

# RUMNEY FORUM

England & Wales · Charity number 1166133

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2016-03-21

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

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO ARE TO:3.1 PROMOTE THE BENEFIT OF THE INHABITANTS OF THE AREA OF BENEFIT WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF SEX, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, AGE, DISABILITY, NATIONALITY, RACE OR OF POLITICAL, RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS, BY ASSOCIATING TOGETHER THE SAID INHABITANTS AND THE STATUTORY AUTHORITIES, VOLUNTARY AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS IN A COMMON EFFORT TO ADVANCE EDUCATION AND TO PROVIDE FACILITIES IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE FOR RECREATION AND LEISURE-TIME OCCUPATION WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE FOR THE SAID INHABITANTS;3.2 ESTABLISH, OR SECURE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF, A COMMUNITY CENTRE AND TO MAINTAIN AND MANAGE THE SAME (WHETHER ALONE OR IN CO-OPERATION WITH ANY STATUTORY AUTHORITY OR OTHER PERSON OR BODY) IN FURTHERANCE OF THE OBJECTS;3.3 THE PREVENTION OF POVERTY IN CARDIFF EAST BY PROVIDING: GRANTS, ITEMS AND SERVICES TO INDIVIDUALS IN NEED AND/OR CHARITIES OR OTHER ORGANISATIONS WORKING TO PREVENT OR RELIEVE POVERTY.3.4 PROMOTE SUCH OTHER CHARITABLE PURPOSES AS MAY FROM TIME TO TIME BE DETERMINED.THE CHARITY SHALL BE NON-PARTY IN POLITICS AND NON-SECTARIAN IN RELIGION. THE AREA OF BENEFIT SHALL BE CARDIFF EAST AND THE NEIGHBOURHOOD TOGETHER DEFINED BY THE POSTCODE CF3.

**Activities:** Manage the community space at Brachdy House (The Old Library), Rumney on behalf and for the benefit of the residents of Cardiff East and anyone else in need.Run events and activities for the local

community to enjoy and participate in. We are a FareShare partner helping to prevent food waste and food poverty Collection and distribution of used clothing and school uniform.

## Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Environment/conservation/heritage, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

- Cardiff
- Vale Of Glamorgan

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-05	£18,976	£19,798	-	-
2024-04-05	£21,456	£29,176	-	-
2023-04-05	£44,593	£41,130	-	-
2022-04-05	£24,744	£28,899	-	-
2021-04-05	£8,980	£28,869	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Michael Wakeham	Chair	2020-10-08
Christine Nomme		2021-08-09
Kathryn Wakeham		2020-09-01
Kelly Marie Thomas		2026-01-06
kerry anne clarke		2020-11-17

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# Accounts

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# **Trustees Annual Report**

2024 to 2025



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TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 05 APRIL 2025

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2. Establish, or assist in the establishment of, a community building and to maintain and manage such a facility, whether independently or in cooperation with statutory authorities or other organisations, in furtherance of the charity's objects.
3. Prevent poverty within Cardiff East by providing food, clothing, household items and related services to individuals in need, and/or by supporting charities and organisations working to prevent or relieve poverty.
4. Promote any other charitable purposes as may from time to time be determined in accordance with charity law.
5. Operate on a non-party political basis and be non-sectarian in religion.

The area of benefit shall be Cardiff and the surrounding neighbourhood defined by the CF postcode area.

### **The Year: Objectives, Activities and Outcomes**

During the year ending 5 April 2025, Rumney Forum continued to deliver public benefit by supporting individuals and families experiencing financial hardship and social isolation within the local community.

A key objective for the year was to address food insecurity. Rumney Forum remained a Fareshare supplier, enabling the charity to provide regular food support to households in need each week. In addition, the charity continued to operate a food pantry to support individuals and families facing emergency circumstances. Demand for both services remained high throughout the year.

The charity also continued to operate a Community Fridge in partnership with Hubbub and the Co-op Food Group. Surplus food was collected and redistributed free of charge to the local community. Use of this service continued to increase year on year, demonstrating its ongoing relevance and public benefit. Although surplus food donations have become more difficult to secure, demand for this service has continued to rise, reflecting increasing levels of need within the community.

