

LEDBURY FOOD BANK

England & Wales · Charity number 1159727

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 2014-12-29

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

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE CHARITY ("THE OBJECTS") ARE TO RELIEVE FINANCIAL HARDSHIP PRIMARILY AMONG BUT NOT LIMITED TO PEOPLE LIVING OR WORKING IN LEDBURY, MAINLY BY PROVIDING SUCH PERSONS WITH FOOD WHICH THEY COULD NOT OTHERWISE AFFORD THROUGH LACK OF MEANS.

Activities: Relieve financial hardship to people primarily but not exclusively living or working in Ledbury mainly by providing them with food which they could not afford through lack of means

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Herefordshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-10-31	£266,704	£177,164	-	-
2024-10-31	£149,393	£206,090	-	-
2023-10-31	£211,770	£161,187	-	-
2022-10-31	£74,422	£91,690	-	-
2021-10-31	£50,255	£31,451	-	-
2020-10-31	£59,419	£19,005	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Catherine Beech		2020-11-25
Helen Ruth l'Anson		2020-01-15
John Anthony Leahy		2019-04-10
Kelly Welsh		2021-11-24
Kenneth Mark James Lister		2020-11-25
NICHOLAS SIMON MORRIS		2019-11-27
Phillip John Warrey		2019-04-10
Richard John Brooks		2020-01-15
Sue Simpson		2021-11-24

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Accounts

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**LEDBURY FOOD BANK
TRUSTEES' REPORT AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2025**

Greendawn Accounting Ltd
Chartered Management Accountant
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**Ledbury Food Bank
Reference and Administrative Details
For The Year Ended 31 October 2025**

Trustees

John Leahy
Nicholas Morris
Mark Lister
Phillip Warrey
Helen l'Anson
Catherine Beech
Kelly Welsh
Richard Brooks
Sue Simpson
Keith Hilton Turvey (resigned 30/11/2025)

Charity Number

1159727

Principal Address

Unit 1
The Homend Trading Estate
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Independent Examiner

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Ledbury Food Bank Trustees' Report For The Year Ended 31 October 2025

The trustees present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 October 2025.

Objectives and Activities

Aims and Objectives

The Objects of the charity are to relieve financial hardship primarily among, but not limited to people living or working in Ledbury and the surrounding villages, mainly by providing such persons with food which they could not otherwise afford through lack of means.

Public Benefit

The charity runs a foodbank in Ledbury which is available for people in need of assistance to call in to receive food and other home essentials.

The foodbank is open on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday each week.

The foodbank also has skilled volunteers who are able to provide support and advice for those in need of help.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Achievements and Performance

Main Achievements

By the end of October there had been 3664 visits to the food bank (including Colwall) compared with 3700 in the same period in 2024. The total number of people fed was 9784 (9435 in 2024).

We are supporting in the region of 170 households every month and more than 60 new households have come to us for help so far this year. 360 different households have had at least one food parcel in 2025.

We have spent approximately £80,000 on food and other essential items in the year ending 31st October. This is a reduction of about £14,000 on the 2024 figure. This has been achieved by a careful review of the client shopping lists and reducing the frequency that we provide some of the more expensive items. We have also had significant donations of food from customers of Tesco and Co-op as well as local church and school harvest festivals and Christmas donations.

The accounts show that we have a greater amount in reserves than at the end of the 2024 accounting period. This is primarily because we were able to obtain a significant sum in Household Support Fund grants which has eliminated the gap between income and expenditure experienced in the previous year. This income stream finishes at the end of March 2025. There is no clear indication of any replacement funding from central government.

We are entirely dependent on donations and grants to carry out our work and our regular income has not diminished. Funding from grants from other charities and businesses has become more difficult to obtain as there are more organisations supporting the poorest in society chasing finite funds. We continue to work at obtaining grants large and small. Our work remains possible only with the generous donations we receive from individuals and local businesses. We are immensely grateful for their continued support.

We have continued to work closely with Herefordshire Council in delivering the Household Support Fund to the most vulnerable in our community. This has taken the form of supermarket vouchers which are distributed to Herefordshire residents. In the accounting year 2025/2026 we will distribute £50,000.

In addition to our core service of providing food and other essentials we have maintained our Citizens Advice contract with South Worcestershire Citizens Advice. The work carried out by our two advisors is invaluable in addressing issues relating to benefits and debt. This work has been funded through the Household Support Fund and is not putting any strain on our own resources.

The food bank is run entirely by volunteers and we cannot carry on without that support. We have seen a number of volunteers retire from their work with the food bank in the last year but we still have a team of in excess of 70 and are working hard to recruit new people to join the team.

Other organisations continue to make use of our second unit, including Turning Point, MIND, Ledbury Refugee Support and AGE UK.

2025 has been another very challenging year but it is important that we do not regard this as the new normal. Notwithstanding the obvious issues we shall continue to support those who come to us for help and to improve the way we do that in the coming year.

**Ledbury Food Bank
Trustees' Report (continued)
For The Year Ended 31 October 2025**

Financial Review

Financial Position

The total unrestricted reserves at the end of the year stand at £36,400

Reserves Policy

The Foodbank shall retain reserves equivalent to two months expenditure, defined as all running costs plus the average of two months food costs in the previous year.

If reserves should fall below the target level, the foodbank should close to new clients until such time the financial position is restored.

At the end of the year, the Food Bank had unrestricted reserves of £79,040, the equivalent of 7 months running and food costs.

