

# COMMUNITY FOOD AND FRIENDSHIP BLYTH

England & Wales · Charity number 1191399

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2020-09-22

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

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO ARE: 1) THE PREVENTION OR RELIEF OF POVERTY FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT AMONGST PEOPLE IN BLYTHE AND THE SURROUNDING AREA IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY PROVIDING FOOD, ESSENTIAL HOUSEHOLD ITEMS AND TOILETRIES TO INDIVIDUALS IN FINANCIAL NEED.2) TO PROMOTE SOCIAL INCLUSION FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT IN BLYTHE AND THE SURROUNDING AREA BY PREVENTING MEN FROM BECOMING SOCIALLY EXCLUDED, RELIEVING THE NEEDS OF THOSE MEN WHO ARE SOCIALLY EXCLUDED AND ASSISTING THEM TO INTEGRATE INTO SOCIETY.FOR THE PURPOSE OF THIS CLAUSE 'SOCIALLY EXCLUDED' MEANS BEING EXCLUDED FROM SOCIETY, OR PARTS OF SOCIETY, AS A RESULT OF ONE OF MORE OF THE FOLLOWING FACTORS: UNEMPLOYMENT; FINANCIAL HARDSHIP; YOUTH OR OLD AGE; ILL HEALTH (PHYSICAL OR MENTAL); SUBSTANCE ABUSE OR DEPENDENCY INCLUDING ALCOHOL AND DRUGS; DISCRIMINATION ON THE GROUNDS OF SEX, RACE, DISABILITY, ETHNIC ORIGIN, RELIGION, BELIEF, CREED, SEXUAL ORIENTATION OR GENDER RE-ASSIGNMENT; POOR EDUCATIONAL OR SKILLS ATTAINMENT; RELATIONSHIP AND FAMILY BREAKDOWN; POOR HOUSING (THAT IS HOUSING THAT DOES NOT MEET BASIC HABITABLE STANDARDS; CRIME (EITHER AS A VICTIM OF CRIME OR AS AN OFFENDER REHABILITATING INTO SOCIETY).

**Activities:** The prevention or relief of poverty people in Blyth and the surrounding area by providing food, essential household items and toiletries to individuals in financial need. To promote social inclusion by preventing people from becoming socially excluded, relieving the needs of those who are socially excluded and assisting them to integrate into society.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- **Area of benefit:** LOCAL
- Northumberland

## Finances

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| Period end | Income  | Expenditure | Assets | Employees |
|------------|---------|-------------|--------|-----------|
| 2025-12-31 | £30,532 | £34,317     | -      | -         |
| 2024-12-31 | £25,599 | £21,371     | -      | -         |
| 2023-12-31 | £22,755 | £32,111     | -      | -         |
| 2022-12-31 | £43,119 | £18,498     | -      | -         |
| 2021-12-31 | £26,306 | £29,430     | -      | -         |

## Trustees

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| Name                | Role  | Appointed  |
|---------------------|-------|------------|
| Lesley Ann Correia  | Chair | 2022-04-21 |
| Alan Hall           |       | 2019-02-12 |
| DAVID COOPER        |       | 2019-02-12 |
| Jean Lillian Hayton |       | 2019-02-12 |
| Rev Peter Knibbs    |       | 2023-03-14 |
| Richard Hayton      |       | 2019-02-12 |

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# Accounts

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**REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
31 DECEMBER 2025**

REGISTERED NUMBER - 1191399

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**Constitution**

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**Trustees**

The trustees serving during the year and since the year end were as follows :

Jean Lillian Hayton  
Richard Hayton  
Alan Hall  
David Cooper  
Lesley Ann Correia  
Rev Peter Knibbs  
Andrew Tawse (appointed 01 July 2025)  
John Pringle (appointed 30 September 2025)  
Edward Neville Craggs (resigned 15 April 2025)  
Rev Sion Awen Hughes Carew (resigned 02 December 2024)  
Lynne Craggs (resigned 15 April 2025)

**Registered Office**

Community Centre, Claremont Terrace, NE24 2LE

**Independent Examiner**

Alex Robinson, Essell Accountants Limited, 29 Howard Street, North Shields, Tyne and Wear, NE30 1AR

### **Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2025**

The Trustees are pleased to present their report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Legal and administrative information set out on page 1 forms part of this report. The financial statements comply with current statutory requirements, the constitution and the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

### **Objects of the Charity**

The objects of the CIO are the prevention or relief of poverty for people in Blyth and the surrounding area by providing food, essential household items and toiletries to individuals in financial need. To promote social inclusion by preventing people from becoming socially excluded, relieving the needs of those who are socially excluded and assisting them to integrate into society.

### **Structure, Governance & Management**

The Board of Trustees met 6 times plus an Annual General meeting during the year.

### **Financial Review**

Donations have stayed roughly the same over last year, as has the income from fund raising. Grants were received for food and for the mitigation of the effects of homelessness.

Expenditure on food has doubled.

### **Reserves Policy**

It is the aim of the charity to hold 100% of our annual non-grant income as a reserve fund. This will allow for the continuation of the delivery of breakfast provision and a safe meeting space in the event of a loss of funding from other sources. The Reserve Fund may be accessed if the projected annual income from non-grant sources falls by 10% or more below the required amount.

## Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2025

### Achievements and Performance

Once more, community Food and Friendship Blyth, has striven to serve the community in as many ways as possible. We continue to provide a warm and inviting space on a Monday morning for anyone who seeks companionship, needs breakfast, a light lunch of homemade soup and bread, or perhaps requires the use of a hot shower and clean towels. One of the volunteers also provides a hair cut if required.

The Thursday 'Butty' club continues to thrive. Our male clients enjoying food, company, and advice from outside agencies, as well as receiving a weekly food bag and a choice of donated goods from local stores. There are an average of 70 plus clients passing through the doors each week. Our chaplain (and former dentist) has organised and introduced oral health care packs for the clients, discussing how to use them and encouraging better dental care.

At Christmas, each client received a larger than usual food parcel with treats for Christmas. A voucher for Greggs was included in each Christmas card given out at the Christmas lunch. We were very grateful to our local hotel, the Commissioners Inn, who provided a hot and delicious Christmas lunch for the clients. It was very well received indeed. A really lovely atmosphere and an enjoyable event, still talked about.

Our indoor market runs on a weekly basis and has become popular. The income from the market is helping to sustain the provision of the weekly food bags. A music group has been introduced, after requests from gents who enjoy singing and the donation of a large keyboard from a local church. A light lunch is provided and the group, though small in number is growing. One young gentleman who does not usually engage with others has 'come out of his shell' in this group.

We worked with 5 schools throughout the summer holidays providing food parcels for vulnerable and needy families. Sometimes in addition to this we provided for those referred by Children's services. We also worked with the schools at Christmas to provide well over 300 parcels of toys and 80 food hampers to referred families. Café church continues each fourth Sunday of the month with music, food and fellowship. We donate nappies, wipes, sanitary items and baby food to our local family hub when our stock increases, though a few families benefitted from these goods in our hampers in the summer and at Christmas.

We continue to work with NRP and Changing Lives. We have provided many tents and equipment to those in need and who have been referred to us. It's a sad fact that the numbers are increasing. We have had regular visits from Social prescribers. We are part of the FRONTLINE platform and have received referrals through this. We are also part of 'Better together in Blyth' with an emphasis on homelessness and housing. Meetings are regularly attended and information and support shared among the attendees. This is a good networking opportunity. Trustees have also attended events throughout the year where many other organisations and charities' representatives have networked and shared information.

### Public Benefit

The charity works to provide all members of the public who are in need with food, clothing and any other necessities as well as companionship.

### Risk Statement

The charity takes the minimisation of risk for our clients and volunteers extremely seriously. To this end a risk assessment of all the charities activities is carried out and documented every year.

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2025

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

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- select suitable accounting policies and the apply them consistently;
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ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD :



Trustee

Date : 7/04/26

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

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### TO THE TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY FOOD AND FRIENDSHIP BLYTH CIO

I report on the accounts of the Community Food and Friendship Blyth CIO for the year ended 31 December 2025 which are set out on pages 6 - 9.

