

REGISTERED NUMBER: 03439299 (England & Wales)
CHARITY NUMBER: 1065006

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31st March 2017

for

The Michael Roberts Charitable Trust

Limited by Guarantee

CHARITY COMMISSION
FIRST CONTACT

29 AUG 2017

ACCOUNTS
RECEIVED

Pigram & Co

CHARTERED CERTIFIED ACCOUNTANTS

**2 Burgess Cottages
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for the year ended 31st March 2017

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Charity Information
for the year ended 31st March 2017

TRUSTEES:

R Bowers
J Ehlers
G Edwards – resigned 19th March 2017
P Balkwill
T A Knott (Chair of Trustees)
D C Norkett
J R Woodward

NB: Trustees are also Directors of the Company

COMPANY SECRETARY:

G Knott

REGISTERED OFFICE:

The Rainbow Centre
2 Wych Elm
Harlow
Essex
CM20 1QP

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 3439299 (England and Wales)

ACCOUNTANTS:

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REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1065006

BANK:

Barclays Bank Plc
14 The Water Gardens Centre
Harlow
Essex
CM20 1AN

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Report of the Trustees
For the year ended 31st March 2017

The Trustees, who are also Directors of the Charity for the purpose of the Companies Act 2006, present their report together with the financial statements of the Company for the year ending 31st March 2017.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY


The principal activity of the Company in the year under review was that of a Christian Charity, working in the community with a wide range of people, including people with a learning / physical disability, people vulnerable and / or isolated through homelessness or being vulnerably housed and people in crisis with emergency food. The Company also worked with local fresh food companies assisting them to reduce their surplus food by picking it up and redistributing it into the local community to front-line professional care agencies.

The governing document is the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company.

All Trustees offer themselves for election at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

.....  G Knott – COMPANY SECRETARY

Dated: 14th July 2017

THE MICHAEL ROBERTS CHARITABLE TRUST
(LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the Year Ended 31 March 2017

	Notes	Unrestricted General Fund	Harlow Foodbank	Foodbank Van	Restricted Funds Foodbank Storehouse Rent	Bounty Club	Maybury Open Door	2017 Total	2016 Total
		£	£			£	£	£	£
INCOME and ENDOWMENTS FROM:									
Donations & Legacies		25,481	46,918	-	925	6,829	8,729	88,882	161,563
Income from Charitable Activities Maybury Open Door							8,902	8,902	10,288
Investment Income		695						695	852
Other Income Sales							1,319	1,319	2,150
TOTAL INCOME and ENDOWMENTS		26,176	46,918	-	925	6,829	18,950	99,798	174,853
EXPENDITURE ON:									
Expenditure on Charitable Activities									
Salaries		4,503	58,006			1,220	27,578	91,307	87,196
Training			645					645	1,665
Travel & Subsistence Expenses		82	1,222				137	1,441	1,026
Rent		2,551	1,220		18,000		1,476	23,247	14,927
Telephone & Internet		467	451				123	1,041	1,088
Printing, Postage & Stationery		91	1,806				154	2,051	2,124
Motoring Costs				3,966		3,064		7,030	7,558
Purchases - Craft, Cleaning, Food, Day-to-Day			5,597			1,000	1,545	8,142	8,992
Insurance & Professional			4,526				1,452	5,978	1,317
New Equipment & Renewals			2,745					2,745	3,343
Charitable Donations		1,150						1,150	900
Raising Funds		-	801				267	1,068	1,071
Depreciation	4	28				4,500		4,528	4,499
Independent Examiner & Accountancy Fees		504						504	462
TOTAL EXPENDITURE ON:		9,376	77,019	3,966	18,000	9,784	32,732	150,877	136,168
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS FOR THE YEAR		16,800	(30,101)	(3,966)	(17,075)	(2,955)	(13,782)	(51,079)	38,685
Balances brought forward at 1 April 2016		78,656	51,526	11,049	-	12,446	-	153,677	114,992
Transfer between Funds		(30,857)	-	-	17,075	-	13,782	-	
BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD AT 31 MARCH 2017		64,599	21,425	7,083	-	9,491	-	102,598	153,677

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The Michael Roberts Charitable Trust
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Balance Sheet
As at 31st March 2017

	Notes	31 st March 2017		31 st March 2016	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS	4				
Fixtures & Fittings					
Cost		6,242		6,242	
Less: Depreciation		<u>6,160</u>		<u>6,132</u>	
			82		110
Computer Equipment					
Cost		615		615	
Less: Depreciation		<u>615</u>		<u>615</u>	
			-		-
Motor vehicles					
Cost		26,931		13,431	
Additions		-		13,500	
Less: Depreciation		<u>17,931</u>		<u>13,431</u>	
			9,000		13,500
			9,082		13,610
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	5	5,778		5,165	
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>91,191</u>		<u>138,344</u>	
		96,969		143,509	
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	6	<u>3,453</u>		<u>3,442</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			<u>93,516</u>		<u>140,067</u>
NET ASSETS			<u><u>102,598</u></u>		<u><u>153,677</u></u>
FUNDS					
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS					
General			64,599		78,656
RESTRICTED FUNDS					
Food Bank			21,425		51,526
Food Bank Van			7,083		11,049
Bounty Club Van			<u>9,491</u>		<u>12,446</u>
			<u><u>102,598</u></u>		<u><u>153,677</u></u>

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Trustees Statement
For the year ended 31st March 2017

The charity is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31st March 2017.

The members have not required the Company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2017 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.


The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- (a) ensuring that the Company keeps accounting records which comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company as at the end of each financial year and of its profit or loss for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the Company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on Friday the 14th July 2017 and were signed on their behalf by:


.....
Teresa Knott


.....
Jean Woodward

The Michael Roberts Charitable Trust
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Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31st March 2017

1. STATUTORY INFORMATION

The Michael Roberts Charitable Trust is a private company, limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales. The company's registered number and registered office address can be found on the Charity Information page.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Section 1A "Small Entities" of Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Turnover

Turnover represents donations and gifts, as analysed in the Statement of Financial Activities, measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, excluding discounts, rebates, value added tax and other sales taxes.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings	- 25% on reducing balance
Computer equipment	- 25% on reducing balance
Motor vehicles	- 33.3% on cost

Taxation

The Company is a registered charity as defined by the Charities Act 1960 and as such no taxation has been provided for in these accounts.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to profit or loss on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

3. EMPLOYEES AND DIRECTORS

The average number of employees during the year was 5.

4. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	<u>Fixtures & Fittings</u>	<u>Motor Vehicles</u>	<u>Computer Equipment</u>	<u>Total</u>
COST:	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
At 1 st April 2016	6,242	26,931	615	33,788
Additions	-	-	-	-
At 31 st March 2017	<u>6,242</u>	<u>26,931</u>	<u>615</u>	<u>33,788</u>
DEPRECIATION:				
At 1 st April 2016	6,132	13,431	615	20,178
Charge for Year	28	4,500	-	4,528
At 31 st March 2017	<u>6,160</u>	<u>17,931</u>	<u>615</u>	<u>24,706</u>
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 st March 2017	<u>82</u>	<u>9,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,082</u>
At 31 st March 2016	<u>110</u>	<u>13,500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,610</u>

These notes form part of these financial statements

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Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31st March 2017

5. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31 st March 17	31 st March 16
	£	£
Tax recoverable	1,278	665
Rent deposit	<u>4,500</u>	<u>4,500</u>
	<u>5,778</u>	<u>5,165</u>

6. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31 st March 17	31 st March 16
	£	£
PAYE and NIC	2,949	2,480
Other creditors and accruals	<u>504</u>	<u>962</u>
	<u>3,453</u>	<u>3,442</u>

7. RESTRICTED FUNDS

A full description of the restricted funds is contained in the Report of the Trustees. Financial details are contained in the Statement of Financial Activities on page 3.

8. HARLOW FOODBANK

Harlow Foodbank received non-perishable food donations totalling 51,717.69 Kgs. During the year 65,494.80 Kgs of non-perishable food was redistributed and at the Balance Sheet date 17,061.25 Kgs of non-perishable food was held for redistribution.

9. BOUNTY CLUB

The Bounty Club received and distributed 169,503 Kgs of fresh/chilled food to front-line professional agencies, organisations and charities during the financial year. At the Balance Sheet date none was held for redistribution.

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Income and Expenditure Account
for the year ended 31st March 2017

	31st March 2017		31st March 2016	
	£	£	£	£
Income				
VOLUNTARY SOURCES				
General Donations	25,481		23,861	
Maybury Open Door	17,631		29,580	
Harlow Foodbank	46,918		91,633	
Harlow Foodbank Van	-		8,525	
Bounty Club	6,829		18,252	
Harlow Foodbank Storehouse	925		-	
Sales	<u>1,319</u>		<u>2,150</u>	
		99,103		174,001
Cost of sales				
Opening stock	-		-	
Less: Closing stock	<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>	
		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>
GROSS PROFIT				174,001
Other income				
Bank interest	<u>695</u>		<u>852</u>	
		<u>695</u>		<u>852</u>
		99,798		174,853
Expenses				
DIRECT CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE				
Salary	90,329		85,651	
Employers NIC	978		1,545	
COMMUNITY SERVICES PROJECTS				
Maybury Open Door	1,545		1,994	
Harlow Foodbank	5,597		6,998	
New Equipment & Renewals	<u>2,745</u>		<u>3,343</u>	
		101,194		99,531
(LOSS)/PROFIT CARRIED FORWARD		(1,396)		75,322

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Income and Expenditure Account
for the year ended 31st March 2017

	31 st March 2017	31 st March 2016
	£	£
Brought forward	(1,396)	75,322
OTHER EXPENDITURE		
Rent	23,247	14,927
Telephone	1,041	1,088
Printing, postage and stationery	2,051	2,124
Motoring costs	8,030	7,558
Training	645	1,665
Accountancy	504	462
Donations	1,150	900
Publicity & fund raising	1,068	1,071
Insurance	5,978	1,317
Travelling	<u>1,441</u>	<u>1,026</u>
	45,155	32,138
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	(46,551)	43,184
Depreciation		
Fixtures and fittings	28	22
Motor vehicles	<u>4,500</u>	<u>4,477</u>
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	4,528	4,499
NET (DEFICIT)/SURPLUS	<u>(51,079)</u>	<u>38,685</u>

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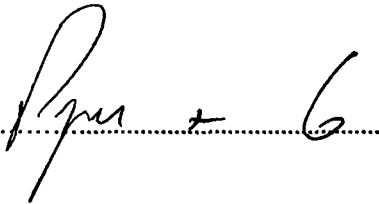
Annual Review Statement

The attached Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2017 have been prepared from information, records and explanations supplied and in accordance with current guidelines.

No issues worthy of being reported to the Treasurer have arisen during the year.

I am satisfied that the deficit of Income over Expenditure of £51,079 represents the charity's activities for the period and that the carried forward monetary balances agree with the bank and building society accounts of the charity.

Signed:



Date:

14th Jun 2017

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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A: Independent examiner's report

**Report to the trustees/
directors/members of**

Charity Name

THE MICHAEL ROBERTS CHARITABLE TRUST

**On accounts for the
year ended:**

31ST MARCH 2017

Charity no:

1065006

Company no :

03439299

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**Respective
responsibilities of
trustees and examiner**

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed. ~~[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [named body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.~~

ACCA

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent
examiner's statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Section A: Independent examiner's report

(cont)

**Independent
examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) to indicate that:

- accounting records have not been kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006;
- the accounts do not accord with such records:
- where accounts are prepared on an accruals basis, whether they fail to comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006, or are not consistent with the Charities SORP (FRS102)
- any matter which the examiner believes should be drawn to the attention of the reader to gain a proper understanding of the accounts.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:



Date:

29th June 2017

Name:

JUSTIN PIGRAM

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

FCCA

Address:

2 BRIGGS COTTAGES, RAND HILL
LITTLE DUNMOW, ESSEX
CM6 3HW

Section B: Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems (E.g. Accounting records have not been kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; the accounts do not accord with the accounting records; any material expenditure or action which appears not to be in accordance with the trusts of the charity; any failure to be provided with information and explanation by any past or present trustee, officer or employee; and in the case of accruals accounts any material inconsistency between the accounts and the trustees' annual report, and in the case of a charitable company with the director's report.)

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.