Going Concern

The board of trustees is satisfied that the charity's assets in each fund are available and adequate to fulfil its obligations in respect of each fund.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report 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 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 of the charity for that period. In preparing the 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 accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- 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 adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at anytime the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charities (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.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

The trustees' report was approved by the board of trustees and signed on its behalf by:

Mark Lister
Trustee
4 June 2026


M. Lister,
4.6.26


KELLY WELSH.
04.06.26

Ledbury Food Bank
Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Ledbury Food Bank
For The Year Ended 31 October 2025

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Ledbury Food Bank (the Trust) for the year ended 31 October 2025.

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

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

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material 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 Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and contents 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.

 14th July 2026
Luke Keegan ACMA

4 June 2026
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Ledbury
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Ledbury Food Bank
Statement of Financial Activities
For The Year Ended 31 October 2025

				2025	2024
		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
Donations and legacies	3	96,122	168,950	265,072	145,820
Investments	4	1,532	-	1,532	3,322
Other	5	100	-	100	249
		<u>97,754</u>	<u>168,950</u>	<u>266,704</u>	<u>149,391</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Charitable activities:	6				
Household Support		-	(62,806)	(62,806)	(83,232)
Foodbank Operations		(114,358)	-	(114,358)	(122,857)
		<u>(114,358)</u>	<u>(62,806)</u>	<u>(177,164)</u>	<u>(206,089)</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		<u>(16,604)</u>	<u>106,144</u>	<u>89,540</u>	<u>(56,698)</u>
Transfers between funds	11	46,144	(46,144)	-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		<u>29,540</u>	<u>60,000</u>	<u>89,540</u>	<u>(56,698)</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:					
Total funds brought forward		49,500	(3,632)	45,868	102,566
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	11	<u>79,040</u>	<u>56,368</u>	<u>135,408</u>	<u>45,868</u>

The notes on pages 8 to 13 form part of these financial statements.

Ledbury Food Bank
Comparative Statement of Financial Activities
For The Year Ended 31 October 2025

				2024
	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:				
Donations and legacies	3	103,295	42,525	145,820
Investments	4	3,322	-	3,322
Other	5	129	120	249
		<u>106,746</u>	<u>42,645</u>	<u>149,391</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:				
Charitable activities:	6			
Household Support		-	(83,232)	(83,232)
Foodbank Operations		(122,857)	-	(122,857)
		<u>(122,857)</u>	<u>(83,232)</u>	<u>(206,089)</u>
NET EXPENDITURE		<u>(16,111)</u>	<u>(40,587)</u>	<u>(56,698)</u>
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		<u>(16,111)</u>	<u>(40,587)</u>	<u>(56,698)</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:				
Total funds brought forward		65,611	36,955	102,566
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	11	<u>49,500</u>	<u>(3,632)</u>	<u>45,868</u>

The notes on pages 8 to 13 form part of these financial statements.

Ledbury Food Bank
Statement of Financial Position
As At 31 October 2025

				2025	2024
		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	7,148	-	7,148	3,599
Cash at bank and in hand		75,396	56,368	131,764	45,901
		82,544	56,368	138,912	49,500
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year	10	(3,504)	-	(3,504)	(3,632)
NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)		79,040	56,368	135,408	45,868
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		79,040	56,368	135,408	45,868
NET ASSETS		79,040	56,368	135,408	45,868
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY					
Restricted Funds				56,368	(3,632)
Unrestricted Funds				79,040	49,500
TOTAL FUNDS	11			135,408	45,868

On behalf of the board

Kelly Welsh

Trustee
4 June 2026

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Ledbury Food Bank
Notes to the Financial Statements
For The Year Ended 31 October 2025

1. General Information

Ledbury Food Bank is an unincorporated charity registered with the Charity Commission, registered charity number 1159727. The principal address is Unit 1, The Homend Trading Estate, Ledbury, Herefordshire, HR8 1AR.

2. Accounting Policies

2.1. Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)", Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Charities Act 2011.

The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

2.2. Going Concern Disclosure

The trustees have not identified any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

2.3. Incoming Resources

Recognition of Income

Income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when:

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Offsetting

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, other than donated goods unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.

Grants and Donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS102 SORP).

In the case of performance related grants, income must only be recognised to the extent that the charity has provided the specified goods or services as entitlement to the grant only occurs when the performance related conditions are met (5.16 FRS 102 SORP).

The charity has received government grants in the reporting period

Tax reclaims on donations and gifts

Gift Aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor. Any Gift Aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.

Income from interest, royalties and dividends

This is included in the accounts when receipt is probable and the amount receivable can be measured reliably.

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2.4. Donated Goods and Services

Donated Goods for distribution to beneficiaries

The charity have chosen not to follow the SORP 6.23 or 34.67 of FRS102. Donated goods received for distribution to beneficiaries are not included at fair value as income or expenditure in the SoFA or as stocks for distribution.. The charity does not exchange these goods for cash and redistributes them directly to beneficiaries. The benefits of doing so are outweighed by the costs of measurement.

Donated services and facilities

Donated services and facilities are included in the SOFA when received at the value of the gift to the charity provided the value of the gift can be measured reliably.

Volunteer help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

2.5. Resources Expended

Liability recognition

Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Governance and support costs

Support costs have been allocated between governance costs and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

Deferred income

No material item of deferred income has been included in the accounts.

Creditors

The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts

Provisions for liabilities

A liability is measured on recognition at its historical cost and then subsequently measured at the best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date

2.6. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are basic financial assets and include cash in hand and deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments that mature in no more than three months from the date of acquisition and are readily convertible to a known amount of cash with insignificant risk of change in value, and bank overdrafts.

