



AYLESBURY FOODBANK CIO
TRUSTEES AND MANAGEMENT REPORT
YEAR END 31st March 2025

CHARITY REGISTRATION No 1179692

AYLESBURY FOODBANK ANNUAL REPORT 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025

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1.Management and governance arrangements

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each fiscal year, which show a true and fair view of the charity's situation and its financial activities for that period. In preparing this the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- Follow applicable accountancy standards, and departures being disclosed in financial statements.
- Prepare annual financial statements if the charity continues in operational existence.

Aylesbury Foodbank during 2024/2025 was governed by the following trustees Board

Mr Kevin Piper – Chairman (Trustee since 24/4/2018)

Mr Simon Weaver – Treasurer (Trustee since 21/11/23)

Mrs Anne Vujanic – Secretary (Trustee since 24/4/2018)

Mr Tim Dixon (Trustee since 9/2021)

Mr Andy Rotherham (Trustee since 11/10/22)

Mr Nicholas Andrews (Trustee since 8/6/23)

Mr Frank Henschel (Joined March 2024 – resigned during 2024)

Aylesbury Foodbank maintains its membership of the Foodbank Network run by Salisbury-based The Trussell Trust (TT) and in March 2025 there were over 1,200 foodbank centres across the network. Through the TT, we continue to be involved in lobbying the government about the inadequacies, inefficiencies and unfairness in the benefits system, as well as generating local media coverage that has helped build support for the Foodbank both in donations and volunteering.

2.Report on the activities of Aylesbury Foodbank to 31st March 2025

Aylesbury Foodbank continues to be extremely grateful to the public and to the many organisations and businesses that have supported us with food and financial donations to meet our clients' increased need and keep our volunteers safe.

However, 2024/2025 continued to be a challenging period for everyone as the cost of living remained high as did and the cost of fuel for cars and domestic heating. This increase was reflected by an increase in clients, and apart from two months we again supported over 1000 every month throughout the period. Despite the valiant efforts of the Supermarket Promotions Team there has been a decrease in donations making it necessary to continue to purchase an increasing amount of food in order to fulfil requirements. The money for this is held in reserved accounts which we are fortunate to hold but which has not been so well support by donations and grants during the period.

We continue to operate from a central Warehouse at 44 Rabans Close Aylesbury serving 8 distribution centres around Aylesbury, The existing centres operate from St Peter's Church Quarrendon, Southcourt Baptist Church, More + and Oaks Community Cafes, Buckingham Park

Community Centre, Esquires Coffee Shop Berryfields Aylesbury Methodist Church and The New Testament Church of God, Rickfords Hill. We have established formal “agreements” with each centre to ensure consistency of service provision and signposting. We are grateful for the continued commitment of the Christian and other faith communities in Aylesbury which operate most of these centres as volunteers.

We are pleased to have continued with and expanded the use of Bar-Coding technology in the Warehouse gaining greater efficiency in weighing new stock as well as box management and distribution. We would like to thank Peter Holliday and the planning team for developing and implementing this system the new version of which came into service in May 2024 and makes everything so much easier for the volunteers in the warehouse.

We provide 3-day boxes of nutritionally balanced food, in boxes sized and categorised as: Homeless, Single, Couples Small and or Large Families. The same boxes are now also provided with the contents meeting Halal dietary requirements. All food provided is long-life and within date.

2.1 Client Statistics

2024/2025 saw an increase of only 1.3% in the number of people fed, which is extremely encouraging but it is to be noted that this plateau has not been seen to continue into 2025/2026.

