

EARLSFIELD FOODBANK

England & Wales · Charity number 1167812

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2016-06-23

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

Contact

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO ARE THE PREVENTION OR RELIEF OF POVERTY IN EARLSFIELD AND SURROUNDING AREAS IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY PROVIDING FOOD SUPPLIES TO INDIVIDUALS IN NEED AND/OR TO CHARITIES, OR OTHER ORGANISATIONS WORKING TO PREVENT OR RELIEVE POVERTY.

Activities: The charity seeks to prevent or relieve poverty in the Earlsfield and surrounding areas by providing food to individuals in need. The charity's main activity is to run a foodbank one morning per week to help those living in the SW18 and SW17 postcode areas who are short of food or other essentials. Donations of money and food are primarily received through local churches, mosque and supermarkets.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations
- **What:** The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty
- **Who:** Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, Other Defined Groups

Geography

- Wandsworth

Finances

| Period end | Income | Expenditure | Assets | Employees |
|------------|----------|-------------|--------|-----------|
| 2025-03-31 | £166,859 | £129,747 | - | - |
| 2024-03-31 | £136,389 | £142,163 | - | - |
| 2023-03-31 | £139,295 | £102,117 | - | - |
| 2022-03-31 | £66,434 | £71,422 | - | - |
| 2021-03-31 | £68,635 | £54,387 | - | - |

Trustees

| Name | Role | Appointed |
|----------------------------|-------|------------|
| Robin William Gisby | Chair | 2021-03-03 |
| Beverly Morgan | | 2025-05-01 |
| Lucy Therese Keen | | 2025-05-01 |
| Paul Charles Henry | | 2025-05-01 |

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Accounts

Earlsfield Foodbank

Registered Charity No.
1167812

Report and Financial Statements

Year ended 31 March 2025

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INFORMATION

Trustees:

| | |
|-------------------|--------------------------|
| Rev. Isaac Achene | (Chair) resigned 31.3.25 |
| Meg Fry | resigned 28.2.25 |
| Robin Gisby | |
| Sue Knowles | resigned 30.5.25 |
| Lousie Pendry | |
| Michael Walton | resigned 31.3.25 |

Address 16 Herondale Avenue,
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EARLSFIELD FOODBANK
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

Structure, governance and management

Governing Document

Earlsfield Foodbank is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). The trustees adopted the constitution on 17 March 2016 based on the 'CIO Foundation Constitution' published by the Charities Commission. Earlsfield Foodbank was established for charitable purposes for the public benefit and entered the Register of Charities on 23rd June 2016 with the Registered Charity Number 1167812.

Trustee Selection and Management

Earlsfield Foodbank CIO is managed by a Board of Trustees selected for their range of skills and strong endorsement of the organisation's objectives

The Earlsfield Foodbank was founded in October 2013 by the late Rev. Colin Roberts, the parish priest of St John the Divine, in Garratt Lane, as a project supported by Churches Together in Earlsfield.

Apart from the first charity trustees (including Rev Isaac Achene), every trustee is appointed for a renewable term of three years. New trustees are appointed by existing trustees considering the skills needed to ensure effective management of the foodbank.

On first appointment, new charity trustees are given a copy of the charity's constitution and the latest Trustees' Annual Report and Statement of Accounts. Trustees are also encouraged to familiarise themselves with the Charities Commission's publications outlining the responsibilities involved in becoming a charity trustee.

The management of the charity is delegated to the Foodbank Manager and her Management Team. The Manager and members of the Management Team attend foodbank sessions implementing the guidelines laid down by the trustees in consultation with volunteers. Trustee and volunteer meetings are held regularly to consider management guidelines, progress since the last meeting and priorities for the next few months.

Trustees review the risks associated with the operation of the Foodbank and how these can be mitigated on a regular basis. The Trustees have adopted a broad range of policies that are intended to manage and minimise risks. Trustees and volunteers attend training that seeks to enable them to deal with some of the problems faced by clients of the foodbank, in particular through signposting clients to services run by third parties.

Changes to Trustees

Towards the end of the year the Trustees had to implement a number of changes.

Michael Walton had to retire as a Trustee and the Treasurer due to ill health and sadly passed away in June 2025. The Trustees would like to record his outstanding contribution to starting the Foodbank and working so hard over many years to make it what it is today. We all owe him an enormous debt of gratitude.

Isaac Walton stepped down as Chair at the end of the year having served for many years and having provided significant moral guidance to the Foodbank's principles.

Although Meg Fry had to step down from her valuable role as a Trustee, we re very grateful for the continuing support she had her team provide via the Home Community Café.

Sue Knowles kindly took over the Chair's role and handled the transition of both the Trustees and the manager very effectively and sensitively. However she also had to step down in June 2025. The Trustees are very grateful for her contribution.

Four new Trustees were appointed in the current year (2025/26): Beverley Morgan, Lucy Keen, Denise Paul and Paul Henry who is also Treasurer. Robin Gisby took over as Chair.

Charitable objects

The charity's objects were refined towards the end of the year to be the relief of food poverty in Earlsfield and the surrounding areas and in particular, but not exclusively, by providing food supplies to individuals in need and/or charities, or other organisations working to prevent or relieve poverty

Mission Statement

The charity's mission statement echoes the revised charitable objects:

- Our mission is to relieve food poverty in SW18 and SW17. We provide a helping hand to those facing food poverty in Earlsfield, offering support without judgement.
- Our aim is to relieve poverty by providing food but also to help our guests to move on so that they ultimately no longer need food aid support.
- We believe that no-one should go hungry and that all people, whatever their circumstances, deserve dignity, respect and privacy.

Public Benefit Statement

The Trustees confirm that they have had due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charities Commission in exercising their powers and duties.

Objectives and Activities

The Earlsfield Foodbank has identified strategic objectives to achieve its purpose:

Inspired by Christian social principles, the ethos of the Foodbank focuses on welcoming everyone involved as persons deserving respect and generosity regardless of ethnicity, gender, sexuality, class, race, religion or nationality

On first attending the foodbank:

- To provide food, basic supplies and other essential support items as well as emotional and other practical support for people and families who find themselves in crisis.

In the medium term:

- To direct individuals to where they can get help and support to address problems beyond food poverty through professional advice or referral to appropriate agencies engaged through the local network and those present at the foodbank.

In the longer term:

- To help raise awareness of the nature, impact and prevalence of food poverty and its underlying causes.
- To build the Earlsfield Foodbank as a sustainable, well-run charity that will continue to meet local needs, in the hope that in due course the services of foodbanks will become redundant as the campaign to eliminate food poverty succeeds.

Charitable Activities

During the period of this report the Foodbank continued to operate at St Andrew's Church in Garratt Lane on Thursday mornings between 9.30am and 12.00 pm.

During the period under review, guests were offered tea or coffee and pastries, supplemented by a hot light breakfast.

The Trustees remain determined to help guests to improve their lives and to address the various issues they face such as debt, employment, physical, social and mental health problems. During the year Foodbank continued to fund the attendance of an adviser from Wandsworth Citizens Advice. This funding is provided partly through a grant from the National Lottery Community Fund. The Family Action Wellbeing

Service (funded by Wandsworth Borough Council) is an early intervention mental health service, providing emotional and practical support to guests and their families struggling with poverty. An adviser from St Mungo's attended the foodbank offering support and advice for those in crisis through lack of housing or addiction. The Foodbank is now also part of a local network of agencies (Refernet) providing a wide range of support.

In addition to regular weekly support, the Foodbank has hosted ad hoc events to support and help guests.

Major Donations made during the period under review

During the year under review major donations and grants received have included:

| | | |
|---------------------------------|--------|------------|
| National Lottery Community Fund | 20,000 | Restricted |
| Wandsworth Borough Council | 15,000 | Restricted |
| Legacy | 68,088 | Restricted |

The legacy was from the estate of Miss Phyllis Audrey Thompson. The foodbank is extremely grateful to Miss Thompson for recognizing the charity as a worthy beneficiary of her will. The Trustees would like to fund an activity in memory of Miss Thompson but have yet to determine how the unrestricted donation should be utilized.

The Trustees are very grateful for the support of all major donors. As explained above, the National Lottery Community Fund grant covered most of the cost of the Citizens Advice (CAB) presence at the foodbank sessions. Wandsworth Council's grant was used to fund salaries of two of the charity's employees.

Fraud by newly appointed Foodbank Manager

A new Foodbank Manager (Darius Delail-Baird) was appointed in February 2024, prior to the year covered by this Annual Return. He was dismissed due to underperformance in July while on probation.

In September 2025 the previous Treasurer, in completing the Annual Return for 23/24, became aware of a significant discrepancy with the provision of Energy vouchers by the Foodbank to individuals. These vouchers can be exchanged for cash at a Post Office.

It became apparent that at least £4,300 of vouchers, out of a total issued of £5,378, were issued to him, his family or friends where they could be exchanged for cash. The matter was reported immediately to the Charity Commission, the Metropolitan Police and Action Fraud. A successful claim was made on our insurance policy less the £1k excess on it. Internal processes have been amended to prevent an occurrence of this very regrettable incident. We are awaiting further updates from Action Fraud who are pursuing the case.

Contribution made by employees, volunteers and local businesses, religious institutions, clubs, charities and schools

The Trustees recognise the essential and generous contributions that need to be made by the Foodbank Manager, and the volunteers. Following the dismissal of the Foodbank Manager noted above, in July 2024 the Trustees appointed a new management team comprising three part-time managers to each focus on different aspects of management

needs. The aim was to divide their activities so that no aspect of the Foodbank management is neglected and that they work together to build the donations, control expenditure and improve systems.

Sadly, the number of guests suffering from mental health problems, drug and alcohol addiction continued to increase. This together with abject poverty of many guests presented considerable challenges to staff and volunteers on Thursdays. The Trustees are very mindful of these challenges and are seeking to support managers and volunteers in every way. A security guard attends the foodbank every week.

The Trustees continue to review how these challenges, going far beyond the provision of food, can be managed in future; whilst retaining some of the unique and positive results of welcoming all who are in need in our designated area of London.

The Earlsfield Together network has succeeded in maintaining significant and regular donations of money and provisions during the year. Volunteers include those representing the engagement of local churches, the Earlsfield Baptist Church, St Gregory's Catholic Church, St John the Divine, St Mary Magdalene Anglican Church, the host church St Andrew's, Christ Revelation Faith Ministries and the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community.

The Foodbank is very grateful for the support of local businesses, in particular Just Boilers, a company that has supported the foodbank with regular donations of food and money since 2016 and Well Kneaded Pizza. Local schools have also continued to donate food and money, in particular Earlsfield Primary School, St Cecilia's, Ernest Bevin and Wandsworth Prep. Significant donations have been received from the work of the Bounce Theatre. Local organisations and individuals have also raised substantial sums through promoting events.

The Foodbank's partnership with the Home Cafe, which operates in St Andrew's, continues to be invaluable. The cafe closes on Thursdays to allow the foodbank to operate and has generously provided food for those guests attending the foodbank including the coffee and a light breakfast that are currently offered to all guests.

Above all, the Trustees recognize the very generous support of the Parish Council of St Andrew's that has welcomed and supported the foodbank by providing space for the foodbank to operate and store its stock in a Portacabin alongside the church.

The monetary value of the immense contribution of volunteers is not reflected in the accounts. Without the generosity of volunteers there would be no foodbank. Currently a bank of 60 volunteers is regularly engaged in registering and advising guests, sorting food and supplies, preparing food packages, planning food purchases, and in welcoming guests on Thursday mornings. A team of volunteers

also goes out on Wednesday evenings to collect surplus produce from 14 local supermarkets. The Foodbank remains extremely grateful for donations of food from the Dons Action Group. Many supporters continue to donate food via supermarket collection boxes, their churches and many other groups.

