

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD
10 APRIL 2025 TO 31 DECEMBER 2025
FOR
DOVER FOODBANK**

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE PERIOD 10 APRIL 2025 TO 31 DECEMBER 2025

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the period 10 April 2025 to 31 December 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: 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) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

Working in Dover and surrounding areas we help to alleviate poverty through the provision of food parcels to those in crisis, in partnership with local agencies who refer clients in crisis to us. As part of our service, we signpost to other care agencies, advice services and support agencies to try and help alleviate the clients immediate crisis that is causing their need to use the Foodbank.

Please refer to the Chairman's report for a summary of the main activities undertaken in the year.

We confirm that the trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Please refer to the Chairman's report for a summary of the main achievements of the charity in the year.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Principal funding sources

For details of the charity's principal funding sources, please refer to the Chairman's report following these financial statements.

Reserves policy

The charity's policy is to maintain a reserves level equivalent to at least 6 months of operational expenditure.

FUTURE PLANS

For the charity's future plans, please refer to the Chairman's report following these financial statements.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

New trustees are appointed by the existing trustees.

Nominees are asked to prepare a statement of why they want to join the trustee board and what they feel they have to offer it. This is shared with existing trustees for discussion.

Organisational structure

For the charity's organisational structure, please refer to the Chairman's report following these financial statements.

Decision making

The board of trustees takes responsibility for making decisions for the charity.

Induction and training of new trustees

Induction is by meeting with the chair of trustees to receive an overview of the charity, attending trustee meetings, and they are encouraged to read the Charity Commission's guidance on what is involved in being a trustee.

Key management remuneration

For details of the charity's key management remuneration, please refer to the Chairman's report following these financial statements.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1212901

Principal address

Unit 7 Charlton Centre
High Street
Dover
Kent
CT16 1TT

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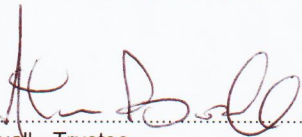
Trustees

A Boxall (appointed 10.4.2025)
J S Shilling (appointed 28.11.2025)
S Bradford (appointed 6.6.2025)
J G Pryse (appointed 10.4.2025)
J E Donaldson (appointed 10.4.2025)
J Jowett (appointed 10.4.2025)
P H Wallace (appointed 10.4.2025)

Independent Examiner

Peter Acott FCCA
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10 Littlebourne Road
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 28TH July '26 and signed on its behalf by:


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A Boxall - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
DOVER FOODBANK**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Dover Foodbank

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Dover Foodbank (the Trust) for the period 10 April 2025 to 31 December 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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, which is one of the listed bodies.

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 Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts 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.



Peter Acott FCCA

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Date: 28th July 26

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE PERIOD 10 APRIL 2025 TO 31 DECEMBER 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM				
Donations and legacies		251,306	48,999	300,305
Investment income	2	1,380	-	1,380
Total		252,686	48,999	301,685
EXPENDITURE ON				
Charitable activities				
Core activities		102,482	-	102,482
Household Support Fund		-	21,825	21,825
Total		102,482	21,825	124,307
NET INCOME		150,204	27,174	177,378
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		150,204	27,174	177,378

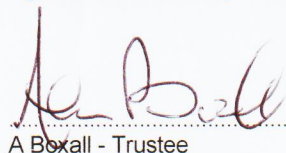
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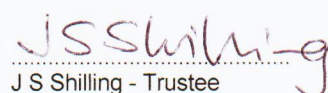
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BALANCE SHEET
31 DECEMBER 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS				
Debtors	5	866	-	866
Cash at bank		152,494	27,605	180,099
		<u>153,360</u>	<u>27,605</u>	<u>180,965</u>
CREDITORS				
Amounts falling due within one year	6	(3,156)	(431)	(3,587)
		<u>150,204</u>	<u>27,174</u>	<u>177,378</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS				
		<u>150,204</u>	<u>27,174</u>	<u>177,378</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>150,204</u>	<u>27,174</u>	<u>177,378</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>150,204</u>	<u>27,174</u>	<u>177,378</u>
FUNDS	7			
Unrestricted funds				150,204
Restricted funds				27,174
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>177,378</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 28th July 26 and were signed on its behalf by:


A Boxall - Trustee


J S Shilling - Trustee

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD 10 APRIL 2025 TO 31 DECEMBER 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: 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) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charity's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	£
Deposit account interest	208
Bond interest	1,172
	1,380

3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the period ended 31 December 2025.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the period ended 31 December 2025.

4. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the period was as follows:

All employees	3

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE PERIOD 10 APRIL 2025 TO 31 DECEMBER 2025**

5. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

Prepayments	£ 866
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6. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

Trade creditors	£ 536
Taxation and social security	372
Other creditors	2,679
	3,587

7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.25 £
Unrestricted funds		
General fund	150,204	150,204
Restricted funds		
Household Support Fund	27,174	27,174
TOTAL FUNDS	177,378	177,378

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	252,686	(102,482)	150,204
Restricted funds			
Household Support Fund	48,999	(21,825)	27,174
TOTAL FUNDS	301,685	(124,307)	177,378

8. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the period ended 31 December 2025.

DOVER FOODBANK**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE PERIOD 10 APRIL 2025 TO 31 DECEMBER 2025**

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INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS**Donations and legacies**

Donations	18,320
Grants	136,041
Sundry receipts	300
Dover Outreach Centre donated funds	135,644
Fuel Bank Foundation donated funds	10,000
	300,305

Investment income

Deposit account interest	208
Bond interest	1,172
	1,380

Total incoming resources

301,685

EXPENDITURE**Charitable activities**

Wages	46,569
Pensions	1,397
Rent, rates and water	17,187
Insurance	1,149
Office stationery & equipment	652
Advertising	419
Sundries	82
Food	7,975
Other subcontracted labour	26,733
Household support costs	9,471
Furniture & appliances	7,090
Travel expenses	1,303
Sundry staff costs	1,100
	121,127

Support costs**Finance**

Bank charges	118
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Information technology

Computer & software expenses	102
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Governance costs

Accountancy fees	960
Administration costs	2,000
	2,960

Total resources expended

124,307

Net income

177,378

Dover Foodbank – Chairperson’s Report 2025

After a slight fall in foodbank use in 2024, footfall declined further in 2025.

Several factors are likely to have contributed to this, including the increase in the child allowance cap to cover more than two children. Financial advice and signposting from our Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB) worker also supported many people throughout 2025.

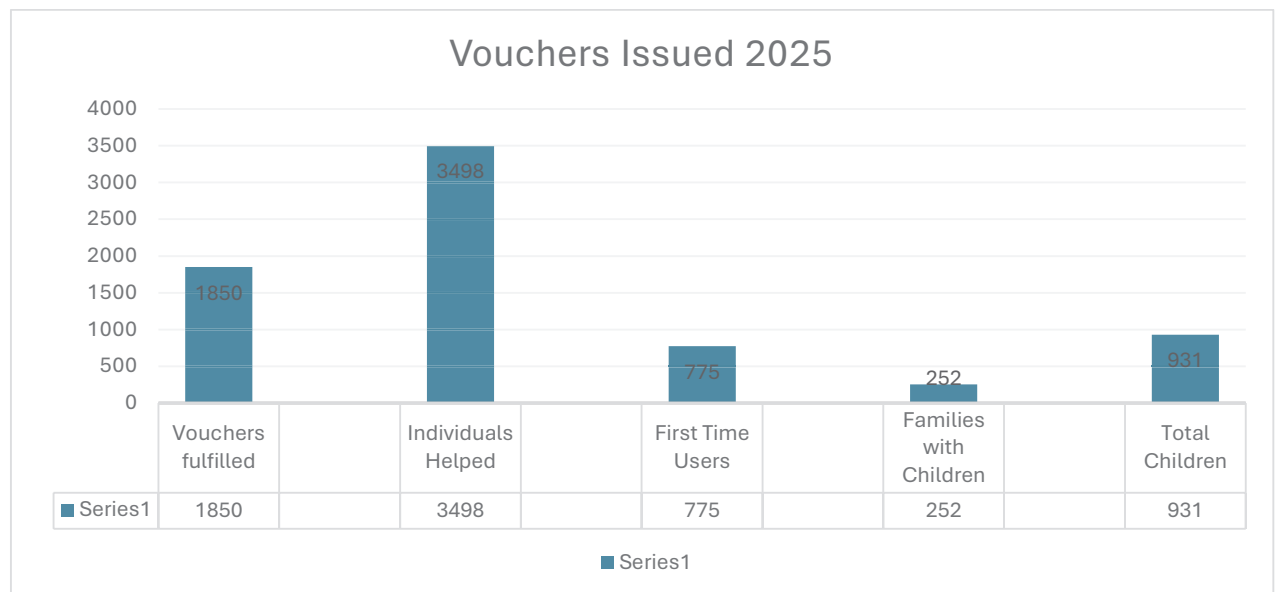
In 2025, we separated from the Dover Outreach Centre’s charity number and secured our own. This affected grant applications in the second half of the year, making funding harder to obtain.

