

S20 FOOD BANK

S20 Food Bank Report 2024-25

S20 Food Bank Trustees Annual Report for 1st April 2024 – 31st March 2025

The charity is run according to the constitution dated 2nd May 2016. The charity was registered as a charity on 17 June 2016 under charity number 1167712.

The trustees serving the charity for this financial year were:

Ryan Wileman

Rev. Sue Stewart (resigned during the financial year)

Sameena Azam (resigned during the financial year)

Helen Stokes

Jonathan Berry

Pamela Browse (joined 21 June 2024)

John Rhead (joined 21 June 2024)

Our Treasurer is Stacey Knowles

Objects and activities

To work in partnership with a range of community organisations and agencies to relieve poverty or financial hardship among residents and their dependants living in the S20 area of Sheffield, by providing bespoke emergency food parcels and other such items and supplies as may be necessary from time to time, as well as health/housing/money advice, education and any other necessary support designed to enable individuals to generate a sustainable income and become self-sufficient.

To prevent or relieve poverty through undertaking and supporting research into factors that contribute to poverty and the most appropriate ways to mitigate these.

Achievements and Performance

This was the ninth year of the S20 Food Bank and another busy one. This year saw an almost identical year in terms of numbers of clients and individuals served, which demonstrates that what was once considered busy, is now becoming normal.

From April 2024 – March 2025, the Food Bank saw 196 unique clients, which represents a small 1% decrease on the previous year. The total number of people fed in the households supported was 352 (a 5% decrease on the previous year) and also included 101 children (a 16.5% decrease on last year).

Whilst the number of clients and individuals served decreased ever so slightly, the number of food parcels distributed was 1426, which represented a 5.5% increase on the previous year. The total amount of food distributed was 23,574.05kg, which was almost identical to the previous year.

Whilst we do not know the full story behind each client's circumstances, it is clear that the 'cost of living' crisis is still having a major impact on people's lives. Many of the referral forms that we have received reference the fact that people were struggling to pay their bills due to increases in household gas and electric prices.

It is encouraging that some of our metrics are slightly reduced on the previous year but they are not reducing by a sufficient enough level for us to get excited about the trend.

We are incredibly indebted to our amazing team of volunteers, without whom we would not be able to carry out our service for the people in our community. Throughout the last year, we have had in the region of 30 people volunteer with us at different times. Each fulfilling a different but vital role in the operation.

It was great to be able to take these volunteers out for a Thank You meal to acknowledge all of their hard work in incredibly difficult circumstances.

The Charity is also very fortunate to have a very committed and capable Trustee Board, which works tirelessly behind the scenes to ensure that the Charity has everything that it needs to fulfil its aims and objectives and remains compliant with all of the relevant legislation and guidance.

This year saw some transition in the Trustee team with Reverend Sue Stewart and Sameena Azam resigning from the Board. Rev'd Sue was one of our founding Trustees and Sameena joined us not long afterward this event, so it was with great sadness that we received their resignations. We would like to place on record our sincere Thanks to each of them for all of their hard work and dedication to the Charity and wish them all the very best for the future.

We are delighted that Pamela Browse and John Rhead have joined us though and both have already brought a great deal of wisdom and experience to the group. We are excited to share the next stage of the journey with them

We also want to acknowledge the many hours put in by our new Treasurer Stacey Knowles to ensure that our finances are properly managed and accounted for. This has been Stacey's first year in this role and she has done a fantastic job.

In the last 12 months, we have received food donations of 9841.28kg, which is a concerning 15.65% decrease on last year, especially given that last year's donations were 16% lower than the previous financial year. The donations represented a financial value of £22,810.

Much of this came from local individuals and businesses getting in touch to offer donations without us even having to put an appeal out. This demonstrated a huge amount of goodwill from the general public to us for the work that we were doing.

We were also very grateful beneficiaries of food donations from our local ASDA and Morrisons as well as Pet Food from Pets at Home, which is facilitated by the Blue Cross scheme.