The Michael Roberts Charitable Trust
developing lives...enriching community

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**MRCT is a work driven by faith,
guided by love and sustained
by hope in our Lord Jesus**



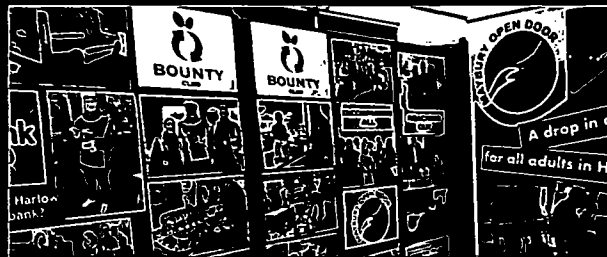
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Mission Statement

**MRCT promotes the value and significance of every person,
empowering them to develop their potential and
self-confidence. By giving support and encouragement
we provide opportunities for community integration,
enabling each individual to help meet local social needs
in a positive and practical way.**





DIRECTOR'S REPORT

I am always greatly encouraged by the dedication of our staff, volunteers and supporters of the charity as we strive each year to meet the many challenges in our community.

This last year in particular was very demanding for us as a charity with the increase in Foodbank referrals, the development of our fresh food work with the Bounty Club, and our new partnership with Stansted Airport. We have also been working on producing a new staff handbook, alongside a range of new revised and updated policies and procedures and contracts of employment, which have all now been implemented. Since February 2016 we have been co-ordinating our work with Harlow Foodbank and the Bounty Club, as well as other recycling work, from our Store House in Matching Tye. This has been such a blessing, as Matching Tye is an ideal site from which to operate our support services for people in need in Harlow and the surrounding area. The Store House building provides the charity with 5,000 square feet of storage space, which is enough to support our current work and also give us the potential to further develop our recycling programme in the future.

One of the most difficult things our staff and volunteers continue to experience each year, when supporting vulnerable people, is the level of need within our own community. Far from diminishing, it is increasing by the year. These people are often overlooked and disregarded in their times of crisis, and I feel very privileged and proud that MRCT continues to provide this support for the vulnerable each year, alongside our growing number of community partners. As a charity, we also work very closely with front-line professional agencies, offering additional referral support, to help break the cycle of poverty being experienced by many people in our community.

With all these increased challenges, we have been aware of the need to boost our expenditure as a charity, and this is something the Trustees have done thoughtfully and prayerfully in faith. After a very healthy income level in the previous year, this last year was more of a struggle, and for the first time in many

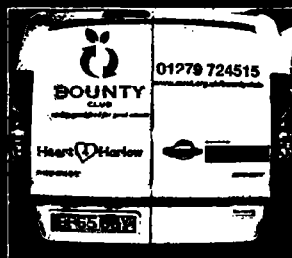
years we ended up in deficit. Although this does give some cause for concern, the Trustees and I are nevertheless confident that the situation will improve, as we have now acquired the services of a fundraising consultant who will work alongside our current fundraising team to develop a new business plan and fundraising strategy. We expect this will help the charity to be more successful in its dealings with some of the larger funders in 2017/18.

Maybury Open Door provides a unique community service, week in, week out, at Harefield Church in Momples Road, Harlow, and St Paul's Church in Harlow Town Centre. This service is invaluable and its importance cannot be overestimated as it supports a wide range of people of all ages and abilities. Maybury Open Door is a centre where everyone is treated equally and fairly. Above all else, it provides a safe and warm environment for anyone who is homeless, vulnerably housed, suffering from addiction problems or experiencing loneliness and looking for a place of refuge where they will be accepted just as they are. Maybury Open Door also supports senior citizens and young people from all walks of life. It is always encouraging, and at times challenging, to witness how well this diverse group of people get on together at the centre. To some, the centre is a lifeline where they know they will be safe and secure in a place where support will be given if asked for. With the backing of its dedicated team of staff and volunteers, Maybury Open Door is enhancing the quality of people's lives, as is clearly apparent to me when I visit the project each month.

I would like to express my sincere thanks and appreciation to both Harefield and St Paul's churches, as without their help and support this service to the community could not operate.

Harlow Foodbank continues to provide an invaluable service to the community, and this last year we saw an increase of 11.4% in referrals. As before, we are greatly encouraged by the support that the Foodbank gets from the general public in the form of non-perishable food donations through local supermarkets, churches,





DIRECTOR'S REPORT

banks, schools or local businesses, and this was well maintained during the past year, for which we are very grateful. Moreover, this year we have once again extended the service beyond the basics and provided clients visiting the satellite centre with a range of fresh food to encourage them to eat healthily and adopt a more nutritionally balanced diet. Special thanks must go to Greenways Eggs, High Trees Packers, UK Salads, Brakes, Bidfood and Swithenbank for supplying us with this fresh food. This year, the Foodbank has also been working in partnership with Stansted Airport environment standards team by carrying out a successful joint pilot project to recycle non-perishable food, drink and toiletries surrendered/restricted from airline passengers during hand baggage checks for unpermitted items. Once delivered to us, these items are checked for quality and then distributed to local front-line agencies, charities, schools and other local organisations. Due to the success of this initial pilot project, we will be continuing with this partnership for the foreseeable future.

I would like once again to thank Harlow Salvation Army, who operate our Wednesday Foodbank satellite service. This has enabled us to give our Foodbank customers five-days-a-week support. We are very proud to be linked with such an inspirational Christian ministry. Also, thanks must go to 'Places for People', our Foodbank van sponsor, and Bristol Street Motors in Harlow, who help us each year by providing support with our van repairs, servicing and other small jobs free of charge.

The Bounty Club again progressed well during the past year, and I would like to express my special thanks to volunteer Kevin Tierney, who undertook the initial work before standing down in December 2016 and making way for our new part-time paid driver, Trevor Stanesby. This work has continued to develop with the help of our local fresh food partners Brakes, Bidfood and Swithenbank, who have provided the charity with their surplus food for distribution to local charities, children's centres, homeless projects, refuges, schools, churches and other front-line services in support of their clients. The donated food also assists front-line agencies financially by helping them restrict expenditure and meet budgetary constraints. Such surplus fresh food

would otherwise be sent to landfill, fed to livestock, or used as bio fuel. We continue to receive many endorsements from our community partners on how this food is greatly helping local families and young people who are finding it difficult to meet their financial obligations each week, often through no fault of their own.

