

TAMESIDE SOUTH AND LONGDENDALE FOODBANK LTD

England & Wales · Charity number 1154277

Details

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| Status | Registered |
| Legal form | Charitable company |
| Company number | 08688131 |
| Registered | 2013-10-18 |
| Register | View on the Charity Commission register |

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Activities

Objects: TO RELIEVE PERSONS IN ENGLAND AND WALES AND PRIMARILY IN TAMESIDE AND LONGDENDALE AND THEIR SURROUNDING AREAS WHO ARE IN CONDITIONS OF NEED OR DISTRESS IN SUCH WAYS AS THE TRUSTEES FROM TIME TO TIME THINK FIT.

Activities: Practical, community based action against poverty and marginalisation. Developing innovative, sustainable projects such as foodbanks.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Derbyshire
- Tameside

Finances

| Period end | Income | Expenditure | Assets | Employees |
|------------|----------|-------------|--------|-----------|
| 2025-03-31 | £161,421 | £164,194 | - | - |
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| 2023-03-31 | £123,956 | £118,882 | - | - |
| 2022-03-31 | £58,763 | £80,069 | - | - |
| 2021-03-31 | £124,985 | £69,853 | - | - |

Trustees

| Name | Role | Appointed |
|--------------------------|------|------------|
| Dr Hugh William Roderick | | 2020-05-28 |
| Elizabeth Shingler | | 2021-05-28 |
| Gary Peter Ferguson | | 2024-01-24 |
| Jim Fitzpatrick | | 2024-12-14 |

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Annual Report and Accounts

Period ended 31st March 2025

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Date: November 2025

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Chair of Trustees Report

Executive Summary

In the year under review, 2024/2025, there was a fall in the number of people who were issued vouchers and we were able to comfortably meet the challenge of providing food for all those who came to us in need. This was due to a concerted effort of 28 volunteers, who volunteered regularly; the generosity of countless individual donors, grant-giving organisations including Tameside MBC and the Trussell Trust (recently rebranded "Trussell"); support from Tesco and Asda Supermarkets and a large number of local firms who donated and offered practical support - an example of which was our move to a new warehouse in the centre of Hyde.

We continued to partner with the Fuel Bank in an attempt to alleviate some of the immediate effects of fuel poverty. Whilst the impact seemed not as severe as in the previous winter the provision of food and energy provided significant relief to those individuals and families who were in crisis.

It was noted in previous reports that whilst people who come to foodbank were in receipt of their full benefit entitlement or in low paid, insecure employment they often found themselves unable to meet their financial commitments and had no financial resilience, meaning that unexpected costs pushed them into crisis. This remains true.

We continue to support Trussell's vision for a UK without the need for foodbanks because people have enough money to live.

In the year 2024/25

we provided

- Each month an average of 191 food parcels were issued providing 1,714 meals (based on 3 meals for 3 days)
- 130 supermarket vouchers worth £2,600 to families struggling without free school meals
- A regular Welfare Rights Service commissioned from Tameside Citizens Service

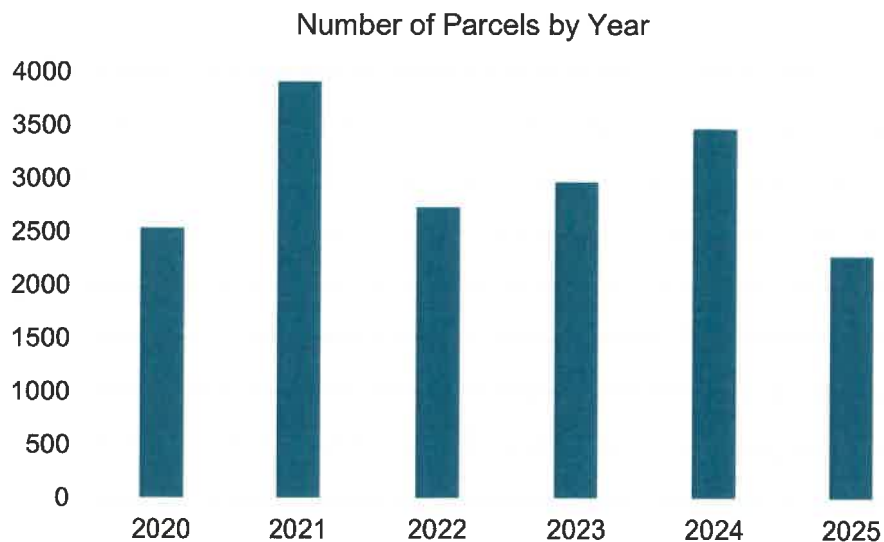
We received:

- 10,717 kgs (41% of stock) of food donated by individuals, supermarkets, local churches and schools
- Help from 28 volunteers
- Help from companies including Tesco and ASDA

Overview

As the chart below shows, the rise in demand in the two previous years was not continued and the level had fallen back to a pre-Covid level. The concern that it would be difficult to meet demand if the upward trend continued was not realised.

It is also of note that the percentage of parcels provided to children (u/16) has remained fairly consistent at 34% (32% in 23/24)



Distribution Centres - Our distribution centre at St Mary's in Hollingworth closed in August 2024 but those at St Barnabas Church in Hattersley and Hyde Central Methodist Church remained open throughout the period. The support of these churches is essential to foodbank. They enable us to provide local community support to clients for whom a £2 bus fare is too expensive.

A sustained decline in the use of the Hollingworth food bank had been noted by the Trustees in the previous year and despite efforts to widen the reach by creating a hub of services in the delivery centre, including input from Welfare Rights, and Healthy Hyde, engagement continued to be poor. Trustees, therefore, took the decision to close the Hollingworth centre but continued to provide food parcels to the church for emergencies. The Trustees also indicated their intention to make contact with the schools and GP practices in Hollingworth to establish similar arrangements.

Volunteers – We continued to have a committed team of 28 volunteers who worked faithfully in the warehouse and at distribution centres.

Staff - We had two paid workers for half of the year but Dez Clare's 2-year contract of 21 hours a week supported by a grant from the Trussell Trust came to an end in September. Moira Wallis who works for 7 hours a week providing administrative support is now the Foodbank's only employee. She is a most valued member of the team.

Relationships – Our relationships with local organisations gave us enormous support throughout the year.

Tameside Welfare Rights helped many of our clients with benefits advice and debt counselling – enabling them to no longer need to use the foodbank. Feedback from clients has been very positive. Over the year 62% of clients made only one visit with a further 19% making two. Strong evidence that most people use Foodbank only in crisis.

The organisations relationship with Healthy Hyde remained strong despite nurses not regularly attending sessions. Their new clinical hub in the middle of Hyde is less than a 5-minute walk from the foodbank. It provides health care, in the community, to a significant number of foodbank users who have on-going physical and mental health conditions but who do not seek treatment through GP services. We signpost people to the service to self-refer and the nurses and support workers regularly issue vouchers for patients to receive food support and welfare rights advice at our centres. They are also a resource for volunteers to consult (with consent) regarding individuals disclosing untreated physical and mental health conditions.

Tesco, ASDA and their customers provided us with 33% of our food during the year. Both supermarkets also gave us cashback on donations bought in store. We are not viable without this support.

Trustees

Sue Ayres stood down as a Trustee in April 2024 thus leaving the position of Chair of Trustees vacant.

Ewan Quale stood down as a Trustee in February 2025

The other Trustees continued to provide active leadership to the foodbank through a period of transition.

Jim Fitzpartick joined as a Trustee in November 2024.

Food Donations

10,717 Kg of food and toiletries were donated in 2024/25 and 12,310 Kg of food were bought to top up areas where we were short. Donated cash and grants were used to purchase food. Food from supermarket collections amounted to 48% of all donated food. This demonstrates the

importance of our relationship with Asda and Tesco supermarkets and the generosity of their customers

Warehouse Storage

We were pleased to move to our new warehouse in January 2025. The Trustees were grateful to the Tameside East Food Bank for providing space in their warehouse to facilitate the provision of food to our distribution centres, whilst we continued to search for suitable premises.

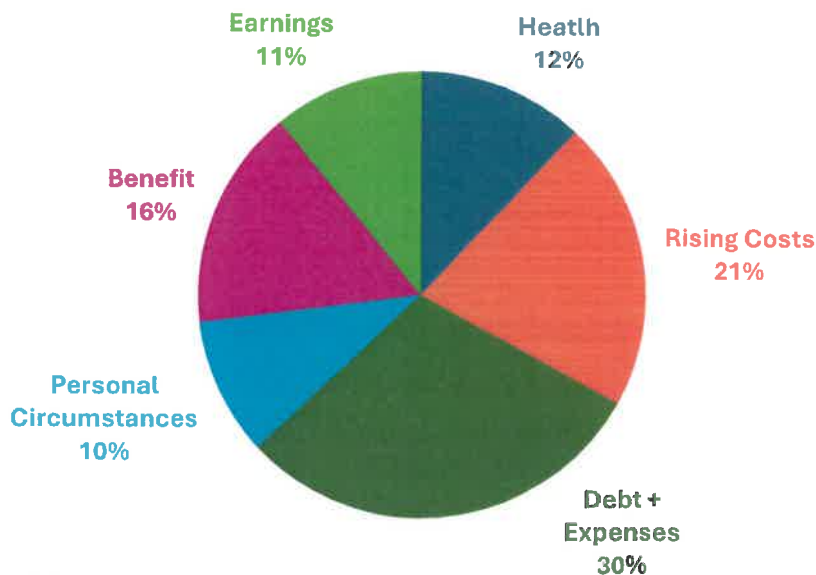
Volunteers

The volunteers continue to be the engine of the foodbank. Twenty-eight people volunteer regularly in the distribution centres and the warehouse. They work hard lifting, shifting and listening to difficult stories. We are also joined from time to time from volunteers from local firms and from national companies working in the area – notably Balfour Beatty and BT whose staff assisted with the move to and refitting of our new warehouse. Thank-you to all who so graciously gave their time.

Reasons for Referral

The main underlying reason for referral was low income – either for those working or those receiving benefits, however, in order to better understand the circumstances in which people find themselves to be in need of crisis food support multiple reasons can be recorded on the referral,

**PERCENTAGE OF PARCELS BY REASON FOR REFERRAL
2024-25**



Referrers

There were over 100 organisations that could refer clients to the foodbank including housing associations, schools, NHS and churches. 75 % of referrals, however, come from NHS Services – Healthy Hyde, GP practices, Mental Health Service, with the rest of the referrals being received from schools and Adult and Children’s Social Care. In the period under review, they issued 1,040 vouchers for 2,286 individuals.

The referrers keep the foodbank sustainable because they are within the community and can identify people in crisis and encourage them to come to us. They know the clients, can verify their situation and allow us to confirm to donors that their generosity is targeted to those most in need.

Other Services

We continued to try to signpost clients as our volunteer resources allow. A food parcel helps a family for 3 days, but it is help with benefits and debt that enables clients to live without the need to use the foodbank.

Foodbank funds enabled us to work with local primary schools to provide supermarket vouchers to the families during school holidays. Tameside MBC provided vouchers for children on free school meals but local schools told us that other families were also struggling. We provided 130 vouchers for Tesco or Morrisons to these families during Easter, summer and Christmas holidays at a cost of £2,600

The Foodbank is a member of Advice UK through the Trussell Trust Group Membership scheme.

Tameside South and Longdendale Foodbank Office

The Foodbank Office relocated to
Hyde Central Methodist Church,
Crook Street,
Hyde,
SK14 1 NQ

Elizabeth Shingler

Elizabeth Shingler
For Trustees of Tameside South & Longdendale Foodbank Limited
18 January 2026

Tameside South & Longdendale Foodbank Limited (TSLF) is a company registered by guarantee (No. 08688131) and a registered charity (No. 1154277).

TSLF is a member of the Trussell Trust’s network of foodbanks but is independently registered and managed.

At 31st March 2025 the Trustees were:

Dr Hugh Roderick: Acting Chair

Ms Elizabeth Shingler: Safeguarding & Supervisor, Hyde Distribution Centre

Mr Gary Ferguson: Supervisor, Longdendale Distribution Centre

Mr Jim Fitzpatrick

Membership is open to all the regular foodbank volunteers.

Public Benefit Report

Purpose

TSLF's Charity Objectives are: 'to relieve persons in England and Wales and primarily in Tameside and Longdendale and their surrounding areas who are in conditions of need or distress in such ways as the Trustees from time to time think fit'.

Key Activities in the 12 months to 31st March 2025

In the year 2024 - 25 Tameside South and Longdendale Foodbank has:

- Met 1,040 requests for food parcels from its network of over 100 referring agencies
- Provided 26,811 meals to people in need
- Received 10.72 tonnes of food from donors
- Provided food through 3 distribution centres – St Barnabas Meeting Point Hattersley, Hyde Central Methodist Church and St Mary's Hollingworth

Public Benefit

The Trustees have taken account of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when reviewing the aims and objectives and in planning future the foodbank activities. The Trustees consider that activities undertaken match with our aims and objectives. Foodbank feeds clients referred by professionals within the community who are in a position to assess the clients' position. Low income, benefit delays, benefit changes, sickness and debt account for 84% of food parcels provided and so we are confident that we are providing relief to persons in need or distress.

