

Charity no. 1177585



Report and Audited Financial Statements

31 March 2024

Feeding Bristol

Reference and administrative details

For the year ended 31 March 2024

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| Charity number | 1177585 |
| Registered office and operational address | Avonquay House 2 Dock Gate Lane Bristol BS1 6XL |
| Trustees | <p>The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of this report were as follows:</p> <div><div>Steven Ashworth</div><div>(resigned 9 February 2024)</div><div>Jamie Cameron</div><div>Martha Girling</div><div>(resigned 29 August 2023)</div><div>Sally Jaeckle</div><div>Anna Keen</div><div>Julian Mines</div><div>Christine Storry</div><div>Andrew Street (Chair)</div><div>Sara Venn</div></div> |
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1. Introduction

1.1. Note from the Chair of the Board

When we set up Feeding Bristol as a charity in 2018, we could never have imagined how much the organisation has changed and extended its reach, influence and impact over the last six years. Initially the focus had largely been on addressing the impact of food insecurity on children. Covid-19, which as you all recall hit us hard in March 2020, gave Feeding Bristol the opportunity for the charity to lead in the city's response to increased food insecurity across Bristol brought about by the pandemic. Over the past four years, with the recruitment of our new Director and an expanded team, the scope of work that we do has grown significantly and is reflected in this Annual Report.

From the outset we have intended to be a 'lean' organisation that seeks to be a convener for the city, bringing together all those organisations involved in addressing the challenge of food insecurity and injustice, seeing collaboration and partnership at the heart of all that we do. There is still work to do, but I'm pleased to note that much progress has been made in so many ways, but we do not intend to sit on our laurels. Food injustice remains a challenge at city, regional and national level, and we remain committed to doing everything we can to fulfil our overarching vision – that everyone in Bristol has access to nutritious and affordable food, and has the skills, knowledge, and is empowered to eat healthily.

As Trustees we're proud of, and grateful to our staff team, and recognise their commitment to the work the charity does. We also want to recognise the excellent work that is undertaken by others who support the work of The Children's Kitchen; and also the amazing work that is done across the city by numerous organisations and individuals, many of whom provide support and input at a local level that is of huge importance and often overlooked. What they do is remarkable.

I'd also like to express thanks to those organisations that have supported us through funding our work over the past year, and also for the trust that the Council has in our work and the close partnership we have developed with them. Lastly, as Chair, I'd like to thank my fellow Trustees, who have generously given of their valuable time to support the work of governing such a great charity. In particular, to note our thanks to Martha Girling and Steve Ashworth, both of whom have stepped down as Trustees in the past year.

Andy Street
Chair
Feeding Bristol

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1.2. Background

Feeding Bristol was registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) on 19th March 2018, with the following charitable object:

The object of the CIO is the relief of people in need in Bristol and the surrounding area and specifically for them to access and afford good quality and nutritious food, and thereby alleviate hunger caused by the lack of opportunities or resources to obtain sufficient food on a sustainable basis.

1.3. Year Six

This is the sixth annual report from Feeding Bristol. 2023-24 has been a significant year for Feeding Bristol as we have continued to both expand our work and evolve as an organisation. We have expanded our team to include Mali Evans on a permanent basis, and reviewed all the roles and responsibilities within the organisation to ensure everybody's role is complementing both each other and the aims and goals of the charity.

As in previous years, a large part of our work has been centred around the One City Food Equality Strategy and Action plan, with the Action Plan being launched in June 2023. To help support the delivery of this action plan, we were able to work with the local authority to distribute Household Support Funding to over 100 organisations across the city who are taking action to tackle food inequality.

We evolved Food Justice week into Food Justice Fortnight and involved more communities and groups in delivery of sessions, activities and discussions around who we work towards food justice in the city. The event is both an opportunity to showcase our work and the work of partner organisations across the city, as well as raising awareness of the issues to a wider audience.

The Children's Kitchen project continues to grow its influence on and support to early years settings in the city and the partnership with the Bristol Early Years team is clearly beginning to increase impact.

We have continued to see our collaborative and inclusive way of working across the city expand and develop, thereby increasing our reach to work directly with a wider range of organisations and groups embedded within more communities and localities that are most at risk of food insecurity.

1.4. Trustees

The Board of Trustees who served during the year and up to the date of this report were as follows:

- Andy Street (Chair)
- Jamie Cameron
- Sara Venn
- Anna Keen
- Julian Mines
- Chrissie Storry
- Sally Jaeckle
- Steve Ashworth
- Martha Girling

Please note that in 2023-24 both Steve Ashworth and Martha Girling stood down as trustees.

1.5. Changes to Staffing Structure

There were three changes of note in our staffing structure in 2023 - 24:

- Lucy Tordo-Gillingham (nee Jackman), returned from maternity leave.
- Mali Sion Evans was retained on a permanent contract.
- All job roles were re-evaluated as part of assessing the structure of the charity. This process involved a consultation with all the staff to discuss roles in relation to the charity's aim and objectives. This was then passed through the Board of Trustees to discuss and approve. The following changes were made as a result :
 - o Lucy Tordo-Gillingham was made Head of Research and Development
 - o Mali Sion Evans was made Head of Engagement and Advocacy
 - o Jo Ingleby was made Head of Food Education

2. Vision, Purpose and Strategic Priorities

2.1. Background

Following a Strategy Workshop in January 2020, the terminology presented below defines Feeding Bristol as an organisation, what we are trying to achieve, and how. Building on the operational success of activities in 2019 and 2020, these strategic discussions have helped to inform what the charity's role is in the city, and which is detailed in a Theory of Change document.

The Board of Trustees will continue to bring a challenge to ensure that the charity adds value to the city in fulfilling its vision in alleviating food insecurity. The Trustees and senior leadership team recognise the need to review the Theory of Change and organisational strategy and will begin to do so during the FY24-25 to ensure the work of the organisation is complementary to the city and not at odds or failing to contribute in a significant way.

2.2. Vision

This describes the position we are aspiring to for Bristol in the longer-term:

Everyone in Bristol has access to nutritious and affordable food, and has the skills, knowledge, and is empowered to eat healthily.

This describes how Feeding Bristol will seek to achieve this vision at a high level:

Feeding Bristol provides strategic support in tackling food insecurity across the city. We support the increased efficiency and effectiveness of existing practitioners and community groups, by helping them to add further value to their operations. This allows us to take an informed approach in our efforts to drive systemic change and to tackle root causes.

2.3. Strategic Priorities

In 2022/23 we updated our strategic priorities to better reflect our work:

1. Identifying Need

Working across the city with communities to identify groups and localities experiencing or at-risk of food insecurity and ensuring that provision matches the need.

2. Increasing Access

Working to ensure that there is equity in how nutritious food is accessed across the city, regardless of locality, background or physical need.

3. Improving Education

Encouraging a more secure food culture, where people and communities have the confidence, skills and resources to grow, cook and eat healthy food.

4. Influencing Change

Driving positive change by addressing root causes of food injustice and co-creating strategies to influence local and national policies.

