

## **Windermere and District Foodbank**

### **Annual Report and Accounts for the Year Ended 6<sup>th</sup> April 2022**

#### **Reference and Administration Details**

The Trustees present their report and the independently examined Financial Statements of the Charity for the period ended 6th April 2022.

Windermere & District Foodbank is a Registered Charity, No. 1151582, and is constituted as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation ("CIO").

Trustees who served during the year were:

Father Kevan Dorgan	Chair (resigned 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2021)
Rev'd Martyn Coe	Chair from 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2021
Tony Farren	Treasurer
Peter Harrison	
Ali Jarvis	Secretary
Deacon Maggie Patchett	
Jean Acker	(Appointed 1 <sup>st</sup> December 2021)
Christopher Dodd	(Appointed 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2021)

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#### **Objectives and Activities for Public Benefit**

The principal objective of the Charitable Incorporated Organisation is the prevention or relief of poverty in the general South Lakeland area in particular but not exclusively, by providing emergency food supplies in particular but not exclusively to individuals in need and/or charities or other organisations working to prevent or relieve poverty.

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the general guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission when reviewing and planning the charity's aims and objectives.

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## Achievement, Performance and Financial Review

### Summary

It is first worth stating that the ultimate hope of the Foodbank is that its work will no longer be necessary. Sadly, there is no sign of this in the short term. With our 2020-21 year starting just after the beginning of the first "Lockdown" of the Covid-19 pandemic, we saw a major expansion in both our work and our finances. In 2021-22 demand for our services continued at the higher level for much of the year. Our income declined somewhat but we were able to use funds raised the previous year and still end 2021-22 with healthy finances.

The Foodbank operates from its base in Windermere. In total in 2021-22 the Foodbank directly assisted 1405 adults (last year 684) and 885 children (last year 364), a total of 2290 individuals, up 118% on the previous year, which had itself already seen an increase of 84% on 2019-20. (Note – the Trussell Trust system cannot currently identify how many unique individuals are represented in these figures, but the increase by proportion is still staggering.)

### Acknowledgements

We are grateful to all our regular donors, who still covered about one fifth of our increased annual costs, and to the following organisations who gave £250 or more in 2021-22:

Cumbria County Council	£3,000
Kendal YWCA	£3,000
Booths – customer rewards passed on	£1,684
The Roselands Trust	£ 500
Savant Ltd	£ 500
Carver Uniting Church	£ 493
The Trussell Trust	£ 400
St Mary's Church, Windermere	£ 290

Food and other donated items amounted to some 10.3 tonnes in the year, slightly down on 2020-21 but still nearly double 2019-20. Over a third came through Booths supermarket, so we thank Booths and their customers most heartily for that. Whereas before the pandemic a quarter came from ten local churches, and a further tenth from six schools, Covid-19 restrictions understandably almost wiped out these sources. This year churches and schools contributed about 5% each, so these sources have started to recover. We continued to receive generous financial donations from organisations and individuals, and were able to spend more of the donations previously received, enabling us to purchase supplies and top-up stock when necessary. Our food purchases (with some toiletries and domestic supplies) went up from just under £3,000 in 2020-21 to over £19,000 but have reduced in the first half of 2022-23.

Thanks also go to our manager, Magda Khan, and the team of volunteers who keep everything running smoothly and give such generous support to the people who need our help.

Our founding Chairman, Father Kevan Dorgan has now moved to a new parish in Whitehaven and has consequently retired as a food bank Trustee. We thank him for his support over the last 8 years.

The managers of Ambleside Parish Centre and the volunteers there are thanked too. During



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Covid-19 restrictions, APC devoted almost the whole of their facilities to providing food support. Much of this was beyond the official remit of the Foodbank, and the Ambleside operation is now no longer formally part of the food bank.

We also acknowledge the professional support of the Trussell Trust team who advise us from time to time and provide the software on which our food inputs and outputs are recorded.

### Fundraising

Thanks to the above donors we did not need to carry out direct fundraising activities in 2021-22, but we continue to keep our finances under review.

### Reserves Policy

The Trustees aim to keep funds in hand to cover at least 4 months' running expenses in the event of there being a lack of lump-sum donations. Together with committed regular giving by individual donors, this would normally ensure the Foodbank could operate for at least a year without further fundraising. The reserves at 6<sup>th</sup> April 2022 were in excess of this level.