#### Respective Responsibilities of the Trustees and Examiner

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

It is my responsibility to :

- examine the accounts (under section 145 of the 2011 Act).
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Direction given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the trustee's and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes considering any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts. The report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

#### Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention :

- (1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the 2011 Act and the Regulations have not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Mr Alex Robinson FCCA  
Essell Accountants Limited  
29 Howard Street, North Shields, NE30 1AR

Date : 09/04/2026

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

| <u>Notes</u>  | <u>Unrestricted<br/>Funds</u><br>£ | <u>Restricted<br/>Funds</u><br>£ | <u>Total<br/>2025</u><br>£ | <u>Total<br/>2024</u> |
|---|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b><u>Income and Endowments</u></b>                                     |                                    |                                  |                            |                       |
| <b>Incoming Resources from<br/>Generated Funds:</b>                     |                                    |                                  |                            |                       |
| <b>Donations and Legacies</b>   |                                    |                                  |                            |                       |
| Correction  | 24                                 | 0                                | 24                         | 0                     |
| Donations   | 1,166                              | 8,603                            | 9,769                      | 9,870                 |
| Grants  | 0                                  | 11,500                           | 11,500                     | 5,580                 |
| Gift Aid Reclaimed  | 0                                  | 0                                | 0                          | 0                     |
| Refund  | 157                                | 0                                | 157                        | 11                    |
|   | <u>1,347</u>                       | <u>20,103</u>                    | <u>21,450</u>              | <u>15,461</u>         |
| <b>Income from Investments:</b>   |                                    |                                  |                            |                       |
| Bank Interest   | 0                                  | 605                              | 605                        | 668                   |
|   | <u>1,347</u>                       | <u>20,709</u>                    | <u>22,055</u>              | <u>16,130</u>         |
| <b>Income from Fund Raising</b>   | <u>0</u>                           | <u>8,477</u>                     | <u>8,477</u>               | <u>9,469</u>          |
| <b><u>Total Income and Endowments</u></b>                               | <u>1,347</u>                       | <u>29,185</u>                    | <u>30,532</u>              | <u>25,599</u>         |
| <b><u>Expenditure:</u></b>  |                                    |                                  |                            |                       |
| Expenditure on Charitable Activities 2                                  | 2,592                              | 31,724                           | 34,317                     | 21,372                |
| <b><u>Total Expenditure:</u></b>  | <u>2,592</u>                       | <u>31,724</u>                    | <u>34,317</u>              | <u>21,372</u>         |
| <b><u>Net Income / (Expenditure) resources<br/>before transfers</u></b> | (1,245)                            | (2,539)                          | (3,785)                    | 4,227                 |
| <b><u>Transfers between funds</u></b>                                   | <u>0</u>                           | <u>0</u>                         | <u>0</u>                   | <u>0</u>              |
| <b><u>Net Movement in Funds</u></b>                                     | (1,245)                            | (2,539)                          | (3,785)                    | 4,227                 |
| <b><u>Balance as at 1st January 2025</u></b>                            | <u>2,877</u>                       | <u>31,894</u>                    | <u>34,771</u>              | <u>30,544</u>         |
| <b><u>Balance as at 31st December 2025</u></b>                          | <u>1,632</u>                       | <u>29,355</u>                    | <u>30,986</u>              | <u>34,771</u>         |

The notes form part of the financial statements

BALANCE SHEET AS AT  
31 DECEMBER 2025

|  | 2025                 | 2024                 |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|
|  | £                    | £                    |
| <b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>                                      |                      |                      |
| Cash at Bank and in Hand                                   | <u>31,706</u>        | <u>35,491</u>        |
| <b>CREDITORS : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE<br/>WITHIN ONE YEAR</b> | <u>720</u>           | <u>720</u>           |
| <b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>                                  | 30,986               | 34,771               |
| <b>NET ASSETS</b>  | <u><u>30,986</u></u> | <u><u>34,771</u></u> |
| <b>CAPITAL AND RESERVES</b>                                |                      |                      |
| Unrestricted Funds (Note 4)                                | 1,632                | 2,877                |
| Restricted Funds (Note 4)                                  | 29,355               | 31,894               |
|  | <u><u>30,986</u></u> | <u><u>34,771</u></u> |

These financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 7/4/26  
and were signed on its behalf by :

*Hesley Goveira*

Charity registered number : 1191139

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

## 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

**Accounting Convention**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2015) and the Charities Act 2011. The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

**Incoming Resources**

Incoming Resources represents grants, sales and other work done during the year. It is prepared on an accruals basis.

**Fund Accounting**

Funds held by the charity are either :

Unrestricted general funds - these are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds - these funds are grants or donations received that require the funds to be used in a specific way or for a specific purpose.

Designated funds - these are funds set aside by the trustees out of unrestricted general funds for specific future purposes or projects.

## 2 EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

|                                     | <u>Unrestricted</u><br><u>Funds</u><br>£ | <u>Restricted</u><br><u>Funds</u><br>£ | <u>Total</u><br><u>2025</u><br>£ | <u>Total</u><br><u>2024</u><br>£ |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Governance                          | 0  | 720                                    | 720                              | 609                              |
| Food                                | 0  | 12,839                                 | 12,839                           | 6132                             |
| Rent                                | 0  | 4,800                                  | 4,800                            | 4800                             |
| Repairs and Equipment               | 194                                      | 1,240                                  | 1,434                            | 1790                             |
| Sundries                            | 1,943                                    | 1,719                                  | 3,662                            | 950                              |
| Christmas                           | 0  | 589                                    | 589                              | 371                              |
| Training                            | 0  | 0                                      | 0                                | 1086                             |
| Membership                          | 0  | 0                                      | 0                                | 0                                |
| Insurance                           | 0  | 0                                      | 0                                | 270                              |
| Clothing and Toys                   | 0  | 3,008                                  | 3,008                            | 1713                             |
| Utilities                           | 0  | 2,410                                  | 2,410                            | 2311                             |
| Telephone and Broadband             | 400                                      | 0                                      | 400                              | 619                              |
| Travel and Motor Expenses           | 55                                       | 0                                      | 55                               | 0                                |
| Payroll and independent examination | 0  | 0                                      | 0                                | 720                              |
| Homeless                            | 0  | 4,039                                  | 4,039                            | 0                                |
| Wellbeing                           | 0  | 360                                    | 360                              | 0                                |
|                                     | <u>2,592</u>                             | <u>31,724</u>                          | <u>34,317</u>                    | <u>21,372</u>                    |

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

## 3. STAFF COSTS

|  | 2025     | 2024     |
|--|----------|----------|
| The average weekly number of employees during the year was : | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> |

## 4. MOVEMENTS OF FUNDS

|                         | Balance at<br>1 Jan 2025 | Transfer<br>Between<br>Funds | Incoming<br>Resources | Resources<br>expended | Balance at<br>31 Dec 2025 |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
|                         | £                        | £                            | £                     | £                     | £                         |
| <b>General Funds</b>    |                          |                              |                       |                       |                           |
| Unrestricted Funds      | 2,877                    | 0                            | 1,347                 | 2,592                 | 1,632                     |
| Total General Funds     | <u>2,877</u>             | <u>0</u>                     | <u>1,347</u>          | <u>2,592</u>          | <u>1,632</u>              |
| <b>Restricted Funds</b> |                          |                              |                       |                       |                           |
| Restricted funds        | 31,894                   | 0                            | 29,185                | 31,724                | 29,355                    |
| Total Restricted Funds  | <u>31,894</u>            | <u>0</u>                     | <u>29,185</u>         | <u>31,724</u>         | <u>29,355</u>             |
| <b>Total Funds</b>      | <u><u>34,771</u></u>     | <u><u>0</u></u>              | <u><u>30,532</u></u>  | <u><u>34,317</u></u>  | <u><u>30,986</u></u>      |

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**Structure, Governance & Management**

The Board of Trustees met 7 times plus an Annual General meeting during the year.

**Financial Review**

Donations have increased by 14% over last year, income from fund raising has increased by 114%. Grants were received for the rent and for Christmas gifts.

