

## Christ in Action Foodbank

### Trustees

P Wilson-Chairperson.  
A Fyall

J Mowbray-Treasurer.  
E Lindsay retired May 2021

M Smith-School Co-ordinator.  
S Hyslop from May 2021

### Aim of Christ in Action FoodBank

Supply to individuals and families in crisis three meals for 3 days plus basic hygiene requirements. In addition to assist families with children attending Newton Primary School, an area of recognised material deprivation, by supplying food to families and supporting the Supper Club initiated and funded by the school.

### Trustees Report

Trustee Mr E Lyndsay retired in May. He was a valuable member of the FoodBank management and a volunteer who has been part of the team since its inception. We are delighted to confirm Mr S Hyslop a volunteer, was co-opted as Trustee and he took up his responsibilities in May 2021, keeping our trustee number at 5. We have also been fortunate to have 2 new volunteers replacing a retirement and moving away so our total volunteer team is 18 as each Trustee is also a volunteer.

The biggest challenge this year has been the rise in demand (see the Statistic's Report) and our ability to cope has been challenged by the end of our strong food stock from the previous year when council and government assisted with donations of tins, pasta and rice. Thanks to generous donations we have had the financial resources to purchase food. We have coped with empty shelves in Supermarkets, storage issues when we had stocks as church halls reopened and sadly as this year ends, we have communities facing a "Heat or Eat Crisis" and food and energy inflation.

As we can see from the Statistic Report the 4 local hostels for the homeless continue to depend on us. Housing First Charity, NHS Mental Health and North Ayr Community worker connects us to those in the local community and wider villages of Ayrshire. Newton Primary School is at the heart of what is now called Wallacetown Hub where with multi-agencies 60-70 families receive support every week within the Wallacetown community which has continued to suffer badly during Covid. We work with Mrs McAvoy, Head Teacher, and targeted as we were able to supply fresh food parcels and sacks of potatoes throughout the year. With the support of the JMA Trust we donated a cheque for £500 to establish a shoe fund within the school. In spite of this being a busy year, through North Ayr Community Worker we contacted Dalmilling PS to offer help to families in that area and we are building a relationship which will enable us to offer appropriate assistance. Monkton Ps has established a food store in school and has not needed our help since September the Women's Refuge reopened this summer after extensive renovations with 8 units for single persons or families. Through our contact with JMA Trust 8 microwaves were donated to the new kitchens. Our Butcher packs were restarted, individual packs for a meal for whatever combination of family or single tenant each week. Our thanks to Ian and Bernadette Hamilton for their assistance with this scheme and we wish them a happy retirement. As members of the Community Food Network Group, we have good communications with other agencies we took part in a Government consultation document to end food banks but as the first aim was to end poverty and the government then refused funding to support a very successful trial of Food Pantries, a much vaunted suggestion by government as a step away from food bank dependence we do not see the need for food banks coming to an end soon. All agencies are experiencing the same pressure as we are to do more and expressed concern about resources.

All our financial partners have continued to assist us the JMA Trust, Craigie Development Ltd and South Ayrshire Council together with the success of our application to the Arnold Clark Community Fund meant that more than half our funding came from the greater community. Nevertheless, the individual weekly /monthly donations from our stalwart congregations the alternative pick up from Sainsbury's donation boxes make very important contributions to the difference we can make in individual and family lives. Our expenses this year reflect the amount of food we have had to buy.

We do not anticipate any improvement in the coming year for those in need. Prices of everything will be affected by inflation and we are aware of the generosity of our volunteers who receive no expenses for delivering our parcels, and only our sincere thanks for the time and extra time given to this cause. The trustees are grateful to Mr. Ian Steven for carrying out his duties as an independent examiner.

This report was accepted by Trustees on



2022

Christ in Action Food Bank Statistics  
February 2021 to January 31st 2022

Hostels Housing Charities Other

	Requests												Total
	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	
Hostels	39	49	52	53	42	59	69	61	54	71	63	54	666
Housing First	14	24	20	29	33	28	31	22	32	31	23	37	324
Others		1		1		2			4	3	1		12
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Each request is a minimum of 2 bags of grocery and hygiene items 2004bags

Others are NHS Mental Health requests and Community Worker in North Ayr

76 Easter Eggs donated to Hostels

Schools

	Number of Bags												Total
	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	
Newton Ps	80	100	80	100	75	60	75	60	60	75	45	45	855
Extra Bags	16	20	9	20	10	12	15	10	6	17	10	10	155

Potatoes							1				1	3	3	8
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Fresh Food Bags bread milk veg fruit eggs for a family

Extra bags laundry cleaning items, nappies wipes supper club items

Potatoes in 25kg sacks bagged by staff at Newton Hub

	Number of Requests												Total
	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	
MonktonPs		13		2				3					18
DalmillingPs											8	7	15
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80 Easter Eggs donated to Monkton School

Women's Refuge

	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	total
Number of deliveries	3	4	5	4	4	20
Families		8	10	8	8	34
Singles	3	21	23	20	2	69
Other Supplies		2	2	1	3	8

The refuge has accomodation for 8 singles or families, reopened in summer 2021

As requested butcher pack for 1 meal per week supplied to families or individuals

Other supplies include baby items including clothes nappies etc and juice ambient

family packs pasta rice etc

Activity as a % of the activity of the past 3 year

	Hostels H/First	Schools	
2021/22	65%	54%	Covid
2020/21	22%	30%	Covid
2019/20	13%	16%	no Covid

# CHRIST IN ACTION FOOD BANK

Charity No. SC045322

## Receipts & Payments Account for year to 31st January 2022

<u>Receipts</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>Payments</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>
	£	£		£	£
Individual Cash Donations	5,001	4,632	Food	1,449	7,037
Group Donations	454	690	Fresh Food	6,712	4,109
Fund Raising	150	0			
JMA Trust	4,000	2,000	Butcher	222	337
JMA Trust - Shoe Fund		500	Hygiene	425	809
A Clark		2,500	Shoe Fund	0	500
Craigie Development Trust	1,500	1,500			
South Ayrshire Council	1,500	1,000	Other Expenses	65	293
Tesco	500				
Deficit for year		263	Surplus for year	4,232	
	<u>13,105</u>	<u>13,085</u>		<u>13,105</u>	<u>13,085</u>

## Statement of Balances as at 31st January 2022

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>		<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>
	£	£		£	£
01.02.21 Opening Cash bal.	361	1,473	31.01.22 Closing Cash bal.	1,473	1,379
01.02.21 Opening Bank bal.	5,355	8,475	31.01.22 Closing Bank bal.	8,475	8,306
Surplus for year	4,232		Deficit for year		263
	<u>9,948</u>	<u>9,948</u>		<u>9,948</u>	<u>9,948</u>

These accounts were approved by the Trustees on

*30th May*

2022