

# CHORLTON & DIDSBURY FOODBANK

England & Wales · Charity number 1177999

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2018-04-18

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

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE PREVENTION OR RELIEF OF POVERTY IN THE CHORLTON AND DIDSBURY AND SURROUNDING AREAS BY:(1)THE PROVISION OF EMERGENCY FOOD SUPPLIES,(2)PROVIDING SUPPORT, SIGNPOSTING AND ASSISTANCE, (3)PROMOTING HEALTHY EATING BY OFFERING OTHER ACTIVITIES SUCH AS MEAL PLANNING AND BUDGETING COURSES, TO INDIVIDUALS AND /OR CHARITIES, OR OTHER ORGANISATIONS WORKING TO PREVENT OR RELIEVE POVERTY.

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## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty
- **Who:** Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies

## Geography

- Manchester City

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£37,086	£51,919	-	-
2024-03-31	£39,558	£50,120	-	-
2023-03-31	£50,567	£43,863	-	-
2022-03-31	£41,531	£28,157	-	-
2021-03-31	£62,485	£32,649	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>CAPTAIN PHILIP ANDREW GAY</b>	Chair	2017-07-12
ANN MEADOWCROFT		2017-07-12
Brid Seery		2020-03-18
Cllr Joanna Rachel Midgley		2018-09-12
KATHRYN LESLEY GRAND		2018-09-12
Owen Lloyd		2020-09-16
PAUL ANTHONY LEE		2022-05-18

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# Accounts

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# Annual Report

## 2024 - 2025

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## Annual report 2024 / 2025

### Chair's Introduction

The period 2024-2025 has continued where the previous year left off, busy, with a steady number of people accessing the Foodbank. A proportion of these have been accessing our financial inclusion project. This year is the middle of three years of this project of having a Citizens Advice Advisor embedded within our open sessions and with telephone assistance for those receiving food parcels by our delivery options.

We have continued to operate from the Hall at Christ Church West Didsbury, and St Barnabas Church Chorlton, with face-to-face sessions on Wednesdays and Fridays respectively. We also have operated a deliveries session from Christ Church.

**Supplies:** Most stock is received into and processed at Christ Church, with further storage at Barlow Moor Community Centre. For periods during this year we found a need to purchase stock more frequently. We have benefited during this year by substantial donations of Gift Tokens for various suppliers that have help reduce our reliance on our cash funds for purchasing. We still need to explore other sources for food purchases, from such places as wholesalers, but due to the continued generosity of donations from individuals and organisations we have managed to meet keep purchases to about 11% of what we supply to our clients.

**Financial Inclusion Project:** This second of three years of our financial inclusion project has firmly demonstrated how beneficial this has been for our clients. We have begun exploring how we might continue this. Our project Manager has been key to exploring with the other 5 Trussell Trust Foodbanks in the City of Manchester Area and the Trussell Trust how to enable the continuation of this service.

**Governance:** Our board of Trustees meetings take place every 2 months. Prior to each, an operations team meets, with at least two Trustees, Project Manager and volunteers present, keeping good links between the operations planning and the Trustees' more strategic roles.

Our Trustee numbers remained static this year at 8, with Kate Grand, Joanna Midgeley and Philip Gay being happy to stand for a further 3-year term to September 2027, and the board agreed to this. This leaves the board with capacity to appoint one more, fulfilling our constituted maximum of 9. We continue to recognise that we have done remarkably well in having such numbers of Trustees.

This year has also seen the beginning of a process of being assessed by Trussell Trust for our compliance with their quality and standards. This has been on going into the current year.

**Recognition:** We could not continue to serve our communities without our greatest assets – people:

- those who donate – known and unknown to us;
- those who give generously of their time and energy - our volunteers;
- our employees - project manager (5 years' service with us) and project worker (2 years' service with us) who continue to work well together and who appreciate, encourage and motivate our volunteers.
- and not forgetting our Trustees.

Without all of these, we would not be able to serve as many people in need as we do.

So - a Big *Thank You* to all.

*Phil Gay*

Chair of Trustees

## Annual report 2024 / 2025

### Public Benefit:

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The Chorlton & Didsbury Foodbank was set up with the aims of *the prevention or relief of poverty in Chorlton and Didsbury and the surrounding areas by:*

1. *the provision of emergency food supplies*
2. *providing support, signposting and assistance*
3. *promoting healthy eating by offering other activities such as meal planning and budgeting courses, to individuals and/or charities, or other organisations working to prevent or relieve poverty.*

This report is to describe how the Foodbank has been addressing those aims during the year, and how trustees, staff and volunteers work to ensure these objects remain the core of all our activities.

### What the Foodbank has done:

Over the year the Foodbank has -

- **fulfilled 1,324 vouchers**
- from **99 referral partners** including from local groups, Citizens Advice, medical practices, housing associations, churches and schools
- this **provided food for 3,630 people – 2,294 adults and 1,336 children**; each food parcel is comprised of **3 days' food** for the household, based on Trussell Trust guidelines. For 61% of people this was their **first contact** with the foodbank and
- we **operated 3 times each week** throughout the year.

