

NEATH FOODBANK

England & Wales · Charity number 1166053

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2016-03-15

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

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Activities

Objects: TO RELIEVE PERSONS IN NEATH, PORT TALBOT AND THE SURROUNDING AREA THAT ARE IN FINANCIAL HARDSHIP IN SUCH WAYS AS THE TRUSTEES FROM TIME TO TIME THINK FIT, IN PARTICULAR, BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY:A) PROVIDING EMERGENCY FOOD, ESSENTIAL TOILETRIES, AND HOUSEHOLD ITEMS TO INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES IN NEED AND/OR FOR DISTRIBUTION BY CHARITIES OR OTHER ORGANISATIONS WORKING TO PREVENT OR RELIEVE POVERTY.B) SUCH OTHER MEANS, INCLUDING (BUT NOT LIMITED TO) THE PROVISION OF SUPPORT OR SIGNPOSTING TO RELEVANT INFORMATION AND OTHER ADVISORY SERVICES.AND TO PROVIDE SUCH SERVICES WITH A CHRISTIAN ETHOS, SUPPORTED BY CHURCHES IN (AREA OF BENEFIT).

Activities: To provide food to people who are in crisis.

Classification

- **How:** Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Neath Port Talbot

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-08-31	£77,875	£78,783	-	-
2023-08-31	£44,420	£68,574	-	-
2022-08-31	£35,538	£22,922	-	-
2021-08-31	£31,430	£22,354	-	-
2020-08-31	£30,445	£8,771	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev LYNDA ELIZABETH NEWMAN	Chair	2018-05-29
Arthur Gwilym Potts		2018-05-29
Mark Darney Jones		2020-08-04
Peter Swindale		2018-05-29

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Accounts

Neath Foodbank

Income And Expenditure Account For The Year Ending 31st August 2024

	<u>Year End 31/8/2024</u>	<u>Year End 31/8/2023</u>
<u>Income</u>		
Donations	30,150.94	36,661.91
Grants	25,200.00	3,500.00
Tesco "Top-up" Arrangement	2,523.21	4,257.72
Closed C.C.U. a/c & tfr. to F/b a/c	<u>20,000.64</u>	_____
Total Income	77,874.79	44,419.63
<u>Expenditure</u>		
Telephone and Internet	536.73	402.40
Food purchases	72,962.88	53,190.89
Stationery	444.36	415.24
Donation for use of premises	3,500.00	3,000.00
Insurance	176.40	169.33
Information Commissioner Fee	35.00	35.00
Packaging	603.60	267.45
Laptop, computer & phone	59.99	299.99
Deposit to Celtic Credit Union		10,000.00
Unpaid cheque, 2022 donation		187.21
Misc. (first aid box, training, lanyards)	280.07	115.75
New fridge for Chapel		390.00
Cleaning materials		80.34
Bus fares for clients	40.00	20.00
Postage	<u>144.00</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Expenditure	78,783.03	68,573.80
Net Surplus/Deficit for the year	- 908.24	- 24,154.17
Add Bank Balance B/ Fwd.	<u>43,814.35</u>	<u>67,968.52</u>
Closing Bank Balance Lloyds C/A	<u>£42,906.11</u>	<u>£43,814.35</u>
Celtic Credit Union Y/E Balance		£19,995.00

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the Trustees of Neath Foodbank

I report on the accounts of the Foodbank for the year to 31st August 2024, which are set out on the attached Account.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiners

The Foodbank's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, and the Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (The 2011 Act), and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- a. Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act.
- b. To follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145 (5(b) of the 2011 Act, and
- c. To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiners report

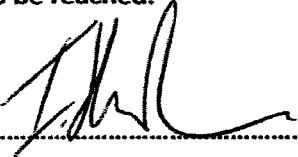
My examination was carried out in accordance with the general directions given by the Charities Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Foodbank, and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently, no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view', and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiners statement

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

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - a. to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - b. to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Name: Mr I Hutchinson

Signed: 

Date: 11/04/2025

Address: 20 The Paddocks, Tonna, Neath. SA113FD

Neath Foodbank

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ending 31st August 2024

Charity Name : Neath Foodbank

Charity Registration No. : 1166053

Charity Address : Orchard Place Baptist Church, 26-28 Orchard Street, Neath, SA11 1DT.

