



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **06/04/2023** Period start date To **05/04/2024** Period end date

Charity name: Fallowfield and Withington Foodbank

Charity registration number: 1173202

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To relieve persons in Fallowfield and Withington and the surrounding area that are in financial hardship.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Provide relief by: a) providing emergency food, essential toiletries, and household items to individuals and families in need and for distribution by charities or other organisations working to prevent or relieve poverty Collecting and distributing food donated by the public Preparing "food parcels" Engaging with referred clients, providing them with signposting to other agencies. Supporting community cooking projects and Organising residents in temporary accommodation. Liaison with local schools to provide targeted help to pupils in need. Provide in house budgeting and financial inclusion support via Citizens Advice.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	Our trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
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Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	N/a
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/a
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Volunteers support in warehousing, donation collections and processing, operating our foodbank sessions and on our Organising and community outreach programmes.

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>From April 2023 to April 2024 the charity provided over 2405 emergency food parcels supporting 5754 people to overcome immediate food poverty.</p> <p>Uniform grants were again provided to the local Primary Schools as well as and expanded provision for our 'Holiday Hunger' project.</p> <p>15,989 kg of food/toiletries have been donated, collected, sorted and stored, showing the generosity of the local community and their desire to help their neighbours during these difficult times.</p> <p>29,632 kg of food/toiletries have been distributed.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	While we have no targets set for service usage we are pleased to to have been able to consistently provide quality support throughout the year. Overall demand for the services has increased significantly.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	We are pleased to note that we have received £48,742 of unrestricted donations from 2023 to 2024. This has supported our foodbank in the current calendar year.

Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/a
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Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Against a backdrop of steeply rising demand the we have maintained a strong balance sheet. Our total funds for the end of year 2024, 80,603 (£), was a small decrease from the previous year and represents a relatively secure overall balance reflective of the rising demand and for implementing our ongoing services.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Sufficient funds have been ring fenced to enable to Foodbank to keep operating for up to 6 months if there is a significant reduction in donations and grants.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	N/a
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/a
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/a
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/a

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Donations from individuals and local organisations - Grants awarded by the Trussell Trust - Grant awarded by the Local Authority and subsidiaries.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/a
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	Principal risks include: Significant and unsustainable increases in foodbank demand. Sudden loss of staff impacting day-to-day and medium term operations.

Other		N/a
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Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	CIO Foundation
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Apart from the first charity trustees, every trustee must be appointed for a term of three years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees. In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the charity trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	N/a
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	Charity is a CIO. It is affiliated with the Trussell Trust network of foodbanks.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	Several of our trustees our City Councillors. Their interests are know and declared at each Trustee meeting.
Other		N/a

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Fallowfield and Withington Foodbank
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1173202
Charity's principal address	c/o Union Chapel, 2b Wellington Road, Fallowfield, Manchester, M14 6EQ

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Linda Ann Mary Foley			
2	Claire Crawley			
3	Simon Nichol	Chair		
4	Rachel Watson			
5	Alice Niamh Kennedy			
6	Rebecca Chambers			
7	Rebecca Kennedy			
8	David Colin Walker	Treasurer		
9	Neelam Mehmood			
10	Max Turton			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
N/a		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
N/a		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
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Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

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Full name(s)

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Position (eg
Secretary, Chair, etc)

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Date

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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name

Fallowfield and Withington Food Bank

On accounts for the year
ended

30/03/2024

Charity no
(if any)

1173202

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30/03/2024.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

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

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

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

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

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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

Signed:

Date:

28/01/2025

Name:

Tristan Robinson

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body

ICAEW ACA time and exam qualified; pending submission and admission to full membership

(if any):

Address:

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

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

N/A