Achievements and Performance

During the year the foodbank has regrettably seen a considerable increase in the demand for its services and the services of the other organisations that operate in tandem with the foodbank. The increase in the numbers of families and individuals in need has been driven by the continuing 'cost of living crisis' and the inadequacy of the social and financial support available to those in need. We are fortunate to have the support of those organisations mentioned above who attend on a weekly basis.

Maintaining a relationship with Refernet gives access to a wide range of local support agencies depending on their individual needs. Volunteers continue to help guests with a number of problems such as dealing with their energy supplier, allowing those expert advisers from the organisations attending the foodbank to concentrate on more complex cases.

As mentioned above, it is easy to underestimate the stress associated with interacting with distressed guests seeking help, often as a last resort. The Trustees are conscious of their responsibility to support Managers and Volunteers who have to cope with the mental stress engendered when empathising with guests who are often very distressed. The generosity of everyone engaged with the funding and operation of the foodbank in time and spirit is the basis of all its achievements during the year.

Financial Review

The financial statements are attached together with a Letter of Representation to Independent Examiner and his Report.

Reserves

The Trustees have concluded that Earlsfield Foodbank should seek to build up unrestricted reserves that equate to a quarter of projected unrestricted expenditure for the following year. Reserves at 31st March 2025 represent 63% of payments for the year ended 31 March 2025 (2024 30%).

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:



Robin Gisby
Trustee

Date: 29/01/26.

**Earlsfield Foodbank
Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees
For the year ended 31 March 2025**

I report on the accounts of the Earlsfield Foodbank ('the charity') for the year ended 31st March 2025.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charities Commission under section 145(5)b of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's 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 charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with the accounting records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items and 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 statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements;
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 132 Of the 2011 Act and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Accounting Practice: Accounting and Reporting of Charitieshave not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Hugh Birchall

Date

29 / 01 / 2026

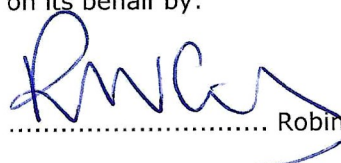
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Income and expenditure accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025

| | Notes | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted Funds £ | Total Funds 2025 £ | Total Funds 2024 £ |
|--|-------|-------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Income | | | | | |
| Voluntary Income | | | | | |
| Grants and Donations | 1,2 | 155,892 | 8,577 | 164,469 | 135,352 |
| Bank Interest | | 2,390 | - | 2,390 | 1,037 |
| Total receipts | | 158,282 | 8,577 | 166,859 | 136,389 |
| Expenditure | | | | | |
| Charitable activities | 3 | 121,242 | 8,505 | 129,747 | 142,163 |
| Total resources expended | | 121,242 | 8,505 | 129,747 | 142,163 |
| Net Movement in Funds and net receipts for the year | | 37,040 | 72 | 37,112 | (5,744) |
| Fund balances at 1 April 2024 | | 38,939 | 13,334 | 52,273 | 58,047 |
| Fund balances at 31 March 2025 | | 75,979 | 13,406 | 89,385 | 52,273 |

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31 March 2025

| | Notes | 2025 £ | 2024 £ |
|--------------------------------------|-------|-----------------|----------------|
| Current assets | | | |
| Cash at bank and short-term deposits | | 118,814 | 54,525 |
| Current liabilities | | | |
| Creditors | | (2,405) | (2,252) |
| Deferred grants | 7 | (27,024) | - |
| | 7 | | |
| Total current liabilities | | <u>(29,429)</u> | <u>(2,252)</u> |
| Total net assets | | <u>89,385</u> | <u>52,273</u> |
| Represented by: | | | |
| Funds and reserves | | | |
| Restricted fund | 8 | 13,406 | 13,334 |
| Unrestricted fund - General fund | 8 | 75,979 | 38,939 |
| | | <u>89,385</u> | <u>52,273</u> |

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board on 28 January 2026 and signed on its behalf by:


 Robin Gisby (Trustee)

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Notes to the accounts

1. Accounting policies

a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (Charities SORP FRS 102) the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the UK and the Republic of Ireland (FRS 102),

Assets and liabilities are initially recognized at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy or note.

b) Public Benefit entity

The CIO meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102

c) Going Concern

The Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the CIO's ability to continue as a going concern. The accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis.

d) Income

Income is recognized when the charity has entitlement to the funds and any performance conditions attached to the income have been met. It is probable that the income will be received and that the amount can be measured reliably.

Income from government and other grants, whether 'capital' grants or 'revenue' grants, is recognized when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grant have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred.

Donated food and other supplies are valued at a deemed 'fair value' when and where possible. Such 'deemed value' has been based either on the weight of food and supplies or the value placed on them by the provider.

Current policy is to place no monetary value on the generously donated time that volunteers spend working for the charity.

e) Fund accounting

Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets these criteria is charged to the fund.

Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources received and generated for charitable purposes.

f) Expenditure and liabilities

Liabilities are recognized once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure on charitable activities includes the cost of food and goods, any distribution costs and other activities undertaken to further the purposes of the charity and their support costs.

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Notes to the accounts (continued)

Accounting policies (continued)

g) Deferred Income

Any income that is made to cover expenditure over a defined period will be allocated pro rata to the year under review and to any future period of time. The amount allocated to the year under review is accounted for in receipts. Amounts allocated to subsequent years are shown as deferred grants.

2. Receipts

| Voluntary income | Unrestricted Funds £ | Restricted Funds £ | Total 2025 £ | Total 2024 £ |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Donations | 67,727 | | 67,727 | 90,022 |
| Legacy received | 68,088 | | 68,088 | - |
| National Lottery | | 5,833 | 5,833 | 10,000 |
| Wandsworth Borough | | 2,143 | 2,143 | 12,000 |
| Leveller Donations | | 72 | 72 | 636 |
| Breakfast Donations | | 529 | 529 | 644 |
| Insurance claim received | 3,308 | | 3,308 | - |
| Donations – weighed food and supplies | 16,769 | | 16,769 | 22,050 |
| | 155,892 | 8,577 | 164,469 | 135,352 |

Food donated during the year ended 31 March 2025 has been valued at £1.50 per kilo (2024 - £1.50 per kilo). All food donated was assumed to have been distributed during the year.

Monetary donations include gift aid when received.

The Restricted Income relates to

1. A grant of £20,000 was received in August 2024 from the National Lottery Community Fund to fund the cost of advisers from the Wandsworth Citizens Advice Bureaux attending foodbank session to support guests from 1 September 2024 to 31 August 2026. Funding of £5,833 was utilised during the year.
2. A grant of £15,000 was received from Wandsworth Borough Council out of their 'Cost of Living Grant Fund' in December 2024. This grant is to be used to fund the cost of employing operations managers from 1 March 2025 to 30 September 2025. Funding of £2,143 was utilised during the year.

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Notes to the accounts (continued)

3. Payments

| | Unrestricted 2025 | Restricted 2025 | Total 2025 | Total 2024 |
|---|----------------------|--------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Analysis of expenditure on Charitable activities | | | | |
| Charitable activities | | | | |
| Direct costs | | | | |
| Salaries costs | 27,386 | 2,143 | 29,529 | 22,054 |
| Value of food distributed | 63,034 | | 63,034 | 75,715 |
| Wandsworth Citizens' Advice | 7,167 | 5,833 | 13,000 | 13,000 |
| Cost of Breakfasts for guests | 7,091 | 529 | 7,620 | 3,771 |
| Energy Vouchers | - | - | - | 10,455 |
| Security costs | 7,800 | | 7,800 | 7,550 |
| Waste Recycling | 1,421 | | 1,421 | 1,355 |
| Foodbank equipment/bags | 174 | | 174 | 671 |
| Computers and printers | | | - | 1,500 |
| Total direct costs | 114,073 | 8,505 | 122,578 | 136,071 |
| Indirect costs | | | | |
| St Andrew's for space and energy | 3,900 | | 3,900 | 3,750 |
| Payroll Service | 322 | | 322 | 265 |
| Phone Costs | 235 | | 235 | 141 |
| Stationery and printing | 339 | | 339 | 332 |
| Mentoring costs | 925 | | 925 | 540 |
| Recruitment cost | - | | - | 199 |
| Insurance | 544 | | 544 | 410 |
| Bank costs | 60 | | 60 | 60 |
| Subscriptions | 60 | | 60 | 50 |
| Website costs | 286 | | 286 | 253 |
| Travel, cleaning and sundries | 498 | | 498 | 92 |
| Total indirect costs | 7,169 | - | 7,169 | 6,092 |
| Total resources expended | 121,242 | 8,505 | 129,747 | 142,163 |

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Notes to the accounts (continued)

Analysis of expenditure on Charitable activities (continued)

Food distributed during the year ended 31 March 2025 comprised the cost of food purchased directly by the foodbank amounting to £46,265 (2024 - £53,665) and the value placed on food donations in kind of £16,769 (2024 - £22,050), valued at £1.50 per kilo.

Restricted expenditure related the cost of the Wandsworth Citizens Advice contract for the year funded by the National Lottery Community Fund and Wandsworth Council's Capacity Building and Cost of Living Grants. Additional restricted expenditure relates to contributions to the cost of offering breakfast to guests funded by specific appeals. All other expenditure is funded by unrestricted income.

No Trustees received any remuneration in respect of their services as Trustees during the period (2024 - none). No travelling expenses were reimbursed to Trustees during the period

During the year to 31 March 2024 energy vouchers with a value of £4,308 were misappropriated. This matter was reported to the Metropolitan Police, the Charity Commission and Zurich Insurance. During 2024-25, £3,308 was recovered under the Charity's insurance policy.

4. Analysis of the cost of key management

| | 31 March 2025 | 31 March 2024 |
|--------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Salary | 29,142 | 21,635 |
| National insurance costs | - | - |
| Pension costs | 387 | 419 |
| | <u>29,529</u> | <u>22,054</u> |
| Full time equivalent | <u>0.8</u> | <u>0.6</u> |

No employee received remuneration above £60,000. The key management of the foodbank comprises the Foodbank Manager and the Trustees. One Foodbank manager resigned in June 2024 and was replaced by three part-time Foodbank managers who worked a total of 40 hours per week.

5. Transactions with Trustees

None of the Trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any benefit from the charity.

No Trustee expenses have been incurred in the year under review.

There were no related party transactions during the year under review.

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Notes to the accounts (continued)

6. Defined Contribution pension scheme

The charity operates a defined contributions pension scheme. The assets are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund. The employer's pension costs represent contributions payable by the charity to the fund and amount to £419 (2024 - £173).

7. Current Liabilities

| | 31 March 2025 | 31 March 2024 |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | £ | £ |
| <i>Creditors</i> | | |
| HMRC and Pension | 85 | 86 |
| Wandsworth Citizens Advice | 2,320 | 2,166 |
| | 2,405 | 2,252 |
| | | |
| <i>Deferred grants</i> | | |
| Grant from Wandsworth Council | 12,857 | - |
| Grant from the National Lottery Fund | 14,167 | - |
| | 27,024 | - |

8. Funds

| | At 1 April 2024 | Receipts | Payments | At 31 March 2025 |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|----------|----------|---------------------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Total Unrestricted funds | 38,939 | 158,282 | 121,242 | 75,979 |
| Total Restricted funds | 13,334 | 8,577 | 8,505 | 13,406 |
| | 52,273 | 166,859 | 129,747 | 89,385 |

9. Guarantees

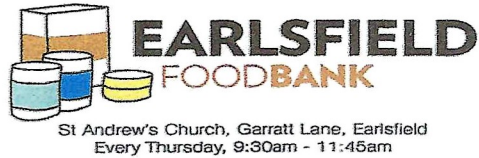
There have been no guarantees given by the charity at 31 March 2025.

10. Debt

There is no debt outstanding which is owed by the charity and which is secured by an excess charge on any of the assets of the charity at 31 March 2025.

11. Governing Document

The organisation is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation - registered on 23 June 2016 as a body corporate under part 11 of the Charities Act 2011.



