

BLACKWOOD AND DISTRICT FOODBANK

England & Wales · Charity number 1175604

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2017-11-07

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

Contact

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Activities

Objects: THE RELIEF OF FINANCIAL HARDSHIP AMONGST PEOPLE IN BLACKWOOD AND THE SURROUNDING AREA OR IN OTHER PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM IN SUCH WAYS AS THE TRUSTEES FROM TIME-TO-TIME THINK FIT, IN PARTICULAR, BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY:PROVIDING EMERGENCY FOOD, ESSENTIAL TOILETRIES, AND HOUSEHOLD ITEMS TO INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES IN NEED AND/OR FOR DISTRIBUTION BY CHARITIES OR OTHER ORGANISATIONS WORKING TO PREVENT OR RELIEVE POVERTY SUCH OTHER MEANS, INCLUDING (BUT NOT LIMITED TO) THE PROVISION OF SUPPORT OR SIGNPOSTING TO RELEVANT INFORMATION AND OTHER ADVISORY SERVICES.

Activities: The Foodbank exists to prevent or relieve poverty in Blackwood and the surrounding area, in particular but not exclusively, by providing emergency food supplies to individuals with assessed short-term need and/or to charities or other organisations working towards the same aims.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Caerphilly

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£9,519	£15,351	-	-
2024-03-31	£8,695	£16,831	-	-
2023-03-31	£18,686	£14,651	-	-
2022-03-31	£10,650	£9,287	-	-
2021-03-31	£37,488	£11,395	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
SUSAN MARY STEELE MA BA PGCE	Chair	2017-11-07
DONNA ELIZABETH LOWER		2017-11-07
Ruth Mary Steele MA BA		2023-02-15

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Mr Dene Caple ACCA

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Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Susan Steele

Dated: 30th April 2025

BLACKWOOD AND DISTRICT FOODBANK FOODBANK MANAGER'S REPORT FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDED 31st MARCH 2025

Clients Fed

Thanks to the generosity of the local community Blackwood and District Foodbank have been able to feed 1667 people comprising of 1087 adults and 580 children. This equates to 15,003 meals. In doing so we have supported 481 different households throughout the area.

Stock Movement

Donations of food provided by the local community amounted to 13,846 kg. 14,607 kg of food donations have been distributed to people in food poverty. We are grateful for the donations of food collected from local businesses the permanent trolleys at Asda in Blackwood, Tesco in Caerphilly and Pets at Home in Blackwood. Local businesses have arranged collections and the Harvest collections from local schools and churches have ensured food is available to provide to those in need.

Financial Donations

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Future Plans

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We would like to thank our dedicated team of volunteers who give up their time; their commitment and hard work enables the foodbank to operate. We would like to thank all donors and referral agencies who refer clients to the foodbank. Through our continued partnership the work of the foodbank in Blackwood will continue to grow.

Signed: *J Steele*
Jeremy Steele
Foodbank Manager

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Signed: *D Caple*

Mr Dene Caple ACCA
Independent Examiner

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
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Statement of Comprehensive Income 2024 2025

Income

Trussell Top Up	1802.43
Fundraising	1563.03
Corporate Donations	2880.00
Church Donations	2056.17
Grants	880.00
Collections	336.99
Total Income	9518.62

Expenditure

Wages / Payroll	12466.59
Food Purchases	1821.29
Consumables	490.89
Insurance	338.77
Misc	18.70
Local Giving Membership	180.00
ICO Registration	35.00
Total Expenditure	15351.24

Net Movement in Funds -5832.62

ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES:

Signed:

Susan Steele

Mrs Susan Steele

Treasurer

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Susan Steele

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Clients Fed

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Stock Movement

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Events

Fund raising opportunities were not taken advantage this year as they are normally coordinated with Churches Together which has not recommenced events since Covid. This year Blackwood and District Foodbank commemorated its 10-year anniversary. A service of thanksgiving was held to acknowledge the work of the volunteers and to thank those in the community who continue to support our work.