Client Trends

Year	Vouchers	Adults	Children	TOTAL	Meals
2016	243	342	147	489	4,401
2017	515	762	367	1,129	10,161
2018	924	1,374	596	1,970	17,730
2019	1,435	2,076	1,029	3,105	27,945
2020	1,999	3,047	1,709	4,756	42,804
2021	2,461	3,991	2,532	6,523	58,707
2022	4,067	6,315	3,397	9,712	87,408
2023/2024	7,325	11,480	5,789	17,273	155,457
2024/2025	5,903	9,253	4,364	13,617	122,553
TOTAL	24,872	38,640	19,930	58,574	527,166

Reasons Given for need:

Year	Benefit Issues	Debt	Homeless	Low Income	Sickness
2016	240	29	44	135	15
2017	418	84	40	472	34
2018	630	106	103	941	54
2019	1,157	159	262	1,112	205
2020	825	97	113	3,016	332
2021	515	2,392	163	1,368	1,703
2022	537	4,696	503	1,513	1,988
	Earnings Related	Benefit Issues	Debt	Personal Circumstances	Health
2023/2024	474	979	7,786	1,420	3,290
2024/2025	468	599	7,100	1,144	3,054

Clients with benefit issues in 2019 reflect the system changes to Universal credit in that year. We have worked hard in recent years to redefine Low Income and to better categorise the reasons for people living on low incomes even while they are in work. We understand that many of our clients are on zero hour contracts or minimum wage. Through this work we have improved the reporting of debt and sickness as the driver for low income and are now able to report this more accurately. Improvements in the Trussell Trust online data collection system came into place in April 2023 meaning that a direct comparison with previous years is no longer possible. The new categories for

recording will give a clearer picture of why clients need our assistance and what needs to change in order for our assistance to no longer be required.

Debt has increased as austerity has continued, and we are likely to see this increase further into 2025/2026 as incomes continue to come under pressure from inflation as well as utility price increases. Clients are also increasingly affected by the two-child benefit cap which affects all the children in the household.

It is also notable that the number of homeless claims decreased over lockdown. This was a direct result of government initiatives to house the homeless during the pandemic in temporary accommodation. Now that the pandemic is over, we are starting to see a continual rise in Homeless demand. In the year there were 426 claims for people who declared they were insecurely housed and this figure does not reflect those who were accommodated by friends or family sofa surfing.

Frequency of use

Year	Vouchers	Households	Average Visits	First Time Claims
2016	243	124	1.96	124
2017	515	287	1.76	248
2018	924	393	2.35	304
2019	1435	561	2.56	394
2020	1999	722	2.77	506
2021	2461	615	4	388
2022	4668	909	4.48	591
2023/2024	7325	1367	5.36	870
2024/2025	5903	1193	4.95	646

It has only been possible to extract the above data since April 2023 but the ability was provided in retrospect giving a full picture since the opening of Aylesbury Foodbank. Since this data is now available the previous method used by Aylesbury Foodbank has been discontinued as it was very time consuming and provided little that the above table does not show.

The continued issues with the cost of privately rented accommodation need to be yet again highlighted as despite a rise of over £100 a month in the Local Housing Allowance setting the rates of Housing Benefit, there are no one or two bedroom properties available on Zoopla for less than £200 per month more than the allowance and most are nearer £600 more. This puts additional stress onto clients who are on low incomes or benefits as they have to make up the difference to remain housed. The waiting lists for housing associations are closed to all but families and those with disabilities due to insufficient housing stock.

2.2 Food donations and distribution

Food donations and Distribution (Figures Rounded and in Tonnes)

Source / Year	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023/24	2024/25
Charities	0.027	0	0.541	0.340	1.675	0.599	0.870	0.551	0.405
Churches	2.486	3.515	4.807	4.944	6.900	6.262	10.693	16.015	8.846
Community Groups	0.086	0.742	0.678	1.734	3.670	2.575	7.417	6.487	5.114
Corporate	0.468	2.019	3.685	8.850	3.299	3.916	6.100	8.134	5.187
Education	1.288	1.345	1.674	1.907	1.017	2.417	3.736	5.564	2.360
Individuals	0.650	551.7	1.957	3.232	11.497	8.626	19.583	19.196	8.262
Supermarkets	1.420	3.662	6.174	12.023	20.495	18.101	24.353	30.861	28.977
Purchased	0	0	0	0.121	0	3.713	13.180	43.729	37.489
TOTAL	8.666	11.837	19.521	33.183	48.556	45.894	85.886	130.537	96.640

Total Stock In / Stock Out (Figures rounded and in Tonnes)