3. Income from Donations and Legacies

	2025		
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	funds	funds	funds
	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	64,423	-	64,423
Gift aid	11,149	-	11,149
Grants	20,067	168,950	189,017
Other	483	-	483
	<u>96,122</u>	<u>168,950</u>	<u>265,072</u>

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For The Year Ended 31 October 2025

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2024
	funds	funds	Total
	£	£	funds
Donations and gifts	62,825	-	62,825
Gift aid	12,798	-	12,798
Grants	16,583	42,525	59,108
Other	11,089	-	11,089
	<u>103,295</u>	<u>42,525</u>	<u>145,820</u>

The following grants received from public bodies are included within the total income from donations and legacies above:

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2025
	funds	funds	Total
	£	£	funds
Herefordshire County Council	9,467	168,950	178,417
Ledbury Town Council	2,500	-	2,500
	<u>11,967</u>	<u>168,950</u>	<u>180,917</u>

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2024
	funds	funds	Total
	£	£	funds
Herefordshire County Council	7,583	42,525	50,108
Ledbury Town Council	5,000	-	5,000
	<u>12,583</u>	<u>42,525</u>	<u>55,108</u>

The restricted funds received from Herefordshire County Council were for the Household Support Fund. the other grants were part of the UK Shared Prosperity Fund.

4. Investment Income

	2025	2024
	Unrestricted	Unrestricted
	funds	funds
	£	£
Bank interest receivable	<u>1,532</u>	<u>3,322</u>

5. Other Income

	2025	2024
	Unrestricted	Unrestricted
	funds	funds
	£	£
Other income	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>

	2024	2024
	Unrestricted	Total funds
	funds	funds
	£	£
Other income	<u>129</u>	<u>249</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
For The Year Ended 31 October 2025

6. Analysis of Expenditure

	2025		
	Activities undertaken directly	Support costs (see note 7)	Total
	£	£	£
Household Support	62,806	-	62,806
Foodbank Operations	81,591	32,767	114,358
	<u>144,397</u>	<u>32,767</u>	<u>177,164</u>

	2024		
	Activities undertaken directly	Support costs (see note 7)	Total
	£	£	£
Household Support	83,232	-	83,232
Foodbank Operations	96,938	25,919	122,857
	<u>180,170</u>	<u>25,919</u>	<u>206,089</u>

7. Support Costs

	2025
	Foodbank Operations
	£
Premises expenses	27,855
General administration	4,746
Interest payable	166
	<u>32,767</u>

	2024
	Foodbank Operations
	£
Premises expenses	21,381
General administration	4,478
Interest payable	60
	<u>25,919</u>

8. Average Number of Employees

The charity is run entirely by volunteers, there are no employees NIL (2024: NIL)

Ledbury Food Bank
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
For The Year Ended 31 October 2025

9. Debtors

	2025	2024
	£	£
Due within one year		
Other debtors	7,148	3,599

10. Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Trade creditors	1	-
Other creditors	3,503	3,632
	<u>3,504</u>	<u>3,632</u>

11. Movement in Funds

	As at 1 November 2024	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	As at 31 October 2025
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds					
General:					
General unrestricted fund	49,500	97,754	(114,358)	46,144	79,040
Restricted funds					
Household Support	(3,632)	168,950	(62,806)	(46,144)	56,368
Total funds	<u>45,868</u>	<u>266,704</u>	<u>(177,164)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>135,408</u>

	As at 1 November 2023	Income	Expenditure	As at 31 October 2024
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General:				
General unrestricted fund	65,611	106,746	(122,857)	49,500
Restricted funds				
Household Support	36,955	42,645	(83,232)	(3,632)
Total funds	<u>102,566</u>	<u>149,391</u>	<u>(206,089)</u>	<u>45,868</u>

The Household Support Fund derives from government grants provided to local councils to assist families in financial need. During the year the funds were disbursed by purchasing Aldi vouchers for distribution based on household size, by purchasing household items for clients and by covering the costs of CAB advisors.

The transfers from the Household Support Fund to the general fund covered the costs of general food purchases.

12. Transactions with Trustees

None of the trustees received any remuneration or any other benefits from an employment with the charity or a related entity during the current or previous year.

No trustee expenses have been incurred.

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13. Related Party Disclosures

There have been no related party transactions in the reporting period that require disclosure.

Ledbury Food Bank
Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
For The Year Ended 31 October 2025

	2025	2024
	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:		
Donations and legacies		
Donations and gifts	20,643	22,399
Donations from individuals	36,309	29,875
Donations from organisations	7,471	10,551
Gift aid	11,149	12,798
Grants	189,017	16,583
Government Grants	-	42,525
Income from donations Paypal	483	11,089
	265,072	145,820
Investments		
Bank interest receivable	1,532	3,322
	1,532	3,322
Other		
Other income	100	249
	100	249
	266,704	149,391
EXPENDITURE ON:		
Charitable Activities:		
Household Support		
Citizens Advice	(5,250)	(11,683)
Household Support	(57,556)	(71,549)
	(62,806)	(83,232)
Foodbank Operations		
Purchases Sainsburys	(53,761)	(62,584)
Purchases Eggs	(8,040)	(6,840)
Purchases Fruit & Veg	(16,088)	(23,235)
Purchases Other Food	(1,287)	(1,438)
Purchases Other Supermarkets	(616)	(857)
Waste disposal	(1,763)	(1,434)
Volunteer Expenses	(36)	-
Reclaimed Volunteer Expenses	-	(550)
Rent	(19,947)	(19,540)
Light and heat	(4,341)	(1,725)
Water rates	(64)	(116)
Refurbishment	(3,503)	-
Computer software, consumables and maintenance	(220)	(1,696)
Computer and IT consumables	(1,737)	-
Repairs, renewals and maintenance	(1,179)	(1,035)
Insurance	(292)	(292)
Telecommunications and data costs	(615)	(435)