Objectives and Activities

Neath Foodbank operates under the umbrella of the Trussell Trust and, as such, adopts its purposes and objectives (Trussell Trust Charity Registration No. 1110522). The Foodbank is situated within the Orchard Place Baptist Church.

The Foodbank's purpose is to "provide dignified, compassionate support to people in crisis; to engage with the community to provide food and additional support to local people who are without access to food, because of a lack of money."

Neath Foodbank is operated by a body of Trustees and a team of dedicated volunteers who are passionate about delivering much needed food and support to people in crisis. The Trustees come from a variety of backgrounds, and bring differing skills and experience to helping guide the Foodbank operation in an effective and efficient manner, with the aim of always being available, and able to satisfy the needs of those families and individuals in need. The Trustees are all aware of the responsibility they have, and the obligations they have to comply with Charity Commission requirements.

Structure, Governance and Management

Type of Governing Document : A Constitution

How the Charity is constituted : Unincorporated association

Trustee selection method: Trustees have been appointed from a variety of backgrounds, with the aim of ensuring their commitment to the Charity's aims, and that they can bring specific experience and skills to uphold the Foodbank's objectives. Trustees will serve for a period up to one year and can be re-elected at the A.G.M. A minimum of 3 trustees will serve. New Trustees are appointed by the existing Trustee body.

Achievements and Performance in the Year

All daily operational activities were back to normal following the affects of the Covid-19 virus. However, thanks to our volunteers, the Foodbank kept open throughout every week of the previous year, ensuring those in need were always able to receive their food parcels. The Orchard Place Chapel building was closed to most Church activities for the first half of the previous year, but it kindly made an exception for the Foodbank operation to use all facilities as usual, at all times.

During the pandemic some of our regular volunteers were deemed to be in vulnerable age groups and could not attend to help, but a number of younger people then volunteered to ensure

continuity. After the younger volunteers left us when the virus receded we were fortunate to gain volunteers. The efforts of our volunteers coupled with the generosity of many of the local supermarkets meant that our Foodbank during the year was able to redeem 2,768 food vouchers, 17% more than in 2021-22, and this enabled 3,983 adults and 1,636 children to be fed.

Donations of food increased during the year but demand for food parcels also increased resulting in an overall decrease in stocks by the end of the year. However, we were in the fortunate position of being able to purchase food to meet demand from clients. (Please see "Financial Results".)

In consideration of increased demand for food parcels and decreased donations of food it was decided to stop buying cheese and fresh chicken except at Christmas. These were additional items given to each client. However, the list of food items allocated to clients, as specified by The Trussell Trust, is being supplied as normal.

The Foodbank's Safeguarding Officer and her Deputy take their roles seriously for clients and volunteers, training as required.

The Foodbank operates at Orchard Place English Baptist Church, Neath, using premises kindly loaned by the Church to which the Foodbank gives an annual donation. The Church is in use all week for services and meetings. The Trustees consider that the Foodbank has a good relationship with the Church. It's good stewardship having the Foodbank in the Church. It works well, particularly as the Church is centrally placed in the town. Although the Foodbank doesn't own its premises the Trustees were pleased to hear that a fire alarm system to British Standards has recently been installed in the Church. Accordingly, some of the Trustees attended a demonstration of the system.

Financial Results

There was a deficit during the year of £908 following a reduction in donations to £30,160 (c.f. £36,661 in 2022/23) but we were fortunate to receive grants totalling £25,200 . However, the needs also increased because of the cost of living, and although we dipped further into our stocks we still had to purchase £72,962 of food (c.f. £53,190) , much more than we have ever purchased in previous years and more than four times what we purchased in 2021-22.

The closing reserves at year end stood at £42,906. £10,000 was deposited with Celtic Credit Union in 2020/21 after the Trustees had decided to use some of our healthy bank balance to support another part of the local community. This was followed by a deposit of £10,000 in 2022/23. However, the large demand for food parcels as shown by the significantly increased cost of food purchases necessitated improvement of our bank balance. Accordingly, it was decided to close our account with the Celtic Credit Union and transfer the balance of £20,000 to our current account. Our policy is that we maintain a minimum of £6,000 in our reserve which would allow the Foodbank to continue operating for a further 6 months period, if a "closure" situation were to be agreed.