Year	Stock In	To Clients	Out of Date	TOTAL Out	Difference
2016	8.666	3.943	0.405	4.348	+4.317
2017	11.837	10.489	0.619	11.109	+0.728
2018	19.521	17.696	0.954	18.924	+0.596
2019	33.183	26.796	1.081	27.879	+5.304
2020	48.556	41.919	1.551	43.470	+5.086
2021	45.894	51.961	1.129	53.090	- 7.241
2022	85.886	80.835	0.902	81.736	+5.051
2023/2024	130.57	126.783	1.713	128.496	+2.074
2024/2025	96.640	35.923	0.611	98.594	-1.954

Aylesbury Foodbank continues to be generously supported by the local community, with donations made by the public at Waitrose Aylesbury, Asda Stoke Mandeville and Tesco Broadfields. Collectively supermarket channels represent 30% of donations received. Tesco and now Asda also provide a financial contribution based on the weight of goods donated by their customers.

Thanks to the efforts of trustee Nick Andrews, we now have a very efficient team of volunteers who support a stand at Tesco's, Waitrose and Asda on occasional weekends and ask shoppers to buy an additional item from a list provided for the foodbank. This has increased our donations by an average of 700kg for every promotion they run and we are very grateful for their efforts.

Donations made by individuals to our warehouse or collection bins represent 9%, Churches 9%, and Schools, Corporations and Community groups represent a further 12%. However, despite the continued generosity of the public donations have decreased by just over 8% and this has resulted in an increase in purchasing of 6% meaning 39% of the stock in during the year was purchased.

The wooden cabinet initiative started by trustee Andy Rotherham has continued to be effective although not on such a large scale as in the past. Having said that the donations from the Ramworth Way cabinet were over a ton in the period making them the 7th highest donor and yielding 1,9% of the total stock in. Mention should also be made of Aston Cliton Benefice who continue to remain our 4th highest donors and have been since 2016 when we opened.

We are pleased to say we continue to only need to throw away a small number of out-of-date (OOD) items and thanks to the efforts of one of our volunteers Sharon Squire a home is found for much of our OOD food and unwanted or unusable donations (oversized packets of pasta, rice and tea in particular) is also distributed where it can be used with the help of another volunteer Katharine Cook. . Thanks to the continued strong stock controls established by our planning team, the only OOD food we encounter is whatever is donated to us already OOD by the public.

2.3 Referral partners

Aylesbury foodbank now has 79 referral partners able to issue electronic vouchers. All of our distribution partners can now issue vouchers. During covid, we saw a significant decline in the number of referrals from agencies. The Foodbank distribution centres, particularly SBC, dominate voucher issuing, but in view of the number of unfulfilled vouchers from other agencies as detailed below this means that in house issuing proves more effective in getting the food to the clients in need.

Referral Agencies	No.
Statutory Agencies	35
Charities	17
Churches	11
Voluntary Agencies	8
Community Groups	8
TOTAL	79

Vouchers by Agency/ Distribution Centre (Top 5)

Year	Total	1st		2nd		3rd		4th		5th	
		Agency	%	Agency	%	Agency	%	Agency	%	Agency	%
2016	245	CAB	30	SBC	16	ORB	9	AHAG	9	TVP	7
2017	518	SBC	43	CAB	19	AHAG	6	LES	4	TVP	3
2018	937	SBC	54	CAB	9	AHAG	6	St P	6	ORB	4
2019	1437	SBC	48	AHAG	12	St P	9	CAB	6	Amicus	3
2020	1985	SBC	51	St P	9	F Sup	8	AHAG	3	White	2
2021	2395	SBC	72	St P	11	Bfields	6	Bford	4	Exch	2
2022	4009	SBC	67	St P	11	C Sup	5	Bfields	3	AMC	3
2023/24	7296	SBC	61	St P	15	Exch	6	AMC	3	C Sup	3
2024/25	5918	SBC	53	St P	19	Exch	10	AMC	2	AHAG	2