Throughout the year, Rumney Forum supported individuals and families with food, clothing, household items, and practical advice. The charity worked in partnership with other

organisations to support beneficiaries in managing household bills and accessing advice in relation to financial hardship, helping to reduce immediate crisis situations and improve household resilience.

The charity continued to receive referrals from a wide range of agencies, including Social Services, Cardiff Council, the Jobcentre, and support workers. Rumney Forum remains listed as a Cardiff Council recommended support provider. Referral numbers and self-referrals remained high, indicating continued demand for the charity's services. In response, the charity worked to increase volunteer capacity to ensure services could be delivered effectively.

Community engagement and wellbeing remained a core objective. The annual Christmas Grotto was again delivered and provided gifts and toys to families in need, in partnership with Neighbourly and Lidl. Demand for this support continued to increase, and the toy drive has become an established annual activity meeting a clear community need.

The charity also delivered community events during key public and school holidays, including Easter, Halloween and the summer holidays. These activities provided accessible, low-cost opportunities for families to engage socially, helping to reduce isolation and strengthen community connections.

The auxiliary café continued to operate throughout the year and provided a Warm Home space for members of the community. This service offered a safe, welcoming environment where individuals could socialise and access informal support. The café has been particularly beneficial for older people, contributing to reduced loneliness and increased social interaction.

During the previous year, the charity commenced an internal refurbishment programme with support from the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors and their approved contractors. Improvements included upgrades to lighting and electrical systems, alongside planned structural and aesthetic works. These improvements are expected to enhance safety, accessibility, and service delivery. Works are ongoing and due for completion in Q3 2025, with services continuing throughout the refurbishment period with minimal disruption.

Volunteers continued to play a vital role in the delivery of the charity's activities. The volunteer base expanded during the year, increasing the charity's capacity to meet growing demand and ensuring continued delivery of services in line with the charity's objectives.

## **Financial Review**

The charity's financial records are maintained using an Excel-based accounting system, with separate monitoring in place to track income and expenditure against individual grants and funding streams. This enables effective oversight and ensures that restricted funds are applied in accordance with their intended purposes.

During the year, Rumney Forum recorded a small financial deficit. The trustees consider this to be a direct result of the continued growth in demand for the charity's services throughout 2024 and 2025. In response to rising need within the community, the charity prioritised service delivery and support to beneficiaries, while continuing to seek donations and funding to sustain operations.

Demand for services increased significantly during the reporting period, placing additional pressure on financial and operational resources. Despite this, the charity was able to continue delivering its core activities and meeting community need. The trustees anticipate that demand will remain high into the 2025/2026 financial year due to ongoing economic pressures and do not expect a reduction in reliance on the charity's services in the near term.

The charity does not currently hold significant free reserves. The trustees keep reserves under regular review and recognise the importance of building unrestricted reserves to improve financial resilience. Where possible, surplus income will be directed toward strengthening the charity's reserves position to support future sustainability and respond to unforeseen financial pressures.

The trustees have identified financial sustainability as a key risk. Mitigation measures include ongoing monitoring of income and expenditure, active fundraising, diversification of income streams, and careful management of costs. The trustees also continue to explore new funding opportunities and partnerships to support the charity's long-term objectives.

Overall, the trustees are satisfied that, despite financial pressures, the charity remains a going concern and continues to deliver public benefit in line with its charitable objectives.

## **Risk Management and Safeguarding**

The trustees have overall responsibility for identifying, assessing, and managing the risks faced by the charity. Appropriate controls and procedures are in place to mitigate risk and protect beneficiaries, volunteers, and the charity's assets.

The charity maintains appropriate insurance cover, including public liability, employers' liability, and buildings and contents insurance.

Food safety is a key operational risk. All trustees hold Level 2 or Level 3 food hygiene qualifications, and volunteers involved in food-related activities are required to complete food hygiene training. The charity's premises hold a Level 3 Food Standards hygiene rating.

Risk assessments are carried out for all significant activities and are reviewed regularly to ensure risks remain appropriately managed.

The charity holds the necessary entertainment licence for the playing of television and music within the building, ensuring compliance with licensing requirements.

Data protection risks are managed through staff and volunteer training, and the charity is registered with the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO), ensuring compliance with data protection legislation.

