

North Oxfordshire Community Foodbank

Trustees Annual Report and Accounts

Year Ended 31 July 2025

The Trustees present their report together with the financial statements of the North Oxfordshire Community Foodbank for the year ended 31 July 2025.

Structure, Governance & Management

North Oxfordshire Community Foodbank is registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) with the Charity Commission (ref: 1208174), is governed by a constitution dated 2nd May 2024, and operates from the registered location of Kidlington Baptist Church, High Street Kidlington, OX5 2DS.

During the year 01 August 2024 to 31 July 2025 the following were trustees:

Mrs Stephanie Risi

Mrs Melvina Fawcett

Mrs Carole Wilton

Miss Margaret Day

Mrs Susan Pimm

Revd. Andrew Mills

Mrs Joyce Rice

Objectives & Activities

The object of the CIO is the prevention or relief of poverty in North Oxfordshire by providing items and services to families or individuals in need.

Achievements & Performance

The three centres of the North Oxfordshire Community Foodbank in Kidlington, Chipping Norton and Woodstock have aided the communities of north Oxfordshire in supporting those with emergency food needs. This activity is efficiently run by a team of volunteers at the three centres, working alongside statutory agencies in seeking to support those in food poverty.

In the twelve months to 31 July 2025 we received 55,124 items of donated food, and distributed 62,100 items of food. The shortfall between donations and distribution was met by purchasing the items needed from financial gifts to the charity given for this purpose. This all equates to 1,710 food parcels being given to individuals, couples and families within our communities.

Local agencies have supported individuals with grants for energy efficient household items.

The North Oxfordshire Community Foodbank operates two vans for distribution and leases three garages for storage.

Financial review

The accounts for the year have been prepared on a receipt and payments basis.

The charity has cash reserves of £32,663.20 as of 31 July 2025 which is held in a Barclays Business bank account.

The trustees adopted a reserves policy which equates to three months unrestricted expenditure and is set at the level of £18,000 and is reviewed regularly.

The total receipts for the year was £34,858.01 and the total payments was £38,448.80. Therefore, for the second year we have made a deficit, £3,590.79 this year, against £2,846.73 in the previous year.

The trustees acknowledge that we operate by drawing on reserves but it is felt that this is being done at a responsible level at this time.

The trustees are satisfied that the charity holds sufficient reserves at the end of year, together with projections for the year ahead, to enable the charity to effectively function in the coming year.

Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with general applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom General Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales 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 incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2015 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safekeeping the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Trustee:		Trustee:	Melvin J.M Gaussett
Date:	14/05/2026	Date:	14/05/2026

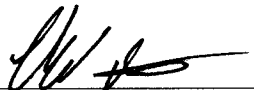
Receipts and Payments Accounts

	12 months to 31 July 2025			31 July 2024
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Receipts				
General donations	23,455.96		23,455.96	40,177.81
Gift aided donations	9,506.20		9,506.20	
Gift aid claim	863.85		863.85	
Miscellaneous income	1,032.00		1032.00	12.48
Total receipts	34,858.01		34,858.01	40,190.29
Payments				
Vehicle costs	3,980.66		3,980.66	4,821.01
Premise costs	2,179.11		2,179.11	2,310.64
Administration	960.90		960.90	263.04
Food costs	28,574.49		28,574.49	34,246.42
Miscellaneous payments	2,753.64		2,753.64	1,395.91
Total payments	38,448.80		38,448.80	43,037.02
Net of Receipts / (Payments)	(3,590.79)			(2,846.73)
Cash funds	32,663.20			36,253.99

Statement of Assets and Liabilities as 31 July 2025

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Cash funds			
Barclays Bank Account	32,663.20		32,663.20
Total cash funds	32,663.20		32,663.20

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Trustee:  Trustee: Melina JM Fawcett

Date: 14/05/2026 Date: 14/05/2026

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Trustee: 

Trustee: Melvin J.M. Gaussett

Date: 14/05/2026

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of North Oxfordshire Community Foodbank

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 July 2025

As the charity's trustees, 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 all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

Signed: 

Name: MICHAEL KING

Address: 24 BLENHEIM RD. KIDLINGTON OX5 2HP

Date: 10/5/26