Special thanks

Last year was a very challenging and demanding one. It was, however, made easier by the wonderful support from our community partners which helped us achieve our aims and objectives for the people we serve. I would also like to thank our loyal supporters who have made donations of food to the Foodbank, and others who have made regular and/or one-off financial donations to the charity since all such donations are the very lifeblood of our work and greatly appreciated. My thanks go also to the MRCT Trustees and Rob Carrington (Honorary Treasurer) for the support and faithful encouragement they gave me over the year. I also want to record my special gratitude to our dedicated MRCT staff team and volunteers, who have done such a wonderful and inspiring job. They really are a great team to work with as we serve our community. Also, special thanks to Liz Bellworthy, who left us in March 2017. Your unflinching hard work and dedication have helped the charity greatly, Liz, and we shall all miss you.

Lastly, and most importantly, thanks be to God for His faithful provision again during the past year and for His direction and wisdom in all that we do. To Him be the Glory, Honour and Praise.



**Gary Knott –
Co-Founder, Company
Secretary & Director of
Community Services**





Clair, Karolina & Suzie receive their certificate of appreciation for their work at Maybury Open Door

MRCT STAFF



Gary



Margaret

Head Office

Gary Knott - Director of Community Services

Margaret O'Donovan - Administrator



David



Belinda

Harlow Foodbank

Duncan Craig - Satellite Centre Manager

David Evans - Community Services Manager

Belinda Glanfield - Satellite Centre Coordinator



Trevor



Kevin

Bounty Club

Trevor Stanesby - Paid Driver

Kevin Tierney - Volunteer Driver

Maybury Open Door

Liz Bellworthy - MOD Coordinator

Clair Forway - Community Worker

Suzie Raraty - Community Worker

Karolina Sadowska - Community Worker

Moira Howard - Bank Worker

Moira Luff - Bank Worker

Michael Raven - Bank Worker

Jean Steele - Bank Worker



Liz



Clair



Suzie

MRCT Trustees

Teresa Knott - Chair of Trustees

Patricia Balkwill

Richard Bowers

Jeanette Ehlers

Grant Edwards (retired 19/03/2017)

Jean Woodward

David Norkett



Karolina



Moira



Moira



Michael



Jean

Company Secretary

Gary Knott

Honorary

Robert Carrington - Honorary Treasurer





MAYBURY OPEN DOOR

Established in Harlow in 1998, Maybury Open Door is based at Harefield Church on Thursdays and St Paul's Church on Tuesdays and Fridays. The centre is managed by a team of community workers and volunteers. It is an inclusive and unique adult drop-in centre in Harlow which offers support to a wide range of people each week.

The structure is informal with various activities undertaken to enhance people's skills and personal development, thereby enabling them to integrate better with others, both at the centre and in the community. The centre is also supported by the Citizens' Advice Bureau, Family Mosaic and Harlowsave Credit Union Smart Advice, who provide advice sessions in housing, debt, money management and general welfare matters.

Those attending include people with disabilities; the elderly; homeless and vulnerably housed people; addiction sufferers; people who feel isolated and lonely; foodbank referrals and others who just call in when shopping to enjoy some light refreshments and meet new friends.

Maybury Open Door promotes community spirit and integration. It is a place where anyone can come and feel welcome in a safe and warm environment. The centre seeks to promote the ability of all those attending by encouraging them to get involved and take an active role in their local community.

Partners

Harefield and St Paul's Church, Red Cross, Safer Places, Citizens' Advice Bureau, Volunteer Centre -

Harlow, Family Mosaic, Harlowsave Credit Union SMART Advice, Rainbow Services, Streets2Homes, Chocolate Run, Helping Hands, Free Cakes for Kids - Harlow, Bounty Club (fresh food), Harlow Foodbank (non-perishable food), Essex County Council Social Services, Community Agents - Red Cross, MIND.

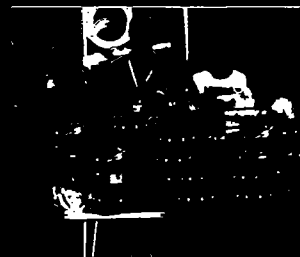
Achievements

Maybury Open Door

- provides information, advice and telephone support to those dealing with benefit, housing and other general enquiries, as well as giving assistance in completing forms and benefit applications;
- provides a unique adult drop-in centre in Harlow for all comers, encouraging community spirit and social integration;
- provides a warm and safe environment for people who are homeless and/or vulnerably housed, either during a crisis or while they look for a permanent home.;
- supports foreign visitors at the centre with English language assistance when completing paperwork, form-filling and the preparation of CVs;
- runs a clothing bank to support people who are homeless, vulnerably housed or on low income;
- provides a hot meals and drinks service throughout the day for people attending the centre; it also supplies free food vouchers to people on low income and to foodbank referrals;
- has successfully supported four volunteers into full/part-time employment in the local community;

**Maybury Open Door is a place for everyone
And a place to see a friendly face
Young or old, everyone is welcome
But nobody is judged
Up or down, everyone's mood is different
Ready to help or just lend a listening ear
Your Maybury Open Door will always be here**





MAYBURY OPEN DOOR

Achievements cont...

- has provided entertainment programmes which have included: Epping Green Choir, Fawbert and Barnard Primary School Choir, local musicians and 'Music in Hospitals';
- has sent out birthday and 'get well' cards to people unable to attend the centre due to illness or hospital admission. Has also visited people in hospital;
- has provided an Internet-based and external 'skills development programme' for staff and volunteers, which included online training in: manual handling, food hygiene, first aid, health and safety, managing volunteers, the Mental Capacity Act, epilepsy, nutrition and food safety, safeguarding adults, and health and hygiene;
- has provided 1-1 on-the-job volunteer training and support;
- organises festive events and meals for people using the service at Easter and Christmas;
- arranged the Maybury Open Door 5th Anniversary Celebration (Fridays) at St Paul's Church in Harlow Town Centre;
- worked in partnership with Free Cakes for Kids in Harlow, who provided 60th and 70th birthday celebration cakes for two people who attend the centre;
- has supported an average of between 140-150 people each week at two locations in Harlow;
- held 'Queen's 90th Birthday' celebrations at Maybury Open Door (Thursdays), which included quiz and light lunch;
- organised a volunteers' cream tea social event at Van Hage Garden Centre in Ware;
- collated and packed 52 Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes, which were sent to children in need across the world;
- arranged for staff to support one disabled terminally ill volunteer in hospital and at home during the end stages of her life;
- organised fundraising events to raise money for the centre which included tombola, raffles and other in-house activities; also co-ordinated a charity car park and raised £300;
- provided volunteer opportunities for 20 people, of whom eight (44%) have a learning/physical or mental disability;
- operates a support structure and free food service for people who are hungry, homeless and/or vulnerably housed: in the past year, 288 free food vouchers were given out to a value of £864.00 (£18.00 per week);
- put to good use the 4,656 unpaid hours' work contributed by its volunteers.

