

# **Farnborough Foodbank**

**Registered Charity Number 1143212**

**Annual Report and Accounts  
For the Year Ending  
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The Charity was established in 2009, to distribute basic food and household supplies to people in need within Farnborough Hampshire. It is managed by a board of Trustees and advised by the Trussell Trust. The Board during the current period are:

Mrs Daphne Williams Mrs Patricia Carroll Mr Alistair Seddon Mr Philip Popay (resigned August 2023) Mrs Rosie Westerby Mrs Jess Groom

The Charity does not employ any staff, relying on efforts of some 44 volunteers to operate its services. The volunteers contribute 10 hours per week to distribute supplies to over 150 people in need. Stocks of supplies are kept in a warehouse at Browning Barracks, Alisons Road, Aldershot, rented under a lease renewable every 2 years, with a beneficiaries' local collection point at Christ Church, Cove, Farnborough, formally known as St Christopher's Church, Cove, Farnborough. In March 2023, a new distribution centre was opened at The Kite Centre, Hamesmoor Road, Mytchett, Surrey. This was to attend to demand for the Foodbank's services in that area.

The Trustees regularly review the safety of and risks to volunteers and beneficiaries. They manage the donated and purchased supplies, controlling the finances to maintain the food deliveries.

Even though the national lockdown was effectively at an end, volunteer staff continued to work many hours in order to keep pace with the level of beneficiaries' requirements, which continued unabated from previous years. The Trustees consider that this situation is likely to continue for the foreseeable future.

There was an unexpected increase in the income from the previous year, through Just Giving and other general donations. Given the current economic situation affecting most people, this was somewhat surprising but nevertheless very welcome, leading to a healthy financial position at the year end. As a result, and in order to protect the Foodbank's finances, new bank accounts were opened with the Charities Aid Foundation Bank. The Trustees are unable to predict whether this trend will continue but income levels are encouraging post year end.

The Trustees and volunteer staff will continue to strive to meet the demands on the Foodbank, and to contribute towards the relief of food poverty in the Farnborough area.

### **Reserves Policy**

The Trustees are still confident that the reserves are such that the Foodbank's work will continue for the next six years.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

Mrs Daphne Williams

Acting Chair of Trustees



Date:

19/12/23

# FARNBOROUGH FOODBANK

## RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

			2023	2022
RECEIPTS	Donors:	Standing Orders	4,130	3,724
		Just Giving (including Gift Aid)	19,829	12,317
		Trussell Trust	3,788	2,993
		Other	21,661	16,352
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TOTAL RECEIPTS			49,408	35,386
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PAYMENTS		Establishment Costs	2,819	756
		Operating Costs	1,173	2,099
		Office Costs	5,326	3,625
		Vehicle Running Costs	1,550	895
		Facilities Donation to Churches	3,500	3,500
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TOTAL PAYMENTS			14,368	10,875
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	Net Cash Inflow		35,040	24,511
	Opening Cash Balance 1 April 2022		124,611	100,100
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CLOSING BANK BALANCE 31 MARCH 2023			159,651	124,611
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TOTAL FUNDS AS PER BANK STATEMENT 31 MARCH 2023			159,651	124,611

## **Notes to the Accounts for the Year to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023**

### **Accounting Policies**

Basis of preparation.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting for Charities".

Income.

Income received is recognised on receipt.

Expenses.

Expenses are recognised on receipt of a bill or invoice for supplies.

### **Controlling Party**

The ultimate controlling party of the Charity are the Trustees.

### **Bankers**

The Charity's Bankers are: Lloyds Bank, Farnborough branch.

### **Donated Supplies**

These are not recorded in the accounts and additional supplies are purchased as required.

### **Cash Donations**

Income includes donations from:	Arvato	1,000
	CAF.	5,200
	Fluor.	1,600

### **Reserves**

Reserves of £159,651 are carried forward at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023, together with assets of a van, and operating stocks valued at £39,820.

### **Current Account**

The bank balance held exceeds the £85,000 FSCS banking guarantee requiring the opening of an account at an alternative bank. New accounts were opened with the Charities Aid Foundation Bank (CAF) in July 2023, with a total deposit of £81,000, and this brings our balances in line with the guarantee.

## **Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Farnborough Foodbank Trust**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Farnborough Foodbank Trust (the Trust) for the year ended 31st March 2023.

### **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 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 Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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:



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Date: 6<sup>th</sup> January 2024