the reporting period, to defer settlement of the creditor for at least twelve months after the reporting date. If there is an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting date, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

Trade creditors are recognised initially at the transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Restricted income funds are those donated for use in a particular area or for specific purposes, the use of which is restricted to that area or purpose.

Pensions and other post retirement obligations

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme which is a pension plan under which fixed contributions are paid into a pension fund and the charity has no legal or constructive obligation to pay further contributions even if the fund does not hold sufficient assets to pay all employees the benefits relating to employee service in the current and prior periods.

Contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities when they are due. If contribution payments exceed the contribution due for service, the excess is recognised as a prepayment.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

3 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total 2025 £
Donations and legacies;			
Donations from companies, trusts and similar proceeds	37,056	-	37,056
Donations from individuals	35,467	1,093	36,560
Gift aid reclaimed	3,505	-	3,505
Grants, including capital grants;			
Government grants	500	145,000	145,500
Grants from other charities	8,797	147,188	155,985
	<u>85,325</u>	<u>293,281</u>	<u>378,606</u>
	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £
Donations and legacies;			
Donations from companies, trusts and similar proceeds	30,024	300	30,324
Donations from individuals	68,853	1,540	70,393
Gift aid reclaimed	6,487	-	6,487
Grants, including capital grants;			
Government grants	500	200,000	200,500
Grants from other charities	3,877	48,679	52,556
Grants from companies	-	2,850	2,850
	<u>109,741</u>	<u>253,369</u>	<u>363,110</u>

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4 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £
Interest receivable and similar income;		
Interest receivable on bank deposits	<u>18,324</u>	<u>18,324</u>
	<u>18,324</u>	<u>18,324</u>
	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2024 £
Interest receivable and similar income;		
Interest receivable on bank deposits	<u>15,871</u>	<u>15,871</u>
	<u>15,871</u>	<u>15,871</u>

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5 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total 2025 £
Advertising & Promotion	173	822	995
Bank Charges	190	90	280
Community Outreach	81	36,271	36,352
Computer and IT	1,513	1,415	2,928
Debt Advice	-	55,916	55,916
Depreciation	7,857	3,588	11,445
Distribution Centre Costs	56	6,354	6,410
Health and Safety	22	14	36
Insurance	-	3,025	3,025
Justgiving Charges	755	216	971
Office Expenses	1,406	2,081	3,487
Payroll Admin	432	522	954
Printing and Postage	150	546	696
Professional Fees	850	3,843	4,693
Repairs and Renewals	270	451	721
Salaries and Wages	66,737	89,456	156,193
Subscriptions	140	314	454
Telephone	419	1,938	2,357
Utilities	419	448	867
Van Expenses	634	3,410	4,044
Volunteer Expenses	2,603	3,588	6,191
Warehouse Costs	2,494	3,490	5,984
Food Top Up & Delivery Bags	-	53,116	53,116
Training	914	-	914
Meetings	383	-	383
Gift Cards	35	25,000	25,035
Rent	-	4,897	4,897
Donation	2,000	-	2,000
	90,533	300,811	391,344

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	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £
Advertising & Promotion	-	5,774	5,774
Bank Charges	-	427	427
Community Outreach	-	1,624	1,624
Computer and IT	-	2,063	2,063
Debt Advice	-	54,819	54,819
Depreciation	13,660	5,838	19,498
Distribution Centre Costs	-	12,806	12,806
Insurance	-	1,671	1,671
Justgiving Charges	20	1,272	1,292
Office Expenses	-	2,052	2,052
Payroll Admin	-	907	907
Staff Travel Expenses	-	892	892
Printing and Postage	-	2,197	2,197
Professional Fees	1,575	2,195	3,770
Repairs and Renewals	451	2,510	2,961
Salaries and Wages	-	139,642	139,642
Subscriptions	-	230	230
Telephone	90	1,847	1,937
Utilities	2,990	1,681	4,671
Van Expenses	-	6,758	6,758
Volunteer Expenses	-	5,195	5,195
Warehouse Costs	-	618	618
Food Top Up & Delivery Bags	-	62,788	62,788
Training	-	1,307	1,307
Gift Cards	-	23,000	23,000
Rent	1,421	5,522	6,943
Event Expenses	-	663	663
	<u>20,207</u>	<u>346,298</u>	<u>366,505</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

6 Analysis of governance and support costs

Governance costs

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £
Independent examiner fees		
Examination of the financial statements	1,575	1,575
	<u>1,575</u>	<u>1,575</u>
	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2024 £
Independent examiner fees		
Examination of the financial statements	1,575	1,575
	<u>1,575</u>	<u>1,575</u>

7 Government grants

£145,000 (2024 :£200,000) was received from Stoke on Trent City Council
£500 (2024:£500) was received from SOTCC Ward Budget.

The amount of grants recognised in the financial statements was £145,500 (2024 - £200,500).
There were no unfulfilled conditions at the end of the year,

8 Net incoming/outgoing resources

Net incoming resources for the year include:

	2025 £	2024 £
Other non-audit services	1,575	1,575
Depreciation of fixed assets	<u>11,445</u>	<u>19,498</u>

9 Trustees remuneration and expenses

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

No trustees have received any reimbursed expenses or any other benefits from the charity during the year.

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10 Staff costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Staff costs during the year were:		
Wages and salaries	148,277	133,652
Social security costs	4,876	3,087
Pension costs	3,237	2,903
	<u>156,390</u>	<u>139,642</u>

The monthly average number of persons (including senior management / leadership team) employed by the charity during the year expressed as full time equivalents was as follows:

	2025 No	2024 No
General Staff	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>

Contributions to the employee pension schemes for the year totalled £3,237 (2024 - £2,903).