Expenditure on food has increased by 74%, the cost of Christmas food parcels increased by 74% and Christmas Gifts rose by 26%. Costs of training Trustees and Volunteers rose by 34%.

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## Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

### Achievements and Performance

It has been another busy year for Community Food and Friendship Blyth. We continue to work in the community providing a warm space, refreshments, company and also provide clothing and the use of a hot shower. The numbers in our "butty club" which runs almost every Thursday throughout the year, continue to grow. Food bags are provided for each client who attends and there is access to donations from a local baker, Morrisons, Aldi, Lidl and Greggs. Volunteers make 80 food bags each week providing enough food for a weekend. This is a male only session. These clients enjoyed a much appreciated hot Christmas Lunch. We funded this meal provided by a local cafe. The Riverside Adult learning centre provided dessert as a donation.

We provide a warm space on a Monday morning where anyone can attend who would like breakfast and a light lunch of very popular homemade soup. Again, there are often food items which can be taken (Co Op) and a chance to look at the "market" goods which are on offer under the watchful eye of the market manager Andy. We run an indoor market every Thursday after the "Butty Club". This has provided popular and footfall has begun to increase. The money raised provides much needed finance for food we have to purchase now to cover the provision of food bags each week.

We work with local schools, providing food parcels during the summer holidays for those families in need. These come from school referrals though we also accommodate referrals from Childrens' services. Christmas 2024- we worked with 6 schools providing toy bags for families, again referred by the schools. We also provided food hampers for families to ensure they had a delicious Christmas meal and treats too. Our charity works with NRP and we have provided a number of tents for those who are homeless as well as clothing, sleeping bags and food.

Café Church known as Fourth@4 continues to flourish with numbers increasing. Food and friendship alongside worship and music is a popular monthly event with very mixed clientele.

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ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD :

Trustee



Date : 15/04/25

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29 Howard Street, North Shields, NE30 1AR

Date : 16<sup>th</sup> April 2025

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

|   | <u>Notes</u> | <u>Unrestricted<br/>Funds</u><br>£ | <u>Restricted<br/>Funds</u><br>£ | <u>Total<br/>2024</u><br>£ | <u>Total<br/>2023</u> |
|---|--------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b><u>Income and Endowments</u></b>                                     |              |                                    |                                  |                            |                       |
| <b>Incoming Resources from<br/>Generated Funds:</b>                     |              |                                    |                                  |                            |                       |
| <b>Donations and Legacies</b>   |              |                                    |                                  |                            |                       |
| Donations   |              | 3,366                              | 6,505                            | 9,870                      | 8,627                 |
| Grants  |              | 0                                  | 5,580                            | 5,580                      | 8,205                 |
| Gift Aid Reclaimed  |              | 0                                  | 0                                | 0                          | 1,211                 |
| Refund  |              | 11                                 | 0                                | 11                         | 0                     |
|   |              | <u>3,377</u>                       | <u>12,085</u>                    | <u>15,461</u>              | <u>18,043</u>         |
| <b>Income from Investments:</b>   |              |                                    |                                  |                            |                       |
| Bank Interest   |              | <u>0</u>                           | <u>668</u>                       | <u>668</u>                 | <u>280</u>            |
|   |              | <u>3,377</u>                       | <u>12,753</u>                    | <u>16,130</u>              | <u>18,323</u>         |
| <b>Income from Fund Raising</b>   |              |                                    |                                  |                            |                       |
|   |              | <u>0</u>                           | <u>9,469</u>                     | <u>9,469</u>               | <u>4,432</u>          |
| <b><u>Total Income and Endowments</u></b>                               |              |                                    |                                  |                            |                       |
|   |              | <u>3,377</u>                       | <u>22,222</u>                    | <u>25,599</u>              | <u>22,755</u>         |
| <b><u>Expenditure:</u></b>  |              |                                    |                                  |                            |                       |
| Expenditure on Charitable Activities                                    | 2            | 4,232                              | 17,139                           | 21,372                     | 32,111                |
| <b><u>Total Expenditure:</u></b>  |              |                                    |                                  |                            |                       |
|   |              | <u>4,232</u>                       | <u>17,139</u>                    | <u>21,372</u>              | <u>32,111</u>         |
| <b><u>Net Income / (Expenditure) resources<br/>before transfers</u></b> |              |                                    |                                  |                            |                       |
|   |              | (856)                              | 5,083                            | 4,227                      | (9,356)               |
| <b><u>Transfers between funds</u></b>                                   |              |                                    |                                  |                            |                       |
|   |              | <u>0</u>                           | <u>0</u>                         | <u>0</u>                   | <u>0</u>              |
| <b><u>Net Movement in Funds</u></b>                                     |              |                                    |                                  |                            |                       |
|   |              | (856)                              | 5,083                            | 4,227                      | (9,356)               |
| <b><u>Balance as at 1st January 2024</u></b>                            |              |                                    |                                  |                            |                       |
|   |              | <u>3,733</u>                       | <u>26,811</u>                    | <u>30,544</u>              | <u>39,899</u>         |
| <b><u>Balance as at 31st December 2024</u></b>                          |              |                                    |                                  |                            |                       |
|   |              | <u>2,877</u>                       | <u>31,894</u>                    | <u>34,771</u>              | <u>30,544</u>         |

The notes form part of the financial statements

BALANCE SHEET AS AT  
31 DECEMBER 2024

|  | 2024                 | 2023                 |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|
|  | £                    | £                    |
| <b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>                                      |                      |                      |
| Cash at Bank and in Hand                                   | <u>35,491</u>        | <u>31,264</u>        |
| <b>CREDITORS : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE<br/>WITHIN ONE YEAR</b> | <u>720</u>           | <u>720</u>           |
| <b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>                                  | 34,771               | 30,544               |
| <b>NET ASSETS</b>  | <u><u>34,771</u></u> | <u><u>30,544</u></u> |
| <b>CAPITAL AND RESERVES</b>                                |                      |                      |
| Unrestricted Funds (Note 4)                                | 2,877                | 3,733                |
| Restricted Funds (Note 4)                                  | 31,894               | 26,811               |
|  | <u><u>34,771</u></u> | <u><u>30,544</u></u> |

These financial statements were approved by the Trustees on  
and were signed on its behalf by :

*Verley Correia*

15/04/2025

Charity registered number : 1191139

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

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Designated funds - these are funds set aside by the trustees out of unrestricted general funds for specific future purposes or projects.

## 2 EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

|                                     | <u>Unrestricted</u><br><u>Funds</u><br>£ | <u>Restricted</u><br><u>Funds</u><br>£ | <u>Total</u><br><u>2024</u><br>£ | <u>Total</u><br><u>2023</u><br>£ |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Governance                          | 609                                      | 0                                      | 609                              | 1160                             |
| Food                                | 0  | 6,132                                  | 6,132                            | 3630                             |
| Rent                                | 0  | 4,800                                  | 4,800                            | 4800                             |
| Repairs and Equipment               | 1,748                                    | 42                                     | 1,790                            | 5176                             |
| Sundries                            | 950                                      | 0                                      | 950                              | 705                              |
| Christmas                           | 0  | 371                                    | 371                              | 0                                |
| Training                            | 0  | 1,086                                  | 1,086                            | 622                              |
| Membership                          | 0  | 0                                      | 0                                | 0                                |
| Insurance                           | 270                                      | 0                                      | 270                              | 258                              |
| Clothing and Toys                   | 36                                       | 1,678                                  | 1,713                            | 1353                             |
| Utilities                           | 0  | 2,311                                  | 2,311                            | 1073                             |
| Telephone and Broadband             | 619                                      | 0                                      | 619                              | 564                              |
| Payroll and independent examination | 0  | 720                                    | 720                              | 720                              |
| Wellbeing                           | 0  | 0                                      | 0                                | 12050                            |
|                                     | <u>4,232</u>                             | <u>17,139</u>                          | <u>21,372</u>                    | <u>32,111</u>                    |

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

## 3. STAFF COSTS

|  | 2024     | 2023     |
|--|----------|----------|
| The average weekly number of employees during the year was : | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> |

