

**The Ryedale Community Foodbank**  
**Unaudited Financial Statements**  
**31 March 2024**



**'Ryedale Community Foodbank enables local people to help their neighbours  
at times of crisis.'**

**We would like to thank everyone who has donated food, money or their time so  
that people in Ryedale do not have to go hungry.**

# **The Ryedale Community Foodbank**

## **Financial Statements**

**Year ended 31 March 2024**

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# The Ryedale Community Foodbank

## Trustees' Annual Report

### Year ended 31 March 2024

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The trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024.

#### Chair's report

Since the creation of the new independent Ryedale Community Foodbank in November 2021 we have seen a slow rise in demand for food parcels and this upward trajectory has continued. 2023/24 has definitely been busier than the previous year, with demand remaining at higher levels throughout much of the year.

With the help and commitment of our many volunteers, the generosity of the people of Ryedale and various organisations we have been able to meet some of this need, but we have also had to spend significant amounts of our funds to supplement food and other stock.

Fortunately thanks to our excellent fundraising volunteers who have raised funds for us and the generous donations from local people, we have managed to maintain a healthy bank balance which has meant we have been able to purchase goods as required. Our thanks go to Hillary Stubbs and Michael Leighton for their hard work on grant applications. Thanks also to North Yorkshire Council for two Winter Support Grants, which were aimed specifically at providers of food aid.

Other grants have been received from a variety of trusts and organisations:

14.06.2023	£ 700	North Yorkshire Council
27.07.2023	£ 6,443	NFU
09.08.2023	£ 20,000	North Yorkshire Council
19.09.2023	£ 1,000	North Yorkshire Council
03.11.2023	£ 1,000	Ryedale District Council
14.11.2023	£ 5,000	Two Ridings
05.12.2023	£ 1,500	Little House Charitable Trust
03.01.2024	£ 1,000	Gillham Trust
30.01.2024	£ 15,000	North Yorkshire Council

We are grateful to all those people and organisations that have supported us financially. As the Foodbank is operated entirely by volunteers there are no salaries to pay and so our main expenses are maintaining the Foodbank van, and the rental of premises at Howe Road, the Hungate centre and Kirkbymoorside church rooms. We are grateful to C Watts Ltd who generously provide us with fuel for the van.

We also held successful food/fundraising events with Morrisons Store, Malton and a pub quiz courtesy of the Sun Inn, Pickering.



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## Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

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### **Volunteers**

We are extremely grateful to our many volunteers (around 70 individuals) who carry out various roles at the Foodbank from signposting clients, packing parcels, collecting food from supermarkets and other venues to delivering to clients. Everyone plays a crucial role in making sure the Foodbank runs smoothly and offers the best possible service to our clients. Each Foodbank runs slightly differently across our three centres in Norton, Pickering and Kirkbymoorside, but our volunteers across the entire district are at the heart of what we do in providing food aid to people who need it.

As Chair of trustees I want to offer a huge vote of thanks on behalf of the trustees and myself for all your hard work. We have again been recognised by North Yorkshire Council and our partners as an efficient and effective Foodbank and much of this recognition is down to our volunteers and team leaders.

I would also like to thank our trustees who are responsible for the governance of the Foodbank and very much welcome Cate Tate-Smith as our treasurer who joined us this year and is a whizz with the finance. Cate has much improved our accounting systems and overseen our transfer to the CAF bank (no small task!). I would especially like to thank Fiona MacKenzie, Sue Fitter, Richard Midgeley and Trish Tildesley for making sure day to day, week to week operations run smoothly.

Thanks must also go to Ian Clarke for his hard work transforming our website, making it much more user friendly. Again this has been a big task which Ian has undertaken with good humour and in consultation with volunteers and trustees.