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I absolutely loved being a volunteer and part of a service that does so much good. It kept me sane and I learnt a lot about life and how people interact in different and difficult situations. I love working now but I still remember my good memories I have of Maybury. I'm more confident at work now and appreciate life. Thank you, Maybury, and God bless everyone in it. Debbie, Volunteer

I go to the town every day. It's just to give me something to do. Now I know about Maybury I can come here and play pool. Hadn't played pool for ages. Anon visitor

I like Maybury as everyone is friendly and nice. Games are good, too, and you can get help if you need it. Very useful. Glad there is a place like this. Anon visitor

I came to Harlow because you can get more help here with Maybury Open Door and Family Mosaic, as well as Harlow Foodbank. It's helpful especially to me as I've got a place where I can warm myself and chat to people, play pool or have a tea. Anon visitor

Feedback”





HARLOW FOODBANK

Harlow Foodbank has now been operating in Harlow and the surrounding area since April 2009. Up to the end of March 2017 it provided 20,418 people (13,472 adults and 6,946 children) with emergency food. The aim of the Foodbank is to help individuals and families in crisis until the appropriate agencies are able to help break their cycle of poverty, putting them in touch with relevant agencies who can offer further support and guidance.

Tinned and dried food is collected from the public at supermarkets, churches and schools, as well as banks, local businesses and other organisations, then transferred to our Store House at Matching Tye, Harlow, before being distributed among people in crisis who have been referred to the Foodbank by registered front-line professional agencies.

The Foodbank also provides 24-hour emergency food boxes to front-line agencies and works in partnership with local school breakfast clubs.

Since September 2016 MRCT have been working on a partnership project with Stansted Airport, to help them recycle passengers surrendered/restricted non-perishable food, drink and toiletries when undergoing baggage checks. Due to the success of the initial pilot project this work will continue for the coming year.

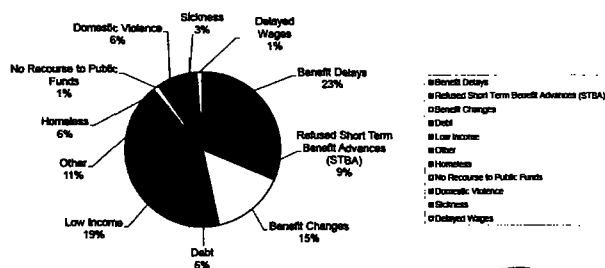
Partners

- Places for People (Foodbank van sponsorship)
- Harlow Council (financial support for Store House rent)
- Stansted Airport (supplier of recycled non-perishable food and toiletries)
- LokaStore, Harlow (food drop-off point / van key storage)
- Kier, Harlow (van parking and waste disposal)
- Salvation Army (Foodbank satellite centre on Wednesdays)
- Santander and Halifax banks (food drop-off points in Harlow town centre)
- Tesco supermarkets in Harlow (food drop-off points and financial top-up)
- ASDA, Sainsbury's and Waitrose (food drop-off points)
- East End Farm, Roydon (provider of fresh turkey portions at Christmas)
- Bristol Street Motors, Harlow (free servicing and repair of MRCT vehicles)
- Rotary Club of Harlow Tye (provision of volunteers for supermarket collections)
- Free Cakes for Kids, Harlow (supplied 42 children's birthday cakes for local families in crisis)
- Lawsons (provider of vehicles and drivers for food transfer)
- Stuart and Kathryn Tinney (Housham Hall landlords –

for on-going support and help)

- Brakes, Bidfood and Swithenbank (who supplied food, drinks and housekeeping items)
- Greenways Eggs (free egg donations)
- High Trees Packers Ltd (free potato donations)
- UK Salads (free salad donations)
- From a Mother to Another (supplier of children's clothing)
- Bishop's Stortford Foodbank (storage and distribution of their donated food)
- St Paul's Church, Harlow town centre (Foodbank satellite centre / food storage)
- Harlow Walkers / Sherards Hatch Ladies' Guild (food donations)
- 179 front-line referral agencies (Foodbank voucher holders)
- 60 churches in Harlow and the surrounding area (food donations)
- 34 schools in Harlow and the surrounding area (food donations)

Reasons for the HFB referrals 2016/2017



Statistics

Harlow has 25% of its children living in poverty once housing costs have been taken into account. This is one of the highest rates in the east of England.

Harlow suffers from high levels of unemployment. This is a significant factor in causing stresses for families with young children.

Harlow has become the second-most deprived local authority area in Essex, while remaining the eighth-most deprived in the east of England and the fifth-most deprived area in Essex as a whole.

Out of all family needs cases in Harlow, 11% identified relationship breakdown as an issue.





