

Charity Number: 1189539

HELP FOR HOMELESS

ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

HELP FOR HOMELESS**TRUSTEES' REPORT****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024**

The Trustees present their Report and Accounts for the year ended 30 September 2024. The Accounts comply with statutory requirements and the requirements of the charity's governing document.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Charity Registration Number	1189539
Trustees	Peter White Iona White Alisdair Harris Emma Bleaney
Independent Examiners	Charlton Baker Ltd 33 Duke Street, Trowbridge, Wiltshire, BA14 8EA
Bankers	Natwest Bank plc, 45 Milson Street, Bath, BA1 1DU
Charity Address	Bush Farm, Babcary, Somerton, TA11 7DS
Email:	info@helpforhomeless.net
Website:	www.helpforhomeless.net

Objectives and Activities

The objects of the charity are:

for the public benefit, the relief of poverty by providing assistance to people in need in the South West of England who are victims of homelessness.

The trustees have considered the Charities Commission's guidance on public benefit.

To deliver the objects, the charity provides support to street homeless persons by providing hot food and food parcels, clothing, bedding and tents distributed at regular meeting points on the streets of certain towns in the South West of England.

The charity relies on a loyal and expanding volunteer base to carry out its activities. It receives donations of food and clothing and other essentials. The volunteers help to collect, process and distribute these donations.

The HQ based team of volunteers are responsible for processing the donations of clothes, sorting and packing for storage those clothes suitable for distribution on the street. Those that are not suitable are sold through various platforms to raise funds for the charity. The van is then kept stocked with clothing sorted into crates for each item.

The Kitchen Team are responsible for receiving, sorting and storing food donations. They cook and prepare a hot meal (main and pudding) and a food parcel 4 times per week.

The van is loaded and taken to the street meeting point by the volunteer driver who meets the Street Team who distribute the food, clothing and other essentials.

Achievements and Performance

Throughout this period the Charity has consolidated its activities and concentrated on refining its processes. For the duration of the period the Charity continued to provide its services in Bristol, Bath, Yeovil and Taunton.

Help for Homeless are providing clothing, bedding, hot meals and food parcels in; Bristol monthly and Bath, Yeovil and Taunton weekly. In each location we will be met by varying number of people ranging from 25- 50 people. The van will be loaded with 48 hot meals and any surplus will be delivered to the homeless shelter before the truck returns.

By September 2024 the charity had a volunteer base of circa 70, helping with clothes and food donations, cooking and preparing food, driving and distributing on the street. Regular donations of food and clothing have become the norm from a number of local individuals and businesses including farm shops, bakers, and wholesale food outlets including; Hunts Foods, Leivito Bakery, Mr Organic and The Country Food Trust.

During the period our volunteers attended post Festival clearing and scavenging at Glastonbury, Wilderness and Boardmasters Festivals. These have become very valuable sources for collecting; tents, bedding, clothing, shoes and other items which we are able to recycle. Not only are we helping to restock the charity but we are help to recycle items which would otherwise end up in landfill.

During the period the charity raised the funds from a number of fund raising initiatives including; a Garden Open event at Bush Farm for local Garden Clubs, Downside School 'sleep out', 'November Nights' dinner parties and a Boxing Day Meeting catering event.

In May 2024 the charity held a Volunteers BBQ as a 'thank you' to our valued volunteers for their continued help in supporting the charity. This was attended by over 100 volunteers and their partners/families.

The Charity's own commercial kitchen, leased for its purposes, continues to be an invaluable resource. The Charity uses the kitchen for its own needs for 3.5 days of the week and continues to sublet the remaining 3.5 days of the week to Teals for use as a production kitchen and, in so doing, shares the costs of rent and electricity.

The charity continues to offer those who have managed to secure accommodation, help with furnishing and providing a 'start up' kit of essentials. Accommodation will usually be entirely unfurnished. Through donations of furniture, electrical items and kitchen essentials help for Homeless can usually fully furnish a flat with what's needed to get people started. Through its local network of Social Workers help for Homeless furnished 10 flats or other accommodation during this period.

Financial Review

The financial position of the Charity for the period is shown in the financial statements.

During the period the Charity received unrestricted income through donations, fund raising activities and rental income of £67,759 up from £51,433 in the previous year.

Expenditure for the period was £41,875, up from £25,645 last year, of which £8,960 was spent on food and £1,826 on clothing and tents. After other costs there was a surplus for the period of £24,563.

Structure, governance and management

The charity was established in May 2020 with registration with the Charities Commission. It is constituted as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation and is governed by the trustees under the terms of its Constitution of a CIO last amended on 25th September 2019.

