

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date

Period end date

From

To

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name

Atherton & Leigh Foodbank

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1153333

Charity's principal address

c/o St John the Baptist C of E Parish Church

Market Place

ATHERTON

Postcode

M46 0DD

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Rev Reg Sinclair	Chair		
2	David Hughes	Secretary & Treasurer		
3	Ian Gardiner			
4	Gail Slater			
5	Karen Slayen		25/10/2020	
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document	CONSTITUTION ADOPTED 23/07/2013 AS AMENDED ON 23/04/14
How the charity is constituted	TRUST
Trustee selection methods	APPOINTED BY EXISTING TRUSTEES

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

The Foodbank consists of a Board of Trustees all involved in local churches and with extensive business knowledge. There are currently 2 paid employees the Project Manager and a driver. The charity operates as a Franchise of The Trussell Trust and consequently benefits from both advertising and support.

The charity also works alongside other organisations who run surgeries at the Foodbank distribution centres. However this last year owing to the outbreak of Covid-19 and the restrictions placed from March 24th 2020 these activities were suspended.

Major risks to the charity are firstly funding and secondly volunteers. As the work of the charity continues to increase so do both its funding and volunteer requirements where continual new initiatives are being created.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

TO ASSIST PERSONS IN ATHERTON, TYLDESLEY AND LEIGH AND ITS SURROUNDING AREAS, WHO ARE IN CONDITIONS OF HARDSHIP AND DISTRESS ("BENEFICIARIES") IN SUCH WAYS AS THE TRUSTEES FROM TIME TO TIME THINK FIT, IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT ECLUSIVELY, BY PROVISION OF FOOD TO ENSURE A HEALTHY AND NUTRITIOUS DIET

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

**OVER 66 TONNES OF FOOD COLLECTED
OVER 58 TONNES OF FOOD DISTRIBUTED**

The distribution is organised according to Trussell Trust practices with people being referred by a professional agency determining the need and providing a voucher. That voucher is then redeemed over a drink and a chat and a minimum of 3 days worth of meals for the whole family is provided.

Many of the people that have been helped return as volunteers.
Over 90 local Professional Bodies act as Agents

Local Government are still reducing their services owing to reductions in Government Funding and local councils are even more reliant on charities. Government Statistics show that out of 12 Regions analysed the North West was by far the highest percentage of need. Statistically many of the Wigan MBC wards are rated in the poorest in the UK especially those in Atherton, Leigh East and Leigh West.

The annual return on investments via food donation, voluntary working warehousing and distribution is in excess of £250,000.

Total number of clients assisted in the last 12 months were

Adults 2693 Children 1453

These figures do not give a complete picture. During Covid many homeless were taken into Local Authority hotel provision and many more pop up food charities came into being. In order to protect our staff and volunteers we doubled the amount of food to 6 days worth and thus reduced the number of visits. Overall our total food distribution increased whereas the number of actual referral visits decreased

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Unfortunately owing to Covid most of our signposting activities were put on hold. Normally The charity has been successful in many of its signposting activities with the charity using its local contacts to provide homeless people with overnight accommodation, some women into refuge shelters after relationship breakdown, referrals to debt assistance and also drug and alcohol referrals. This has continued but at a much more limited provision.

Many of our volunteers being elderly were forced into self-isolation but the younger more active volunteers doubled and trebled their time commitment to ensure that everyone who needed to be fed could be fed through the Foodbank. They were magnificent.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Continued to develop and improve Services where possible.

Still maintained all 4 Distribution Centres fully operational in 3 local towns during the Covid lockdowns. Much appreciation to our landlords for ensuring that their buildings could remain open following Government guidelines. We are now recognised as more than a Foodbank and more of a local support hub.

Although we were facing a potential funding shortage at the start of the financial year a substantial grant from 5 local councillors plus a Covid grant has overcome that situation.

With a new fundraising partner for the next twelve months the charity is confident of its future.

We still maintain a strong brand image in the local community.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Charity's reserves policy is for 12 months continuation with no income. However the current situation providing there is no further Covid lockdown has provision for the next 3 years costs with pledged income and fundraising.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant about:

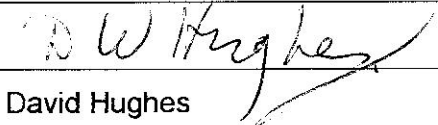
- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	David Hughes	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Secretary	
Date	10/09/2021	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Atherton and Leigh Foodbank

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01/04/2020	To	31/03/2021
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
DONATIONS	57,888	-	-	57,888	29,259
COLLECTIONS	6,478	-	-	6,478	5,286
GRANTS RECEIVED	54,465	-	-	54,465	9,942
SPONSORSHIP	-	-	-	-	-
INSURANCE CLAIM	-	-	-	-	-
SALE OF FIXED ASSETS	-	-	-	-	-
SUNDRY INCOME	100	-	-	100	338
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	118,931	-	-	118,931	44,825
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	118,931	-	-	118,931	44,825
A3 Payments					
EMPLOYMENT COSTS	33,458	-	-	33,458	31,772
TRUST ADMINISTRATION	887	-	-	887	746
PRINTING AND STATIONARY	36	-	-	36	229
EQUIPMENT CLOTHING	122	-	-	122	832
HOLIDAY CLUB	-	-	-	-	179
DISTRIBUTION CENTRE COSTS	379	-	-	379	2,445
WAREHOUSE COSTS	15,456	-	-	15,456	13,576
TRANSPORT COSTS	2,582	-	-	2,582	4,233
SUNDRY EXPENSES	948	-	-	948	300
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	53,868	-	-	53,868	54,312
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
PURCHASE OF FIXED ASSETS	8,500	-	-	8,500	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	8,500	-	-	8,500	-
Total payments	62,368	-	-	62,368	54,312
Net of receipts/(payments)	56,563	-	-	56,563	9,487
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	24,691	-	-	24,691	34,178
Cash funds this year end	81,254	-	-	81,254	24,691

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

B1 Cash funds

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
RBS ACCOUNT	81,121	-	-
CASH BALANCE	133	-	-
	-	-	-
Total cash funds	81,254	-	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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		-	-
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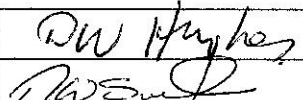
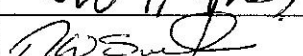
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
MOTOR VEHICLES - 01/21	UNRESTRICTED	8,500	-
COMPUTER - 8/13	UNRESTRICTED	700	-
MOBILE PROJECTOR - 11/14	UNRESTRICTED	924	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	DAVID W. HUGHES	13/07/2021
	REVEREND REGINALD SINCLAIR	13/07/2021



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

ATHERTON AND LEIGH FOODBANK

On accounts for the year
ended

31ST MARCH 2021

Charity no
(if any)

1153333

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

I. Thomas

Date:

13th July 2021

Name:

Ian Thomas

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

ACMA: GCMA

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