The Foodbank works on a referral system. This means agencies and other referrers assess a person's needs, offer to issue them a voucher for food, and if the offer is taken up then notify the Foodbank. At the Foodbank session, volunteers welcome each person when they arrive and invite them and to sit down, and offer a drink. They have an opportunity to chat and relax while they wait as the food parcels are prepared. They also will be offered the opportunity to talk in private with a Citizens Advice adviser.

It has long been known that food insecurity is interlinked with other financial issues, and so cannot be resolved on its own. In 2023 we gained 3 years' funding from Trussell, for a joint **Financial Inclusion** project with other Manchester foodbanks, and with Manchester Citizens Advice. Throughout the year we have again had a CA adviser in the Foodbank sessions each week to speak confidentially with clients who wish to take up the opportunity to see what further help may be available.

We have provided advice to over 160 people, identifying in excess of £150,000 in financial gains. We have given out over 60 fuel vouchers worth approximately £3,000, and more than 400 free Sim cards worth approximately £8,000.

We are proud to have a free delivery service once a week which we believe to be unique within Manchester, focusing on people with mobility issues and larger families.

The people we see are experiencing financial hardship, involving food insecurity, little disposable income. In addition, some also suffer physical and mental health issues. We also offer information on other local organisations such as Food Clubs or Pantries which, after the immediate urgent need, people can join and buy food for a small charge. People have told us that without our help they would have "gone hungry" or "worried to death" or "borrowed money".

## Annual report 2024 / 2025

### Donations of food and essential items:

During the year almost 23 tonnes of food and other stock, such as toiletries, was donated to the Foodbank, and we bought a further 2.5 tonnes. We received donations from a range of people, such as a regular street collection, from schools, churches, businesses. We have collection points in several local shops. We have again had 2 one-day collections plus a November three-day collection Tesco Didsbury Parris Wood, and a one-day collection at Morrisons, Chorlton. Shoppers gave very generously at all these days, and help keep our supplies going through the year.

At the end of the financial year 2023-2024 we received notification of support from both Morrisons and Sainsbury's supermarkets in the form of vouchers; these were spent during 2024-2025.

### Additional help and support

**Volunteers** – without them the Chorlton & Didsbury Foodbank could not function. Tasks include -

- setting up the sessions;
- speaking with clients, ensuring they are comfortable by offering a drink and a chat;
- putting together the appropriate food parcels;
- offering the opportunity to talk with a Citizens Advice adviser;
- delivering food parcels to clients who are unable to get into the sessions;
- collecting donations from collection points;
- sorting, checking, dating and organising stock;
- being involved with the Food Collection days within the supermarket, speaking with shoppers and donors.

Our volunteers attended the Foodbank throughout the year, ensuring the sessions could run. In addition, 8 people gave their time as Trustees, carrying the responsibilities of running a Charitable Incorporated Organisation.

The Foodbank has been supported throughout the year again by Christ Church West Didsbury and St Barnabas Church Chorlton, through free use of the Church Halls for our sessions.

Our Project Manager has continued to liaise and work with other local organisations and Foodbanks, and with Trussell Trust, to share knowledge and experience gained, and address the causes and effects of lack of income and poverty in South Manchester.

### Trustees during the year April 2024 to March 2025:

P Gay	Chair	P Lee
J Williams	Treasurer	O Lloyd
B Seery	Minutes Secretary	A Meadowcroft
K Grand		J Midgley

Project Manager: K Ursell

Project Worker: J Rolfe



## Key foodbank data for Financial Year 2024/25

### Clients

- **1,324** vouchers fulfilled, -2% on 2023/24
  - **1,014** collections, **310** deliveries
- **3,630** people fed – **2,294** adults, **1,336** children
- **61%** of clients visited for the first time
- Clients were referred by **99** referrers

### Donations

- **22,937** kilos of stock donated
- **11%** of stock had to be purchased – unfortunately more than ever before

### Other help offered...

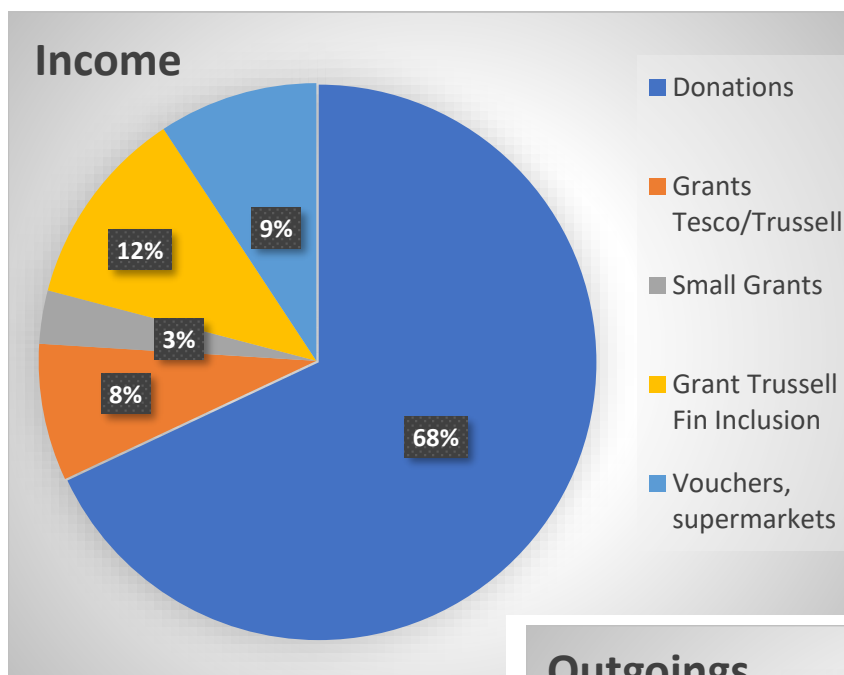
- We now have Citizens Advice advisors in all sessions
  - **More than 160** people accessed advice
  - **Over £150,000** financial gains identified
- Approximately **60** fuel vouchers were issued
- Over **400** free SIM cards were distributed

