

# ACTS OF KINDNESS

England & Wales · Charity number 1157916

## Details

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**Other names** AOK

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2014-07-21

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

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO ARE:1. THE RELIEF OF FINANCIAL HARDSHIP AMONG PEOPLE LIVING OR WORKING IN REDDITCH AND SURROUNDING DISTRICTS BY PROVIDING SUCH PEOPLE WITH FOOD, THROUGH THE MEDIUM OF REDDITCH FOODBANK, AND OTHER GOODS.2. THE PREVENTION OR RELIEF OF POVERTY IN REDDITCH AND SURROUNDING DISTRICTS BY PROVIDING GRANTS, ITEMS AND SERVICES TO INDIVIDUALS IN NEED AND/OR CHARITIES, OR OTHER ORGANISATIONS WORKING TO PREVENT OR RELIEVE POVERTY.

**Activities:** The relief of financial hardship among people living or working in Redditch and surrounding districts by providing food, through the medium of Redditch Foodbank, and other goods.The prevention or relief of poverty in Redditch and surrounding districts by providing grants, items and services to individuals in need and/or charities, or other organisations working to prevent or relieve poverty.

## Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

- Worcestershire

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£235,215	£208,540	-	-
2023-12-31	£183,579	£179,285	-	-
2022-12-31	£215,110	£158,669	-	-
2021-08-31	£158,500	£66,621	-	-
2020-08-31	£108,907	£40,631	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Ian Donnan	Chair	2019-01-28
Caroline Baker		2025-01-01
Clare Mary Carmen		2025-11-18
Elaine Gina Grant		2026-04-14
NEIL RODERICK BISHOP		2013-07-22
REVEREND ROBIN DEREK BAKER		2013-01-01
RICHARD STURDEY		2013-01-01

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# Accounts

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND  
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL  
STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR  
ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

**ACTS OF KINDNESS**

**Registered Number 1157916**

**Acts of Kindness** presents its report and accounts for the 12 month period ending 31 December 2024. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with applicable law and the requirements of the Church Accounting regulations 2011.

## **REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Registered Charity number** 1157916

**Principal address** 24 Church Green East  
Redditch B98 8DG

### **Trustees**

Mr Robin Baker  
Mr Neil Bishop  
Mr Richard Sturdey  
Mrs Diane Tolson  
Mr Ian Donnan  
Mrs Mary Shaw  
Mrs Caroline Baker

### **Independent examiner**

Matthew Elmes BA (Hons) FCCA ACA  
11 Swan Street,  
Alcester B49 5DP

## **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

### **Governing document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

The day to day management of the charity is carried out by the Trustees of the Charity.

### **Acts of Kindness**

Acts of Kindness is a local Charity serving the town and surrounding area of Redditch.

Trustees are drawn from and represent various churches and denominations within the town.

### **Risk management**

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

## **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

### **Objectives and aims**

The primary objective of the charity is to assist people of Redditch through initiatives as needs arise, including Redditch Foodbank, Christmas Gifts and Food, Breakfast Clubs, Well Being and Financial Inclusion, Debt Management and Benefits advice/support.

### **Public benefit**

The trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charities Commission; the trustees consider that the charity meets the public benefit requirements of the Charities Act 2011 by carrying out its normal activities.

## **STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES**

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

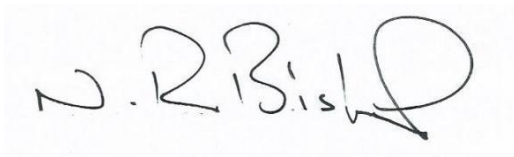
- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

**Going Concern:**

It is the view of the Trustees that AOK finances are sufficient to continue activities as a going concern for the foreseeable future

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 24 March 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "N. R. Bishop". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped final letter.

.....  
N R Bishop - Trustee

## **AOK Accounts Report**

### **16 Months Ending 31 December 2024**

#### **Income**

Individual and corporate donors has remained constant throughout this year, along with online giving platforms, notably Just Giving.

Grant funding from Borough Council has continued for Housing Support and we have also gained in this year a new grant from Trussell which has enabled growth in Financial Inclusion work. We continue to offer a growing range of practical household needs to clients, along with one to one support in areas such as debt advice, budgeting and benefit claims.

Summarising annual income for the year:

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
Donations all sources	46,836	58,463
All Grants	178,975	118,755
Rentals	7,150	6,250
Other Income	2,254	111
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>235,215</b>	<b>183,579</b>

#### **Expenditure**

Foodbank operations continue as previous, our CAP office continues to manage increasing client numbers and debt issues, and FI / Well Being office is now benefitting from a dedicated worker offering significant level of support with benefit entitlements and less serious areas of debt management. Household support, working with local Borough Council, continues to assist clients away from homelessness and a wide range of well being issues.

We have also been able to create new links with a charity offering mental health support for school children, utilising the middle floor of Number24. This space is now fully refurbished and providing support to a great number of Redditch families.

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
Total Annual Expenditure :	208,540	179,285

#### **Funds**

Closing funds for the year amounted to £268,329, an increase of £26,6753 for the year.

All Project areas are well funded for the year ahead. Trustees are continuing to look at funding strategies for future development of new and existing Projects

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR 12 MTHS ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES Accounting convention

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102 Section 1A, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the UK and Republic of Ireland, the Charities Act 2011 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

#### Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

#### Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

#### Tangible fixed assets

The Charity received by way of donation, the freehold interest in 24 Church Green East, Redditch, B98 8DE, Land registry title number WR36304. A valuation has been sought and will be introduced within the accounts once signed off by a suitably qualified surveyor.

#### Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

#### Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

### 2. ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS

No Fundraising events were held during this financial year.

### 3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2024

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2024

### 4. Debtors

Debtors outstanding at 31 December 2024 comprise Gift Aid Claim in hand £4,515

### 5. Creditors

At 31 December 2024 provisions in accounts comprise:

- Operating Costs £ 27,515

# Acts of Kindness - Trustees Annual Report

## 12 months ended 31 December 2024

The main area of activity through the year remains in the Redditch Foodbank project, now closely aligned with Well Being and Financial Inclusion staff and volunteers. We continue to offer Household Support to re-housed families and individuals through close relationships and funding offered by Redditch Borough Council. The Christians Against Poverty (CAP) project is progressing well, with direct advice and support to individuals facing desperate financial difficulties.

Foodbank Warehousing operates at out of town premises, generously provided by Oaklands Trust.

Foodbank Client Statistics are entered into Trussell Trust system in order to produce national statistics on foodbank usage. Annual statistics are shown below.

		<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
Numbers of individuals supported	Adults	2,153	2,363
	Children	1,184	1,464
	<b>Total</b>	<b>3,337</b>	<b>3,827</b>

Food supplied to clients:

(metric tonnes)	29.5	34.2
Value equivalent (£000)	£69.27	£80.50

In other areas of AOK support activities :

	<b>2024</b>		<b>2023</b>	
	<b>No</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>£</b>
Payzone	64	4504	41	2455
Carpets	11	4618	6	1534
White Goods	243	46800	268	60069
Beds	17	4387	4	1634
Christmas Toys	600	4387	390	3323
Other Support	73	5669	23	1839

## Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>				
Donations and legacies	47,375.56	-	47,375.56	55,595.00
Income from charitable activities	178,435.43	-	178,435.43	121,623.02
Other trading activities	7,150.00	-	7,150.00	6,249.56
Investments	1,911.97	-	1,911.97	-
Other income	341.99	-	341.99	111.00
<b>Total income</b>	<b>235,214.95</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>235,214.95</b>	<b>183,578.58</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>				
Raising funds	-	-	-	-
Expenditure on charitable activities	203,918.34	4,138.00	208,056.34	178,838.91
Other expenditure	483.95	-	483.95	446.05
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>204,402.29</b>	<b>2,535.00</b>	<b>208,540.29</b>	<b>179,284.96</b>
<b>Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer</b>	<b>30,812.66</b>	<b>-4,138.00</b>	<b>26,674.66</b>	<b>4,293.62</b>
<b>Transfers</b>				
Gross transfers between funds - in	147,800.00	5,000.00	152,800.00	9,526.00
Gross transfers between funds - out	- 152,800.00	-	- 152,800.00	- 9,526.00
<b>Other recognised gains / losses</b>				
Gains/losses on investment assets	-	-	-	-
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	-	-	-	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>25,812.66</b>	<b>862.00</b>	<b>26,674.66</b>	<b>4,293.62</b>
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>	<b>233,479.48</b>	<b>8,175.00</b>	<b>241,654.48</b>	<b>237,360.86</b>
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>259,292.14</b>	<b>9,037.00</b>	<b>268,329.14</b>	<b>241,654.48</b>

## Balance Sheet (Summary)

	As at 31/12/2024	As at 31/12/2023
<b>Fixed assets</b>	-	-
<b>Current assets</b>		
Debtors	4,514.94	5,054.19
Cash At Bank And In Hand	291,329.08	250,632.03
	<b>295,844.02</b>	<b>255,686.22</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due In One Year	27,514.88	14,031.74
	<b>27,514.88</b>	<b>14,031.74</b>
<b>Net current assets less current liabilities</b>	<b>268,329.14</b>	<b>241,654.48</b>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>	<b>268,329.14</b>	<b>241,654.48</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>	-	-
<b>Total net assets less liabilities</b>	<b>268,329.14</b>	<b>241,654.48</b>
<b>Represented by</b>		
<b>Unrestricted</b>		
Unrestricted - General Funds	9,694.50	153,938.24
<b>Designated</b>		
Designated - CAP Project	69,088.67	30,323.97
Designated - Christmas Project	-25.85	2,190.48
Designated - Foodbank	104,093.23	53,998.84
Designated - Income Max	40,444.70	
Designated - Number24	-1,361.04	-21,416.42
Designated - Well Being / Financial Inclusion	37,357.93	14,444.37
<b>Restricted</b>		
Restricted - Fuel Payments	9,037.00	8,175.00
<b>Fund Totals</b>	<b>268,329.14</b>	<b>241,654.48</b>

## Statement of Assets and Liabilities (by code)

Class and nominal code	General (Unrestricted)	Designated	Restricted	Total	Last year
<b>Current Asset - Cash At Bank And In Hand</b>					
301: Bank Current Account	-97,843.47	252,687.84	9,037.00	163,881.37	223,998.26
302: Petty Cash	-175	200	-	25	25
303: CAP Account (Oasis)	-	25,510.74	-	25,510.74	26,608.77
304: Savings Account	101,911.97	-	-	101,911.97	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,893.50</b>	<b>278,398.58</b>	<b>9,037.00</b>	<b>291,329.08</b>	<b>250,632.03</b>
<b>Current Asset - Debtors</b>					
Z05: Accounts Receivable	875	3,639.94	-	4,514.94	5,054.19
<b>Total</b>	<b>875</b>	<b>3,639.94</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,514.94</b>	<b>5,054.19</b>
<b>Liability - Creditors: Amounts Falling Due In One Year</b>					
Z04: Accounts Payable	-4,926.00	34,090.53	-	29,164.53	541.57
Z10: Accruals	-	-1,649.65	-	-1,649.65	13,490.17
<b>Total</b>	<b>-4,926.00</b>	<b>32,440.88</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>27,514.88</b>	<b>14,031.74</b>
<b>Net total assets</b>	<b>9,694.50</b>	<b>249,597.64</b>	<b>9,037.00</b>	<b>268,329.14</b>	<b>241,654.48</b>
<b>Represented by</b>					
General (Unrestricted)	9,694.50	-	-	9,694.50	153,938.24
Designated - CAP	-	69,088.67	-	69,088.67	30,323.97
Designated - Christmas	-	-25.85	-	-25.85	2,190.48
Designated - Foodbank	-	104,093.23	-	104,093.23	53,998.84
Designated - IncMax	-	40,444.70	-	40,444.70	-
Designated - No24	-	-1,361.04	-	-1,361.04	-21,416.42
Designated - WB	-	37,357.93	-	37,357.93	14,444.37
Restricted - Fuel	-	-	9,037.00	9,037.00	8,175.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,694.50</b>	<b>249,597.64</b>	<b>9,037.00</b>	<b>268,329.14</b>	<b>241,654.48</b>

## Fund movement summary

Fund	Fund balances brought forward	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	Fund balances Carried forward
CAP - CAP Project	30,323.97	35,214.36	41,449.66	45,000.00	69,088.67
DE - DEFRA					
FI - Financial Inclusion					
IncMax - Income Max		51,679.33	11,234.63	-	40,444.70
WB - Well Being / Financial Inclusion	14,444.37	78,351.99	75,438.43	20,000.00	37,357.93
General - General fund	153,938.24	13,976.96	5,420.70	152,800.00	9,694.50
Foodbank - Foodbank	53,998.84	48,532.31	48,437.92	50,000.00	104,093.23
No24 - Number24	-				-
	21,416.42	7,150.00	17,094.62	30,000.00	1,361.04
Christmas - Christmas Project	2,190.48	310.00	5,326.33	2,800.00	25.85
Fuel - Fuel Payments	8,175.00		4,138.00	5,000.00	9,037.00
EWSL - Eat Well Spend Less					
<b>Totals</b>	<b>241,654.48</b>	<b>235,214.95</b>	<b>208,540.29</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>268,329.14</b>

## Analysis of income and expenditure

					Total	
		General	Designated	Restricted	This year	Last year
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>						
<b>Donations and legacies</b>						
	101 - Planned Giving	1,850.00	16,221.80	-	18,071.80	16,357.50
	103 - Other Donations	300	14,324.54	-	14,624.54	21,155.37
	108 - Corporate Donors	10,224.99	4,454.23	-	14,679.22	18,082.13
<b>Donations and legacies Totals</b>		<b>12,374.99</b>	<b>35,000.57</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>47,375.56</b>	<b>55,595.00</b>
<b>Income from charitable activities</b>						
	104 - Gift Aid	-310	-229.25	-	-539.25	2,867.69
	106 - Grants - General	-	176,399.64	-	176,399.64	111,353.95
	107 - Trussell Trust	-	2,575.04	-	2,575.04	7,401.38
<b>Income from charitable activities Totals</b>		<b>-310</b>	<b>178,745.43</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>178,435.43</b>	<b>121,623.02</b>
<b>Other trading activities</b>						
	110 - Rentals Received	-	7,150.00	-	7,150.00	6,249.56
<b>Other trading activities Totals</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>7,150.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7,150.00</b>	<b>6,249.56</b>
<b>Investments</b>						
	180 - Bank Interest	1,911.97	-	-	1,911.97	-
<b>Investments Totals</b>		<b>1,911.97</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,911.97</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Other income</b>						
	111 - Fund Raising	-	-	-	-	111
	199 - Miscellaneous	-	341.99	-	341.99	-
<b>Other income Totals</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>341.99</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>341.99</b>	<b>111</b>
Income and endowments Grand totals		13,976.96	221,237.99	-	235,214.95	183,578.58
<b>Expenditure on:</b>						
<b>Expenditure on charitable activities</b>						
	201 - Food	-	6,483.42	-	6,483.42	2,366.10
	202 - Toys	-	5,326.33	-	5,326.33	2,681.40
	204 - Insurance	2,327.74	-	-	2,327.74	2,268.06
	205 - Equipment	-	591.85	-	591.85	5,450.38
	207 - Administration	2,270.88	9,750.91	-	12,021.79	10,476.69
	208 - Salaries	-	75,234.65	-	75,234.65	55,990.38
	209 - Expenses	290.6	1,322.29	-	1,612.89	1,667.44
	210 - Rent & Rates	-	2,230.80	-	2,230.80	1,451.60
	212 - The Project	-	11,234.63	-	11,234.63	-
	214 - Packaging	-	2,065.69	-	2,065.69	1,481.66
	216 - Printing & Stationery	-	509.63	-	509.63	359.98
	217 - Phone top up	-	140	-	140	150
	219 - Fuel Payments	-	-	4,138.00	4,138.00	2,535.00
	222 - Training	-	250	-	250	319
	223 - Number24 set-up costs	-	8,570.00	-	8,570.00	4,994.65
	251 - Electricity	-63.52	6,285.81	-	6,222.29	5,779.30
	252 - Gas	-	3,808.20	-	3,808.20	1,814.80
	253 - Water	-	1,491.82	-	1,491.82	1,275.39
	254 - Rubbish Removal	-	402.17	-	402.17	375.96
	255 - General Site Costs	-	2,952.19	-	2,952.19	65.78
	258 - Phone/Broadband	-	1,003.11	-	1,003.11	625.19
	261 - White Goods	-	48,974.70	-	48,974.70	61,739.94
	262 - Hardship Payments	-	9,914.44	-	9,914.44	5,215.01
	299 - Miscellaneous	550	-	-	550	9,755.20
<b>Expenditure on charitable activities Totals</b>		<b>5,375.70</b>	<b>198,542.64</b>	<b>4,138.00</b>	<b>208,056.34</b>	<b>178,838.91</b>
<b>Other expenditure</b>						
	220 - Christmas Meal	-	438.95	-	438.95	446.05
	249 - Gifts	45	-	-	45	-
<b>Other expenditure Totals</b>		<b>45</b>	<b>438.95</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>483.95</b>	<b>446.05</b>
Expenditure Grand totals		5,420.70	198,981.59	4,138.00	208,540.29	179,284.96



