
Food for Fort



Report and Financial Statements

1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025

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Board Members, Officers, Advisors and Bankers

Trustees

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Auditor

Not required

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Trustee Introduction

It is our 10th year anniversary. Food for Fort started as an unregistered Charity November 2014 and became a registered Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) on 21st December 2022 and is governed by a constitution

We were originally set up in response to a growing need of food, shelter and other support services from destitute people within the Huddersfield area and beyond. We have provided food and consumables for people in need staying in two main houses "Hope and Peace House"

There have been other houses that Food for Fort has been able to sign post people to for temporary and more permanent stay. Food parcels are distributed from donations via the Neighbourly scheme to various community outreaches and direct to individuals

Over the years we have been able to provide free family away days, established a community garden in Milnsbridge and have run a community café

The charity has partnered a number of local charities within the Huddersfield area

We have continued to supply meals, fresh and cupboard food to the Salvation Army

We respond to emergency calls when other charities are closed from the public for food parcels. Our small size means that we can adapt to the community needs by applying for grant funding should we see a gap that needs supporting within our community

I would like to take the opportunity to thank all the board members and volunteers who have worked on behalf of Food for Fort, creating a vibrant and successful charity that I am sure will provide services and support for the people in Kirklees for many generations to come

Lynn Morsley
Trustee

Operating and Financial Review

Objects

- (a) The prevention or relief of poverty in the Huddersfield area by providing emergency food and services to individuals in need and to charities, or other organisations working to prevent or relieve poverty:
- (b) The relief of those in need in Kirklees, by reason of youth, age, ill health, disability, financial hardship or other social or economic disadvantage, by providing services and support and by sign posting and referring to free advice services and assistance to access counselling, housing or other specialised support.

Business and financial review

The charity has been able to continue its objectives with unrestricted reserves and grant funding. Reserves are deemed adequate to meet the foreseeable demands on the charity.

Mission strategy

Our mission is to help many vulnerable people move away from destitution and destructive lifestyles to a life with hope from support of fellowship within our local Churches and charities

The achievement of this mission is underpinned by four key strategic objectives:

- People focused being non judgemental
- Organised to meet the challenge
- Continue to pass on food donations from shops and other donors

Achievements made during the period end March 25:

- Supported homeless people with food, clothing and other consumables
- Provided meals and other food to vulnerable families in hotels, hospitals and other places
- Partnered with food banks, Pennine Domestic Abuse Partnership, Grace Community Church, The Salvation Army and others to provide support including meals and donations passed on via Aldi and Lidl
- Donated to a charity shop in Huddersfield
- Maintained a community garden with volunteer opportunities for growing veg
- Run a community café

Mat 25:35-40 – The verses that have been with us from the beginning

For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.

Then the righteous will answer him, Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?

The King will reply, Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.

Future Developments

The Board would like to pursue the following areas of development of services over the next five years:

- Increase close partnership working with other charities providing similar help in same and different areas
- Recruit and train volunteers in to provide services in different areas
- Continue to adapt delivery of all services providing essentials to people in need

Public benefit statement

The charity provides a much-needed free service of providing essential food and consumables and signposting homeless people to accommodation, we help with social connection.

Going Concern

The charity has no material liabilities (including contingent liabilities) and adequate cash in the bank therefore, there is no concern about the charity not continuing.

Reserves Policy

The charity has adequate reserves to maintain its current services for the next 6 months as venues are provided free of charge, costs are kept to a minimum and the only contingent liability is insurance costs. Houses that we sign post to are now self-sufficient. The level of reserves should not be lower than £500 which is quite low but the committed costs are low.

Related Party Transactions

There were no related party transactions made in the year

Report of the Board

The Board presents the following report for the period ended 31 March 2025

Income and Expenditure for year ending March 2025

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Mar-25 £	Mar-24 £
Income generated from:				
Grants and Donations	500	-	500	2,478
Charitable activities	-	-	-	-
Total Income	500		500	2,478
 Expenditure spent on:				
Charitable activities	403	-	403	6,768
Net surplus / (deficit)	97	-	97	(4,290)
 Reconciliation of funds:				
Reserves at 01/04/24	2,320	-	2,320	6,609
Net movement in funds in year	97	-	97	(4,290)
Total Reserves	2,417	-	2,417	2,320

Statement of Financial Activities

Balance sheet	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Mar-25 £	Mar-24 £
Fixed Assets					
Fixtures and Fittings		-	-	-	-
Debtors					
Other debtors		-	-	-	-
Stock					
Donated stock, and other items	2	199	-	199	398
Bank and Cash					
Bank		2,218	-	2,218	3,701
Creditors					
Suppliers (due in 1 year)	3	-	-	-	1,779
Net current assets		2,417	-	2,417	2,320
Creditors due after 1 year		-	-	-	-
Total net assets		2,417	-	2,417	2,320
Reserves					
Reserves b/fwd	1	2,320	-	2,320	10,394
Current year surplus		97	-	97	(8,074)
Total funds		2,417	-	2,417	2,320

Signed: Lynn Morsley(Electronic)

On: 19th October 2025

Notes to the accounts

Note 1 Reserves analysis

Funds and Reserves Reconciliation	Balance B/fwd £	Income £	Expenditure £	Balance C/fwd £
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS				
Grants	-	-	-	-
Donations	1,923	500	205	2,218
Stock Value	398	-	199	199
Total Unrestricted Funds	2,320	500	404	2,417
RESTRICTED FUNDS	None			

Note 2 No additions have been received to donated stock and the reduction represents wear and tear as being used in the properties or donated to over essentials.

Note 3 Volunteer hours averaged 7 volunteers in a 12-month period, 765 hours at a value of £11,620. There were no employees paid in the year

Note 4 There are no operating leases or other contingent liabilities.

Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019) and with the Charities Act 2011. The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. There has been no change to the accounting policies since last year. No changes have been made to the accounts for previous years. The previous years comparative figures are pre-registration with the Charity Commission

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the doner

Income recognition

Income is recognised when received as available for expenditure. No income is needed to be deferred

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred

Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting was held on 19th October 2025. The accounts were approved by the trustees on 16th September 2025 at that board meeting then subsequently approved at the AGM