Future Plans

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Jeremy Steele
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Signed: *D Caple*

Mr Dene Caple FCCA
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
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Income

Donations

Individual Donations	2845.21
Corporate Donations	2704.02
Trussell Trust Top Up	1862.41
Charity / Church Donations	961.72
Fundraising	321.91
Grants	0.00

8695.27

Expenditure

Wages / Payroll	11787.98
Food Purchases	2090.29
Rent	1000.00
Consumables	714.91
Insurance	293.66
Local Giving Membership	180.00
ICO Registration	35.00
Depreciation	729.00

Total 16830.84

Net Movement in Funds -8135.57

Funds Transferred from
Blackwood and District Foodbank
On 31st March 2024 49664.02

**Total Funds at 31st March
2024 41528.45**

**BLACKWOOD AND DISTRICT FOODBANK
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31st MARCH 2024**

Non-Current Assets

Storage Unit	529.00	
Internet Enabled Tablets	149.99	
	<hr/>	678.99

Current Assets

Cash in Bank	42257.45	
	<hr/>	42257.45
Total Assets		<u>42936.44</u>

Capital and Reserves

Restricted Funds	0.00	
Unrestricted Funds	42936.44	
		<hr/> <u>42936.44</u>

ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES:

Signed: *Susan Steele*

Mrs Susan Steele

Treasurer

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Stock Movement

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Income

Donations	
Individual Donations	4977.85
Corporate Donations	1580.30
Charity / Church Donations	893.00
Trussell Trust Top Up	2526.46
Grants	8164.00
Fundraising	544.59
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	18686.20

Expenditure

Wages	8489.48
Food Purchases	1634.65
Trussell Trust Membership	330.00
Consumables	890.98
Insurance	260.98
Payroll	180.00
Local Giving Membership	96.00
ICO Registration	40.00
Rent	2000.00
Depreciation	729.00
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Total	14651.09

Net Movement in Funds 4035.11

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Gift Cards on 31st March 2023 100.00

Total Funds at 31st March 2023 **49764.02**

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BALANCE SHEET
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Non-Current Assets

Storage Unit	1,258.00	
Internet Enabled Tablets	<u>149.99</u>	
		1,407.99

Current Assets

Cash in Bank	49,664.02	
Gift Cards	<u>100.00</u>	
		49,764.02

Total Assets		<u><u>51,172.01</u></u>
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Capital and Reserves

Restricted Funds	0.00	
Unrestricted Funds	<u>51,172.01</u>	
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Mrs Donna Lower
Mrs Susan Steele

Chairperson

Rev Sue Phillips

Principal Office

Oasis Christian Centre
Bryn Road
Blackwood
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Independent Examiner

Mr Dene Caple FCCA

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BLACKWOOD AND DISTRICT FOODBANK TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDED 31st MARCH 2022

The trustees present their report along with their financial statements of the charity for the 12-month period ended 31st March 2022.

Constitution and Objects

Blackwood and District Foodbank is a registered charity CIO No. 1175604, registered on 7th November 2017.

The objects of the charity are the provision of three days' supply of emergency food and support to local people in crisis.

Organisation

The trustees who have served during the period under review and since the period end are set out on page 3.

Achievements and Performance

The objectives have been satisfactorily achieved during the year.

Blackwood and District Foodbank is open on a Thursday from 10 am – 12 noon staffed by volunteers, giving away food and essential household groceries and are supported by the general public, schools, churches and many local businesses.

Risk Management

The trustees have examined the major strategic, business and operational risks which the charity faces and confirm that systems and policies have been established that enable regular reports to be produced so that the necessary steps can be taken to lessen the risks.

Trustees' Responsibilities

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the charity's state of affairs during the financial period and of its financial position at the end of the period.

The trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statement comply with the Charities Act 1993.