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name ACTS OF KINDNESS

On accounts for the year ended

31/12/2024

Charity no (if any)

1157916

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 / 12 / 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

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

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

Signed: M J Elmes

Date: 15/10/2025

Name: Matthew Elmes

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

ICAEW / ACCA

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## **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

### **Governing document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

The day to day management of the charity is carried out by the Trustees of the Charity.

### **Acts of Kindness**

Acts of Kindness is a local Charity serving the town and surrounding area of Redditch.

Trustees are drawn from and represent various churches and denominations within the town.

### **Risk management**

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

## **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

### **Objectives and aims**

The primary objective of the charity is to assist people of Redditch through initiatives as needs arise, including Redditch Foodbank, Christmas Gifts and Food, Breakfast Clubs, Well Being and Financial Inclusion

### **Public benefit**

The trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charities Commission; the trustees consider that the charity meets the public benefit requirements of the Charities Act 2011 by carrying out its normal activities.

## **STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES**

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

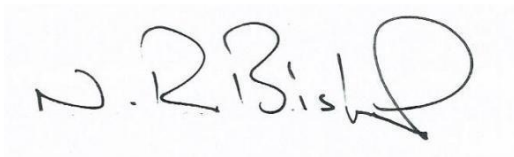
- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

**Going Concern:**

It is the view of the Trustees that AOK finances are sufficient to continue activities as a going concern for the foreseeable future

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 20 March 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "N. R. Bishop". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped final letter.

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N R Bishop - Trustee

# **AOK Accounts Report**

## **16 Months Ending 31 December 2023**

### **Income**

Our core group of individual and corporate donors has remained constant throughout this year. There have also been significant donations received from corporate donors and online giving platforms, notably Just Giving.

Grant funding from Borough Council has continued, enabling us to address fuel poverty support and, working closely with Council Housing Office and a local carpet firm, we are offering a growing range of practical household needs to clients, along with one to one support in areas such as debt advice, budgeting and managing of benefit claims etc.

Summarising annual income for the year:

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
Donations all sources	55,706	67,760
Gift Aid	2,868	3,025
All Grants	118,755	96,489
Rentals	6,250	3,398
Total Income	183,579	170,672

### **Expenditure**

Foodbank operations continue as previous, and CAP and Well Being offices are seeing increased activity, notably in the area of Household support, working with local Borough Council.

In November our tenant legal firm moved away, giving us access to additional floor area. This space is now being refurbished in advance of additional project work with other town centre charity partners, aiming to be operational early 2024.

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
Total Annual Expenditure :	179,285	125,575

### **Funds**

Closing funds for the year amounted to £241,654, an increase of £4,293 for the year.

All Project areas are well funded for the year ahead. Trustees are continuing to look at funding strategies for future development of new and existing Projects

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR 12 MTHS ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES Accounting convention

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102 Section 1A, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the UK and Republic of Ireland, the Charities Act 2011 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

#### Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

#### Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

#### Tangible fixed assets

The Charity received by way of donation, the freehold interest in 24 Church Green East, Redditch, B98 8DE, Land registry title number WR36304. A valuation has been sought and will be introduced within the accounts once signed off by a suitably qualified surveyor.

#### Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

#### Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

### 2. ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS

No Fundraising events were held during this financial year.

### 3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2023

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2023

### 4. Debtors

Debtors outstanding at 31 December 2023 comprise Gift Aid Claim in hand

### 5. Creditors

At 31 December 2023 provisions in accounts comprise:

- Operating Costs £ 13,490

# Acts of Kindness - Trustees Annual Report

## 12 months ended 31 December 2023

The main area of activity through the year continues to be Redditch Foodbank. With personnel now in place, additional work has developed in the area of Household Support operating in town centre premises, closely aligned with CAP and Foodbank work. The Christians Against Poverty (CAP) project is progressing well, and Well Being project has had a major impact in the local community, particularly supporting homelessness and DV clients in areas such as white goods, carpets, fuel poverty, household emergencies, food and budgeting.

Warehousing continued at out of town premises, generously provided by Oaklands Trust.

Foodbank Client Statistics continue to be entered into Trussell Trust system in order to produce national statistics on foodbank usage.

Redditch Foodbank numbers :

		2023 (12 mths)	2021/22 (16 mths)	2020/21	2019/20	2018/19
Numbers of individuals supported	Adults	2,363	3,405	1,750	2,257	1,897
	Children	1,464	1,909	1,019	1,013	735
	<b>Total</b>	<b>3,827</b>	<b>5,314</b>	<b>2,769</b>	<b>3,270</b>	<b>2,632</b>

Food supplied to clients:

(metric tonnes)	34.2	56.9	37.3	36.2	30.8
Value equivalent (£000)	£80.50	£134.85	£65.30	£63.40	£53.90

The Trustees are committed to developing the range of services in the year ahead.

Financial and physical resources, secure premises and a strong base of volunteers are enabling new projects to be considered, synergies with other agencies and development of existing services.

## Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>					
Donations and legacies	55,595.00	-	-	55,595.00	67,760.34
Income from charitable activities	121,623.02	-	-	121,623.02	99,514.50
Other trading activities	6,249.56	-	-	6,249.56	3,398.09
Investments	-	-	-	-	-
Other income	111.00	-	-	111.00	-
<b>Total income</b>	<b>183,578.58</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>183,578.58</b>	<b>170,672.93</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Raising funds	-	-	-	-	-
Expenditure on charitable activities	176,303.91	2,535.00	-	178,838.91	125,575.33
Other expenditure	446.05	-	-	446.05	-
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>176,749.96</b>	<b>2,535.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>179,284.96</b>	<b>125,575.33</b>
<b>Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer</b>	<b>6,828.62</b>	<b>(2,535.00)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,293.62</b>	<b>45,097.60</b>
<b>Transfers</b>					
Gross transfers between funds - in	9,526.00	-	-	9,526.00	62,234.89
Gross transfers between funds - out	(9,526.00)	-	-	(9,526.00)	(62,234.89)
<b>Other recognised gains / losses</b>					
Gains/losses on investment assets	-	-	-	-	-
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>6,828.62</b>	<b>(2,535.00)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,293.62</b>	<b>45,097.60</b>
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>	<b>226,650.86</b>	<b>10,710.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>237,360.86</b>	<b>192,263.26</b>
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>233,479.48</b>	<b>8,175.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>241,654.48</b>	<b>237,360.86</b>

**Represented by**

	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Restricted funds</b>	<b>Endowment funds</b>	<b>Total funds</b>	<b>Prior year total funds</b>
<b>Unrestricted</b>					
General fund	153,938.24	-	-	153,938.24	116,612.79
<b>Designated</b>					
CAP Project	30,323.97	-	-	30,323.97	33,406.14
Christmas Project	2,190.48	-	-	2,190.48	4,371.88
DEFRA	-	-	-	-	-
Foodbank	53,998.84	-	-	53,998.84	57,412.61
Number24	(21,416.42)	-	-	(21,416.42)	(13,822.99)
Well Being / Financial Inclusion	14,444.37	-	-	14,444.37	28,670.43
<b>Restricted</b>					
Eat Well Spend Less	-	-	-	-	-
Fuel Payments	-	8,175.00	-	8,175.00	10,710.00
Money Life	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>233,479.48</b>	<b>8,175.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>241,654.48</b>	<b>237,360.86</b>

## Balance Sheet (Summary)

	As at 31/12/2023	As at 31/12/2022
<b>Fixed assets</b>	-	-
<b>Current assets</b>		
Debtors	5,054.19	2,186.50
Cash At Bank And In Hand	250,632.03	241,265.63
	<b>255,686.22</b>	<b>243,452.13</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due In One Year	14,031.74	6,091.27
	<b>14,031.74</b>	<b>6,091.27</b>
<b>Net current assets less current liabilities</b>	<b>241,654.48</b>	<b>237,360.86</b>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>	<b>241,654.48</b>	<b>237,360.86</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>	-	-
<b>Total net assets less liabilities</b>	<b>241,654.48</b>	<b>237,360.86</b>
<b>Represented by</b>		
<b>Unrestricted</b>		
Unrestricted - General Funds	153,938.24	116,612.79
<b>Designated</b>		
Designated - CAP Project	30,323.97	33,406.14
Designated - Christmas Project	2,190.48	4,371.88
Designated - Foodbank	53,998.84	57,412.61
Designated - Number24	(21,416.42)	(13,822.99)
Designated - Well Being / Financial Inclusion	14,444.37	28,670.43
<b>Restricted</b>		
Restricted - Fuel Payments	8,175.00	10,710.00
<b>Fund Totals</b>	<b>241,654.48</b>	<b>237,360.86</b>

## Statement of Assets and Liabilities (by code)

Class and nominal code	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total	Last year
<b>Current Asset - Cash At Bank And In Hand</b>						
301: Bank Current Account	148,011.76	67,811.50	8,175.00	-	223,998.26	216,592.98
302: Petty Cash	(175.00)	200.00	-	-	25.00	25.00
303: CAP Account (Oasis)	-	26,608.77	-	-	26,608.77	24,647.65
<b>Total</b>	<b>147,836.76</b>	<b>94,620.27</b>	<b>8,175.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>250,632.03</b>	<b>241,265.63</b>
<b>Current Asset - Debtors</b>						
Z05: Accounts Receivable	1,185.00	3,869.19	-	-	5,054.19	2,186.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,185.00</b>	<b>3,869.19</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,054.19</b>	<b>2,186.50</b>
<b>Liability - Creditors: Amounts Falling Due In One Year</b>						
Z04: Accounts Payable	(4,980.00)	5,521.57	-	-	541.57	6,091.27
Z10: Accruals	63.52	13,426.65	-	-	13,490.17	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>(4,916.48)</b>	<b>18,948.22</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>14,031.74</b>	<b>6,091.27</b>
<b>Net total assets</b>	<b>153,938.24</b>	<b>79,541.24</b>	<b>8,175.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>241,654.48</b>	<b>237,360.86</b>
<b>Represented by</b>						
General (Unrestricted)	153,938.24	-	-	-	153,938.24	116,612.79
Designated - CAP	-	30,323.97	-	-	30,323.97	33,406.14
Designated - Christmas	-	2,190.48	-	-	2,190.48	4,371.88
Designated - Foodbank	-	53,998.84	-	-	53,998.84	57,412.61
Designated - No24	-	(21,416.42)	-	-	(21,416.42)	(13,822.99)
Designated - WB	-	14,444.37	-	-	14,444.37	28,670.43
Restricted - Fuel	-	-	8,175.00	-	8,175.00	10,710.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>153,938.24</b>	<b>79,541.24</b>	<b>8,175.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>241,654.48</b>	<b>237,360.86</b>

## Fund movement summary

	Fund	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/Losses	Journals	Closing
<b>CAP</b>								
	Designated	33,406.14	31,601.00	34,683.17	-	-	-	30,323.97
	<b>Sub-totals</b>	<b>33,406.14</b>	<b>31,601.00</b>	<b>34,683.17</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>30,323.97</b>
<b>WB</b>								
	Designated	28,670.43	63,646.95	77,873.01	-	-	-	14,444.37
	<b>Sub-totals</b>	<b>28,670.43</b>	<b>63,646.95</b>	<b>77,873.01</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>14,444.37</b>
<b>General</b>								
	Unrestricted	116,612.79	36,659.77	(665.68)	-	-	-	153,938.24
	<b>Sub-totals</b>	<b>116,612.79</b>	<b>36,659.77</b>	<b>(665.68)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>153,938.24</b>
<b>Foodbank</b>								
	Designated	57,412.61	43,254.15	46,667.92	-	-	-	53,998.84
	<b>Sub-totals</b>	<b>57,412.61</b>	<b>43,254.15</b>	<b>46,667.92</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>53,998.84</b>
<b>No24</b>								
	Designated	(13,822.99)	6,416.71	14,010.14	-	-	-	(21,416.42)
	<b>Sub-totals</b>	<b>(13,822.99)</b>	<b>6,416.71</b>	<b>14,010.14</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(21,416.42)</b>
<b>Christmas</b>								
	Designated	4,371.88	2,000.00	4,181.40	-	-	-	2,190.48
	<b>Sub-totals</b>	<b>4,371.88</b>	<b>2,000.00</b>	<b>4,181.40</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,190.48</b>
<b>Fuel</b>								
	Restricted	10,710.00	-	2,535.00	-	-	-	8,175.00
	<b>Sub-totals</b>	<b>10,710.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,535.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>8,175.00</b>
	<b>Totals</b>	<b>237,360.86</b>	<b>183,578.58</b>	<b>179,284.96</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>241,654.48</b>

## Analysis of income and expenditure

			Total			
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:</b>						
<b>Donations and legacies</b>						
101 - Planned Giving	1,768.50	14,589.00	-	-	16,357.50	9,800.00
103 - Other Donations	5,476.79	15,678.58	-	-	21,155.37	20,083.74
108 - Corporate Donors	12,517.48	5,564.65	-	-	18,082.13	37,876.60
<b>Donations and legacies Totals</b>	<b>19,762.77</b>	<b>35,832.23</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>55,595.00</b>	<b>67,760.34</b>
<b>Income from charitable activities</b>						
104 - Gift Aid	680.00	2,187.69	-	-	2,867.69	3,025.49
106 - Grants - General	16,106.00	95,247.95	-	-	111,353.95	93,521.00
107 - Trussell Trust	-	7,401.38	-	-	7,401.38	2,968.01
112 - ASDA Grant	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Income from charitable activities Totals</b>	<b>16,786.00</b>	<b>104,837.02</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>121,623.02</b>	<b>99,514.50</b>
<b>Other trading activities</b>						
110 - Rentals Received	-	6,249.56	-	-	6,249.56	3,398.09
<b>Other trading activities Totals</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,249.56</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,249.56</b>	<b>3,398.09</b>
<b>Investments</b>						
<b>Investments Totals</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Other income</b>						
111 - Fund Raising	111.00	-	-	-	111.00	-
902 - Transfers In	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Other income Totals</b>	<b>111.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>111.00</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Income and endowments Grand totals</b>	<b>36,659.77</b>	<b>146,918.81</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>183,578.58</b>	<b>170,672.93</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON:</b>						
<b>Raising funds</b>						
<b>Raising funds Totals</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Expenditure on charitable activities</b>						
201 - Food	-	2,366.10	-	-	2,366.10	942.06
202 - Toys	-	2,681.40	-	-	2,681.40	1,136.79
203 - Website	-	-	-	-	-	-
204 - Insurance	890.79	1,377.27	-	-	2,268.06	2,100.34