HARLOW FOODBANK

Achievements

- Since opening in April 2009 and up to the end of March 2017 the Foodbank supplied 20,418 people in crisis (13,472 adults and 6,946 children) with emergency food.
- In 2016/17 the Foodbank supplied 3,058 people (1,964 adults and 1,094 children) with emergency food. This was an average of 254 people (163 adults and 91 children) each month and an increase of 11.4% in referrals compared to the same period last year.
- In 2016/17 1,442 Foodbank vouchers were issued to people in crisis in Harlow and the surrounding area. This was an average of 120 each month.
- 50,430 kg of non-perishable food was donated to the Foodbank in 2016/17 – an average of 4,203 kg each month.
- 62,763 kg of non-perishable food was distributed to Foodbank satellite centres and front-line agencies – an average of 5,230 kg each month.
- 12 tonnes of fresh food was issued to Foodbank clients – an average of 100 kg each month
- 6.8 tonnes of non-perishable food harvest food was donated by churches and schools
- 24.9 tonnes of non-perishable food was donated by local people at supermarkets
- 1.7 tonnes of non-perishable food were provided to ten primary schools' breakfast clubs in Harlow and Ongar which supported an average of 154 children each day, many of whom were on pupil premium or from low income families.
- 124 (63 adults and 61 children) low income/disadvantaged people received fresh turkey portions from the Foodbank in partnership with East End Farm in Roydon.
- The Foodbank supported a work placement for a student undertaking the Duke of Edinburgh's Award
- It also supported a teacher training college placement
- The Foodbank organised community work experience days for staff from Waitrose, Tesco, GlaxoSmithKline and students from Passmores Academy.
- Stansted Airport – the Foodbank carried out a successful pilot project with Stansted Airport, helping the staff to recycle 2.7 tonnes of non perishable food, drinks and toiletries confiscated from airline passengers during hand baggage checks for unpermitted items. This was then redistributed to local front-line agencies, charities, schools and other organisations.
- The Foodbank provided emergency gas/electricity payments to clients with no access to funds.
- It also collaborated with 'From a Mother to Another', who donated children's clothing to families in crisis.

Agency feedback

"This is an amazing resource which the families of Harlow and the surrounding areas use when they need it. The staff are helpful and friendly - they go out of their way to make the experiences as pleasant as possible, excellent."

"On behalf of the staff and families at Potter Street Children's Centre I would like to thank you for the donations that you have made to us each week. We work with so many vulnerable families and the Foodbank donations make such a difference."

Jess Ricketts, Children's Centre Manager – Front-Line Agency

"The assistance we receive from Harlow Foodbank enables us to provide breakfast for all our children at school if required and all for free. The benefit to our children is that we know that they have had breakfast and are then ready to learn. The support you provide enables us to provide breakfast to all children and therefore enables and encourages more children to come due to no cost implications. 95% of the children who attend our breakfast club come from low-income/deprived families."

Rhian Jenkins, Abbotsweld Primary Academy, Harlow



You have helped us through a difficult time. The staff are extremely helpful and very friendly and we appreciate the Foodbank's help!

I have a partner and five kids and had our monies stopped and if it wasn't for places like this I don't know what I would have done.

You have helped me survive with my children and for the foreseeable future.

I was at a very low point in my life when someone from The Red Cross directed me to the Foodbank, and they have helped me tremendously. Everyone is so kind and helpful; they don't make me feel like a beggar.

Client Feedback





BOUNTY CLUB

The Michael Roberts Charitable Trust (MRCT) has been operating the Bounty Club in Harlow since September 2014, firstly as a pilot project, and then as a permanent part of the charity's work.

The project has a dual aim: first, to reduce companies' surplus, low-dated/end-of-line fresh food, which would normally be deemed wastage and then to distribute it into the local community through front-line professional agencies.

These agencies include school breakfast clubs (children from low-income families), projects for the homeless, children's centres, community drop-in centres, women's refuges, youth hostel services, foodbank clients, refugee services, children's holiday clubs, services for the elderly, drug rehabilitation projects, the Salvation Army and many others.

Once delivered, this food is distributed to local people, many of whom are from low-income families, on benefits, homeless or vulnerably housed, as well as those with addictions or others just finding it difficult to make ends meet each week.

We currently have 41 front-line partners working with the Bounty Club. The Bounty Club operates 'for the benefit of the community', and this includes people in crisis.

From April 2016 to March 2017 the Bounty Club collected and distributed the following quantities of fresh food from various suppliers, namely:

Brakes, Harlow:	111.4 tonnes
Bidfood, Harlow:	14.5 tonnes
Swithenbank, Hoddesdon:	34.3 tonnes
Total collected and distributed:	160.2 tonnes

All the above food would otherwise have been sent to landfill, fed to livestock or used as bio fuel.



Client feedback

My partner lost his job recently, and without the help of the Bounty Club, our lives would certainly be different, so thank you. Lisa





BOUNTY CLUB

Welcome to our new driver

Trevor Stanesby is our new Bounty Club driver; he now coordinates the work of the Bounty Club in Harlow.

STOP PRESS...

Since September 2016 MRCT have been working on a partnership project with Stansted Airport, to help them recycle passengers surrendered/restricted non-perishable food, drink and toiletries when undergoing hand baggage checks. Once received these items are distributed to our community front-line partners 'for the benefit of people in the community'.

The Bounty Club also support school breakfast clubs. In 2016/17 we distributed over 31 tonnes of fresh food to schools in Harlow.



The fresh produce you give to our young people makes a huge difference to them both financially, and with their improved diets cooking healthy balanced meals.
Claire Cochrane, Family Mosaic

I am writing to say a big thank you for the food you provided to us for our holiday club, which helped us to educate the children regarding living a good life by eating healthily.
Corinna Cranch, Potter Street Baptist Church

The quality and amount of food that was provided for our Safe and Social event at Leah Manning for elderly people was excellent and helped us to keep costs to a minimum, making our event accessible to all.
Kelly Tarling, Community Builders, Rainbow Services

Kingsmoor Academy have been recently involved with the Bounty Club and I am writing to tell you how helpful this has been as our children have been lucky enough to enjoy a wide variety of fruit and vegetables.
Josie Treacher, Kitchen Manager, Kingsmoor Academy

A big thank you for supporting Streets2Homes as it has enabled our clients to have proper nutritious meals every day, which helps with their health and wellbeing.
Helen Baker, Streets2Homes

Agency feedback



LOVE FOOD hate waste





BREAKFAST CLUB

Our work with local school breakfast clubs has continued encouragingly over the year as we aim this support at children from deprived and low-income families. Many local children still attend school without having a nutritious breakfast at the start of each school day, with the result that both their educational attainment and ability to concentrate suffer. It is our aim to ensure that these children get the support needed with a healthy breakfast which will give them every opportunity to succeed in their school studies.

From a recent survey we carried out with our school breakfast club partners, an average of 58% of children who attend their clubs are from deprived/low-income families.

Harlow Foodbank provides a range of jarred spreads (jam, marmalade, honey, Marmite, chocolate and peanut butter etc.) cereals, milk, bread, baked beans, spaghetti, fruit juice and a range of fresh food delivered by the Bounty Club. We do not provide all the food for the breakfast clubs, just a proportional amount, to ensure children from deprived and low-income families get a healthy breakfast.