### **Safeguarding Statement**

The charity is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and vulnerable adults. The trustees ensure that appropriate safeguarding policies and procedures are in place and are reviewed regularly. Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks are required for all trustees and for volunteers working with children or vulnerable adults. The charity takes all safeguarding concerns seriously and responds promptly in line with its safeguarding policies.

### **Statement of Trustees Responsibilities**

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year that give a true and fair view of the charity's financial position and financial activities for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- Prepare the accounts on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the charity at any time and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the requirements of the Charities Acts.

The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and for taking reasonable steps to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities. The trustees confirm

that the financial statements comply with current statutory requirements and with the provisions of the charity's governing document.

### **Public Benefit Statement**

The trustees confirm that they have had due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims, objectives, and activities during the year.

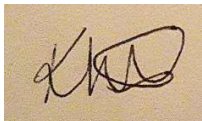
Rumney Forum delivers public benefit by providing practical support to individuals and families experiencing financial hardship, food insecurity, and social isolation within the local community. Services are delivered without discrimination and are accessible to those in need within the charity's area of benefit.

The charity's activities, including food provision, emergency support, community events, and access to a Warm Home space, directly contribute to the relief of poverty, the promotion of social welfare, and the improvement of quality of life for beneficiaries. These services help to reduce immediate hardship, support wellbeing, and strengthen community connections.

Where any charges apply, they are set at a level intended to be affordable and do not exclude individuals or families in need. The trustees ensure that services are provided in a way that balances accessibility with the sustainable use of charitable resources.

The trustees believe that the charity's activities during the year have provided clear and ongoing public benefit and have furthered the charity's charitable purposes in line with its governing document.

This report was prepared on 29<sup>th</sup> January 2026 for the Trustees of Rumney Forum and signed on their behalf by:

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Kathryn Wakeham  
Treasurer

## Income Statement

Rumney Forum 1166133  
06/04/2024 to 05/04/2025

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Notes
<b>Revenue</b>				
<b>Income from Charitable Activities</b>				
Foob Bank	9,931	-	9,931	
Cash For Clothes	323	-	323	
Amazon Donation	99	-	99	
Misc Donations	1,003	-	1,003	
Events	1,323	-	1,323	
Other Misc	16	-	16	
Grants/Funding	6,281	-	6,281	
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>18,976</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>18,976</b>	
<b>Cost of Goods Sold</b>				
Food Bank	4,990	-	4,990	
Stock	987	-	987	
Packaging	-	-	-	
<b>Cost of Goods Sold</b>	<b>5,977</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,977</b>	
<b>Gross Profit (Loss)</b>	<b>13,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>13,000</b>	
<b>Expenses</b>				
Advertising	4	-	4	
Salaries	-	-	-	
Dues and Subscriptions	386	-	386	
Insurance	1,847	-	1,847	
Legal and Professional Fees	-	-	-	
Licenses and Fees	534	-	534	
Health & Safety	140	-	140	
Miscellaneous	89	-	89	
Charitable Activities	222	-	222	
Office Expense	819	-	819	
Postage	-	-	-	
Repairs and Maintenance	1,676	-	1,676	
Cleaning Supplies	200	-	200	
Telephone	2,084	-	2,084	
Travel	430	-	430	
Council Tax	618	-	618	
Utilities	4,771	-	4,771	
Rental Exp	-	-	-	
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>13,822</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>13,822</b>	
<b>Net Operating Income</b>	<b>- 822</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 822</b>	
<b>Other Income</b>				
	-	-	-	
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	
<b>Net Income (Loss)</b>	<b>- 822</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 822</b>	

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### **THE YEAR: ITS OBJECTIVES AND ACHIEVEMENTS**

During the year ending 5<sup>th</sup> April 2024 Rumney Forum continued to help households by remaining a Fareshare partner and helping to provide food to many struggling families per week.

During 2023 we continued to run a food pantry to give additional support for people in an emergency situation.

We continue to supply a Community Fridge in partnership with Hubbub and Co-op food group. We collect surplus food donations and redistribute, free of charge to those in need. We continue to maintain this as it has received many visitors and continues to be in high demand. Food donations are harder to come by although we are seeing an increase in demand for surplus food from the community.