We were also really pleased to be able to partner with First Buses to provide a Christmas Lunch Hamper to many of our clients. This was very gratefully received and came as a big relief to many people.

We were also delighted to continue our food buying partnership with S6 Food Bank and other Food Banks in Sheffield, which sees S6 Food Bank bulk-purchasing food at reduced rates on behalf of all of

the Food Banks and then selling and distributing it to us at rates cheaper than we can access ourselves. This has been a very good relationship for us as it has allowed our resources to go further and logistically it has been positive because the food is now delivered directly to us.

2024-25 saw us continue our partnership with a number of organisations to deliver a 'one stop shop' advice service for local residents to access support and advice for a range of different matters. The partners involved are:

Citizens Advice Sheffield, providing general and financial advice

Sheffield City Council, providing money management, housing and general advice

Manor & Castle Development Trust, providing employment advice

Woodhouse & District Community Forum Social Prescribers, providing advice related to health and wellbeing.

Manor and Castle Development Trust providing employment advice.

Likewise providing drug and alcohol support work.

This has proved to be a very successful provision and one that we are actively looking to continue.

Challenges & Responses to the Challenges

Without doubt the biggest challenge for us this year has, unsurprisingly continued to be the Cost of Living crisis and the impact that this has continued to have on the demand for our services.

In addition, we are now continuing to spend more of our financial reserves on food supplies to resource our food parcels. We have worked hard this year to source additional grant funding. As has been mentioned in our Treasurers Report, receiving a £20,000 grant from the National Lottery Awards for All scheme has left us in a much stronger financial position than we were anticipating. We enter 2025/26 in a healthy financial state and should be able to continue at our current spending rate for another 18 months to two years. However, the Trustees are aware that this will not last forever and we will need to continue to explore further funding opportunities in order continue beyond this period. We also need to look at additional sources of food donations, to reduce the amount that we need to spend per week.

Public Benefit

We have endeavoured at all times to follow the objectives of the charity in order to ensure that all activities engaged in are for the public benefit.

Financial Review

See attached Treasurer's Financial Summary for the Financial Review.

The Charity does not currently have a reserves policy. This is due to the fact that we do not currently have any regular outgoings that we are committed to. The only money we really spend is on food purchases and small incidental expenses related to phone and internet which can be cancelled at a month's notice. Therefore, if the money of the charity were to ever run out to the point where we couldn't continue, we would just have to close the operation down. We are actively working to ensure that is not the case but we do not have any outgoings that would have to be met if that were the case.

In Conclusion

In previous reports we have referenced the fact that demand for our service has increased dramatically since our early days. However, it is encouraging that this demand appears to have plateaued and even dropped on some metrics. We hope that this is the beginning of a positive trend towards less people needing emergency food support.

While ever we are needed to do so, we will continue to do our very best to meet the immediate needs of our clients and to provide as much signposting towards additional help with the root causes of their crises as we possibly can. However, it is heartbreaking to see the same people return week after week. month after month as there seems to be very little change in their circumstances. We do our best to treat our clients with dignity and respect as they navigate their way through these difficult times and wish there was more that we can do to help them.

The Trustees would like to express their sincere thanks to all volunteers and donors who have made our work possible.

We look forward to the day when our service can close due no longer being needed and continue to strive towards the day when this can be the case.

Signed: Pat Browne

Date: 15/10/2025

Print Name: PAMELA M. BROWNE

Trustee

Signed: John D. Read

Date: 15/10/2025

Print Name: JOHN D. READ

Trustee

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Financial Statement for the year ending 31st March 2025

Another busy year with expenditure in terms of food donations having reached their highest level in the history of the foodbank. Income from food donations is down on the previous year albeit 2024-25 closes with an increase in cash held at bank following Grants received during the course of the year of £32,327.02. Most notably, a Grant of £20,000 received from the National Lottery in Feb 2025. These funds are ring-fenced within the bank account for food purchases & the funds will ensure continuity in provision of foodbank services to the local community through 2025-26. Especially noting as aforementioned that expenditure in terms of food donations have reached their highest recorded level in 2024-25.