During 2016/17 Harlow Foodbank/Bounty Club has been working in partnership with the following 17 local schools:

- Abbotsweld Primary School
- Akhter Early Learning Centre
- Buzzee Beez Pre-School
- The Downs Primary School & Nursery
- Holy Cross Academy & Pre-School
- Katherines Primary School
- Kingsmoor Academy
- Little Parndon Primary School
- Longwood Primary Academy
- Mark Hall Academy
- Milwards Primary School & Nursery
- Pear Tree Mead Academy
- Ongar Primary School
- St James' Primary School
- St Mark's West Essex School
- Water Lane Primary Academy
- William Martin Junior School

From April 2016 to March 2017 Harlow Foodbank and the Bounty Club provided the following quantities of food to local school breakfast clubs:

Harlow Foodbank	1,689 kg (non-perishable)
Bounty Club	31,020 kg (fresh food)



Harlow Foodbank is a very much needed resource. Our breakfast club runs at a loss, and without the support from the Foodbank we would not be able to continue running with our current numbers. That would have a huge impact on our children and families.

Our children get a better and more varied choice of healthy food for breakfast, and this impacts on their learning through the morning. We can make sure they start the day with a substantial breakfast which children do need to help their learning. Without the Foodbank's support our children would miss out on the most important meal of the day. Without our breakfast club parents will not be able to go to work, making our vulnerable children struggle even more.

We have a number of children who are not provided with breakfast at home. The Foodbank provides bread which helps feed these children, making them readier to start the school day effectively. Your support with our breakfast club ensures the children are ready to learn and therefore have better learning behaviour and make improved progress.

Gina Bailey, Head Teacher, St James' C of E Primary School, Harlow

Agency Feedback





MRCT VOLUNTEERS

MRCT volunteers are very important to the charity as they provide us with a great deal of life experience and many skills which can be used to benefit the people we serve. Everyone is encouraged to develop his or her full potential through a structured training, development and support programme. The volunteers are also encouraged to contribute suggestions which help shape our services each year.

Some volunteers come to us to gain valuable work experience as part of a planned return into paid employment, whilst others want to support a community project that will motivate and inspire them after retirement. Each volunteer gains the satisfaction of knowing they are helping a local good cause and making a difference in their community.

Volunteers are given full training and can work flexible hours to suit their availability. All are required to undergo a DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) check.

Volunteering opportunities ranged from office duties to website design and updating, kitchen duties, food preparation, activity sessions, one-to-one listening and signposting, self-advocacy, food sorting and distribution, manning the 'Welcome Table', setting up and clearing away, supermarket collections, tombola and bric-à-brac stalls, making up food boxes and food bags, food delivery, van driving, client one-to-one support and fundraising.

Statistics

111 volunteers worked for MRCT in 2016/17 covering a range of volunteering and unpaid work with Maybury Open Door, Harlow Foodbank, Bounty Club, and other general charitable duties.

11,594 volunteering and unpaid hours were contributed to MRCT in the financial year 2016/17.



Saying 'thank you' to our volunteers at Van Hage with a cream tea

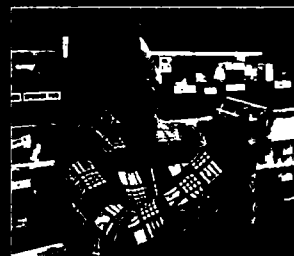
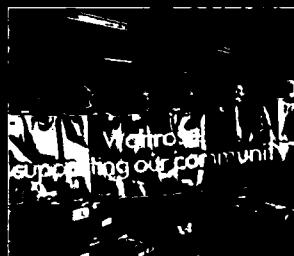


“ Since I have been a volunteer, which I enjoy very much, I find that I can communicate with people with confidence. There is always somebody to talk to and, if I need help and support, there is a community worker to help me and others with form-filling and support with the phone etc. Anon Volunteer

I am not lonely as much anymore, as I am meeting new people. I like being part of the team and helping people; it gives me self-worth.
Sheila

The staff have been good to me. Helped in a friendly way (with paperwork). Food is good. Happy volunteering. I enjoy Fridays; it's an attractive place to come to, to form friendships. Great to meet new friends. I have been coming for seven years.
Peter

Volunteer stories



COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

MRCT continues to recognise the importance of developing partnerships and networks with local organisations, charities, businesses, supermarkets, banks, schools, churches and other faith groups, since this helps to enhance and expand its work and, more importantly, benefit the people it serves in the community. These partnerships also help the charity to provide work experience placement referrals for individuals, thereby equipping them with the necessary skills to move on into employment. It also supports school and business community workdays helping children and adults alike to better understand the needs in the community.

As a Christian charity, MRCT also works in partnership with Heart4Harlow, which encourages churches and businesses to work together for the benefit of the community. The charity also works closely with local churches, two of which provide the buildings for a community adult drop-in centre, the Maybury Open Door, as well as a Foodbank satellite centre.

The charity is affiliated to the Harlow Voluntary Sector Forum, the Harlow and District Chamber of Commerce, the Trussell Trust Foodbank Network, Heart4Harlow and Faithworks. Other community partners include:

Places for People

Places for People have sponsored the Foodbank van since 2014, and this has greatly helped with food distribution and the on-going costs of keeping the vehicle on the road. We extend our special thanks to Mary Parsons, Group Director - Placemaking and Regeneration, Places for People.

Lawsons (Whetstone) Ltd

Lawsons have helped the charity since 2015 by providing lorries and staffing for food relocation and with training. We extend our special thanks to Paul Sexton, the company's Managing Director.

Bristol Street Motors, Harlow

This company has been very supportive of our work with

Harlow Foodbank over the past year, during which it provided free annual checks, servicing and minor repairs for both the Foodbank's and Bounty Club's vans. Special thanks to Richard Geary, General Manager, for his on-going help and support.

Harefield and St Paul's Church, Harlow

These two churches provide the buildings to accommodate our Maybury Open Door work, and St Paul's Church also makes available its "Upper Room" for our Harlow Foodbank Satellite Centre.

Harlow Council

The Council has made a commitment to support the work of Harlow Foodbank at the Store House in Matching Tye by donating £3,000 towards the rent for the next three years. It also provided a free food storage building at the Latton Bush Business Centre in 2015 and 2016. Special thanks are due to Harlow Council for this valuable support, which ensured that the Foodbank had additional back-up storage space prior to moving to Housham Hall in Matching Tye.