We support individuals and families throughout the year with food, clothing, household items and any assistance or advice we can offer.

We have worked with organisations to provide advice on managing household bills and seeking advice with financial hardship.

We continue to receive referrals from various organisations such as social services, Cardiff Council, the job centre and support workers. We are also on the list of Cardiff Council

recommended facilities for support. This has seen high demand and we continue to expand our service volume to keep up.

Our Christmas Grotto continued to be the highlight of the year for the community. We were again able to partner with Neighbourly and Lidl to gather toys and gifts to distribute to those in need. Our toy drive has now become an annual event as we are receiving so many donations, and again demand within the community for help is ever increasing.

We continued to host events for all major public and school holidays, including Easter, Halloween and school summer holidays. These events were attended by families and social groups within the local community and enjoyed by all.

The auxiliary Café within the charity continues to operate, despite the many challenges that were faced throughout the year. We continue to offer a space for all to come and relax. Meet other members of the community and encourage those that do not leave their house very often, to come and have a chat with some friendly faces. This has proven a success, especially with older members of the community making friends with each other, and feeling less lonely.

We have started refurbishment on the interior of the building with help from The Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors. Major works have begun within the building upgrading the lighting and electrical systems. Various structural and aesthetic repairs will also be carried out with the works expected to last until Q3 2025. We are able to operate the charity as normal with minimal disruption while works are carried out. We hope to offer the community a nice fresh place to visit with a streamlined service to match.

Our volunteers are exceptional and continue to work tirelessly to further benefit the community and help Rumney Forum grow. Our volunteer base continues to grow and change to the dynamic of the charity.

## **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

The finances for the year are still run on an Excel spreadsheet with a separate accounts sheet to manage spends against any grants or funding we have received.

The year resulted in a loss for Rumney Forum. The year continued to focus on raising donations for the charity as we continually need to increase the volume of services, we offer due to growing demand. Demand has increased considerably during 2023 and 2024 putting a strain on the charity services. We have managed to keep up with demand, but in the ever-changing economic climate, our services are relied upon by many and we do not foresee this improving into 2024/2025.

## **RISK MANAGEMENT**

We have public liability insurance; employers' liability insurance and buildings and contents cover.

All trustees are either level 2 or 3 qualified in food hygiene. We ask that all volunteers that take part in food related activities, to take food hygiene training. The building holds a level 4 food standards hygiene rating.

We create Risk assessments of our activities.

We continue to use an entertainment licence for the playing of television and music within the building.

We have undergone data protection training and now hold all the relevant ICO certification.

We require CRB checks for volunteers working with children and vulnerable people, all trustees have undergone a successful CRB check.

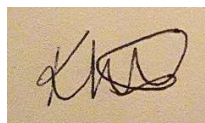
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This report was prepared on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2025 for the Trustees of Rumney Forum and signed on their behalf by:

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Treasurer

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Benthyg		-	-	
Cash For Clothes	610	-	610	
Amazon Donation	37	-	37	
Misc Donations	2,753	-	2,753	
Room Hire		-	-	
Other Income		-	-	
Grants/Funding	7,180	1,000	8,180	
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>20,456</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>21,456</b>	
<b>Cost of Goods Sold</b>				
Food Bank	4,140	-	4,140	
Stock	18	-	18	
Packaging		-	-	
<b>Cost of Goods Sold</b>	<b>4,158</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,158</b>	
<b>Gross Profit (Loss)</b>	<b>16,298</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>17,298</b>	
<b>Expenses</b>				
Advertising	592	-	592	
Salaries	7,022	-	7,022	
Dues and Subscriptions	443	-	443	
Insurance	1,766	-	1,766	
Legal and Professional Fees		-	-	
Licenses and Fees	521	-	521	
Health & Safety		-	-	
Miscellaneous	292	-	292	
Charitable Activities	215	707	922	Shelving Racks Purchase of Community Fridge
Office Expense	672	-	672	
Postage		-	-	
Repairs and Maintenance	913	-	913	
Cleaning Supplies	395	-	395	
Telephone	2,701	-	2,701	
Travel	1,179	-	1,179	
Council Tax	589	-	589	
Utilities	6,512	-	6,512	
Rental Exp	500	-	500	
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>24,311</b>	<b>707</b>	<b>25,018</b>	
<b>Net Operating Income</b>	<b>- 8,013</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>- 7,720</b>	
<b>Other Income</b>				
1st Floor Utility Payments	-	-	-	
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We have encouraged more use of the building for local groups and community activities. We have been able to offer our space to help educate and entertain the community. If we can get the internal aesthetics of the building up to modern building code, we feel the interest in using our space will be more appealing to more community groups.