Chorlton and Didsbury Foodbank

Financial Information 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025

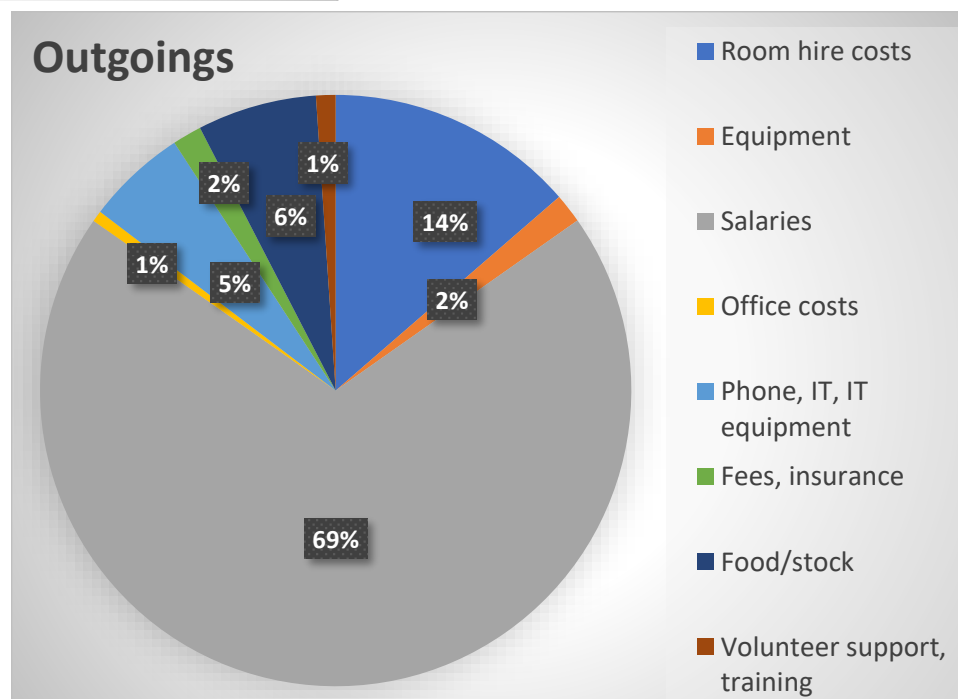
Income 2024-2025:	
Donations	£ 25,220
Grants Tesco/Trussell	£ 2,959
Small Grants	£ 1,150
Grant Trussell Financial Inclusion	£ 4,316
Vouchers, supermarkets	£ 3,440
<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 37,086</b>

Outgoings 2024-2025:	
Room hire costs (storage)	£ 7,080
Equipment	£ 836
Salaries	£ 36,074
Office costs	£ 315
Phone, IT, IT equipment	£ 2,846
Fees, insurance	£ 828
Food/stock	£ 3,386
Volunteer support, training	£ 554
<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 51,920</b>



Over 22,000 kg of food/stock were donated during the year. At £2.50\* per kg, this represents £55,000.

*\*estimated valuation based on Trussell Trust's figures*





**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Chorlton and Didsbury Foodbank CIO

On accounts for the year  
ended

March 2025

Charity no  
(if any)

1177999

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Charity") for the year ended 31/03/2024.

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity'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 in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below \*) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

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

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

Signed:

*Diane M. Riley*

Date:

13.11.2025

Name:

Diane Riley

Relevant professional  
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Address:

The Broughton Trust, Humphrey Booth Centre, Salford, M7 1NY

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## **Chorlton and Didsbury Foodbank (CIO)**

**Year end 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025**

### **Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Chorlton and Didsbury Foodbank (CIO).**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Chorlton and Didsbury foodbank (CIO) (the Charity) for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025.