205 - Equipment	-	5,450.38	-	-	5,450.38	2,932.47
206 - Vehicle Costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
207 - Administration	1,610.01	8,866.68	-	-	10,476.69	23,125.46
208 - Salaries	-	55,990.38	-	-	55,990.38	40,690.32
209 - Expenses	-	1,667.44	-	-	1,667.44	1,641.84
210 - Rent & Rates	-	1,451.60	-	-	1,451.60	8,372.29
211 - Fund Raising	-	-	-	-	-	-
214 - Packaging	-	1,481.66	-	-	1,481.66	1,522.52
215 - Clothing	-	-	-	-	-	-
216 - Printing & Stationery	-	359.98	-	-	359.98	289.12
217 - Phone top up	-	150.00	-	-	150.00	60.00
219 - Fuel Payments	-	-	2,535.00	-	2,535.00	1,935.00
222 - Training	-	319.00	-	-	319.00	19.20
223 - Number24 set-up costs	(4,980.00)	9,974.65	-	-	4,994.65	13,356.50
251 - Electricity	63.52	5,715.78	-	-	5,779.30	2,400.40
252 - Gas	-	1,814.80	-	-	1,814.80	2,112.23
253 - Water	-	1,275.39	-	-	1,275.39	-
254 - Rubbish Removal	-	375.96	-	-	375.96	453.33
255 - General Site Costs	-	65.78	-	-	65.78	1,104.81
257 - PPE	-	-	-	-	-	-
258 - Phone/Broadband	-	625.19	-	-	625.19	816.47
260 - Food Vouchers	-	-	-	-	-	4,000.00
261 - White Goods	-	61,739.94	-	-	61,739.94	10,939.58
262 - Hardship Payments	-	5,215.01	-	-	5,215.01	-
297 - EWSL	-	-	-	-	-	-
299 - Miscellaneous	1,750.00	8,005.20	-	-	9,755.20	5,624.60
901 - Transfer Out	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Expenditure on charitable activities Totals</b>	<b>(665.68)</b>	<b>176,969.59</b>	<b>2,535.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 178,838.91</b>	<b>125,575.33</b>
<b>Other expenditure</b>						
220 - Christmas Meal	-	446.05	-	-	446.05	-
249 - Gifts	-	-	-	-	-	-
250 - Legal Costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Other expenditure Totals</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>446.05</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>446.05</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Expenditure Grand totals</b>	<b>(665.68)</b>	<b>177,415.64</b>	<b>2,535.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 179,284.96</b>	<b>125,575.33</b>



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	Charity Name ACTS OF KINDNESS		
On accounts for the year ended	31/12/2023	Charity no (if any)	1157916
Set out on pages	1 - 14 <small>(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)</small>		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 / 12 / 2023**.

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

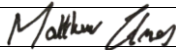
I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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

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

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

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Signed:		Date:	04/09/2024
Name:	Matthew Elmes		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	ICAEW / ACCA		
Address:	11 Swan Street		
	Alcester		
	Warwickshire, B49 5DP		

**Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.**

N/A

**ACTS OF KINDNESS**

England & Wales - Charity number 1157916

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# Accounts

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND  
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STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR  
ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

# **ACTS OF KINDNESS**

**Registered Number 1157916**

**Acts of Kindness** presents its report and accounts for the 16 month period ending 31 August 2022. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with applicable law and the requirements of the Church Accounting regulations 2011.

## **REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Registered Charity number** 1157916

**Principal address** Oasis Church Centre  
4 Plymouth Road  
Redditch B974QB

### **Trustees**

Mr Robin Baker  
Mr Neil Bishop  
Mr Richard Sturdey  
Mrs Diane Tolson  
Mrs Sarah Leeson  
Mr Ian Donnan  
Mrs Elaine Palmer-Taylor

### **Independent examiner**

Matthew Elmes BA (Hons) FCCA ACA  
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Alcester B49 5DP

## **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

### **Governing document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

The day to day management of the charity is carried out by the Trustees of the Charity.

### **Acts of Kindness**

Acts of Kindness is a local Charity serving the town and surrounding area of Redditch.

Trustees are drawn from and represent various churches and denominations within the town.

### **Risk management**

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

## **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

### **Objectives and aims**

The primary objective of the charity is to assist people of Redditch through initiatives as needs arise, including Redditch Foodbank, Christmas Gifts and Food, Breakfast Clubs

### **Public benefit**

The trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charities Commission; the trustees consider that the charity meets the public benefit requirements of the Charities Act 2011 by carrying out its normal activities.

## **STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES**

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

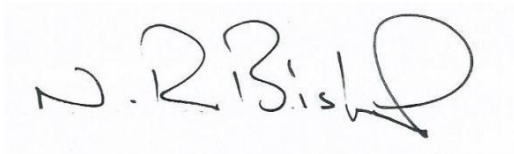
- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

**Going Concern:**

It is the view of the Trustees that AOK finances are sufficient to continue activities as a going concern for the foreseeable future

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 22 May 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "N. R. Bishop". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "D" at the end.

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N R Bishop - Trustee

# **AOK Accounts Report**

## **16 Months Ending 31 December 2022**

In accordance with Trustee decision, and as advised to Charities Commission, these Accounts cover the period 1 September 2021 to 31 December 2022. Going forward, the Charity's Accounting Year will now become 1 January to 31 December.

Coming out of Covid lockdown, our main area of activity has continued to be Foodbank, operating from premises in the Town Centre.

Christians Against Poverty (CAP) office has been developing successfully, now employing 2 part time staff. This Project is gaining ground and delivering successful recovery from debt for a growing number of clients.

A new project has also commenced, with 1 part time staff member, titled Well being and Financial Inclusion, and is beginning to gain ground, offering advice and practical support to individuals and families in a wide range of situations.

In the latter part of the year, the Charity also became owners of the complete building housing Foodbank. This freehold property has been freely and most generously gifted to the Charity by our Landlord. This is a major move for AOK, who now become landlords to the two (business) tenants in the upper floors, and has enabled development of offices for the new projects referred to above.

### **Income**

Our core group of individual and corporate donors has developed further over this year. There have also been significant donations received from corporate donors and online giving platforms, notably Just Giving.

Grant funding from Borough Council continues apace, enabling us to address fuel poverty support and, working closely with Council Housing Office and a local carpet firm, we are now able to offer a growing range of practical household needs to clients, along with one to one support in areas such as debt advice, budgeting and managing of benefit claims etc.

### **Expenditure**

Foodbank operations continue as previous, along with developing CAP and Well Being office. With the acquisition of the Foodbank premises, a number of improvement and decorating tasks have been completed, to facilitate additional use and access to the property, and to provide opportunities for new project areas in the future.

### **Funds**

Closing funds for the year amounted to £237.361.