24 Frewin Road
London
SW18 3LP

25 January 2026

Hugh Birchall
2 Tilehurst Road
London
SW18 3ET

Dear Hugh

Letter of Representation

The following representations are made on the basis of enquires of management and staff with relevant knowledge and experience such as we consider necessary in connection with your independent examination of the charity's financial statements for the year end 31st March 2025.

These inquires have included inspection of supporting documentation where appropriate and are sufficient to satisfy ourselves that we can make each of the following representations. All representations are made to the best of our knowledge and belief.

General

1. We acknowledge that work performed by you is substantially less in scope than an audit performed in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) and that you do not express an audit opinion.
2. We confirm that the charity was entitled to exemption under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 from the requirement to have its financial statements audited for the year ended 31st March 2025.
3. We have fulfilled our responsibilities as trustees under the Charities Act 2011 for preparing financial statements in accordance with the applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), being satisfied that they give a true and fair view and for making accurate representations to you.
4. All the transactions undertaken by the charity have been properly reflected and recorded in the accounting records.
5. All the accounting records have been made available to you for the purpose of your independent examination. We have provided you with unrestricted access to all the appropriate persons within the charity, including minutes of all management and trustee meeting and correspondence with the Charity Commissioners.
6. We have been unable to provide to you invoices supporting payments during the year, following the transition from the former to the current Treasurer.
7. The financial statements are free of any material misstatements, including omissions.

Assets and liabilities

8. The charity has satisfactory title to all assets and there are no liens or encumbrances on the charity's assets, except for those that are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.
9. All actual liabilities have been recorded or disclosed as appropriate. There were no contingent liabilities or guarantees given to third parties.
10. We have no plans or intentions that may materially alter the carrying value and where relevant the fair value measurements or classification of assets and liabilities reflected in the financial statements.

Accounting estimate

11. Significant assumptions used by us in making the accounting estimates, including those measured at fair value are reasonable

Legal claims

12. We have disclosed to you that there are no legal claims in connection with litigation that have been or are expected to be received. Therefore, no claims need to be reflected in the financial statements.
13. We have disclosed to you that there are no instances of non-compliance or suspected non-compliance with laws and regulations whose effects should be considered when preparing the financial statements.

Related parties

14. Related party relationships and transactions have been appropriately accounted for and disclosed in the financial statements. We have disclosed to you all relevant information concerning such relationships and transactions and are not aware of any other matters which require disclosure in order to comply with legislative and accounting standard requirements.

Subsequent

15. All events subsequent to the date of the financial statements which require adjustment or disclosure have been properly accounted for and disclosed.

Going concern

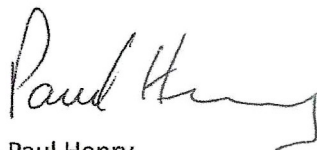
16. We believe that the charity's financial statements should be prepared on a going concern basis on the grounds that current and futures sources of funding or support will be more than adequate for the charity's needs. We have considered a period of twelve months from the date of approval of the financial statements. We believe that no further disclosures relating to the charity's ability to continue as a going concern need to be made in the financial statements.

Grants, donations and other income

17. All grants, donations and other income, the receipt of which is subject to specific terms or conditions have been notified to you. There have been no breaches of terms or conditions in the application of such income.

Yours faithfully

For and on behalf of the Trustees of the Earlsfield Foddbank



Paul Henry

Treasurer and Trustee

EARLSFIELD FOODBANK

England & Wales - Charity number 1167812

Accounts

Earlsfield Foodbank

**Registered Charity No.
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Governing Document

Earlsfield Foodbank is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). The trustees adopted the constitution on 17th March 2016 based on the 'CIO Foundation Constitution' published by the Charities Commission. Earlsfield Foodbank was established for charitable purposes for the public benefit and entered the Register of Charities on 23rd June 2016 with the Registered Charity Number 1167812.

Trustee Selection and Management

Earlsfield Foodbank CIO is managed by a Board of Trustees selected for their range of skills and strong endorsement of the organisation's objectives

The Earlsfield Foodbank was founded in October 2013 by the late Rev. Colin Roberts, the parish priest of St John the Divine, in Garratt Lane, as a project supported by Churches Together in Earlsfield.

Apart from the first charity trustees (including Rev Isaac Achene) every trustee is appointed for a renewable term of three years. New trustees are appointed by existing trustees considering the skills needed to ensure effective management of the foodbank.

On first appointment, new charity trustees are given a copy of the charity's constitution and the latest Trustees' Annual Report and Statement of Accounts. Trustees are also encouraged to familiarise themselves with the Charities Commission's publications outlining the responsibilities involved in becoming a charity trustee.

The management of the charity is delegated to the Foodbank Manager or the Foodbank Management Team. The Manager and members the Management Team attend foodbank sessions implementing the guidelines laid down by the trustees in consultation with volunteers. Trustee and volunteer meetings are held regularly to consider management guidelines, progress since the last meeting and priorities for the next few months.

Trustees review the risks associated with the operation of the foodbank and how these can be mitigated on a regular basis. The Trustees have adopted a broad range of policies that are intended to manage and minimise risks. Trustees and volunteers attend training that seeks to enable them to deal with some of the problems faced by clients of the foodbank, in particular through signposting clients to services run by third parties.

Charitable objects

The charity's objects are the prevention and relief of poverty in Earlsfield and the surrounding areas in particular but not exclusively by providing food supplies to individuals in need and/or charities, or other organisations working to prevent or relieve poverty

Mission Statement

The charity's mission statement echoes the charitable objects:

- 'Our mission is to prevent and relieve poverty in SW18 and SW17. We provide a helping hand to those facing food poverty in Earlsfield, offering support without judgement.

- Our aim is to relieve poverty providing food but also to help our guests to move on so that they ultimately no longer need food aid support.
- We believe that no-one should go hungry and that all people, whatever their circumstances, deserve dignity, respect and privacy.'

Public Benefit Statement

The Trustees confirm that they have had due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charities Commission in exercising their powers and duties.

Objectives and Activities

The Earlsfield Foodbank has identified strategic objectives to achieve its purpose:

Inspired by Christian social principles, the ethos of the Foodbank focuses on welcoming everyone involved as persons deserving respect and generosity regardless of ethnicity, gender, sexuality, class, race, religion or nationality

On first attending the foodbank:

- To provide food, basic supplies, energy vouchers and other essential support items as well as emotional and other practical support for people and families who find themselves in crisis.

In the medium term:

- To provide the help and support that individuals need to address problems beyond food poverty through onsite professional advice or referral to appropriate agencies engaged through the local network and those present at the foodbank.

In the longer term:

- To help raise awareness of the nature, impact and prevalence of food poverty and its underlying causes.
- To build the Earlsfield Foodbank as a sustainable, well-run charity that will continue to meet local needs, in the hope that in due course the services of foodbanks will become redundant as the campaign to eliminate food poverty succeeds.

Charitable Activities

During the period of this report the Foodbank continued to operate at St Andrew's Church in Garratt Lane on Thursday mornings between 9.30am and 12.00 pm. During the period under review, guests were offered a full breakfast on arrival up to June 2023. Since that date breakfasts supplied have comprised tea or coffee and pastries, supplemented by hot porridge since September 2023.

During the year ended 31st March 2024, the foodbank distributed 4,769 food parcels and other supplies, serving 474 households and 649 Individuals.

The Trustees remain determined to help guests to improve their lives and to address the various issues they face such as debt, employment, physical, social and mental health problems. The Foodbank continues to fund the attendance of an adviser from Wandsworth Citizens Advice. This funding is provided partly through a grant from the National Lottery Community Fund. The Family Action Wellbeing

Service (funded by Wandsworth Borough Council) is an early intervention mental health service, providing emotional and practical support to guests and their families struggling with poverty. An adviser from St Mungo's attends the foodbank offering support and advice for those in crisis through lack of housing or addiction. The Foodbank is now also part of a local network of agencies (Refernet) providing a wide range of support.

In addition to regular weekly support, the Foodbank has hosted ad hoc events to support and help guests. These have included:

- A Life Skills Workshop hosted by Family Action held in February 2024
- A visit from Lord Younger, a minister in Department of Work and Pensions in January 2024.

Major Donations made during the period under review

During the year under review major donations and grants received have included:

| | £ | |
|---------------------------------|--------|--------------|
| National Lottery Community Fund | 10,000 | Restricted |
| Wandsworth Borough Council | 12,000 | Restricted |
| Co-operative Society | 2,447 | Unrestricted |

The Trustees are very grateful for the support of all major donors. As explained above, the National Lottery Community Fund grant covers most of the cost of the Citizens Advice (CAB) presence at the foodbank sessions. Wandsworth Council's grant is being used to fund salaries of two of the charity's employees.

In 2024/25, the charity has received a legacy from the estate of Miss Phyllis Audrey Thompson amounting to £68,008. The foodbank is extremely grateful to Miss Thompson for recognizing the charity as a worthy beneficiary of her will. The Trustees would like to fund an activity in memory of Miss Thompson but have yet to determine how the unrestricted donation should be utilized.

Contribution made by employees, volunteers and local businesses, religious institutions, clubs, charities and schools

The Trustees recognise the essential and generous contributions made by the Foodbank Manager, and the volunteers. Since the year end a Foodbank management Team has been appointed

Charlotte White retired from the role of Foodbank Manager at the end of January 2024. Charlotte had been both a Trustee and the Foodbank Manager since 2020. Without Charlotte's initiative in March 2020, with the support of the Trustees, the foodbank might never have moved to St Andrew's Church as COVID and its effects had necessitated a move from St John the Divine. The Trustees on behalf of everyone involved with the foodbank, both volunteers and guests, owe a great debt of gratitude to Charlotte and wish her well for the future.

Since July 2024 the Trustees have appointed a new management team comprising three part-time managers to each focus on different aspects of management

needs. The aim is to divide their activities so that no aspect of the Foodbank management is neglected and that they work together to build the donations, control expenditure and improve systems.

Sadly, the number of guests suffering from mental health problems, drug and alcohol addiction continue to increase. This together with abject poverty of many guests presents considerable challenges to staff and volunteers on Thursdays. The Trustees are very mindful of these challenges and are seeking to support managers and volunteers in every way. A security guard attends the foodbank every week.

The Trustees continue to review how these challenges, going far beyond the provision of food, can be managed in future; whilst retaining some of the unique and positive results of welcoming all who are in need in our designated area of London.

The Earlsfield Together network has succeeded in maintaining significant and regular donations of money and provisions during the year. Volunteers include those representing the engagement of local churches, the Earlsfield Baptist Church, St Gregory's Catholic Church, St John the Divine, St Mary Magdalene Anglican Church, the host church St Andrew's, Christ Revelation Faith Ministries and the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community.

The Foodbank is very grateful for the support of local businesses, in particular Just Boilers, a company that has supported the foodbank with regular donations of food and money since 2016 and Well Kneaded Pizza. Local schools have donated food and money, in particular Earlsfield Primary School, St Cecilia's, Ernest Bevin and Wandsworth Prep. Significant donations have been received from the work of the Bounce Theatre. Local organisations and individuals have raised substantial sums through promoting events including the Wandsworth Common WI Plant Sale raising £2,250, Sarah Kerr for running a highly successful raffle raising £7,085, Sarah and Paul Henry for organizing a bridge evening raising £1,965 and Coronation Parties in the Earlsfield area raised £5,560.

The Foodbank's partnership with the Home Café, which operates in St Andrew's, continues to be invaluable. The café closes on Thursdays to allow the foodbank to operate and has generously provided food for those guests attending the foodbank including the coffee and a light breakfast that are currently offered to all guests.

Above all, the Trustees recognize the very generous support of the Parish Council of St Andrew's that has welcomed and supported the foodbank by providing space for the foodbank to operate and store its stock in a portacabin alongside the church.