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Year end 31.3.2025

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Regular donations - direct	£6,035.00	£6,406.00
Donations via GoldenGiving	£16,050.00	£19,204.00
other donations	£3,135.00	£3,846.00
Trussell Trust/Tesco	£2,959.00	£2,821.00
Grants Mcr. City Council	£850.00	£1,000.00
Trussell Trust Winter Cost of Living	-	-
TT & Citizens Advice Project	£4,316.00	£5,781.00
BMCA winter support	£300.00	£500.00
other	£3,440	-
	<b>£37,086.00</b>	<b>£39,558.00</b>
<b>Outgoings</b>		
Room hire	£6,865.00	£6,865.00
Equipment	£836.00	£2,191.00
Premises costs (Maintenance etc)	£215.00	£215.00
Salary & on-costs	£36,074.00	£32,113.00
Recruitment	-	-
Stationary, inks etc	£305.00	£217.00
Software	£156.00	£236.00
IT Support/Security	£272.00	£110.00
Telephone & Wi-fi	£850.00	£867.00
Fees (incl exam of accounts)	£305.00	£305.00
Insurance	£523.00	£368.00
Travel Expenses	£9.00	£95.00
Advertising materials	-	£128.00
Activities - food	£3,386.00	£4,000.00
Activities additional	-	£709.00
Sundries	£10.00	£443.00
Volunteers week etc	£509.00	£1,098
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**10-year anniversary:** The first session of Chorlton & Didsbury Foodbank was at the end of March 2014, so we also had the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Chorlton & Didsbury Foodbank to mark in March 2024. Trustees agreed that this anniversary should be marked, but agreed a celebration was not appropriate. So on 20<sup>th</sup> March 2024 volunteers and trustees were invited to a lunch event to thank our volunteers and acknowledge all their work over the years. We recognised the founding volunteer Project Manager, also 4 volunteers who were still actively involved at the Foodbank.

**Recognition:** We could not continue to serve our communities without our greatest assets – people:

- those who donate – known and unknown to us;
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- our employees - project manager and project worker who continue to work well together and who appreciate, encourage and motivate our volunteers; during the year our Project Worker completed her first full year of employment with us, and our Project Manager completed her fourth year.
- and not forgetting our Trustees.

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Phil Gay

Chair of Trustees

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### Public Benefit:

It is a requirement that a Charity reports on how it has met its obligations

The Chorlton & Didsbury Foodbank was set up with the aims of *the prevention or relief of poverty in Chorlton and Didsbury and the surrounding areas by:*

1. *the provision of emergency food supplies*
2. *providing support, signposting and assistance*
3. *promoting healthy eating by offering other activities such as meal planning and budgeting courses, to individuals and/or charities, or other organisations working to prevent or relieve poverty.*

This report is to describe how the Foodbank has been meeting those aims during the year, and how trustees, staff and volunteers work to ensure these objects remain central to all our activities.

### What the Foodbank has done:

Over the year the Foodbank has -

- **received 1,348 referrals** –
- from **over 100 referral partners** including from local groups, Citizens Advice, medical practices, housing associations, churches and schools,
- **provided food parcels** (just slightly fewer than in 2022-23) representing over **2,300 adults** and over **1,300 children**; each food parcel is comprised of **3 days' food** for the household, based on Trusell Trust guidelines, and
- **operated 3 times each week** throughout the year.

The Foodbank operates on a referral system, so agencies and other referrers assess the client's need, and then notify the Foodbank.

We come across the view that many clients visit for a food parcel every week, but this is not the situation. Over half (54%) of clients visited just once; others needed to visit 2, 3 or a few times. During this period of an acknowledged cost of living crisis, almost half of our clients visited for the first time during the year. When the person arrives at the Foodbank they are met by a volunteer who welcomes them, and offers somewhere to sit and have a drink. They have an opportunity to chat and relax while they wait as the food parcels are prepared.

During the period of Covid19 lockdowns when the Foodbank could not have clients in the premises, we began to deliver food parcels to some people. The Foodbank has continued to deliver food parcels one day per week for some people who are housebound, or unable to carry the parcels.

### Donations of food and essential items:

During the year 23 tonnes of stock was donated to the Foodbank, and we bought a further 2 tonnes (proportionately more than we have had to buy in previous years). We receive donations from a variety of sources – including individuals, schools, churches, corporate bodies. The annual 3-day collection at Tesco Didsbury Parris Wood boosted stock levels for the winter. Throughout the year we also had collection points in several local supermarkets.

In addition, at the end of the financial year we received support from both Morrisons and Sainsburys supermarkets in the form of vouchers; these will be spent during 2024-2025.

During the last 2 years we have all been conscious of the ongoing cost of living crisis impacting local people, donors - the Foodbank and its community. This has contributed to starting new areas of work:

### **Financial Inclusion / Citizens Advice Project:**

After our Project Manager working on this initiative for many months, our Financial Inclusion Project began in 2023-2024, the premise being that food poverty is not an isolated issue and many people could gain from independent advice. To address this, funding was received from the Trussell Trust for a joint project between Manchester Trussell Trust Foodbanks and Manchester Citizens Advice for their advisers to attend Foodbank sessions to speak confidentially with Foodbank clients.

For our Foodbank, advisers were embedded in the face-to-face sessions on Wednesdays and Fridays. The advisers' work has enabled 166 Foodbank clients who wished to take up this opportunity to address the causes of their need for an emergency food parcel, e.g. by checking if income can be increased or debts dealt with. Over £100,000 of financial gains was identified during the year.