### Treasurer's Report

In the year to 6<sup>th</sup> April 2022 the Foodbank recorded a financial deficit of £11,196 compared with a surplus of £21,109 last year. This was as a result of being able to use some of the magnificent funds raised last year to help meet increased needs in the second "pandemic year". Receipts decreased by £23,290 while payments were up by £9,015.

By historical standards receipts were still much higher than any year before 2020-21. This year we did not make further payments to Ambleside Parish Centre, which was able to recommence its normal community operations. We increased our regular contributions to Windermere Methodist Church, our hosts, but did not make further substantial lump sum payments. Meanwhile our purchases of groceries increased substantially to £19,152 from £3,006. Travel expenses increased in line with the higher level of food deliveries we undertook.

Before the Covid-19 pandemic our regular income with Gift Aid provided about two-thirds of our needs annually. The level of individual and corporate donations fell from the record sums of last year but remained encouragingly high compared with before 2020. We have healthy reserves and will seek to use them effectively to meet our charitable objectives while planning our fundraising for the future.

### Payments to Trustees

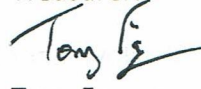
No trustees were paid for any work or services provided. The only payments made to a trustee were reimbursement of expenses incurred and purchases made on behalf of the charity, which does not have a card or internet payment facility of its own. In the year, Tony Farren (treasurer) was reimbursed a total of £18,387 (previous year £2,903). The great majority of this was for purchase and delivery of groceries direct to the food bank.

### Annual Report authorised by the Trustees 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2022

Chairman:

  
Rev'd Martyn Coe

Treasurer:

  
Tony Farren

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### Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts to 6<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Report to the trustees of Windermere & District Food Bank, charity number 1151582, on the accounts for the year ended 6<sup>th</sup> April 2022, set out on Page 5.

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity for the year ended 6<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

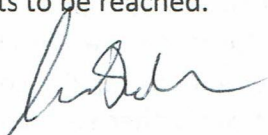
I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Date:

12<sup>th</sup> January 2023

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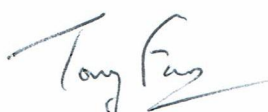
The independently examined accounts are shown below.

The calculation of the weight and therefore estimated value of food is for charity commission purposes, to provide a measurement of equivalent financial turnover.

No payments or benefits were provided to any trustees except for the reimbursement of legitimate expenditure incurred on behalf of the charity as follows:

Tony Farren £18,387 (previous year £2,903)

Tony Farren, Treasurer 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2022





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			2021/22 £	2020/21 £
<b>Receipts</b>				
Donations	From Individuals	7,915		
	From Organisations	10,027	17,942	43,419
Gift Aid Tax Refunds			2,975	783
Interest Received			0	5
<b>Total Receipts</b>			<b>20,917</b>	<b>44,207</b>
<b>Payments</b>				
Payroll			7,408	6,331
Purchases for distribution to clients			19,152	3,006
Travel & delivery expenses			2,990	743
Windermere Methodist Church: licence fee			900	600
	other contributions		181	3,281
Ambleside Parish Centre for food distribution costs			0	7,563
Equipment purchased			156	314
Telephones and broadband			413	411
Postage and stationery			60	148
Insurance			434	296
Publicity			150	96
Other operating costs			269	310
<b>Total Payments</b>			<b>32,113</b>	<b>23,098</b>
<b>Surplus /(Deficit) on Year</b>			<b>-11,196</b>	<b>21,109</b>
<b>Opening Balance</b>			<b>29,475</b>	<b>8,366</b>
<b>Closing balance</b>			<b>18,279</b>	<b>29,475</b>
Represented by				
Cash			1	151
Bank			18,278	29,324
Food opening balance kg	1316	At £1.75 per kg	£2,303	£914
Donated in the year kg	10255		£17,946	£23,794
Purchased in the year kg	11409		£19,966	£2,454
Adjustments in the year kg	-174		-£305	£0
Distributed in the year kg	-21370		-£37,398	-£23,179
Over/(short) at year-end stock-take	-752		-£1,316	-£1,680
Closing balance kg	684	At £1.75 per kg	£1,197	£2,303
<b>For Charity Commission purposes</b>				
<b>Total Income</b>			<b>£38,863</b>	<b>£68,001</b>
<b>Total Expenditure</b>			<b>£50,359</b>	<b>£46,277</b>

£1.75 per kilo is the value of a standard single's box weighed and valued at Tesco prices as quoted in the Trussell Trust annual report 2019.