



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From: 1 April 2024 (Period start date) **To: 31 March 2025** (Period end date)

Charity name: Sketty Foodbank

Charity registration number: 1196608

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>(i) Providing emergency food, essential toiletries and household items to individuals and families in need, and/or for distribution by charities and other organisations working to prevent or relieve poverty.</p> <p>(ii) Such other means including (but not limited to) the provision of support or signposting to relevant information and other advisory services.</p>
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>We are an independent foodbank run as a not-for-profit charity. We provide essential food, toiletries, baby food and nappies as well as some household products such as clothes washing powder.</p> <p>The majority of people who we support are people from the local area of Sketty Park, which is one of the most deprived areas in Swansea; we also provide food parcels for people in crisis in Townhill, Mayhill, Brynmill and other local areas. We will take referrals from agents throughout Swansea as long as they are collected from us. We offer support outside this area, including to refugees and asylum seekers. Sketty Foodbank opens to the public on Wednesday of each week, with the exception of Christmas and New Year, when we open on another suitable day.</p> <p>We are run by a dedicated team of volunteers with no paid employees. Most of the people who use us are referred by agencies such as SASS, Unity in Diversity, Pobl, Probation officers, LA Housing Department Employment Support workers, Local Area Coordinators, Citizen's Advice and Local Schools and colleges. We are seeing an increase in single young adults being referred to us. We also have a number of people who just walk in without referrals. Where appropriate, we work with other Foodbanks and have very good relationships with numerous support agencies.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees are aware of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and ensure that we comply with this guidance.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	N/A
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/A
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	The Sketty Foodbank has no paid employees, so we rely entirely on the contributions made by volunteers who freely give of their time.
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>In difficult economic times with many financial pressures upon individuals and families, and against a backdrop of limited financial resources available from governmental departments, Sketty Foodbank has provided vital support to those in urgent need.</p> <p>In addition to emergency food and essentials, we have provided toiletries and household items and endeavoured to maintain the dignity of those who call upon our services. We seek to provide a 'hand up' rather than a 'handout' to our beneficiaries and, wherever possible, signpost them to other organisations and agencies who can offer other financial support, training or education.</p> <p>We have engaged with a number of support agencies including health visitors, social workers, probation officers and schools.</p> <p>We have worked particularly closely with Swansea Asylum Seeker Services, Unity and Diversity and local Councillors in supporting refugees and asylum seekers, who often could go hungry if it were not for the support we offer.</p> <p>When the Foodbank was initially set up, approximately 50 referrals per month were being handled. At the end of this reporting period, there were approximately 150 per month made (similar to last year), with little evidence of any potential drop in numbers.</p> <p>We believe that the support offered by the Foodbank stops many people falling further into poverty, or ill-health through</p>

		poor diets and may help to keep families together who may be struggling with day to day necessities.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	By working with other agencies, we have seen beneficiaries find work or other means of financial support to reduce reliance on the Foodbank.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	We have been increasingly successful in raising funds from corporate donors as a result of direct contact with them. This has reduced our reliance on Council funding, although we have been successful in applying for grants for specific projects, such as food provision for families over school holiday periods. Local businesses and organisations have occasionally also sent teams of volunteers to help with various aspects of the Foodbank's work, such as picking and packing parcels, and leaflet delivery to the local area to inform people of our services. We are fortunate to have also benefited from generous donations of items from large supermarkets and other local stores.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Trustees have reviewed the financial position of the Charity and are satisfied that it is in a relatively strong place with sufficient funds to continue operating for a year if all sources of funding ceased
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	While the charity does not have a formal reserves policy, the trustees hold sufficient funds to cover operational costs for a year should funding sources dry up completely. We do continually reviews it resources against its projected needs.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	As at 31 st March 2025 the charity held funds of £26,043 in a reserve account.

Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	Not applicable
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	None
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	While ongoing government (local and national) funding is not assured, we do have enough to see us through a year's operation at current levels. Should there be a drastic reduction, the Trustees will have to limit the number of beneficiaries and/or reduce the range of item supplied to them.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	<p>The charity's main source of funds is from grants, donations and gifts from businesses and individuals. In order to meet the demand for the services we provide we do support from various agencies, local government departments and other charitable organisations.</p> <p>Sketty Foodbank is particularly grateful to receive funding from:</p> <p>Discretionary funds available to local Councillors; Tackling Poverty Team at City and County of Swansea Council (and associated teams supporting the disadvantaged in the city, for example, Period Poverty and Direct Food Support Fund); Plus a range of business and charitable organisations, such as: Soroptimist International; Red Cross; Zeta Alarms; Uniting Church, Sketty; C'est La Vie Choir; Terracycle UK; Viscose Closures; Solo Group; CEM Day Ltd; Essential Risk So Waddle; John Weaver Contractors; Lloyds Bank Foundation; Port Talbot Sinclair group.</p>
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/A
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The principal possible risks relate to a drying up of funds from individuals, government (national and local) and businesses. But as indicated above, the Trustees have identified and planned for this
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed , royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association , CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled	Para 1.25	New Trustees are appointed by serving trustees, as necessary, usually following recommendation. New Trustees have in the past been previously involved in the work of the Foodbank as a volunteer, so are familiar with