After identifying the benefits from this project, further work was initiated around how this service could be accessed by Foodbank clients who were unable to go into one of those sessions.

### **Winter Warmers:**

As everyone became more and more aware of the cost of living crisis during 2022/23 another project was started by the Foodbank – “Winter Warmers”. Funding was gained from the Trussell Trust for the purchase of extra items that would help people keep warm over the winter, such as fleece blankets and hoodies, food flasks and hot water bottles. This carried over into 2023/24, when a further 71 items were bought and distributed. In addition, about 100 fuel vouchers were distributed.

**Volunteers** – without them the Chorlton & Didsbury Foodbank would not exist. Tasks include -

- setting up the sessions;
- speaking with clients, ensuring they are comfortable by offering a drink and a chat;
- offering the opportunity to talk with a Citizens Advice adviser;
- delivering food parcels to clients who are unable to get into the sessions;
- collecting donations from collection points;
- sorting, checking, dating and organising stock;
- putting together the appropriate food parcels;
- being involved with the Food Collection days within the supermarket.

To keep service open, 33 people volunteered at the Foodbank during the year. In addition, 8 people gave their time as Trustees of the organisation, carrying out the responsibilities of running a charitable incorporated organisation.

The Foodbank has been supported throughout the year again by Christ Church West Didsbury and St Barnabas Church Chorlton, through use of the Church Halls for our sessions.

### **Trustees during the year April 2023 to March 2024:**

P Gay	Chair	P Lee
J Williams	Treasurer	O Lloyd
B Seery	Minutes Secretary	A Meadowcroft
K Grand		J Midgley

Project Manager: K Ursell

Project Worker: J Rolfe



## Key foodbank data for Financial Year 2023/24

### Clients

- **1,348** vouchers fulfilled +7.4% on previous year
  - 1,042 collections, 360 deliveries
- **3,630** people fed – **2,315** adults, **1,315** children
- **48%** of clients visited for the first time
- Clients were referred by **103** referrers

### Donations

- **25,289** kilos of stock donated -15% on previous year
- **9%** of stock had to be purchased – unfortunately more than ever before

### Other help offered...

- We now have Citizens Advice advisors in all sessions
  - **166** people accessed advice
  - Over **£100k** financial gains identified
- Approximately **100** fuel vouchers were issued
- **71** Winter items were given out eg fleece blankets

**Chorlton and Didsbury Foodbank**  
**Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)**  
**Unaudited Financial Statements**  
**31<sup>st</sup> March 2024**

**Diane Riley**  
The Broughton Trust  
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**Chorlton and Didsbury Foodbank (CIO)**

**Year end 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024**

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Chorlton and Didsbury Foodbank (CIO).**

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Signed:



Name: Diane Riley

Address: The Broughton Trust

Humphrey Booth Centre

Salford, M7 1NY

Date: 30.07.2024

Year end

Income

	Actual 2023/2024		2022/23 actual
Regular donations - direct	£	6,406	£ 6,847
Donations via GoldenGiving	£	19,204	£ 25,611
Other donations	£	3,846	£ 6,933
Trussell Trust/ Tesco	£	2,821	£ 3,566
Grants Mcr City Council	£	1,000	£ 2,000
Trussell Trust/Winter Cost of Living	£	-	£ 5,000
ASDA grant			£ -
TT & Citizens Advice Project	£	5,781	
Donations towards posts	£	-	£ -
BMCA winter support	£	500	£ 500
Other	£	-	£ 110
<b>Totals</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>39,558</b>	<b>£ 50,568</b>
<b>Outgoings</b>			
Room hire	£	6,865	£ 6,865
Equipment	£	2,191	£ 1,417
Premises costs (maintenance etc)	£	215	£ 157
Salary & on-costs	£	32,113	£ 25,139
Recruitment			£ 95
Stationery, inks etc	£	217	£ 470
Software	£	236	£ 80
IT Support/Security	£	110	£ 117
Telephones & Wi-fi	£	867	£ 1,037
Fees (incl exam of accounts)	£	305	£ 645
Insurance	£	368	£ 298
Travel Expenses	£	95	£ 83
Advertising materials	£	128	£ -
Activities - food	£	4,000	£ 2,324
Activities - additional	£	709	£ 4,275
Fundraising costs	£	-	£ -
Sundries	£	443	£ 861
10th Anniversary and Volunteers Week	£	1,098	
Training	£	160	
to Petty Cash	£	-	£ -
<b>Totals</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>50,120</b>	<b>£ 43,863</b>

Year end 31.3.2024

Income £ 39,558  
Outgoings £ 50,120

Bank balance 1st April 2023 £ 85,397  
Bank balance 31st March 2024 £ 74,534



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Chorlton and Didsbury Foodbank CIO

On accounts for the year  
ended

March 2024

Charity no  
(if any)

1177999

Set out on pages

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Signed:

Date:

~~30th~~  
19th 2024

Name:

Diane Riley

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**CHORLTON & DIDSBURY FOODBANK**

England & Wales - Charity number 1177999

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# Accounts

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## **Chorlton & Didsbury Foodbank Annual Report 2022-23**

Chorlton & Didsbury Foodbank was registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) in 2018.