Stansted Airport Ltd – Environmental Standards

Since September 2016 Harlow Foodbank has been working in partnership with Stansted Airport Environmental Standards by accepting and recycling surrendered/restricted non-perishable food and toiletry items from airline passengers during hand baggage checks. Due to the success of the pilot project this partnership will continue in 2017/18.

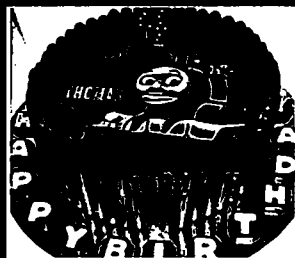
East End Farm, Roydon

This has been the sixth year that the Foodbank has been working in partnership with East End Farm in Roydon. Together, we provided fresh turkey and turkey portions to 124 people (adults and children) on Christmas Eve last year. Once again, our particular thanks go to Charles and Lindsay Abbey, the proprietors.

Unit 8, Housham Hall Farm, Matching Tye

Since 22nd February 2016 this has been the main warehouse – or Store House, as we call it – for the work of Harlow Foodbank and the Bounty Club, and we would like to thank Stuart and Kathryn Tinney (the landlords) for their continued help and support since we moved to this new location.





COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

LoknStore, Harlow

This company provided both free and subsidised storage space ever since the Foodbank was established in April 2009 and until it moved to Matching Tye in February 2016. Our special thanks go to them for their faithful help and support, as well as in agreeing to continue as a drop-off point for small food donations and to hold our van keys.

Brakes, Harlow

The Bounty Club has been working in partnership with Brakes since January 2016, picking up their surplus fresh food, which would normally be deemed wastage, and distributing it into the community. This partnership has greatly enhanced the range of fresh food being given to clients of both the Foodbank and front-line services for the benefit of the community.

Free Cakes for Kids, Harlow

Harlow Foodbank referred forty-two families in crisis to Free Cakes for Kids in Harlow to ensure that one child in each family received a celebration birthday cake on their special day. Free Cakes for Kids have again also supplied senior citizens' birthday cakes to Maybury Open Door during the year.

Bidfood, Harlow and Swithenbank, Huddesdon

These two companies provide the Bounty Club with surplus fresh food that would otherwise be deemed wastage. This food is then distributed for the benefit of the community. This partnership has greatly enhanced the range of fresh food being given to clients of both the Foodbank and front-line services.

Salvation Army, Harlow

The Salvation Army, Harlow, works in partnership with Harlow Foodbank by providing a satellite centre on Wednesdays. During the year this satellite centre has redeemed 121 Foodbank vouchers, and in line with this it

has supported 248 people (172 adults and 76 children) with emergency food. We greatly value this partnership and extend our special thanks to Majors Chris and Karen Sandford, Lorraine Evans and their team of volunteers.

Work for the homeless in Harlow

Harlow Foodbank and the Bounty Club have been working in partnership with homeless charities and other organisations, namely Streets2Homes, Helping Hands and the Harlow Chocolate Run. These organizations have been given both non-perishable and fresh food to support the work they undertake with their client groups.

Citizens' Advice Bureau (CAB), Family Mosaic and Harlowsave Credit Union

These organisations hold sessions for people attending Maybury Open Door to help them with housing, debt and benefit concerns, as well as other welfare and social problems. Family Mosaic also hold a session each week at the Foodbank satellite centre.

Kier, Harlow

Special thanks to Mick Jenkins and his staff team at Kier for their support with waste disposal.

Greenways Eggs / UK Salads / High Trees Packers Ltd

All these companies supply the Foodbank satellite centre with fresh food free of charge. This food is distributed to local people in crisis alongside their emergency non-perishable food. We are indebted to these companies for their support and partnership.

Bishop's Stortford Foodbank

We continue working in partnership with Bishop's Stortford Foodbank, providing them with food storage and distribution facilities during the year. In turn, they continue to support us with volunteers for Tesco supermarket collections in Bishop's Stortford.



ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

- Bristol Street Motors (free van servicing and repair)
- Places for People (sponsorship for foodbank van)
- Paul Sexton, Lawsons (transport distribution and training)
- LoknStore
- Bishop's Stortford Foodbank
- Harlow Council (Store House funding support)
- Salvation Army, Harlow (satellite centre on Wednesdays)
- Labour Councillors (fridge donation for satellite centre)
- Robert Halfon MP
- Harefield Church, Harlow (free use of building)
- St Paul's church, Harlow (discounted use of building)
- Kier, Harlow (parking and waste disposal)
- Trussell Trust Foodbank Network
- Rainbow Services
- Bag it Plastics (use of their fork lift at Store House)
- Gateway Centre (free van parking)
- Bidfood, Harlow (surplus fresh food supplies)
- Swithenbank, Hoddesdon (surplus fresh food supplies)
- Brakes, Harlow (surplus fresh food supplies)
- Stansted Airport (food, toiletry and gift donations)
- Greenways Eggs (egg donations)
- High Trees Packers Ltd (potato donations)
- UK Salads (salad donations)
- Charles Abbey, East End Farm, Roydon (festive turkey portion donations)
- GlaxoSmithKline (free storage)
- Essex Community Foundation
- Essex County Council – Community Initiatives Fund (CIF)
- Sobell Charitable Trust
- Halifax (food delivery point and cash collection boxes)
- Santander (food delivery point)
- Tesco, Harlow and Bishop's Stortford (food collection point and cash top-up)
- ASDA (food collection point)
- Rotary Club of Harlow Tye (foodbank supermarket collections)
- Sainsbury's, Harlow and Bishop's Stortford (food collection point)
- Waitrose, Bishop's Stortford (food collection point)
- Church of Holy Innocents, High Beach (funding support)
- Church Langley Church (funding support)
- Freshwaters Church (funding support)
- Gateway Freedom Church (funding support)
- Heart4Harlow
- Free Cakes for Kids (celebration cakes for foodbank client's children)
- Stuart & Kathryn Tinney, Housham Hall Farm (landlords)
- Church and School Partners
- Front-Line Agency Partners
- Create Identitee (MRCT clothing)
- Longmores Solicitors (HR Support)



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