Financial Review

The main sources of revenue cash funds were grants (£81,012), and donations from various sources, including individuals, churches and other local organisations (£43,260).

The value of food distributed to clients was £59,870. The value of food distributed is shown as income (food donated) and expenditure (food distributed to clients through our distribution centres) in accordance with the Statement Recommended Practice (SORP) for charities.

Administration Costs including rent, insurance and warehouse costs were £19,250.

Governance and Operation Employees Costs were £13,694.

We purchased £30,185 worth of food for the warehouse – many donors were unable to give food directly and gave money instead. We bought items needed to provide a balanced food parcel.

We have continued our school meals programme. 10 local primary schools nominated struggling families for help with school holiday meals. We provided 130 vouchers for Tesco or Morrisons worth a total of £2,600 to these families.

The foodbank has assets of £437 relating to furniture and equipment at 31st March 2025, after charging depreciation of £146 for the year.

The foodbank has two paid employees. An administrator works 7 hours per week and an operations manager who works 21 hours per week. The vast majority of our activities are undertaken by dedicated teams of volunteers.

Tameside South Longendale Foodbank Ltd
A company limited by Guarantee
Statement of Financial Activities

| | ----2024 to 2025 ---- | | | | | 2023 to 2024 Total £ |
|---|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|---|----------------------------|
| | Note | Unrestricted £ | Restricted £ | Total £ | | |
| Incoming Resources | | | | | | |
| Incoming Resources from generated funds | | | | | | |
| Voluntary Income: Revenue | 2 | 43,260 | 81,011 | 124,271 | | 161,421 |
| Specific Grants for Capital Items | | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 |
| Total Incoming Resources | | <u>43,260</u> | <u>81,011</u> | <u>124,271</u> | | <u>161,421</u> |
| | | | | | | |
| Resources Expended | | | | | | |
| Cost of Generating voluntary income | 3 | 59,128 | 60,253 | 119,381 | | 164,194 |
| Resources Expended on Charitable Activities | | | | | | |
| Total Resources Expended | | <u>59,128</u> | <u>60,253</u> | <u>119,381</u> | | <u>164,194</u> |
| Net Movement of Funds for Year | | -15,868 | 20,758 | 4,890 | | -2,773 |
| | | | | | | |
| Total Funds at 31 st March 2024 | | 32,076 | 29,345 | 61,421 | | 64,194 |
| Movement Between Funds | | | | | | |
| Total Funds at 31 st March 2025 | | 16,208 | 50,103 | 66,311 | 0 | 61,421 |

Tameside South and Longdendale Foodbank Ltd
Balance Sheet
31st March 2025

| | ----2024 to 2025 ---- | | | 2023 to 2024 | |
|--|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|
| | Note | Unrestricted £ | Restricted £ | Total £ | Total £ |
| Fixed Assets | | | | | |
| Tangible Assets | 4 | 437 | 0 | 437 | 583 |
| Current Assets | | | | | |
| Debtors | 5 | 0 | 22,682 | 22,682 | 2,994 |
| Cash at Bank and in Hand | | 16,794 | 27,421 | 44,215 | 59,181 |
| Total Current Assets | | <u>16,794</u> | <u>50,103</u> | <u>66,897</u> | <u>62,175</u> |
| Creditors | | 1,022 | 0 | 1,022 | 1,337 |
| Amounts due within one year | | | | | |
| Total current Assets Less Current Liabilities | | 15,772 | 50,103 | 65,875 | 60,838 |
| Total Funds | | <u>16,208</u> | <u>50,103</u> | <u>66,311</u> | <u>61,421</u> |

The charitable company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the period ended 31st March 2025.

Members have not required the charitable company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the period ended 31st March 2025.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Act and for preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to accounts, so far as applicable to the company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees and were signed on their behalf by The Trustees

Elizabeth Shingler

28 January 2026

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention and the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP FRS 102) effective from 1st January 2015 and as amended from 1st January 2016 with compliance with the Charities Act 2011 and The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. A summary of the more important accounting policies of the Trust and the group, which have been applied consistently, are set out below:-

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are recognised once entitlement to the resources has been established, it is certain that the resources will be received, and the monetary value of incoming resources can be measured with sufficient reliability. Donations of food are recognised in the accounts only when they are distributed to clients. They are valued by weight at a calculated average retail cost per kg.

Resources expended

Liabilities are recognised as resources expended as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the Trust to the expenditure. All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Any irrecoverable VAT is charged to the Statement of Financial Activities, or capitalised as part of the cost of the related asset, where appropriate.

Funds

Unrestricted charitable funds comprise those funds, which the Trustees are free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objects. Restricted Income funds consist of grants made for specific costs due to be incurred within a defined period. The charity has not received and does not hold any Endowment Funds.

Tangible Fixed Assets

Expenditure is capitalised where the Trustees expect to derive future economic benefits over a period exceeding one year. Tangible Fixed assets are stated at cost, are all items of furniture and equipment, and are depreciated at a rate of 25% per annum.

Stocks

In accordance with the SORP, donated items for distribution are recognised in the accounts only when distributed to clients. Thus, when the value of stock distributed is calculated as expenditure, an equal amount is stated as income from donations.

The foodbank stores stocks of food in its warehouse. This warehouse stock at 31st March 2025 is not required to be recorded in the balance sheet. Stock received, stock distributed and warehouse stock is recorded using a stock control system.

Acts 435

The Acts 435 scheme provides grants of up to £120 for clients. The money is held in a separate bank account. The funds received and distributed to clients are not part of the Foodbank income or costs.

Reserves

Need for reserves

The Foodbank needs reserves for a number of reasons:

- Potential changes to existing income streams
- Sustainability of services – we need to keep adequate food stocks and cash reserves to sustain supply in the event of unforeseen events. This is currently set at £15,000.
- New services – the foodbank is seeking to develop new services and there will be additional costs involved in providing these services.

Current Position – Based on the Accounts to 31st March 2025 the unrestricted current assets are £16,208. Overall food stocks are reasonable, but the stocks are mainly pasta, tinned beans and tinned vegetables. Obtaining the right mix of items continues to involve encouraging appropriate donations and selective stock purchases.

As a result of the generous funding received reserves are still high. However, the need for our services is still rising and so the Trustees will continue distribute the funds through school holiday meal vouchers and fuel vouchers in addition to food.

Related Party Disclosures

There are no transactions with related parties that require disclosure.

Employees

There were two employees employed by the Foodbank in the Year to 31 March 2025. None of the Employees earned over £60,000. Total Employee costs for the year amounted to £13,694.

Expenses

No Trustees incurred any expenses in the year to 31 March 2025.

Independent Examination

A fee of £720 has been included in the accounts to 31 March 2025 for the Independent Examination of the Accounts.

The Company is Limited by Guarantee.

Tameside South and Longdendale Foodbank Ltd
Accounts to 31.03.2025

| | Note | 12 months to 31.03.25 | | | 31.03.24 |
|--|------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| | | Unrestricted £ | Restricted £ | Total £ | Total £ |
| 2 Voluntary Income | | | | | |
| Grants | | | | | |
| Tameside MBC | | | 46,000 | 46,000 | 3,960 |
| Be Fibre | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| May We Help | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Forever Manchester | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Action Together | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Trussell Trust | | | 29,016 | 29,016 | 35,484 |
| Onward Housing | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| JH Rausing Trust | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| United Utilities | | | 5,995 | 5,995 | 4,497 |
| National Lottery | | | 0 | 0 | 17,500 |
| Community Foundation | | | 0 | 0 | 1,400 |
| Total | | | 81,011 | 81,011 | 62,841 |
| | | | | | |
| Donations | | | | | |
| Organisations | | 3,383 | | 3,383 | 7,293 |
| Individuals | | 10,192 | | 10,192 | 11,424 |
| Donated Stock Items Delivered to Clients | | 29,685 | | 29,685 | 79,863 |
| Total | | <u>43,260</u> | | <u>43,260</u> | <u>98,580</u> |
| | | | | | |
| Total Voluntary Income | | <u>43,260</u> | <u>81,012</u> | <u>124,272</u> | <u>161,421</u> |

TAMESIDE SOUTH AND LONGENDALE FOODBANK

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TAMESIDE SOUTH AND LONGENDALE FOODBANK

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Tameside South and Longendale Foodbank (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Trustees of the charity (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 (the 2006 Act).

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the charity 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 the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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 that in any material respect:

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements 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 financial statements 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 financial statements to be reached.

S Wilcock

Mrs S Wilcock FCCA

Topping Partnership (Accountants) Limited

Incom House Waterside
Trafford Park Manchester
M171WD

Dated: 28 January 2026

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Chair of Trustees Report

Executive Summary

Despite a rise in need between 1st April 2023 and 31st March 2024, we were able to meet the challenge of providing food for all those who have come to us in need. This was due to a concerted effort by over 30 volunteers, who volunteered regularly; the generosity of countless individual donors and grant-giving organisations; a large network of referrers; support from other organisations like the Trussell Trust and Healthy Hyde; and help from Tesco and ASDA supermarkets. We also received support from local firms who facilitated their staff to help with one off projects, one example of which was our move from our previous warehouse into temporary accommodation.

In this period the effects of the 2022 budget, the rise in fuel cost and in interest rates caused referrals to rise almost to the level of 2020/21 when the COVID crisis created financial problems for so many. The winter period was particularly difficult and fuel payments were made to many clients through our partnership with the Fuel Bank. The provision of food and energy together provided significant relief to many individuals and families in crisis.

In the past there has been an underlying assumption at foodbanks that people who receive full benefits should be able to manage if they have not had a crisis like a lost purse, washing machine breakdown or debt. In 2022-23 we reported that this was no longer true and that people came because they were unable to make ends meet on benefits or low wages. This has undoubtedly remained the case.

Therefore we continue to support the Trussell Trust vision for a UK without the need for foodbanks because people have enough money to live.

In the year 2023-24 we provided:

- 2,611 meals on average each month, calculated on the basis that a parcel provides a person with 3 meals a day for three days.
- Supermarket vouchers worth £15,150 to families struggling without free school meals

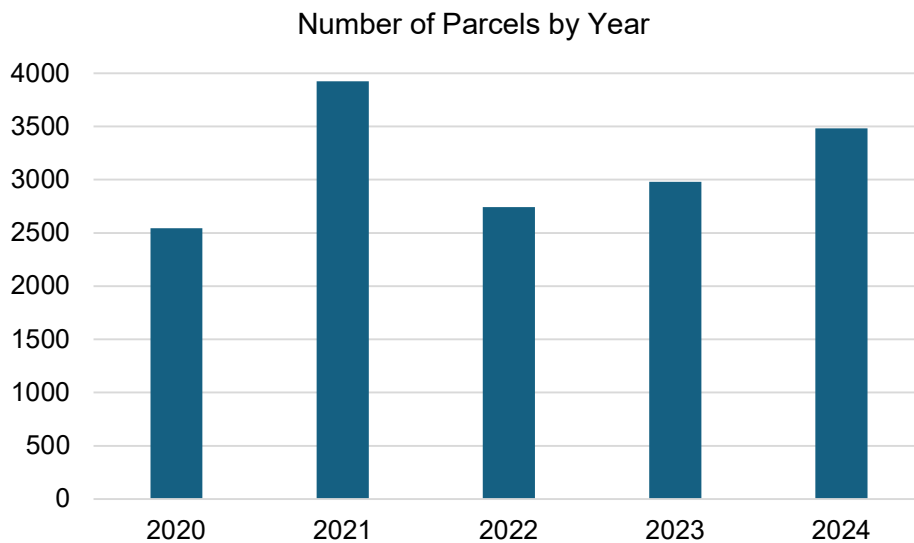
We received:

- 30 tonnes of food donated by individuals, supermarkets and local churches
- Help from over 30 volunteers
- Help from companies including United Utilities, Tesco and ASDA

Overview

As the chart below shows, 2021 was an exceptional year, as a result of the economic impact of COVID. Demand fell in 2022 but started to rise in 2023, with the worrying trend of a year-on-year rise showing by 2024. If the trend continues, the Covid influenced number of 2021 will soon be reached and possibly exceeded in the next couple of years.

It is also of note that the percentage of parcels which are provided to children (u/16) has fallen consistently year-on-year. From 45% in 2020 to 32% in 2024. The number of children referred as part of a family has, however, remained fairly consistent – the rise is in adults without dependents.



32% of the people fed were children.

Distribution Centres - Our distribution centres at St Mary’s in Hollingworth, St Barnabas in Hattersley and Hyde Central Methodist Church remained open throughout the period. The support of these churches is essential to foodbank. They enable us to provide local community support to clients for whom a £2 bus fare is too expensive. A decline in the use of the Hollingworth food bank was, however, noted and the Trustees supported efforts to widen the reach by creating a hub of services in the delivery centre, including input from Welfare Rights, and Healthy Hyde.

Volunteers – We continued to have a committed team of around 30 volunteers who worked faithfully in the warehouse and at distribution centres. We had two paid workers – Dez Clare who worked 21 hours a week supported by a grant from the Trussell Trust and Moira Wallis who worked for 7 hours a week providing administrative support.

Relationships – Our relationships with organisations gave us enormous support throughout the year.