3. Ways of Working

Feeding Bristol categorises its activities across three separate streams of work: core infrastructure; community intervention; and systemic change. When planning and running projects, there is an inherent overlap across some of the Strategic Priorities (SP's). Therefore, we seek to describe what we are focusing on through these SP's, but then break down our resources to align with these three streams of work.

Feeding Bristol seeks to bring benefit to the whole city and not simply to one single project. Success will be gradual but progressive – achieving our Vision one step at a time and across numerous work streams. Critically, collaborative working across Bristol is fundamental in achieving this Vision. Achieving our Vision is not something we are capable of or intend to deliver on our own.

The Trustees have paid due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit in deciding activities the charity should undertake.

3.1. Delivering our vision

3.1.1. Core costs and volunteers

Part of adding value to the city by acting as an umbrella organisation means we are seeking to not unnecessarily 'compete' for or divert grant funds that could support direct delivery of projects by others. This means we will always attempt to be as 'lean' as possible and keep our core operational costs to a minimum. This also has the benefit of putting additional focus on using the resources available to us in the smartest way possible, including the recruitment and management of volunteers. Overall, we strongly believe this helps to demonstrate the collaborative 'One City' approach, emphasising that a project Feeding Bristol may have a vested interest in does not necessarily mean we need to run it.

3.1.2. Who we work with

Feeding Bristol works with a wide range of organisations and businesses across Bristol. We know that communities within the city can experience a range of different issues and challenges, so it is important that we all work together in providing a holistic level of support to those in need. Feeding Bristol will continue to catalyse and link different sectors, including businesses and grassroots organisations, in an effort to more effectively deliver food solutions across the city - and build a place where everyone is able to eat healthily and appropriately to meet their dietary needs.

Feeding Bristol does not generally work directly with individuals who are experiencing food insecurity. We are not an organisation that provides direct support or advice at a grassroots level. Rather, we seek to work with the organisations that have already developed those relationships and trust within and across the more deprived communities.

The Children's Kitchen is an example of a direct project that Feeding Bristol is now delivering. However, it is important to note that this project was designed and developed completely by Jo Ingleby, before the project was brought under the management of Feeding Bristol. After careful scrutiny, the Trustees of Feeding Bristol decided that we could best support this project (with objectives and ways of working that aligned to those of Feeding Bristol) by bringing it within our organisation. So, while it is a project we are

delivering, this is an excellent example of how we most effectively seek to support good work in the city.

3.1.3. Who we work for

As 'One City', Bristol has a vast array of individuals and organisations focused on helping to improve the circumstances of people who are less fortunate. Through targeting food security needs, Feeding Bristol acts as an umbrella organisation for the city, supporting initiatives to get started, upscale or collaborate with others where possible and appropriate. By providing a central point of contact to those focusing on tackling similar issues, Bristol can act as 'One City' to ensure a lasting and positive step change towards zero hunger.

Feeding Bristol focuses its efforts on working with organisations that support communities, and we foster and promote a culture of collaborative working and co-creation. Organisations we partner with must show a commitment to working collaboratively to support individuals and communities in need. People who experience food insecurity are most likely to experience other forms of social inequality. Therefore, by being issue 'agnostic' when selecting partner organisations, we can help to alleviate the broader pressures of life on those who experience food insecurity.

Bristol is an extremely diverse city, with over 91 different languages spoken (reflecting the high level of social and ethnic diversity). Therefore, when considering our Vision, this includes the very diverse dietary requirements of different people (for all reasons – religion, ethical, health, etc.). We are also passionate about considering all ages within our work.

4. Projects and Activities

4.1. Food Equality Strategy and Action Plan (FESAP)

"Food equality exists when all people, at all times, have access to nutritious, affordable and appropriate food according to their social, cultural and dietary needs. They are equipped with the resources, skills and knowledge to use and benefit from food, which is sourced from a resilient, fair and environmentally sustainable food system –".
One City Food Equality Stakeholders, 2021

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In 2022, A One City Food Equality Strategy for Bristol (2022-2032) was published, setting out what food equality means for the city and identifying five key priority themes where action is needed to achieve this vision.

In 2023, Bristol published its first Action Plan, identifying the most pressing actions that we need to take, and the actions that are needed to lay the foundation for future progress. It includes:

- actions that have already started and are ready to be expanded (e.g., train more food educators);
- actions that we know must be taken by 2026 (e.g., map food support settings); and
- new actions and projects that will be piloted before 2026 (e.g., pilot community-led Local Food Justice Networks).

Co-produced with stakeholders, communities and individuals across Bristol, the Action Plan was created to help develop best practice across the city. It includes actions that everyone can contribute to but is largely aimed at stakeholders working to support communities at-risk of food inequality across Bristol.

Over the past year, the cost-of-living crisis has disproportionately impacted Bristol residents living on lower incomes, worsening the effects of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Food insecurity has increased, with 1 in 12 (8.3%) households now experiencing moderate to severe food insecurity, rising to 1 in 5 households in certain parts of the city (JSNA, 2024). In addition to where you live in the city, some groups are more at-risk (e.g., disabled people, single parents, 16 to 24 year-olds). With regards to families, 29% of Bristol's children and young people are now eligible for Free School Meals. Despite these societal challenges, progress has been made to improve food equality in Bristol. A growing number of groups and organisations are finding innovative ways to tackle systemic inequalities in our food system. Such efforts are evidenced through these figures, the case studies and the progress summaries presented in this report.

With the support of Bristol City Council, we have been able to use the Household Support Fund to provide grants to organisations in the city that are aligned with tackling food inequality and the FESAP aims and goals.

Feeding Bristol receives funding from the local authority to oversee and monitor the delivery of the FESAP, follow through on city-wide actions, conduct regular community conversations and complete an annual progress report. The progress report was published in the summer of 2024.

4.2. Household Support Fund

The Household Support Fund (HSF) is provided by the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) and supports vulnerable households with the rising cost-of-living. Over 2023-24, Feeding Bristol managed the community food element of the Household Support Fund (HSF) on behalf of Bristol City Council.

Securing funding is a significant challenge to progressing the Action Plan. To have the most impact from this fund, all applicants were asked to demonstrate how their project addresses at least one of the priority themes in the One City Food Equality Strategy and Action Plan. Though the HSF does not fund the entirety of the Action Plan it did help to push forward the Food Equality agenda 2023/24.

Over the course of the year, Feeding Bristol distributed approximately £1m to 104 organisations, funding 115 projects.

4.3. Bristol Local Food Fund

Bristol Local Food Fund (BLFF) was created to improve access to quality, affordable, local food across Bristol by supporting community food projects. The BLFF has the aim of using a participatory grant-making process, which puts individuals and communities with lived experience of food insecurity at the heart of the funding decision-making process, being enabled to provide ongoing and continual support.

Feeding Bristol, along with Quartet Community Foundation, are the lead strategic partners in overseeing the delivery of this project.

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During 2023-24, BLFF was the main benefactor of the Anti-Banquet, a project designed to raise funds to support food insecurity in the city. Approximately £100k was raised on the night to support the work of Bristol Local Food Fund and this will be distributed during 2024-25 through the participatory grant making approach once more.