Our volunteers are exceptional and continue to work tirelessly to further benefit the community and help Rumney Forum grow. Our volunteer base has grown and we have seen an increase in people coming into the building offering their services as a volunteer.

Our roof was repaired in Q3 of 2022. This has now made the building more usable and a better place to be in. We are now focused on securing help to renovate and renewing the damaged electrics within the building.

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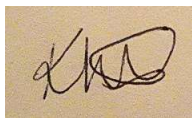
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Treasurer

# Income Statement

Rumney Forum 1166133  
06/04/2022 to 05/04/2023

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	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	
<b>Revenue</b>				
<b>Income from Charitable Activities</b>				
Food Bank	11,227	-	11,227	
Benthyg	238	-	238	
Cash For Clothes	411	-	411	
Amazon Donation	5	-	5	
Misc Donations	4,757	-	4,757	
Room Hire	-	-	-	
Other Income	4,260	-	4,260	
	17,850	5,845	23,695	
Grants/Funding				Restricted funds: Community Fridge Fund & JG Hale Fund. To supply community fridge
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>38,748</b>	<b>5,845</b>	<b>44,593</b>	
<b>Cost of Goods Sold</b>				
Food Bank	7,800	-	7,800	
Stock	-	-	-	
Packaging	29	-	29	
<b>Cost of Goods Sold</b>	<b>7,829</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7,829</b>	
<b>Gross Profit (Loss)</b>	<b>30,918</b>	<b>5,845</b>	<b>36,763</b>	
<b>Expenses</b>				
Advertising	-	-	-	
Salaries	-	5,776	5,776	
Dues and Subscriptions	408	-	408	
Insurance	1,726	-	1,726	
Legal and Professional Fees	65	-	65	
Licenses and Fees	290	-	290	
Health & Safety	-	-	-	
Miscellaneous	600	-	600	Shelving
Charitable Activities	537	-	537	
Office Expense	895	-	895	
Postage	-	-	-	
Repairs and Maintenance	307	11,500	11,807	Roof Repair
Cleaning Supplies	487	-	487	
Telephone	1,711	-	1,711	
Travel	650	-	650	
Council Tax	816	-	816	
Utilities	5,856	-	5,856	
Rental Exp	1,675	-	1,675	
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>16,024</b>	<b>17,276</b>	<b>33,300</b>	
<b>Net Operating Income</b>	<b>14,894</b>	<b>- 11,431</b>	<b>3,463</b>	
<b>Other Income</b>				
1st Floor Utility Payments	-	-	-	
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	
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CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Independent examiner's report on the accounts

### Section A

### Independent Examiner's Report

#### Report to the trustees

Rumney Forum

#### On accounts for the year ended

05.04.2023

#### Charity no (if any)

1166133

#### Set out on pages

1-11

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

#### Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

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

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

#### Independent examiner's statement

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. *Delete [ ] if not applicable.*

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the

examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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

S J Thomas- Rees

**Signed:**

27.02.2024

**Date:**

Ms Samantha Thomas-Rees

**Name:**

**Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):**  
Senior Finance Officer for Cardiff University  
AAT 1-3 & SAGE Accounting 1-3

**Address:**

Fort-Knight 2, Weekes close ,
Llanrumney
Cardiff CF3 5RY

**Section B                      Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

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

These accounts were put together very professionally , simple to read and understand , with detailed information.

Extremely happy to pass these Accounts.

**RUMNEY FORUM**

England & Wales - Charity number 1166133

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# Accounts

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# Trustees Annual Report

2021 to 2022



**Rumney Forum**

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*Charity Number 1166133*

## **RUMNEY FORUM**

TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 05 APRIL 2022

### **OBJECTS**

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### **THE YEAR: ITS OBJECTIVES AND ACHIEVEMENTS**

During the year ending 5<sup>th</sup> April 2022 Rumney Forum continued to help households by remaining a Fareshare partner and helping to provide food to many struggling families per week.