The monetary value of the immense contribution of volunteers is not reflected in the accounts. Without the generosity of volunteers there would be no foodbank. Currently a bank of 60 volunteers is regularly engaged in registering and advising guests, sorting food and supplies, preparing food packages, planning food purchases, and in welcoming guests on Thursday mornings. A team of volunteers

also goes out on Wednesday evenings to collect surplus produce from 14 local supermarkets. The Foodbank remains extremely grateful for donations of food from the Dons Action Group. Many supporters continue to donate food via supermarket collection boxes, their churches and many other groups.

Achievements and Performance

During the year the foodbank has regrettably seen a considerable increase in the demand for its services and the services of the other organisations that operate in tandem with the foodbank. The increase in the numbers of families and individuals in need has been driven by the continuing 'cost of living crisis' and the inadequacy of the social and financial support available to those in need. We are fortunate to have the support of those organisations mentioned above who attend on a weekly basis.

It is also regrettable that during the financial year the foodbank has suffered financially from a fraudulent misuse of Energy Vouchers. This callous theft of energy vouchers has resulted in a loss to guests and a cessation of this charitable activity. The Trustees have reported this theft to the Charity Commission, Action Fraud and the Metropolitan Police. The Trustees have reviewed how the fraud was possible and have taken steps to tighten up internal controls to avoid such damage in future, even if it results in more cumbersome operating procedures.

Maintaining a relationship with Refernet gives access to a wide range of local support agencies depending on their individual needs. Volunteers continue to help guests with a number of problems such as dealing with their energy supplier, allowing those expert advisers from the organisations attending the foodbank to concentrate on more complex cases.

As mentioned above, it is easy to underestimate the stress associated with interacting with distressed guests seeking help, often as a last resort. The Trustees are conscious of their responsibility to support Managers and Volunteers who have to cope with the mental stress engendered when empathising with guests who are often very distressed. The generosity of everyone engaged with the funding and operation of the foodbank in time and spirit is the basis of all its achievements during the year.

Financial Review

The financial statements are attached.

Reserves

The Trustees have concluded that Earlsfield Foodbank should seek to build up unrestricted reserves that equate to a quarter of projected unrestricted expenditure for the following year. Reserves at 31st March 2024 represent 31% of payments for the year ended 31st March 2023 (2023 58%).

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:



Rev. Isaac Achene

Date:

16/01/2025

**Earlsfield Foodbank
Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees
For the year ended 31st March 2024**

I report on the accounts of the Earlsfield Foodbank ('the charity') for the year ended 31st March 2024.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charities Commission under section 145(5)b of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's 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 charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with the accounting records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items and 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 statement below.

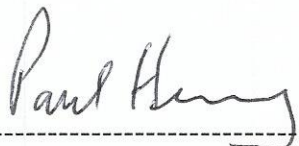
Independent examiner's statement

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

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements;
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 132 Of the 2011 Act and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Accounting Practice: Accounting and Reporting of Charities

have not been met; or

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



Date 21 January 2025.

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Receipts and Payments Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2024

| | Notes | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted Funds £ | Total Funds 2024 £ | Total Funds 2023 £ |
|--|-------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Receipts | | | | | |
| Voluntary Income | 1 | | | | |
| Grants and Donations | | 112,072 | 23,280 | 135,352 | 139,237 |
| Bank Interest | | 1,037 | - | 1,037 | 58 |
| Total receipts | | 113,109 | 23,280 | 136,389 | 139,295 |
| Payments | | | | | |
| Charitable activities | 2 | 123,795 | 18,368 | 142,163 | 102,117 |
| Total resources expended | | 123,795 | 18,368 | 142,163 | 102,117 |
| Net Movement in Funds and net receipts for the year | | (10,686) | 4,912 | (5,774) | 37,178 |
| Fund balances at 1st April 2023 | | 49,625 | 8,422 | 58,047 | 20,869 |
| Fund balances at 31st March 2024 | | 38,939 | 13,334 | 52,273 | 58,047 |

Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31st March 2024

| | Notes | 2024 £ | 2024 £ | 2023 £ |
|--------------------------------------|-------|-----------|---------------|---------------|
| Current assets | | | | |
| Cash at bank and short-term deposits | | 54,525 | | 60,247 |
| Net current assets | | | 54,525 | 60,247 |
| Net current liabilities | 6 | | | |
| Creditors | | | (2,252) | (2,200) |
| Total net assets | | | 52,273 | 58,047 |
| Represented by: | | | | |
| Funds and reserves | 7 | | | |
| Restricted fund | | | 13,334 | 8,422 |
| Unrestricted fund - General fund | | | 38,939 | 49,625 |
| | | | 52,273 | 58,047 |

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board on 15/01/2025 and signed on its behalf by:

 Rev. Isaac Achene (Chair)

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Notes to the accounts

1. Accounting policies

a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (Charities SORP FRS 102) the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the UK and the Republic of Ireland (FRS 102),

Assets and liabilities are initially recognized at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy or note.

b) Public Benefit entity

The CIO meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102

c) Going Concern

The Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the CIO's ability to continue as a going concern. The accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis.

d) Income

Income is recognized when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and that the amount can be measured reliably.

Income from government and other grants, whether 'capital' grants or 'revenue' grants, is recognized when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grant have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred.

Donated food and other supplies are valued at a deemed 'fair value' when and where possible. Such 'deemed value' has been based either on the weight of food and supplies or the value placed on them by the provider.

Current policy is to place no monetary value on the generously donated time that volunteers spend working for the charity.

e) Fund accounting

Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets these criteria is charged to the fund.

Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources received and generated for charitable purposes.

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f) Expenditure and liabilities

Liabilities are recognized once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure on charitable activities includes the cost of food and goods, any distribution costs and other activities undertaken to further the purposes of the charity and their support costs.

g) Deferred Income

Any income that is made to cover expenditure over a defined period will be allocated pro rata to the year under review and to any future period of time. The amount allocated to the year under review is accounted for in receipts. Amounts allocated to subsequent years are shown as deferred grants.

2. Receipts

| Voluntary income | Unrestricted Funds £ | Restricted Funds £ | Total 2024 £ | Total 2023 £ |
|--|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Donations – money | 90,022 | - | 90,022 | 81,823 |
| National Lottery | - | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 |
| Wandsworth Borough | - | 12,000 | 12,000 | 6,450 |
| Leveller Donations | - | 636 | 636 | 11,937 |
| Breakfast Donations | - | 644 | 644 | 619 |
| Donations – weighed food and supplies | 22,050 | - | 22,050 | 16,884 |
| Donations-via Bankuet | - | - | - | 11,524 |
| | 112,072 | 23,280 | 135,352 | 139,237 |

Food donated during the year ended 31st March 2024 has been valued at £1.50 per kilo (2022 £1.50 per kilo). All food donated was assumed to have been distributed during the year.

Monetary donations include gift aid when received.

The Restricted Income relates to

1. Grant received from the National Lottery Community Fund funds the cost of advisers from the Wandsworth Citizens Advice Bureaux attending foodbank session to support guests. During the year under review a grant of £10,000 was received. This grant was used to part fund the WCAB service from 1st August 2023.

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2. Grant received from Wandsworth Borough Council out of their 'Cost of Living Grant Fund' of £12,000. This grant is to be used to fund the cost of employing operations managers over the period 2023-24. None of this funding was utilised during the year.
3. Funds raised from the Earlsfield Leveller Appeal funded Energy Vouchers distributed to guests in need of support to meet the increased costs of energy. This fund was fully spent in January 2024. The trustees decided that from March 2024 no further purchases of energy vouchers will be funded from Unrestricted Income. Issues of vouchers to guests ceased in April 2024.
4. Funds raised by an appeal for funding to help meet the costs of breakfasts supplied by the Home Community Café for guests attending the foodbank.

3. Payments

| | Unrestricted 2024 | Restricted 2024 | Total 2024 | Total 2023 |
|---|----------------------|--------------------|----------------|----------------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Analysis of expenditure on Charitable activities | | | | |
| Raising funds | | | | |
| Fundraising costs | - | - | - | 59 |
| | - | - | - | 59 |
| Charitable activities | | | | |
| Direct costs | | | | |
| Salaries and associated costs | 22,054 | - | 22,054 | 12,172 |
| Value of food distributed | 72,480 | 3,235 | 75,715 | 53,541 |
| Wandsworth Citizens' Advice | 4,334 | 8,666 | 13,000 | 13,000 |
| Cost of Breakfasts for guests | 3,127 | 644 | 3,771 | 3,977 |
| Energy Vouchers | 4,847 | 5,608 | 10,455 | 6,965 |
| Foodbank Security costs | 7,550 | - | 7,550 | 7,475 |
| Waste Recycling | 1,355 | - | 1,355 | 1,391 |
| Foodbank Equipment/Bags | 671 | - | 671 | 113 |
| Computers and Printers | 1,285 | 215 | 1,500 | - |
| Indirect costs | | | | |
| St Andrew's for space and energy | 3,750 | | 3,750 | 1,650 |
| Payroll Service | 265 | | 265 | 191 |
| Phone Costs | 141 | | 141 | 52 |
| Stationery and Printing | 332 | - | 332 | 262 |
| Computer Security | - | - | - | 133 |
| Mentoring costs | 540 | - | 540 | - |
| Recruitment cost | 199 | - | 199 | - |
| Insurance | 410 | - | 410 | 383 |
| Bank costs | 60 | - | 60 | 72 |
| Credit Card costs (Bankuet) | - | - | - | 141 |
| Subscriptions | 50 | - | 50 | 50 |
| Website Costs | 253 | - | 253 | 216 |
| Travel, Cleaning and Sundries | 92 | - | 92 | 274 |
| Total charitable activities | 123,795 | 18,368 | 142,163 | 102,058 |
| Total resources expended | 123,795 | 18,368 | 142,163 | 102,117 |

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Analysis of expenditure on Charitable activities (continued)

Food distributed during the year ended 31st March 2024 comprised the cost of food purchased directly by the foodbank amounting to £53,665 and the value placed on food donations in kind of £22,050 (valued at £1.50 per kilo).

Restricted Expenditure relates to the cost of the Wandsworth Citizens Advice contract for the year funded by the National Lottery Community Fund and Wandsworth Council's Capacity Building and Cost of Living Grants. Additional Restricted Expenditure relate to buying Energy Vouchers for Guests and contributions to the cost of offering breakfast to Guests both funded by specific appeals for that class of expenditure. All other expenditure is funded by Unrestricted income.

No Trustees received any remuneration in respect of their services as Trustees during the period (2022: none). No travelling expenses were reimbursed to Trustees during the period

During the year and after the year end, Energy Vouchers with a value of £4,308 have been misappropriated. This matter has been reported to the Metropolitan Police, the Charity Commission and Zurich Insurance.

3. Analysis of the cost of key management

| | <u>31st March 2024</u> | <u>31st March 2023</u> |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Salary | 21,635 | 12,000 |
| National Insurance Costs | - | - |
| Pension costs | <u>419</u> | <u>172</u> |
| | <u>22,054</u> | <u>12,172</u> |

No employee received remuneration above £60,000. The key management of the foodbank comprises the Foodbank Manager and the Trustees. One Foodbank manager resigned in January 2024 and was replaced by a new Foodbank manager who remained in post at 31st March 2024. The Foodbank Manager increased her hours of work in May 2023 from 16 hours per week to 24 hours per week. Both employees were contracted to work for 24 hours per week (about 0.6 FTE) (2023 0.6 FTE)

4. Transactions with Trustees

None of the Trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any benefit from the charity.

Trustees' expenses

No Trustee expenses have been incurred in the year under review.

Transactions with related parties

There were no related party transactions during the year under review.

5. Defined Contribution pension scheme

The charity operates a defined contributions pension scheme. The assets are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund.

