



Pathway staff and volunteers celebrating 10 years of Great Yarmouth Pathway!

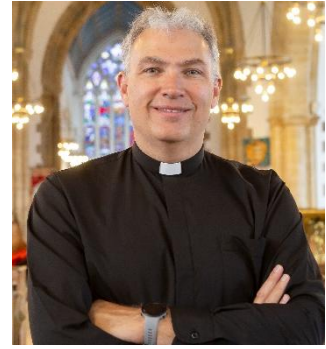
Annual Report 2024

Charity Number 1178940

CHAIR OF TRUSTEES REPORT

Welcome to our Annual Report for Great Yarmouth Pathway Cafe and Support Centre for the year 2024.

Over 10 years ago a group of people in the Parish of Great Yarmouth, wondered what they could do to help people and build community. They had an idea to offer a community meal around an open table, which could gather people, offer food to those most in need and served with a warm welcome and genuine hospitality. They set out to offer a meal at the Minster Mission on Admiralty Road imagining it would be wonderful if maybe 20 to 30 people could be served once a week. The working title of 'Pathway Café' was adopted and soon they began.



When I arrived three years later in 2017 Pathway was often serving 50 to 60 people and opening three days a week. The number of people coming for meals grew and our operation and provision has needed to expand and adapt to be able to sustain this work. Today the service offered by Pathway far exceeds what could have been imagined years ago. However, I really hope that those who pioneered this work would recognise Pathway if they came through the doors today. The generous offer of food, a table is open to all, the warmth of hospitality backed by an ethos of service.

It was therefore an immense pleasure to celebrate and mark 10 years of Pathway in 2024. In saying that it does make me wonder what it could look like in 2034 when this charity marks 20 years of service to this community?

During 2024 we said farewell to two of people who have quietly played important roles in Pathway: Pat Stringer and David Pearson who both served as trustees we established as charity in 2018. As our first trustees and have given good service and championed the original vision of the Parish.

In the summer of 2024 we moved into the excellent new warehouse facility which has become the base of Foodbank operations. This exciting development was born out of our partnership with St Mary Magdalen Church, Gorleston, which meant that together we have been able to reach and support more people and share under the vital support of Trussell Trust. The progression towards adding Foodbank service to our offer has felt like a natural extension of what we stand for and what we aim to do and is a reminder of how partnerships can add value and scope.

None of this outstanding work would happen without the volunteers and staff who are the heart of our charity. There would be no food, no open doors, no tables prepared, no shelves stocked, no parcels packed without hours of dedicated time from a remarkable group of people who are determined to make a difference to others through acts of love and service. For all of that dedication, I am proud and immensely grateful.

I wish to single out our manager, Jennifer King, who continues to grow in capability alongside with the growth of the charity, which is a different proposition to that which she took on when she began a job as Charity Manager, five years ago. Jen provides more detail about what that looks like in her report.

I conclude this report, reflecting on another exciting and expansive year and a heart full of thanksgiving for all that has been done through the work of Pathway Café and Yarmouth & Magdalen and Foodbank

Revd Simon Ward
Chair of Trustees

MANAGER'S REPORT

Across 2024, Great Yarmouth Pathway ran Pathway café, who continued to serve hot meals every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, as well as operating Yarmouth&Magdalen Foodbank which worked across our site and St Mary Magdalene Church in Gorleston – providing food parcels to those in a crisis period. Our vision is to be a transforming safe space of light, welcome and engagement for the community of Great Yarmouth to support those in need is to provide a hot meal, combined with a warm welcome, support network and signposting service. We work in partnership with other charities and agencies across Great Yarmouth and Gorleston and regularly have representatives from partner agencies such as Dial on-site worker who supports our clients.



In our café, we have over 640 registered names on our database and served on average 95-110 customers each day across 2024. Our foodbank distributed parcels to 4822 individuals across 2024, which equated to 35,033kg of food.