Our sources of funding remain similar, and are essentially monetary / food donations from the local community and a number of retail shops and supermarkets, particularly "Tesco" which operates a monetary "top-up" for the Foodbank. Coupled with this, we ensure that we apply for, and receive any grants that may become available to us.

We are always mindful that we still face potential risks to our funding in that we have to keep communicating with individuals and businesses to ensure that the ongoing Foodbank needs are

always made evident in the community. The Trustees meet periodically and review all forms of income, costs and the reserves position.

During the last year we have also increased our learning and training as we recognise the need for all our team to keep up to date in their knowledge and the routines we use. We have been present at additional on-line sessions and are making use of the Trussell Trust's training offerings.

We believe that despite the challenges and difficulties of high demand during the year we have still delivered an excellent service to those who have had cause to visit the Foodbank and during those visits we have tried to show the most compassion we could, recognising the continuing difficulties our clients have to face.

The Trustees who manage the charity and who were in office during the year are:

Rev. Canon Lynda Newman Chairperson

Peter Swindale

Nigel Parsons, joined in January 2024

Arthur Potts

Mark Jones Treasurer

There are no Corporate Trustees, or Trustees holding title to property belonging to the Charity.

There are no funds held as Custodian Trustees on behalf of others.

Names and addresses of other Advisors: The Trussell Trust, Unit 9, Ashfield Trading Estate, Ashfield Road, Salisbury, Wilts., SP2 7HL.

Declarations

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' Report above.

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees:

Signature *L.E. Newman*

Full name *LINDA ELIZABETH NEWMAN*

Position: Chairperson

(Rev. Canon)

Date: *15/6/25*

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Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ending 31st August 2023

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Achievements and Performance in the Year

All daily operational activities for the majority of the year continued to have been significantly affected by the Covid-19 virus. However, the Foodbank has always been open throughout every week of the year, ensuring those in need were always able to receive their food parcels. The Orchard Place Chapel building was closed to most Church activities for the first half of the year, but it kindly made an exception for the Foodbank operation to use all facilities as usual, at all times.

We continued, as a team, to do everything we could to ensure we could do our very best to keep everyone safe from the virus, whilst we kept the operation open as normal. As in the previous year the team responded wonderfully well throughout the year to ensure all our clients were able to receive their food parcels. Some of our regular volunteers were deemed to be in vulnerable age groups and could not attend to help, but again, a number of younger people then volunteered to ensure continuity. Some referral agencies were still not fully open for the early part of the year but we continued to find other ways of communicating with them, and because many clients had to self-isolate for periods we continued our delivery service where required run by ourselves and by local taxis. All these efforts coupled with the generosity of many of the local supermarkets meant that our Foodbank during the year was able to redeem 2,361 food vouchers, 42% more than in 2021-22, and this enabled 3,299 adults and 1,581 children to be fed.

Donations of food increased during the year but demand for food parcels also increased resulting in an overall decrease in stocks by the end of the year. However we were in the fortunate position of being able to purchase food to meet demand from clients. (Please see "Financial Results".)

Financial Results

There was a deficit during the year of £24,154 although we received Grants of £3,500 and donations increased to a record £36,661. However, the needs also increased because of the cost of living, and although we dipped further into our stocks we still had to purchase £53,190 of food- much more than we have ever purchased in previous years and nearly three times what we purchased in 2021-22.

The closing reserves at year end stood at £43,814 and £19,995 in a deposit account with Celtic Credit Union. £10,000 was deposited initially in 2020/21 after the Trustees had decided to use some of our healthy bank balance to support another part of the local community. This followed the purchase of several laptop computers for a local comprehensive school in the same year. Our policy is that we maintain a minimum of £6,000 in our reserve which would allow the Foodbank to continue operating for a further 6 months period, if a "closure" situation were to be agreed.

Our sources of funding remain similar, and are essentially monetary / food donations from the local community and a number of retail shops and supermarkets, particularly "Tesco" which operates a monetary "top-up" for the Foodbank. Coupled with this, we ensure that we apply for, and receive any grants that may become available to us.