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Ledbury Food Bank
Detailed Statement of Financial Activities (continued)
For The Year Ended 31 October 2025

Data Protection	(47)	(35)
Administration costs	-	(1,082)
Sundry expenses	(656)	97
Bank charges	(166)	(60)
	<u>(114,358)</u>	<u>(122,857)</u>
	<u>(177,164)</u>	<u>(206,089)</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	<u>89,540</u>	<u>(56,698)</u>

LEDBURY FOOD BANK

England & Wales - Charity number 1159727

Accounts

Ledbury Food Bank

Registered Charity 1159727

Annual accounts 1 November 2023
to 31 October 2024

Statement of Financial Activities

Prepared for Ledbury Food Bank: 1/11/2023 to 31/10/2024 (compared with 1/11/2022 to 31/10/2023)*

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Total*
Donations and Legacies	86,713.80		86,713.80	103,375.69
Grants received	16,582.56		16,582.56	21,150.00
Household support income		42,525.00	42,525.00	85,242.00
Other income	129.44	120.00	249.44	252.00
Investments	3,321.73		3,321.73	1,576.27
Total income and endowments	106,747.53	42,645.00	149,392.53	211,595.96
Other Expenditure	-96.63		-96.63	214.00
Charitable Activities	122,955.14	83,231.82	206,186.96	161,559.00
Total expenditure	122,858.51	83,231.82	206,090.33	161,773.00
Net income/(expenditure) before investment gains/(losses)	-16,110.98	-40,586.82	-56,697.80	49,822.96
Net gains/(losses) on investments				
Net income/(expenditure)	-16,110.98	-40,586.82	-56,697.80	49,822.96
Extraordinary items				
Transfers between funds				
Gains(losses) on revaluation of fixed assets for charity's own use				
Other gains(losses)				
Net movement in funds	-16,110.98	-40,586.82	-56,697.80	49,822.96
<i>Total funds brought forward</i>	<i>65,610.77</i>	<i>36,955.01</i>	<i>102,565.78</i>	<i>52,742.82</i>
Total funds carried forward	49,499.79	-3,631.81	45,867.98	102,565.78

Ledbury Food Bank
Income & Expense - Detail
Fund - Household support (R)
November 1, 2023 to October 31, 2024

Income

Income and Endowments	
Household support income	42,525
Other income	120
Total Income	42,645

Expenses

Expenditure	
Charitable Activities	83,232
Total Expenses	83,232

Operating Profit/(Loss)	-40,587
Total Other Income/(Expenses)	0
Net Profit/(Loss)	-40,587

Ledbury Food Bank
Income & Expense - Detail
Fund - General Fund (U)
November 1, 2023 to October 31, 2024

Income

Income and Endowments

Donations and Legacies	86,714
Grants received	16,583
Investments	3,322
Other income	129

Total Income	106,748
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Expenses

Expenditure

Charitable Activities	122,955
Other Expenditure	-97

Total Expenses	122,859
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Operating Profit/(Loss)	-16,111
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Total Other Income/(Expenses)	0
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Net Profit/(Loss)	-16,111
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Ledbury Food Bank
Charity Commission for England and Wales, No. 1159727
Balance Sheet - Comparative
As at October 31, 2024

	31 Oct 2024	31 Oct 2023
<i>Current Assets</i>		
Debtors	-33	
Cash At Bank And In Hand	45,901	102,566
Net Assets	45,868	102,566
<i>Funds & Reserves</i>		
Restricted Funds	-3,632	36,955
Unrestricted General Funds	49,500	65,611
<i>Other</i>		
Suspense Account	0	0
Funds Provided	45,868	102,566



CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Ledbury Food Bank

On accounts for the year
ended

31st October 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1159727

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 31/10/2024.

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:

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- 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:

7th May 2025

Name:

Luke Keegan

Relevant professional
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(if any):

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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1 November 2023 To 31 October 2024

Charity name: Ledbury Food Bank

Charity registration number: 1159727

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	Relieve financial hardship to people primarily but not exclusively living or working in Ledbury mainly by providing them with food which they could not afford through lack of means
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Provision of food and other household necessities
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission guidance

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	The food bank is run entirely by volunteers and we cannot carry on without that support. We have seen a number of volunteers retire from their work with the food bank in the last year

		but we still have a team of in excess of 70 and are working hard to recruit new people to join the team.
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	Another 12 months have passed and there is no sign of the demand for our services reducing, in fact the opposite is true. The usual statistics: By the end of October there had been 3700 visits to the food bank (including Colwall) compared with 3245 in the same period in 2023. The total number of people fed was 9435 (8143 in 2023). We are supporting in the region of 175 households every month and more than 90 new households have come to us for help so far this year. 345 different households have had at least one food parcel in 2024. We have spent over £94,000 on food and other essential items in the year ending 31st October. This is an increase of approximately £20,000 on the 2023 figure. The increase is attributable to the greater number of visits to the food bank and the rise in the cost of food over the last year. Our accounts show a reduction in our reserves of approximately £20,000 over the last financial year and while our reserves remain relatively healthy this is a trend that we cannot allow to continue. The Lead Team have already taken steps to address the issue by