CAB – Citizen Advice Bureau

SBC – Southcourt Baptist Church

AHAG – Aylesbury Homeless Action

ORB – One Recovery Bucks

LES – Local Emergency Services

C Sup – Connection Support

AMC - Aylesbury Methodist Church

TVP – Thames Valley Probation

St P – St Peters

F Sup – Family Support

White - Whiteleaf Centre

Bfields – Berryfields Church

Bford – Bromford Housing

Exch – Exchange Church

Further analysis of the Referral agencies and the vouchers they issued shows that 37 agencies other than the top 5 issued vouchers during the year up from 32 in the previous period

2.4 Employees and Volunteers

During 2024/2025 we employed 2 part-time employees. Heather Joy Garrett as Operations Manager (4 days a week) and Kim Hopping as Finance Manager (2 days per week) and continue to run a 5 day a week operation.

We operate a weekly rota with 47 volunteers at the warehouse and a further 29 on our Supermarket collections. Our volunteers are well-trained and remain enthusiastic. We also support local students doing their Duke of Edinburgh award with volunteer opportunities in a weekly after school session.

The Trustees are profoundly grateful for the extremely hard work of our employees and volunteers.

2.5 ACTS 435

We continued to run the Acts 435 scheme until September 2023 when the scheme changed reducing the number of active claims we could have at any time unless we agreed to publicise the scheme on our website. At the same time St Peter's found that they were being pressurised by clients with inappropriate requests and asked that the scheme be paused. We therefore still offer the scheme but only on a one off referral basis and have made only one payment in 2024/2025.

A financial analysis of this scheme is given in the financial report.



**Accounts
Year Ending
31/03/25**

Aylesbury Foodbank is situated at
44 Rabans Close
Rabans Lane Industrial Estate
Aylesbury
Buckinghamshire
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This is a rented warehouse and office, where donated food etc. is stored and packed into boxes for distribution from seven centres around the town.

Its objectives are the relief of financial hardship amongst people in Aylesbury and the surrounding area or in other parts of the United Kingdom in such ways as the trustees from time-to-time think fit, in particular, but not exclusively by:

- a) providing emergency food, essential toiletries, and household items to individuals and families in need and/or for distribution by charities or other organisations working to prevent or relieve poverty
- b) such other means, including (but not limited to) the provision of support or signposting to relevant information and other advisory services

Aylesbury Foodbank was set up in October 2015 with the support of the Putnam House Trust as a franchise of The Trussell Trust and started working from a rented warehouse in Smeaton Close, Aylesbury in April 2016. In September 2018 it moved into a larger warehouse premises to be able to meet the increasing demands brought about by the roll-out of Universal Credit.

The Foodbank became a charity in August 2018. It has three part-time employees; an Operations Manager, a Finance & Fundraising Manager and a cleaner, and has been managed by an Operations Group, which includes: Mr. Kevin Piper; Ms. Heather-Joy Garrett; Ms. Kim Hopping, who meet fortnightly. It has a Board of Trustees who meet every other month. The Trustees for 2024/25 were Mr. Kevin Piper, (Chair); Mrs. Anne Vujanic, (Secretary); Mr. Tim Dixon; Mr. Andy Rotherham, Mr. Simon Weaver Mr. Nick Andrews: Mr. Frank Hentshal resigned 15/07/2024 & Mr. Steven Charman from June 2024.

During 2023, the Trustees agreed to change our Accounting Period from 1st January -31st December to 1st April to 31st March to match the Trussell Trust Year. Therefore, the previous year figures in these accounts cover a period of 15 months (1st January 2023 to 31st March 2024) and not 12 months.

ACTS435 - In November 2021 we signed up as a partner to ACTS435, <https://www.acts435.org.uk/> ; an allocation of £2,000 was set aside to allow us to offer small grants to some of our clients. Grants are posted on the ACTS435 website and donations are made by the public to cover the grants made. Following changes to the 'Limits for Requests' set by ACTS 435 in 2023, the Foodbank decided to suspend the making of grants. One emergency grant was approved during 2023/24 but the payment from ACTS was not received until 2024/25.

There are two Restricted Funds: The Food Fund and a fund to increase food donations, which is being used for new donation cabinets and baskets.