## 4. MOVEMENTS OF FUNDS

|                         | Balance at<br>1 Jan 2024 | Transfer<br>Between<br>Funds | Incoming<br>Resources | Resources<br>expended | Balance at<br>31 Dec 2024 |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
|                         | £                        | £                            | £                     | £                     | £                         |
| <b>General Funds</b>    |                          |                              |                       |                       |                           |
| Unrestricted Funds      | 3,733                    | 0                            | 3,377                 | 4,232                 | 2,877                     |
| Total General Funds     | <u>3,733</u>             | <u>0</u>                     | <u>3,377</u>          | <u>4,232</u>          | <u>2,877</u>              |
| <b>Restricted Funds</b> |                          |                              |                       |                       |                           |
| Restricted funds        | 26,811                   | 0                            | 22,222                | 17,139                | 31,894                    |
| Total Restricted Funds  | <u>26,811</u>            | <u>0</u>                     | <u>22,222</u>         | <u>17,139</u>         | <u>31,894</u>             |
| <b>Total Funds</b>      | <u><u>30,544</u></u>     | <u><u>0</u></u>              | <u><u>25,599</u></u>  | <u><u>21,372</u></u>  | <u><u>34,771</u></u>      |

**COMMUNITY FOOD AND FRIENDSHIP BLYTH**

England & Wales - Charity number 1191399

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# Accounts

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**COMMUNITY FOOD AND  
FRIENDSHIP BLYTH CIO**

**REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED**

**31 DECEMBER 2023**

REGISTERED NUMBER - 1191399

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**COMMUNITY FOOD AND  
FRIENDSHIP BLYTH CIO**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
31 DECEMBER 2023**

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**Legal and Administrative Information for the Year Ended 31 December 2023**

**Constitution**

Community Food and Friendship Blyth CIO is a Body Corporate under Part 11 of the Charities Act 2011 and is governed by its Constitution. It is a Registered Charity no. 1191399

**Trustees**

The trustees serving during the year and since the year end were as follows :

Lynne Craggs  
Susan Hall  
Jean Lillian Hayton  
Richard Hayton  
Alan Hall  
David Cooper  
Edward Neville Craggs  
Rev Sion Awen Hughes Carew  
Lesley Ann Correia  
Rev Peter Knibbs (appointed 14th March 2023)

**Registered Office**

Community Centre, Claremont Terrace, NE24 2LE

**Independent Examiner**

Alex Robinson, Essell Accountants Limited, 29 Howard Street, North Shields, Tyne and Wear, NE30 1AR

**Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2023**

The Trustees are pleased to present their report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Legal and administrative information set out on page 1 forms part of this report. The financial statements comply with current statutory requirements, the constitution and the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

**Objects of the Charity**

The objects of the CIO are The prevention or relief of poverty people in Blyth and the surrounding area by providing food, essential household items and toiletries to individuals in financial need. To promote social inclusion by preventing people from becoming socially excluded, relieving the needs of those who are socially excluded and assisting them to integrate into society.

**Structure, Governance & Management**

The Board of Trustees met 5 times plus an Annual General meeting during the year.

**Financial Review**

After the success of the previous year, 2023 has been a year of consolidation. A Reserve Fund has been created (see below) which will give an element of stability. We have received 5 grants totalling over £8,000. Over £8,000 has come from donations and we are grateful to all those who support us in any way. Over £3,000 has been raised from the market stalls and over £700 from other fund raising. We appreciate all the effort that goes into these activities.

**Reserves Policy**

It is the aim of the charity to hold 100% of our annual non-grant income as a reserve fund. This will allow for the continuation of the delivery of breakfast provision and a safe meeting space in the event of a loss of funding from other sources. The Reserve Fund may be accessed if the projected annual income from non-grant sources falls by 10% or more below the required amount.

**Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2023****Achievements and Performance**

2023 has been a successful year for CFFB, sadly the Butty Club numbers continue to grow but we have seen this year a growing number of men stepping up into volunteering roles and into leadership and some into employment. We thank our partner organisations without who we would not be able to offer the service that we do. We still offer food bag, toiletries and clothes along with extras we receive from our partners who donate food and for that we are very grateful. Unfortunately, we have seen homelessness grow over the past year, we have given out more tents than before and the hidden homeless such as sofa surfing seems to be on the up. As well as tents and sleeping bags the men come along on a Monday and a Thursday for breakfast, a hot shower and clean clothes.

The Monday Coffee Crew offering a warm space with a light breakfast and lunch, this continues to grow in numbers and friendships made.

4th @4 Café Church has become very popular numbers reaching almost 40 each month. There is a mix of St Cuthberts, St Bede's, Butty Club and community and a resident music group, the service is led by Rev'd Peter Knibbs. The market continues to flourish, we have moved from outside in the market place to inside. This was going to be temporary while work was being carried out in the Market Place but numbers are growing so we will review our future plans in 2024.

As always Easter and Christmas is our busiest time, working with school referrals we set out collecting Easter Eggs. Many thanks to Blyth Sports Centre and the many other donations we received. We continue to support our schools, collecting warm coats, dress up costumes and Christmas jumpers so no child should feel different or go cold. Christmas toys exceeded our previous years requests, thankfully our community were yet again beyond generous with the shortfall being met by fundraising, many thanks to our volunteers who man our market stall, sometimes in not so pleasant weather. Christmas Eve boxes, again referrals higher than previous years, many thanks to those volunteers who came along to collect from supermarkets and deliver to houses.

Many thanks to our Trustees, they have worked hard to ensure the service we offer continues. Without our volunteers we would not exist, they work so hard and their dedication is beyond value.

As always without the generosity of our community, businesses and partner organisations we could not deliver the service that we do, we go into 2024 with confidence.

**Public Benefit**

The charity works to provide all members of the public who are in need with food, clothing and any other necessities as well as companionship.

**Risk Statement**

The charity takes the minimisation of risk for our clients and volunteers extremely seriously. To this end a risk assessment of all the charities activities is carried out and documented every year.

**Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2023**

**Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities**

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the surplus or deficit of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and the apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the CIO will continue in business.

**ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD :**

  
Trustee

Date: 21.05.24

TO THE TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY FOOD AND FRIENDSHIP BLYTH CIO

I report on the accounts of the Community Food and Friendship Blyth CIO for the year ended 31 December 2023 which are set out on pages 6 - 9.

**Respective Responsibilities of the Trustees and Examiner**

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

It is my responsibility to :

- examine the accounts (under section 145 of the 2011 Act).
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Direction given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

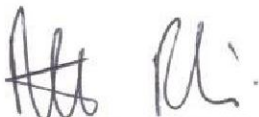
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Date : 11/06/2024

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

|   | <u>Notes</u> | <u>Unrestricted<br/>Funds</u><br>£ | <u>Restricted<br/>Funds</u><br>£ | <u>Total<br/>2023</u><br>£ | <u>Total<br/>2022</u> |
|---|--------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b><u>Income and Endowments</u></b>                                     |              |                                    |                                  |                            |                       |
| <b>Incoming Resources from<br/>Generated Funds:</b>                     |              |                                    |                                  |                            |                       |
| <b>Doantions and Legacies</b>   |              |                                    |                                  |                            |                       |
| Donations   |              | 1,801                              | 6,826                            | 8,627                      | 10,365                |
| Grants  |              | 0                                  | 8,205                            | 8,205                      | 28,855                |
| Gift Aid Reclaimed  |              | 0                                  | 1,211                            | 1,211                      | 0                     |
|   |              | <u>1,801</u>                       | <u>16,242</u>                    | <u>18,043</u>              | <u>39,220</u>         |
| <b>Income from Investments:</b>   |              |                                    |                                  |                            |                       |
| Bank Interest   |              | 245                                | 35                               | 280                        | 11                    |
|   |              | <u>2,046</u>                       | <u>16,277</u>                    | <u>18,323</u>              | <u>39,231</u>         |
| <b>Income from Fund Raising</b>   |              | <u>700</u>                         | <u>3,732</u>                     | <u>4,432</u>               | <u>3,888</u>          |
| <b><u>Total Income and Endowments</u></b>                               |              | <u>2,746</u>                       | <u>20,009</u>                    | <u>22,755</u>              | <u>43,119</u>         |
| <b><u>Expenditure:</u></b>  |              |                                    |                                  |                            |                       |
| Expenditure on Charitable Activites                                     | 2            | 3,690                              | 28,421                           | 32,111                     | 18,498                |
| <b><u>Total Expenditure:</u></b>  |              | <u>3,690</u>                       | <u>28,421</u>                    | <u>32,111</u>              | <u>18,498</u>         |
| <b><u>Net Income / (Expenditure) resources<br/>before transfers</u></b> |              | (944)                              | (8,412)                          | (9,356)                    | 24,621                |
| <b><u>Transfers between funds</u></b>                                   |              | <u>(7,987)</u>                     | <u>7,987</u>                     | <u>0</u>                   | <u>0</u>              |
| <b><u>Net Movement in Funds</u></b>                                     |              | (8,931)                            | (425)                            | (9,356)                    | 24,621                |
| <b><u>Balance as at 1st January 2023</u></b>                            |              | <u>12,664</u>                      | <u>27,236</u>                    | <u>39,899</u>              | <u>15,278</u>         |
| <b><u>Balance as at 31st December 2023</u></b>                          |              | <u>3,733</u>                       | <u>26,811</u>                    | <u>30,544</u>              | <u>39,899</u>         |