to appoint one or more trustees		the way it operates, the culture of the organisation and the relationship between the Trustees and Management group.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	The Foodbank has adopted a 'Becoming a Trustee Policy' which incorporates a Fit and Proper Person Declaration and Code of Conduct. Any new Trustees would be allocated a mentor from the existing Trustee group.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	Trustees are supported by a Management Group who oversee the operational aspects of the Foodbank. Four of the Trustees are included in the Management Group and all serve regularly or occasionally as volunteers in the Foodbank. Around 40 people regularly volunteer at the Foodbank. The Sketty Foodbank liaises with other independent Foodbanks in the city, especially where client referrals cross geographic boundaries, or clients move house. The charity also communicates with the local representative of the Trussell Trust.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Sketty Foodbank
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1196608
Charity's principal address	Parklands Evangelical Church Maes y Gollen Sketty Swansea SA2 8HQ

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Paul David Mort			
2	Gisele Elizabeth Jones			
3	Kim Mary Mort			
4	Audrey Bayvun Reeve	Secretary		
5	Jill Margaret Erridge			
6	David John Davies			
7	James Douglas McGettrick			
8	Arthur Michael Day	Chair		
9	Stefan John Smith			

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	None
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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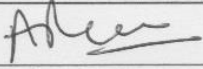
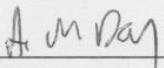
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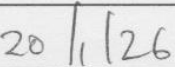
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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Audrey Reeve	A Michael Day
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Secretary	Chair

Date 



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Sketty Foodbank

On accounts for the year
ended

31 March 2025

Charity no
(if any)

1196608

Set out on pages

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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 31/03/2025.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

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

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

Independent
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

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

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

Signed:

Date: 29/01/2026

Name:

Michael Jones

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

Association of Chartered Certified Accountants

Address:

Bevan Buckland LLP, Chartered Accountants, Ground Floor,
Cardigan House, Castle Court, Swansea
SA7 9LA

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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Receipts and Payments Accounts

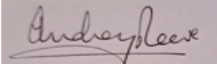
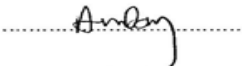
For the period from **01-Apr-24** to **31-Mar-25**

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds £	Last Period £
A1 Receipts					
Bank interest	1,310	-	-	1,310	69
Donations, grants and sponsorship	53,868	-	-	53,868	64,894
Fayres, markets and other fundraising	1,404	-	-	1,404	2,486
Refunds	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	56,581	-	-	56,581	67,449
A2 Asset and investment sales					
Computer software and equipment	-	-	-	-	-
Fixtures and fittings	-	-	-	-	-
Storage containers and fittings	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	56,581	-	-	56,581	67,449
A3 Payments					
Administrative and promotional expenses	2,281	21	-	2,302	2,694
Bank charges	-	-	-	-	-
Food and poverty relief expenditure	36,269	556	-	36,825	43,278
Insurances	535	-	-	535	483
Repairs and maintenance	88	-	-	88	693
Sundry equipment expenditure	2,439	87	-	2,526	189
Sundry expenses	1,195	-	-	1,195	511
Vehicle hire	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	42,806	664	-	43,470	47,848
A4 Asset and investment purchases					
Computer software and equipment	1,049	150	-	1,198	675
Fixtures and fittings	-	-	-	-	-
Storage containers and fittings	700	2,000	-	2,700	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	1,749	2,150	-	3,898	675
Total payments	44,555	2,814	-	47,369	48,523
Net of receipts/(payments)	12,026	(2,814)	-	9,213	18,926
A5 Transfers between funds	1,723	(1,723)	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last period end	53,985	8,235	-	62,220	43,294
Cash funds this period end	67,734	3,698	-	71,433	62,220

For the period from **01-Apr-24** to **31-Mar-25**

Categories	Details	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		Audrey Reeve	28/01/2026
		Arthur Michael Day	28/01/2026