The objects are:

“the prevention or relief of poverty in the Chorlton and Didsbury and surrounding areas by:

- (1) the provision of emergency food supplies,
- (2) providing support, signposting and assistance,
- (3) promoting healthy eating by offering other activities such as meal planning and budgeting courses, to individuals and /or charities, or other organisations working to prevent or relieve poverty.”

Trustees and staff work to ensure these objects remain central to all activities planned and delivered.

We returned to hold face to face sessions with clients from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 following the COVID-19 Pandemic. However, from our experience of running a delivery only model through the Pandemic, we decided to continue to offer deliveries for clients who were housebound, or who had large families. Having been heavily involved for a period of time before this reporting period, and the whole of this period, our Project Manager along with staff from the other 5 Trussell Trust Network foodbanks in the City of Manchester area, secured funding to contract Citizens Advice to have advisors embedded with all our face to face sessions. This is to help address some of the issues clients have that cause them to turn to a foodbank. This fully launched in April 2023, so our next annual report should have more details about how this is impacting our clients.

Earlier in 2022 we considered how we might best support the work of the foodbank into the next period of its existence. The decision was made to appoint a Project Worker to work alongside and also help cover our Project Manager’s functions in their absence where appropriate. The process of appointment began in the Summer of 2022, with an appointment made and we welcomed her to our team in September 2022.

Through this period we continued to operate from the Hall at Christ Church West Didsbury, and St Barnabas Church, Chorlton. Face to face sessions took place on a Wednesday and Friday respectively. We also have operated our deliveries from Christ Church West Didsbury where most stock is processed, with further storage at Barlow Moor Community Centre. With increased demand we are finding an increasing need to purchase stock more frequently. We are exploring ways to increase food donations and source from wholesalers, thus hopefully making our finances spent on food stocks stretch further.

During this period the Board of Trustees met on 6 occasions. Following each meeting, our volunteer team is updated with appropriate information. As our constitution is that of a self appointing board of Trustees, we are not required to hold a public AGM. With the dissemination of information from Trustees meetings to our volunteers, we have moved to our September Trustees meeting to be that at which we approve our accounts, annual reports, and Trustee appointments – either new or reappointing.

Our Trustee numbers remained static this year with Joan Williams being happy to stand for a further 3 year term, and the board agreeing to this and the appointment of Paul Lee. The board continues to have 8 out of a possible 9 Trustee positions filled, we have capacity to appoint one more.

With operations running more consistently with the COVID Pandemic regulations now ended, our board of Trustees meetings continue to be bi-monthly; and in the weeks prior to each, an operations team meets with at least two Trustees present. This is to keep good links between the operations planning and the Trustees more strategic roles.

We could not continue to serve our communities without our greatest assets, people who donate – known and unknown to us; people who give generously of their time and energy, our volunteers; our project manager and project worker who have gelled together well and who appreciate, encourage and motivate; and our Trustees. Without all of these, we wouldn't be able to serve as many folks in need as we do. So a Big Thank You to you all.

Phil Gay  
Chair of Trustees  
15<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Trustees during the year April 2022 to March 2023:

P Gay	Chair
J Williams	Treasurer
B Seery	Minutes Secretary
K Grand	
P Lee	(appointed 18.05.2022)
O Lloyd	
A Meadowcroft	
J Midgley	

Project Manager: K Ursell  
Project Worker: J Rolfe (Appointed September 2022)

Chorlton & Didsbury Foodbank is a member of the Trussell Trust.

## **Chorlton and Didsbury Foodbank**

### **Financial statement 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023**

#### **Notes**

The figures on the sheet attached give an overview of the finances of the Charity for past year.

1. The period covered by the accounts fell after the main impact of the Covid-19 pandemic, but everyone was still conscious of the effects in terms of food poverty, including referrers, volunteers, and donors.
2. Overall income was £50,567, up from £41,531 during 2021-2022. By far the highest proportion of income was from donations from individuals, with some from local organisations. The on-line donation platform remains very valuable, and many people have made single or regular donations either via the platform, or directly to the Foodbank.
3. We received a grant from Manchester City Council of £2,000 towards our costs. Throughout the year local people continued to support the Foodbank through donations of food and other stock.
4. We have been again supported by both Christ Church West Didsbury and St Barnabas Church Chorlton through use of premises for our sessions.
5. During the year we received a Tesco donation of £3,556 (£2,741 in 2020-2021), which is calculated based on weight of donations contributed by individuals at the Tesco stores.
6. We received a grant of £5,000 from the Trussell Trust towards clients' additional needs over the winter months.
7. Expenditure was £43,868, compared with £28,157 in 2021-2022. During the year Trustees decided that in order to ensure the efficient running of the Foodbank it was prudent to appoint a second member of staff; the donations received and reserves in hand allowed the additional salary costs to be covered. We needed to purchase some equipment. There was a increase in costs of buying food, also winter items using the Trussell Trust award.
8. During the year the amount of food and other stock, both in corporate and individual donations, was over 29,800kg; with an estimated value of £1.75/kg\* this equates to over £50,000. Over 1,250 vouchers were fulfilled representing 3xday food-parcels distributed, for 2,051 adults and 1,619 children totalling 3,670 people.
9. As we now employ 2 members of staff Trustees are aware of the necessity of ensuring all employer responsibilities can be met. Consequently, the allocation to build our reserves was increased in keeping with our policy to hold a minimum of the equivalent to 3 months running costs as reserves. We will continue to accumulate an appropriate amount to ensure the Charity is on a sound financial footing; the actual figure is being reviewed each year and adjusted in line with the budget.