We are always mindful that we still face potential risks to our funding in that we have to keep communicating with individuals and businesses to ensure that the ongoing Foodbank needs are always made evident in the community. The Trustees meet periodically and review all forms of income, costs and the reserves position.

During the last year we have also increased our learning and training as we recognise the need for all our team to keep up to date in their knowledge and the routines we use. We have been present at additional on-line sessions and are making use of the Trussell Trust's training offerings.

We believe that despite the challenges and difficulties during the year we have still delivered an excellent service to those who have had cause to visit the Foodbank and during those visits we have tried to show the most compassion we could, recognising the continuing difficulties our clients have to face.

The Trustees who manage the charity and who were in office during the year are:

Reverend Lynda Newman Chair-person

Peter Swindale

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Names and addresses of other Advisors: The Trussell Trust, Unit 9, Ashfield Trading Estate, Ashfield Road, Salisbury, Wilts., SP2 7HL.

Declarations

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' Report above.

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees:

Signature L.E. Newman (Rev. Canon) .

Full name LINDA ELIZABETH NEWMAN

Position: Chair-person

Date: 28/5/2024

Neath Food Bank
Income and Expenditure Account for the Year to 31st August 2023

	<u>Year End</u> <u>31.8.23</u>	<u>Year End</u> <u>31.8.22</u>
<u>Income</u>		
Donations	36661.91	27656.12
Grants	3500	6064.27
Tesco 'Top Up' Arrangement	<u>4257.72</u>	<u>1817.29</u>
 Total Income	 44419.63	 35537.68
 <u>Expenditure</u>		
Storage (Shelves and containers)	0	95.96
Telephone and Internet	402.4	388.85
Food Purchases	53190.89	17735.15
Stationery	415.44	261.47
Donation for use of premises	3000	3000
Insurance	169.33	168
Information Commissioner fee	35	35
Packaging	267.45	160.06
Laptop ,Computer, Phone	299.99	59.99
Taxis - Food delivery	0	847.38
Deposit to Celtic Credit Union	10000	0
Unpaid cheque Don 2022	187.21	0
Miscellaneous	115.75	170.4
New Fridge - Chapel	390	0
Cleaning materials	80.34	0
Bus Fares for clients	<u>20</u>	
 Total Expenditure	 68573.8	 22922.26
 Net Surplus/Deficit for the year	 -24154.17	 12615.42
 Add Bank Balance B/Fwd	 67968.52	 55353.1
 Closing Bank Balance Lloyds C/A	 <u>43814.35</u>	 <u>67968.52</u>
 Lloyds Current AC	 43814.35	 57968
Lloyds Credit Union Bank AC	NIL	10000
 Celtic Credit Union Y/E Balances	 19995	 9995

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Basis of Independent Examiners report

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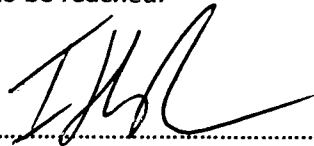
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2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Name: Mr I Hutchinson

Signed:



Date:

13/10/2023

Address: 20 The Paddocks, Tonna, Neath. SA113FD

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We continued, as a team, to do everything we could to ensure we could do our very best to keep everyone safe from the virus, whilst we kept the operation open as normal. As in the previous year the team responded wonderfully well throughout the year to ensure all our clients were able to receive their food parcels. Some of our regular volunteers were deemed to be in vulnerable age groups and could not attend to help, but again, a number of younger people then volunteered to ensure continuity. Some referral agencies were still not fully open for the early part of the year but we continued to find other ways of communicating with them, and because many clients had to self-isolate for periods we continued our delivery service where required run by ourselves and by local taxis. All these efforts coupled with the generosity of many of the local supermarkets meant that our Foodbank during the year was able to redeem 1,657 food vouchers and this enabled 2,184 adults and 961 children to be fed.

Donations of food increased during the year but demand for food parcels also increased resulting in an overall decrease in stocks by the end of the year but we were in the fortunate position of being able to purchase food to meet demand from clients. (Please see "Financial Results".)