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT  
31 DECEMBER 2023

|  | 2023                 | 2022                 |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|
|  | £                    | £                    |
| <b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>                                      |                      |                      |
| Cash at Bank and in Hand                                   | <u>31,264</u>        | <u>40,620</u>        |
| <b>CREDITORS : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE<br/>WITHIN ONE YEAR</b> |                      |                      |
|  | <u>720</u>           | <u>720</u>           |
| <b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>                                  | 30,544               | 39,900               |
| <b>NET ASSETS</b>  | <u><u>30,544</u></u> | <u><u>39,900</u></u> |
| <b>CAPITAL AND RESERVES</b>                                |                      |                      |
| Unrestricted Funds (Note 4)                                | 3,733                | 12,664               |
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and were signed on its behalf by :



Charity registered number : 1191139

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## 2 EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

|                                     | <u>Unrestricted</u><br><u>Funds</u> | <u>Restricted</u><br><u>Funds</u> | <u>Total</u><br><u>2023</u> | <u>Total</u><br><u>2022</u> |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
|                                     | £                                   | £                                 | £                           | £                           |
| Governance                          | 1,160                               | 0                                 | 1,160                       | 865                         |
| Food                                | 0                                   | 3,630                             | 3,630                       | 1934                        |
| Rent                                | 0                                   | 4,800                             | 4,800                       | 4800                        |
| Repairs and Equipment               | 283                                 | 4,893                             | 5,176                       | 4195                        |
| Sundries                            | 705                                 | 0                                 | 705                         | 663                         |
| Training                            | 0                                   | 622                               | 622                         | 1170                        |
| Membership                          | 0                                   | 0                                 | 0                           | 300                         |
| Insurance                           | 258                                 | 0                                 | 258                         | 258                         |
| Clothing and Toys                   | 0                                   | 1,353                             | 1,353                       | 2398                        |
| Utilities                           | 0                                   | 1,073                             | 1,073                       | 812                         |
| Telephone and Broadband             | 564                                 | 0                                 | 564                         | 333                         |
| Payroll and independent examination | 720                                 | 0                                 | 720                         | 720                         |
| Donation                            | 0                                   | 0                                 | 0                           | 50                          |
| Wellbeing                           | 0                                   | 12,050                            | 12,050                      | 0                           |
|                                     | <u>3,690</u>                        | <u>28,421</u>                     | <u>32,111</u>               | <u>18,498</u>               |

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

## 3. STAFF COSTS

2023 2022

The average weekly number of employees during the year was :

0 0

## 4. MOVEMENTS OF FUNDS

|                         | Balance at<br>1 Jan 2023 | Transfer<br>Between<br>Funds | Incoming<br>Resources | Resources<br>expended | Balance at<br>31 Dec 2023 |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
|                         | £                        | £                            | £                     | £                     | £                         |
| <b>General Funds</b>    |                          |                              |                       |                       |                           |
| Unrestricted Funds      | 12,664                   | (7,987)                      | 2,746                 | 3,690                 | 3,733                     |
| Total General Funds     | <u>12,664</u>            | <u>(7,987)</u>               | <u>2,746</u>          | <u>3,690</u>          | <u>3,733</u>              |
| <b>Restricted Funds</b> |                          |                              |                       |                       |                           |
| Restricted funds        | 27,236                   | 7,987                        | 20,009                | 28,421                | 26,811                    |
| Total Restricted Funds  | <u>27,236</u>            | <u>7,987</u>                 | <u>20,009</u>         | <u>28,421</u>         | <u>26,811</u>             |
| <b>Total Funds</b>      | <u>39,900</u>            | <u>0</u>                     | <u>22,755</u>         | <u>32,111</u>         | <u>30,544</u>             |

**COMMUNITY FOOD AND FRIENDSHIP BLYTH**

England & Wales - Charity number 1191399

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# Accounts

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**COMMUNITY FOOD AND  
FRIENDSHIP BLYTH CIO**

**REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED**

**31 DECEMBER 2022**

REGISTERED NUMBER - 1191399



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**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
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**Legal and Administrative Information for the Year Ended 31 December 2022**

**Constitution**

Community Food and Friendship Blyth CIO is a Body Corporate under Part 11 of the Charities Act 2011 and is governed by its Constitution. It is a Registered Charity no. 1191399

**Trustees**

The trustees serving during the year and since the year end were as follows :

Lynne Craggs  
Susan Hall  
Jean Lillian Hayton  
Richard Hayton  
Alan Hall  
David Cooper  
Edward Neville Craggs  
Rev Sion Awen Hughes Carew - Appointed 21 April 2022  
Lesley Ann Correia - Appointed 21 April 2022  
Rev Peter Knibbs - Appointed 14 March 2023

**Registered Office**

Community Centre, Claremont Terrace, NE24 2LE

**Independent Examiner**

Alex Robinson, Essell Accountants Limited, 29 Howard Street, North Shields, Tyne and Wear, NE30 1AR

## **Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2022**

The Trustees are pleased to present their report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Legal and administrative information set out on page 1 forms part of this report. The financial statements comply with current statutory requirements, the constitution and the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

### **Objects of the Charity**

The objects of the CIO are The prevention or relief of poverty people in Blyth and the surrounding area by providing food, essential household items and toiletries to individuals in financial need. To promote social inclusion by preventing people from becoming socially excluded, relieving the needs of those who are socially excluded and assisting them to integrate into society.

### **Structure, Governance & Management**

The Board of Trustees met **5** times during the year.

### **Financial Review**

This has been an extremely good year financially. We have received 5 grants totalling over £28,000. Over £10,000 has come from donations and we are grateful to all those who support us in any way. Over £3,000 has been raised from the market stalls and over £700 from other fund raising. We appreciate all the effort that goes into these activities. The unrestricted fund shows a surplus of over £13,000.

### **Reserves Policy**

It is the aim of the charity to hold 25% of our annual unrestricted income as a reserve fund. This will allow for the continuation of the delivery of breakfast provision and a safe meeting space.

**Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2022**

**Achievements and Performance**

We were fortunate to secure funding to enable us to offer extra services, many thanks to Anna Watson our County Councillor for securing our funding to adapt a large toilet into a shower room, a much-needed provision which will happen in 2023. We opened on a Monday offering a warm space hoping to attract families. This was not to be, however we have seen an increase of use from our Butty Club clients who enjoy somewhere extra to go and sit and talk to friends and enjoy a breakfast and soup lunch.

The walking group continues every Friday, thanks to Steve Carr for his leadership. We introduced a Café Church once a month, well attended by our Butty Club clients as well as the local community, afternoon tea, music and a talk by our Chaplain Rev'd Peter Knibbs.

As always Easter and Christmas is our busiest time, working with school referrals we set out collecting Easter Eggs. Many thanks to Blyth Sports Centre and the many other donations we received. We continue to support our schools, collecting warm coats, dress up costumes and Christmas jumpers so no child should feel different or go cold. Christmas toys exceeded our previous years requests, thankfully our community were yet again beyond generous with the shortfall being met by fundraising, many thanks to our volunteers who man our market stall, sometimes in not so pleasant weather.