They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:



Dated: 30th April 2022

BLACKWOOD AND DISTRICT FOODBANK FOODBANK MANAGER'S REPORT FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDED 31st MARCH 2022

Clients Fed

Thanks to the generosity of the local community Blackwood and District Foodbank have been able to feed 1461 people comprising of 956 adults and 505 children. This equates to 13,149 meals.

Stock Movement

Donations of food provided by the local community amounted to 13,849.27 kg. 16,838.71 kg of food donations have been distributed to people in food poverty. We are grateful for the donations of food collected from local businesses the permanent trolleys at Asda in Blackwood and Tesco in Caerphilly. Local businesses have arranged collections and the Harvest collections from local schools and churches have ensured food is available to provide to those in need.

Financial Donations

Money has been received from fundraising, business and individual donations. We are grateful for the support of local businesses and individuals for regularly supporting the work of Foodbank.

Events

The opportunity to fund raise through events was prevented due to the Covid pandemic where several events were cancelled. It is hoped that these events will be able to take place in the future.

Future Plans

In the next year we aim to increase our fundraising efforts to raise more funds and food donations to reach more people in the community suffering from food poverty.

We would like to thank our team of volunteers who give up their time; their commitment and hard work enables the foodbank to operate. We would like to thank all donors and referral agencies who refer clients to the foodbank. Through our continued partnership the work of the foodbank in Blackwood will continue to grow.

Signed: *J Steele*
Jeremy Steele
Foodbank Manager

BLACKWOOD AND DISTRICT FOODBANK TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES IN RELATION TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Trustees Responsibilities in Relation to the Financial Statements

The charity trustees are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the charity trustees to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity for that period. In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting principles and then apply them consistently
- Observe the methods and principles in the applicable Charities SORP
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures that must be disclosed and explained in the financial statements
- Prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is appropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations and the provision of the Trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and taking reasonable steps or the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Susan Steele

Dated: 30th April 2022

**BLACKWOOD AND DISTRICT FOODBANK
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDED 31st MARCH 2022**

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

As the Charity's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 43(7)(b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to our attention.

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 41 of the Act and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act have not been met: or
- 2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding on the accounts to be reached.

Signed: *D Caple*

Mr Dene Caple FCCA
Independent Examiner

**BLACKWOOD AND DISTRICT FOODBANK
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDED 31st MARCH 2022**

Income

Donations	
Individual Donations	2856.15
Corporate Donations	5076.29
Charity / Church Donations	470.00
Trussell Trust Top Up	2175.75
Fundraising	71.51
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	10649.70

Expenditure

Wages	6486.48
Food Purchases	379.12
Trussell Trust Membership	330.00
Consumables	272.5
Insurance	276.12
Payroll	177.60
Local Giving Membership	96.00
ICO Registration	40.00
Rent	500.00
Depreciation	729.00
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Total	9286.82

Net Movement in Funds 1362.88

Funds Transferred from
Blackwood and District Foodbank
On 31st March 2022 43219.36

Gift Cards on 31st March 2022 490.06

Total Funds at 31st March 2022 **43709.42**

**BLACKWOOD AND DISTRICT FOODBANK
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31st MARCH 2022**

Non-Current Assets

Storage Unit	2716.00	
Internet Enabled Tablets	<u>149.99</u>	
		2865.99

Current Assets

Cash in Bank	43219.36	
Gift Cards	<u>490.06</u>	
		43709.42

Total Assets		<u><u>46575.41</u></u>
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Capital and Reserves

Restricted Funds	490.06	
Unrestricted Funds	<u>46085.35</u>	
		<u><u>46575.41</u></u>

ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES:

Signed: *Susan Steele*

Mrs Susan Steele

Treasurer

BLACKWOOD AND DISTRICT FOODBANK NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH 2022

1. Accounting Policies:

Accounting Convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and on an accruals basis.

Expenditure

Resources expended are recognised in the period in which they are incurred. Resources expended include attributable VAT which cannot be recovered.