Financial Results

There was a surplus during the year of £12,615 mainly resulting from Grants of £6,064 received, and donations increasing to a record £27,656. However, the needs also increased as we dipped further into our stocks, and still had to purchase £17,735 of food- much more than we have ever purchased in previous years.

The closing reserves at year end stood at £67,968 and £10,000 in a deposit account with Celtic Credit Union. This was deposited in 2020/21 after the Trustees had decided to use some of our healthy bank balance to support another part of the local community. This followed the purchase of several laptop computers for a local comprehensive school in the same year. Our policy is that we maintain a minimum of £6,000 in our reserve which would allow the Foodbank to continue operating for a further 6 months period, if a "closure" situation were to be agreed.

Our sources of funding remain similar, and are essentially monetary / food donations from the local community and a number of retail shops and supermarkets, particularly "Tesco" which operates a monetary "top-up" for the Foodbank. Coupled with this, we ensure that we apply for, and receive any grants that may become available to us.

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The Trustees who manage the charity and who were in office during the year are:

- Reverend Lynda Newman Chair-person
- Reverend James Caddick For first half of year
- Reverend Ian Anderson " " " " "
- Peter Swindale
- Arthur Potts
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Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees:

Signature L.E. Newman

Full name Rev Canon LYNDA ELIZABETH NEWMAN

Position: Chair-person

Date: 10/10/23

Neath Food Bank

Income and Expenditure Account for the Year Ending 31st August 2022

	<u>Year End 31/8/22</u>	<u>Year End 31/8/21</u>
<u>Income</u>		
Donations	27,656.12	25,918.01
Grants	6,064.27	3,734.29
Tesco "Top-up" arrangement	<u>1,817.29</u>	<u>1,778.06</u>
	35,537.68	31,430.36
<u>Expenditure</u>		
Trussell Trust membership	0	0
Storage (shelves and containers)	95.96	47.00
Telephone & Internet	388.85	431.00
Food purchases	17,735.15	5,282.61
Stationery	261.47	201.50
Donation for use of premises	3,000.00	2,000.00
Insurance	168.00	168.00
Information Commissioner	35.00	35.00
Bags 'N' Boxes	160.06	36.00
Personal protective equipment	0	564.68
Laptop, computer & phone	59.99	99.36
Deliver food by taxis	847.38	969.27
Laptops for Cefn Saeson School	0	2,500.00
Deposit with Celtic Credit Union	0	10,000.00
Bank charge	0	15.00
Miscellaneous (weighing scale)	<u>170.40</u>	(tape measure & towels) <u>4.59</u>
	22,922.26	22,354.01
Net surplus for the year	12,615.42	9,076.35
Add: Bank balance B/Fwd.	<u>55,353.10</u>	<u>46,276.75</u>
Closing Bank Balance	<u>£67,968.52</u>	<u>£55,353.10</u>
Plus: Deposited with Celtic Credit Union	<u>£10,000.00</u>	

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Basis of Independent Examiners report

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Name: Mr I Hutchinson

Signed: 

Date: 21/06/2023

Address: 20 The Paddocks, Tonna, Neath. SA113FD

NEATH FOODBANK

England & Wales - Charity number 1166053

Accounts

Neath Foodbank

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ending 31st August 2021

Charity Name : Neath Foodbank

Charity Registration No. : 1166053

Charity Address : Orchard Place Baptist Church, 26-28 Orchard Street, Neath, SA11 1DT.

Objectives and Activities

Neath Foodbank operates under the umbrella of the Trussell Trust and, as such, adopts its purposes and objectives (Trussell Trust Charity Registration No. 1110522). The Foodbank is situated within the Orchard Place Baptist Church.

The Foodbank's purpose is to "provide dignified, compassionate support to people in crisis; to engage with the community to provide food and additional support to local people who are without access to food, because of a lack of money."

Neath Foodbank is operated by a body of Trustees and a team of dedicated volunteers who are passionate about delivering much needed food and support to people in crisis. The Trustees come from a variety of backgrounds, and bring differing skills and experience to helping guide the Foodbank operation in an effective and efficient manner, with the aim of always being available, and able to satisfy the needs of those families and individuals in need. The Trustees are all aware of the responsibility they have, and the obligations they have to comply with Charity Commission requirements.