We are also acting as the holding agent for a restricted amount of £51,750.00 in respect of a grant from the Trussell Trust for the Aylesbury Homeless Action Group to allow them to employ a Financial Inclusion Officer who will assist our clients. (See note 21)

These accounts have been prepared on a cash basis, as advised by the Charity Commission.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

	2024/5	2023/4
Current Account (03314251)	£30,050.94	£150,460.46
Holding Account (93846253)	£72,912.58	£31,762.50
Holding Account (93846253) 21	£51,750.00	£51,750.00
Petty Cash Account	£62.55	£107.70
ACTS Float	£320.00	£320.00
Total	£155,096.07	£234,400.66

General Fund	£35,183.74	£69,764.25
Restricted fund	£17,842.33	£62,566.41
Restricted holding for AHAG 21	£51,750.00	£51,750.00
Designated Funds	£320.00	£320.00
Reserves	£50,000.00	£50,000.00
Total	£155,096.07	£234,400.66

Foodbank Assets (Current Value) 20

	Purchase Date	2024/25 value	2023/24 Value
HP Elitebook Laptop	May-18	£0.00	£0.00
Monitor	May-18	£0.00	£0.00
Chromebook 14 Laptop	Nov-18	£0.00	£0.00
CHUWI Herobook Pro Laptop	Apr-20	£0.00	£67.25
HP EnvyPrinter	Aug-20	£0.00	£15.00
CHUWI Herobook Pro Laptop	Apr-21	£74.75	£149.50
Bar Code Scanner	Jun-21	£15.98	£31.98
Mercedes Van	Sep-21	£4,105.00	£4,625.00
Dell Inspiron	Nov-21	£111.75	£224.00
Dell Monitor	Nov-21	£24.98	£49.98
A3 HP Printer	Sep-22	£141.00	£211.50
2 x Thermal Label Printers	Nov-22	£109.00	£163.50
CHUWI Herobook Laptop	Dec-22	£89.50	£134.25
Collections Trolley	Jan-23	£85.50	£114.00
External Hard Drive	Feb-23	£52.13	£69.50
Shredder	Feb-23	£75.74	£100.99
Monitor	Mar-23	£116.22	£154.97
Events Tent	May-23	£665.86	£887.86
Filing Cabinets	May-23	£268.20	£357.60
APC Back up	May-23	£111.13	£148.17
CCTV Cameras & Monitor	Jun-23	£2,103.51	£2,804.68
External Hard Drive	Oct-23	£57.60	£76.80
Bar Code Scanner	Nov-23	£38.24	£50.99
Dell Laptop	Nov-23	£444.60	£592.80
Boardroom Table	Nov-23	£187.50	£250.00
Boardroom chairs x 6	Nov-23	£112.50	£150.00
APC Back up	Dec-23	£100.44	£133.94

Heater	Jan-24	£213.35	£284.47
180 Webcam	Jan-24	£70.48	£93.98
Fridge	Mar-24	£86.24	£114.99
A Boards/Holders	Apr-24	£421.20	
Dell Laptop	May-24	£304.98	
Fire Grab Bag x 2	May-24	£371.70	
Stairlift	Jun-24	£2,400.00	
Barcode Scanner	Jun-24	£118.97	
Mobile Phone	Jun-24	£103.99	
Furniture (Desks)	Jun-24	£309.00	
Scales	Aug-24	£333.60	
Mobile Phone for Van	Aug-24	£75.80	
Dollies	Oct-24	£755.94	
Dell Laptop	Oct-24	£349.00	
Wheelchair	Jan-25	£213.71	
Label Printer	Mar-25	£78.00	

Warehouse Fixtures and Fittings **£7,666.84** Purchased between 01/01/2019
(Shelving, Dollies, Scales, Furniture and 31/03/2025
etc.)

