



REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 1188567

REGISTERED ADDRESS

Dorford Centre
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ANNUAL REPORT 2024-25

OBJECTIVES

Dorchester Family Support (DFS) was formed to support families with children on pupil premium (free schools meals) with food parcels during the Summer and Christmas School Holidays. DFS registered as a charity in March 2020.

ACTIVITIES DURING 2024-25

In Summer 2024 we distributed food for each of five weeks to around 230 families representing around 400 children. We provide enough food to feed a family of 4 (larger families receive two packs) one meal for 5 days of the week. Families can select from a wide range of food to suit their needs. At Christmas 2024 we distributed a Christmas hamper of treats and food staples to around 240 families.

RESERVE POLICY

Our reserves at March 2024 at £41645 were higher than expected which will enable us to be more generous in Summer 2025. The size of the reserves is influenced by the timing and size of grants being unpredictable.

INVESTMENT

As income is expected to be spent fairly quickly the money is held with a bank account at CAF and no further investments exist or are planned.

INSURANCE

Insurance cover has been arranged with Ansvar Insurance and includes Public Liability.

RISK ASSESSMENTS

These are carried out prior to each event involving the distributing of parcels.

INCOME

Principally from grant making organisations, churches and public donations. Total income of £42868

EXPENDITURE

Principally on the provision of food. The total spent on helping families was nearly £39371

POLICIES

Policies have been produced covering Safeguarding, Child Protection, Volunteer Code of Conduct, Complaints, Data Protection, Data Retention, Equal Opportunities, Health & Safety, Trustee Code of Conduct, Whistleblowing, Volunteers and Financial Management.

TRUSTEES

Karen Weir (Chairman), Kath Joslin, Sally Huntington, Dani Colley, John Weir (Treasurer)

August 2025

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Dorchester Family Support Accounts 01/03/2024-29/02/2025

Income & Expenditure

	24/25 £	23/24 £
<u>Income</u>		
Donations – Corporate	23,418.36	38,120.96
Donations – Individual	17,926.76	20,566.46
Gift Aid	1,343.82	.00
Polo Shirts	94.02	
Interest Received	86.00	62.52
	<u>42,868.96</u>	<u>58,749.94</u>
<u>Expenditure</u>		
Food	36,149.81	33,543.18
Cash Donations to families	200.00	
Vouchers/Gifts	2,217.86	637.98
Governance	210.00	146.00
Miscellaneous	420.42	592.69
Insurance	473.68	353.27
Bank fees	60.00	50.00
	<u>39,731.77</u>	<u>35,323.12</u>
Surplus/Deficit	<u>3,137.19</u>	<u>23,426.82</u>

Balance Sheet

	24/25 £	23/24 £
Bank balance b/f	38,508.64	15,081.82
Surplus/Deficit	<u>3,137.19</u>	<u>23,426.82</u>
Bank balance c/f	<u>41,645.83</u>	<u>38,508.64</u>

Notes to the accounts:

1. The large surplus is the result of unexpected corporate and individual d
2. Governance includes fees for DBS (£145), DCA (£30), ICO (£35)
3. Miscellaneous includes £324.82 for promotional items

JOHN WEIR
TREASURER

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MARCH 2025
ACCOUNTS APPROVED BY TRUSTEES ON

ACCOUNTS EXAMINED BY C H WEIR ON

DORCHESTER FAMILY SUPPORT (CHARITY NO 1188569)
ANNUAL ACCOUNTS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2025

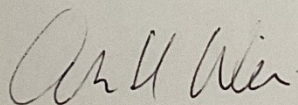
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of Dorchester family Support as required by section 130 of the Act.
2. The accounts do not accord with these records.

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.

Signed



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