All Project areas are well funded for the year ahead. Trustees are continuing to look at funding strategies for future development of new and existing Projects

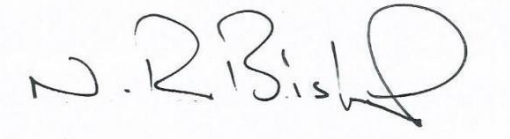
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR 16 MONTHS ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2021/22	Total Funds 2020/21
	£	£	£	£
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>				
Voluntary Income	59,741	42,075	101,816	70,471
Non-Recurring Grants	30,459	78,062	108,521	84,596
Recurring Grants		4,773	4,773	3,432
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>	<b>90,200</b>	<b>124,910</b>	<b>215,110</b>	<b>158,499</b>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>				
Costs of Generating Funds				
Charitable Activities	8,640	47,762	56,402	13,140
Administration	17,178	13,087	30,265	8,438
Salaries Support Costs		54,947	54,947	27,182
Support Costs		17,055	17,055	17,861
<b>Total Resources Expended</b>	<b>25,818</b>	<b>132,851</b>	<b>158,669</b>	<b>66,621</b>
<b>Net Movement</b>	<b>64,382</b>	<b>-7,941</b>	<b>56,441</b>	<b>91,878</b>
<b>Opening Fund Balances 1 Sept</b>	<b>52,231</b>	<b>128,689</b>	<b>180,920</b>	<b>89,042</b>
<b>Fund Balance at 31st August / 31<sup>st</sup> December</b>	<b><u>116,613</u></b>	<b><u>120,748</u></b>	<b><u>237,361</u></b>	<b><u>180,920</u></b>

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022**

	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>Restricted Funds</b>	<b>Total Funds 2021/22</b>	<b>Total Funds 2020/21</b>
	£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed Assets</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>				
Cash at Bank	116,108	125,133	241,241	180,632
Petty Cash		25	25	25
Debtors & Prepayments	505	1,681	2,186	992
Current Liabilities		<b>-6,091</b>	-6,091	<b>-729</b>
<b>Net Current Assets</b>	<b>116,613</b>	<b>120,748</b>	<b>237,361</b>	<b>89,042</b>
<b>Analysis by Fund/Project:</b>				
AOK General Funds	116,613		116,613	52,231
Foodbank Project		57,413	57,413	69,151
Number 24		-13,824	-13,824	12,012
Christmas Project		4,372	4,372	787
DEFRA		0	0	34,162
CAP		33,406	33,406	12,462
Well Being/FI			28,671	0
Fuel Payments		10,710	10,710	115
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>52,231</b>	<b>128,689</b>	<b>237,361</b>	<b>180,920</b>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 22May 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:

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N R Bishop -Trustee

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR 16 MTHS ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES Accounting convention

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102 Section 1A, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the UK and Republic of Ireland, the Charities Act 2011 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

#### Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

#### Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

#### Tangible fixed assets

The Charity received by way of donation, the freehold interest in 24 Church Green East, Redditch, B98 8DE, Land registry title number WR36304. A valuation has been sought and will be introduced within the accounts once signed off by a suitably qualified surveyor.

#### Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

#### Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

### 2. ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS

No Fundraising events were held during this financial year.

### 3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2022

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2022

### 4. Debtors

Debtors outstanding at 31 December 2022 comprise Gift Aid Claim in hand

### 5. Creditors

At 31 December 2022 provisions in accounts comprise:

- Operating Costs £ 6,091

## 6. Movement in Funds

	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>Restricted Funds</b>	<b>Total Funds</b>
<b><u>Opening Funds as at 1 Sept 2021</u></b>			
AOK General Funds	52,231		52,231
Foodbank		69,151	69,151
Number24		12,012	12,012
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Well Being/FI		28,671	28,671
Fuel Payments		10,710	10,710
<b>Total</b>	<b>52,231</b>	<b>128,689</b>	<b>237,361</b>
<b><u>Movement</u></b>			
AOK	64,382		64,382
Foodbank		-11,738	-11,738
Number24		-25,836	-25,836
Christmas Project		3,585	3,585
DEFRA		-34,162	-34,162
CAP		20,944	20,944
Well Being/FI		28,671	28,671
Fuel Payments		10,595	10,595
<b>Total</b>	<b>64,382</b>	<b>-7,941</b>	<b>56,441</b>

# Acts of Kindness - Trustees Annual Report

## 16 months ended 31 December 2022

The main area of activity through the year has been Foodbank, operating in town centre premises, along with CAP and Well Being Projects.

With the acquisition (gift) of Number24 premises, this secures our position in the Town Centre and affords new opportunities to extend our range of services in Redditch and surrounding area.

The Christians Against Poverty (CAP) project is progressing well, and Well Being project is beginning to impact the local community.

Warehousing continued at out of town premises, generously provided by Oaklands Trust.

Foodbank Client Statistics continue to be entered into Trussell Trust system in order to produce national statistics on foodbank usage. Redditch Foodbank numbers :

		2021/22 (16 mths)	2020/21	2019/20	2018/19
Numbers of individuals supported	Adults	3,405	1,750	2,257	1,897
	Children	1,909	1,019	1,013	735
	Total	5,314	2,769	3,270	2,632
Food supplied to clients: (metric tonnes)		56.9	37.3	36.2	30.8
Value equivalent (£000)		£134.85	£65.30	£63.40	£53.90

Funding was also obtained via local Borough Council, which has facilitated extra support for families, providing assistance with energy bills (a constantly growing need) and family emergencies in the area of white goods, household emergencies etc.

The Trustees are committed to developing the range of services in the year ahead.

Financial and physical resources, secure premises and a strong base of volunteers are enabling new projects to be considered, synergies with other agencies and development of existing services.



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name ACTS OF KINDNESS

On accounts for the year ended

31/12/2022

Charity no (if any)

1157916

Set out on pages

1 - 10 (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 / 12 / 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

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Signed: [Signature]

Date: 27/6/2023

Name: Matthew Elmes

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

ICAEW / ACCA

Address:

11 Swan Street
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Warwickshire, B49 5DP

**ACTS OF KINDNESS**

England & Wales - Charity number 1157916

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# Accounts

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND  
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL  
STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR  
ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021**

# **ACTS OF KINDNESS**

**Registered Number 1157916**

**Acts of Kindness** presents its report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2021. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with applicable law and the requirements of the Church Accounting regulations 2011.

## **REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

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**Principal address** Oasis Church Centre  
4 Plymouth Road  
Redditch B974QB

### **Trustees**

Mr Robin Baker  
Mr Neil Bishop  
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Mrs Diane Tolson  
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### **Independent examiner**

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## **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

### **Objectives and aims**

The primary objective of the charity is to assist people of Redditch through initiatives as needs arise, including Redditch Foodbank, Christmas Gifts and Food, Breakfast Clubs

### **Public benefit**

The trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charities Commission; the trustees consider that the charity meets the public benefit requirements of the Charities Act 2011 by carrying out its normal activities.

## **STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES**

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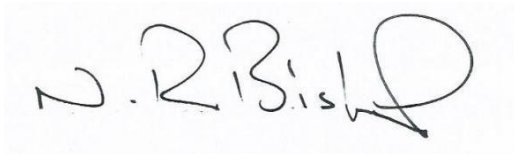
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**Going Concern:**

It is the view of the Trustees that AOK finances are sufficient to continue activities as a going concern for the foreseeable future

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 22 March 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "N. R. Bishop". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped final flourish.

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N R Bishop - Trustee

# **AOK Accounts Report**

## **Year Ending 31 August 2021**

Covid lockdown continued through 2021. However, our main area of operation (Foodbank) continued to operate successfully as a result of the continuing commitment of a strong team of volunteers and our full time manager.

2021 also saw the setting up of a CAP office within Foodbank premises, including the appointment of a project manager. This Project has developed well and is continuing to grow as clients begin to face ever-increasing financial burdens.

### Income

A core group of committed individual (and some corporate) donors has developed over this year. There have also been significant donations received from corporate donors and online giving platforms, notably Just Giving.

Asda Year 2 Grant for Foodbank was received, also a significant grant via Borough Council of DEFRA funds, responding to Covid situations and aimed at general relief for families and individuals. This Grant will be dedicated to fuel poverty support and household emergencies including provision of white goods items.