Value of stock held at 31/03/25 **£39,154.72**
14,135.28 kilograms (Valued at £2.77
per kilogram)

Receipts & Payments Account

Summary	2024/5	2023/4
Brought forward from previous year	£234,400.66	£153,356.76
Total Incoming Resources 21	£88,914.72	£271,947.35
Total Outgoing Resources	£168,219.31	£190,903.45
Balance Carried Forward to next year	£155,096.07	£234,400.66

Receipts	2024/25	2023/24
Income from generated funds – Voluntary Donations		
Donations (Recurring) 1	£38,830.16	£47,732.83
Donations (Non-Recurring) 1	£25,840.96	£71,693.58
Grants 2	£5,236.79	£109,575.80
Gift Aid Refunds	£3,923.01	£15,120.96
Total	£73,830.92	£244,123.17
Income from activities for generating funds		
Fundraising	£12,489.31	£23,194.62
Total	£12,489.31	£23,194.62
Income from investments		
Bank Interest	£1,990.17	£920.02
Total	£1,990.17	£920.02
Other incoming resources		
General Refunds 3	£346.86	£247.54
Sundries 4	£207.46	£62.00
Total	£554.32	£309.54
ACTS 435 5	£50.00	£3,400.00
Grand Total	£88,914.72	£271,947.35

Payments	2024/25	2023/24
Cost of generating funds		
Fundraising Expenses 6	£710.35	£1,125.55
Total	£710.35	£1,125.55
Investment Management Costs		
Bank Charges	£0.00	£0.00
Total	£0.00	£0.00
Charitable Activities		
Employees/Volunteers 7	£43,370.38	£49,227.14
Office Consumables	£287.61	£714.81
Printing	£1,885.85	£2,526.27
Rent 8	£14,302.62	£14,697.24
Rates	£0.00	£0.00
Facilities 9	£1,630.09	£1,982.73
Phones/Internet	£1,218.36	£1,492.63
Maintenance & Cleaning 10	£1,904.35	£7,374.29
Utilities 11	£3,819.63	£3,607.62
Warehouse Consumables 12	£5,008.59	£7,855.14
Equipment 13	£7,088.46	£13,035.30
Food Purchases 14	£76,417.26	£77,462.34
Van Maintenance 15	£1,020.93	£980.40
Van Running Costs 16	£2,068.43	£1,984.48
Annual Subs/Licences 17	£5,266.36	£2,155.33
Training/Conferences/Workshops 18	£1,014.57	£597.40
Mileage Expenses	£215.62	£55.80
Deliveries	£80.50	£0.00
Total	£166,599.61	£185,748.92
Other resources used		
Sundry 19	£909.35	£1,098.98
Total	£909.35	£1,098.98
ACTS 435 Grants 5	£0.00	£2,930.00
Grand Total	£168,219.31	£190,903.45

Notes to accounts

1. Voluntary Donations & Fundraising – At 31st March 2025 the Foodbank had 90 supporters giving on a monthly basis by Direct Debit/Standing Order/Payroll Giving; this includes two businesses and three churches.

In addition to our own fundraising events we have benefited from some very successful fundraising by our supporters, who raised £11,775.46 from a variety of activities including Collection tins & Buckets, Fetes & Fairs, Raffles, the Sale of Memorabilia, Concerts, Panto Bucket collections, Christmas Activities and Quizzes. The Foodbank is extremely grateful for all of this support, which helps it to continue helping local people.

2. Grants – During the year grants were received from the following bodies: -

Trussell Trust Ex Gratia	£4,236.79
T K Maxx	£1,000.00
Total Foodbank	£5,236.79

3. General Refunds – Three refunds were received for van hire and two from Amazon, for goods that were out of stock.
4. Sundry Income was in respect of monies paid by Trustees for the volunteers meal and for a refund for payments made on the account in error.
5. ACTS435 - In November 2021 we signed up as a partner to ACTS435, <https://www.acts435.org.uk/> ; an allocation of £2,000 was set aside to allow us to offer small grants to some of our clients. Grants are posted on the ACTS435 website and donations are made by the public to cover the grants made. Following changes to the 'Limits for Requests' set by ACTS 435 in 2023, the Foodbank decided to suspend the making of grants. One emergency grant was approved during 2023/24 but the payment from ACTS was not received until 2024/25.
6. Fundraising Expenses were incurred for the Quiz Night.
7. During the period of these accounts there were three paid employees: The Operations Manager, The Finance Manager and a cleaner. The figure includes payments of tax and NIC owed to St Mary's Church, who ran the payroll.
8. Rent – A new five-year lease was signed on the building in September 2023 and a rent increase came into effect in September 2024.
9. Facilities – the costs for water, insurance and waste management are included here.
10. Maintenance & Cleaning – During 2024/25 we required a plumbing repair and a repair to the key safes. Electrical work was carried out to put new socket in the warehouse to meet Health & Safety concerns. In addition, the Annual Fire Equipment Check, Fire Alarm Service, PAT test, Pest Control checks, Loading Bay Door and Boiler Services were carried out.
11. Utilities – In October 2024, Opus Energy transferred our account to EDF.
12. Warehouse Consumables – This includes boxes, paper carrier bags, packing tape and thermal labels.