During 2021 we continued to run a food pantry to give additional support for people in an emergency situation.

During Q2 of 2022 we will set up a community fridge in partnership with Hubbub and Co-op food group. We collect surplus food donations and redistribute, free of charge to those in need.

We support individuals and families throughout the year with food, clothing, household items and more.

We now receive referrals from various organisations such as social services, Cardiff Council, the job centre and support workers. We are also on the list of Cardiff Council recommended facilities for support.

Rumney Forum's project, Benthg borrow don't buy - the library of things, continued to run by utilising the grant received from the Landfill Disposals Tax Scheme. We continue to offer training and advise to other communities and organisations, to enable them to set up their own library of things.

After the success of the Christmas Grotto from last year we have decided to make this a yearly feature. In addition to this we have now organised events for all major public and school holidays, including Easter, Halloween and school summer holidays. These events were attended by families and social groups within the local community and enjoyed by all.

The auxiliary Café within the charity continues to be a great hit amongst the community. We continue to offer a space for all to come and relax. Meet other members of the community and encourage those that do not leave their house very often, to come and have a chat with some friendly faces. This has proven a success, especially with older members of the community making friends with each other, and feeling less lonely.

We have encouraged more use of the building for local groups and community activities. We have seen an uptake in the interest of the space we have available and expect this to become more popular once the roof is repaired.

Our volunteers are exceptional and continue to work tirelessly to further benefit the community and help Rumney Forum grow. We reward them with Time Credits for their dedication and hard work. Our volunteer base has grown and we have seen an increase in people coming into the building offering their services as a volunteer.

The issue of leaks in the roof of the rear of the building continue to be a challenge. We have managed to secure funding for the roof to be repaired and expect the repair to take place in the summer of 2022. This will bring the building back to full use and we can focus on renovating and renewing the damaged electrics within the building.

## **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

The finances for the year are still run on an Excel spreadsheet with a separate accounts sheet to manage spends against the Landfill Disposals Tax Scheme grant, roof funding and community fridge funding.

The year resulted in a loss for Rumney Forum. This will balance itself out over the life of the Landfill Disposals Tax Scheme grant of 3 years. Excluding project spends Rumney forum still made a small loss, we expect this as we rely on donations for our operating costs and offer most of our services free of charge. We are seeking to source funding to cover our core costs.

## **RISK MANAGEMENT**

We have public liability insurance; employers' liability insurance and buildings and contents cover.

All trustees are either level 2 or 3 qualified in food hygiene. We ask that all volunteers that take part in food related activities, to take food hygiene training. The building holds a level 4 food standards hygiene rating.

We create Risk assessments of our activities.

We have secured an entertainment licence for the playing of television and music within the building.

We have undergone data protection training and now hold all the relevant ICO certification.

We now require CRB checks for volunteers working with children and vulnerable people, all trustees have undergone a successful CRB check.

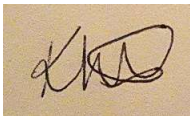
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Kathryn Wakeham  
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## Income Statement