### **Reference and administrative details**

<b>Registered charity name</b>	The Ryedale Community Foodbank
<b>Charity registration number</b>	1197910
<b>Principal office</b>	7A Howe Road Norton Malton North Yorkshire YO17 9BH

### **The trustees**

	Dinah Keal (Chair)	
	Catherine Tate-Smith (Treasurer)	(Appointed 6 August 2023)
	Michael Leighton	
	Elaine Gillson	
	Susan Fitter	
	Fiona Mackenzie	
	Ian Clarke	(Appointed 6 August 2023)
	John Mackenzie	
	Alan Robinson	
<b>Independent examiner</b>	Stephen Douglas FCA Old Joiners Cottage Marton York YO62 6RD	

# **The Ryedale Community Foodbank**

## **Trustees' Annual Report** *(continued)*

**Year ended 31 March 2024**

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### **Structure, governance and management**

The Ryedale Community Foodbank was established as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) and was registered on 14th January 2022. The CIO's registered Charity number is 1197910. The CIO is administered by the Charity's trustees who are named above.

### **Objectives and activities**

The prevention or relief of poverty or financial hardship amongst people in Ryedale and the surrounding area in such ways as the trustees from time-to-time think fit. In particular, but not exclusively, by (a) Providing emergency food, essential toiletries and household items to individuals and families in need and/or for distribution by charities or other organisations working to prevent or relieve poverty or financial hardship; and, (b) Such other means, including (but not limited to) the provision of support or signposting to relevant information and other advisory services.



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## Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

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### Achievements and performance

#### ***Who has been helped?***

Since April 2023, 3413 (2834 last year) people in Ryedale were given food for 3 days to help them at a time of crisis. Of this number 2253 (1916) were adults and 1160 (903) children. This equates to 1457 (1186 last year) vouchers across Norton, Pickering and Kirkbymoorside.

Many thanks to Data Volunteer Sue Teal for producing our monthly stats, which are a vital record of our activities and the benefits the Foodbank brings to our community.

#### ***Reasons given by the agencies for use of the Foodbank?***

The major reasons given were low income and benefit changes or delays. It has been necessary to support some people who have had lengthy periods without access to other forms of support.

<b>Crisis type</b>	<b>People affected:</b>
Benefit Changes	20 (19)
Benefit delays	82 (73)
Child holiday meals	1 (3)
Debt	75 (52)
Delayed wages	6 (1)
Domestic violence	20 (2)
Homelessness	22 (12)
Hungry/cost of Living crisis	0 (11)
Low income	1014 (817)
No recourse to public funds	4 (3)
Other	42 (84)
Sickness	114 (81)
Unemployed	25 (18)

NB. Last year's figures are shown in brackets

Two of the most concerning increases in demand reasons given are Domestic Violence and Homelessness. The St Giles van has regularly visited the Foodbank on Fridays to support victims of domestic violence and we continue to supply cold packs to people who are homeless, as well as signposting them to other sources of support.

#### ***Distributing the food to those who need it:***

This has been a very busy year for us at all three of our foodbank centres and we have relied on our dedicated team of volunteers to cope with the growing demand, always showing compassion and respect to all who need to use our service.

Everyone who comes to the Foodbank is referred from one of the agencies in Ryedale that hold our vouchers. Ryedale Community Foodbank vouchers are given out by these agencies to people who need them: situations leading to such need have been listed in the table above. Over the past year we have increased the number of referral agencies we work with to include schools, churches, Racing Welfare and Sight Support, alongside our usual agencies ie. North Yorkshire Council and the CAB.

On receipt of a voucher the individual can then take it to one of our foodbank centres, Howe Road, Norton, Hungate Centre, Pickering or KMS, where our volunteers will greet them, offer a hot drink and a chat if they wish, and signpost to other services if they require additional help whilst their food parcel is prepared.

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## **Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)***

### **Year ended 31 March 2024**

The food is put together based on the number of people in the family and taking into account any special dietary needs and preferences where possible. We also provide toiletries and household items. At Easter we were able to provide Easter Eggs and at Christmas we provide festive treats and gifts thanks to a partnership with local volunteers Ruth Longworth-Zurcher and Ann Young who worked with local people to create Christmas boxes, which were distributed to people alongside their food parcels in November/December. We also provide school holiday boxes during the school summer break.