Christmas Eve boxes, again referrals one fifth higher than previous years, many thanks to those volunteers who came along to collect from supermarkets and deliver to houses. We have to thank Colleen at Morrisons, Little Asda, Aldi, Lidl, Greggs and Glenton's who regularly provide us with the food we need to function. To Blyth Town Council whose support has been constant, St Wilfred's, St Bede's, St Cuthbert's and to all of the businesses and individuals who have supported us throughout 2022. Finally, our Trustees and volunteers for their commitment and ongoing support with special thanks to our Treasurer Dave Cooper for guiding us through a financially successful year.

**Public Benefit**

The charity works to provide all members of the public who are in need with food, clothing and any other necessities as well as companionship.

**Risk Statement**

The charity takes the minimisation of risk for our clients and volunteers extremely seriously. To this end a risk assessment of all the charities activities is carried out and documented every year.

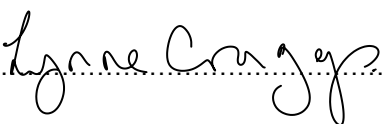
**Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2022**

**Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities**

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the surplus or deficit of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and the apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the CIO will continue in business.

**ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD :**

Trustee .....  .....

Date : 13th August 2023

**TO THE TRUSTEES OF**

I report on the accounts of the Community Food and Friendship Blyth CIO for the year ended 31 December 2022 which are set out on pages 5 - 9.

**Respective Responsibilities of the Trustees and Examiner**

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

It is my responsibility to :

- examine the accounts (under section 145 of the 2011 Act).
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Direction given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Independent Examiner's Report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the trustee's and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes considering any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts. The report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention :

- (1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the 2011 Act and the Regulations have not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mr Alex Robinson FCCA  
Essell Accountants Limited  
29 Howard Street, North Shields, NE30 1AR

Date :

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

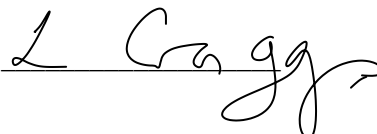
|   | <u>Notes</u> | <u>Unrestricted<br/>Funds</u><br>£ | <u>Restricted<br/>Funds</u><br>£ | <u>Total<br/>2022</u><br>£ | <u>Total<br/>2021</u> |
|---|--------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b><u>Income and Endowments</u></b>                                     |              |                                    |                                  |                            |                       |
| <b>Incoming Resources from<br/>Generated Funds:</b>                     |              |                                    |                                  |                            |                       |
| <b>Doantions and Legacies</b>   |              |                                    |                                  |                            |                       |
| Donations   |              | 9,959                              | 406                              | 10,365                     | 5,033                 |
| Grants  |              | <u>0</u>                           | <u>28,855</u>                    | <u>28,855</u>              | <u>32,838</u>         |
|   |              | 9,959                              | 29,261                           | 39,220                     | 37,871                |
| <b>Income from Investments:</b>   |              |                                    |                                  |                            |                       |
| Bank Interest   |              | <u>11</u>                          | <u>0</u>                         | <u>11</u>                  | <u>1</u>              |
|   |              | <u>9,970</u>                       | <u>29,261</u>                    | <u>39,231</u>              | <u>37,872</u>         |
| <b>Income from Other Trading Activities</b>                             |              |                                    |                                  |                            |                       |
|   |              | <u>3,888</u>                       | <u>0</u>                         | <u>3,888</u>               | <u>3,631</u>          |
| <b><u>Total Income and Endowments</u></b>                               |              | <u>13,857</u>                      | <u>29,261</u>                    | <u>43,119</u>              | <u>41,503</u>         |
| <b><u>Expenditure:</u></b>  |              |                                    |                                  |                            |                       |
| Expenditure on Charitable Activites                                     | 2            | 3,534                              | 14,964                           | 18,498                     | 26,223                |
| <b><u>Total Expenditure:</u></b>  |              | <u>3,534</u>                       | <u>14,964</u>                    | <u>18,498</u>              | <u>26,223</u>         |
| <b><u>Net Income / (Expenditure) resources<br/>before transfers</u></b> |              | 10,323                             | 14,297                           | 24,621                     | 15,279                |
| <b><u>Transfers between funds</u></b>                                   |              | <u>0</u>                           | <u>0</u>                         | <u>0</u>                   | <u>0</u>              |
| <b><u>Net Movement in Funds</u></b>                                     |              | 10,323                             | 14,297                           | 24,621                     | 15,279                |
| <b><u>Balance as at 1st January 2022</u></b>                            |              | <u>2,340</u>                       | <u>12,939</u>                    | <u>15,279</u>              | <u>0</u>              |
| <b><u>Balance as at 31st December 2022</u></b>                          |              | <u>12,663</u>                      | <u>27,236</u>                    | <u>39,900</u>              | <u>15,279</u>         |

The notes form part of the financial statements

BALANCE SHEET AS AT  
31 DECEMBER 2022

|  | 2022                 | 2021                 |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|
|  | £                    | £                    |
| <b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>                                      |                      |                      |
| Cash at Bank and in Hand                                   | <u>40,620</u>        | <u>15,279</u>        |
| <b>CREDITORS : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE<br/>WITHIN ONE YEAR</b> |                      |                      |
|  | <u>720</u>           | <u>0</u>             |
| <b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>                                  | 39,900               | 15,279               |
| <b>NET ASSETS</b>  | <u><u>39,900</u></u> | <u><u>15,279</u></u> |
| <b>CAPITAL AND RESERVES</b>                                |                      |                      |
| Unrestricted Funds (Note 4)                                | 12,664               | 2,340                |
| Restricted Funds (Note 4)                                  | 27,236               | 12,939               |
|  | <u><u>39,900</u></u> | <u><u>15,279</u></u> |

These financial statements were approved by the Trustees on  
and were signed on its behalf by :



Charity registered number : 1191139

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

**Accounting Convention**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2015) and the Charities Act 2011. The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

**Incoming Resources**

Incoming Resources represents grants, sales and other work done during the year. It is prepared on an accruals basis.

**Fund Accounting**

Funds held by the charity are either :

Unrestricted general funds - these are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds - these funds are grants or donations received that require the funds to be used in a specific way or for a specific purpose.

Designated funds - these are funds set aside by the trustees out of unrestricted general funds for specific future purposes or projects.

2 EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

|                                     | <u>Unrestricted</u><br><u>Funds</u><br>£ | <u>Restricted</u><br><u>Funds</u><br>£ | <u>Total</u><br><u>2022</u><br>£ | <u>Total</u><br><u>2021</u><br>£ |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Governance                          | 480                                      | 385                                    | 865                              | 631                              |
| Food                                | 0  | 1,934                                  | 1,934                            | 2,193                            |
| Rent                                | 0  | 4,800                                  | 4,800                            | 4,472                            |
| Repairs and Equipment               | 1,030                                    | 3,165                                  | 4,195                            | 4,600                            |
| Sundries                            | 663                                      | 0                                      | 663                              | 1,525                            |
| Training                            | 0  | 1,170                                  | 1,170                            | 3,044                            |
| Membership                          | 0  | 300                                    | 300                              | 0                                |
| Insurance                           | 258                                      | 0                                      | 258                              | 0                                |
| Clothing and Toys                   | 0  | 2,398                                  | 2,398                            | 4,934                            |
| Utilities                           | 0  | 812                                    | 812                              | 354                              |
| Telephone and Broadband             | 333                                      | 0                                      | 333                              | 0                                |
| Payroll and independent examination | 720                                      | 0                                      | 720                              | 0                                |
| Donation                            | 50                                       | 0                                      | 50                               | 0                                |
| Wellbeing                           | 0  | 0                                      | 0                                | 4,471                            |
|                                     | <u>3,534</u>                             | <u>14,964</u>                          | <u>18,498</u>                    | <u>26,224</u>                    |

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

3. STAFF COSTS

|  | 2022     | 2021     |
|--|----------|----------|
| The average weekly number of employees during the year was : | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> |