The employer's pension costs represent contributions payable by the charity to the fund and amount to £419. (2023 £172) There was an employer's contribution of £84 outstanding at 31st March 2024 that has been accrued. (2023 £14)

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6. Current Liabilities

| | 31 st March 2024 | 31 st March 2023 |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Creditors | | |
| HMRC and Pension | 86 | 34 |
| Wandsworth Citizens Advice | <u>2,166</u> | <u>2,166</u> |
| | <u>2,252</u> | <u>2,200</u> |

7. Funds

| | At 1 st April 2023 £ | Receipts £ | Payments £ | At 31 March 2024 £ |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| Total Unrestricted funds | 49,625 | 113,109 | 123,795 | 38,939 |
| Total Restricted funds | 8,422 | 23,280 | 18,368 | 13,334 |
| Total funds | <u>58,047</u> | <u>136,389</u> | <u>142,163</u> | <u>52,273</u> |

8. Guarantees

There have been no guarantees given by the charity at 31st March 2024.

9. Debt

There is no debt outstanding which is owed by the charity and which is secured by an excess charge on any of the assets of the charity at 31st March 2024.

10. Governing Document

The organisation is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation - registered on 23rd June 2016 as a body corporate under part 11 of the Charities Act 2011.

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Earlsfield Foodbank

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Mission Statement

The charity's mission statement echoes the charitable objects:

- Our mission is to prevent and relieve poverty in SW18 and SW17. We provide a helping hand to those facing food poverty in Earlsfield, offering support without judgement.
- Our aim is to relieve poverty providing food but also to help our guests to move on so that they ultimately no longer need food aid support.
- We believe that no-one should go hungry and that all people, whatever their circumstances, deserve dignity, respect and privacy.

Public Benefit Statement

The Trustees confirm that they have had due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charities Commission in exercising their powers and duties.

Objectives and Activities

The Earlsfield Foodbank has identified strategic objectives to achieve its purpose:

Inspired by Christian social principles, the ethos of the Foodbank focuses on welcoming everyone involved as persons deserving respect and generosity regardless of ethnicity, gender, sexuality, class, race, religion or nationality

On first attending the foodbank:

- To provide food, basic supplies, energy vouchers and other essential support items as well as emotional and other practical support for people and families who find themselves in crisis.

In the medium term:

- To provide the help and support that individuals need to address problems beyond food poverty through onsite professional advice or referral to appropriate agencies engaged through the local network and those present at the foodbank.

In the longer term:

- To help raise awareness of the nature, impact and prevalence of food poverty and its underlying causes.
- To build the Earlsfield Foodbank as a sustainable, well-run charity that will continue to meet local needs, in the hope that in due course the services of foodbanks will become redundant as the campaign to eliminate food poverty succeeds.

Charitable Activities

During the period of this report the Foodbank operated at St Andrew's Church in Garratt Lane on Thursday mornings between 9.30am and 12.00 pm.

The Foodbank has distributed 4,559 food parcels and other supplies during the year, serving 460 households and 1,196 individuals. In addition, 890 hot meals were distributed with a value of £2 per meal, providing an in-kind value of £1,780

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for our guests. During the period under review, guests were offered a full breakfast on arrival. Since June 2023 breakfasts supplied have comprised tea or coffee and pastries, supplemented by hot porridge since September 2023.

As stated above, the Trustees remain determined to help guests to improve their lives and to address the various issues they face such as debt, employment, physical, social and mental health problems. The Foodbank continues to fund the attendance of an adviser from Wandsworth Citizens Advice. This funding is provided generously through a grant from the National Lottery Community Fund. The Family Action Wellbeing Service (funded by Wandsworth Borough Council) is an early intervention mental health service, providing emotional and practical support to guests and their families struggling with poverty. An adviser from St Mungo's attends the foodbank offering support and advice for those in crisis through lack of housing or addiction. The Foodbank is now also part of a local network of agencies (Refernet) providing a wide range of support.

In addition to regular weekly support, the Foodbank has hosted ad hoc events to support and help guests. These have included:

- a visit from doctors and nurses from the Brocklebank Health Centre to conduct a range of health checks
- a visit from St George's Hospital Hepatology Unit to scan livers in a mobile Liver Scan Van Unit
- CREW Energy visited the Foodbank twice to give advice on saving energy including handing out energy saving bulbs and other energy/resource saving devices.

Major Donations made during the period under review

During the year under review major donations and grants received have included:

| | £ | |
|---------------------------------|--------|--------------|
| National Lottery Community Fund | 10,000 | Restricted |
| Wandsworth Borough Council | 6,250 | Restricted |
| Headley Trust | 10,000 | Unrestricted |

The Trustees are very grateful for the support of all major donors. As explained above the National Lottery Community Fund grant covers most of the cost of the Citizens Advice (CAB) presence at the foodbank sessions. Wandsworth Council's grant for 'Capacity Building' has been used to acquire laptops available for guests to use, fresh food particularly vegetables and the balance of the costs associated with the CAB adviser.

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Contribution made by volunteers and local businesses, religious institutions, clubs, charities and schools

The Trustees recognise the essential and generous contribution made by the Foodbank Manager and the volunteers. The Foodbank has only one paid employee, Charlotte White, the Foodbank Manager. The monetary value of the immense contribution of volunteers is not reflected in the accounts. Volunteers, led by the Foodbank Manager, help plan and manage the operation of the foodbank. This involves fundraising and the acquisition of food and other supplies, the planning and management of the foodbank operation at St Andrew's each Thursday.

The Earlsfield Together network has succeeded in generating significant donations of money and provisions during the year. Volunteers include those representing the engagement of local churches, the Earlsfield Baptist Church, St Gregory's Catholic Church, St John the Divine, St Mary Magdalene Church, and our host church St Andrew's, Christ Revelation Faith Ministries and the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community.

The Foodbank is very grateful for the support of local businesses, in particular Just Boilers, Well Kneaded, and local schools, in particular Earlsfield Primary School, St Cecilia's Secondary School, Ernest Bevin Secondary School and Wandsworth Preparatory School. Significant donations have been received from the work of the Bounce Theatre. Local organisations and individuals have raised substantial sums through promoting events including particularly the Wandsworth Common WI, Sarah Kerr, the Magdalen Road Tennis Club, Earlsfield Football Club and Battersea Ironsides Rugby Club.

The Foodbank's partnership with the Home Café, which operates in St Andrew's, continues to be invaluable. The café closes on Thursdays to allow the foodbank to operate and has generously provided food for those guests attending the foodbank including the breakfasts that are currently offered to all guests.

Above all, the Trustees recognize the very generous support of the Parish Council of St Andrew's that has welcomed and supported the foodbank by providing space for the foodbank to operate and store its stock in a portacabin alongside the church.

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Without the generosity of volunteers there would be no foodbank. Currently a bank of 60 volunteers is regularly engaged in registering and advising guests, sorting food and supplies, preparing food packages, planning food purchases, and in welcoming guests on Thursday mornings. A team of volunteers also goes out on Wednesday evenings to collect surplus produce from 14 local Tesco Express stores.

Achievements and Performance

During the year the foodbank has regrettably seen a considerable increase in the demand for its services and the services of the other organisations that operate in tandem with the foodbank. The increase in the numbers of families and individuals in need has been driven by the 'cost of living crisis' and the inadequacy of the social and financial support available to those in need. We are fortunate to have the support of those organisations mentioned above who attend on a weekly basis but have also had regular visits from doctors and others from the Brocklebank Health Centre, screening services from St George's Hospital, all seeking to help those who otherwise find it difficult to access such services.

In addition to its regular help to guests, the foodbank has co-operated in raising funds to provide energy vouchers to guests. This has helped those less able to afford essential heating and lighting to maintain a reasonable standard of living during the peaks in energy costs experienced over the last 18 months.

The ability to establish the needs of guests and to refer them to local agencies that can help them is central to the purpose of the charity. The relationship with Refernet gives access to a wide range of local support agencies depending on their individual needs. Training has been provided to volunteers so that they can help guests with a number of problems such as dealing with their energy supplier, allowing those expert advisers from organisations attending the foodbank to concentrate on the more complex cases.

The foodbank continues to gain support from local businesses, local schools and several local networks to support the foodbank. But for the generosity of our local donors and our energetic volunteers, the foodbank would be unable to meet the increasing demand for its charitable activities. The Trustees are extremely grateful for such generous support in difficult times.

It is easy to underestimate the stress associated with interacting with distressed guests seeking help, often as a last resort. The Trustees are conscious of their responsibility to support Charlotte White and her team who have to cope with the mental stress engendered when empathising with troubled and distressed guests. The generosity of everyone engaged with the funding and operation of the foodbank in both time and spirit is the basis of all the foodbank's achievements during the year.

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Financial Review

The financial statements are attached.

Reserves

The Trustees have concluded that Earlsfield Foodbank should seek to build up unrestricted reserves that equate to a quarter of projected unrestricted expenditure for the following year. Reserves at 31st March 2023 represent 58% of payments for the year ended 31st March 2023 (2021 34%).

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:



Rev. Isaac Achene

Date: 24/01/24

**Earlsfield Foodbank
Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees
For the year ended 31st March 2023**

I report on the accounts of the Earlsfield Foodbank ('the charity') for the year ended 31st March 2023.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charities Commission under section 145(5)b of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's 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 charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with the accounting records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items and 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 statement below.

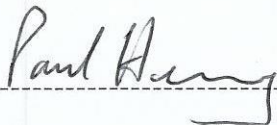
Independent examiner's statement

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

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements;
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 132 Of the 2011 Act and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Accounting Practice: Accounting and Reporting of Charities

have not been met; or

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



Paul Henry,
24 Frewin Road,
London SW18 3LP

Date 25 January 2024

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Receipts and Payments Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2023

| | Notes | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted Funds £ | Total Funds 2023 £ | Total Funds 2022 £ |
|---|-------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Receipts | | | | | |
| Voluntary Income | 1 | | | | |
| Grants and Donations | | 110,231 | 29,006 | 139,237 | 66,434 |
| Bank Interest | | 58 | - | 58 | - |
| Total receipts | | <u>110,289</u> | <u>29,006</u> | <u>139,295</u> | <u>66,434</u> |
| Payments | | | | | |
| Charitable activities | 2 | 81,533 | 20,584 | 102,117 | 71,422 |
| Total resources expended | | <u>81,533</u> | <u>20,584</u> | <u>102,117</u> | <u>71,422</u> |
| Net Movement in Funds and net receipts/(payments) for the year | | 28,756 | 8,422 | 37,178 | (4,988) |
| Fund balances at 1st April 2022 | | 20,869 | - | 20,869 | 25,857 |
| Fund balances at 31st March 2023 | | <u>49,625</u> | <u>8,422</u> | <u>58,047</u> | <u>20,869</u> |

Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31st March 2023

| Notes | 2023 £ | 2022 £ |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Current assets | | |
| Cash at bank and short-term deposits | 60,247 | 23,093 |
| Net current assets | 60,247 | 23,093 |
| Net current liabilities | | |
| Creditors | (2,200) | (2,224) |
| Total net assets | <u>58,047</u> | <u>20,869</u> |
| Represented by: | | |
| Funds and reserves | | |
| Restricted fund | 8,422 | - |
| Unrestricted fund - General fund | 49,625 | 20,869 |
| | <u>58,047</u> | <u>20,869</u> |

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board on 11th January 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

 Rev. Isaac Achene (**Chair**)

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Notes to the accounts

1. Accounting policies

a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (Charities SORP FRS 102) the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the UK and the Republic of Ireland (FRS 102),

Assets and liabilities are initially recognized at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy or note.

b) Public Benefit entity

The CIO meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102

c) Going Concern

The Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the CIO's ability to continue as a going concern. The accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis.

d) Income

Income is recognized when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and that the amount can be measured reliably.

Income from government and other grants, whether 'capital' grants or 'revenue' grants, is recognized when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grant have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred.

Donated food and other supplies are valued at a deemed 'fair value' when and where possible. Such 'deemed value' has been based either on the weight of food and supplies or the value placed on them by the provider.

Current policy is to place no value on the time that volunteers generously spend working for the charity.

e) Fund accounting

Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets these criteria is charged to the fund.

Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources received and generated for charitable purposes.

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f) Expenditure and liabilities

Liabilities are recognized once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure on charitable activities includes the cost of food and goods, any distribution costs and other activities undertaken to further the purposes of the charity and their support costs.

g) Deferred Income

Any income that is received to cover expenditure over a defined period will be allocated pro rata to the year under review and to any future period of time. The amount allocated to the year under review is accounted for in receipts. Amounts allocated to subsequent years are shown as deferred grants.

1. Receipts

| Voluntary income | Unrestricted Funds £ | Restricted Funds £ | Total 2023 £ | Total 2022 £ |
|--|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Donations – money | 81,823 | - | 81,823 | 25,115 |
| National Lottery | - | 10,000 | 10,000 | - |
| Wandsworth Borough | - | 6,450 | 6,450 | - |
| Leveller Donations | - | 11,937 | 11,937 | - |
| Breakfast Donations | - | 619 | 619 | - |
| Donations – weighed food and supplies | 16,884 | - | 16,884 | 12,906 |
| Donations-via Bankuet | 11,524 | - | 11,524 | 18,163 |
| | 110,231 | 29,006 | 139,237 | 56,184 |

Food donated during the year ended 31st March 2023 has been valued at £1.50 per kilo (2021 £1.70 per kilo). All food donated was assumed to have been distributed during the year.

The value of donations of food received via Bankuet recognised in the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2023 is included at the value that Bankuet attributes to each delivery.

Monetary donations include gift aid when received.

The Restricted Income relates to

- Grant received from the National Lottery Community Fund intended to fund the cost of advisers from the Wandsworth Citizens Advice Bureaux attending foodbank session to support guests who are facing problems. During the year under review no grants were received, although a further grant of £10,000 has been received since the year end to part-fund the costs from 1st June 2023.

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2. Grant received from Wandsworth Borough Council to fund 'Capacity Building'. Of this grant £3,000 was used in the year under review to fund the balance of the cost of the Citizens Advice Project not funded by the Community Fund.
3. Funds raised by the Earlsfield Leveller Appeal to fund Energy Vouchers distributed to guests in need of support to meet the increased costs of energy.
4. Funds raised by an appeal for funding to help meet the costs of breakfasts supplied by the Home Community Café for guests attending the foodbank.

2. Payments

| | Unrestricted 2023 | Restricted 2023 | Total 2023 | Total 2022 |
|---|----------------------|--------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Analysis of expenditure on Charitable activities | | | | |
| Raising funds | | | | |
| Fundraising costs | 59 | - | 59 | - |
| | 59 | - | 59 | - |
| Charitable activities | | | | |
| Direct costs | | | | |
| Salaries and associated costs | 12,172 | - | 12,172 | 3,044 |
| Value of food distributed | 53,541 | - | 53,541 | 49,562 |
| Wandsworth Citizens' Advice | - | 13,000 | 13,000 | 11,916 |
| Cost of Breakfasts for guests | 3,358 | 618 | 3,976 | - |
| Energy Vouchers | - | 6,966 | 6,966 | - |
| Foodbank Security costs | 7,475 | - | 7,475 | 3,450 |
| Waste Recycling | 1,391 | - | 1,391 | 703 |
| Foodbank Equipment | 113 | - | 113 | 339 |
| Sundry Consumables | - | - | - | 274 |
| PPE and Covid related costs | - | - | - | 179 |
| Safeguarding costs | - | - | - | 246 |
| Indirect costs | | | | |
| St Andrew's for space and energy | 1,650 | - | 1,650 | - |
| Payroll Service | 191 | - | 191 | 152 |
| Phone Costs | 52 | - | 52 | 90 |
| Stationery and Printing | 262 | - | 262 | 86 |
| Computer Security | 133 | - | 133 | 123 |
| Insurance | 383 | - | 383 | 302 |
| Bank costs | 72 | - | 72 | 72 |
| Credit Card costs (Bankuet) | 141 | - | 141 | 414 |
| Subscriptions | 50 | - | 50 | 247 |
| Website Costs | 216 | - | 216 | 223 |
| Travel, Cleaning and Sundries | 274 | - | 274 | - |
| Total charitable activities | 81,474 | 20,584 | 102,058 | 71,422 |
| Total resources expended | 81,533 | 20,584 | 102,117 | 71,422 |

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Analysis of expenditure on Charitable activities (continued)

Food distributed during the year ended 31st March 2023 comprised the value placed on deliveries from Bankuet of £9,040, the cost of food purchased directly by the foodbank amounting to £27,617 and the value placed on food donations in kind of £16,884 (valued at £1.50 per kilo).

Restricted expenditure relates to the cost of the Wandsworth Citizens Advice contract for the year funded by the National Lottery Community Fund and Wandsworth Council's Capacity Building Grant. Additional Restricted Expenditure relates to buying Energy Vouchers for guests and contributions to the cost of offering a cooked breakfast to guests both funded by specific appeals for that class of expenditure. All other expenditure is funded by unrestricted income.

No Trustees received any remuneration in respect of their services as Trustees during the period (2022: none). No travelling expenses were reimbursed to Trustees during the period (2022: none).

One Trustee received remuneration after being appointed as Foodbank Manager. This appointment was sanctioned by the Charities Commission. The recruitment process and remuneration package having met their requirements. This Trustee resigned as a Trustee in February 2023.

3. Analysis of the cost of key management

| | <u>31st March 2023</u> | <u>31st March 2022</u> |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Salary | 12,000 | 3,000 |
| National Insurance Costs | - | - |
| Pension costs | <u>173</u> | <u>43</u> |
| | <u>12,173</u> | <u>3,043</u> |

No employee received remuneration above £60,000. The key management of the foodbank comprises the Foodbank Manager and the Trustees. The foodbank has one employee who is contracted to work for 16 hours per week (about 0.5 FTE) (2022 0.5 FTE).

4. Transactions with Trustees

Trustees' expenses

No Trustee expenses have been incurred in the year under review.

Transactions with related parties

There were no related party transactions during the year under review.

5. Defined contribution pension scheme

The charity operates a defined contributions pension scheme with NEST Pensions. The assets are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund.

The employer's pension costs represent contributions payable by the charity to the pension scheme of £173. (2022 £67) There was an employer's contribution of £14 outstanding at the 31st March 2023 that has been accrued. (2022 £14)

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6. Current Liabilities

| | 31 st March 2023 | 31 st March 2022 |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | £ | |
| Creditors | | |
| HMRC and Pension | 34 | 58 |
| Wandsworth Citizens Advice | 2,166 | 2,166 |
| | 2,200 | 2,224 |

7. Funds

| | At 1 st April 2022 £ | Receipts £ | Payments £ | At 31 March 2023 £ |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| Total Unrestricted funds | 20,869 | 110,289 | 81,533 | 49,625 |
| Total Restricted funds | - | 29,006 | 20,584 | 8,422 |
| Total funds | 20,869 | 139,295 | 102,117 | 58,047 |

8. Guarantees

There have been no guarantees given by the charity at 31st March 2023.

9. Debt

There is no debt outstanding which is owed by the charity and which is secured by an excess charge on any of the assets of the charity at 31st March 2023.

10. Governing Document

The organisation is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation - registered on 23rd June 2016 as a body corporate under part 11 of the Charities Act 2011.

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England & Wales - Charity number 1167812

Accounts

Earlsfield Foodbank

**Registered Charity No.
1167812**

Report and Financial Statements

Year ended 31 March 2022



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INFORMATION

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Charlotte White

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Charity number 1167812

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

Structure, governance and management

Governing Document

Earlsfield Foodbank is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). The trustees adopted the constitution on 17th March 2016 based on the 'CIO Foundation Constitution' published by the Charities Commission. Earlsfield Foodbank was established for charitable purposes for the public benefit and entered the Register of Charities on 23rd June 2016 with the Registered Charity Number 1167812.

Trustee Selection and Management

Earlsfield Foodbank CIO is managed by a Board of Trustees selected for their range of skills and strong endorsement of the organisation's objectives

The Earlsfield Foodbank was founded in October 2013 by the late Rev. Colin Roberts, the parish priest of St John the Divine, in Garratt Lane, as a project supported by Churches Together in Earlsfield.

Apart from the first charity trustees (including Rev Isaac Achene) every trustee is appointed for a renewable term of three years. New trustees are appointed by existing trustees considering the skills needed to ensure effective management of the foodbank.

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- To help raise awareness of the nature, impact and prevalence of food poverty and its underlying causes.
- To build the Earlsfield Foodbank as a sustainable, well-run charity that will continue to meet local needs, in the hope that in due course the services of foodbanks will become redundant as the campaign to eliminate food poverty succeeds.
- Inspired by Christian social principles, the ethos of the Foodbank focuses on welcoming everyone involved as persons deserving respect and generosity regardless of ethnicity, gender, sexuality, class, race, religion or nationality.

Appointment of Foodbank Manager

Since 2019, the trustees have been considering the appointment of a paid Foodbank Manager. As the management of the foodbank has become more demanding the Trustees decided to increase the resilience of the charity by recruiting someone to fulfil this role. Charlotte White, a Trustee and the existing volunteer Foodbank Manager, applied for the job. Charlotte was appointed after the job was advertised and a full interview process conducted. As Charlotte remains a Trustee, the appointment procedure had to be approved by the Charity Commission. The Trustees complied with all the Commission's requirements and Charlotte was employed as Foodbank Manager on a two-year contract from 1st January 2022.

Charitable Activities

During the period of this report the Foodbank operated at St Andrew's Church in Garratt Lane on Thursday mornings between 9.30am and 12.00 pm. The Foodbank has distributed 3,744 food parcels and other supplies during the year, serving 376 households and 922 individuals. In addition, 8,000 hot meals were distributed with a value of £2 per meal, providing an in-kind value of £16,000 for our guests. Since February 2022 guests, when the Covid rules were relaxed, guests have been able to enter St Andrew's and have been offered a full breakfast on arrival. Some of these meals have been provided by Home Café free but more recently the foodbank has paid for these meals. No account has been taken in the attached accounts of hot meals provided by Home Café free during COVID lockdown or since.

The Foodbank is determined to help guests to improve their lives and to address the various issues they face such as debt, employment, physical, social and mental health problems. The Foodbank funds the attendance of an adviser from Wandsworth Citizens Advice. This funding is provided generously through a grant from the National Lottery Community Fund. The Family Action Wellbeing Service (funded by Wandsworth Borough Council) is an early intervention mental health service, providing emotional and practical support to guests and their families

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Since the year end, the Trustees have decided to cease using Bankuet as a fundraising platform and a supplier of food. They are grateful for Bankuet's services over the last two years.

Contribution made by volunteers and local businesses, religious institutions, clubs, charities and schools

The Trustees recognise the essential and generous contribution made by volunteers. Currently, the Foodbank has only one paid employee, the Foodbank Manager, so the value of the immense contribution of volunteers is not shown in the accounts. Volunteers, led by Charlotte White, plan and manage the operation of the foodbank. This involves fundraising and the acquisition of food and other supplies, the planning and management of the foodbank operation at St Andrew's each Thursday. Deliveries to guests and their families were organized during the period of COVID restrictions but have now ceased. The Trustees believe that it is important that guests attend the Foodbank and get the assistance that will help them become more independent where possible.

The Earlsfield Together network has succeeded in generating significant donations of money and provisions during the year. Volunteers include those representing the engagement of local churches, the Earlsfield Baptist Church, St Gregory's Catholic Church, St John the Divine, the host church St Andrew's, Christ Revelation Faith Ministries and the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community.

The Foodbank is very grateful for the support of local businesses, in particular Just Boilers, Well Kneaded, and local schools, in particular Earlsfield Primary School, St Cecilia's, Wandsworth Prep. Significant donations have been received from the work of the Bounce Theatre. Local organisations have raised substantial donations through promoting events including particularly the Wandsworth WI, Magdalen Road Tennis Club and Battersea Ironsides rugby club.