4.4. Avon Gleaning Network

We continue to hold funds for Avon Gleaning Network as they progress to becoming a constituted organisation. This has involved being the recipient for a variety of funds that they apply for and managing the distribution of their funding to their project team. We are aiming for them to become independent in 2024-25.

4.5. Food Education

4.5.1. The Children's Kitchen

From September 2023 we started a consolidation year where we didn't rush to work with more settings but focused on developing how we work. This involved developing a toolkit for settings so that they know what to expect from The Children's Kitchen approach and a term-time calendar to show seasonal planting, picking and food exploration. This is part of the wider strategy of TCK that we are reviewing to help maximise impact and support in the city. This is complemented by a project with Dr Will Baker from Bristol University on evaluation of the project. In 2023-24 Dr Baker began to conduct initial interviews with around ten of the settings and will continue helping us to develop the project and assess our impact.

We did start to work within three new settings during this year: Briarwood, a specialist infant school for disabled and SEND children, the Refugee Women of Bristol group at Easton Family Centre (focussing on culturally appropriate growing), and The Gatehouse, a nursery in Hartcliffe which needed some support with its food. These settings were chosen as part of our strategic partnerships with Bristol Early Years.

The core team of TCK has remained the same in this time with the three main project developers (Kelly, Rosina and Claudia) taking on the majority of direct project work in the Nurseries, and Jo Ingblby leading the project. In

2023-24 we also worked with Clare and Sarah from Travelling Kitchen to deliver sessions.

Jo has also delivered webinars for Bristol Early Years on exploring food and outdoor learning, and supported childminders across Bristol with online training sessions and hands on sessions.

We worked on a commission from the Early Education charity to create a recipe booklet to celebrate their 100th anniversary. This was produced by them and published in November 2023 and sent out to all maintained Nursery Schools in the country and is now sold through their website.

In December 2023 The Children's Kitchen were featured by The Times newspaper for the success of TCK, on the back of Feeding Britain being one of their three chosen charities for Christmas fundraising.

The success of TCK has further been recognised by a number of awards.

Awards:

- Department for Education HAF regional Champions
- British Nutrition Foundation Community Award (runner up)
- FareShare Southwest Social Impact Award - Innovation diversity and inclusion.

4.5.2. The Children's Kitchen - Nottingham Project

September 2024 saw the end of the project in Nottingham which was initially funded by the Public Health Childhood Obesity Flagship programme, and then further by Feeding Britain. This was a successful project in its first year with the schools, all feeding back that it had impacted their food education and access to healthy food in the classroom. It proved difficult to continue once the key project developer left and highlighted the difficulties of working remotely in a different part of the country, and we will not be pursuing this further.

4.5.3. Food Leaders

In 2023-24, we delivered three successful cohorts of the face-to-face Food Leaders course, two funded by the HAF programme to train the activity

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providers who work with children and young people, and one funded by the Quartet Children and Young People funding.

The in-person course has had an impact on the quality and quantity of food education sessions within the HAF programme with most of the organisations now incorporating this into their provision. With community groups it is harder to assess as we don't stay in touch with them, but we are planning on investigating the impact in more detail in the future to help develop and drive the project forwards.

The programme is delivered as a partnership between Feeding Bristol, Square Food Foundation, 91ways, Travelling Kitchen, Josh Eggleton and Adrian Kirikmaa.

4.5.4. NHS Child Healthy Weight

We were awarded two grants from the NHS community and locality partnerships this year; one of £20,000 to develop a digital version of the Food Leaders course, and one of £30,000 to provide family food sessions building on the work of The Children's Kitchen.

The digital Food Leaders programme is being created as an online platform by Eight Media at Knowle West Media Centre. It is aimed at being a more widely accessible version of the in-person course which will enable more community organisations, schools, and charities to be able to run food education or social eating events with the people they work with. The five modules are led by the chefs involved with the in-person programme: Jo Ingleby (The Children's Kitchen), Barny Haughton and Charlotte Fife (Square Food Foundation), Josh Eggleton and Adrian Kirikmaa (School of Food), Kalpna Woolf (91 ways), and Sarah Francis and Clare Mcgloughlin (Travelling Kitchen). The course works well online and is available free to anyone working with people at risk of food or health inequalities. We have had over 80 people sign up for the course over the first year.

The Family Food sessions have enabled us to double the amount of time we spend in settings, providing the sessions in addition to our core work. This upscaling in our capacity has had a positive effect on the project as a whole and also for the families and early years settings involved. Food is the ideal way to encourage discussion, friendship and ideas sharing and we

have learned more about the children and families we work with, and they have learnt from us and from each-other.

For many settings this has been the first time since Covid that they have welcomed families into the setting for structured groups. It has given families a chance to meet together, share ideas, concerns and advice. For our Project Developers it has also been beneficial; to meet the parents of children that they have built relationships with over the last year in Nursery. Often parents are surprised and pleased by the level of tasting and chopping their child is happy to do and this is the first time they have seen it in action.

4.6. Healthy Holidays/Holiday Activity and Food Fund

4.6.1. Holiday Activity and Food Fund

In 2021, we saw a big change to the way the Healthy Holidays programme was operated in Bristol. No longer was it necessary for Feeding Bristol to raise funds to support the initiative as the Government committed to providing funding through the national Holiday Activities and Food Fund (HAF). This has enabled Bristol to come together to reach more children than ever before, allowing for a larger network of organisations to build new relationships and stronger infrastructure for the future. Feeding Bristol continues to be part of the steering group with Bristol City Council and the city's youth and play sector to ensure that we continue to build an appropriate infrastructure of support for those most in need. The value here has been how the city came together – an example of how resilience can grow moving forward, with over 70 organisations taking part and supporting each other to deliver food and activities for children.

The HAF fund only covers Spring, Summer and Winter end of term holidays and not the half-term holidays, which still leaves a gap in provision that Feeding Bristol continues to address in partnership with the youth and play sector.

4.6.2. The Children's Kitchen (TCK)

The Children's Kitchen continues to be a key part of the HAF programme in Bristol in several different aspects. The team runs hands-on sessions during the longer school holidays across the city, and Jo delivers webinar training

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sessions for providers and creates resources. This year we changed how the hands-on sessions were arranged - instead of this being open to all activity providers we worked with the HAF steering group to work with organisations who had been identified through monitoring as needing support with food. This was either related to their food not being compliant with the School Food Standards, or them not delivering any food education (something which is required by the DfE). This has meant delivering fewer sessions, but the sessions are probably more valuable to the organisations in terms of impact.

The production of the recipe booklets also falls under HAF funding. This year's recipe booklet was 'Family Favourites' and focused on key 'base' recipes (tomato sauce, white sauce and an onion, garlic and chilli base) which could be then used to make other dishes. We create these as part of activity packs which are sent to around 1000 children who can't access HAF during the winter holidays. The activity packs comprise of a FareShare South West food hamper, recipes, cooking equipment, spice kit, and a creative activity pack from either The Children's Scrapstore or Unique Voice.