		removing some more expensive items from the shopping list and reducing slightly the size of the food parcels. This is an ongoing process and subject to constant review. In making these difficult decisions we are always mindful of ensuring that fresh fruit and vegetables form a significant part of the items offered to visitors. We are entirely dependent on donations and grants to carry out our work and our regular income has not diminished. Funding from grants from other charities and businesses has become more difficult to obtain as there are more organisations supporting the poorest in society chasing finite funds. We continue to work at obtaining grants large and small. Our work remains possible only with the generous donations we receive from individuals and local businesses. We are immensely grateful for their continued support. We have worked closely with Herefordshire Council in delivering the Household Support Fund to the most vulnerable in our community. This has taken the form of supermarket vouchers which are distributed to Herefordshire residents. The fund is reviewed every 6 months and we have increased the amount we distribute in each round of funding. In the 6 months ending on 30th September we distributed £36,000. In addition to our core service of providing food and other essentials we have maintained our Citizens Advice contract with South Worcestershire Citizens Advice. The work carried out by our two advisors is invaluable in addressing issues relating to benefits and debt. This work has been funded through the Household Support Fund and is not putting any strain on our own resources.
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		The food bank is run entirely by volunteers and we cannot carry on without that support. We have seen a number of volunteers retire from their work with the food bank in the last year but we still have a team of in excess of 70 and are working hard to recruit new people to join the team. Other organisations continue to make use of our second unit, including Turning Point, MIND, Ledbury Refugee Support and AGE UK. The funding that we had hoped to obtain to refurbish the unit from Herefordshire Council was subject to review but we are led to believe that it will be reinstated in early 2025 and we will be bidding for the monies we need to improve the building when the tender process is reopened. There is no doubt that 2024 has been the most challenging year since the end of covid restrictions and 2025 is likely to continue in the same vein. Notwithstanding the obvious issues we shall continue to support those who come to us for help and to improve the way we do that in the coming year.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	

Other		
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Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The Charity's financial position is summarised on the accounts
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The Charity's reserve policy requires it to hold reserves equivalent to two months expenditure, defined as all running costs plus the average of two months food costs in the previous year.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	General fund reserves were £44221 as at 31 October 2023
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The principle sources of funds are donations from individual, community groups and companies; and grants from public and charitable bodies
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	Surplus funds are held in an interest bearing account
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust deed
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Registered Charity
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustees are selcteed in accordance with he trust deed

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Ledbury Food Bank
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	115727
Charity's principal address	Unit 1 Homend Trading Estate Ledbury

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Keith Hilton Turvey	Chair		St Michael and All Angels Church
2	Kelly Welsh	Secretary		
3	Sue Simpson			St Michael and All Angels Church
4	Kenneth Mark James Lister			
5	Catherine Beech	Treasurer		
6	Richard John Brooks			
7	Helen Ruth l'anson			Ledbury Town council
8	Nicholas Simon Morris			Ledbury Town council
9	Phillip John Warrey			Ledbury Methodist Church
10	John Anthony Leahy			Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church
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20				

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

[illegible]

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

[illegible]

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

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

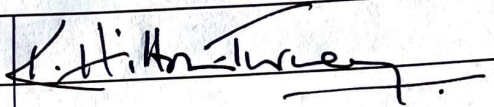
Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)		
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)		
Date		

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	K. HILTON-TURVEY	
Full name(s)	KEITH HILTON-TURVEY	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIRMAN	
Date	12-MAY-2025	

LEDBURY FOOD BANK

England & Wales - Charity number 1159727

Accounts

Ledbury Food Bank

Annual report 2023

2023 has proved to be even more challenging than the previous year and has again been the busiest year in the history of the food bank.

Some statistics:

By the end of October 2023 we had exceeded the total number of visitors that we had in 2022. It is entirely possible that by the end of 2023 we shall exceed the total number of visitors for 2019, 2020 and 2021 combined.

We are supporting approximately 150 different households every month. We have had more than 110 new households seek our support this year already and we have supported more than 300 households this year.

In 2021 we spent approximately £21,000 on food, in 2022 it was about £54,000 and in the year ended 31st October 2023 we spent more than £73,000.

Notwithstanding these figures we have managed to maintain our financial position.

The Lead Team have continued to innovate and develop our services.

We are working in partnership with Herefordshire Council as a Talk Community Hub and have had more than £50,000 in Household Support Fund grants which have been used to fund our two Citizens Advice workers for 12 months and to purchase supermarket vouchers to distribute to those in need. This funding is part of the Government's support for the most deprived households.

The long lease of the second unit, adjacent to the food bank was completed earlier this year. We are developing the services that can be provided by other organisations from the unit. Turning Point (the local drugs and alcohol support charity), MIND, Ledbury Refugee Support and AgeUK are regular users of the unit. We are hoping to secure funding to improve the property and create a Super Hub through a grant from Herefordshire Council although this stream of funding is in doubt following a change in the administration at County Hall following May's local elections. We shall look to other sources to realise this ambition if necessary.

The work of the food bank is made possible by the generosity of donors, personal, charitable and from local businesses. We are incredibly grateful for all of the support we receive in both financial and food donations.

Ledbury Food Bank is run entirely by volunteers. We have a team of approximately 80 people who help with our work. The increase in the volume of visitors, the nature of the work and the increasing stress that this can cause makes the work of volunteers ever more challenging. We are extremely fortunate to have such dedicated people working for us.

It is difficult to see that there will be a reduction in demand over the next year and this Winter could be even more challenging than last year. Inflation may be easing but that is of scant consolation to those on fixed incomes, particularly as the evidence suggests that food inflation is proving more difficult to reduce.