Our aim is to make the foodbank centres informal and friendly places, where people feel welcome.

We also deliver to clients dependent on need, ie due to age or disability or on occasion due to the inability to attend the Foodbank due to lack of transport to do so. Ryedale is a big rural district with poor public transport so this service is very helpful to people who live some distance from our Foodbank centres. We have a dedicated team of volunteer drivers to whom we are very grateful.

#### ***Supporting partners***

At periods during the last year we have had surpluses of certain foodstuffs and other items such as nappies and have been able to offer these to other Foodbanks in the area, principally in Scarborough.

We have also supplied surplus food and items that we are unable to distribute as a Foodbank ie. fresh goods or bulk items to local partners including the YMCA, Derwent Lodge and Next Steps.

#### **Financial review**

The attached Financial Statements show a surplus of £13,256 at the year end. Of the Charity's funds, an initial deposit last year of £60,000 in a building society account has grown to £61,232. The trustees will keep under review the length and nature of the deposits in order to ensure maximum interest receipts while at the same time maintaining sufficient working funds to cover operational expenses. For this reason the trustees have adopted a Reserves Policy to ensure, in view of the dependent nature of the Charity's clients upon its activities, that an amount equal to this deposit should be designated as Reserves. The trustees believe that such a provision would be generally sufficient to ensure that the working funds of the Charity would be sufficient to maintain its activities for a least a year.

#### **Plans for future periods**

We anticipate that the current trend in rising demand for food aid is likely to continue in the face of the ongoing cost of living crisis and high fuel costs.

We will

- Continue to provide food parcels to those who need them across the district in the face of growing demand
- Continue to work with and increase our range of referring agencies to ensure everyone who needs a voucher can access one
- Continue to work with professional partners across the district and county



# The Ryedale Community Foodbank

## Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2024

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The trustees' annual report was approved on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2024, and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:



Dinah Keal  
Trustee



# **The Ryedale Community Foodbank**

## **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The Ryedale Community Foodbank**

**Year ended 31 March 2024**

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of The Ryedale Community Foodbank ('the charity') for the year ended 31 March 2024.

### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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



Stephen Douglas FCA  
Independent Examiner

Old Joiners Cottage  
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# The Ryedale Community Foodbank

## Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 31 March 2024

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2024 £
<b>Income</b>				
Donations, grants & legacies	4	76,050	7,575	<b>83,625</b>
Investment Income		1,232	-	<b>1,232</b>
<b>Total income</b>		<b>77,282</b>	<b>7,575</b>	<b>84,857</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>				
Expenditure on charitable activities	5,6	64,026	7,575	<b>71,601</b>
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<b>64,026</b>	<b>7,575</b>	<b>71,601</b>
<b>Net income/(expenditure) and net movement in funds</b>		<b>13,256</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>13,256</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>				
Total funds brought forward		154,879	-	<b>154,879</b>
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<b>168,135</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>168,135</b>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.  
All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 11 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

# The Ryedale Community Foodbank

## Statement of Financial Position

31 March 2024

	Note	2024 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>		
Tangible fixed assets	11	7,873
<b>Current assets</b>		
Stocks	12	5,000
Debtors	13	1,776
Cash at bank and in hand		153,636
		<u>168,285</u>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	14	150
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>168,135</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<u>168,135</u>
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>168,135</u>
<b>Funds of the charity</b>		
Restricted funds		-
Unrestricted funds		168,135
<b>Total charity funds</b>	15	<u>168,135</u>

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2024, and are signed on behalf of the board by:

Dinah Keal  
Trustee

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# The Ryedale Community Foodbank

## Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended 31 March 2024

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	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>	
Net income	13,256
<i>Adjustments for:</i>	
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	2,625
Accrued expenses	50
<i>Changes in:</i>	
Stocks	2,100
Trade and other debtors	(220)
Cash generated from operations	<u>17,811</u>
Net cash from operating activities	<u>17,811</u>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>	
Purchase of tangible assets	<u>(0)</u>
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(0)</u>
<b>Net increase in cash and cash equivalents</b>	17,811
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year</b>	<u>135,825</u>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of year</b>	<u>153,636</u>

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# **The Ryedale Community Foodbank**

## **Notes to the Financial Statements**

**Year ended 31 March 2024**

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### **1. General information**

The charity is a public benefit entity and a registered charity in England and Wales and is unincorporated. The address of the principal office is 7A Howe Road, Norton, Malton, North Yorkshire, YO17 9BH.

