



Trustees Annual Report

APRIL 2022 - MARCH 2023

Our year began thankfully, clear of COVID restrictions, highlights for the year have to be an incredible Harvest which resulted in us having to buy some trolley cages to help store the boxes of tins of beans, tomatoes, soup, tuna & packets of pasta which were still overflowing at the end of the financial year... Also a refitted office with new furniture, computer and the initiation of a bespoke referral management system.

Core Team and Trustees: We have seen a lot of change this year, the Core team and Trustees are back to face-to-face meetings. Three new trustees came on Board as we said goodbye to four of the founding trustees, a change of Project Lead, as Grace Bates stepped down after fourteen years and Neil Lyddiatt stepped up as Chairman releasing Karen Kendall to take over from Grace. Discussions moving on to more strategic change as the demand for our service continues to grow and we have to consider how we keep up with the demand plus improvements to our policies and the associated processes.

Funding: We are so thankful that once again all our financial needs have been met. Fewer funds were received from our Supporter Churches, however we have been given more grants to help us keep food stocks up. At Christmas the 41-Club gave 50% of their Christmas Collection & Myclett Ministries have also been very generous with unrestricted funding which helps us with household stock and general running cost. We are thankful to all who give in this way and value their support. It is very reassuring to yet again have healthy credit balance to face next year's challenges. See the Year End Accounts for more details.

Other Giving: The generosity of people and organisations still continues to be overwhelming at times, without them we could not fulfil the demand.

It is hard to calculate the value of food and other donations, however we estimate the value of donated food to be around £66,600.

Christmas 2022: We were able to again pack and send out over an incredible 150 hampers to local families and individuals. We again worked closely with the Rotary and the council to reduce duplication of recipients and were able to supply the Rotary with a lot of tinned items. In addition, generous Christmas food packs were prepared in the last week before Christmas for those new referrals received at that time. Once again we are so grateful to the Revd Richard Llanern and Camberley Baptist Church who generously allowed us use of the church sanctuary and other rooms throughout December even though it meant their Sunday services were surrounded by our stock!

Talks, Visits and Events: We held an open day in June this year and gave various talks to schools, Clubs & Beaver Groups and in January '23 our Project Lead had the opportunity to Preach at one of our supporter churches.

Time-givers: We had an influx of new Time-givers in the Autumn including 2 couples of asylum seekers who are staying in "Lakeside Hotel" & who we hope we have blessed as much as they have blessed us. All our wonderful, dedicated Time-givers, whether Shift Leads, drivers, packers, shelf-fillers, admins, shoppers, and the huge number of other jobs, are as ever, invaluable. The Supporter Church Reps also play a vital role in keeping their church updated and the collection boxes emptied, as well as generally promoting the work of Besom. All our Time-givers, who bring with them a wealth of experience and skills, have risen to the considerable challenges of the past year. Thank you!

Collection Points: Our Church Collection Points continue to provide a regular supply of food donations along with the permanent front-of-store collection box at Waitrose Bagshot, the Sainsbury's Store on Heatherside, and the Co-op in Lightwater. Additionally, this year we began collecting surplus from Aldi in College Town which also allows us to take from the customer donation box.

Referrals: In the year up to March 31st 2023 we made over 1,297 food deliveries. The last Quarter was up by 30% on the previous year. Overall a 10% increase on the previous year. Equating to over 9,258 days of food and over 27,774 meals. This year 225 new households were added to our list.

Whilst many food parcels were for single people; others for couples with up to 6 children for periods of between 11 and 12 weeks. This is in addition to all the non-food referrals we receive for household items. We have also had an increasing number of requests to extend the service for more than 12 weeks and this we review on a case-by-case basis. In summary Besom is helped 1310 households with food this year which represents approximately 700 separate individuals (431 Adults & 294 Children). Most of the referrals continue to be for people living in Town, St. Michaels, Old Dean and

Watchetts Wards with good numbers in Bagshot and Frimley, Frimley Green and Lightwater and on occasions but increasing in the remaining 5 wards. We continue to point both referrers and recipients towards Frontline Debt Advice, The Hope Hub and CASH, when appropriate, with whom we have a close working relationship.

Referrers: Citizen's Advice Surrey Heath (CASH) continue to be our biggest referrers this year with Mental Health Teams coming next.

Food Hygiene: We continue to maintain the highest level of food hygiene and 3 more individuals have taken the level 2 Food Hygiene course.

And Finally:

As predicted last year the needs continue to grow with the ever-rising cost of living and especially increases expected in utility bills. This is having a devastating impact on those least able to manage. However, we continue to look to the future with confidence. Working in partnership with local churches and agencies to meet some of the need and to alleviate poverty where we are able; acting as a vital bridge between those who have and those in need.

For I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me: Matthew 25:35-36(NIV)

Registered charity no: 1160548 (England and Wales)



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Besom in Camberley

Accounting
1160548

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period:
from

01/04/2022

To:

31/03/2023

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds: to the nearest £	Restricted funds: to the nearest £	Endowment funds: to the nearest £	Total funds: to the nearest £	Last year: to the nearest £
A1 Receipts:					
Churches	6,921	2,701	-	9,622	9,846
Individual donations	9,054	665	-	9,719	11,441
Gift Aid	953	367	-	1,322	1,273
Interest	405	-	-	405	198
SHBC	-	10,233	-	10,233	18,000
Frimley Fuel Allotment grant	5,000	-	-	5,000	-
Community Foundation for Surrey grant	-	2,000	-	2,000	-
Surrey County Council grant	-	4,000	-	4,000	-
Other grant	-	-	-	-	700
Other donations	6,538	5	-	6,538	9,429
Value of donated goods	66,600	-	-	66,600	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	95,468	19,371	-	114,839	48,887
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table),					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	95,468	19,371	-	114,839	48,887
A3 Payments					
Outlay for packs	5,639	20,747	-	26,386	23,173
Insurance	744	-	-	744	610
Office expenses	2,060	276	-	2,336	1,730
Rent	9,600	-	-	9,600	9,600
Miscellaneous	696	252	-	948	357
Besom payment for services	1,350	-	-	1,350	3,000
Donation platform fees	113	-	-	113	-
Office & warehouse equipment	1,822	872	-	2,694	-
Shelving	-	-	-	-	647
Value of donated goods	66,600	-	-	66,600	-
Sub total	88,544	22,147	-	110,691	39,117
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	88,544	22,147	-	110,691	39,117
Net of receipts/(payments)	6,924	- 2,776	-	4,148	9,770
A5 Transfers between funds	1,004	- 1,984	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	62,322	17,328	-	79,650	69,880
Cash funds this year end	70,250	13,548	-	83,798	79,650

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds:	NatWest	19,327	13,548	-
	Shawbrook Bank	50,923	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	70,250	13,548	-

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



	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

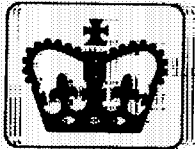
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Shelving	Restricted	647	-
	Fridge/Freezer 1	Unrestricted	369	-
	Trolleys	Unrestricted	840	-
	Desk	Restricted	300	-
	Printer	Unrestricted	257	-
	Fridge/Freezer 2	Unrestricted	280	-
	Shelving	Unrestricted	230	-
	Fridge 3	Restricted	189	-
	Shelving	Restricted	198	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	NEIL LYOD WATT	11/10/23
	KATHERINE BATEHAM	11/10/23



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

The BESOM in Camberley

On accounts for the year
ended

31 March 2023

Charity no:
(if any):

1160548

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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 March 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 in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

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

Signed:

Marian Rudall

Date:

11/8/10/2023

Name:

Marian Rudall

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

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