Tameside Welfare Rights helped many of our clients with benefits advice – enabling them to no longer need to use the foodbank. Feedback from clients has been very positive.

Healthy Hyde nurses worked alongside us in each Centre, providing health care in the community to a significant number of people who used foodbank and had on-going physical and mental health conditions and who were not seeking treatment through GP services. The nurses were able to fast-track them to GP appointments and in cases of severe anxiety were available to accompany them. In the case of some serious physical illness, immediate GP consultations were made available. At some sessions in Hyde, a local GP would also visit and see patients there and then, often with exceptional results.

Tesco, ASDA and their customers provided us with 41% of our food during the year. Both supermarkets also gave us cashback on donations bought in store. We are not viable without this support.

Trustees

Stuart Hargreaves stood down as a Trustee, however, he continued to manage our accounts and provide helpful insights into our financial affairs. Stuart also continued to regularly collect the donations from the supermarket baskets.

Jacqueline Brennan resigned as a Trustee but continued her valuable work as a volunteer in the warehouse. Gary Ferguson joined the Trustees in December 2023 and has been a valuable addition.

The other Trustees continued to provide active leadership to the foodbank through a period of transition.

Food Donations

30,371 Kg of food and toiletries were donated in 2023-24 and 10,407 Kg of food were bought to top up areas where we were short. Donated cash and grants were used to purchase food. Food from supermarket collections amounted to 10,723 Kg, representing 61% of the total amount of donated food. This demonstrates the importance of our relationship with Asda and Tesco supermarkets and the generosity of their customers

Warehouse Storage

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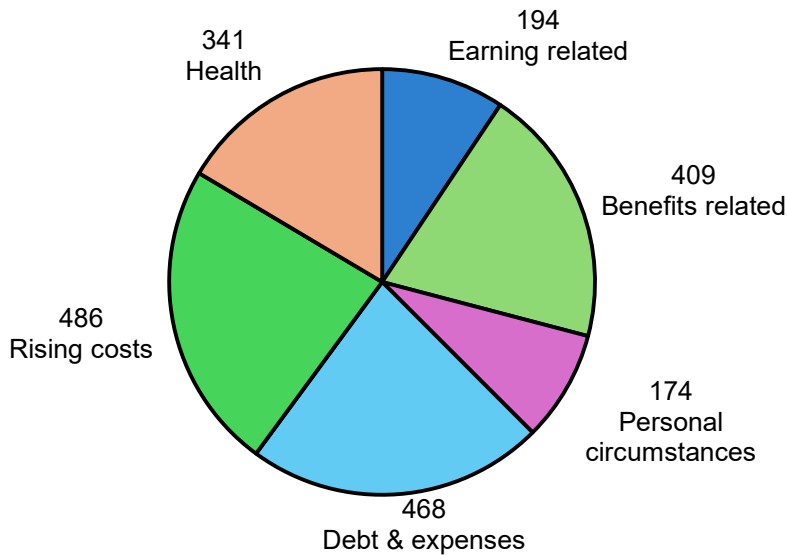
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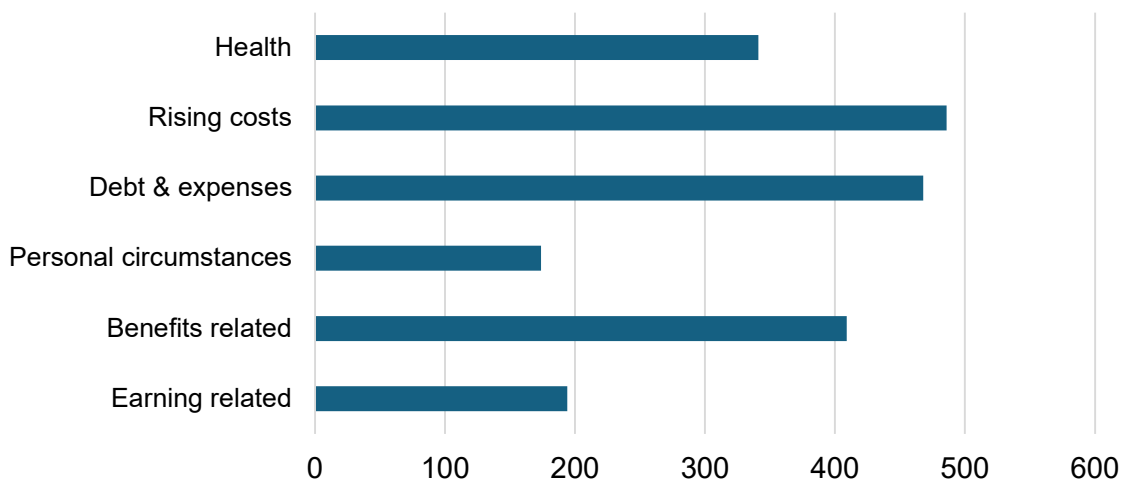
Reasons for Referral

The main reason for referral was low income – either for those working or those receiving benefits.

Number of parcels by reason for referral 2023-24



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Referrers

There were over 100 organisations that can refer clients to the foodbank including housing associations, schools, NHS and churches. 75 % of referrals, however, come from NHS Services – Healthy Hyde, GP practices, Mental Health Service, with the rest of the referrals being received from schools and Adult and Children’s Social Care.

The referrers keep the foodbank sustainable. They are within the community and so can encourage people in crisis to come to us. They know the clients, can verify their situation and allow us to confirm to donors that their generosity is targeted to those most in need.

Other Services

We continued to try to signpost clients as our volunteer resources allow. A food parcel helps a family for 3 days, but it is help with benefits and debt that enables clients to live without the need to use the foodbank.

Foodbank funds and a grant from Tameside MBC enabled us to work with local primary schools to provide supermarket vouchers to the families during school holidays. Tameside MBC provided vouchers for children on free school meals but local schools told us that other families were also struggling. We provided 120 vouchers for Tesco or Morrisons to these families during the Easter, summer and Christmas holidays at a cost of £15,150

The Foodbank is a member of Advice UK through the Trussell Trust Group Membership scheme.

We provided fuel vouchers through out partnership with the Fuel Bank, a service essential during the 2023/24 winter period,

Tameside South and Longdendale Foodbank Office

The Foodbank Office remained located at:

Hattersley Baptist Church, Melandra Crescent, Hattersley SK14 3RB.

Elizabeth Shingler

For Trustees of Tameside South & Longdendale Foodbank Limited

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At 31st March 2024 the Trustees were:

Ms Susan Ayers: Chair

Dr Hugh Roderick: Supervisor, Hyde Distribution Centre

Ms Elizabeth Shingler: Safeguarding

Mr Ewan Quayle: Social Media

Mr Gary Ferguson: Supervisor, Longdendale Distribution Centre

Jacqueline Brennan and Stuart Hargreaves resigned as Trustees during the year.

Membership is open to all the regular foodbank volunteers.

Public Benefit Report

Purpose

TSLF's Charity Objectives are: 'to relieve persons in England and Wales and primarily in Tameside and Longdendale and their surrounding areas who are in conditions of need or distress in such ways as the Trustees from time to time think fit'.

Key Activities in the 12 months to 31st March 2024

In the year 2023 - 24 Tameside South and Longdendale Foodbank has:

- Met 1,310 requests for food parcels from its network of over 100 referring agencies
- Provided 26,811 meals to people in need
- Received 30 tonnes of food from donors
- Provided food through 3 distribution centres – St Barnabas Meeting Point Hattersley, Hyde Central Methodist Church and St Mary's Hollingworth

Public Benefit

The Trustees have taken account of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when reviewing the aims and objectives and in planning future the foodbank activities. The Trustees consider that activities undertaken match with our aims and objectives. Foodbank feeds clients referred by professionals within the community who are in a position to assess the clients' position. Low income, benefit delays, benefit changes, sickness and debt account for 84% of food parcels provided and so we are confident that we are providing relief to persons in need or distress.

Financial Review

The main sources of revenue cash funds were grants (£62,841), and donations from various sources, including individuals, churches and other local organisations (£98,580).

The value of food distributed to clients was £79,863. The value of food distributed is shown as income (food donated) and expenditure (food distributed to clients through our distribution centres) in accordance with the Statement Recommended Practice (SORP) for charities.

Administration Costs including rent, insurance and warehouse costs were £16,610.

Governance and Operation Employees Costs were £19,521.

We purchased £21,273 worth of food for the warehouse – many donors were unable to give food directly and gave money instead. We bought items needed to provide a balanced food parcel.

We have continued our school meals programme. 10 local primary schools nominated struggling families for help with school holiday meals. We provided vouchers for Tesco or Morrisons worth a total of £15,150 to these families.

The foodbank has assets of £583 relating to furniture and equipment at 31st March 2024, after charging depreciation of £194 for the year.

The foodbank has two paid employees. An administrator works 7 hours per week and an operations manager who works 21 hours per week. The vast majority of our activities are undertaken by dedicated teams of volunteers.

Tameside South Longendale Foodbank Ltd
A company limited by Guarantee
Statement of Financial Activities

| | ----2023 to 2024 ---- | | | | | 2022 to 2023 Total £ |
|---|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|---|----------------------------|
| | Note | Unrestricted £ | Restricted £ | Total £ | | |
| Incoming Resources | | | | | | |
| Incoming Resources from generated funds | | | | | | |
| Voluntary Income: Revenue | 2 | 98,580 | 62,841 | 161,421 | | 123,956 |
| Specific Grants for Capital Items | | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 |
| Total Incoming Resources | | <u>98,580</u> | <u>62,841</u> | <u>161,421</u> | | <u>123,956</u> |
| | | | | | | |
| Resources Expended | | | | | | |
| Cost of Generating voluntary income | 3 | 111,064 | 53,130 | 164,194 | | 118,882 |
| Resources Expended on Charitable Activities | | | | | | |
| Total Resources Expended | | <u>111,064</u> | <u>53,130</u> | <u>164,194</u> | | <u>118,882</u> |
| Net Movement of Funds for Year | | (12,484) | 9,711 | -2,773 | | 5,074 |
| | | | | | | |
| Total Funds at 31 st March 2023 | | 44,560 | 19,634-4648 | 64,194 | | 59,120 |
| Movement Between Funds | | | | | | |
| Total Funds at 31 st March 2024 | | 32,076 | 29,345 | 61,421 | 0 | 64,194 |

Tameside South and Longdendale Foodbank Ltd

Balance Sheet

31st March 2024

| | ----2023 to 2024 ---- | | | 2022 to 2023 | |
|---|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | Note | Unrestricted £ | Restricted £ | Total £ | Total £ |
| Fixed Assets | | | | | |
| Tangible Assets | 4 | 583 | | 583 | 777 |
| Current Assets | | | | | |
| Debtors | 5 | 0 | 2,994 | 2,994 | 3,982 |
| Cash at Bank and in Hand | | 32,830 | 26,351 | 59,181 | 0 |
| Total Current Assets | | <u>32,830</u> | <u>29,345</u> | <u>62,175</u> | <u>64,017</u> |
| Creditors | | 1,337 | | 1,337 | 600 |
| Amounts due within one year | | | | | |
| Total current Assets Less Current Liabilities | | 31,493 | 29,345 | 60,838 | 0 |
| Total Funds | | <u>32,076</u> | <u>29,345</u> | <u>61,421</u> | <u>64,194</u> |

The charitable company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the period ended 31st March 2024.

Members have not required the charitable company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the period ended 31st March 2024.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Act and for preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to accounts, so far as applicable to the company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees and were signed on their behalf by The Trustees

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2024

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Incoming resources

All incoming resources are recognised once entitlement to the resources has been established, it is certain that the resources will be received, and the monetary value of incoming resources can be measured with sufficient reliability. Donations of food are recognised in the accounts only when they are distributed to clients. They are valued by weight at a calculated average retail cost per kg.

Resources expended

Liabilities are recognised as resources expended as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the Trust to the expenditure. All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Any irrecoverable VAT is charged to the Statement of Financial Activities, or capitalised as part of the cost of the related asset, where appropriate.

Funds

Unrestricted charitable funds comprise those funds, which the Trustees are free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objects. Restricted Income funds consist of grants made for specific costs due to be incurred within a defined period. The charity has not received and does not hold any Endowment Funds.

Tangible Fixed Assets

Expenditure is capitalised where the Trustees expect to derive future economic benefits over a period exceeding one year. Tangible Fixed assets are stated at cost, are all items of furniture and equipment, and are depreciated at a rate of 25% per annum.

Stocks

In accordance with the SORP, donated items for distribution are recognised in the accounts only when distributed to clients. Thus when the value of stock distributed is calculated as expenditure, an equal amount is stated as income from donations.

The foodbank stores stocks of food in its warehouse. This warehouse stock at 31st March 2024 is not required to be recorded in the balance sheet. Stock received, stock distributed and warehouse stock is recorded using a stock control system.

Acts 435

The Acts 435 scheme provides grants of up to £120 for clients. The money is held in a separate bank account. The funds received and distributed to clients are not part of the Foodbank income or costs.