We shall continue to deliver our services in the best way we can and look to develop relationships with other organisations to support those who come to us for help.

20th November 2023

Ledbury Food Bank
Statement of Financial Activities (Income & Expense)
November 1, 2022 to October 31, 2023 (compared to November 1, 2021 to October 31, 2022)

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	Total	Prior Total	Difference	% Change
<i>Income</i>							
Income and Endowments	126,528	85,242		211,770	74,422	137,348	185%
Total Income	126,528	85,242	0	211,770	74,422	137,348	185%
<i>Expenses</i>							
Expenditure	111,889	49,298		161,187	91,689	69,498	76%
Total Expenses	111,889	49,298	0	161,187	91,689	69,498	76%
Net Resource Movement	14,639	35,944	0	50,583	-17,267	67,850	
Net Movement in Funds	14,639	35,944	0	50,583	-17,267	67,850	
Total Funds Brought Forward	54,356	-25	0	54,332	71,384	-17,053	-24%
Total Funds Carried Forward	68,995	35,919	0	104,914	54,117	50,797	94%

Ledbury Food Bank
Income & Expense - Detail
November 1, 2022 to October 31, 2023

Income

Income and Endowments	
Corporate donations	
Corporate Donations	29,868
Grants received	21,150
Household support income	49,771
HSF4 Income	35,471
Income from Donations and Legacies	
Donations for use of Premises	40
Gift Aid Received	11,763
Gift Aid donations	26,562
Non Gift Aid Donations	17,540
Other donations	2,730
Paypal donations	15,047
Investment Income	
Interest Received	1,576
Other income	252
Total Income	211,770

Expenses

Expenditure	
Charitable Activities	
Charity Management & Administration	31,418
Citizens advice	12,609
Food Purchases	
Eggs (Gurney)	2,895
Fruit and Veg	14,242
Other Food Supplies	999
Other Supermarkets	1,515
Sainsbury	54,514
Household support	42,780
Other Expenditure	214
Total Expenses	161,187
Operating Profit/(Loss)	50,583
Total Other Income/(Expenses)	0

Ledbury Food Bank
Income & Expense - Detail
November 1, 2022 to October 31, 2023

Net Profit/(Loss)	50,583
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Ledbury Food Bank
Charity Commission Registration Number 1159727
Balance Sheet - Comparative
As at October 31, 2023

	31 Oct 2023	31 Oct 2022
<i>Current Assets</i>		
Cash At Bank And In Hand	104,914	54,332
Net Assets	104,914	54,332
 <i>Funds & Reserves</i>		
Restricted Funds	35,919	-25
Unrestricted General Funds	68,995	54,356
 <i>Other</i>		
Suspense Account	0	0
Funds Provided	104,914	54,332



CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Ledbury Food Bank

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31st October 2023

**Charity no
(if any)**

1159727

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 31/10/2023.

**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:

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

Signed:

Date:

1st February 2024

Name:

Luke Keegan

**Relevant professional
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(if any):**

Associate Member, Chartered Institute of Management Accountants

Address:

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LEDBURY FOOD BANK

England & Wales - Charity number 1159727

Accounts

Ledbury Food Bank

Lead Team Report November 2022

The last year has been the busiest in Ledbury Food Bank's ten year history and this has required significant changes in the way that we operate and the services that we offer.

The statistics to start with:

In 2021 we had 1762 visits to the food bank, we distributed 3865 food parcels and had 63 new visitors.

By the end of October 2022, we had 2052 visits to the food bank, we had distributed 5240 food parcels and there had been 86 new visitors.

At the beginning of 2021 we were supporting approximately 70 households every month, that figure has increased to over 100 in the last two months.

As you may recall from last year's report the figures had started to increase and we reminded you that in 2019 there had been just over 1000 visits to the food bank.

Unfortunately, it seems very likely that the number of people relying on the food bank will continue to increase in 2023. The cost of living and in particular the cost of domestic fuel are the main drivers of this increase.

The move to the new premises was about to happen when we reported last year and that happened in December 2021. Those premises have proved to be very popular with both volunteers and visitors alike.

As a lead team we have had to think of innovative ways in which to help people in addition to the simple provision of food and other necessities and to ensure that we have the funds to enable us to implement them.

We became a Talk Community Hub in 2022. This means that we are part of a wider community of organisations within Herefordshire and have access to the Talk Community website which helps us to advertise our offering more widely.

Other new (or revived) initiatives include:

- Cookery lessons for visitors
- The provision of cooking appliances to visitors*
- Providing supermarket vouchers*
- Obtaining fuel grants
- Obtaining a laptop for use by visitors when they come to the food bank
- School uniforms

These are in addition to the changes that we reported on last year.

*The funding for these initiatives has come from the Government's Household Support Fund. We had a grant of just under £9,000 in August and have just had a further grant of £24,500 this month to continue and expand that initiative over the next six months.

None of this work would be possible without the efforts of the volunteers. We currently have in excess of 65 volunteers who give their time to help those who come to us in need.

The increased number of visitors inevitably means that we need more food to give out. Donations of food have been generous throughout the year at the various collection points throughout the town and from schools, churches and individuals who bring them to the food bank. Local businesses have also made important donations. These contributions form a vital part of our offering, but they cannot meet the demand and we are dependent on weekly deliveries of fresh fruit and vegetables and other staples which we have to pay for. The spending on these items has more than doubled this year.

Financial donations are vital to the continuation of our work, and we are enormously grateful to those individuals, businesses and organisations who have contributed to the food bank.