The Foodbank's partnership with the Home Café (which operates in St Andrew's) has been invaluable. The café closes on Thursdays to allow the foodbank to operate and has generously provided food for those guests attending the foodbank including the breakfasts that are currently offered to all guests. During the period of COVID restrictions the Home Café has packed and supplied ready-made meals for those receiving foodbank deliveries.

Above all the Trustees recognize the very generous support of the Parish Council of St Andrew's that has welcomed and supported the foodbank by providing space for the foodbank to operate and store its stock in a portacabin alongside the church.

Without the generosity of volunteers there would be no foodbank. Currently a bank of 60 volunteers is regularly engaged in registering and advising guests, sorting

food and supplies, preparing food packages, planning food purchases, and in welcoming guests on Thursday mornings.

Achievements and Performance

During the year the foodbank has retained its agility. It has had to cope with varying regimes dictated by the state of the COVID pandemic as well as the gradual return to normality. The appointment of Charlotte White as Foodbank Manager has allowed her to dedicate more time to the management of the foodbank. Her energy and leadership have been crucial in everything that has happened since March 2020. She is supported by many brilliant volunteers who have taken on management responsibilities.

The foodbank proved resilient during times when keeping all volunteers and guests safe required considerable effort and generosity from all our volunteers and partners. This strength has been maintained as restrictions eased.

The number of people who are now forced to attend foodbanks are steadily increasing. Fundraising to allow the Earlsfield Foodbank is led by the Foodbank Manager and has successfully maintained income so that the foodbank's capacity to meet the needs of guests is sustained. The relationship with Bankuet has ceased and the foodbank now manages all purchases of food and supplies itself.

The foodbank has maintained its close relationship with Wandsworth Citizens Advice Bureaux, St Mungo's and then Family Action Wellbeing Service. The ability to establish the needs of guests and to refer them to local agencies that can help them is central to the purpose of the charity. The relationship with Refernet gives access to a wide range of local support agencies depending on their individual needs.

The foodbank continues to gain support from local businesses, local schools and several local networks to support the foodbank. But for the generosity our local donors and our energetic volunteers, the foodbank would be unable to meet the increasing demand for its charitable activities. The Trustees are extremely grateful for such generous support in difficult times.

Financial Review

The financial statements are attached.

Reserves

The Trustees have concluded that Earlsfield Foodbank should seek to build up unrestricted reserves that equate to a quarter of projected unrestricted expenditure for the following year. Reserves at 31st March 2022 represent 34% of payments for the year ended 31st March 2022 (2021 62%).

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

Rev. Isaac Achene

Date: 23/12/22



**Earlsfield Foodbank
Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees
For the year ended 31st March 2022**

I report on the accounts of the Earlsfield Foodbank ('the charity') for the year ended 31st March 2022.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charities Commission under section 145(5)b of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's 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 charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with the accounting records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items and 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 statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

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1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements;
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have not been met; or

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Declan Keane
9 John Archer Way,
London SW18 2TQ

Date: 08/01/23

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Receipts and Payments Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2022

| | Notes | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted Funds £ | Total Funds 2022 £ | Total Funds 2021 £ |
|--|-------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Receipts | | | | | |
| Voluntary Income | 1 | | | | |
| Grants and Donations | | 56,184 | 10,250 | 66,434 | 68,635 |
| Total receipts | | 56,184 | 10,250 | 66,434 | 68,635 |
| Payments | | | | | |
| Charitable activities | 2 | 61,172 | 10,250 | 71,422 | 54,387 |
| Total resources expended | | 61,172 | 10,250 | 71,422 | 54,387 |
| Net Movement in Funds and net receipts for the year | | | | | |
| | | (4,988) | - | (4,988) | 14,248 |
| Fund balances at 1st April 2021 | | 25,857 | - | 25,857 | 11,609 |
| Fund balances at 31st March 2022 | | 20,869 | - | 20,869 | 25,857 |

Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31st March 2022

| | Notes | 2022 £ | 2022 £ | 2021 £ |
|--------------------------------------|-------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Current assets | | | | |
| Cash at bank and short-term deposits | | 23,093 | | 36,107 |
| Net current assets | | | 23,093 | 36,107 |
| Net current liabilities | | | | |
| Deferred grant | 6 | | - | (10,250) |
| Creditors | | | (2,224) | - |
| Total net assets | | | 20,869 | 25,857 |
| Represented by: | | | | |
| Funds and reserves | | | | |
| Restricted fund | 7 | | - | - |
| Unrestricted fund - General fund | | 20,869 | | 25,857 |
| | | 20,869 | | 25,857 |

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board on ^{16/12/}.....2022 and signed on its behalf by:


..... Rev. Isaac Achene (**Chair**)

EARLSFIELD FOODBANK

Notes to the accounts

1. Accounting policies

a) Basis of preparation

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The CIO meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102

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The Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the CIO's ability to continue as a going concern. The accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis.

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Income is recognized when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and that the amount can be measured reliably.

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Donated food and other supplies are valued at a deemed 'fair value' when and where possible. Such 'deemed value' has been based either on the weight of food and supplies or the value placed on them by the provider.

Current policy is to place no monetary value on the generously donated hospitality of St Andrew's Church and time volunteers spend working for the charity.

e) Fund accounting

Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets these criteria is charged to the fund.

Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources received and generated for charitable purposes.

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Liabilities are recognized once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure on charitable activities includes the cost of food and goods, any distribution costs and other activities undertaken to further the purposes of the charity and their support costs.

g) Deferred Income

Any income that is made to cover expenditure over a defined period will be allocated pro rata to the year under review and to any future period of time. The amount allocated to the year under review is accounted for in receipts. Amounts allocated to subsequent years are shown as deferred grants.

1. Receipts

| Voluntary income | Unrestricted Funds £ | Restricted Funds £ | Total 2022 £ | Total 2021 £ |
|--|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Donations – money | 25,115 | - | 25,115 | 20,113 |
| Grants – (Restricted) | - | - | - | 13,000 |
| Donations – weighed food and supplies | 12,906 | - | 12,906 | - |
| Donations-via Bankuet | 18,163 | - | 18,163 | 35,522 |
| | <hr/> 56,184 | - | 56,184 | 68,635 |

Food donated during the year ended 31st March 2022 has been valued at £1.75 per kilo. All food donated was assumed to have been distributed during the year. During the year ended 31st March 2021 food donated directly to the foodbank was not weighed due to pressures on time and resources.

The value of donations of food received via Bankuet recognised in the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2022 is valued at the value that Bankuet attributes to each delivery, when drawing on monetary donations made to the foodbank's account with Bankuet.

Monetary donations include gift aid when received.

The Restricted Income relates to grants received from the National Lottery Community Fund intended to fund the cost of advisers from the Wandsworth Citizens Advice Bureaux attending foodbank session to support guests who are facing problems. During the year under review no grants were received although a further grant of £10,000 has been received since the year end to part-fund the costs from 1st June 2022.

2. Payments

| | Unrestricted 2022 | Restricted 2022 | Total 2022 | Total 2021 |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Cost of generating funds | - | - | - | - |
| Charitable activities | | | | |
| Direct costs | | | | |
| Salaries and associated costs | 3,044 | - | 3,044 | - |
| Foodbank security guard | 3,450 | - | 3,450 | - |
| Value of food distributed | 49,562 | - | 49,562 | 40,263 |
| Wandsworth Citizens Advice | 1,666 | 10,250 | 11,916 | 13,000 |
| Sundry Consumables | 274 | - | 274 | - |
| Foodbank storage equipment | 339 | - | 339 | - |
| PPE and Covid related costs | 179 | - | 179 | 262 |
| Waste Recycling | 703 | - | 703 | - |
| Safeguarding costs | 246 | - | 246 | - |
| Indirect costs | | | | |
| Payroll Service | 152 | - | 152 | - |
| Phone Costs | 90 | - | 90 | 90 |
| Stationery and Printing | 86 | - | 86 | 358 |
| Computer Security | 123 | - | 123 | 123 |
| Insurance | 302 | - | 302 | 241 |
| Bank costs | 72 | - | 72 | - |
| Credit Card costs (Bankuet) | 414 | - | 414 | - |
| Subscriptions | 247 | - | 247 | 50 |
| Website Design | 223 | - | 223 | - |
| Total charitable activities | 61,172 | 10,250 | 71,422 | 54,387 |
| Total resources expended | 61,172 | 10,250 | 71,422 | 54,387 |

Food distributed during the year ended 31st March 2022 comprised the value placed on deliveries from Bankuet of £17,749, the cost of food purchased directly by the foodbank amounting to £18,907 and the value placed on food donations in kind of £12,906 (valued at £1.75 per kilo).

Restricted Expenditure related that part of the cost of the Wandsworth Citizens Advice contract for the year funded by the National Lottery Community Fund. The balance of the cost is funded by Unrestricted income.

No Trustees received any remuneration in respect of their services as Trustees during the period (2020: none). No travelling expenses were reimbursed to Trustees during the period. One Trustee received remuneration after being appointed as Foodbank Manager. This appointment was sanctioned by the Charities Commission the recruitment process and remuneration package having met their requirements.

3. Analysis of the cost of key management

| | <u>31st March 2022</u> | <u>31st March 2021</u> |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Salary | 3,000 | - |
| National Insurance Costs | - | - |
| Pension costs | <u>43</u> | <u>-</u> |
| | <u>3,043</u> | <u>-</u> |

No employee received remuneration above £60,000. The key management of the foodbank comprises the Foodbank Manager and the Trustees. The foodbank has one employee who is contracted to work for 16 hours per week (about 0.5 FTE) (2021 Nil)

4. Transactions with Trustees

With exception of the Foodbank Manager none of the Trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any benefit from the charity.

Trustees' expenses

No Trustee expenses have been incurred in the year under review.

Transactions with related parties

There were no related party transactions during the year under review.

5. Defined Contribution pension scheme

The charity operates a defined contributions pension scheme. The assets are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund.

The employer's pension costs represent contributions payable by the charity to the fund and amount to £67. (2021 Nil) There was a contribution of £34 outstanding at the 31st March 2022 that has been accrued. (2021 Nil)

6. Current Liabilities

| | <u>31st March 2022</u> | <u>31st March 2021</u> |
|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Deferred Income | | |
| Balance brought forward | 10,250 | - |
| Amount released to charitable activities | (10,250) | - |
| Amount deferred in the year | <u>-</u> | <u>10,250</u> |
| Balance carried forward | <u>-</u> | <u>10,250</u> |
| Creditors | | |
| HMRC and Pension | 58 | - |
| Wandsworth Citizens Advice | <u>2,166</u> | - |
| | <u>2,224</u> | - |

7. Funds

| | At 1 st April 2021 £ | Receipts £ | Payments £ | At 31 March 2022 £ |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| Total Unrestricted funds | 25,857 | 56,184 | 61,172 | 20,869 |
| Total Restricted funds | - | 10,250 | 10,250 | - |
| Total funds | <u>25,857</u> | <u>66,434</u> | <u>71,422</u> | <u>20,869</u> |

8. Guarantees

There have been no guarantees given by the charity at 31st March 2022.

9. Debt

There is no debt outstanding which is owed by the charity and which is secured by an excess charge on any of the assets of the charity at 31st March 2022.

10. Governing Document

The organisation is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation - registered on 23rd June 2016 as a body corporate under part 11 of the Charities Act 2011.