4.7. Children, Young People and Families funding (Quartet funding)

In December 2022, we were awarded funding from Quartet Community Foundation to work with a selection of our partner organisations on projects that will positively impact children, young people and families. This project will run through to 2025 and address the following:

- Working with Bristol City Council Public Health teams and Children's Centres to increase the uptake of Healthy Star Vouchers (completed in 2023).
- Run a cohort of the Food Leaders programme and trial a Growing Food Leaders programme (completed in 2022).
- Consult with breakfast and afterschool clubs to understand how we can work with them to improve food provision and education (ongoing for 2024-25).
- Run community conversations with children and young people so they are part of co-producing solutions (completed in 2024).

- Trial ideas that come out of these consultations and discussions (ongoing for 2024-25).
- Work with food pantries and food banks to increase access to growing spaces, cooking skills and wrap around support for vulnerable people (ongoing for 2024-25).

4.8. WECA Pollinator fund

During 2023-24 we were successful in an application for funding to work with The Children's Kitchen Early Years Settings to install wormeries and pollinator plants as part of funding provided by the West of England Combined Authority (WECA). This project will run over 2024-25.

4.9. Working Groups

As Feeding Bristol has evolved and expanded its approach to supporting the city, the working groups as they currently were set up were considered to be no longer fit for our purpose. Instead, we have sought to work in a more agile fashion, joining and working with other strategic groups across the city. These include, but are not limited to:

- The older people's support forum;
- The Homelessness Forum;
- North and South Bristol multi-agency networks meetings;
- Integrated care locality partnerships;
- No Cold Homes meetings;
- One City Health and Wellbeing Board;
- Food Equality Strategy and Action Plan steering group;
- Holiday Activity and Food Fund steering group;
- Bristol Good Food 2030 steering group;
- One City Coordination group – anti-poverty & cost of living; and
- Bristol Food Resilience Strategy group.

4.10. Food Justice Fortnight

2023-24 saw the expansion of Food Justice Week to a fortnight.

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The purpose of Food Justice Fortnight was becoming clearer: We needed to remember what food can do, not just what we can't do without it. We need to feel connected through our shared interests and values, ones that can be difficult to remember when your food (and socialising) choices feel so limited. We needed to remind ourselves of the good news and hear from the brilliant people achieving amazing things every day all over the city.

Despite the difficult times, we needed to feel a sense of optimism and celebration. So, it was decided that making and sharing food together, and

therefore our stories, experiences, and cultures, would be a key goal of Food Justice Fortnight.

Approximately 18 organisations, 21 volunteers, 25 speakers, 23 chefs and more than 300 participants took part in Food Justice Fortnight 2023.

Food Justice is not only about numbers, in the same way the value of food isn't just about the calories that fuel us. Food is about culture, identity, equality, relationships, wellbeing, expression, community and all of the things that make us human.

5. Statements

5.1. Financial Review

For the year ended 31 March 2024, income was £1,315,232 (2023: £824,642) and expenditure was £1,318,395 (2023: £788,603), resulting in a deficit for the year of £3,163 (2023: surplus of £36,039). Total funds at 31 March 2024 were £182,204 (2023: £185,367). There was a total of £116,097 restricted funds at the year end and unrestricted funds totaled £66,107. At the end of the year, cash in the bank totaled was £177,800.

The trustees agreed a reserves policy in March 2024 to work towards securing and retaining 6 months of core operating costs, amounting to £50,000, as the charity's unrestricted reserves. For the year ended 31 March 2024 the charity held £66,107 in unrestricted reserves. This represents just above 6 months of core costs. The trustees and management team are satisfied with the level of reserves at the year end.

The trustees believe the charity has the ability to continue as a going concern for a period of the next 12 months on the basis of the unrestricted reserves, and the increased fundraising performance of the past 3 years.

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The main risks for Feeding Bristol and mitigations are stated in the table below:

| Risk | Overview | Risk Impact | Risk Likelihood | Risk Mitigation (aimed at reducing impact or likelihood) | New Risk Impact | New Risk Likelihood |
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| Bristol Early Years stop providing funding for TCK | We have a two-year contract with BCC Early years services to provide TCK support and learning in Bristol. this runs until September 2024. The current value is £20k pa. The loss of this contract would significantly dent our available funds for TCK | 4 | 2 | We have had verbal confirmation of the continuation of the contract for a further 2 years, at an increased rate of £25k pa. | 2 | 1 |
| Bristol Public Health stop providing funding for FESAP work | We have a contract with public health for the FESAP work - leading on the creation of the Action Plan and delivery. The current value is £30k pa. and this has run for the last two years, but the risk is that could stop due to Council funding issues. | 4 | 3 | We have had verbal confirmation that funding will continue for our FESAP work, but this is likely to be at a reduced rate. We are finalising a contract for two years at the lower rate to run to FY24/25 - FY 25/26 | 3 | 2 |
| BCC stop providing funding for HAF involvement | BCC currently provides £12k pa for strategic oversight of the HAF programme. This will be for the next 3 years of funding that has been made available | 1 | 1 | We have been central to the holiday provision for the last 3 years, and with the work of TCK and the food leaders programme, and a desire to wrap the work around the FESAP, it should add security to our continued inclusion in this work. The funding is secured till 2025. | 1 | 1 |

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| TCK Funding | We are looking to find a funding partner to work with on the Children's Kitchen project. We have a shortfall of approx. £50k for the financial year | 4 | 3 | We have had success in previous years finding funding to cover our activities, and will look to secure funding from the following sources: - We are having discussions with a funder over a multi-year funding opportunity worth approx. £30k pa - We will deliver activities for the HAF programme which will net approx. £10-15k | 4 | 2 |
| Failure to raise funds from corporate donations | We should be aiming to raise approx. £30k-£40k from corporate donations this year | 4 | 3 | We have a current partnership with a corporate for FY24/25 and are aiming to raise approx. £20k this year. We will add to this with regular corporate donations that we get from various partners across the city. | 4 | 2 |
| Failure to raise enough funds to continue operating before reserves run out | At year end we have approximately £75k of reserves. We will need approx. £250k to cover operating costs for the year, leaving a funding gap of £190k. If we do not raise enough funds on an annual basis, then we will no longer be able to operate. | 5 | 3 | We have a variety of funding opportunities that are already progressing that will help deliver towards our core operating costs these include: - Disaster Risk Planning project - FESAP - HAF - BCC Early Years - The Children's Foundation - Bristol Food Education Charter (with UoB) - Management of HSF funds These will all add significantly towards covering our funding gap for this year. | 5 | 2 |
| Core costs become too high to maintain on an annual basis | We have increased core costs over the last two years by taking TCK as a permanent project and by taking on more staff to manage the projects like the FESAP and HAF work. | 4 | 2 | We need to constantly review staffing to ensure that all projects are both well equipped to succeed, whilst ensuring we continue to stay as "lean" an organisation as possible, not spending funds unnecessarily. We must review this on an annual basis and scrutinise any decisions to take on further costs. | 4 | 1 |

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| Risk | Overview | Risk Impact | Risk Likelihood | Risk Mitigation (aimed at reducing impact or likelihood) | New Risk Impact | New Risk Likelihood |
|--------------------------------------|--|-------------|-----------------|---|-----------------|---------------------|
| Workload becomes unmanageable | In recent years we have seen our workload increase dramatically, and this has been reflected in the increase in FTE. If workload becomes too high we run the risk of not delivering and either failing to meet funding criteria or delivering poor quality work which will impact future funding and contracts | 3 | 3 | We need to have systems to constantly review staffing to ensure that all projects are well equipped to succeed. We must review this on a quarterly basis and scrutinise any decisions to take on further costs. | 4 | 2 |

5.2. Statement of Responsibilities of the Trustees

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102: The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The 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 state of affairs of the charity and the incoming resources and application of resources, including the net income or expenditure, of the charity for the year. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees 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.

