The Community Foodbank – Skye and Lochalsh

Treasurer’s Report

The Foodbank started the year (April 2022) with a healthy balance of almost £54800 which is a considerable increase on the previous years’ balance of almost £38000 (April 2021) and almost £12000 (April 2020). This is due to the generosity of local supporters – both individuals and organisations.

During the year the financial donations continued to increase, over £12000 through regular donations to our Paypal account, many individual donations and several large donations from local businesses –Urras, St Johns Church, Inner Sound, The Colin Weir Charitable Foundation, J Finlayson (Isle of Skye Golf Club), Lochalsh Christian fellowship, Kris Keegan Cycle and Dunvegan Castle. This gave us a total income of nearly £35000 this year.

Despite the many food donations we receive through our bin at the Co-ops in both Broadford and Portree and from Highland Council, we have increased our spending on food this year to £26000, compared to an expenditure of £12000 in 21-22. We have returned to a food expenditure comparable to the height of the pandemic. This is also reflected in an increase in the number of foodbags we gave out this year. We were also able to donate to our partners who help us distribute foodbags in the community – CAB, Young Carers and Am Fasgadh. This, along with a payment of £705 for our insurance gave us a total expenditure of almost £31000.

Given our total income of almost £90000 and our expenditure of £31000, we are in the fortunate position of having a balance of almost £59000.

A detailed account of this is included in the attached spreadsheet.