Reserves

Need for reserves

The Foodbank needs reserves for a number of reasons:

- Potential changes to existing income streams
- Sustainability of services – we need to keep adequate food stocks and cash reserves to sustain supply in the event of unforeseen events. This is currently set at £15,000.
- New services – the foodbank is seeking to develop new services and there will be additional costs involved in providing these services.

Current Position – Based on the Accounts to 31st March 2024 the unrestricted current assets are £32,076. Overall food stocks are reasonable, but the stocks are mainly pasta, tinned beans and tinned vegetables. Obtaining the right mix of items continues to involve encouraging appropriate donations and selective stock purchases.

As a result of the generous funding received reserves are still high. However, the need for our services is still rising and so the Trustees will continue distribute the funds through school holiday meal vouchers and fuel vouchers in addition to food.

Related Party Disclosures

There are no transactions with related parties that require disclosure.

Employees

There were two employees employed by the Foodbank in the year to 31 March 2024. None of the Employees earned over £60,000. Total Employee costs for the year amounted to £19,521.

Expenses

No Trustees incurred any expenses in the year to 31 March 2024.

Independent Examination

A fee of £600 has been included in the accounts to 31 March 2024 for the Independent Examination of the accounts.

The Company is Limited by Guarantee.

Tameside South and Longdendale Foodbank Ltd
Accounts to 31.03.2024

| | 12 months to 31.03.24 | | | 31.03.23 |
|--|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| | Note | Unrestricted £ | Restricted £ | Total £ |
| 2 Voluntary Income | | | | |
| Grants | | | | |
| Tameside MBC | | | 3,960 | 3,960 |
| Be Fibre | | | 0 | 0 |
| May We Help | | | 0 | 0 |
| Forever Manchester | | | 0 | 0 |
| Action Together | | | 0 | 0 |
| Trussell Trust | | | 35,484 | 35,484 |
| Onward Housing | | | 0 | 0 |
| JH Rausing Trust | | | 0 | 0 |
| United Utilities | | | 4,497 | 4,497 |
| National Lottery | | | 17,500 | 17,500 |
| Community Foundation | | | 1,400 | 1,400 |
| Total | | | 62,841 | 62,841 |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| Donations | | | | |
| Organisations | | 7,293 | | 7,293 |
| Individuals | | 11,424 | | 11,424 |
| Donated Stock Items Delivered to Clients | | 79,863 | | 79,863 |
| Total | | <u>98,580</u> | | <u>98,580</u> |
| | | | | |
| Total Voluntary Income | | <u>98,580</u> | <u>62,841</u> | <u>161,421</u> |
| | | | | <u>123,956</u> |

TAMESIDE SOUTH AND LONGDENDALE FOODBANK LTD

England & Wales - Charity number 1154277

Accounts



Annual Report and Accounts

Period ended 31st March 2023

Company Number: 08688131
Registered Charity Number: 1154277

Authors: S Hargreaves, S Ayers

Date: December 2023

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Chair of Trustees Report

Executive Summary

We are thankful that we have been able to feed those who have come to us in need. This is due to a concerted effort by over 40 volunteers; countless donors; a large network of referrers; support from other organisations like the Trussell Trust; and help from Tesco and ASDA.

During the year we have provided 73% more food parcels than 5 years ago. In the past there has been an underlying assumption at foodbanks that people who receive full benefits should be able to manage if they have not had a crisis like a lost purse, washing machine breakdown or debt. In 2022-23 this is no longer true. They come because they are unable to make ends meet on benefits or low wages.

At the same time foodbanks have become part of our national life, a recognised brand, with the Trussell Trust supporting over 1,300 foodbank centres. Many public organisations such as nhs and local government refer clients to us for food. But we are a mainly voluntary organisation, supported by donations. Our resources are pushed to the limits.

Therefore we support the Trussell Trust vision for a UK without the need for foodbanks because people have enough money to live.

In the year 2022-23 we provided:

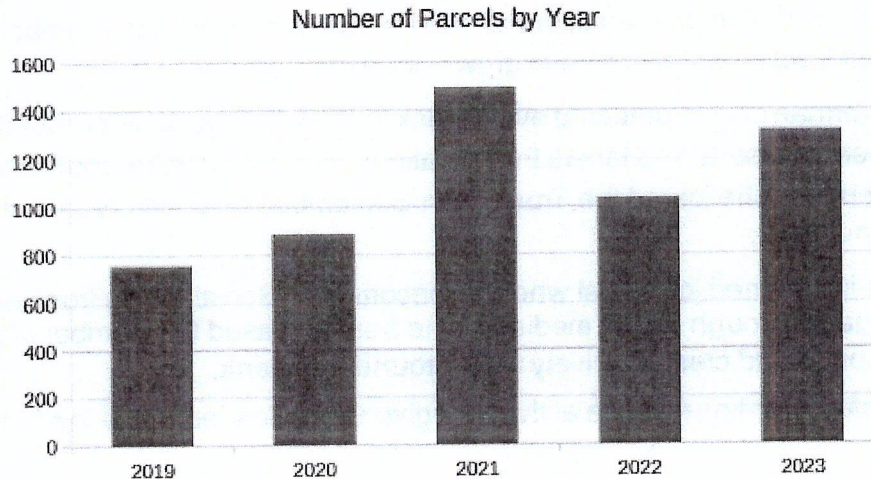
- 2,234 meals on average each month
- food to people because of low income 57%, benefit changes 8%, various reasons associated with sickness 8%, benefit delays 5% and debt 6%
- 429 supermarket vouchers worth £12,870 to families struggling without free school meals

We received:

- 17.8 tonnes of food donated by individuals, supermarkets and local churches
- Help from over 40 volunteers
- Help from companies including Onward, Tesco and ASDA

Overview

As the chart below shows, 2021 was an exceptional year, as a result of the economic impact of COVID. However it also shows the very worrying trend that foodbank use continues to increase and we provided 73% more parcels in 2023 than we did in 2019.



36% of the people fed were children.

Distribution Centres - Our distribution centres at St Mary’s in Hollingworth, St Barnabas in Hattersley and Hyde Central Methodist Church remained open. The support of these churches is essential to foodbank. They enable us to provide local community support to clients for whom a £2 bus fare is too expensive.

Volunteers – We continue to have a committed team of around 40 volunteers who work faithfully in the warehouse and at distribution centres. We have two paid workers – Dez Clare who does 21 hours a week supported by a grant from the Trussell Trust and Moira Wallis who does 7 hours a week administration.

Relationships – Our relationships with organisations gave us enormous support throughout the year.

Tameside Welfare Rights helped many of our clients with benefits advice – enabling them to no longer need to use the foodbank.

Tesco, ASDA and their customers provided us with 41% of our food during the year. Both supermarkets also gave us cashback on donations bought in store. We are not viable without this support.

Trustees – Jan Malpas, a trustee for over 10 years stood down this year. She was the driving force behind our Hollingworth Distribution Centre provided over 19,000 meals from St Mary’s Church. She had a good relationship with the ex-serviceman’s hostel in Hollingworth, supporting many veterans with food as they re-established themselves in civilian life.

Simon Watts stood down as Treasurer and Trustee after three years. He helped steer us through the financial upheaval around COVID, even though he was working in public health and he stayed on to produce our 2021-22 Annual Report.

We have welcomed Stuart Hargreaves as Treasurer and Trustee. Stuart started with us during COVID collecting food from the drop-boxes in ASDA and Tesco. He is a professional bookkeeper and has kindly offered to do our accounts. We cannot operate without a treasurer and there is a significant workload as we continue to grow – thank-you Stuart.

Jacqueline Brennan has volunteered every week in the warehouse since COVID. Along with the other volunteers she sorts and labels the donations and prepares the food ready to send out to distribution centres. She joined the Trustees in September 2022 with responsibility for the warehouse and stock.

Ewan Quayle is a trained journalist who has become our Social Media trustee. We were struggling engage through digital media and he has increased the number of people accessing our facebook page and creates a lively story around foodbank.

The other trustees continued to be active and give strong leadership to the foodbank.

Food Donations

18 tonnes of food and toiletries were donated in 2022-23. However we bought 4.5 tonnes of food to top up areas where we were short. This reflects donations moving away from food to money and also applying for grants to buy food.

Warehouse Storage

Food was stored in our purpose-built warehouse at Hattersley Baptist Church, but we will moving in 2023 as we have been asked to leave and the lease has been terminated.

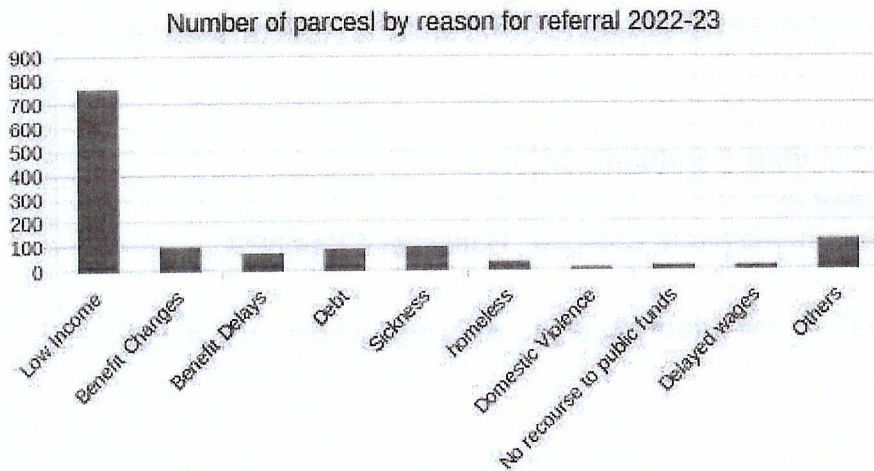
Volunteers

The volunteers continue be the engine of the foodbank. Around 40 people volunteer regularly in the distribution centres and the warehouse. They work hard lifting, shifting and listening to difficult stories. Thank-you to all of you.

Reasons for Referral

26,811 meals were provided during the year - 64% for adults and 36% for children.

The main reason for referral was low income – either for those working or those receiving benefits.



Referrers

There are over 100 organisations that can refer clients to the foodbank including housing associations, schools, nhs and churches. However of 74% of referrals come from 10 referrers – mainly nhs (Healthy Hyde, GPs), Citizens’ Advice and Help Through Hardship.

Healthy Hyde is an initiative by local GPs to provide health care to the poorest 10% in the area. Their health professionals, including nurses and GPs, attend all our foodbank centres and offer support for clients with mental and physical illness. They build relationships with clients; signpost people to support groups e.g. babies, well being; and they assist clients to complete complex PIP forms. They are a significant help at foodbank where so many clients have health problems or disability. They provide 13% of our referrals.

Help Through Hardship is a referral line financed by Trussell Trust and provided by Citizens’ Advice. It’s a freephone number where clients can receive benefits and debt advice as well as getting a referral to foodbank. They provide 11% of our referrals.

The referrers keep the foodbank sustainable. They are within the community and so can encourage people in crisis to come to us. They know the clients, can verify their situation and allow us to confirm to donors that their generosity is targeted to those most in need.

Other Services

We continued to try to signpost clients as our volunteer resources allow. A food parcel helps a family for 3 days, but it is help with benefits and debt that enables clients to live without the need to use the foodbank. During 2022-23 we investigated working with the Trussell Trust and a professional organisation to provide a financial inclusion service for our clients and this service started in July 2023.

Foodbank funds and a grant from Tameside MBC enabled us to work with local primary schools to provide supermarket vouchers to the families during school holidays. Tameside MBC have provided vouchers for children on free school meals but local schools told us that other families were also struggling. We provided 370 vouchers for Tesco or Morrisons worth a total of £12,870 to these families.

The Foodbank is a member of Advice UK through the Trussell Trust Group Membership scheme.

Tameside South and Longdendale Foodbank Office

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Matthew 25v35; I was hungry and you gave me something to eat.

Susan Ayers

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Financial Review

The main sources of revenue cash funds were grants (£42,109), and donations from various sources, including individuals, churches and other local organisations (£81,847).

The value of food distributed to clients was £58,610. The value of food distributed is shown as income (food donated) and expenditure (food distributed to clients through our distribution centres) in accordance with the Statement Recommended Practice (SORP) for charities.

Administration Costs including rent, insurance and warehouse costs were £21,756.

Governance and Operation Employees Costs were £9,466.

We purchased £12,451 worth of food for the warehouse – many donors were unable to give food directly and gave money instead. We bought items needed to provide a balanced food parcel.

We have continued our school meals programme. 10 local primary schools nominated struggling families for help with school holiday meals. We provided 429 vouchers for Tesco or Morrisons worth a total of £12,870 to these families.

A further £2,669 was spent on gas and electricity for clients.

The foodbank has assets of £777 relating to furniture and equipment at 31st March 2023, after charging depreciation of £259 for the year.

The foodbank has two paid employees. An administrator works 7 hours per week and an operations manager who works 21 hours per week. The vast majority of our activities are undertaken by dedicated teams of volunteers.