Whilst, expenditure in terms of food donations have reached their highest level in the history of the food bank, total expenditure is reduced on the prior year. This is due to Grants awarded in terms of the CAB provision which have not yet been paid. The year closes with CAB provision of £700 & £3,468 respectively.

Once again we are indebted to our band of hard working volunteers, without who the charity could not operate.

As the turnover of the charity once more exceeds £25,000 this year, an independent examination of the accounts is required. This will be done in accordance to the Charity Commission guidance notes in due course and the resulting report will be attached to the Charity's Annual Returns.

It has been an honour taking over the role of Treasurer from Rosalind effective April 2024 and I look forward to continuing my role in to 2025-26 & beyond.

Stacey Knowles

Treasurer

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of S20 Food Bank

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the S20 Food Bank (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 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 all 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 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.

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: P. R. Parkin

Name: P R Parkin

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies:
Chartered Public Finance Accountant

Address: 51 Martin Close, Sheffield S26 3RJ

Date: 2 October 2025

Receipts and pay

	Period start date
For the period from	01/04/2024

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £
A1 Receipts		
Grants	-	32,327
Loans - Hardship - Repayments	-	-
Donations - Food	-	18,994
Donations - Assets	-	-
Donations - Personal - Gift Aided	1,560	-
Donations - Personal - Not Gift Aided	1,001	-
Donations - Other - CAF etc	670	-
Fund Raising	-	-
Gift Aid - Tax Refund	335	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	3,566	51,321
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).		
	-	-
	-	-
Sub total	-	-
Total receipts	3,566	51,321

A3 Payments

Food	-	33,687
Fuel	200	-
Loans - Hardship	-	-
Publicity & Marketing	-	-
Staff Training	386	-
Staff Expenses	-	-
CAB Provision	-	1,985
Stationery	151	-
Insurance	430	-
Telephone/Postage	190	-
Furniture	-	-

Equipment	8	-
Electrical Work - Food Store	-	-
Sundry Expenses	204	-
Sub total	1,569	35,672

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)		
	-	-
	-	-
Sub total	-	-

Total payments	1,569	35,672
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Net of receipts/(payments)	1,997	15,648
A5 Transfers between funds		
A6 Cash funds last year end	8,800	5,057
Cash funds this year end	10,797	20,705

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

Categories	Details
B1 Cash funds	Bank Balance
	Petty Cash
	Gift Vouchers
	Food Vouchers
	Food Cash Value
	Total cash funds
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

B2 Other monetary assets	Details

Details

B3 Investment assets

B4 Assets retained for the charity’s own use

Details

Food
Equipment - Purchased - Apple iPhone 5S
Equipment - Purchased - Salter Brecknell WS300 Platform Scales
Furniture - Tables & Chairs for Info Centre
Equipment - Purchased - 2 x Upright Freezers
Equipment - Purchased Laptop

B5 Liabilities

Details

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

Signature

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ments accounts		
To	Period end date 31/03/2025	

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Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
-	32,327	15,737
-	-	-
-	18,994	22,810
-	-	-
-	1,560	1,560
-	1,001	600
-	670	4,183
-	-	-
-	335	358
-	-	-
-	54,887	45,248

-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-

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-	33,687	35,900
-	200	390
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	386	406
-	-	-
-	1,985	7,264
-	151	71
-	430	390
-	190	170
-	-	-

-	8	40
-	-	-
-	204	135
-	-	-
-	37,241	44,766

-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-

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-	17,645	482
-	-	-
-	13,857	13,375
-	31,502	13,857

End of the period

Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
5,538	22,275	-
81	-	-
-	20	-
-	-	-
-	3,588	-
5,620	25,883	-

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Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-

Fund to which asset belongs

Cost (optional)

Current value (optional)

	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-

Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
Food Bank	-	3,588
Food Bank	279	-
Food Bank	217	-
Food Bank	222	-
Food Bank	648	-
Food Bank	180	78
	-	-
	-	-

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

Print Name	Date of approval

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