4. MOVEMENTS OF FUNDS

|                         | Balance at<br>1 Jan 2022 | Transfer<br>Between<br>Funds | Incoming<br>Resources | Resources<br>expended | Balance at<br>31 Dec 2022 |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
|                         | £                        | £                            | £                     | £                     | £                         |
| <b>General Funds</b>    |                          |                              |                       |                       |                           |
| Unrestricted Funds      | 2,340                    | 0                            | 13,857                | 3,534                 | 12,664                    |
| Total General Funds     | <u>2,340</u>             | <u>0</u>                     | <u>13,857</u>         | <u>3,534</u>          | <u>12,664</u>             |
| <b>Restricted Funds</b> |                          |                              |                       |                       |                           |
| Restricted funds        | 12,939                   | 0                            | 29,261                | 14,964                | 27,236                    |
| Total Restricted Funds  | <u>12,939</u>            | <u>0</u>                     | <u>29,261</u>         | <u>14,964</u>         | <u>27,236</u>             |
| <b>Total Funds</b>      | <u><u>15,279</u></u>     | <u><u>0</u></u>              | <u><u>43,119</u></u>  | <u><u>18,498</u></u>  | <u><u>39,900</u></u>      |

**COMMUNITY FOOD AND FRIENDSHIP BLYTH**

England & Wales - Charity number 1191399

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# Accounts

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**In 2021 CFFB provided:**

|                             |     |                          |       |                                      |
|-----------------------------|-----|--------------------------|-------|--------------------------------------|
| Emergency Family Food Boxes | 370 | Adults (parents/carer's) |       | Unrecorded toiletries, cleaning      |
| Christmas Food Hampers      | 88  | small Christmas gifts    | 121   | materials, clothes, household goods. |
| Christmas Toy Households    | 85  | Butty Club and referral  |       |                                      |
| Children received Toys      | 267 | emergency food bags      | 2,362 |                                      |



**ANNUAL  
REPORT  
2021**

COMMUNITY FOOD & FRIENDSHIP BLYTH



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Charity number 1191399

## About us...

**We are a volunteer run charity that works with the community of Blyth.**

Whether it is supporting those who are facing challenging times financially, need help to find enough food, clothes and home goods to working with the community and businesses whose generosity knows no bounds, by donating food, clothes and any items we put out a call



for as well as generous monetary donations, it is our privilege to serve our community.

We work in a variety of projects with local schools and support older members of the community. We have in 2021, moved into our new building where we have exciting plans for the future.

*Left: Blyth Over 50's Forum.*

*Above: A welcome donation from the Blyth Park run annual food donations.*



## Chairs Report

**2021 has been another challenging year. We had hoped to leave Covid behind but that was not to be.**

Thankfully the Bacon Butty Club because of its status, was able to continue as we saw our numbers begin to increase. During the year we moved buildings for the final time. Our thanks to Tom Bradley and CVAB who had hosted us at BCEC for a year and special thanks to Father Quinn and St Wilfred's who offered us the use of their hall in Claremont Terrace.

We set about refurbishing the building to accommodate our needs, special thanks to Alan Hall for managing this project. We ran two sites, St Cuthbert's carried on with the Butty Club while preparing for a move planned in early 2022 to our new building. We realised we had less room and had to re assess the way we offer our service. The most important was to maintain the Butty Club with food bags, clothes and toiletries. We also continued our Soup Lunches with thanks to Jean Hayton and her team. We have to thank Phil and

Colleen at Morrisons, Little Asda, Aldi, Lidl, Greggs, St Wilfred's, and Glenton's who regularly provide us with the food we need to function. To Blyth Town Council whose support has been constant, St Bede's, St Cuthbert's, all of the businesses and individuals who have supported us throughout 2021. Finally, our Trustees and volunteers for their commitment and ongoing support.

The first part of 2021 saw us working with Northumberland Communities Together, before passing over the work providing emergency food boxes we had continued to provide from the first lockdown. After reviewing our aims and objectives we committed to grow and develop the Butty Club and support those in our community who were facing financial challenges accessing food and confidence building. Suzanne Ellis from Higher Effect ran courses for our Butty Club lads that wanted to grow their confidence, our Friday Walking Group was a product of its success.

To our volunteer drivers, many who tirelessly turn up at short notice to keep us supplied with food often at



times they have settled at home with their feet up! Our most sincere thanks.

This was our 4th Christmas working with schools, we exceeded our Christmas toy bags thanks to donations from our community who were so generous along with trustees and volunteers (some from other organisations) who joined in to wrap. Our Christmas food hampers were allocated to families referred by local schools through generous Christmas Eve donations from Aldi and Sainsbury. A large number of people turned up to support by picking up from stores and delivering to homes, the atmosphere was wonderful.

We offered on line training opportunities to volunteers across a number of organisations offering 60 courses in all.

Financially we have had a successful year, thanks go to our Treasurer Dave Cooper. Numerous fundraisings through coffee morning, market, fete and generous donations along with grants saw us enter 2022 with confidence.

*Lynne Craggs / Chair*

# Blyth Community Enterprise Partnership

With grateful thanks to Thom Bradley and all at Blyth Community Enterprise Partnership, we were offered a workspace for a year while we explored ways to take the charity forward.



Above: The workspace was ideal for our operation.

Left: Trustee John sorting donations.



Left: Covid Christmas with turkey soup.  
Below: Covid Easter Egg donation.

## Bacon Butty Club

Despite limitations allowed for access we were allowed to re-open the Butty Club with Covid regulations in place.

Our user group came in the allowed number at a time and fully acknowledged the new way of working. As restrictions eased we did get back to a strange form of normality with partners such as Bridge offering advice, training and employment opportunities. The NHS came weekly to give advice and take blood pressure etc. we were also able to offer Covid jabs via a mobile NHS unit who used St Cuthbert's Hall. By the end of the year numbers got larger as demand for support increased.



## Christmas Hampers

Working with local primary schools we were again privileged to support 88 families.

Along with volunteers from all walks of life and the generosity of local businesses and donations from the Blyth community our Christmas Eve hampers were all delivered by 7.30pm.



Left: Fresh vegetables from ASDA.

Above: The Bolton Family came along to donate a very generous gift to us for Christmas, seen with Trustee Susan and volunteers.

## Christmas Gifts

Working together with primary school referrals and through the generosity of the Blyth community and businesses we were able to provide Christmas gift bags to 85 households. 267 children received their presents from Santa and 121 adults in the household received a small gift, no one was left out.

A special thank you goes to all of our schools who work so hard beyond what they are expected to do to strive to ensure all children are equal and of course those who volunteered to wrap from within CFFB and beyond.



Far left: Volunteer Connie delivering our first gift bags.

Top: Volunteers in full wrapping mode.

Centre: The CFFB tree at St Cuthbert's Christmas Tree Festival beautifully decorated in true CFFB style by Trustee Jean Hayton.

Left: Morrisons Christmas Customer Voucher Donations, we are very grateful to be the 2021 chosen charity.



## Moving Home

In 2021 we were given the opportunity by Father Quinn and St Wilfred's Church to move into their hall in Claremont Terrace.

We were most grateful and very excited as the space offered us the opportunity to complete the work in the community we were working towards. We held our opening with members of the community and partners we work with. Blyth Town Council Mayor Margaret Richardson declared the building open.



Above: Blyth Town Council Mayor Margaret Richardson cutting the cake at our official opening.

Top: Volunteers and guests at the opening night.

Left: Eileen, Stephen and Margaret.



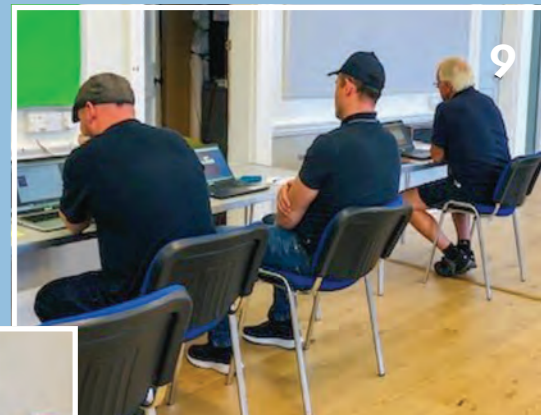
## Schools

When opportunities come along, we are always delighted to work with our schools.