Sum ayes
TRUSTEE

29th January 2024

Tameside South Longdendale Foodbank Ltd
A company limited by Guarantee
Statement of Financial Activities

| | ----2022 to 2023 ---- | | | | | 2021 to 2022 Total £ |
|---|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|--|----------------------------|
| | Note | Unrestricted £ | Restricted £ | Total £ | | |
| Incoming Resources | | | | | | |
| Incoming Resources from generated funds | | | | | | |
| Voluntary Income: Revenue | 2 | 81,847 | 42,109 | 123,956 | | 58,763 |
| Specific Grants for Capital Items | | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 |
| Total Incoming Resources | | <u>81,847</u> | <u>42,109</u> | <u>123,956</u> | | <u>58,763</u> |
| | | | | | | |
| Resources Expended | | | | | | |
| Cost of Generating voluntary income | 3 | 96,407 | 22,475 | 118,882 | | 80,069 |
| Resources Expended on Charitable Activities | | | | | | |
| Total Resources Expended | | <u>96,407</u> | <u>22,475</u> | <u>118,882</u> | | <u>80,069</u> |
| Net Movement of Funds for Year | | -14,560 | 19,634 | 5,074 | | -21,306 |
| Total Funds at 31 st March 2022 | | 33,791 | 25,329 | 59,120 | | 80,426 |
| Movement Between Funds | | 25,329 | -25,329 | 0 | | 0 |
| Total Funds at 31 st March 2023 | | 44,560 | 19,634 | 64,194 | | 59,120 |
| | | | | | | |

Tameside South and Longdendale Foodbank Ltd

Balance Sheet

31st March 2023

| | ----2022 to 2023 ---- | | | | 2021 to 2022 | |
|--|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|
| | Note | Unrestricted £ | Restricted £ | Total £ | | Total £ |
| Fixed Assets | | | | | | |
| Tangible Assets | 4 | 777 | | 777 | | 387 |
| Current Assets | | | | | | |
| Debtors | 5 | 988 | 2,994 | 3,982 | | 988 |
| Cash at Bank and in Hand | | 43,395 | 16,640 | 60,035 | 0 | 57,745 |
| Total Current Assets | | <u>44,383</u> | <u>19,634</u> | <u>64,017</u> | | <u>58,733</u> |
| Creditors | | 600 | | 600 | | 0 |
| Amounts due within one year | | | | | | |
| Total current Assets Less Current Liabilities | | 43,783 | 19,634 | 63,417 | 0 | 58,733 |
| Total Funds | | <u>44,560</u> | <u>19,634</u> | <u>64,194</u> | | <u>59,120</u> |

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Unrestricted charitable funds comprise those funds, which the Trustees are free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objects. Restricted Income funds consist of grants made for specific costs due to be incurred within a defined period. The charity has not received and does not hold any Endowment Funds. There has been a movement between restricted and unrestricted funds in the year. The opening restricted funds of £25,329 has been transferred to unrestricted funds.

Tangible Fixed Assets

Expenditure is capitalised where the Trustees expect to derive future economic benefits over a period exceeding one year. Tangible Fixed assets are stated at cost, are all items of furniture and equipment, and are depreciated at a rate of 25% per annum.

Stocks

In accordance with the SORP, donated items for distribution are recognised in the accounts only when distributed to clients. Thus when the value of stock distributed is calculated as expenditure, an equal amount is stated as income from donations.

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- No stock take was done in 2020-21 because of COVID restrictions
- During 2020 during lockdown stock doubled with food being stored in St Barnabas Church, Hope Church Mottram and then all excess moved to a self storage at Dukinfield.
- During lockdown foodbank struggled to keep going. Or priority was to feed hungry people. Most of our experienced volunteers shielded and were

replaced with new volunteers. Volunteers were divided into bubbles and communication between teams was difficult. Warehouse volunteers who could turn-out were working flat out and totally exhausted at the end of the day.

- New processes were put in place for delivery of parcels and new services were started – a distribution centre at Hyde and packs for school breakfasts.
- The discrepancy was due to an administrative error and not due to theft.

Trustees decided that no further action was needed.

Acts 435

The Acts 435 scheme provides grants of up to £120 for clients. The money is held in a separate bank account. The funds received and distributed to clients are not part of the Foodbank income or costs.

Reserves

Need for reserves

The Foodbank needs reserves for a number of reasons:

- Potential changes to existing income streams
- Sustainability of services – we need to keep adequate food stocks and cash reserves to sustain supply in the event of unforeseen events. This is currently set at £15,000.
- New services – the foodbank is seeking to develop new services and there will be additional costs involved in providing these services.

Current Position – Based on the Accounts to 31st March 2023 the unrestricted current assets are £44,383. Overall food stocks are high, but the stocks are mainly pasta, tinned beans and tinned vegetables. Obtaining the right mix of items continues to involve encouraging appropriate donations and selective stock purchases.

As a result of the generous funding received during COVID reserves are still high. However, the need for our services is still rising and so the Trustees will continue distribute the funds through school holiday meal vouchers and fuel vouchers in addition to food.

Related Party Disclosures

There are no transactions with related parties that require disclosure.

Employees

There were two employees employed by the Foodbank in the Year to 31 March 2023. None of these employees earned over £60,000.

Expenses

No trustees incurred any expenses in the year to 31 March 2023.

Independent Examination

A fee of £600 has been included in the Accounts to 31 March 2023 for the Independent Examination of the Accounts

The Company is limited By Guarantee.

Tameside South and Longdendale Foodbank Ltd

Accounts to 31.03.2023

| | 12 months to 31.03.23 | | | 31.03.22 | |
|--|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|
| | Note | Unrestricted £ | Restricted £ | Total £ | Total £ |
| 2 Voluntary Income | | | | | |
| Grants | | | | | |
| Tameside MBC | | | 2,320 | 2,320 | 550 |
| Be Fibre | | | 300 | 300 | 0 |
| May We Help | | | 4,000 | 4,000 | 0 |
| Forever MAnchester | | | 3,500 | 3,500 | 0 |
| Action Together | | | 375 | 375 | 10,500 |
| Trussell Trust | | | 19,614 | 19,614 | 3,438 |
| Onward Housing | | | 4,000 | 4,000 | 0 |
| JH Rausing Trust | | | 8,000 | 8,000 | 0 |
| Total | | | 42,109 | 42,109 | 14,488 |
| | | | | | |
| Donations | | | | | |
| Organisations | | 7,040 | | 7,040 | 3,848 |
| Individuals | | 15,396 | | 15,396 | 11,560 |
| Donated Stock Items Delivered to Clients | | 59,411 | | 59,411 | 28,867 |
| Total | | <u>81,847</u> | | <u>81,847</u> | <u>44,275</u> |
| | | | | | |
| Total Voluntary Income | | <u>81,847</u> | <u>42,109</u> | <u>123,956</u> | <u>58,763</u> |

| | 12 months to 31.03.23 | | | 31.03.22 | |
|--|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|
| | Note | Unrestricted £ | Restricted £ | Total £ | Total £ |
| 3 Resources Expended | | | | | |
| Donated Stock Items Distributed to Clients | | 58,610 | 0 | 58,610 | 27,571 |
| Purchase of Stock | | 2,784 | 9,667 | 12,451 | 10,778 |
| School Holiday Supermarket Vouchers | | 10,870 | 2,000 | 12,870 | 21,500 |
| Meter Cards and Outreach work | | 3,343 | -674 | 2,669 | 2,098 |
| Warehouse and Distribution Centre Rent | | 11,380 | 3,500 | 14,880 | 4,780 |
| Employee Costs inc governance | | 2,159 | 7,307 | 9,466 | 2,669 |
| Insurance | | 475 | 0 | 475 | 419 |
| Depreciation of Tangible Assets | | 259 | 0 | 259 | 439 |
| Administration Costs | | 5,726 | 675 | 6,401 | 8,519 |
| Stock Written Off | | 801 | 0 | 801 | 1,296 |
| | | | | | |
| Total | | <u>96,407</u> | <u>22,475</u> | <u>118,882</u> | <u>80,069</u> |

| | 12 months to 31.03.23 | | | 31.03.22 | |
|--|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------|------------|
| | Note | Unrestricted £ | Restricted £ | Total £ | Total £ |
| 4 Tangible Assets | | | | | |
| Brought Forward | | 387 | | 387 | 826 |
| Assets Purchased during the Year | | 649 | | 649 | 0 |
| Depreciation for the Period | | -259 | | -259 | -439 |
| Net Book Value at 31 st March | | <u>777</u> | | <u>777</u> | <u>387</u> |
| | | | | | |
| | 12 months to 31.03.23 | | | 31.03.22 | |
| | Note | Unrestricted £ | Restricted £ | Total £ | Total £ |
| 5 Debtors | | | | | |
| Gift Aid | | 988 | | 988 | 988 |
| Fuelbank Club | | 0 | 2,994 | 2,994 | 0 |
| Total | | <u>988</u> | <u>2,994</u> | <u>3,982</u> | <u>988</u> |

TAMESIDE SOUTH & LONGENDALE FOODBANK

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF TAMESIDE SOUTH & LONGENDALE FOODBANK

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Tameside South & Longendale Foodbank (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act).

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.


Independent examiner's statement

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 that in any material respect:

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than the 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 financial statements 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 financial statements to be reached.

Mrs S Wilcock FCCA



Topping Partnership (Accountants) Limited
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Dated 29 January 2024.

TAMESIDE SOUTH AND LONGDENDALE FOODBANK LTD

England & Wales - Charity number 1154277

Accounts



Annual Report and Accounts

Period ended 31st March 2022

Company Number: 08688131
Registered Charity Number: 1154277

Authors: S Watts, S Ayers

Date: January 2023

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Chair of Trustees Report

Executive Summary

We are thankful that we have been able to feed those who have come to us in need. This is due to a concerted effort by over 40 volunteers; countless donors; a large network of referrers; support from other organisations like the Trussell Trust; and help from Tesco and ASDA.

During the year we have provided 61% more food parcels than 5 years ago and an increasing number of clients have come to us because of low income. In the past there has been an underlying assumption at foodbanks that people who receive full benefits should be able to manage if they have not had a crisis like a lost purse, washing machine breakdown or debt. In 2021-22, and increasingly in 2022-23, this is no longer true. They come because they are unable to make ends meet on benefits or low wages.

At the same time foodbanks have become part of our national life, a recognised brand, with the Trussell Trust supporting over 1,300 foodbank centres. Many public organisations such as nhs and local government refer clients to us for food. But we are a mainly voluntary organisation, supported by donations. Our resources are pushed to the limits.

Therefore we support the Trussell Trust vision for a UK without the need for foodbanks because people have enough money to live.

In the year 2021-22 we provided:

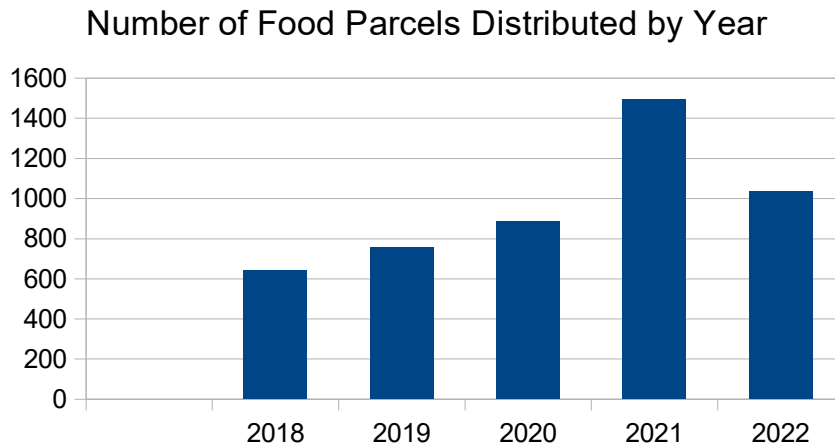
- 2,056 meals on average each month
- food to people because of low income 36%, benefit changes 14%, various reasons associated with sickness 9%, benefit delays 9% and debt 9%
- 630 supermarket vouchers worth £21,500 to families struggling without free school meals.

We received:

- Over 18.5 tonnes of food donated by individuals, supermarkets and local churches
- £14,488 in grants and £44,275 in donations of food and money
- Help from over 40 volunteers
- Help from companies including Onward, Tesco and ASDA

Overview

As the chart below shows, the previous year 2020-21 was exceptional, as a result of the economic impact of COVID. However it also shows the very worrying trend that foodbank use continues to increase and we provided 61% more parcels in 2022 than we did in 2018.



41% of the people fed were children.

Distribution Centres - Our distribution centres at St Mary's in Hollingworth and Hyde Central Methodist Church remained open. We moved our original distribution centre from Hattersley Baptist Church to St Barnabas Meeting Point, round the corner. This enabled us to open before The Bread and Butter Thing food pantry, at the same venue. We hope that the increased footfall will enable us to offer more services such as professional benefits advice. The foodbank warehouse remained at the purpose built facility at Hattersley Baptist Church.

Volunteers – During the year volunteers on furlough returned to work and our regular volunteers rejoined us as their health and regulations allowed. The ever increasing workload meant that we took on our first paid worker, financed by a grant from the Trussell Trust. Moira Wallis, previously a volunteer, does administration for us for us 7 hours a week.

Relationships – Our relationships with organisations gave us enormous support throughout the year.

Tameside Welfare Rights helped many of our clients with benefits advice – enabling them to no longer need to use the foodbank.

Tesco, ASDA and their customers provided us with 41% of our food during the year. Both supermarkets also gave us cashback on donations bought in store. We are not viable without this support.