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Members of the charity are not liable to the assets of the charity in the event of winding up. The trustees are members of the charity, but this entitles them only to voting rights. The trustees have no beneficial interest in the charity.

5.3. Fundraising Disclosure (as per section 13 of the Charities Act 2016)

- The majority fundraising is currently undertaken by the charity through its employed staff team. On occasion, we do benefit from funds raised by corporate partners and donated to the charity. This is done independently of our activities.
- Feeding Bristol is not subscribed to any fundraising standards or schemes, other than the rules of the Fundraising Regulator
- Feeding Bristol is not aware of any failure to comply with fundraising standards set by the Fundraising Regulator.
- Feeding Bristol has received no complaints with regards to its fundraising activities.
- Feeding Bristol only passively partakes in fundraising directly to the general public through a donation portal on our website. As a consequence, we do not put vulnerable people in a compromised position. If we were to pursue public fundraising campaigns, all activities would be covered by both our fundraising, governance and safeguarding committees.

5.4. Independent Examiners

Godfrey Wilson Limited were re-appointed as independent examiners to the charity during the year and have expressed their willingness to continue in that capacity.

Approved by the trustees on 23 January 2025 and signed on their behalf by

Andrew Street

Andrew Street – Chair

Independent auditors' report

To the trustees of

Feeding Bristol

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Feeding Bristol (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 March 2024 which comprise the statement of financial activities, balance sheet, and the related notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102: The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 March 2024 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and the provisions available for small entities, in the circumstances set out in note 9 to the financial statements, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

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In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the trustees' report is inconsistent in any material respect with the financial statements; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of the trustees

As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement set out in the trustees' report, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditor under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The procedures we carried out and the extent to which they are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, are detailed below:

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(1) We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory framework that the charity operates in, and assessed the risk of non-compliance with applicable laws and regulations. Throughout the audit, we remained alert to possible indications of non-compliance.

(2) We reviewed the charity's policies and procedures in relation to:

- Identifying, evaluating and complying with laws and regulations, and whether they were aware of any instances of non-compliance;
- Detecting and responding to the risk of fraud, and whether they were aware of any actual, suspected or alleged fraud; and
- Designing and implementing internal controls to mitigate the risk of non-compliance with laws and regulations, including fraud.

(3) We inspected the minutes of trustee meetings.

(4) We enquired about any non-routine communication with regulators and reviewed any reports made to them.

(5) We reviewed the financial statement disclosures and assessed their compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

(6) We performed analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected transactions or balances that may indicate a risk of material fraud or error.

(7) We assessed the risk of fraud through management override of controls and carried out procedures to address this risk. Our procedures included:

- Testing the appropriateness of journal entries;
- Assessing judgements and accounting estimates for potential bias;
- Reviewing related party transactions; and
- Testing transactions that are unusual or outside the normal course of business.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. Irregularities that arise due to fraud can be even harder to detect than those that arise from error as they may involve deliberate concealment or collusion.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

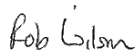
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To the trustees of

Feeding Bristol

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



Date: 24 January 2025

GODFREY WILSON LIMITED

Chartered accountants and statutory auditors
5th Floor Mariner House
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Bristol
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Statement of financial activities

For the year ended 31 March 2024

| | Note | Restricted £ | Unrestricted £ | 2024 Total £ | 2023 Total £ |
|---|------|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Income from: | | | | | |
| Donations | 3 | 22,623 | 91,291 | 113,914 | 66,290 |
| Charitable activities | 4 | 1,188,575 | 10,920 | 1,199,495 | 755,418 |
| Investments | | - | 1,823 | 1,823 | 388 |
| Other income | 5 | - | - | - | 2,546 |
| Total income | | <u>1,211,198</u> | <u>104,034</u> | <u>1,315,232</u> | <u>824,642</u> |
| Expenditure on: | | | | | |
| Raising funds | | - | 12,875 | 12,875 | 5,257 |
| Charitable activities | | <u>1,232,052</u> | <u>73,468</u> | <u>1,305,520</u> | <u>783,346</u> |
| Total expenditure | 7 | <u>1,232,052</u> | <u>86,343</u> | <u>1,318,395</u> | <u>788,603</u> |
| Net income / (expenditure) and net movement in funds | 9 | (20,854) | 17,691 | (3,163) | 36,039 |
| Reconciliation of funds: | | | | | |
| Total funds brought forward | | <u>136,951</u> | <u>48,416</u> | <u>185,367</u> | <u>149,328</u> |
| Total funds carried forward | 16 | <u><u>116,097</u></u> | <u><u>66,107</u></u> | <u><u>182,204</u></u> | <u><u>185,367</u></u> |

All of the above results are derived from continuing activities. There were no other recognised gains or losses other than those stated above. Movements in funds are disclosed in note 16 to the accounts.

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Balance sheet

As at 31 March 2024

| | Note | £ | 2024 £ | 2023 £ |
|--|------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Current assets | | | | |
| Debtors | 12 | 19,389 | | 2,967 |
| Cash at bank and in hand | | <u>177,800</u> | | <u>192,470</u> |
| | | 197,189 | | 195,437 |
| Liabilities | | | | |
| Creditors: amounts falling due within 1 year | 13 | <u>(14,985)</u> | | <u>(10,070)</u> |
| Net current assets | | | <u>182,204</u> | <u>185,367</u> |
| Net assets | 15 | | <u><u>182,204</u></u> | <u><u>185,367</u></u> |
| Funds | 16 | | | |
| Restricted funds | | | 116,097 | 136,951 |
| Unrestricted funds | | | | |
| General funds | | | <u>66,107</u> | <u>48,416</u> |
| Total charity funds | | | <u><u>182,204</u></u> | <u><u>185,367</u></u> |

Approved by the trustees on 23 January 2025 and signed on their behalf by

Andrew Street

Andrew Street - Chair

Feeding Bristol

Statement of cash flows

For the year ended 31 March 2024

| | 2024 £ | 2023 £ |
|--|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Cash used in operating activities: | | |
| Net movement in funds | (3,163) | 36,039 |
| Interest from investments | (1,823) | (388) |
| (Increase) / decrease in debtors | (16,422) | 7,740 |
| Increase / (decrease) in creditors | <u>4,915</u> | <u>(43,818)</u> |
| Net cash used in operating activities | <u>(16,493)</u> | <u>(427)</u> |
| Cash flows from investing activities: | | |
| Interest from investments | <u>1,823</u> | <u>388</u> |
| Net cash provided by investing activities | <u>1,823</u> | <u>388</u> |
| Decrease in cash and cash equivalents in the year | (14,670) | (39) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year | <u>192,470</u> | <u>192,509</u> |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year | <u>177,800</u> | <u>192,470</u> |

The charity has not provided an analysis of changes in net debt as it does not have any long term financing arrangements.