We continued to offer a range of training opportunities for volunteers and welcomed 3 new volunteers to the team in 2024, in addition to the appointment of a volunteer coordinator. Every volunteer completes safeguarding training, food hygiene training and we also hold emergency first aid training courses for those interested. Our volunteers and clients are at the heart of what we do and I am proud of everything we achieve, and I would like to take this opportunity to thank them for all of the hard work and commitment across the year.

As I reflect on the last 12 months, the celebration of our 10-year anniversary has dominated my thoughts. Ten years of essential service in our community is a great achievement for our charity – which has consistently met the needs of the area. However, it also illustrates the ongoing hardship and deprivation in our town and the challenges we are facing, through an ever-changing climate. When reviewing past annual reports and paperwork, it is clear to see the development of our charity across the years, as we have continuously grown and reacted to the needs of our clients. A 10-year in house party for our clients and volunteers was a fantastic, celebratory event, attended by Ian, Bishop of Thetford. We also had a thanksgiving service at Great Yarmouth Minster, which was attended by volunteers, clients, congregation from across the Parish and some invited guests, like previous donors and supporters of our charity. It was wonderful to have over 100 people in church celebrating the work of our charity, and it was a proud time to reflect on the work that we have done in the past, and everything we have planned for the future.



In July we moved into our new warehouse unit. It is now a good time to give thanks to our previous premise owners, who were most generous to us across a (longer than expected) period of time that they hosted us with a temporary warehouse unit. The temporary warehouse allowed us to continue to meet the demands of the foodbank we were facing, whilst giving us the time to find a new permanent home for our foodbank warehouse stock. Our new unit will allow us to be able to store larger quantities of food, pack the parcels in a safe, organised manner and store our van in a secure facility. We had a 'formal opening' in September, which was attended by staff, volunteers, stakeholders, The Mayor of Great Yarmouth and Bishop Ian Bishop and was another momentous event for our charity.



Another highlight on the calendar in 2024, was the health and wellbeing event we hosted, in partnership with 'together for mental wellbeing'. This was a fabulous event, attended by over 100 local residents – where we had health and wellbeing services in house, information for discounted gym memberships, free haircuts, free massages, information on health checks, dental advice and much more!

Our local fundraiser this year, involved one of volunteers Paul – who completed a big challenge – by riding the Great Yarmouth Pleasure beach Rollercoaster non-stop all day! He rode the scenic railway 54 times (from opening until closing time) and still came off with a smile on his face. This fantastic fundraising challenge raised over £1200 for Great Yarmouth Pathway – and was a great day, where Paul featured on both local radio stations and the regional news channels, documenting his achievement.

In May we had to say goodbye to Mother Ashley Hines, our trustee and pastoral lead – who has contributed so much to our charity in her time in our Parish. I am personally so grateful for her love, commitment and service to our community and wish her all the best in her new parish. This did also mean, that in September we welcomed Revd Richard Washington as the new Team Vicar in the Great Yarmouth Team Ministry. He is also a new trustee at Great Yarmouth Pathway and will be providing pastoral care of our clients and support to myself. I am excited to work with Richard, to develop a new strategy for our charity and continue to build on the foundations that have been laid over the last few years.

Jennifer King
Charity Manager

TREASURERS REPORT

I would like to start first by thanking all the staff, volunteers and various helpers for their marvellous efforts in what has been another exceptionally busy and challenging year. We still serve about 80/100 free hot meals on three days each week and operate a very busy Foodbank from our new warehouse premises.

The total received in Income in the year was £295048.99 and £206874 was paid out.

We received many generous donations from individuals for Pathway including a fundraiser by one of our volunteers which involved riding a rollercoaster for the day raising £1182.09. Pathway also received several Grants from the Norfolk Community Foundation totalling £48849. Foodbank received its main funding from The Trussell Trust in the form of several grants totalling £185859.29 and we thank all of them for their support of Gt. Yarmouth Pathway and Food Bank.