Trustees - We had a new trustee join us during the year. Elizabeth Shingler, who has extensive professional and consultancy experience in children's social work, joined us as our safeguarding officer. She volunteers weekly at our Hyde distribution centre.

Three trustees stood down during the year. Rev Denise Hayes, vicar of St Barnabas, Hattersley, who volunteered every week in Hattersley at the warehouse and at the foodbank session. She left to take up a post as chaplain in Doncaster Prison. She has been sorely missed for her enthusiasm, energy, wisdom and compassion. Amy Hermiston who works for Onward Housing represented our referrers. She set-up and staffed the telephone helpline that referred 532 people to foodbank during COVID – without it many people would have gone hungry. Gwenda Ogden, who represented Hattersley Baptist Church on the Trustees had to stand down because of continuing ill health. She volunteered at foodbank for many years, as her health allowed, and gave excellent signposting advice.

The other trustees continued to be active and give strong leadership to the foodbank.

Food Donations

Over 18 tonnes of food and toiletries were donated in 2021-22 and we were able to hold our first "Buy a Tin for the Foodbank" collection at Tesco Extra Hattersley since 2020. However we have started to buy substantial amounts of food for the first time. Previously we have topped up certain items where we were short, but this year we purchased 4.5 tonnes of food. This reflects donations moving away from food to money – particularly during lockdown.

Warehouse Storage

Food stocks are stored in our warehouse at Hattersley Baptist Church and a rented self-storage unit at Dukinfield.

COVID has meant that no stock take was taken this year.

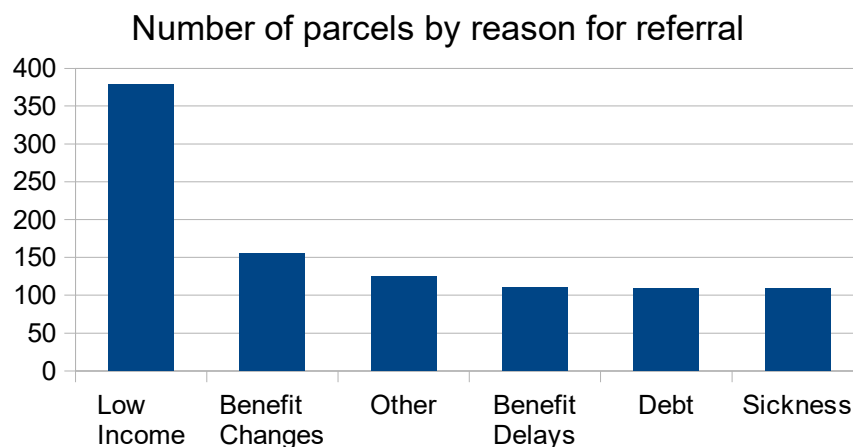
Volunteers

During the year the volunteers who stepped in during furlough returned to work and many of our regular volunteers returned. The volunteers continue to be the engine of the foodbank. They volunteer regularly. They work hard lifting, shifting and listening to difficult stories. Thank-you to all of you.

Reasons for Referral

24,678 meals were provided during the year - 59% for adults and 41% for children.

The main reason for referral was low income – either for those working or those receiving benefits.



During 2020-21 29% of referrals were for low income. This year it rose to 36%. We think that this is because a growing number of people are struggling to cope on benefits and wages that have not risen in line with inflation.

Referrers

There are over 100 organisations that can refer clients to the foodbank including housing associations, schools, nhs and churches. However of 75% of referrals come from 10 referrers – mainly housing associations (Onward), nhs (GPs, community nurses) and local schools. Referrers enable us to keep the foodbank sustainable. They are within the community and so can encourage people in crisis to come to us. They know the clients, can verify their situation and allow us to confirm to donors that their generosity is targeted to those most in need.

Other Services

We continued to try to signpost clients, as COVID rules and our volunteer resources allow. A food parcel helps a family for 3 days, but it is help with benefits and debt that enables clients to live without the need to use the foodbank. Therefore we are investigating working with the Trussell Trust and a professional organisation to provide a financial inclusion service for our clients.

A grant from Tameside MBC enabled us to provide £1,854 of fuel vouchers to clients who had no heating or were unable to cook the food we provided.

Foodbank funds and a grant from Tameside MBC enabled us to work with local primary schools to provide supermarket vouchers to the families during school holidays. The Marcus Rashford campaign drew attention to the plight of children who do not receive a school meal in the holidays. Tameside MBC have provided vouchers for children on free school meals but local schools told us that other families were also struggling. We provided 630 vouchers for Tesco or Morrisons worth a total of £21,500 to these families.

Traditionally the foodbank has provided a food parcel of store cupboard items. We have started to buy extra fresh items such as bread, eggs, fresh fruit and vegetables to supplement our parcels.

The Foodbank is a member of Advice UK through the Trussell Trust Group Membership scheme.

Tameside South and Longdendale Foodbank Office

The Foodbank Office is located at:

Hattersley Baptist Church, Melandra Crescent, Hattersley SK14 3RB.

Matthew 25v35; I was hungry and you gave me something to eat.

Susan Ayers

For Trustees of Tameside South & Longdendale Foodbank Limited

Tameside South & Longdendale Foodbank Limited (TSLF) is a company registered by guarantee (No. 08688131) and a registered charity (No. 1154277).

TSLF is a member of the Trussell Trust's network of foodbanks but is independently registered and managed.

At 31st March 2021 the Trustees were:

Ms Susan Ayers: Chair

Ms Janet Malpas: Supervisor Hollingworth Distribution Centre

Mr Simon Watts: Treasurer

Dr Hugh Roderick: Supervisor Hyde Distribution Centre

Ms Elizabeth Shingler: Safeguarding

Trustee Meetings were held frequently during 2021-22 by Zoom.

Membership is open to all the regular foodbank volunteers. No members meeting was held in 2020-21 because of COVID restrictions.

Public Benefit Report

Purpose

TSLF's Charity Objectives are: 'to relieve persons in England and Wales and primarily in Tameside and Longdendale and their surrounding areas who are in conditions of need or distress in such ways as the Trustees from time to time think fit'.

Key Activities in the 12 months to 31st March 2022

In the year 2021 - 22 Tameside South and Longdendale Foodbank has:

- Met 1,036 requests for food parcels from its network of over 100 referring agencies
- Provided 24,678 meals to people in need
- Received 18,655 tonnes of food from donors
- Provided food through 3 distribution centres – St Barnabas Meeting Point Hattersley, Hyde Central Methodist Church and St Mary's Hollingworth

Public Benefit

The Trustees have taken account of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when reviewing the aims and objectives and in planning future the foodbank activities. The Trustees consider that activities undertaken match with our aims and objectives. Foodbank feeds clients referred by professionals within the community who are in a position to assess the clients' position. Low income, benefit delays, benefit changes, sickness and debt account for 83% of food parcels provided and so we are confident that we are providing relief to persons in need or distress.

Financial Review

The main sources of revenue cash funds were grants (£14,488), and donations from various sources, including individuals, churches and other local organisations (£44,275).

The value of food distributed to clients was £27,571. The value of food distributed is shown as income (food donated) and expenditure (food distributed to clients through our distribution centres) in accordance with the Statement Recommended Practice (SORP) for charities.

Administration Costs including rent, insurance and warehouse costs were £13,708.

Governance Costs were £2,688.

We purchased £10,778 worth of food for the warehouse – many donors were unable to give food directly and gave money instead. We bought items needed to provide a balanced food parcel.

£4,780 was spent on renting a self-storage unit in Dukinfield. Our own warehouse was not large enough for extra donations during lockdown and the new distribution centre in Hyde means that we need more storage. We have large supplies of some items – pasta, beans and tinned veg while still needing to buy other items - long life puddings, UHT milk and fruit juice.

Our increased income has enabled us to extend our programmes. Six local primary schools nominated struggling families for help with school holiday meals and we have provided 630 supermarket vouchers worth £21,500.

A further £2,097 was spent on gas and electricity for clients.

The foodbank has assets of £387 relating to furniture and equipment at 31st March 2022, after charging depreciation of £439 for the year.

The foodbank has one paid employee who works 7 hours per weeks – the vast majority of our activities are undertaken by dedicated teams of volunteers.

Tameside South Longdendale Foodbank Ltd
A company limited by Guarantee
Statement of Financial Activities

| | Note | ----- 2021 to 2022 ----- | | | 2020 to 2021 |
|---|------|--------------------------|-----------------|------------|--------------|
| | | Unrestricted £ | Restricted £ | Total £ | Total £ |
| Incoming Resources | | | | | |
| Incoming Resources from generated funds | | | | | |
| Voluntary Income: Revenue | | 44,275 | 14,488 | 58,763 | 125,290 |
| Specific Grants for capital items | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Incoming Resources | 2 | 44,275 | 14,488 | 58,763 | 125,290 |
| Resources Expended | | | | | |
| Cost of generating voluntary income | | | | | |
| Resources expended on charitable activities | 3 | 77,972 | 2,097 | 80,069 | 69,853 |
| Total Resources Expended | | 77,972 | 2,097 | 80,069 | 69,853 |
| Net Movement in Funds for the year | | -33,696 | 12,391 | -21,305 | 55,437 |
| Total Funds at 31st March 2021 | | 67,487 | 12,938 | 80,425 | 24,988 |
| Total Funds at 31st March 2022 | | 33,791 | 25,329 | 59,120 | 80,425 |

Tameside South Longdendale Foodbank Ltd
Balance Sheet
31st March 2022

| | Note | ----- 2021 to 2022 ----- | | | 2020 to 2021 |
|--|------|--------------------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|
| | | Unrestricted £ | Restricted £ | Total £ | Total £ |
| Fixed Assets | | | | | |
| Tangible Assets | 4 | 387 | | 387 | 826 |
| Current Assets | | | | | |
| Debtors | 5 | 988 | | 988 | 988 |
| Cash at bank and in hand | | 32,416 | 25,329 | 57,745 | 78,611 |
| | | 33,404 | 25,329 | 58,733 | 79,599 |
| Total Current Assets | | 33,404 | 25,329 | 58,733 | 79,599 |
| Creditors | | | | | |
| Amounts due within one year | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Current Assets less Current Liabilities | | 33,404 | 25,329 | 58,733 | 79,599 |
| Total Funds | | 33,791 | 25,329 | 59,120 | 80,425 |

The charitable company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the period ended 31st March 2022.

Members have not required the charitable company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the period ended 31st March 2022.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Act and for preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to accounts, so far as applicable to the company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees and were signed on their behalf by
The Trustees

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention and the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP FRS 102) effective from 1st January 2015 and as amended from 1st January 2016 with compliance with the Charities Act 2011 and The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. A summary of the more important accounting policies of the Trust and the group, which have been applied consistently, are set out below:-

- Incoming resources

All incoming resources are recognised once entitlement to the resources has been established, it is certain that the resources will be received and the monetary value of incoming resources can be measured with sufficient reliability. Donations of food are recognised in the accounts only when they are distributed to clients. They are valued by weight at a calculated average retail cost per kg.

- Resources expended

Liabilities are recognised as resources expended as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the Trust to the expenditure. All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Any irrecoverable VAT is charged to the Statement of Financial Activities, or capitalised as part of the cost of the related asset, where appropriate.

- Funds

Unrestricted charitable funds comprise those funds, which the Trustees are free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objects. Restricted Income funds consist of grants made for specific costs due to be incurred within a defined period. The charity has not received and does not hold any Endowment Funds.

- Tangible Fixed Assets

Expenditure is capitalised where the Trustees expect to derive future economic benefits over a period exceeding one year. Tangible Fixed assets are stated at cost, are all items of furniture and equipment, and are depreciated at a rate of 25% per annum.

- Stocks

In accordance with the SORP, donated items for distribution are recognised in the accounts only when distributed to clients. Thus when the value of stock distributed is calculated as expenditure, an equal amount is stated as income from donations.

The foodbank stores stocks of food in its warehouse. This warehouse stock at 31st March 2022 is not required to be recorded in the balance sheet. Stock received, stock distributed and warehouse stock is recorded using a stock control system and a warehouse stocktake was last done at the start of March 2020. The weight of warehouse stock shown on the stock control system at 31st March 2022 was 16,049kg and the value is estimated as £25,678.40 .

- Acts 435

The Acts 435 scheme provides one off grants of up to £100 for clients. The money is held in a separate bank account . The funds received and distributed to clients are not part of the Foodbank income or costs.

- Reserves

Need for reserves

The Foodbank needs reserves for a number of reasons:

- Potential changes to existing income streams
- Sustainability of services – we need to keep adequate food stocks and cash reserves to sustain supply in the event of unforeseen events. This is currently set at £15,000.
- New services – the foodbank is seeking to develop new services and there will be additional costs involved in providing these services.

Current Position – Based on the Accounts to 31st March 2022 the unrestricted current assets are £59,120. Overall food stocks are high, but the stocks are mainly pasta, tinned beans and tinned vegetables. Obtaining the right mix of items continues to involve encouraging appropriate donations and selective stock purchases.