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Notes to the financial statements

For the year ended 31 March 2024

1. Accounting policies

a) Basis of preparation

Feeding Bristol is an unincorporated charity registered in England and Wales. The registered office address is Avonquay House, 2 Dock Gate Lane, Bristol, BS1 6XL.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities in preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

Feeding Bristol meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note.

b) Going concern basis of accounting

The accounts have been prepared on the assumption that the charity is able to continue as a going concern, which the trustees consider appropriate having regard to the current level of unrestricted reserves. There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

c) Income

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

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

d) Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank.

e) Funds accounting

Unrestricted funds are available to spend on activities that further any of the purposes of the charity. Designated funds are unrestricted funds of the charity which the trustees have decided at their discretion to set aside to use for a specific purpose. Restricted funds are donations which the donor has specified are to be solely used for particular areas of the charity's work or for specific projects being undertaken by the charity.

f) Expenditure and irrecoverable VAT

Expenditure is recognised 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.

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1. Accounting policies (continued)

g) Allocation of support and governance costs

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Governance costs are the costs associated with the governance arrangements of the charity, including the costs of complying with constitutional and statutory requirements and any costs associated with the strategic management of the charity's activities. These costs have been allocated between cost of raising funds and expenditure on charitable activities in proportion to the direct costs, as follows:

| | 2024 | 2023 |
|-----------------------|-------|-------|
| Raising funds | 1.0% | 0.7% |
| Charitable activities | 99.0% | 99.3% |

h) Grants payable

Grants payable are charged in the year in which the offer is conveyed to the recipient except in those cases where the offer is conditional, such grants being recognised as expenditure when the conditions attached have been fulfilled. Grants offered subject to conditions at the year end are noted as commitment but are not accrued as expenditure.

i) Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

j) Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

k) Creditors

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

l) Financial instruments

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently recognised at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

m) Conduit funding

Conduit funds are monies received for third parties and do not belong to the charity. The incoming funds and outgoing payments are excluded from the Statement of Financial Activities. Any conduit funds in hand at the year end are shown as creditors in the accounts.

n) Operating leases

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the statement of financial activities as they fall due.

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1. Accounting policies (continued)

o) Pension costs

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for its employees. There are no further liabilities other than that already recognised in the SOFA.

p) Accounting estimates and key judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and underlying assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

There are no sources of estimation uncertainty that have a significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements.

2. Prior period comparatives: statement of financial activities

| | Restricted £ | Unrestricted £ | 2023 Total £ |
|---|-----------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Income from: | | | |
| Donations | 1,686 | 64,604 | 66,290 |
| Charitable activities | 748,161 | 7,257 | 755,418 |
| Other income | - | 2,546 | 2,546 |
| Investments | - | 388 | 388 |
| | <u>749,847</u> | <u>74,795</u> | <u>824,642</u> |
| Total income | | | |
| | <u>749,847</u> | <u>74,795</u> | <u>824,642</u> |
| Expenditure on: | | | |
| Raising funds | - | 5,257 | 5,257 |
| Charitable activities | 697,718 | 85,628 | 783,346 |
| | <u>697,718</u> | <u>90,885</u> | <u>788,603</u> |
| Total expenditure | | | |
| | <u>697,718</u> | <u>90,885</u> | <u>788,603</u> |
| Net income / (expenditure) and net movement in funds | <u>52,129</u> | <u>(16,090)</u> | <u>36,039</u> |

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3. Income from donations

| | Restricted £ | Unrestricted £ | 2024 Total £ |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Donations | <u>22,623</u> | <u>91,291</u> | <u>113,914</u> |
| Total income from donations | <u><u>22,623</u></u> | <u><u>91,291</u></u> | <u><u>113,914</u></u> |

Prior period comparative:

| | Restricted £ | Unrestricted £ | 2023 Total £ |
|------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Donations | <u>1,686</u> | <u>64,604</u> | <u>66,290</u> |
| Total income from donations | <u><u>1,686</u></u> | <u><u>64,604</u></u> | <u><u>66,290</u></u> |

4. Income from charitable activities

| | Restricted £ | Unrestricted £ | 2024 Total £ |
|--|-------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| Grants | 1,188,575 | - | 1,188,575 |
| Project income | <u>-</u> | <u>10,920</u> | <u>10,920</u> |
| Total income from charitable activities | <u><u>1,188,575</u></u> | <u><u>10,920</u></u> | <u><u>1,199,495</u></u> |

Prior period comparative:

| | Restricted £ | Unrestricted £ | 2023 Total £ |
|--|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Grants | 748,161 | - | 748,161 |
| Project income | <u>-</u> | <u>7,257</u> | <u>7,257</u> |
| Total income from charitable activities | <u><u>748,161</u></u> | <u><u>7,257</u></u> | <u><u>755,418</u></u> |

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5. Other income

| | Restricted £ | Unrestricted £ | 2024 Total £ | 2023 Total £ |
|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Wages contribution | - | - | - | 2,546 |

6. Government grants

The charity receives government grants, defined as funding from Bristol City Council and Nottinghamshire County Council to fund charitable activities. The total value of such grants in the period ending 31 March 2024 was £1,161,584 (2023: £652,711, also including funding from NHSE). There are no unfulfilled conditions or contingencies attaching to these grants in 2023/24.

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7. Total expenditure

| | Raising funds £ | Charitable activities £ | Support and governance costs £ | 2024 Total £ |
|--|-----------------------|-------------------------------|---|------------------|
| Grants payable (note 8) | - | 1,010,322 | - | 1,010,322 |
| Staff costs (note 10) | 11,470 | 117,675 | 21,767 | 150,912 |
| Activity costs | - | 124,885 | - | 124,885 |
| Rent and rates | 992 | 10,181 | 1,883 | 13,056 |
| Accountancy | - | - | 10,821 | 10,821 |
| Office costs | - | - | 3,255 | 3,255 |
| Subscriptions | - | - | 1,999 | 1,999 |
| Legal fees | - | - | 1,494 | 1,494 |
| Insurance | - | - | 1,065 | 1,065 |
| Travel | - | 586 | - | 586 |
| Sub-total | 12,462 | 1,263,649 | 42,284 | 1,318,395 |
| Allocation of support and governance costs | 413 | 41,871 | (42,284) | - |
| Total expenditure | 12,875 | 1,305,520 | - | 1,318,395 |

Total governance costs were £8,400 (2023: £2,760).