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year.

The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £35,191 (2024 - £30,466).

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

11 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

12 Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings £	Furniture and equipment £	Motor vehicles £	Computer equipment £	Total £
Cost					
At 1 April 2024	50,388	33,913	40,155	11,817	136,273
At 31 March 2025	50,388	33,913	40,155	11,817	136,273
Depreciation					
At 1 April 2024	16,728	30,026	40,155	11,817	98,726
Charge for the year	7,558	3,887	-	-	11,445
At 31 March 2025	24,286	33,913	40,155	11,817	110,171
Net book value					
At 31 March 2025	26,102	-	-	-	26,102
At 31 March 2024	33,660	3,887	-	-	37,547

Included within the net book value of land and buildings above is £Nil (2024 - £Nil) in respect of freehold land and buildings and £26,102 (2024 - £33,660) in respect of leaseholds.

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13 Debtors

	2025 £	2024 £
Prepayments	197	5,450
Other debtors	3,895	3,298
	<u>4,092</u>	<u>8,748</u>

14 Cash and cash equivalents

	2025 £	2024 £
Cash at bank	<u>676,571</u>	<u>637,422</u>

15 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Trade creditors	17,761	299
Accruals	<u>1,575</u>	<u>1,575</u>
	<u>19,336</u>	<u>1,874</u>

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16 Funds

	Balance at 1 April 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 2025 £
Unrestricted funds					
<i>General</i>					
General Funds	284,207	103,649	(90,533)	-	297,323
<i>Designated</i>					
Designated	341,000	-	-	-	341,000
Total unrestricted funds	<u>625,207</u>	<u>103,649</u>	<u>(90,533)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>638,323</u>
Restricted funds					
Food	9,858	1,094	(1,076)	(2,482)	7,394
Asda Grant	1	-	-	(1)	-
Tangible Fixed Assets	14,050	-	(3,588)	-	10,462
Trussell Trust-Bid Writer	-	22,500	-	-	22,500
Banners	3	-	-	(3)	-
Van	968	-	-	(968)	-
Household Support Fund 3	6,646	-	(6,646)	-	-
Pathfinder F1 Yr 3	-	52,257	(55,916)	3,659	-
Pathfinder YR4	3,771	49,438	(52,257)	(952)	-
Household Support Fund 4	21,339	-	(21,339)	-	-
HSF5	-	50,000	(48,557)	(1,443)	-
HSF6	-	95,000	(98,281)	3,281	-
Trussell Trust	-	14,242	(13,151)	(1,091)	-
OLM-Trussel Trust	-	8,750	-	-	8,750
Total restricted funds	<u>56,636</u>	<u>293,281</u>	<u>(300,811)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>49,106</u>
Total funds	<u><u>681,843</u></u>	<u><u>396,930</u></u>	<u><u>(391,344)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>687,429</u></u>

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	Balance at 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 March 2024 £
Unrestricted funds				
<i>General</i>				
General Funds	178,802	125,612	(20,207)	284,207
<i>Designated</i>				
Designated	341,000	-	-	341,000
Total unrestricted funds	<u>519,802</u>	<u>125,612</u>	<u>(20,207)</u>	<u>625,207</u>
Restricted				
Food	9,858	1,840	(1,840)	9,858
Asda Grant	1	-	-	1
Tangible Fixed Assets	19,888	-	(5,838)	14,050
Christmas Vouchers	-	2,500	(2,500)	-
Awards 4 All 2022	3,327	-	(3,327)	-
Trussell Trust-Bid Writer	-	211	(211)	-
Banners	3	-	-	3
Van	968	-	-	968
Household Support Fund 3	56,178	-	(49,532)	6,646
Pathfinder F1 Yr 2	4,523	-	(4,523)	-
Pathfinder F1 Yr 3	54,819	-	(54,819)	-
Pathfinder YR4	-	48,468	(44,697)	3,771
Community Meal	-	350	(350)	-
Household Support Fund 4	-	200,000	(178,661)	21,339
Total restricted funds	<u>149,565</u>	<u>253,369</u>	<u>(346,298)</u>	<u>56,636</u>
Total funds	<u><u>669,367</u></u>	<u><u>378,981</u></u>	<u><u>(366,505)</u></u>	<u><u>681,843</u></u>

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The specific purposes for which the funds are to be applied are as follows:

Community Investment Fund

Grant to be used for improvements to the warehouse.

Asda Grant

To be used for staffing costs.

Local Community Funds

Grants to purchase food

Tangible Fixed Assets

Grant to purchase new vans

Awards 4 All

Grant to employ a van driver for a further 12 months.

Pathfinder Project

To fund the Money Matters Project. Received from The Trussel Trust

Stoke on Trent City Council

Household Support Grant

Stoke on Trent City Council

Stronger together winter programme

Trussell Trust

Various grants to help sustain the Foodbank.

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17 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total funds at 31 March 2025 £
Tangible fixed assets	15,640	10,462	26,102
Current assets	642,019	38,644	680,663
Current liabilities	(19,336)	-	(19,336)
Total net assets	<u>638,323</u>	<u>49,106</u>	<u>687,429</u>
	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total funds at 31 March 2024 £
Tangible fixed assets	23,495	14,052	37,547
Current assets	603,586	42,584	646,170
Current liabilities	(1,874)	-	(1,874)
Total net assets	<u>625,207</u>	<u>56,636</u>	<u>681,843</u>

18 Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions in the year.






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