



Annual Report

to 31st March 2022

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Billingham and Stockton Borough Foodbank

Letter from Chair of Trustees

Billingham and Stockton Borough Foodbank as a charity in its own right was formed on 3rd April 2018, established from the existing Billingham Foodbank linked to New Life Church.

We consist of 4 foodbank centres – Billingham, Hebron Stockton, Norton and Stockton Hope together with a food warehouse, clothing bank and some household goods. We continue to grow our presence across the borough supporting those in need of emergency food.

This year has continued to be challenging, working within the covid restrictions, albeit, improving. My thanks to the staff and volunteers who have worked tirelessly to continue to provide the service throughout this pandemic.

My thanks to C F Fertilisers, Co-op Community Fund, The Teesside Charity, Newcastle B Soc and Co. Durham Community Fund for their funding support, together with the numerous local businesses who have continued to support their community. Also the supermarkets who continue to support our work- Tesco, Asda, Sainsburys, Co-op, Aldi and Lidl.

My thanks to Trussell Trust who have funded a welfare adviser from Stockton Citizens Advice (SDAIS) to help those visiting the foodbank with advice and support to improve their situation.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge all of our supporters who give on a monthly basis through our bank account or our CAF donate account, your donations are much appreciated. We are all aware of the financial challenges that will face many of those in our community this year and unfortunately there is likely to be a far greater reliance on the Foodbank service.

Janine Browne (Chair of Trustees)

Project Manager's Report

Summary

This has been another year impacted by the coronavirus, we have managed to keep all four foodbank centres open albeit with reduced access but in a safe and socially distanced manner. As always, we have tried to find a way to continue to support those in food crisis. At the year-end we had fed 7,394 people, together with local support to family hubs, schools and several smaller charities.

Personnel

Our foodbank centres are primarily run by volunteers but with Covid social distance rules, we have operated on a skeleton staff. I am indebted to those who have given us their time and talent to support our charity through this last year. We have been supported by Trussell Trust with many training courses and all volunteers are now signed up to the Assemble volunteer management system.

Outcomes

In the last year we processed 3,358 vouchers, 54% of which were from those citing low income. We have seen many new clients visiting the foodbank due to job losses or other ways the pandemic has affected their lives. We have also provided food parcels to local schools and some smaller charities to feed those in need. We are all aware of the present cost of living rises which will impact so many in our community this coming year and we would expect this to be reflected in the number of Foodbank users.

Welfare advice

With the support of Trussell Trust we have been able to provide help and support to Foodbank clients from a welfare adviser from Stockton Citizens Advice (SDAIS). This has made such an impact on those receiving advice, ensuring that many have been able to rectify the underlying cause of their crisis.

Donations

Donations from the public have been largely made through Tesco stores at Billingham and Stockton, and also Asda, Stockton. Donations made by shoppers in these stores are topped up with a monetary donation.

We also have collection bins in Spar, Billingham, Norton and Stockton, Sainsburys Billingham and Bishopton Rd West, Stockton and One stop, Birkdale rd, Stockton. I am grateful for all donations made.

We receive end of day food from Tesco, Aldi and Lidl. This gives us fruit, vegetables and bread to give to clients in addition to their food parcels. Also, we receive end of day sandwiches and cakes from Greggs.

Christmas

Christmas was again a very busy time for us for both clients fed and donations received. We continued our practice of making up food hampers for those in need and gave out hampers, together with some Christmas gifts. My thanks to all those who donated.

Individual and regular donations

We have a generous community in the Stockton Borough and we appreciate all of the support we receive, whether it's a single food donation or local social event. When stocks run low, we put out an appeal on Facebook and the response is always amazing. Special thanks to Steve & Rachel Wing who have undertaken a weekly food collection from their neighbours since the start of the pandemic.

We also run 'Friends of Billingham and Stockton Borough Foodbank' enabling donors to give financially on a monthly basis to support our work. This has been built on throughout the year and makes a significant contribution to the running of the Foodbank. My thanks to all who donate in this way.

Local Company support

We have received many financial donations from local Companies who are looking to help those in need in their communities. They often attend the Foodbank for their volunteer day, learning about our work and undertaking warehouse duties. It is great to see local business stepping up in this way and I appreciate all you do.

Warehouse

Our warehouse is now fully operational, managed by Billy Lake, supporting all 4 foodbank centres with food supplies. In addition, we house our clothing bank which also makes a financial contribution due to donations but more importantly helps those in need.

Partner and Referral Agencies

We work with 216 referral agencies throughout the Borough, all of which have switched to E-vouchers which speeds up the process of issuing vouchers for all concerned.