In total, we supported 3,498 individuals and processed 1,850 vouchers.

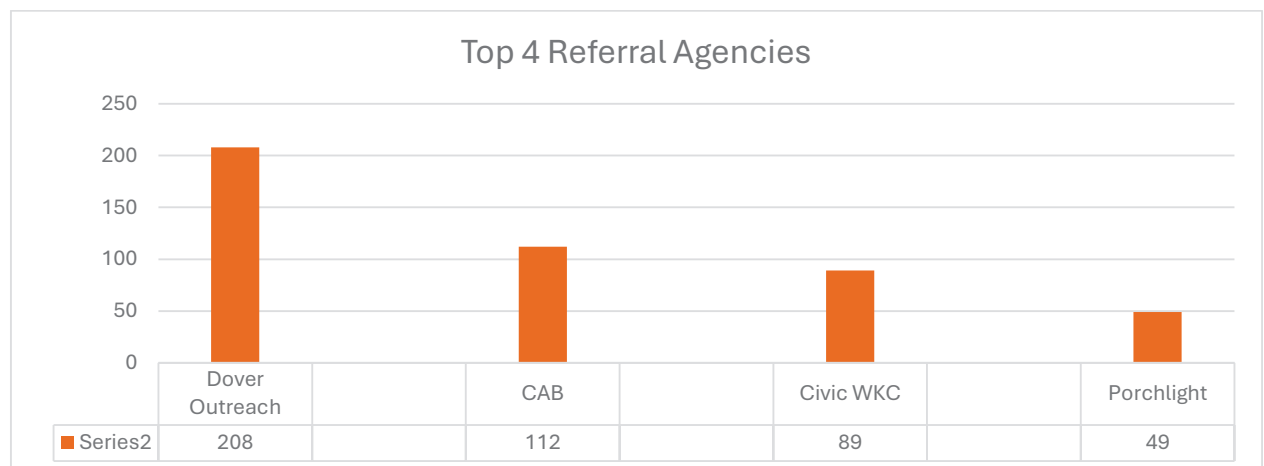
Stock levels remained between 8 and 9 tonnes throughout the year, with monthly top-ups from Bookers funded through the Household Support Fund.

We also continued to provide white goods and beds through the Household Support Fund.

Fuel Bank use fell significantly compared with previous years, dropping by around 75% from 2024. We have kept the Fuel Bank operating in case of future fuel price fluctuations.



Total Referral agencies 93 these are the top 4



Staffing

At the end of 2025 we employed 3 part time (FTE 2) members of staff. These have not changed during the year. Noel Beamish offers his services as our CEO but is not considered a member of staff.

Funding

Our principal sources of funding beyond regular donations are as follows:

Dover District Council – Household Support Fund	£49,000
Balcombe Trust (unrestricted)	£50,000
Louise Allen Trust (unrestricted)	£37,000

Trustees

At the end of 2025, there were seven trustees on the board. Responsibility as Chair passed from Judith Shilling to Alan Boxall following the move to become a stand alone charity and decoupling from Dover Outreach Centre.

Future Plans

We continue to consider what the future holds so that we use the resources we have to support those who are in genuine need. We are in complete support Trussell's desire to end the need for Foodbanks nationally and to that end we are looking to join their Power Project (formerly Organising and Local Mobilisation) so that we can discover the real causes of poverty in our area and campaign for the change necessary to lift these people out of it.

Alan Boxall
Chair of Trustees