

THE BRADFORD SOUP RUN™

Trustees' Annual Report 2022

We started the year with many more needing to be fed than even we expected. Unfortunately, many of our supporters [local organisations/church groups etc] were struggling to stay in existence due to many of their members wishing to 'stay safe' at home and this meant our funding was reduced. Fortunately, we were able to continue through the generosity of a few individuals who not only recognised the worth of our work but also stepped up to fill the financial gaps left by others.

It was a challenging time for us but we, and those we feed, were heartened that we were able to continue. It was concerning to find that a few families were attending our Soup Runs – they were clearly in need, and probably close to homelessness, so we provided them with food in the form of 'take-aways', although the children they sometimes brought with them were not allowed inside our premises [children and homeless people are not always a good mix, which was accepted by their parents]. Families were always served first so any children would not have to wait for too long in inclement weather.

Wm Morrison's Supermarkets were also most understanding and showed their support through reducing prices, where they could, and providing, in one instance when our water pipes burst, free heaters to enable our premises to dry out in record time after being repaired. They also supported our popular Christmas Chox 'n' Sox campaign, which has also included Hats, Gloves and Scarves – much appreciated by those we feed.

We are aware that, say, nearly forty years ago when we started we would primarily be dealing with Citizens of the UK. Now, though, there has been an increase of Eastern Europeans who have come to the UK to find work and homes and are quickly realising that Bradford's streets are not paved with gold. Fortunately, many of them espouse the work ethic and, after each Soup Run, once they have thanked us [not de rigeur] the next question they ask is if we know of anywhere they could find work. We do our best to point them in the right direction.

There were no serious incidents to report between January and December 2022.

John Tempest

Director and Trustee

The Bradford Soup Run

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The Bradford Soup Run Income and Expenditure Accounts

2022

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|--------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| Opening Balance | | <u>16499.39</u> |
| Donations | 26541.40 | |
| TOTAL | | <u>43040.79</u> |
| <u>Expenditure</u> | | |
| Rent/Rates | 1649.24 | |
| Advertising | 1150.00 | |
| Motor Expenses | 2651.50 | |
| Post/Stationery | 1019.10 | |
| Printing | 590.00 | |
| Telephone/Communications | 1702.67 | |
| Food | 16268.74 | |
| Sundry Items | 1095.20 | |
| Insurance | 1950.00 | |
| Consumables | 791.85 | |
| Heating/Lighting | 4448.57 | |
| Total Expenses | 33316.87 | |
| Net Expenditure | | (6775.47) |
| Balance Carried Forward | | <u>9723.92</u> |

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29th February 2024

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have run my business [The Sweetie People] successfully for many years and am also aware of the importance of remaining independent where fiscal matters and ethics are concerned.

My late father, Keith Evans, audited the books of The Bradford Soup Run for decades and, on his passing, I stepped up to continue his altruism. The accounts are prepared by the charity [The Bradford Soup Run] and all details of payments received and made are made available to me for checking. I am not involved in the running of The Bradford Soup Run and neither do I receive payment of any sort.

I hope the above will satisfy your requirements.

Yours faithfully,



Jessica Evans