10. We have carried forward a very healthy balance into the 2023-2024 financial year, made up of restricted funds and free reserves. Trustees are aware of their responsibilities of utilising these funds responsibly while meeting the aims and objectives of the Charity and are planning accordingly.

*\* £1.75 is an estimated value figure advised by Trussell Trust.*

Joan Williams  
Treasurer  
September 2023

**Registered Charity Number 1177999**

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## **Chorlton and Didsbury Foodbank (CIO)**

**Year end 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023**

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**Signed:**



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**Date: 3.07.2023**





**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees/  
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Charity Name  
Chorlton and Didsbury Foodbank CIO

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

March 2023

**Charity no  
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**Signed:**

**Date:**

3.7.2023

**Name:**

Diane Crowcroft

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## **Chorlton & Didsbury Foodbank Chairs Report 2021-22**

This year, we saw the ending of all Covid-19 Pandemic Restrictions. In October 2021 we reintroduced our face to face sessions with Clients on Wednesdays, continuing with deliveries on Tuesdays and Fridays. However, we reverted back to delivery only after about a month for a variety of reasons. From this experience we were better placed to return to face to face with clients from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022. This has provided us with new opportunities to explore with clients the areas of greatest need beyond food, to help us inform future directions for our work.

We have given thought to how we can support fuel vouchers schemes, a further employee, and along with 5 other South Manchester Trussell Trust network foodbanks, we have secured funding to provide for an arrangement with Citizens Advice Manchester for qualified advisers to attend our face to face sessions. The aim of this is to assist in achieving less dependence on foodbanks, by providing clients with the best advice, help, and advocacy as appropriate to their need. At the time of writing, this will become a live project in the last quarter of 2022-23 tax year.

During this period the Board of Trustees met on 6 occasions, with additionally an AGM held on-line on 20<sup>th</sup> October 2021. We said farewell to Fiona O'Sullivan who stood down from the board in November 2021. Paul Lee joined us as a board member from May 2022. As a board of Trustees we therefore continue to remain static, with 8 out of a possible 9 Trustee positions filled.

We continued to operate from the Hall at Christ Church West Didsbury, which also serves as our main store, and a further store room within the Barlow Moor Community Centre nearby, and our main office at St Barnabas Church. Face to face sessions did not resume at St Barnabas until earlier this year, and have not resumed at Chorlton Central. For much of this year, we have had sufficient food donations so as not to require purchasing foods to keep consistent food parcel content, though towards the end of quarter 4 there were several weeks where purchases became necessary.

Our board of Trustees meets bi-monthly; we more regularly convened an operations team, and a financial planning team. These were respectively to oversee more frequently the operational functions, and to facilitate the exploration of options for future growth and their financial impact that could then be reported to the board for final discussions before approval.

Our greatest assets though are people, our donors – known and unknown to us; our volunteers - who graft tirelessly and willingly; our project manager – who appreciates, encourages and motivates, and our Trustees. Without all of these, we wouldn't be able to serve as many folks in need as we do.

Phil Gay  
Chair of Trustees  
10<sup>th</sup> November 2022

**Registered Charity Number 1177999**

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**Year end 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022**

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**Date: 25.08.2022**

**Annual Accounts**  
**Year end 31.03.22**

		<u>2021 - 2022</u>	<u>2020 - 2021</u>
<b>Income</b>	<u>Income</u>	<u>actual</u>	<u>actual</u>
	Fundraising collections	£18.48	£1,774.63
	Regular donations - direct	£4,710.00	£3,900.36
	Donations via GoldenGiving	£19,421.19	£27,882.45
	Other donations	£4,483.91	£16,264.69
	Trussell Trust/Tesco	£2,741.43	£884.95
	Grants Mcr City Council	£2,449.24	£2,985.00
	Asda Grant	£7,707.00	£7,483.00
	Donation towards post		£1,250.00
	<b>Totals</b>	<b>£41,531.25</b>	<b>£62,425.08</b>
<b>Outgoings</b>	<u>Expenses</u>		
	Room hire	£6,490.00	£9,049.34
	Equipment (incl covid related)	£651.63	£2,266.33
	Premises cost (maintenance etc)	£735.00	£720.00
	Salary & on-costs	£17,200.78	£17,610.78
	Stationary, inks etc	£73.36	£671.57
	Software	£79.99	
	It Support/Security	£240.66	£581.27
	Telephones & Wi-fi	£722.55	£905.22
	Fees (incl exam of accounts)	£285.00	£285.00
	Insurance	£287.87	
	Travel expenses	£68.40	£146.61
	Activities - food	£889.27	
	Sundries	£432.98	£365.85
	<b>Totals</b>	<b>£28,157.49</b>	<b>£32,601.97</b>