Prior period comparative:

| | Raising funds £ | Charitable activities £ | Support and governance costs £ | 2023 Total £ |
|--|-----------------------|-------------------------------|---|-----------------|
| Grants payable (note 8) | - | 566,630 | - | 566,630 |
| Staff costs (note 10) | 4,600 | 100,365 | 13,801 | 118,766 |
| Activity costs | - | 75,990 | - | 75,990 |
| Subcontractors and payments to partners | - | 7,184 | - | 7,184 |
| Rent and rates | 514 | 11,212 | 1,541 | 13,267 |
| Accountancy | - | - | 3,900 | 3,900 |
| Office costs | - | - | 66 | 66 |
| Subscriptions | - | - | 1,060 | 1,060 |
| Insurance | - | - | 1,065 | 1,065 |
| Travel | - | 675 | - | 675 |
| Sub-total | 5,114 | 762,056 | 21,433 | 788,603 |
| Allocation of support and governance costs | 143 | 21,290 | (21,433) | - |
| Total expenditure | 5,257 | 783,346 | - | 788,603 |

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8. Grants payable

Grants are made for the purpose of distributing funds to organisations through the Household Support Fund to enable delivery of food parcels, vouchers and/or cash to beneficiaries facing food poverty. The amounts payable and committed in the period comprise the following:

| | 2024 No. | 2024 £ | 2023 No. | 2023 £ |
|---|-------------|------------------|-------------|----------------|
| Grants | | | | |
| <i>Grants to institutions:</i> | | | | |
| Community Initiatives South West (FareShare South West) | 1 | 80,000 | 1 | 80,000 |
| Family Action Food Clubs | 1 | 40,000 | - | - |
| Square Food Foundation | 1 | 38,042 | - | - |
| The MAZI Project CIC | 1 | 37,635 | - | - |
| The Community Farm | 1 | 35,000 | - | - |
| Bristol Charities | 1 | 34,500 | - | - |
| inHope | 1 | 32,557 | - | - |
| Wellspring Settlement | 1 | 30,481 | - | - |
| Heart of BS13 | 1 | 26,770 | - | - |
| North Bristol and South Gloucestershire Fo | 1 | 25,854 | - | - |
| Borderlands | 1 | 24,406 | - | - |
| Easton Jamia Masjid | 1 | 22,333 | - | - |
| 91 Ways | 1 | 21,273 | - | - |
| Eastside Community Trust | 1 | 21,190 | - | - |
| Early Learning Catering | 1 | 20,000 | - | - |
| Quartet | - | - | 1 | 62,672 |
| Black2Nature | - | - | 2 | 27,000 |
| Heart of BS13 | - | - | 1 | 26,000 |
| Other grants < £20k | 86 | 518,432 | 89 | 369,358 |
| Grants to individuals | 3 | 1,849 | 2 | 1,600 |
| | 104 | 1,010,322 | 96 | 566,630 |

9. Net movement in funds

This is stated after charging:

| | 2024 £ | 2023 £ |
|--|-----------|-----------|
| Operating lease payments | 11,750 | 11,659 |
| Trustees' remuneration | Nil | Nil |
| Trustees' reimbursed expenses | Nil | Nil |
| Auditors' remuneration (excluding VAT) | | |
| ▪ Statutory audit | 7,000 | - |
| ▪ Independent examiners' remuneration | - | 2,300 |
| ▪ Other services | 1,000 | 698 |

In common with other charities of our size and nature we use our auditors to assist with the preparation of the financial statements. Our auditors have also provided year end bookkeeping support to the charity during the year.

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10. Staff costs and numbers

Staff costs were as follows:

| | 2024 £ | 2023 £ |
|-----------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Salaries and wages | 138,649 | 109,184 |
| Social security costs | 8,871 | 6,877 |
| Pension costs | 3,392 | 2,705 |
| | <u>150,912</u> | <u>118,766</u> |

No employee earned more than £60,000 during the current or prior year.

The key management personnel of the CIO comprise the trustees and senior management team. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel were £90,419 (2023: £79,581).

| | 2024 No. | 2023 No. |
|--------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Average head count | <u>4</u> | <u>4</u> |

11. Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax as all its income is charitable and is applied for charitable purposes.

12. Debtors : amounts due within 1 year

| | 2024 £ | 2023 £ |
|----------------|---------------|--------------|
| Accrued income | 10,352 | - |
| Trade debtors | 8,985 | 2,967 |
| Other debtors | 52 | - |
| | <u>19,389</u> | <u>2,967</u> |

13. Creditors : amounts due within 1 year

| | 2024 £ | 2023 £ |
|-------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Trade creditors | - | 7,197 |
| Accruals | 9,600 | 2,760 |
| Deferred income (see note 14) | 5,300 | - |
| Other creditors | 85 | 113 |
| | <u>14,985</u> | <u>10,070</u> |

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14. Deferred income

| | 2024 £ | 2023 £ |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| At 1 April 2023 | - | - |
| Deferred during the year | 5,300 | - |
| Released during the year | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> |
| At 31 March 2024 | <u>5,300</u> | <u>-</u> |

Deferred income relates to workshop delivery income received in advance of the activity taking place.

15. Analysis of net assets between funds

| | Restricted funds £ | Unrestricted funds £ | Total funds £ |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Current assets | 116,097 | 81,092 | 197,189 |
| Current liabilities | <u>-</u> | <u>(14,985)</u> | <u>(14,985)</u> |
| Net assets at 31 March 2024 | <u>116,097</u> | <u>66,107</u> | <u>182,204</u> |
| Prior year comparative | | | |
| | Restricted funds £ | Unrestricted funds £ | Total funds £ |
| Current assets | 136,951 | 58,486 | 195,437 |
| Current liabilities | <u>-</u> | <u>(10,070)</u> | <u>(10,070)</u> |
| Net assets at 31 March 2023 | <u>136,951</u> | <u>48,416</u> | <u>185,367</u> |

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16. Movements in funds

| | At 1 April 2023 £ | Income £ | Expenditure £ | At 31 March 2024 £ |
|---|-------------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| Restricted funds | | | | |
| Bristol Local Food Fund | 9,951 | 21,872 | (6,533) | 25,290 |
| National Lottery - Gleaning Network | 6,224 | 4,321 | (7,630) | 2,915 |
| Healthy Holidays | - | - | - | - |
| Food Equality Strategy and Action Plan | 2,787 | 31,000 | (31,000) | 2,787 |
| Nottingham TCK | 16,377 | - | (6,390) | 9,987 |
| The Children's Kitchen | 8,333 | 20,000 | (20,000) | 8,333 |
| HAF | - | 53,505 | (53,505) | - |
| NHSE | 36,880 | - | (36,407) | 473 |
| Household Support | 24,653 | 1,036,182 | (1,058,185) | 2,650 |
| Quartet CYPF Fund | 32,000 | - | (6,272) | 25,728 |
| UWE Community Fund | (254) | 2,500 | (2,246) | - |
| WECA | - | 1,600 | (2,094) | (494) |
| Burges Salmon | - | 10,352 | (1,790) | 8,562 |
| Family hubs | - | 29,866 | - | 29,866 |
| Total restricted funds | 136,951 | 1,211,198 | (1,232,052) | 116,097 |
| Unrestricted funds | | | | |
| General funds | 48,416 | 104,034 | (86,343) | 66,107 |
| Total unrestricted funds | 48,416 | 104,034 | (86,343) | 66,107 |
| Total funds | 185,367 | 1,315,232 | (1,318,395) | 182,204 |