To enable us to continue and expand our offering we have been given free use of the office premises adjoining the main unit until March 2023 and are in negotiations with the landlord for a longer lease. We are fortunate that we have the support of a very generous donor who has agreed to pay the rent for the new unit for three years. We could not have contemplated this without that support.

The new unit will be used for storage of additional stock and items bought for distribution to visitors and for the storage and distribution of school uniforms. In addition, there is a room that will be used for meetings and as a consultation room so that visitors can be seen more privately.

The advice work that is carried out both through our contract with Citizens Advice and by our retired social workers is another important aspect of our work. To assist our own volunteers, we also have regular visits from representatives of Christians Against Poverty (CAP), Platform Housing and other organisations who can assist visitors with debt and housing problems. The new unit will enable this to be carried out more efficiently.

The next year is likely to be as challenging as 2022 but with the continued support of our donors and volunteers we are sure that the challenge will be met.

ML

24th November 2022

LEDBURY FOOD BANK
Registered Charity No 1159727

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2022

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
General Account (Unrestricted Fund)		
RECEIPTS		
Donations Gift Aid	19,267	17,261
Other individuals	27,453	
groups and corporate	8,016	32,989
Income tax refund on Gift Aid	see note	see note
Bank interest received	259	<u>5</u>
	<u>54,995</u>	
		50,255
PAYMENTS		
Food purchases	42,632	21,426
Hall heating	3	21
Room hire	60	2,706
Stationery and telephone	704	92
Information technology/website	801	1,700
Citizens advice	2,957	2,957
Rent	12,081	
New premises set up	9,758	1,500
Premises running costs	2,495	
Maintenance	3,110	
Equipment	425	
Training	400	
Volunteer expenses	223	42
Insurance	272	272
Bank charges	<u>87</u>	<u>133</u>
	76,007	31,451
Excess of payments over receipts on running c	- 21,012	18,804
Restricted Funds		
Community Fund income	5,000	
Community Fund expenses	4,396	
Balance carried forward	<u>604</u>	
Household support income	9,870	
Household support exp	9,895	
Balance carried forward	- 25	
Community hub funding	1,557	
Community hub expenditure	1,392	
	<u>165</u>	
Platform Housing Grant	3,000	
Platform housing expenditure	<u>3,000</u>	
Surplus/(deficit)	- 17,268	
ASSETS AT 31 OCTOBER 2022		
Bank current account	8,883	28,580
COIF deposit account	42,923	42,670
Cash in hand/net transfers	<u>2,310</u>	<u>134</u>
	54,116	71,384

Note Gift aid recoveries of £11,000 are outstanding



CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Ledbury Food Bank

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31st October 2022

**Charity no
(if any)**

1159727

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 31/10/2022.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

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**Independent
examiner's statement**

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

Signed:

Date:

30th January 2023

Name:

Luke Keegan

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

Associate Member, Chartered Institute of Management Accountants

Address:

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LEDBURY FOOD BANK

England & Wales - Charity number 1159727

Accounts

Ledbury Food Bank Annual Report 2021

Overview

A lot has happened, especially with the enormous ramifications of the Covid pandemic. Initially self-isolating of the sixty plus age group caused issues with volunteering - however these were overcome with many younger volunteers coming forward to help. The Foodbank was extremely effective with the continued provision of food and PPE.

A trial of operating a food bank outlet in one of the surrounding villages, Bosbury, was carried out in 2019/20. Although this was greatly welcomed by those in need of help the review of the project concluded that continuation could not be warranted.

The number of clients has greatly increased over the last two years putting extra pressure on the Lead Team operations.

The FB will be moving to new premises very shortly; this will enable a much improved service to our clients.

Lead Team Report

Statistics: 2,000 food banks in UK (including 500 Independent food banks)

Ledbury FB 2019: just over 1,000 visits - as at the end of Oct 2021:1,350 visits

Approx. 4,000 individual food parcels so far this year - increase of one third compared

with 2019.

220 different families fed in 2021 including 60 new clients and over 80 who have returned after a gap of two months.

There is a large dedicated team of volunteers and generous donations.

Operation in FB completely redesigned to cope with pandemic restrictions.

Increase in demand and growing inadequacies of present premises has necessitated consideration and now reality of the move to new premises.

New Premises

All Food Bank operations will be transferred to Unit 1 Homend Industrial Units, Ledbury over the weekend 4th December.

The new premises will provide; accommodation all on one level/ kitchen facilities/office for private consultations/ own parking spaces/ lower profile in the town.

The cost of renting and running new premises will be substantially greater than current outgoings. It is considered the new arrangements will be of great

benefit to all FB clients and volunteers.

LEDBURY FOOD BANK
Registered Charity No 1159727

**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2021**

<u>2020</u>		<u>2021</u>
	General Account (Unrestricted Fund)	
	RECEIPTS	
16,009	Donations Gift Aid	17,261
41,110	Other	32,989
2,265	Income tax refund on Gift Aid	see note
<u>35</u>	Bank interest received	<u>5</u>
59,419		50,255
	PAYMENTS	
16,811	Food purchases	21,426
250	Hall heating	21
-	Room hire	2,706
860	Equipment	601
232	Stationery and telephone	92
236	Information technology/website	1,700
	Citizens advice	2,957
	New premises set up	1,500
	Volunteer expenses	42
272	Insurance	272
<u>344</u>	Bank charges	<u>133</u>
<u>19,005</u>		31,451
<u>40,414</u>	EXCESS OF RECEIPTS OVER PAYMENTS	18,804

2,020 **ASSETS AT 31 OCTOBER 2021**

9,747	Bank current account	28,580
42,665	COIF deposit account	42,670
<u>169</u>	Cash in hand	<u>134</u>
<u>52,581</u>		71,384

NOTE Tax refund on gift aid of about £4228 to be claimed

C Beech
Hon Treasurer



CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Ledbury Food Bank

On accounts for the year
ended

31st October 2021

Charity no
(if any)

1159727

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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 31/10/2021.