Unrestricted Funds

Unrestricted funds are donations, fees income and other incoming resources receivable or generated for the objects of the organisation without further specified purpose and are available as general funds.

2. Creditors and Accruals

As at 31st March 2022 there were payments owed for the financial year 2021/22 which included the payment of rent for the foodbank premises.

3. Food Purchases

Cash donations given to Foodbank are used for purchasing food items where stocks are running low. All donations are paid into the bank account. A debit card is used to purchase food from these donations.

BLACKWOOD AND DISTRICT FOODBANK

England & Wales - Charity number 1175604

Accounts



Blackwood and District Foodbank

Registered Charity CIO No: 1175604

ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

For the 12 Months Ended 31st March 2021

BLACKWOOD AND DISTRICT FOODBANK



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FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDED 31st MARCH 2021

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BLACKWOOD AND DISTRICT FOODBANK

Legal and Administrative Information

Charity Name and Number

Blackwood and District Foodbank: registered charity number 1175604
Charitable Incorporated Organisation registered on 7th November 2017

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Organisation

The trustees who have served during the period under review and since the period end are set out on page 3.

Achievements and Performance

The objectives have been satisfactorily achieved during the year. Blackwood and District Foodbank is open on a Thursday from 10 am - 12 noon staffed by volunteers, giving away food and essential household groceries and are supported by the general public, schools, churches and many local businesses. During the Covid pandemic we were able to increase our support to the community by offering a delivery service 5 days a week with organised council collections for delivery by council volunteers 3 days a week.

Risk Management

The trustees have examined the major strategic, business and operational risks which the charity faces and confirm that systems and policies have been established that enable regular reports to be produced so that the necessary steps can be taken to lessen the risks. Risk assessments due to the changing pandemic situation have been regularly updated.

Trustees' Responsibilities

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Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Susan Steele

Dated: 11th April 2021



BLACKWOOD AND DISTRICT FOODBANK FOODBANK MANAGER'S REPORT FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDED 31st MARCH 2021

Clients Fed

Thanks to the generosity of the local community Blackwood and District Foodbank have been able to feed 2049 people comprising of 1323 adults and 726 children. This equates to 18,441 meals.

Stock Movement

Donations of food provided by the local community amounted to 23,824.49 kg. 18,050.63 kg of food donations have been distributed to people in food poverty. We are grateful for the donations of food collected from local businesses the permanent trolleys at Asda in Blackwood and Tesco in Caerphilly. Whilst collections from local schools and churches during Harvest have not been able to take place this year we have been grateful for the support of the Risca CV19 Volunteers 'Tin on a Wall' campaign which has supported several foodbanks in the area with donations. Our 'Foodbank Street Champions' including Park Hill, Caldicot Close and Pwll-Yr-Allt regularly collect and donate food items.

Supermarkets have supported the Covid pandemic by donating stocks of food to the foodbank we are grateful to the generosity of Tesco, Morrisons and Asda, their extensive donations ensured that stocks of food were maintained to support those in the local community.

Financial Donations

Money has been received from fundraising, business and individual donations. We are grateful for the support of local businesses and individuals for regularly supporting the work of Foodbank.

We have set up a local giving page which enables individuals to donate to the foodbank on a regular or ad hoc basis. This has been popular and has allowed gift aid to be claimed to increase donations further.

We are grateful for the financial support of local churches, community centres, working men's clubs, football clubs, charities and schools who have supported the foodbank enabling the purchase of food stocks as they run low.

We have been blessed with corporate donations from several organisations including Welsh Water, WRAS and Unite Hawker Siddeley. We were overwhelmed by the generosity of Amey and Ferrovia for a share of their 'Together Covid-19 fund' which is helping to fight the global pandemic and raise donations for organisations and governments around the world.

Individuals have been creative by making Christmas wreaths, making rainbow flags and growing runner beans to raise funds for the foodbank.