In addition to Fare Share and Thompson Foods we have been using other suppliers, especially for Foodbank while we try to grow our public donations. The on-line banking and implementing of accountancy software have proved very helpful. Also, we at present pay £200 per week (£50 for each of the four days we are open) to the PCC for the hire of the hall. This covers all the utilities we use. We have additional premises costs for the new Foodbank Warehouse which opened this year of £10880.32. This left us with a total of £166061.93 in cash and £3699 in assets to carry forward into 2025. Again, I thank all our various donators for their contributions and also the Trustees for all the assistance given to me over year and in producing these accounts.

Susan Murtha
Treasurer

Great Yarmouth Pathway Statement of Financial Activities Year ending 31 st December 2024		
INCOME	2023	2024
Gift Aid donations	30.00	0.00
Fundraising	16279.72	1182.09
Standing Order / Direct Debit/Stripe/Paypal	1136.50	2376.32
Churches	120.00	490.57
Other Groups, companies or Charities	2821.71	20730
Individuals and councillors	5685.00	26529.06
Grants from Trusts (recurring)	20000.00	0
Grants from Trusts	154949.97	243740.95
Training	0.00	0.00
Sale of Goods	140.00	0
TOTAL INCOME	201162.90	295048.99

EXPENDITURE	2023	2024
Insurance	597.14	1587
Catering Supplies and running expenses	9533.87	4399.37
Cleaning Supplies & Refuse	1642.74	2048.64
FareShare	0.00	0
Volunteer Expenses and petty cash	2752.50	777.95
Training Costs	0.00	0.00
Rent to GY PCC	7800.00	5850
New Equipment	0.00	0
Fund Raising Event	0.00	0.00
Foodbank <i>(detail on next page)</i>	132222.41	126570.38
Centres management and administration	8136.07	2160.85
Staff Wages: Manager	22586.05	32940
Staff Wages: Chef	10900.39	17550
Staff Expenses	0.00	403.20
Van and running costs	1687.94	2409.74
Tax NI		10176.87
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	197859.11	206874
BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD	74583.15	77886.94
BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD	77886.94	166061.93

Great Yarmouth Pathway Statement of Financial Activities Year ending 31 st December 2024		
Activities directly relating to Foodbank		
EXPENDITURE	2023	2024
Staff Goods Obtained	765.80	0
Amazon Goods	63.72	0
Warehouse (Managers Salary & Costs)	13080.82	10103.75
Payments to Mary Magdalene Church	51854.50	35802.44
Dial	0	17882.60
Utility Cards	0.00	0.00
Fareshare	3744.17	5861.70
All the various stores	33641.76	30746.12
Premises Hire	2600	13480.32
Legal Advice	3185.64	8582
General Expenses		1236.77
Van Expenses		95
Staff Training		2505
Waste Collection		274.68
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	<u>132222.41</u>	<u>126570.38</u>

*A full set of accounts is available on request and is uploaded to the Charity Commission Register:
www.charitycommission.gov.uk*

The full accounts were independently examined and approved by Muhammad Arfan, Anglian Accountants, 3 Deneside, Great Yarmouth, NR302HL on 19th August 2025.

STATISTICS 2024

Pathway café

A register is kept each time we serve a hot meal at our café food.

Month	Meals served	New Clients
January	1003	3
February	1087	2
March	992	1
April	989	5
May	1010	12
June	1198	14
July	1053	8
August	1224	4
September	1243	15
October	1551	9
November	1309	7
December	1411	17
Total	14,070	97

Foodbank

- In 2024, parcels were distributed to 4822 individuals.
- 35,033kg of food was distributed in 2024.
- 1972 signposting referrals were made by our support coordinators.