EARLSFIELD FOODBANK

England & Wales - Charity number 1167812

Accounts

Earlsfield Foodbank

**Registered Charity No.
1167812**

Report and Financial Statements

Year ended 31 March 2021



EARLSFIELD FOODBANK

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INFORMATION

Trustees:

| | |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| Rev. Isaac Achene | (Chair) |
| Meg Fry | (from 25/11/2020) |
| Robin Gisby | (from 03/03/2021) |
| Sue Knowles | (from 25/11/2020) |
| Michael Walton | |
| Charlotte White | (from 26/06/20) |

Address 39 Frewin Road,
London SW18 3LR

Charity number 1167812

EARLSFIELD FOODBANK

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

Structure, governance and management

Governing Document

Earlsfield Foodbank is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). The trustees adopted the constitution on 17th March 2016 based on the 'CIO Foundation Constitution' published by the Charities Commission. Earlsfield Foodbank was established for charitable purposes for the public benefit and entered the Register of Charities on 23rd June 2016 with the Registered Charity Number 1167812.

Trustee Selection and Management

Earlsfield Foodbank CIO is managed by a Board of Trustees selected for their range of skills and strong endorsement of the organisation's objectives

The Earlsfield Foodbank was founded in October 2013 by the late Rev. Colin Roberts, the parish priest of St John the Divine, in Garratt Lane, as a project supported by Churches Together in Earlsfield.

Apart from the first charity trustees (including Rev Isaac Achene) every trustee is appointed for a renewable term of three years. New trustees are appointed by existing trustees considering the skills needed to ensure effective management of the foodbank.

On first appointment, new charity trustees are given a copy of the charity's constitution and the latest Trustees' Annual Report and Statement of Accounts. Trustees are also encouraged to familiarise themselves with the Charities Commission's publications outlining the responsibilities involved in becoming a charity trustee.

The management of the charity is delegated to the Foodbank Manager and the Foodbank Management Team. The Manager and members the Management Team attend foodbank sessions implementing the guidelines laid down by the trustees in consultation with volunteers. Trustee and volunteer meetings are held regularly to consider management guidelines, progress since the last meeting and priorities for the next few months.

Trustees review the risks associated with the operation of the foodbank and how these can be mitigated on a regular basis. The Trustees have adopted a broad range of policies that are intended to manage and minimise risks. Trustees and volunteers attend training that seeks to enable them to deal with some of the problems faced by clients of the foodbank in particular through signposting clients to services run by third parties.

Charitable objects

The charity's objects are the prevention and relief of poverty in Earlsfield and the surrounding areas in particular but not exclusively by providing food supplies to individuals in need and/or charities, or other organisations working to prevent or relieve poverty

Public Benefit Statement

The Trustees confirm that they have had due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charities Commission in exercising their powers and duties.

Objectives and Activities

The Earlsfield Foodbank has identified strategic objectives to achieve its purpose:

- To provide food, basic supplies, emotional and practical support for people and families who find themselves in crisis.
- To provide the help and support individuals need to address problems beyond food poverty through onsite professional advice or referral to appropriate agencies engaged through the local network.
- To help raise awareness of the nature, impact and prevalence of food poverty and its underlying causes.
- To build the Earlsfield Foodbank as a sustainable, well-run organisation that will continue to meet local needs, in the hope that in due course the services of foodbanks will become redundant as the campaign to eliminate food poverty succeeds.
- Inspired by Christian social principles, the ethos of the Foodbank centres on welcoming everyone involved as persons deserving respect and generosity regardless of ethnicity, gender, sexuality, class, race, religion or nationality.

Charitable Activities

During the period of this report the Foodbank operated at St Andrew's Church in Garratt Lane on Thursday mornings between 9.30am and 12.00 pm.

The Foodbank has distributed 3,515 food parcels and other supplies during the year, serving 255 households and 473 individuals. In addition, 8,000 hot meals were distributed with a value of £2 per meal, providing an in-kind value of £16,000 for our guests. No account has been taken for these meals in the attached accounts.

The Foodbank is determined to help guests to turn around their lives and to address the various issues they face such as debt, employment, physical, social and mental health problems. The Foodbank funds the attendance of an adviser from Wandsworth Citizens Advice who attends the Foodbank (either physically or electronically depending on the prevailing Covid regime). This funding is provided generously through a grant from the National Lottery Community Fund. The Family Wellbeing Service (funded by Wandsworth Borough Council) is available to support guests and their families suffering mental health problems. An adviser from St Mungo's attends the foodbank offering support and advice for those in crisis through lack of housing or addiction.

The Foodbank is now also part of a local network of agencies (Refernet) providing a wide range of support, allowing the Foodbank to refer guests to those with the expertise to help them.

Contribution made by volunteers and local businesses, religious institutions, clubs, charities and schools

The Trustees recognise the essential and generous contribution made by volunteers. Currently, the Foodbank has no paid employees so the value of the immense contribution of volunteers is not shown in the accounts. Volunteers, led by Charlotte White and her management team, plan and manage each stage in the operation of the foodbank. This involves fundraising and the acquisition of food and other supplies, the organisation of deliveries to families and individuals through the volunteer network, the planning and management of the foodbank operation at St Andrew's each Thursday. The Earlsfield Together network has succeeded in generating significant donations of money and provisions during the year. Volunteers include those representing the engagement of local churches, the Earlsfield Baptist Church, St Gregory's Catholic Church, St John the Divine, the host church St Andrew's and the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community.

The Foodbank is very grateful for the support of local businesses, in particular Just Boilers, Well Kneaded, and local schools, in particular Earlsfield Primary School, St Cecilia's, Wandsworth Prep. Significant donations have been received from the work of the Bounce Theatre. Local organisations have raised substantial donations through promoting events including particularly the Wandsworth WI and the Magdalen Road Tennis Club.

The Foodbank's partnership with the Home Café (which operates in St Andrew's) has been invaluable. The Home Café has generously provided food for those guests attending the foodbank (when restrictions allow) and has packed and supplied ready-made meals for those receiving deliveries.

Above all the Trustees recognize the very generous support of the Parish of St Andrew's that has welcomed and supported the foodbank by providing space for the foodbank to operate and store its stock in a portacabin alongside the church.

Without the generosity of volunteers there would be no foodbank. Currently there are 60 volunteers regularly engaged either in the Wednesday afternoon sorting food and supplies, preparing food parcels and planning food purchases, or in the operation of the foodbank on Thursday mornings.

Achievements and Performance

During the year the foodbank has had to cope with the move to St Andrew's from St John the Divine at the time when demand was surging. At the same time managing as the onset of the pandemic created the need to change the way the foodbank was managed put massive strains on resources both human and financial. It is a tribute to the management team led by Charlotte White that the move and the resilience of the operation matched the demands placed on it. The weekly deliveries and face-to-face supplies trebled during the year and continue to challenge currently.

The foodbank has proved resilient during times when keeping all volunteers and guests safe has required considerable effort and generosity from all our volunteers and partners. Deliveries have enabled those not able to come to the foodbank to

receive food parcels and where needed ready meals supplied by the Home Cafe. Guests who attend the foodbank have also been supplied with food parcels and other supplies. When Covid regulations have allowed guests to enter the church or only the garden outside the Home Café has provided guests with food and drink.

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Financial Review

The financial statements are attached.

Reserves

The Trustees have concluded that Earlsfield Foodbank should seek to build up unrestricted reserves that equate to a quarter of projected unrestricted expenditure for the following year. Reserves at 31st March 2021 represent 62% of payments for the year ended 31st March 2021.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:



Rev. Isaac Achene

Date: 24/11/21

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees
For the year ended 31st March 2021**

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Declan Keane
9 John Archer Way,
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Date: 27 November
2021

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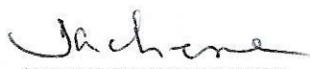
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| Net current liability | 3 | | | |
| Deferred grant | | | (10,250) | (6,750) |
| Total net assets | | | 25,857 | 11,609 |
| Represented by: | | | | |
| Funds and reserves | | | | |
| Restricted fund | | | - | - |
| Unrestricted fund - General fund | 4 | 25,857 | | 11,609 |
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The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board on ^{24th} Nov 2021 and signed on its behalf by:


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EARLSFIELD FOODBANK

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Expenditure on charitable activities includes the cost of food and goods, any distribution costs and other activities undertaken to further the purposes of the charity and their support costs.

g) Deferred Grant

Any grant that is made to cover expenditure over a defined period will be allocated pro rata to the year under review and to any future period of time. The amount allocated to the year under review is accounted for in receipts. Amounts allocated to subsequent years are shown as deferred grants.

1. Receipts

| Voluntary income | Unrestricted Funds £ | Restricted Funds £ | Total 2021 £ | Total 2020 £ |
|--|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Donations – money | 20,113 | - | 20,113 | 6,668 |
| Grants - money | - | 13,000 | 13,000 | 3,250 |
| Donations – weighed food and supplies | - | - | - | 18,839 |
| Donations-via Bankuet | 35,522 | - | 35,522 | - |
| | 55,635 | 13,000 | 68,635 | 28,757 |

Food donated during the year ended 31st March 2020 was valued at £1.75 per kilo. All food donated was assumed to have been distributed during the year. During the year ended 31st March 2021 food donated directly to the foodbank was not weighed due to pressures on time and resources. Consequently, no value has been placed upon direct donations of food during the year under review.

The donations of food recognised in the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2021 refers to food donated via Bankuet valued at £35,522. This is a new source of food donations during the year. Food is valued at the value that Bankuet attributes to each delivery when drawing on donations made to the foodbank's account with Bankuet.

Monetary donations include gift aid when received.

The Restricted Income allocated to this financial year relates to total grants of £26,500 from the National Lottery Community Fund intended to fund the cost of the Wandsworth Citizens Advice adviser from 1st January 2020 until February 2022. The proportion of these grants allocated to the period from 1st May 2020 to 31st March 2021 is £13,000 (The contract lapsed for April 2020 but was renewed in May 2020). The balance of the grant not used during the year 2020/21 of £10,250 has been carried forward to fund the service during the financial year 2021/22.

2. Payments

| | Unrestricted 2021 | Restricted 2021 | Total 2021 | Total 2020 |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Cost of generating funds | - | - | - | - |
| Charitable activities | | | | |
| Food distributed | 40,263 | - | 40,263 | 21,160 |
| Wandsworth Citizens Advice | - | 13,000 | 13,000 | 9,750 |
| Computer | 123 | - | 123 | 1,106 |
| Phone costs | 90 | - | 90 | 90 |
| Foodbank boxes and racks | - | - | - | 412 |
| PPE and Covid related costs | 262 | - | 262 | - |
| Uninsured theft compensation | - | - | - | 332 |
| Stationery and lanyards | 358 | - | 358 | 104 |
| Insurance | 241 | - | 241 | 241 |
| Fundraising Regulator | 50 | - | 50 | - |
| Total charitable activities | 41,387 | 13,000 | 54,387 | 33,195 |
| Total resources expended | 41,387 | 13,000 | 54,387 | 33,195 |

Food distributed in 2020 is comprised of the total of food donated valued at £1.75 per kilo £18,839 shown in receipts plus food purchased during the year for £2,321.

Food distributed during the year ended 31st March 2021 comprises the value placed on deliveries from Bankuet of £35,522 plus the cost of food purchased by the foodbank amounting to £4,741.

Restricted Expenditure related to the cost of the Wandsworth Citizens Advice contract for the year.

No Trustees received any remuneration in respect of their services as Trustees during the period (2020: none). No travelling expenses were reimbursed to Trustees during the period

3. Current Liabilities

| | <u>31st March 2021</u> | <u>31st March 2020</u> |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Deferred Grant | | |
| National Lottery Community Fund | <u>10,250</u> | <u>6,750</u> |

4. Funds

| | At 1 st April 2020 £ | Receipts £ | Payments £ | At 31 March 2021 £ |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| Total Unrestricted funds | 11,609 | 55,635 | 41,387 | 25,857 |
| Total Restricted funds | - | 13,000 | 13,000 | - |
| Total funds | <u>11,609</u> | <u>68,635</u> | <u>54,387</u> | <u>25,857</u> |

5. Guarantees

There have been no guarantees given by the charity at 31st March 2021.

6. Debt

There is no debt outstanding which is owed by the charity and which is secured by an excess charge on any of the assets of the charity at 31st March 2021.