13. Equipment – The total includes the cost of a new laptop for the Finance Manager and a new laptop, furniture and scales to set up a second box control system in the packing room. To meet Health & Safety/Fire Safety requirements a new Stairlift was put in; fire safety equipment, including a wheelchair, and signs were purchased. New A Boards and holders and Dollies were bought for Supermarket promotions. Other purchases included uniform, phones and badge making equipment and supplies.
14. Food Purchases – Requests for help are still outstripping food donations to the Foodbank. We still have an arrangement with Sainsburys to be able to make bulk purchases on a weekly basis. In addition, we had an arrangement with a local Greengrocer and a Halal Butcher and was giving vouchers to relevant clients exchange for fresh fruit, vegetables and meat. However, we had to stop this due to cost. We now have an arrangement with the Food and Community Trust in Sheffield to buy some food supplies wholesale. During 2024/25 we spent an average of £1,468 per week buying in additional food.
15. Van Maintenance – Costs include four repairs, van hire and one new tyre.
16. Van Running Costs – Includes Insurance, Road Tax, MOT and diesel.
17. Licenses/Subscriptions – This includes the annual subscriptions for Zoom, Microsoft, ICO (Data Protection) and monthly subscriptions for our Adobe and Mailchimp. In January 2024 we signed up with Peninsula UK, for help and support with our Health and Safety obligations. Their monthly fee is also included under this heading.
18. Training/Conferences/Workshops – The Finance Manager undertook a Health & Safety Course and two people renewed their First Aid training with St John's Ambulance. The remainder of the expenses were used for travel to conference and meetings.
19. Sundry Expenses – includes payments from Trustees for the volunteer thank you meal and a repayment from a member of staff.
20. Assets – Current Value calculated after researching the current market value of the van and applying 25% depreciation to the computers and other equipment. Fixtures & Fittings – 25% depreciation applied as per guidance from internet search. Food stock at 31/03/25 is valued at the rate set by The Trussell Trust.
21. On the last day of the Year Ending 31/03/24 Accounting Period, the Trussell Trust transferred £51,750 for Aylesbury Foodbank to hold on behalf of the Citizen's Advice Bureau, so they could employ a Money Advisor. The CAB were unable to go ahead with the project so Aylesbury Homeless Action Group were approached to see if they would be able to take it on. A Financial Inclusion Officer has now been employed, and they have commence this work from April 2025. This grant money remained in our Bank Account for this Accounting Period, but was not part of Aylesbury Foodbank's income (This was confirmed by the Charities Commission by phone on 28/08/24.)

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 1993, accounting standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (revised 2005)

The receipts and payments account shows the movement of cash into and out of the charity during the 2023/24 financial year.

Accounting policies**Funds**

There is currently one unrestricted, general fund and one restricted fund relating to four grants and one designated fund held.

All expenditure is shown inclusive of VAT.

Anne Vujanik, Co-Chair 

Nick Andrews, Co-Chair 

Agreed on 10/11/2025



Report to the trustees/
members of

Aylesbury Foodbank

On accounts for the year
ended

31st March 2025

Charity no
(if any)

1179692

Set out on pages

1-9 (including the notes)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the period 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

Signed:

Date:

17.11.2025

Name:

Paul C Vaughan

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

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

NOT APPLICABLE