Structure, Governance and Management

Type of Governing Document : A Constitution

How the Charity is constituted : Unincorporated association

Trustee selection method: Trustees have been appointed from a variety of backgrounds, with the aim of ensuring their commitment to the Charity's aims, and that they can bring specific experience and skills to uphold the Foodbank's objectives. Trustees will serve for a period up to one year and can be re-elected at the A.G.M. A minimum of 3 trustees will serve. New Trustees are appointed by the existing Trustee body.

Achievements and Performance in the Year

All daily operational activities during the year have been significantly affected by the Covid-19 virus. However, the Foodbank has always been open throughout every week of the year, ensuring those in need were always able to receive their food parcels. The Orchard Place Chapel building was

The Trustees who manage the charity and who were in office during the year are:

Reverend Lynda Newman Chair-person

Reverend James Caddick

Reverend Ian Anderson

Peter Swindale

Arthur Potts

Mark Jones Treasurer

There are no Corporate Trustees, or Trustees holding title to property belonging to the Charity.

There are no funds held as Custodian Trustees on behalf of others.

Names and addresses of other Advisors: The Trussell Trust, Unit 9, Ashfield Trading Estate, Ashfield Road, Salisbury, Wilts., SP2 7HL.

Declarations

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' Report above.

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees:

Signature Mark D. Jones

Full name MARK DARNEY JONES

Position: Treasurer and a Trustee

Date: 21/11/2021

Neath Food Bank

Income and Expenditure Account for the Year Ending 31st August 2021

	<u>Year End 31.8.21</u>	<u>Year End 31.8.20</u>
<u>Income</u>		
Donations	25,918.01	18,262.95
Grants	3,734.29	9,898.34
Tesco "Top-up" arrangement	<u>1,778.06</u>	<u>2,284.24</u>
	31,430.36	30,445.53 _____
<u>Expenditure</u>		
Trussell Trust membership	0	0
Storage (shelves & containers)	47.00	131.64
Telephone & Internet	431.00	425.32
Food purchases	5,282.61	3,533.02
Stationery	201.50	301.89
Donation for use of premises	2,000.00	2,000.00
Insurance	168.00	168.00
Information Commissioner	35.00	35.00
Postage	0	122.00
"Bags 'N Boxes"	36.00	182.90
Water boiler & mugs	0	205.68
Office furniture	0	460.68
Personal protective equipment	564.68	550.06
Laptop, computer & phone	99.36	605.87
Deliver food to housebound clients	969.27	0
Laptops for Cefn Saeson School	2,500.00	0
Deposit with Celtic Credit Union	10,000.00	0
Bank charge	15.00	0
Miscellaneous	<u>4.59</u>	<u>49.40</u> - -
	22,354.01	8,771.46
Net surplus for the year	9,076.35	21,674.07
Add: Bank Balance B/Fwd.	<u>46,276.75</u>	<u>24,602.68</u>
Closing Bank Balance	<u>£55,353.10</u>	<u>£46,276.75</u>
Plus: Deposited with Celtic Credit Union	<u>£10,000.00</u>	

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the Trustees of Neath Foodbank

I report on the accounts of the Foodbank for the year to 31st August 2021, which are set out on the attached Account.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiners

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Name: Mr I Hutchinson

Signed: 

Date: 02/10/2022

Address: 20 The Reddocks, Tonna, Neath, SA11 2FD

NEATH FOODBANK

England & Wales - Charity number 1166053

Accounts

Trustees Report

Neath Food Bank

Trustees Annual Report for the Year Ending August 31st 2020

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Achievements and Performance in the Year

All daily operational activities during the latter half of the year have been significantly affected by the Covid 19 virus, however the Foodbank has always been open throughout every week of the year, ensuring those in need were always able to receive their food parcels. The Orchard Place Chapel building was closed to all Church activities from March through August, but it made an exception for the Foodbank operation to use all facilities as usual, at all times.