## Training

Thanks to Awards for All we were able to offer on line accredited training to volunteers working in CFFB and volunteers working with other organizations in Blyth. We were also able to introduce a number of our clients to on line training.



Above: Bacon Butty Volunteers. Left: Trustee Dave Cooper leading a training session.

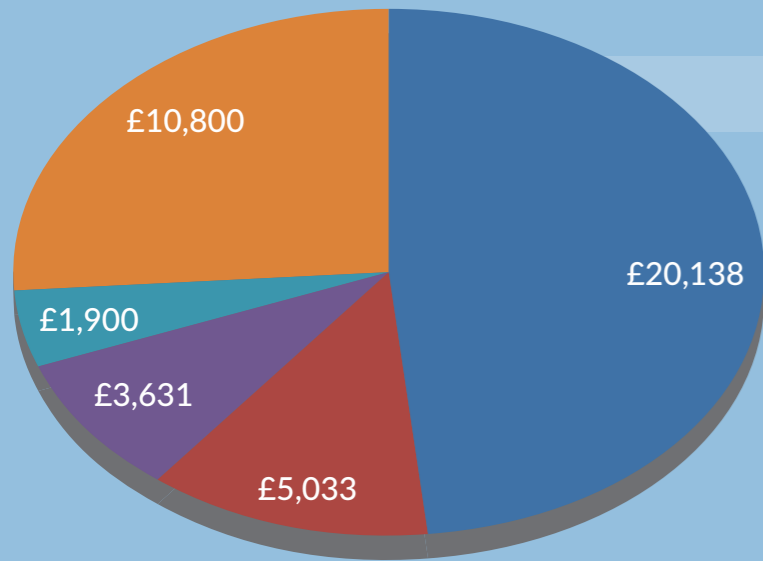
Below: There were times we had to use our workspace for training.

Congratulations to the more than 50 students that have gained their certificates.

Top left: We received some donated bikes which we passed on to a local school.

Left: Pleased to help with a request for children's Christmas jumpers.





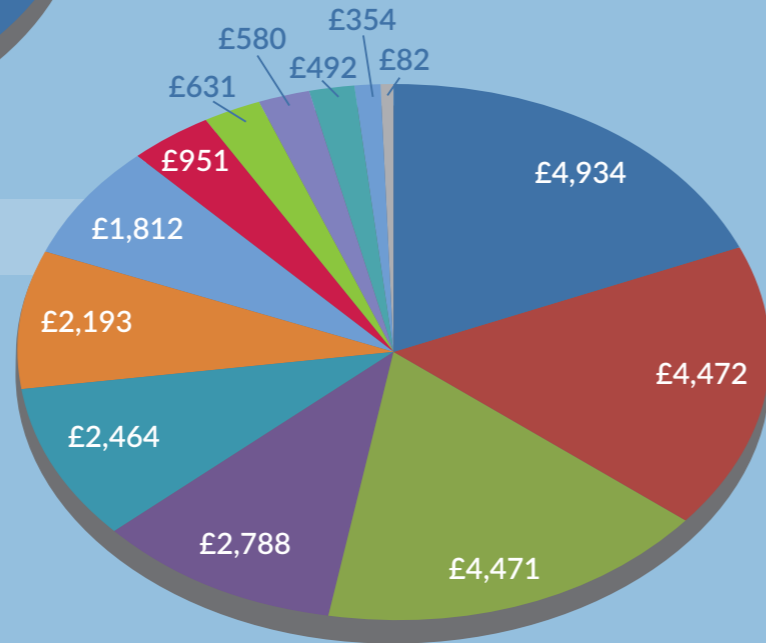
## Income by category

- Brought forward
- Donations
- Fundraising
- Community Foundations
- Blyth Town Council

Grants (Blyth Town Council & Community Foundation) were allocated to restricted funds.

## Expenditure by category

- Clothing
- Rent
- Wellbeing
- Equipment
- Volunteer Training
- Food
- Building Maintenance
- Christmas
- Governance
- Trustee Training
- Covid
- Utilities
- Other



Above: Men's walking group developed by Suzanne Ellis from Higher Effect, who has been working on a project with the Butty Club.



Left: CFFB Christmas Fayre.  
Centre: Easter Eggs donated from residents of Belford Court.  
Below centre: Trustee Alan receiving a kind donation from Bader Court.  
Below: Food donation from South Beach Residents Forum.

**Receipts and Payments  
Accounts**

Charity Name **Community Food and Friendship Blyth**

Charity Number **1191399**

For the period **22-Sep-20** to **31-Dec-21**

**Section A Receipts and Payments**

|  | Unrestricted<br>£ | Restricted<br>£ | Endowment<br>£ | Total<br>£ |
|--|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|------------|
| <b>A1 Receipts</b>                       |                   |                 |                |            |
| Donations                                | 3324              | 3108            |                | 6432       |
| Fund Raising                             | 1374              | 3949            |                | 5323       |
| Government Grants                        |                   | 11300           |                | 11300      |
| Other Grants                             |                   | 3250            |                | 3250       |
| Interest                                 | 1                 |                 |                | 1          |
|  |                   |                 |                |            |
| <i>Sub total</i>                         | 4699              | 21607           | 0              | 26306      |
| <b>A2 Asset and Investment sales etc</b> | 0                 | 0               | 0              | 0          |
| <i>Total receipts</i>                    | 4699              | 21607           |                | 26306      |

**A3 Payments**

|  |      |       |   |       |
|--|------|-------|---|-------|
| Management                                   | 22   | 5984  |   | 6006  |
| Operating Costs                              | 4968 | 18456 |   | 23424 |
|  |      |       |   |       |
|  |      |       |   |       |
|  |      |       |   |       |
| <i>Sub total</i>                             | 4990 | 24440 | 0 | 29430 |
| <b>A4 Asset and Investment purchases etc</b> | 0    | 0     | 0 | 0     |
| <i>Total receipts</i>                        | 4699 | 21607 | 0 | 26306 |
| <i>Net of receipts / (payments)</i>          | -291 | -2833 | 0 | -3124 |
| <b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>            | 0    | 0     | 0 | 0     |
| <b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>           | 2631 | 15772 | 0 | 18403 |
| <i>Cash funds this year end</i>              | 2340 | 12939 | 0 | 15279 |

**Section B Statement of assets and liabilities**

|                         | Unrestricted<br>£ | Restricted<br>£ | Endowment<br>£ |
|-------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| <b>B1 Cash Funds</b>    |                   |                 |                |
| Lloyds Current Account  | 2339              | 2938            | 0              |
| Lloyds Savings Account  |                   | 10002           | 0              |
|                         |                   |                 |                |
| <i>Total cash funds</i> | 2339              | 12940           | 0              |

| <b>B2 Other monetary assets</b> | Unrestricted | Restricted | Endowment |
|---------------------------------|--------------|------------|-----------|
|                                 | £            | £          | £         |
|                                 |              |            |           |
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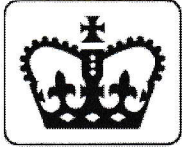
| <b>B3 Investment assets</b> | Fund | Cost | Current Value |
|-----------------------------|------|------|---------------|
|                             |      | £    | £             |
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| <b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b> | Fund | Cost | Current Value |
|---|------|------|---------------|
|   | £    | £    | £             |
|   |      |      |               |
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| <b>B5 Liabilities</b> | Fund | Cost | Current Value |
|-----------------------|------|------|---------------|
|                       | £    | £    | £             |
|                       |      |      |               |
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**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees/  
members of**

Charity Name  
Community Food and Friendship Blyth

**On accounts for the  
period**

22/9/2020 to 31/12/2021

**Charity no  
(if any)**

1191399

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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 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:

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.

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

**Signed:**

Joan H Dearden

**Date:**

31/9/2021

**Name:**

Joan Helen Dearden

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

**Address:**

27 Forster Street

Blyth

Northumberland NE24 3BG

**Section B**

**Disclosure**

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.**

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