As a result of the generous funding received during COVID reserves are still high. However the need for our services is still rising and so the Trustees will continue distribute the funds through school holiday meal vouchers and fuel vouchers in addition to food.

| 2. VOLUNTARY INCOME | ----- 2021 to 2022 ----- | | | 2020 to |
|---|--------------------------|------------|--------|---------------|
| | Unrestricted | Restricted | Total | 2021 Total |
| Grants | | | | |
| Tameside MBC | | 550 | 550 | 8,850 |
| Forever Manchester | | | 0 | 11,000 |
| Trussell Trust | | 3,438 | 3,438 | 5,500 |
| Action Together | | 10,500 | 10,500 | 1,880 |
| Martin Lewis Corona Charity Fund | | | 0 | 14,400 |
| Community lottery fund school food parcels | | | 0 | 9,000 |
| Trussel Trust | | | 0 | 1,550 |
| Total Grants | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | 0 | 14,488 | 14,488 | 52,180 |
| Donations | | | | |
| Organisations | 3,848 | | 3,848 | 5,651 |
| Individuals | 11,560 | | 11,560 | 22,218 |
| Donated Stock Items distributed to clients | 28,867 | | 28,867 | 44,127 |
| Gift Aid | 0 | | 0 | 810 |
| Total Donations | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | 44,275 | 0 | 44,275 | 72,805 |
| Total Voluntary Income | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | 44,275 | 14,488 | 58,763 | 124,985 |

3. RESOURCES EXPENDED - CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

| | ----- 2021 to 2022 ----- | | | 2020 to 2021 |
|---|--------------------------|--------------|---------------|-----------------|
| | Unrestricted | Restricted | Total | Total |
| Donated Stock Items distributed to clients | 27,571 | | 27,571 | 42,529 |
| Purchases of stock, School holiday supermarket vouchers | 10,778 | | 32,278 | 12,676 |
| Meter Cards | 21,500 | 2,097 | 2,097 | 1,140 |
| Warehouse Costs | 4,780 | | 4,780 | 6,209 |
| Governance | 2,669 | | 2,669 | 255 |
| Insurance | 419 | | 419 | 254 |
| Depreciation of Tangible Assets | 439 | | 439 | 1,466 |
| Administration Costs | 8,519 | | 8,519 | 3,726 |
| Stock Written Off | 1,296 | | 1,296 | 1,598 |
| | 77,972 | 2,097 | 80,069 | 69,853 |

4. Tangible Assets

| | ----- 2021 to 2022 ----- | | | 2020 to |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| | Unrestricted | Restricted | Total | 2021 Total |
| Brought Forward | 826 | | 826 | 1521 |
| Assets purchased during period | 0 | | 0 | 771 |
| Depreciation for the period | -439 | | -439 | -1466 |
| Net Book Value at 31st March | <u>387</u> | | <u>387</u> | <u>826</u> |

5. Debtors

| | ----- 2021 to 2022 ----- | | | 2020 to |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| | Unrestricted | Restricted | Total | 2021 Total |
| Amounts falling due within one year | | | | |
| Gift Aid and GASDS due | 988 | | 988 | 988 |
| | <u>988</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>988</u> | <u>988</u> |

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Tameside South & Longdendale Foodbank Charitable Company

I report on the accounts of the company for the period ended 31st March 2022, which are set out on the accompanying pages

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The 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. The charity's gross income was below £250,000, and therefore there is no requirement for the examination to be carried out by a qualified accountant.

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 accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, 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 accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

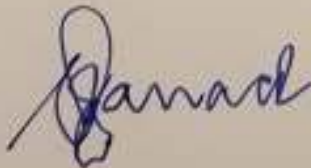
Independent examiner's statement

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

- (1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of Companies Limited by Guarantees that are Registered Charities have not been met; or
- (2) 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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Signed



Date

22/12/2022

TAMESIDE SOUTH AND LONGDENDALE FOODBANK LTD

England & Wales - Charity number 1154277

Accounts



Annual Report and Accounts

Period ended 31st March 2021

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Trustee's Report

We are again thankful that we have been able to feed those who have come to us. The pandemic meant that we saw many clients who had never been to a foodbank before, were struggling with COVID and isolation. We had to change most of our procedures – no teas; introducing social distancing and providing deliveries. Most of our volunteers had to isolate and were replaced by new volunteers on furlough. However the community rallied behind us and we were, amazingly and wonderfully, able to feed everyone in crisis who came to us.

In the year 2020-21 we provided:

- 2,943 meals on average each month
- food to people because of low income (33%), benefit changes (18%), various reasons associated with COVID (18%), benefit delays (10%) and debt (9%)
- food parcels from existing centres in Hollingworth and Hattersley and opened a new centre in Hyde
- 405 supermarket vouchers worth £10,150 to families struggling without free school meals and school breakfast packs worth £3,000 to families whose children could not receive a school breakfast because of social distancing in the dining room.

We received:

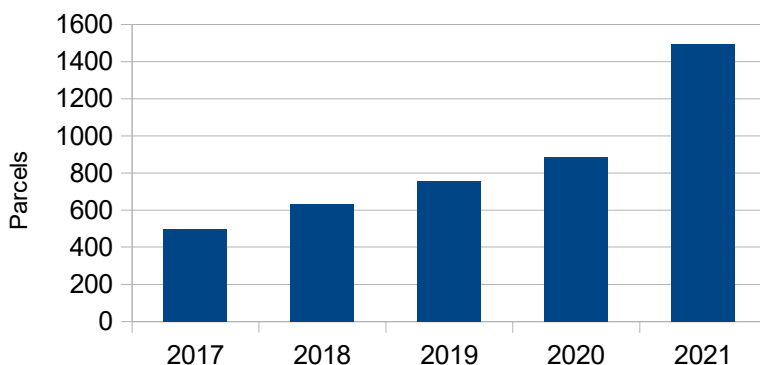
- Over 40 tonnes of food donated by individuals, supermarkets and local churches
- £52,180 in grants and £27,869 in donations
- Help from many volunteers – long term helpers and those who stepped in during the pandemic
- Help from companies including Onward, Tesco, ASDA and British Gas

In the year 2020-2021 we have seen a:

- 68% increase in the number of parcels provided
- 54% increase in the number of people fed

42% of the people fed were children.

Food Parcels Provided 2017 - 2021



Even more concerning - over the last 5 years we have seen a 200% increase in the number of parcels provided

Distribution Centres Our distribution centres at St Mary's in Hollingworth and Hattersley Baptist Church remained open – serving clients at the door in order to keep everyone safe during the pandemic. The foodbank run by Hyde Independent Fellowship of Churches closed because volunteers had to isolate. At the suggestion of local councillors we opened a temporary foodbank at the Grafton Centre in Hyde. When the Grafton Centre re-opened to its usual clients we were welcomed at Hyde Central Methodist Church. This centre is now a permanent part of our foodbank and in the last 6 months of the year provided 40% of the meals distributed.

Volunteers – At March 2021 the foodbank was entirely staffed by volunteers. Many of our volunteers in 2020 were retired and had to self isolate at the start of the pandemic. Many of them gave support from home as they were able. Other younger volunteers came to take their place – Home Start sent their team of DBS checked volunteers; British Gas who provided trained staff for deliveries; the Rajah family who made up parcels as a family bubble and many individuals on furlough or working from home.

Relationships – Our relationships with organisations gave us enormous support during the year. Onward Housing, one of our major referrers, were unable to write paper vouchers because they started to work from home. They set up a telephone referral service and provided 20% of our vouchers.

Tameside Welfare Rights helped many of our clients, when we were not able to provide any signposting.

Tesco, ASDA and Morrisons and their customers provided us with 42% of our food during the year. Tesco in particular provided us with 4.2 tonnes of food straight from their warehouse when store cupboard items were difficult to buy.

Hope Church in Mottram let us use their main building to store crates of food.

Trustees - Thanks to Margaret Taylor who has stood down as trustee after being a regular volunteer at foodbank for many years. We will miss her knowledge, wisdom and practical advice.

Dr Hugh Roderick has joined the trustees. He stepped in to help us run the new distribution centre in Hyde and has stuck with us as a trustee and regular volunteer as it became a permanent arrangement.

The other trustees continue to be active, involved as health allows and give strong leadership to the foodbank.

Food Donations

Over 40 tonnes of food and toiletries were donated in 2020-21, up from 19 tonnes in the previous year. 25% came from the general public as a few bags brought to the door of the warehouse by an army of donors. 41% of donations came from supermarkets and 19% from other charities.

Membership of the the Trussell Trust gives us access to national agreements with Tesco and Asda. No “buy a tin for the foodbank” collections could be held, but special trolleys were put out for donations from the public. Both Tesco and Asda also gave corporate donations with Tesco giving 4.2 tonnes of food directly from their warehouse.

Warehouse Storage

Food stocks are stored in our warehouse at Hattersley Baptist Church. At one point this was almost empty – holding only 2 weeks of food - and then not big enough for the donations. Hope Church let us use their building to store food and we now rent a self-storage unit at Dukinfield.

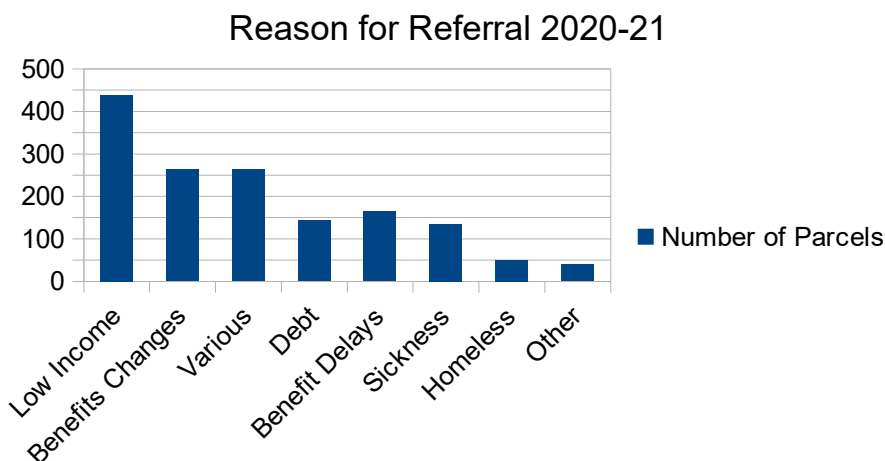
COVID has meant that no stock take was made this year. It is estimated that we had 15.7 tonnes of food on 31st March 2021.

Volunteers

In March 2020 most of our volunteers were retired and so had to self isolate at the start of the pandemic. They were replaced by volunteers from Homestart, British Gas and others on furlough. We divided into bubbles so that infection would not spread and close all our work. Volunteer numbers fluctuated over the year but we had, on average, a core team of 20 volunteers.

Reasons for Referral

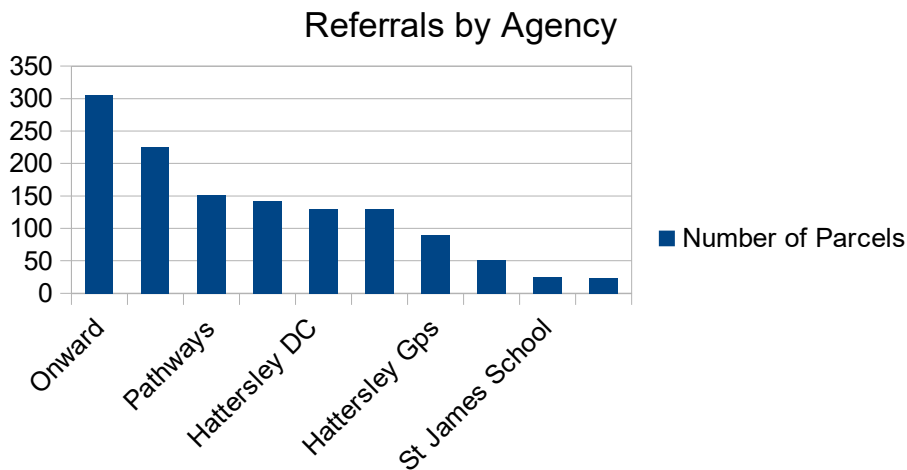
35,325 meals were provided during the year - 58% adults and 42% children.



The main reason for referral is low income – families lost income and free school meals during lockdown. Clients losing their job during the financial downturn associated with the pandemic had to wait 5 weeks at least for a Universal Credit payment. Benefit changes accounted for 18%

Referrers

There are about 100 organisations that can refer clients to the foodbank including housing associations, schools, nhs and churches. However of 87% of referrals come from 10 referrers.



Before the pandemic most vouchers were provided on paper from a face to face referral. During lockdown this was no longer possible.

Major referrers moved to an on-line system so a unique voucher code could be issued from a telephone consultation.

Working with Onward Housing we provided a telephone helpline so that clients could ring a single number for a referral. Onward volunteers staffed the helpline while working from home and provided over 300 referrals during the year (24% of the total).

We have worked closely with Tameside Welfare Rights. We refer clients to them for benefit and housing advice, while we will feed clients that they refer to us.

Other Services

During the pandemic we have started to offer deliveries to clients who had to isolate and had no-one to collect their food parcel from a distribution centre. British Gas provided DBS checked staff with vans during the most severe period of lock-down. This has continued with volunteers using their own cars. New health and safety procedures have been introduced to keep clients and volunteers safe. A check-in/check-out system for volunteers means that the alarm can be raised if the volunteer does not check-in after a delivery.