**Year end 31.03.2022**

**Income £41,531.25**

**Outgoings £28,157.49**

**1.04.2021 Bank balance brought forward £68,883.84**

**Bank balance at 31.03.2022- £78,424.82**



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Charity Name  
Chorlton and Didsbury Foodbank CIO

On accounts for the year  
ended

March 2022

Charity no  
(if any)

1177999

Set out on pages

1 & 2

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

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

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

Independent  
examiner's statement

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

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

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

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

Signed:

Date:

25.08.2022

Name:

Diane Crowcroft

Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body  
(if any):

Address:

The Broughton Trust, Humphrey Booth Center, Salford, M7 1NY


**Section B**

**Disclosure**

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

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

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**CHORLTON & DIDSBURY FOODBANK**

England & Wales - Charity number 1177999

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# Accounts

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## **Chorlton & Didsbury Foodbank Chairs Report 2020-21**

During this period the Board of Trustees met on 9 occasions, with additionally an AGM (held via Zoom due to the Covid-19 Pandemic) on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2020.

In this financial year we welcomed to the Board Owen Lloyd as a Trustee but said farewell to Tim Field. Tim had been involved heavily in the process of the Chorlton & Didsbury Foodbank becoming a Stand-Alone Charity, facilitating a number of planning sessions about our future and in the appointment process of our Project Manager. For these things and much more we thank him, and his continued volunteering for the foodbank. As a board of trustees, we therefore remain static in numbers, with 8 Trustee positions filled out of a possible 9.

The period for which we are reporting has been a challenging year with the onset of the coronavirus pandemic. With this has come various national and local measures to limit it infecting people. These then, having an impact on the way we have operated.

If we include March 2020 in our round up of events we can sum up as follows:

### Volunteers:

Some of our volunteers have had at times to step back, others may have felt underutilised, some have had to shield, and we have had a few off for periods of time with COVID-19. We have had to review numerous times, safe working practices to operate within the law and guidance in this time of the pandemic. This has meant many operational changes through the year, and changes in what Volunteers undertake, and how many we can have working at any one time.

### Serving Clients:

At the outset of 2020, we were meeting with clients face to face, having time to chat, have a cuppa, provide some company, having opportunities to signpost. Passing through a brief phase of serving clients at the door, to having delivery drivers supplied through an agreement between Trussell Trust nationally and British Gas, and locally with Manchester City Council, to where we serve our clients by deliveries using our own volunteers.

### Operating Venues:

We began 2020 by operating from Chorlton Central Church, Christchurch Hall, and St Barnabas, with some storage at Barlow Moor Community Centre (BMCA), and ended with all operations focused at Christ Church Hall, with storage for longer-dated stock at BMCA.

### Stock:

We started 2020 with quite a bit of stock, but we did make some stock purchases to be able to fulfil clients' food parcels. We began hiring space at the beginning of 2020 at a self-store storage facility with the intention of this being for 6 - 12 weeks and then began to get record levels of donations, both personal and corporate, so it became more of a 6-month thing! We changed the main location of our day-to-day storage from Barlow Moor Community Centre (BMCA) to Christ Church Hall.

### Operations Team:

With so many changes and reviews of operating, we have during this period increased our number of board meetings and Operations Team meetings to provide strong support for our Project Manager and Volunteers.

With all of these challenges, with ever changing circumstances, no foodbank sessions were missed throughout the year. We could not have handled the increased client numbers and stock that the Chorlton & Didsbury Foodbank has ever seen before without the dedication of our Board of Trustees, our Project Manager, and team of volunteers, for these all, I want to reinforce my thanks, and for your continued support into whatever 2021-22 throws at us!

Phil Gay  
Chair of Trustees  
20<sup>th</sup> October 2021



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**Chorlton and Didsbury Foodbank (CIO)**

**Year end 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021**

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Signed:



Name: DIANE CROWCROFT

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SALFORD M7 1NY

Date: 17/9/21

### Chorlton and Didsbury Foodbank (CIO)

<b>Income</b>	<b>2020/2021</b>	<b>2019/2020</b>
Fundraising & Collections	£1,775	£972
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Trussel Trust/ Tesco	£885	£4,884
Grants Mcr City Council	£2,985	£3,900
Coop Local Community Fund	-	£52
Refund/Compensation	-	£130
ASDA Grant	£7,483	£9,686
Donations towards post	£1,250	£10,173
Other	-	£200
	<b>Total</b>	
	<b><u>£62,485</u></b>	<b><u>£33,334</u></b>

<b>Expenditure</b>		
Room hire	£9,049	£5,444
Equipment	£2,263	£2,878
Premises costs	£720	-
Salary & on-costs	£17,611	£5,423
Stationary	£672	£69
IT Support/Security	£581	£231
Telephones & Wi-fi	£905	£766
Fees	£285	£400
Insurance	-	£339
Travel Expenses	£147	£252
Advertising materials	-	£153
Activities – food	-	£2,148
Sundries	£366	-
To Petty Cash	£50	£99
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