Purposes of restricted funds

| | |
|--|--|
| Bristol Local Food Fund | Funding to tackle food insecurity by funding and supporting community food projects that are helping people most in need in our city. Feeding Bristol is a strategic partner in this project, providing governance and operational support. As part of this work we hold the raised funds in our account and help to manage its spend, with Quartet Community Foundation through a citizens panel. |
| National Lottery - Gleaning Network | We are supporting the Avon Gleaning Network by being the named charity on a National Lottery Climate Action Fund bid for £10,000. As they are not a constituted organisation, we have been the lead charity on the funding bid and support its implementation. |
| Healthy Holidays | Funding to provide a holistic, healthy holiday experience for the most vulnerable children across Bristol. |

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16. Movements in funds (continued)

Purposes of restricted funds (continued)

| | |
|--|--|
| Food Equality Strategy and Action Plan | We are the lead organisation in the creation of a Food Equality Strategy and Action Plan for Bristol. Working closely with the local authority and public health team we have led on stakeholder conversations, community conversations and a public consultation for the work. The strategy was completed and signed off by Bristol City One City Health and Wellbeing Board in February. The action plan is ongoing at the year end. |
| Nottingham TCK | Working with Nottinghamshire County Council and Feeding Britain, we have begun a trial of The Children's Kitchen project in Nottinghamshire. |
| The Children's Kitchen | The Children's Kitchen aims to establish growing and food sessions for children within Early Years settings including Nursery Schools and Children's Centres, with a particular focus on families who live in the most deprived areas of Bristol. |
| HAF | Feeding Bristol works in partnership with the Local Authority in Bristol to both oversee the delivery of the Holiday Activity and Food fund in the city, and with The Children's Kitchen Project, to help provide food and learning sessions with eligible children and organisations over the Spring, Summer and Winter holidays. This funding is targeted at children who are eligible for Free School Meals as part of a wider, national government initiative delivered through the Department of Education. |
| NHSE | In early 2023, Feeding Bristol obtained funding from the local NHS partnerships for 2 projects: 1. To run a series of family food sessions in Nursery School and Early years settings in areas of high deprivation with The Children's Kitchen Project, and 2. To work with Square Food Foundation to develop a digital version of the Food Leaders programme. |
| Household Support | Feeding Bristol worked closely with the Local Authority in Bristol to help distribute a portion of the Household Support Fund. We agreed to distribute funding to organisations that were working in alignment with the One City Food Equality strategy to increase the number of vulnerable households being supported in the city with food provision and support in accordance with the guidelines provided by the Department of Works and Pensions. |

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16. Movements in funds (continued)

Purposes of restricted funds (continued)

| | |
|--------------------|---|
| Quartet CYPF Fund | This fund was designed to for supporting children, young people and families. The funding is designed to work collaboratively with a number of organisations across a variety of projects with the aim of identifying areas of support that are needed and developing projects to tackle the issues. |
| UWE Community Fund | In collaboration with the University of the West of England, Feeding Bristol's The Children's Kitchen project was awarded funding to work with a group of students to transform the garden of Hartcliffe Nursery School into one with vegetable growing beds that children could then interact with as part of their learning and development. |
| WECA | During 2023-24 we were successful in an application for funding to work with The Children's Kitchen Early Years Settings to install wormeries and pollinator plants as part of funding provided by the West of England Combined Authority (WECA). This project will run over 2024-25. |
| Burges Salmon | As part of their theme of '@No Child Goes Hungry', Burges Salmon have allocated some funds for Feeding Bristol to distribute over the course of 2024/25. These include funds to provide early years' settings with annual FareShare SW produce and funds to start mapping Community Kitchen spaces in Bristol. |
| Family Hub | We are working in partnership with the Family Hubs to ensure that food and addressing food insecurity is part of the development of the hubs. This includes: support around the food approach at the family hubs including advising on equipment needed and providing recipe booklets, cash-first leaflets and healthy start leaflets, hands-on cookery sessions, and general strategic support with the staff and practitioners. |

Funds in deficit

Funds in deficit are where expenditure has been incurred on restricted activities in advance of the income being able to be recognised.

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16. Movements in funds (continued)

| Prior year comparative | At 1 April 2022 £ | Income £ | Expenditure £ | At 31 March 2023 £ |
|---|-------------------------|----------------|------------------|--------------------------|
| Restricted funds | | | | |
| Bristol Local Food Fund | 57,537 | 7,136 | (54,722) | 9,951 |
| National Lottery - Gleaning Network | 10,000 | - | (3,776) | 6,224 |
| Healthy Holidays | 9,172 | - | (9,172) | - |
| Food Equality Strategy and Action Plan | 2,113 | 34,617 | (33,943) | 2,787 |
| Nottingham TCK | 6,000 | 21,644 | (11,267) | 16,377 |
| The Children's Kitchen | - | 20,000 | (11,667) | 8,333 |
| HAF 22 | - | 41,450 | (41,450) | - |
| NHSE | - | 50,000 | (13,120) | 36,880 |
| Household Support 22/23 | - | 535,000 | (510,347) | 24,653 |
| Quartet CYPF Fund | - | 40,000 | (8,000) | 32,000 |
| UWE Community Fund | - | - | (254) | (254) |
| Total restricted funds | 84,822 | 749,847 | (697,718) | 136,951 |
| Unrestricted funds | | | | |
| General funds | 64,506 | 74,795 | (90,885) | 48,416 |
| Total unrestricted funds | 64,506 | 74,795 | (90,885) | 48,416 |
| Total funds | 149,328 | 824,642 | (788,603) | 185,367 |

17. Related party transactions

Sara Venn, a trustee, is also a director of Incredible Edible. Feeding Bristol purchased goods and services amounting to £450 (2023: £8,000) from Incredible Edible during the year. There were no amounts outstanding at the year-end (2023: £nil).

Andrew Street, a trustee, is also a trustee of Fareshare / Community Initiatives South-West. Fareshare / Community Initiatives South-West received £80,000 (2023: £80,000) from the charity in grants as part of the Household Support Fund. In addition, the charity purchased supplies from Fareshare / Community Initiatives South-West of £3,790. There were no outstanding obligations for either party relating to these transactions as at 31 March 2024. There were no amounts outstanding at the year-end (2023: £nil).

Julian Mines is also a CEO of Bristol Charities. Bristol Charities received £34,500 from the charity in grants as part of the Household Support Fund. In addition, the charity purchased supplies from Bristol Charities of £45. There were no amounts outstanding at the year-end (2023: £nil).

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18. Operating lease commitments

The charity had operating leases at the year end with total future minimum lease payments as follows:

| | 2024 | 2023 |
|---------------------|---------------|--------|
| | £ | £ |
| Amount falling due: | | |
| Within 1 year | 12,818 | 11,750 |
| Within 1 - 5 years | 12,818 | 25,636 |
| | 25,636 | 37,386 |