We are hugely grateful to the following trusts & foundations for their generous support in 2024:

Albert Hunt Trust Community of All Hallows Garfield Weston
Geoffrey Watling Trust Headley Trust Lady Hind Trust
Mickleham Trust Norfolk Community Foundation
RC Snelling Charitable Trust Trussell Trust

**Thank you to all our supporters, both great and small:
We could not do it without you!**

THE GREAT YARMOUTH PATHWAY

Annual Report and Accounts 2024

Registered Charity (England and Wales)

1178940

Statement of financial activities (including summary income and expenditure account)

For the year ended 31 December 2024

Recommended categories by activity	Notes	Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year funds
		£ F01	£ F02	£ F03	£ F04	£ F05
Income and endowments from:						
Foodbank Grants	3	-	186,478	-	186,478	84,225
Pathway Grants		13,925	43,338		57,263	
Pathway - general Donations		50,817	-		50,817	116,938
PCC minister		491			491	
TOTAL INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		65,233	229,816	-	295,049	201,163
Expenditure on:						
Direct Expenses	4	60,335	39,800		100,135	65,637
Admin cost			106,739		106,739	132,222
Accountancy fee	0	399			399	
Total expenditure		60,734	146,539	-	207,273	197,859
					-	
Net income/(expenditure) before tax for the		4,499	83,277	-	87,776	3,304
		-	-	-	-	-
Depreciation Of Goods			1,850		1,850	1,850
Net income/(expenditure) after tax for the		4,499	81,427	-	85,926	1,454
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds brought forward		-	83,435	-	83,435	81,981
Total funds carried forward		4,499	164,862	-	169,361	83,435

Balance sheet
As at 31 December 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Endowmen t funds	Total this year	Total last year
		£ F01	£ F02	£ F03	£ F04	£ F05
Fixed assets						
Tangible assets	5	-	3,699	-	3,699	5,549
<i>Total fixed assets</i>		-	3,699	-	3,699	5,549
Current assets						
Cash at bank and in hand	8	4,499	160,322	-	164,821	77,887
other advance payments		-	1,241		1,241	-
<i>Total current assets</i>		4,499	161,563	-	166,062	77,887
Creditors: amounts falling due within one	7	399	-		399	-
<i>Net current assets/(liabilities)</i>		4,100	161,563	-	169,361	77,887
<i>Total assets less current liabilities</i>		4,100	165,262	-	169,361	83,435
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year		-	-	-	-	-
<i>Total net assets or liabilities</i>		4,100	165,262	-	169,361	83,435
Funds of the Charity						
funds	9	4,100	165,262	-	169,361	83,435
<i>Total funds</i>		4,100	165,262	-	169,361	83,435

The company was entitled to exemption from audit under s477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act with respect to accounting

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies subject to the small companies

Signed by one or two trustees/directors on behalf of all

Print Name	Date of approval dd/mm/yyyy
The Revd Canon Simon Ward	
Rev Richard Washington	
Steven Taylor	
Michael Green	

Signature of trustees authenticating accounts being sent

Signature	Date dd/mm/yyyy
<i>SWC Ward</i>	20.10.25

Notes to the accounts

For the year ended 31 Dec 2024

Note 3 Income

	Analysis of income	Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year
		£	£	£	£	£
Donations and legacies:	Donations and gifts	65,233	229,816	-	295,049	-
	Total	65,233	229,816	-	295,049	-
TOTAL INCOME		65,233	229,816	-	295,049	-

Other information:

All income in the prior year was unrestricted except for: (please provide description and amounts)

Not Applicable

Where any endowment fund is converted into income in the reporting period, please give the reason for the conversion.

Not Applicable

Where any endowment fund is converted into income in the prior period, please give the reason for the conversion.

Not Applicable

Within the income items above the following items are material: (please disclose the nature, amount and any prior year amounts)

Not Applicable

This year: Where sums originally denominated in foreign currency have been included in income, explain the basis on which those sums have been translated into sterling (or the currency in which the accounts are drawn up).

Not Applicable

Last year: Where sums originally denominated in foreign currency have been included in income, explain the basis on which those sums have been translated into sterling (or the currency in which the accounts are drawn up).