Rumney Forum 1166133  
06/04/2021 to 05/04/2022

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Notes
<b>Revenue</b>				
<b>Income from Charitable Activities</b>				
Foob Bank	11,679	-	11,679	
Benthyg	565	-	565	
Cash For Clothes	56	-	56	
Easter Activities	632	-	632	
Summer Activites	651	-	651	
Halloween Party	305	-	305	
Christmas Grotto	1,007	-	1,007	
Amazon Donation	14	-	14	
Misc Donations	1,368	-	1,368	
Room Hire	80	-	80	
Other Income	545	-	545	Virgin media refund
Grants/Funding	-	7,843	7,843	Roof fund
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>16,901</b>	<b>7,843</b>	<b>24,744</b>	
<b>Cost of Goods Sold</b>				
Fare Share	7,010	-	7,010	
Stock	-	-	-	
Packaging	-	72	72	
<b>Cost of Goods Sold</b>	<b>7,010</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>7,082</b>	
<b>Gross Profit (Loss)</b>	<b>9,891</b>	<b>7,771</b>	<b>17,662</b>	
<b>Expenses</b>				
Advertising	30	-	30	
Contract Labour	-	10,318	10,318	Benthyg Manager/Pantry Driver
Dues and Subscriptions	950	361	1,311	
Insurance	1,150	415	1,565	
Legal and Professional Fees	-	-	-	
Licenses and Fees	389	-	389	
Health & Safety	718	-	718	
Miscellaneous	-	140	140	Pantry Shelving
Charitble Activities	551	-	551	
Office Expense	454	399	853	
Postage	-	-	-	
Repairs and Maintenance	408	2,137	2,546	
Cleaning Supplies	281	-	281	
Telephone	2,038	-	2,038	
Travel	200	-	200	
Council Tax	816	-	816	
Utilities	4,188	1,206	5,394	
Depreciation	1,750	-	1,750	
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>13,923</b>	<b>14,976</b>	<b>28,899</b>	
<b>Net Operating Income</b>	<b>- 4,032</b>	<b>- 7,205</b>	<b>- 11,238</b>	
<b>Other Income</b>				
1st Floor Utility Payments	343	-	343	
	-	-	-	
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>343</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>343</b>	
<b>Net Income (Loss)</b>	<b>- 3,689</b>	<b>- 7,205</b>	<b>- 10,895</b>	

**RUMNEY FORUM**

England & Wales - Charity number 1166133

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# Trustees Annual Report

2020 to 2021



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Rumney Forums prize project, Benthyc borrow don't buy, the library of things, continued to grow by utilising the grant received from the Landfill Disposals Tax Scheme. Cerys Jones left the charity in early 2020, we appointed a new project manager to continue to work on organising and expanding the project. We have been able to offer training to other communities to set up their own library of things.

During the COVID pandemic we continued to run the charity and offer as many services as possible while remaining COVID safe. Rumney Forum were one of the few organisations that were able to offer a Christmas Grotto that remained socially distanced and COVID safe. This was attended by families within the local community and enjoyed by all.

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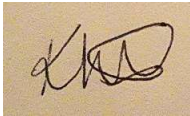
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	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Notes
<b>Revenue</b>				
<b>Generated Income</b>				
Fare Share	5,766	-	5,766	
Benthyg	839	-	839	
<b>Income from Charitable Activities</b>				
Knitt and Natter	112	-	112	
Grab Bags	53	-	53	
Cash For Clothes	151	-	151	
Raffle	148	-	148	
Christmas Grotto	226	-	226	
Donations	572	-	572	
Room Hire	-	-	-	
Misc Income	33	-	33	
Grants	400	-	400	
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>8,300</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>8,300</b>	
<b>Cost of Goods Sold</b>				
Fare Share	5,408	-	5,408	
Grab Bag Stock	239	-	239	
Packaging	-	-	-	
<b>Cost of Goods Sold</b>	<b>5,647</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,647</b>	
<b>Gross Profit (Loss)</b>	<b>2,653</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,653</b>	
<b>Expenses</b>				
Advertising	15	-	15	
Contract Labour	-	9,956	9,956	Benthyg Manager
Dues and Subscriptions	910	675	1,585	
Insurance	896	650	1,546	
Legal and Professional Fees	-	-	-	
Licenses and Fees	-	-	-	
Health & Safety	240	-	240	
Miscellaneous	144	190	334	Benthyg Shelving
Christmas grotto	444	-	444	
Office Expense	70	120	190	
Postage	-	-	-	
Repairs and Maintenance	1,206	-	1,206	
Cleaning Supplies	747	-	747	
Telephone	1,133	-	1,133	
Travel	40	165	205	
Council Tax	816	-	816	
Utilities	3,593	484	4,077	
Depreciation	729	-	729	
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>10,982</b>	<b>12,240</b>	<b>23,222</b>	
<b>Net Operating Income</b>	<b>- 8,329</b>	<b>- 12,240</b>	<b>- 20,569</b>	
<b>Other Income</b>				
1st Floor Utility Payments	680	-	680	
	-	-	-	
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>680</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>680</b>	
<b>Net Income (Loss)</b>	<b>- 7,649</b>	<b>- 12,240</b>	<b>- 19,889</b>	