The future

We hope to expand our work with SDAIS providing support and advice to our Foodbank clients. This will be key in the light of the rising cost of living. Hopefully the easing of covid restrictions and the spread of infection will allow us to welcome both clients and volunteers back into our premises.

We will continue to support smaller charities and community projects where we can and challenge government decisions affecting those in food poverty, with the support of Trussell Trust.

Helen Winspear
Project Manager

Income

Description	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds
Private donations		15,887.23	0.00	15,887.23
Collections		10,411.48	0.00	10,411.48
Grant funding	1	53,866.69	25,430.00	79,296.69
Clothing		162.30	0.00	162.30
Gift Aid tax recovered		2,866.75	0.00	2,866.75
Virgin giving/Caf donate		14,666.94	0.00	14,666.94
Bank savings interest		21.73	0.00	21.73
Paypal		113.75	0.00	113.75
Amazonsmile		128.31	0.00	128.31
Total receipts		98,125.18	25,430.00	123,555.18

Expenditure

Description	Note	Funds
Premises		
Maintenance and repairs		944.00
Insurance		2,367.52
Utilities		12,192.11
Equipment		13,479.81
Running Expenses		
Admin		617.50
Motoring Expenses		3,304.52
Printing		439.32
Depreciation		5,680.40
Employee costs		55,543.93
Total payments		94,569.11

Balance Sheet as at 31/03/2022

Description	Notes	3/22 £	3/2 1
Assets			
Fixed assets- van		21,800.00	14,230.00
-computers		1,250.60	1,152.00
Foodbank acc		239,591.19	212,311.32
Cash		1,212.44	1,341.55
Debtors	2	223.12	449.75
Total Assets		264,077.35	229,484.62
Liabilities			
Creditors (falling due within 1 year)	3	278.86	352.60
Net current assets		263,798.49	229,132.02
(Total assets less current liabilities)			
Creditors (falling due after 1 year)		0.00	0.00
Total Net Assets		263,798.49	229,132.02
Funds			
Unrestricted General		115,569.49	99,942.69
Designated account		122,799.00	108,056.00
Restricted	4	25,430.00	21,133.33
Total Funds		263,798.49	229,132.02

Appendix 1

Notes to Accounts

1	Donor	Amount £	Restricted to
	Trussell Trust	37,472.45	
	SDAIS	8,798.00	Salary
	C F Fertilisers	11,350.00	
	Stockton Borough Council	3,000.00	
	Co-op Community fund	5,906.23	
	Co. Durham Community Fund (Newcastle B Soc)	3,000.00	
	McColls	878.94	
	The Teesside Charity (formerly Philanthropic)	2,000.00	
	Sainsburys	3,391.07	
	CAT care soc	1,000.00	
	BEP	2,500.00	
	Total	79,296.69	
2	Gift Aid	223.12	
3	PAYE due for month 12	278.86	
4	Restricted funds	£ spent	Restricted reserve at year end
	Trussell Trust Financial Inclusion Grant	0.00	25,430.00
	Total restricted funds	0.00	25,430.00



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

Billingham and Stockton Borough Foodbank

On accounts for the year
ended

31st March 2022

Charity no
(if any)

1177777

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31st March 2022

Responsibilities and
basis of report

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

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

Independent
examiner's statement

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

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

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

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

Signed:

S. Gormally

Date:

17.07.2022

Name:

Sadie Gormally

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qualification(s) or body
(if any):

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

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

N/A

Billingham and Stockton Borough Foodbank CIO

Billingham and Stockton Borough Foodbank was established on 3rd April 2018 and is registered with the Charity Commission as a Charitable Incorporated Organization (CIO) Charity No. 1177777.

Addresses:

Registered Office & Billingham Foodbank Centre: 4-6 West Precinct, Billingham TS23 2NH.

Stockton

Centres: Hebron Church, Britannia Road, Stockton on Tees, TS19 0AJ

Stockton Hope, St Andrew's Methodist Church, Hardwick Road, Stockton on Tees, TS19 8PH.

Norton

Centre: St Michael & All Angels Church, Norton, Imperial Avenue, Norton Stockton on Tees, TS20 2EN.

The **Objects** of the CIO are:

Billingham and Stockton Borough Foodbank exists to help alleviate poverty within the Stockton Borough primarily, but not exclusively, through the supply of food or any other provision that helps alleviate or reduce poverty and hardship.

The **Trustees** are:

Ms Janine Browne - Chair of Trustees

Ms Beverley Burton — Finance Manager

Mrs Jill Coyle

Mrs Jacqueline Andrea Jackson

Mr Alan Coyle

Mr George Cliff Henderson

Mr David Luke Taylor