### Expenditure

Foodbank premises and operating costs continue to be the main area of expenditure. The CAP office also saw set up costs and engagement of CAP manager in May 2021.

### Funds

Specifically resulting from Grants and major donations, Closing funds for the year amounted to £180,920

We continue to look at funding strategies for future development of new and existing Projects

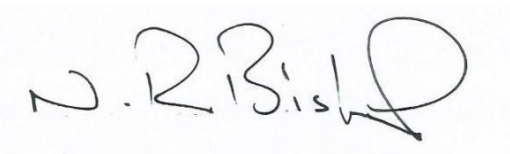
## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2020/21	2019/20 Total Funds £
	£	£	£	
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>				
Voluntary Income	26,496	43,975	70,471	62,786
Non-Recurring Grants		84,596	84,596	9,150
Recurring Grants		3,432	3,432	4,245
ASDA Grant				32,726
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>	<b>26,496</b>	<b>132,003</b>	<b>158,499</b>	<b>108,907</b>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>				
Costs of Generating Funds				
Charitable Activities	5,192	7,948	13,140	4,824
Administration	1,132	7,306	8,438	18,464
Salaries Support Costs		27,182	27,182	7,118
Support Costs		17,861	17,861	331
Number 24 Set up costs				10,731
<b>Total Resources Expended</b>	<b>6,324</b>	<b>60,297</b>	<b>66,621</b>	<b>41,468</b>
<b>Net Movement</b>	<b>20,172</b>	<b>71,706</b>	<b>91,878</b>	<b>67,439</b>
<b>Opening Fund Balances 1 Sept</b>	<b>32,059</b>	<b>56,983</b>	<b>89,042</b>	<b>20,766</b>
<b>Fund Balance at 31st August</b>	<b>52,231</b>	<b>128,689</b>	<b>180,920</b>	<b>89,042</b>

## Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2021

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2020/21	Total Funds 2019/20
	£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed Assets</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>				
Cash at Bank	52,096	128,536	180,632	88,833
Petty Cash		25	25	200
Debtors & Prepayments	135	857	992	1,298
Current Liabilities		(729)	(729)	(1,289)
<b>Net Current Assets</b>	<b>52,231</b>	<b>128,689</b>	<b>180,920</b>	<b>89,042</b>
 <b>Analysis by Fund/Project:</b>				
AOK General Funds	52,231		52,231	31,279
Foodbank Project		69,151	69,151	40,705
Number 24		12,012	12,012	14,321
Christmas Project		787	787	1,787
DEFRA		34,162	34,162	0
CAP		12,462	12,462	0
EWSL		0	0	39
Fuel Payments		115	115	170
Money Life		0	0	740
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>52,231</b>	<b>128,689</b>	<b>180,920</b>	<b>89,042</b>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 22 March 2022 and were signed on its behalf by:

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N R Bishop -Trustee

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES Accounting convention

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#### Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

#### Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

#### Tangible fixed assets

No Tangible Fixed Assets are held by the Charity at 31 August 2021

#### Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

#### Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

### 2. ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS

No Fundraising events were held during this financial year.

### 3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 August 2021

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 August 2021

### 4. Debtors

Debtors outstanding at 31 August 2021 comprise Gift Aid Claim in hand

### 5. Creditors

At 31 August 2021 provisions in accounts comprise:

- Operating Costs £ 729

## 6. Movement in Funds

	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>Restricted Funds</b>	<b>Total Funds</b>
<b><u>Opening Funds as at 1 Sept 2020</u></b>			
AOK General Funds	32,059		31,279
Foodbank		40,705	40,705
Number24		14,321	14,321
Christmas Project		1,787	1,787
Fuel Payments		170	170
<b>Total</b>	<b>32,059</b>	<b>56,983</b>	<b>89,042</b>
<b><u>Closing Funds as at 31 Aug 2021</u></b>			
AOK General Funds	52,231		52,231
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Fuel Payments		115	115
<b>Total</b>	<b>52,231</b>	<b>128,689</b>	<b>180,920</b>
<b><u>Movement</u></b>			
AOK	20,172		20,172
Foodbank		28,446	28,446
Number24		(2,309)	(2,309)
DEFRA		34,162	34,162
CAP		12,462	12,462
Christmas Project		(1,000)	(1,000)
Tardebigge Fund		(55)	(55)
<b>Total</b>	<b>20,172</b>	<b>71,706</b>	<b>91,878</b>

# Acts of Kindness - Trustees Annual Report

## 12 months ended 31 August 2021

The main area of activity through the year has been Foodbank, which is now successfully operating in town centre premises, albeit still under Covid secure procedures. Additionally, a Christians Against Poverty (CAP) office was established within the Foodbank premises, with a part time manager appointed. This office is now fully operational and supporting clients in the area of debt management.

Warehousing continued at out of town premises, generously provided by Oaklands Trust.

Foodbank Client Statistics continue to be entered into Trussell Trust system in order to produce national statistics on foodbank usage. Figure for Redditch Foodbank for the 12 months to August are below:

Funding was also obtained via local Borough Council, which has facilitated extra support for families, providing assistance with energy bills (a constantly growing need) and family emergencies in the area of white goods etc.

		<u>2020/21</u>	<u>2019/20</u>	<u>2018/19</u>
Numbers of individuals supported	Adults	1750	2,257	1,897
	Children	1,019	1,013	735
	<u>Total</u>	<u>2,769</u>	<u>3,270</u>	<u>2,632</u>

Foodsupplied to clients:

(metric tonnes)	<u>37.3</u>	<u>36.2</u>	<u>30.8</u>
Value equivalent (£000)	<u>£65.3</u>	<u>£63.4</u>	<u>£53.9</u>

The Trustees are committed to developing the range of services in the year ahead, addressing needs as the community emerge out of Covid situation. Financial and physical resources, secure premises and a strong base of volunteers are enabling new projects to be considered, synergies with other agencies and development of existing services.



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

<b>Report to the trustees/ members of</b>	Charity Name ACTS OF KINDNESS		
<b>On accounts for the year ended</b>	31/08/2021	<b>Charity no (if any)</b>	1157916
<b>Set out on pages</b>	1 - 10 <small>(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)</small>		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 / 08 / 2021.

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

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

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

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

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.  
\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

**Signed:**  **Date:**

**Name:**

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

**Address:**

**ACTS OF KINDNESS**

England & Wales - Charity number 1157916

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# Accounts

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND  
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL  
STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR  
ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020**

# **ACTS OF KINDNESS**

**Registered Number 1157916**

**Acts of Kindness** presents its report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2020. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with applicable law and the requirements of the Church Accounting regulations 2011.

## **REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Registered Charity number** 1157916

**Principal address** Oasis Church Centre  
4 Plymouth Road  
Redditch B974QB

### **Trustees**

Mr Robin Baker  
Mr Neil Bishop  
Mr Richard Sturdey  
Mr Andrew Pearson  
Mrs Diane Tolson  
Mr Thomas King  
Mrs Sarah Leeson  
Mr Ian Donnan  
Mrs Jenny Smith  
Mrs Elaine Palmer-Taylor

### **Independent examiner**

David Rogers FCA, BFP  
83 Pulman Close  
Redditch B97 6HR

## **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

### **Governing document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

The day to day management of the charity is carried out by the Trustees of the Charity.

### **Acts of Kindness**

Acts of Kindness is a local Charity serving the town and surrounding area of Redditch.

Trustees are drawn from and represent various churches and denominations within the town.

### **Risk management**

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

## **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

### **Objectives and aims**

The primary objective of the charity is to assist people of Redditch through initiatives as needs arise, including Redditch Foodbank, Christmas Gifts and Food, Breakfast Clubs

### **Public benefit**

The trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charities Commission; the trustees consider that the charity meets the public benefit requirements of the Charities Act 2011 by carrying out its normal activities.