The pandemic meant that we were unable to offer signposting. This has been a major impact on our service – a food parcel helps a family for 3 days, but it is help with benefits and debt that lifts clients out of destitution. We hope to restart signposting as soon as the COVID situation allows.

The Foodbank is a member of Advice UK through the Trussell Trust Group Membership scheme.

In January 2021 we received a grant of £2,500 from a Tameside Metropolitan Council Food and Warmth Grant. By the end of 2020-21 we had spent £1,140 on topping-up clients' gas and electricity.

Tameside South and Longdendale Foodbank Office

The Foodbank Office is located at:

Hattersley Baptist Church, Melandra Crescent, Hattersley SK14 3RB.

Matthew 25v35; I was hungry and you gave me something to eat.

Susan Ayers

For Trustees of Tameside South & Longdendale Foodbank Limited

Tameside South & Longdendale Foodbank Limited (TSLF) is a company registered by guarantee (No. 08688131) and a registered charity (No. 1154277).

TSLF is a member of the Trussell Trust's network of foodbanks but is independently registered and managed.

At 31st March 2021 the Trustees were:

Mrs Susan Ayers: Chair

Mrs Janet Malpas: Supervisor Hollingworth Distribution Centre

Rev Denise Hayes: Supervisor Hattersley Distribution Centre

Dr Hugh Roderick: Supervisor Hyde Distribution Centre

Mrs Gwenda Ogden: Representing Hattersley Baptist Church

Ms Amy Hermiston: Onward Housing

Trustee Meetings were held frequently during 2020-21 by telephone conference and Zoom.

Membership is open to all the regular foodbank volunteers. A members meeting was not held in 2020-21 because of COVID restrictions.

Public Benefit Report

Purpose

TSLF's Charity Objectives are: 'to relieve persons in England and Wales and primarily in Tameside and Longdendale and their surrounding areas who are in conditions of need or distress in such ways as the Trustees from time to time think fit'.

Key Activities in the 12 months to 31st March 2021

In the year 2020 - 21 Tameside South and Longdendale Foodbank has:

- Met 1,495 requests for food parcels from its network of over 80 referring agencies
- Provided 35,325 meals to people in need
- Received 40 tonnes of food from donors
- Provided food through 3 distribution centres – Hattersley Baptist Church, Hyde Central Methodist Church and St Mary's Hollingworth

Public Benefit

The Trustees have taken account of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when reviewing the aims and objectives and in planning future the foodbank activities. The Trustees consider that activities undertaken match with our aims and objectives. Foodbank feeds clients referred by professionals within the community who are in a position to assess the clients' position. Low income, benefit delays, benefit changes, sickness and debt account for 76% of food parcels provided and so we are confident that we are providing relief to persons in need or distress.

Managing Risk

The Trustees Board continues to review the overall risks and management policies. COVID procedures were implemented rapidly to ensure the safety of clients and volunteers and only 1 volunteer had COVID in the year.

Financial Review

The main sources of revenue cash funds were grants (£52,180), and donations from various sources, including individuals, churches, other local organisations and charitable bodies (£27,869).

The value of food distributed to clients was £44,127. The value of food distributed is shown as income (food donated) and expenditure (food distributed to clients through our distribution centres) in accordance with the Statement Recommended Practice (SORP) for charities.

Administration Costs including rent, insurance and warehouse costs were £10,189. Governance Costs were £255.

Purchases of food stocks for clients was £12,676 – many donors were unable to give food directly and gave money instead. We bought items needed to provide a balanced food parcel. £6,209 was spent on renting a self-storage unit in Dukinfield. Our own warehouse was not large enough for extra donations during lockdown and the new distribution centre in Hyde means that we need more storage. We have large supplies of some items –

pasta, beans and tinned veg while still needing to buy other items - long life puddings, UHT milk and fruit juice.

Our increased income has enabled us to extend our programmes.

- Five local primary schools nominated struggling families for help with school holiday meals and we have provided 405 supermarket vouchers worth £10,150.
- Families who could not receive a school breakfast because of social distancing in the school dining room were given breakfast packs of milk, bread, cereal and fruit. Total value over £3,000

A further £1,140 was spent on gas and electricity clients.

The foodbank has assets of £825 relating to furniture and equipment at 31st March 2021, after charging depreciation of £1,466 for the year.

The foodbank has no paid employees - all our activities are undertaken by dedicated teams of volunteers.

Tameside South Longdendale Foodbank Ltd
A company limited by Guarantee
Statement of Financial Activities

| | Note | ----- 2020 to 2021 ----- | | | 2019 to 2020 |
|---|------|--------------------------|-----------------|------------|--------------|
| | | Unrestricted £ | Restricted £ | Total £ | Total £ |
| Incoming Resources | | | | | |
| Incoming Resources from generated funds | | | | | |
| Voluntary Income: Revenue | | 113,435 | 11,550 | 124,985 | 60,970 |
| Specific Grants for capital items | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Incoming Resources | 2 | 113,435 | 11,550 | 124,985 | 60,970 |
| Resources Expended | | | | | |
| Cost of generating voluntary income | | | | | |
| Resources expended on charitable activities | 3 | 68,713 | 1,140 | 69,853 | 49,312 |
| Total Resources Expended | | 68,713 | 1,140 | 69,853 | 49,312 |
| Net Movement in Funds for the year | | 44,722 | 10,410 | 55,132 | 11,658 |
| Total Funds at 31st March 2019 | | 22,460 | 2,528 | 24,988 | 13,330 |
| Total Funds at 31st March 2020 | | 67,182 | 12,938 | 80,120 | 24,988 |

Tameside South and Longdendale Foodbank Ltd Balance Sheet 31st March 2021

| | Note | ----- 2020 to 2021 ----- | | | 2019 to 2020 |
|--|------|--------------------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|
| | | Unrestricted £ | Restricted £ | Total £ | Total £ |
| Fixed Assets | | | | | |
| Tangible Assets | 4 | 826 | | 826 | 1,521 |
| Current Assets | | | | | |
| Debtors | 5 | 988 | | 988 | 4,499 |
| Cash at bank and in hand | | 78,306 | | 78,306 | 18,968 |
| | | 79,294 | 0 | 79,294 | 23,467 |
| Total Current Assets | | 79,294 | 0 | 79,294 | 23,467 |
| Creditors | | | | | |
| Amounts due within one year | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Current Assets less Current Liabilities | | 79,294 | 0 | 79,294 | 23,467 |
| Total Funds | | 80,120 | 0 | 80,120 | 24,988 |

The charitable company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the period ended 31st March 2021.

Members have not required the charitable company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the period ended 31st March 2021.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Act and for preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to accounts, so far as applicable to the company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees and were signed on their behalf by

The Trustees

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2021

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention and the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP FRS 102) effective from 1st January 2015 and as amended from 1st January 2016 with compliance with the Charities Act 2011 and The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. A summary of the more important accounting policies of the Trust and the group, which have been applied consistently, are set out below:-

- Incoming resources
All incoming resources are recognised once entitlement to the resources has been established, it is certain that the resources will be received and the monetary value of incoming resources can be measured with sufficient reliability. Donations of food are recognised in the accounts only when they are distributed to clients. They are valued by weight at a calculated average retail cost per kg.
- Resources expended
Liabilities are recognised as resources expended as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the Trust to the expenditure. All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Any irrecoverable VAT is charged to the Statement of Financial Activities, or capitalised as part of the cost of the related asset, where appropriate.
- Funds
Unrestricted charitable funds comprise those funds, which the Trustees are free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objects. Restricted Income funds consist of grants made for specific costs due to be incurred within a defined period. The charity has not received and does not hold any Endowment Funds.
- Tangible Fixed Assets
Expenditure is capitalised where the Trustees expect to derive future economic benefits over a period exceeding one year. Tangible Fixed assets are stated at cost, are all items of furniture and equipment, and are depreciated at a rate of 25% per annum.
- Stocks
In accordance with the SORP, donated items for distribution are recognised in the accounts only when distributed to clients. Thus when the value of stock distributed is calculated as expenditure, an equal amount is stated as income from donations.

The foodbank stores stocks of food in its warehouse. This warehouse stock at 31st March 2021 is not required to be recorded in the balance sheet. Stock received,

stock distributed and warehouse stock is recorded using a stock control system and a warehouse stocktake was last done at the start of March 2020. The value of warehouse stock shown on the stock control system at 31st March 2021 was £27,471.89.

- Acts 435

As a result of the introduction of the Acts 435 scheme we have opened a separate account for cash donations distributed to clients for specific needs. The funds received and distributed to clients are not part of the Foodbank income or costs.

- Reserves

Need for reserves

The Foodbank needs reserves for a number of reasons:

- Potential changes to existing income streams
- Sustainability of services – we need to keep adequate food stocks and cash reserves to sustain supply in the event of unforeseen events.
- New services – the foodbank is seeking to develop new services and there will be additional costs involved in providing these services.

Current Position – Based on the Accounts to 31st March 2021 the unrestricted current assets are £79,294 (was £23,467 at 31st March 2020). The restricted current assets are grant funds designated for specific items of cost in the 2020-2021 year. Overall food stocks are equivalent to about 3-4 month's average food distributions. Obtaining the right mix of items held continues to involve encouraging appropriate donations and selective stock purchases.

This level of reserves is in keeping with our 3 year business plan.

One of the reasons reserves increase in 2020/21 from the previous year is the inflow of cash donations and grants in response to the Covid-19 crisis.

2. VOLUNTARY INCOME

| | ----- 2020 to 2021 ----- | | | 2019 to 2020 |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------|------------|--------|--------------|
| | Unrestricted | Restricted | Total | Total |
| Grants | | | | |
| Tameside MBC | 6,300 | 2,550 | 8,850 | |
| Forever Manchester | 11,000 | 0 | 11,000 | |
| Trussell Trust | 5,500 | 0 | 5,500 | |
| Action Together | 1,880 | 0 | 1,880 | |
| Martin Lewis Corona Charity Fund | 14,400 | 0 | 14,400 | |

| | | | | |
|--|----------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|
| Community lottery fund school food parcels | 0 | 9,000 | 9,000 | |
| Jigsaw Homes | 1,550 | 0 | 1,550 | |
| Coop | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2,929 |
| Asda Small Grant Fund | 0 | 0 | 0 | 667 |
| Total Grants | 40,630 | 11,550 | 52,180 | 3,596 |
| Donations | | | | |
| Organisations | 5,651 | 0 | 5,651 | 3,679 |
| Individuals | 22,218 | 0 | 22,218 | 9,873 |
| Supermarket Cashback Scheme | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3,683 |
| Donated Stock Items distributed to clients | 44,127 | 0 | 44,127 | 39,961 |
| Gift Aid | 810 | 0 | 810 | 178 |
| Total Donations | 72,805 | 0 | 72,805 | 57,374 |
| Total Voluntary Income | 113,435 | 11,550 | 124,985 | 60,970 |

3. RESOURCES EXPENDED - CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

| | ----- 2020 to 2021 ----- | | | 2019 to 2020 |
|--|--------------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| | Unrestricted | Restricted | Total | Total |
| Donated Stock Items distributed to clients | 42,529 | 0 | 42,529 | 39,012 |
| Purchases of stock | 12,676 | 0 | 12,676 | 2,046 |
| Warehouse Costs | 6,209 | 0 | 6,209 | 2,578 |
| Meter Cards | 0 | 1,140 | 1,140 | 0 |
| Governance | 255 | 0 | 255 | 99 |
| Insurance | 254 | 0 | 254 | 645 |
| Depreciation of Tangible Assets | 1,466 | 0 | 1,466 | 246 |
| Administration Costs | 3,726 | 0 | 3,726 | 2,710 |
| Stock Written Off | 1,598 | 0 | 1,598 | 949 |
| | 68,713 | 1,140 | 69,853 | 48,285 |

4. Tangible Assets

| | ----- 2020 to 2021 ----- | | | 2019 to 2020 |
|--|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------------|
| | Unrestricted | Restricted | Total | Total |
| Brought Forward | 493 | 1,028 | 1,521 | 2,794 |
| Assets purchased during period | 771 | 0 | 771 | 0 |
| Depreciation for the period | -439 | -1,028 | -1,466 | -1,273 |
| Net Book Value at 31st March 2021 | 825 | 0 | 825 | 1,521 |

5. Debtors

| | ----- 2020 to 2021 ----- | | | 2019 to 2020 |
|---|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------------|
| | Unrestricted | Restricted | Total | Total |
| Amounts falling due within one year | | | | |
| Calculated cash donations from supermarket collections due, but not received in the period. | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Gift Aid and GASDS due | 988 | 0 | 988 | 178 |
| | 988 | 0 | 988 | 4,499 |

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Tameside South & Longdendale Foodbank Charitable Company

I report on the accounts of the company for the period ended 31st March 2021, which are set out on the accompanying pages

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The 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. The charity's gross income was below £250,000, and therefore there is no requirement for the examination to be carried out by a qualified accountant.

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 accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, 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 accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

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

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Date

1/02/2022