

The Wyke Christian Council of Churches
(Incorporating the Wyke Foodbank)
Charity Number 1163059

Trustees Report for the year ended 31st December 2023

The Wyke Christian Council of Churches (WCCC) includes St. Mary's Parish Church, the Wyke Methodist Church, the Westfield United Reformed Church, the Wyke Christian Community Church, the Lower Wyke Moravian Church and St. Theresa & St. Winifred's Catholic Church.

The council is made up of two representatives, plus the minister/church leader, from each church, and the trustees are nominated and appointed by this committee

In 2023, the WCCC donated to 'Inn Churches, a Bradford based charity, the Christian Aid Appeal for Syria & Turkey and the DEC Appeal for Morocco.

The Wyke Foodbank was opened in 2015, by the WCCC, in cooperation with the Trussell Trust, and supports those in crisis in Bradford South. The Foodbank operates from The Hub, 68 Blackstone Avenue, Wyke, Bradford, BD12 8SJ.

Following the pandemic, food has been delivered to clients. This process has been continued, through what is called an e-referral system. This means that clients contact their Referral Agent (Doctors, Care Workers, Charities, and Housing Associations etc.) who are able to process their details through the Trussell Trust registration system. The details are then sent to the nearest Foodbank to their accommodation. The Wyke Foodbank currently supports those in crisis in the BD6, BD12 & BD19 postal areas of South Bradford and Cleckheaton.

27,042kg of food and toiletries was distributed in 2023, an increase of 5% over 2022.

The Foodbank is well supported by significant donations of food from local churches, schools, businesses and individuals, as well as a number of generous financial donations. The Foodbank is now linked with People's Fundraisers (a branch of Golden Giving), a not for profit service, so that donations to the Foodbank can be made through their web site.

The Wyke Foodbank Steering Group is accountable to the Trustees of the Wyke Christian Council of Churches, and a Trustee is present at each bi-monthly meeting of the Foodbank team.


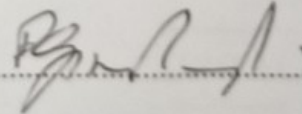
A major event in 2023 was the opening, in February, of a coffee shop named 'The Meeting Place' in Towngate, Wyke. This is open on week-days to offer help and hospitality to those in need, and to arrange for organisations such as CAP (Christians against Poverty) to offer advice to those in crisis.



Rev. Andrew Lonsdale, Chair of the Wyke Christian Council of Churches:

Wyke Christian Council of Churches (WCCC)
(Incorporating the Wyke Foodbank)
Receipts & Payments Account: Year to 31st December 2023
(Charity Number 1163059)

	2023	2022
	£	£
Balances as at 1st January 2022		
WCCC Community Account	1,467.49	746.13
Premium Account	190.40	190.22
Cash in Hand	3.01	3.01
	<u>1,660.90</u>	<u>939.36</u>
Foodbank Community Account	53,539.11	37,899.28
Cash in Hand: The Hub	429.50	496.44
	<u>53,968.61</u>	<u>38,395.72</u>
Receipts: WCCC		
Six Church Subscriptions	720.00	720.00
Fundraising events etc.	1,481.23	1,367.98
	<u>2,201.23</u>	<u>2,087.98</u>
Receipts: Wyke Foodbank:		
Standing Orders	4,260.00	3,580.68
Sovereign Healthcare	2,500.00	2,500.00
Bradford Diocese	2,500.00	-
Mandate Systems & Solutions	2,400.00	2,200.00
Trussell Trust	2,075.64	5,000.00
Other Donations	10,349.02	12,860.74
Gift Aid	-	309.56
	<u>24,084.66</u>	<u>26,450.98</u>
Donations of Food & Toiletries received and distributed	48,135.05	45,788.72
Receipts: The Meeting Place:		
Trussell Trust: Grant for Payroll	19,572.52	-
Grant for Rent	15,680.00	-
Cafe Sales	1,977.27	-
	<u>37,229.79</u>	<u>-</u>
Grand Total:	<u>£167,280.24</u>	<u>£113,662.76</u>

Signed:  Trustee  Trustee
Date: 21st Feb 2024

Wyke Christian Council of Churches (WCCC)
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Receipts and Payments Account: Year Ended 31st December 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
Payments: WCCC		
Gifts: Inn Churches	1,100.00	725.00 Caring for Life
Christian Aid Syria & Turkey	100.00	100.00 Ukrainian Appeal
DEC Morocco Appeal	100.00	100.00 Pakistan Appeal
Others	100.00	50.00
Public Liability Insurance	172.15	191.44
License to Occupy 'The Hub'	200.00	200.00
	<hr/> 1,772.15	<hr/> 1,366.44
Payments: Wyke Foodbank		
Food & Toiletries	4,864.27	1,490.88
Mobile Phones	508.75	296.87
Broadband	358.08	321.93
Utilities	1,502.00	1,465.11
Insurance	325.42	361.87
Sundries	1,094.99	2,394.63
	<hr/> 8,653.51	<hr/> 6,331.29
Value of Food & Toiletries that was distributed 27,042 kg @ £1.78	<hr/> 48,135.05	<hr/> 45,788.72
Payments: Meeting Place		
Community Payroll	17,175.15	-
Rent	7,936.44	2,400.00
Renovations	7,646.31	-
Equipment	5,042.14	-
Utilities	1,107.79	-
Buildings Insurance	857.30	-
Signage	754.00	-
Sundries	2,666.56	2,146.80
	<hr/> 43,185.69	<hr/> 4,546.80
Balances as at 31st December 2023		
WCCC Community Account	1,894.75	1,467.49
Premium Account	192.22	190.40
Cash in Hand	3.01	3.01
	<hr/> 2,089.98	<hr/> 1,660.90
Foodbank Community Account	62,940.62	53,539.11
Cash in Hand: The Hub	172.43	429.50
The Meeting Place	330.81	-
	<hr/> 63,443.86	<hr/> 53,968.61
Grand Total:	<hr/> £167,280.24	<hr/> £113,662.76

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of the Wyke Christian Council of Churches, a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (the CIO).

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Wyke Christian Council of Churches (the CIO) for the year ended 31st December 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the CIO 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 CIO's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

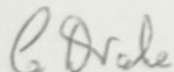
Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination.

I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. Accounting records were not kept as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. The accounts do not accord with those records.

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: 

Name: C. Drake F.C.A.

Address: 4 Chapel Fold, Lower Wyke, Bradford BD12 9AE

Date: 10/2/24