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").

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
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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:

10th May 2022

Name:

Luke Keegan

Relevant professional
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Associate Member, Chartered Institute of Management Accountants

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LEDBURY FOOD BANK

England & Wales - Charity number 1159727

Accounts

LEDBURY FOOD BANK

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020

The trustees present their report with the financial statement of the charity for the year ended 31 October 2020.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS

Registered Charity number
1159727

Address
Ledbury Group Ministry Office
The Rectory
Worcester Road
Ledbury
Herefordshire
HR8 1PL

Trustees

Keith Hilton-Turvey	Chairman
Jonathan Andrew	
Stuart Blows	resigned 27 November 2019
Richard Brooks	appointed 15 January 2020
Peter Clark	resigned 13 November 2019
Maria Dineen	appointed 27 November 2019
Keith Francis	resigned 27 November 2019
Helen l'Anson	appointed 15 January 2020
John Leahy	
Andrew Manns	appointed 27 November 2019
Selina Marcon	
Nicholas Morris	appointed 27 November 2019
Christabel Panter	
Richard Pett	
Phillip Warrey	
Elizabeth Wreford	

Independent Examiner

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a Trust Deed dated 4 December 2014, and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

Organisational structure

The Trust Deed provides for twelve trustees and allows it to co-opt up to two additional trustees who have skills necessary for the effective administration of the charity.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Charity Commission guidance requires the charity to confirm that it has complied with the requirement that its activities further its charitable purposes for the public benefit. This is achieved by the charity continuing to operate in accordance with its objects as stated in the Trust Deed: to relieve financial hardship primarily among but not limited to people living or working in Ledbury, mainly by providing such persons with food which they could not otherwise afford through lack of means.

The charity seeks to fulfil its objects principally by operating food banks at St Katherine's Hall Ledbury and at Bosbury.

The trustees gladly acknowledge the work of the many volunteers, without whom the charity could not function. They also acknowledge the support from the local community both in goods donated and financial contributions made.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

The food bank has, together with the whole of the country, experienced unprecedented challenges in the last year as a result of the pandemic. Notwithstanding many changes in personnel and a significant increase in demand for our services those involved have risen to those challenges and provided much needed provisions to the most vulnerable in our community.

The number of visits to the food bank increased from 1017 to 1350 (almost 33%) and the number of individual food parcels provided over the period was 3505 an increase of 19% on the previous year. The need for a food bank in Ledbury is undeniable.

Fresh and pre-packaged food together with many other items necessary for daily living are provided to clients. We have had to adapt our procedures to maintain social distancing rules and this has been achieved through the efforts of our dedicated volunteers. We have also been able to maintain our ability to assist those of our clients with complex needs with other issues albeit that this is now done remotely.

The satellite outlet at Bosbury has operated throughout the year and the results are currently being evaluated with a view to maintaining this as a permanent feature of our work.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

Trustees believe that the General Account (an unrestricted fund) is adequate to meet all foreseeable expenditure. No restricted funds are currently held. No projects are undertaken without consideration of the likely funding needs.

In order to have sufficient funds for an orderly winding up of the charity if such a decision was made trustees believe that six months expenditure should be retained at all times. The charity currently has unrestricted reserves of over two and a half years expenditure.

Financial results for year

The charity had an excess of receipts over payments for the year ended 31 October 2020 of £40414. This exceptional result was principally due to the coronavirus pandemic which has produced a generous response for funds from members of the public and from local businesses, as well as substantial grants from public and private sources. Prior to the pandemic outbreak the food bank's website had been updated and included a link to PayPal for donations. This resulted in a gross income during the year via PayPal of £16758, a substantial part of the increased donations received in the year.

The £40414 surplus has been added to reserves which amounted to £52581 at 31 October 2020. The food bank is actively considering how its operations can now be expanded; the ongoing impact on peoples' lives that the pandemic will have remains uncertain but the charity is in a strong financial position to meet future requests for assistance.

ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES

.....Richard Pett Secretary

25 November 2020

LEDBURY FOOD BANK
Registered Charity No 1159727

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2019 **RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020 2020

General Account (Unrestricted Fund)

	RECEIPTS	
7038	Donations Gift Aid	16009
5317	Other	41110
1486	Income tax refund on Gift Aid	2265
60	Bank interest received	35
13901		59419
	PAYMENTS	
12407	Food purchases	16811
109	Cookery kits	0
200	Hall heating	250
20	Room hire	0
588	Equipment	860
218	Stationery and telephone	232
539	Information technology/website	236
261	Insurance	272
11	Maintenance	0
20	Bank charges	344
14373		19005
-£472	EXCESS OF RECEIPTS OVER PAYMENTS (2019 PAYMENTS OVER RECEIPTS)	£40,414

<u>2019</u>	ASSETS AT 31 OCTOBER 2020	<u>2020</u>
4470	Bank current account	9747
7630	COIF deposit account	42665
67	Cash in hand	169
£12,167		£52,581

J Andrew
Hon Treasurer

Date 25 November 2020

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Section A

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9th June 2021

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