The charity had 4 trustees at the end of the period. Since then, Alisdair Harris has resigned and the remaining trustees are in the process of recruiting up to two more trustees.

Independent Examination

The Charity's accounts, which are maintained by Frome Accountancy Bureau, are subject to independent scrutiny by Charlton Baker Ltd of Trowbridge.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by



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P White

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF

HELP FOR HOMELESS

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Help for Homeless for the year ended 30 September 2024.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts and consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act;
- To follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

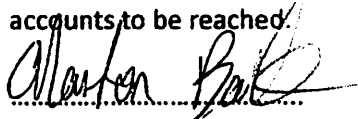
My examination was carried out in accordance with the general directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of the 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.



Charlton Baker

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10th July 2025

HELP FOR HOMELESS**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024**

	Year ended 30 September 2024		Period ended 30 September 2023	
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Unrestricted	Restricted
	£	£	£	£
INCOME				
Donations	48,870	-	48,538	-
Fund Raising	11,156	-	2,895	-
Rental and Other Income	7,733	-	-	-
	67,759	-	51,433	-
EXPENDITURE				
Catering Costs	8,960	-	7,089	-
Cleaning	1,035	-	800	-
Clothing/Tents Purchases	1,826	-	1,512	-
Merchandise Purchases	3,793	-	-	-
Advertising and Fundraising	2,678	-	161	-
Rent	7,000	-	5,250	-
Insurance	2,960	-	2,477	-
Heat, Light and Power	7,498	-	4,344	-
Motor and Travel Expenses	2,815	1,920	-	5,420
Repairs and Maintenance	95	-	1,781	-
Bank Charges	270	-	108	-
Print, Postage and Stationery	447	-	256	-
IT Software and Consumables	954	-	955	-
Independent Examination	672	-	660	-
Bookkeeping	495	-	-	-
Subscriptions	324	-	252	-
Training	44	-	-	-
General Expenses	9	-	-	-
	41,875	1,920	25,645	5,420
Asset Purchases				
Catering Equipment	-	-	2,298	-
Marquees	1,321	-	-	-
Kitchen	-	-	4,017	-
Street Van	-	-	-	-
	1,321	-	6,315	-
Net Income/(Expenditure)	24,563	(1,920)	19,330	(5,420)
Balance Brought Forward	35,822	1,920	16,492	7,340
Balance Carried Forward	60,385	-	35,822	1,920

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

	30 September 2024		30 September 2023	
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds
ASSETS	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets				
Catering Equipment	7,553	-	7,553	-
Office Equipment	630	-	630	-
Marquees	1,320	-	-	-
Kitchen	25,832	22,350	25,832	22,350
Street Van	-	45,160	-	45,160
Accounts Receivable	1,318	-	-	-
Cash at Bank	57,508	-	34,263	1,920
	<u>94,161</u>	<u>67,510</u>	<u>68,278</u>	<u>69,430</u>
LIABILITIES				
Accruals	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
NET ASSETS	<u>94,161</u>	<u>67,510</u>	<u>68,278</u>	<u>69,430</u>
FUNDS	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds	94,161	-	68,278	-
Restricted Funds	-	67,510	-	69,430
	<u>94,161</u>	<u>67,510</u>	<u>68,278</u>	<u>69,430</u>

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

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The notes on page 6 form part of these accounts.

HELP FOR HOMELESS**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024****1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES****Basis of Preparation**

These accounts have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis.

Receipts

Receipts for the general purposes of the Charity are credited to unrestricted funds. Receipts subject to specific wishes of the donors are carried to relevant restricted funds.

Restricted Funds

The restricted fund Van Appeal are donations restricted for the purpose of purchasing a van and fitting it out to provide hot food. The restricted fund Kitchen Appeal are donations restricted for the purpose of fitting out a kitchen to prepare food.

2. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION

No Trustee received any remuneration or expenses.

3. FUND RAISING

A Garden Party took place during the year to raise funds. A fund-raising raffle took place in September and October 2023.

4. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	Year ended 30 September 2024		Year ended 30 September 2023	
	Kitchen Appeal	Van Appeal	Kitchen Appeal	Van Appeal
	£	£	£	£
Funds Brought Forward	-	1,920	-	7,340
Incoming Resources	-	-	-	-
Resources Expended	-	(1,920)	-	(5,420)
Funds Carried Forward	-	-	-	1,920
Analysis of Net Assets by Fund	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	22,350	45,160	22,350	45,160
Cash at Bank	-	-	-	1,920
	22,350	45,160	22,350	47,080