Events

It has not been possible to hold our usual fundraising events at local fetes or through attendance at Supermarket Food Drives due to the pandemic. We hope that next year we can attend these events and reinforce our presence in the community.

Covid Support

British Gas and Caerphilly County Borough Council employees supported the work of the foodbank by co-ordinating foodbank referral, transporting deliveries from supermarkets to foodbanks and delivering food parcels to clients.

Future Plans

Due to the Covid pandemic set back, we aim to achieve last year's aim to increase our fundraising efforts to raise more funds and food donations to reach more people in the community suffering from food poverty.

Volunteer Support

We have a small but loyal team of volunteers who give up their time to support the work of the foodbank by sorting donations and preparing food parcels for clients. The pandemic has restricted volunteer numbers permitted at the foodbank at any given time and we look forward to the opportunity to all meet together.

Volunteers were provided with a food hamper, thanks to the generosity of Amey and Ferrovia to thank them for all their hard work during this year.

Thank You

We would like to thank our team of volunteers who give up their time; their commitment and hard work enables the foodbank to operate. We would like to thank all donors and referral agencies who refer clients to the foodbank. Through our continued partnership the work of the foodbank in Blackwood will continue to grow.

Signed:

Jeremy Steele

Jeremy Steele
Foodbank Manager

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Susan Steele

Dated: 11th April 2021

BLACKWOOD AND DISTRICT FOODBANK INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDED 31st MARCH 2021

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Signed: D Caple

Mr Dene Caple FCCA
Independent Examiner

BLACKWOOD AND DISTRICT FOODBANK STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDED 31st MARCH 2021

Income

Donations	
Individual Donations	4721.0
	2
Corporate Donations	23911.
	59
Charity / Church Donations	6845.7
	9
Trussell Trust Tesco Top Up	1719.2
	4
Fundraising	290.02
Total	<u>37487.</u>
Income	<u>66</u>

Expenditure

	4937.9
Warehouse Storage Unit	4
	2720.6
Wages	4
Food Purchases	1111.7
	4
Rent	720.00
Consumables	397.85
Trussell Trust Membership	360.00
Volunteer Expenses	300.00
Insurance	274.62
Payroll	170.75
Returned cheque	151.20
Equipment	94.12
Stationery	68.48
Local Giving Membership	48.00
ICO Registration	40.00
Total Expenditure	<u>11395.</u>
	34
Net Movement in Funds	<u>26092.</u>
	32
Funds Transferred from	41022.
	04
Blackwood and District Foodbank On 31st March 2021	
Gift Cards on 31st March 2021	625.50
Total Funds at 31st March 2021	<u>41647</u> <u>.54</u>

BLACKWOOD AND DISTRICT FOODBANK BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st MARCH 2021

Non-Current Assets

	3395.0	
Storage Unit	0	
Internet Enabled Tablets	199.98	
	3594.9	8

Current Assets

	41022.	
Cash in Bank	04	
Gift Cards	625.50	
	41647.	54
	45242.	52

Total Assets

Capital and Reserves

	625.50	
Restricted Funds	44617.	
Unrestricted Funds	02	
	45242.	52

ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES:

Signed:

Susan Steele

Mrs Susan Steele

Treasurer

BLACKWOOD AND DISTRICT FOODBANK NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH 2021

1. Accounting Policies:

Accounting Convention

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Expenditure

Resources expended are recognised in the period in which they are incurred. Resources expended include attributable VAT which cannot be recovered.

Unrestricted Funds

Unrestricted funds are donations, fees income and other incoming resources receivable or generated for the objects of the organisation without further specified purpose and are available as general funds.

2. Creditors and Accruals

As at 31st March 2021 there were no payments owed for the financial year 2020/21.

3. Food Purchases

Cash donations given to Foodbank are used for purchasing food items where stocks are running low. All donations are paid into the bank account. A debit card is used to purchase food from these donations.

4. Depreciation

At the end of the financial year 2021/22 non-current assets will be depreciated on a straight line basis based on their life expectancy.