### **2. Statement of compliance**

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Charities Act 2011.

### **3. Accounting policies**

#### **Basis of preparation**

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis

#### **Going concern**

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

#### **Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees to further any of the charity's purposes. Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular future project or commitment. Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure declared by the donor or through the terms of an appeal, and fall into one of two sub-classes: restricted income funds or endowment funds.

#### **Tangible assets**

Tangible assets are initially recorded at cost, and subsequently stated at cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Any tangible assets carried at revalued amounts are recorded at the fair value at the date of revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

#### **Reserves Policy**

The trustees have implemented a Reserves Policy to designate part of the unrestricted funds of the Charity as a contingency in respect of both contractual and non-contractual obligations and outgoings. Further details are shown as necessary in the Financial Review section of the Annual Report above. This policy, together with any amounts so designated will be kept under review on an annual basis by the trustees.

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## Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2024

### 3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

#### Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Plant and machinery	- 25% reducing balance
Equipment	- 25% reducing balance

### 4. Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
<b>Donations</b>			
Donations	29,774	-	29,774
Grants	44,500	7,143	51,643
Gift Aid claims	1,776	-	1,776
Sundry	-	432	432
	<u>76,050</u>	<u>7,575</u>	<u>83,625</u>

### 5. Expenditure on charitable activities by fund type

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Community Foodbank	63,876	7,575	71,451
Independent Examination Fees	150	-	150
	<u>64,026</u>	<u>7,575</u>	<u>71,601</u>

### 6. Expenditure on charitable activities by activity type

	Activities undertaken directly £	Support costs £	Total funds 2024 £
Community Foodbank	<u>66,619</u>	<u>4,982</u>	<u>71,601</u>

### 7. Net income

Net income is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2024 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	<u>2,625</u>



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## Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2024

### 8. Independent examination fees

	2024 £
Fees payable to the independent examiner for: Independent examination of the financial statements	150

### 9. Staff costs

The average head count of employees during the year was Nil.

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2023: Nil).

### 10. Trustee remuneration and expenses

No Trustee has received any remuneration or benefits from the Charity.

### 11. Tangible fixed assets

	Plant and machinery £	Equipment £	Total £
<b>Cost</b>			
At 1 March 2023	12,800	1,198	13,998
Additions	-	-	-
<b>At 31 March 2024</b>	<u>12,800</u>	<u>1,198</u>	<u>13,998</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>			
At 1 March 2023	3,200	300	3,500
Charge for the year	2,400	225	2,625
<b>At 31 March 2024</b>	<u>5,600</u>	<u>525</u>	<u>6,125</u>
<b>Carrying amount</b>			
<b>At 31 March 2024</b>	<u>7,200</u>	<u>673</u>	<u>7,873</u>

### 12. Stocks

	2024 £
Foodstuffs & consumables	5,000

### 13. Debtors

	2024 £
Other debtors	1,776

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## Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2024

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### 14. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>
Accruals and deferred income	<u>150</u>

### 15. Analysis of charitable funds

#### Unrestricted funds

	At 1/3/2023	Income	Expenditure	At 31/3/2024
	£	£	£	£
General funds	<u>154,879</u>	<u>77,282</u>	<u>(64,026)</u>	<u>168,135</u>

#### Restricted funds

	At 1/3/2023	Income	Expenditure	At 31/3/2024
	£	£	£	£
Restricted Funds	<u>-</u>	<u>7,575</u>	<u>(7,575)</u>	<u>-</u>

### 16. Analysis of changes in net debt

	At 1/3/2023	Cash flows	At 31/3/2024
	£	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>135,825</u>	<u>17,811</u>	<u>153,636</u>