## **STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES**

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

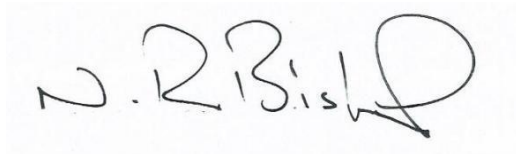
- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

**Going Concern:**

It is the view of the Trustees that AOK finances are sufficient to continue activities as a going concern for the foreseeable future

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 22 March 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "N. R. Bishop". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped final flourish.

.....  
N R Bishop - Trustee

# **AOK Accounts Report**

## **Year Ending 31 August 2020**

With Covid lockdown upon us in 2020, this was a very different year with some specific challenges ahead.

AOK acquired a lease for new premises at 24 Church Green for Foodbank, but Lockdown came in just days ahead of actual opening for "business". The premise were however used very effectively as a base for doorstep supply and home delivery of food parcels.

### Income

AOK in total saw a dramatic increase in financial support, into General Funds and Foodbank, resulting from lockdown and public response. There was a significant rise in individual Donations, growth in regular donors and new income streams via Corporate and online sources

Grant secured from ASDA via Trussell Trust enabled new premises to be setup, primarily for Foodbank operation

### Expenditure

New Foodbank premises were the main event in 2020, set up costs and general running funded from the ASDA Grant mentioned above. Also part of this funding, a full time Foodbank Manager was appointed in March 2020. A new level of Foodbank capability is now in operation service in this area.

As a result of increased giving to AOK and Foodbank in particular, Year End Closing Funds moved from £20,766 in 2019 to £89,042 at end August 2020.

Closing funds are comfortably within our Reserve Policy guidelines.

We continue to look at funding strategies for future development of new and existing Projects

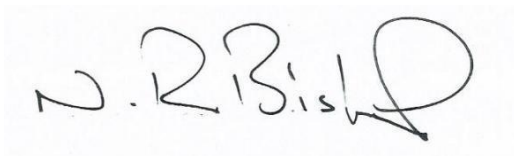
## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	2019 Total Funds
	£	£	£	£
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>				
Voluntary Income	23,112	39,674	62,786	20,726
Non-Recurring Grants	3,200	5,950	9,150	2,915
Recurring Grants		4,245	4,245	8,262
ASDA Grant		32,726	32,726	
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>	<b>26,312</b>	<b>82,595</b>	<b>108,907</b>	<b>31,903</b>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>				
Costs of Generating Funds				
Charitable Activities		4,824	4,824	8,599
Administration	615	17,489	18,464	2,208
Salaries Support Costs		17,012	7,118	9,870
Support Costs		331	331	472
Number 24 Set up costs			10,731	
<b>Total Resources Expended</b>	<b>615</b>	<b>40,016</b>	<b>40,631</b>	<b>21,149</b>
<b>Net Movement</b>	<b>25,697</b>	<b>42,579</b>	<b>68,276</b>	<b>10,754</b>
<b>Fund Balance 1st September 2018</b>	<b>5,582</b>	<b>15,184</b>	<b>20,766</b>	<b>10,012</b>
<b>Fund Balance 31st August 2019</b>	<b>31,279</b>	<b>57,763</b>	<b>89,042</b>	<b>20,766</b>

**Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2020**

	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>Restricted Funds</b>	<b>Total Funds 2020</b>	<b>Total Funds 2019</b>
	£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed Assets</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>				
Cash at Bank	31,279	57,554	88,833	20,566
Petty Cash		200	200	200
Debtors & Prepayments		1,298	1,298	
Current Liabilities		(1,289)	(1,289)	
<b>Net Current Assets</b>	<b>31,279</b>	<b>57,763</b>	<b>89,042</b>	<b>20,766</b>
<b>Analysis by Fund/Project:</b>				
AOK General Funds	31,279		31,279	5,582
Foodbank Project		40,705	40,705	12,608
Number 24		14,321	14,321	
Christmas Project		1,787	1,787	1,287
EWSL		39	39	379
Fuel Payments		170	170	170
Money Life		740	740	740
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>31,279</b>	<b>57,763</b>	<b>89,042</b>	<b>20,766</b>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 22 March 2021 and were signed on its behalf by:



.....  
N R Bishop -Trustee

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES Accounting convention

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102 Section 1A, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the UK and Republic of Ireland, the Charities Act 2011 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

#### Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

#### Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

#### Tangible fixed assets

No Tangible Fixed Assets are held by the Charity at 31 August 2020

#### Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

#### Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

### 2. ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS

No Fundraising events were held during this financial year.

### 3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 August 2020

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 August 2020

### 4. Debtors

Debtors outstanding at 31 August 2019 comprise Gift Aid Claim in hand

### 5. Creditors

At 31 August 2020 provisions in accounts comprise:

• Number24 operating costs	£ 322
• Number24 electrical work	£ 967
Total	£1,289

## 6. Movement in Funds

	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>Restricted Funds</b>	<b>Total Funds</b>
<b><u>Opening Funds as at 1 Sept 2019</u></b>			
AOK General Funds	5,582		5,582
Foodbank		12,608	12,608
Christmas Project		1,287	1,287
Tardebigge Fund		170	170
Money Life		740	740
EWSL		379	379
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,582</b>	<b>15,185</b>	<b>20,766</b>
<b><u>Closing Funds as at 31 Aug 2020</u></b>			
AOK General Funds	31,279		31,279
Foodbank		40,705	40,705
Nmber24		14,321	14,321
Christmas Project		1,787	1,787
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<b>Total</b>	<b>31,279</b>	<b>57,763</b>	<b>89,042</b>
<b><u>Movement</u></b>			
AOK	25,697		25,697
Foodbank		28,097	28,097
Number24		14,321	14,321
Christmas Project		500	500
Tardebigge Fund			
Money Life			
Schools Project			
EWSL		(340)	(340)
<b>Total</b>	<b>25,697</b>	<b>42,578</b>	<b>68,275</b>

# Acts of Kindness - Trustees Annual Report

## 12 months ended 31 August 2020

It was agreed by Trustees at the beginning of this financial year that Foodbank was in need of new premises. A town centre location was identified, which enabled a move from two previous sites into a single distribution centre. This move was completed by end of March 2020.

Covid lockdown affected full opening of the new centre to clients, but the new premises enabled operations to continue and grow in this difficult period, working alongside other agencies and adding home delivery where required (clients shielding).

Warehousing continued at out of town premises, generously provided by Oaklands Trust.

During lockdown, donations rose significantly, with individuals, local businesses and online services. In both financial and food terms, the Foodbank operation and AOK General funds grew significantly. This has enabled Trustees to plan further expansion of AOK services, based at Number24 and operating with partners to provide food and extra support.

Foodbank Client Statistics continue to be entered into Trussell Trust system in order to produce national statistics on foodbank usage. Figure for Redditch Foodbank for the 12 months to August are below:

	<u>2019/20</u>	<u>2018/19</u>	<u>2017/18</u>	<u>2016/17</u>
Numbers of individuals supported				
Adults	2,257	1,897	1,382	1,236
Children	1,013	735	449	370
Total	3,270	2,632	1,831	1,606
Foodsupplied to clients:				
(metric tonnes)	36.2	30.8	23.0	20.3
Value equivalent	£63.4	£53.9	£40.3	£35.5

The Trustees are committed to developing services in the year ahead, addressing needs as the community emerge out of Covid situation. Financial and physical resources, and with secure premises and a strong base of volunteers, new projects are being considered, along with development of existing services.



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Charity Name  
ACTS OF KINDNESS

On accounts for the year  
ended

31 August 2020

Charity no  
(if any)

1157916

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 / 08 / 2020**.

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

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

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

Independent  
examiner's statement

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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 any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Signed:

Date:

20 May 2021

Name:

David Rogers

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

FCA, BFP

Address:

83 Pulman Close, Redditch, B97 6HR