As a team, we spent a good deal of time preparing appropriate risk-assessments to do everything we could to ensure we could do our very best to keep everyone safe from the virus, whilst we kept the operation open as normal. There were many operational changes to be made, and challenges to be overcome, but all the team responded wonderfully well throughout the year to ensure all our clients were able to receive their food parcels. Some of our regular volunteers were deemed to be in vulnerable age groups, and could not attend to help, - but many younger people then volunteered to ensure continuity. Referral agencies were closed for a good deal of the year, and we introduced other ways of communicating with them, and because many clients had to self - isolate for periods, we also introduced a delivery service where required run by ourselves, and by local taxis. All these efforts coupled with the generosity of many of the local supermarkets, meant that our Foodbank during the year was able to redeem 1,334 food vouchers, and this enabled 1,797 adults and 879 children to be fed.

Stocks of food in the early part of the year decreased as did donations of food, and this became a concern, but in the second half of the year, donations from the supermarkets increased, and our stocks quickly replenished. Whilst in the latter part of the year, our client numbers dropped as other agencies in the town were also supplying food, we are now seeing client numbers increase again as these temporary outlets close.

Financial results

There was a surplus during the year of £21,674, mainly resulting from Grants of £9,898 received during the Pandemic, and the Foodbank having to purchase £6,685 less food, as 'donations received' also increased by £6,027.

Reserves during the year also increased, as members of our team dedicated themselves to ensure we secured all the local support/grants that were available to us. The closing reserves stood at £46,276, and the Trustees decided to use some of this additional money to support other local needs, and we were pleased at the end of the year to help a local comprehensive school by giving £2,500, enabling the school to purchase 10 tablets, so that additional children could continue their learning at home whilst school was closed. The year closed with us having cash reserves of 46,276, and our policy is that we maintain a minimum of £6,000 in our reserve, which would allow the Foodbank to continue operating for a further 6 month period, if a 'closure' situation were to be agreed. Our sources of funding remain similar, and are essentially monetary/food donations from the local community and a number of retail shops and supermarkets, particularly Tesco, who operate a monetary 'top-up' arrangement for Foodbank. Coupled with this, we ensure that we apply for, and receive any grants that may become available to us.

We are always mindful that we still face potential risks to our funding, in that we have to keep communicating with individuals and businesses, to ensure that the ongoing Foodbank needs are always made evident in the community. The trustees meet periodically, and review all forms of income, costs and the reserves position.

During the last year, we have also increased our learning and training, as we recognise the need for all our team to keep up to date in their knowledge, and the routines we use. We have been present at additional on-line sessions, and are making use of all the Trussell Trust training offerings.

We believe that despite the challenges and difficulties during the year, we have still delivered an excellent service to those who have had cause to visit the Foodbank, and during those visits, we have tried to show the most compassion we could, recognising the additional difficulties our clients faced having to face the pandemic in addition to their plight of being short of food.

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Signed on behalf of the charity's Trustees:

Signatures: *Rev. L. E. Newman*

Full names: **LYNDA ELIZABETH NEWMAN**

Position: Chair-person

Date: *18th August 2021*

Neath Foodbank Accounts 2019-2020

Neath Food Bank

Income and Expenditure Account for the Year Ending 31st August 2020

	<u>Year End 31.8.20</u>	<u>Year End 31.8.19</u>
<u>Income</u>		
Donations	18262.95	12236.37
Grants	9898.34	
Tesco 'Top Up'	2284.24	2191.88
	<u>30445.53</u>	<u>14428.25</u>
<u>Expenditure</u>		
Trussell Trust membership	0	360
Storage (shelves & containers)	131.64	0
Telephone & Internet	425.32	340.49
Food purchases	3533.02	10218.71
Stationery	301.89	467.09
Donation for use of premises	2000	2000
Insurance	168	168
Information Commissioner	35	35
Postage	122	0
Bags n' Boxes'	182.9	0
Water boiler & mugs	205.68	0
Office furniture	460.68	0
PPE Equipment	550.06	0
Laptop, computer, phone	605.87	0
Miscellaneous	49.4	0
	<u>8771.46</u>	<u>13589.29</u>
Net surplus for the year	21674.07	838.96
Add: Bank Balance B/Fwd	24602.68	23763.72
Closing Bank Balance	<u>46276.75</u>	<u>24602.68</u>

Neath Foodbank Auditor's Report

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Name: Mr I Hutchinson

Signed:



Date:

16/08/2021

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