

Established in December 2013 the Droylsden & District Foodbank continues to be in great demand in our community.

2020 saw an overwhelming change in all our processes due to the Covid-19 pandemic. As we became aware in early March that the level of support needed in the community had risen dramatically the Trustees considered the best and safest way to distribute the food.

All processes were moved to the warehouse. Both stock deliveries and distribution were now housed under one roof. Because of the shielding of many of our volunteers and following the completion of risk assessments the number of volunteers working within the warehouse was limited. The decision was made that clients were no longer able to collect their parcels and instead we moved to a delivery only model. Deliveries were made by Foodbank volunteers and 'Homestart staff'.

Our website and Trussell Trust system were updated with the revised processes. All the Droylsden & District agencies who regularly referred to us were contacted and encouraged to move to 'e-referrals' and this process has continued during the year. Agencies across Greater Manchester can now refer clients to their nearest Foodbank not necessarily the Foodbank the agency signed up with. Because some referrals were being made to us for delivery outside our immediate area, and to comply with our CIO, the Trustees limited our area of delivery.

Trussell Trust donated two tablets to enable our processes to be completed within the warehouse as there is no wi-fi in the unit. These tablets continue to be in use and there is no cost to the Foodbank for data usage.

Whether our area was in full lockdown or in 'Tiers' the work of the Foodbank has not been interrupted and we have been able to provide for those in crisis in our community.

Our work has been generously supported by our community with food and cash donations. We have also received additional bulk food donations from Tesco and Morrison's. We have received a number of grants from Government, the Local authority, charities, companies and individuals. Where stocks have been short for specific items we have purchased in bulk through an arrangement with Morrisons. In addition to providing core food items through the generosity of donations we have been able to provide families with additional items including, toilet rolls, toothbrushes and paste, some fresh food, Easter Eggs and Christmas presents.

The Lord Lieutenant of Greater Manchester acknowledged the work of each volunteer with a letter of appreciation.

Below are some of the statistics for 2020 compared to 2019 which although not telling the whole story give an indication of the increased volume of work completed by the team and the increased need within the community.

VOUCHER DETAILS	2020	2019
VOUCHERS REDEEMED	878	367
TOTAL NUMBER FED	3163	1038
of which		
WERE CHILDREN	1646	505

STOCK DETAILS	2020	2019
STOCK IN	18386.3kgs	9321.1kgs

The Trustees have continued to hold regular meetings on Zoom and have received updates on email.

Because of the generous cash grants and donations the bank balance has greatly increased and the Trustees have considered the future needs of the Foodbank . The future of the warehouse is unsure as the shopping precinct where the unit is situated has new owners. If there is any need to find new premises the funds may be needed. The future development of services within the Foodbank will also be considered in 2021.

The foodbank maintains appropriate accounts. Following the AGM the 2020 accounts and Trustee report will be submitted to the Charity Commission.

The Foodbank continues to adhere to the processes and procedures laid out in The Trussell Trust Foodbank Operating Manual.

The Droylsden & District Foodbank continues to be supported by the community and remains an integral part of emergency food provision throughout the area. It is a credit to our community, the region and indeed the network as a whole.

2020 has been both a challenging and rewarding year for all connected to the Foodbank. Wider publicity has thrown a spotlight on food poverty and discussions in many areas will continue into 2021 as strategies are developed at government, Trussell Trust and local level.

The Trustees and volunteers recognise the challenges that 2021 will bring and acknowledge that further development of strategies and processes may be required.

DROYLSDEN & DISTRICT FOODBANK ACCOUNTS

Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2020

Receipts and Payments Account

<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>Note</u>	<u>Total 2020</u>	<u>Total 2019</u>
Donations	2	8832.91	936.11
Top ups Trussell Trust		1192.89	1591.83
Grants	3	15500.00	0.00
Vouchers		0.00	500.00
Gift Aid		0.00	0.00
Total Receipts		25525.80	3027.94
PAYMENTS			
Warehouse/Distribution		382.93	1004.98
Stock	4	2965.86	59.50
Stationery		35.36	63.49
Postage		20.20	7.32
Phone top up		20.00	20.00
Insurance		0.00	325.24
Utilities		136.14	106.87
Rates		500.00	470.40
Governance		395.00	395.00
Grant		0.00	0.00
Sundries		108.51	112.98
Total Payments		4564.00	2565.78
EXCESS OF RECEIPTS OVER PAYMENTS		20961.80	462.16
Cash and Bank balances at 1st Jan 2020		6962.40	
Cash and Bank balances at 31st Dec 2020		27924.20	462.16

BALANCE SHEET

Opening Balances at 1st January	6962.40	6500.24
Net Movement	20961.80	462.16
Closing Balance at 31st Decemeber	27924.20	6962.40
Cash in Hand	233.53	347.59
Cash in Bank	27402.04	6053.54
Vouchers	288.63	561.27
Closing Balance at 31st Decemeber	27924.20	6962.40

CHRISTINE D PARKIN

Independent Examiner (Print Name)

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Signature

Date 06.10.21

Notes

1: The financial statement have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 using Receipts and Payments basis

2: Donations - received generous donations supporting the Foodbank during Coronavirus. These were varied from regular donors and also £4k from Cotton Industry.

3: Grants - in receipt of two large grants

Tameside MBC 10K - Local authorities received and distributed funding from the government to support small and medium business during coronavirus.

Droylsden & District Foodbank is a charity but because we pay rates on our warehour we were eligible to receive thisw grant.

There was no restrictions surrounding this grant.

Trussell Trust £5k - As our seeding agency, the Trussell Trust gave a grant to all Foodbanks in the group.

There were no restrictions surrounding this grant.

4: Stock - this increase is from a large purchase of stock from Morrisons for £2.6k

Christine Parkin, 40 Ash Tree Avenue, Droylsden

**Independent Examiner's Report for the year ended 31st December 2020
to the Droylsden & District Foodbank.**

This report on the accounts of the Droylsden & District Foodbank for the year ended 31st December 2020.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of Droylsden & District Foodbank 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

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
 - 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.

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the

Signed *CP Parkin*

Date 06.10.21