Not Applicable

Note 4 Expenditure

Analysis	This year			Last year	
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£	£

Expenditure on raising funds:

Telephone and fax
Postage
Rent
other expenses
Printing &
Motor expenses
staff training
Repair and maintenace charges
Insurance
St Mary Magdalen
Light and heat
staff uniform
Legal Expenses
hmrc tax
IT
DIAL
Consulting
advertisement
Food
subscription
wages
travel
warehouse running cost
Volunteer enrishment
waste collection
Accountancy fees See Note 5

Total expenditure on raising funds**TOTAL EXPENDITURE**

-	954	-	954	-
-	34		34	-
-	19,330		19,330	-
-	871		871	116,453
-	149		149	-
-	2,505	-	2,505	-
-	2,505	-	2,505	-
-	442	-	442	-
-	1,587	-	1,587	-
	35,802		35,802	51,855
-	-	-	-	-
-	403		403	-
	9,706		9,706	
	10,177		10,177	6,266
	227		227	
-	17,882		17,882	23,286
	210		210	
	125		125	
	39,800		39,800	
	60		60	
60,335			60,335	
	321		321	
	258		258	
	562		562	
	2,323		2,323	
399	306	-	704	-
60,734	146,539	-	207,273	197,859

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60,734	146,539	-	207,273	197,859
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Note 5 Tangible fixed assets

Please complete this note if the charity has any tangible fixed assets

6.1 Cost or valuation

	Freehold land & buildings	Other land & buildings	Plant, machinery and motor vehicles	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
At the beginning of the year	-	-	-	5,549	-
Additions	-	-	-	-	-
Revaluations	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers *	-	-	-	-	-
At end of the year	-	-	-	5,549	5,549

6.2 Depreciation and impairments

**Basis	SL or RB (Straight Line or Reducing Balance)	SL or RB	SL or RB	SL or RB	SL or RB
** Rate					

At beginning of the year	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
Depreciation	-	-	-	1,850	1,850
Impairment	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers*	-	-	-	-	-
At end of the year	-	-	-	1,850	1,850

6.3 Net book value

Net book value at the beginning of the year	-	-	-	5,549	-
Net book value at the end of the year	-	-	-	3,699	3,699

6.4 Impairment:

This year: Please provide a description of the events and circumstances that led to the Not Applicable

Last year: Please provide a description of the events and circumstances that led to the Not Applicable

Note 7 Creditors and accruals

Please complete this note if the charity has any creditors or accruals.

7.1 Analysis of creditors

	Amounts falling due within one year		Amounts falling due after more than one year	
	This year £	Last year £	This year £	Last year £
Free of interest loan	-	-	-	-
Accrued expenses	-	-	-	-
Trade creditors	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-

Note 8 Cash at bank and in hand

	This year £	Last year £
Cash at bank and on hand	164,821	77,887
Total	164,821	77,887

Note 9 Charity funds

9.1 Details of material funds held and movements during the CURRENT reporting period

** Key: PE - permanent endowment funds; EE - expendable endowment funds; R - restricted income funds, including special trusts, of*

Fund names	Type PE, EE R or UR *	Purpose and Restrictions	Fund balances brought forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Gains and losses £	Fund balances carried forward £
Unrestricted income	UR		-	65,233	- 60,734	-	-	4,499
Restricted income	R		77,887	229,816	- 146,539			161,164
Other funds (balancing figure)	N/a	N/a	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Funds as per balance sheet			77,887	295,049	- 207,273	-	-	165,662

Fund balances carried forward include assets and liabilities denominated in a foreign currency

Yes*	No*
	✓

<i>If yes, please state the basis on which the assets and/or liabilities have been</i>	Not Applicable
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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

THE GREAT YARMOUTH PATHWAY

On accounts for the year
ended

31 December 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1178940

Set out on pages

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(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 31/12/2024.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

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

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

Independent
examiner's statement

The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member Association of Accounting Technicians (AAT).

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention 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 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: 19/08/2025

Name:

MUHAMMAD ARFAN

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

Association of Accounting Technicians (AAT)
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3 Dene side, Great Yarmouth, NR30 2HL

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.

