

MARCH 2021

## THANK YOU

Thank you for supplying toilet rolls and washing powder over the past number of weeks and a big thank you to those who have already responded to our requests for:-

- UHT MILK
- LONG LIFE FRUIT JUICE.
- TINNED VEGETABLES
- SHAMPOO

Please keep an eye to our Facebook page for the most up to date list of what is needed and what we are doing. We cannot thank the community enough for the support we have received but please know that it is making a huge difference to those who come to the Foodbank for help.



Larne Foodbank Volunteers hard at work sorting your generous donations ready for those who need it.

## How to get in touch

To get in touch with Larne Foodbank please phone us on 028 28277530 or email to [info@larne.foodbank.org.uk](mailto:info@larne.foodbank.org.uk) or in the case of an emergency please contact us on our emergency phone number :- 07443435404.

## Looking back over the past year

As we look back over what has been the most extraordinary of years we remember wondering how would we manage?

- How would we get food as the churches had to close?
- What would we do without our fundraising events?
- How would our volunteers cope?
- How could we reach the people who needed help?

We should not have been concerned, God had it all in hand.



- The donations of food have been extraordinary, up by 50%, and we are so grateful to all who have faithfully continued to provide week by week and to ASDA for allowing the collection point to be available all year long.
- Financial donations from individuals and businesses have also increased substantially and this has enabled us to help in ways we have never done before. Thank you to all who have supported us.
- Our Volunteers have been outstanding, they have been so adaptable, changing to new ways of working. Those who had to step back continued to support the work in prayer. To all our Amazing Volunteers we say a big thank you.
- Thanks to those referral agencies who remained open and active we have helped more people than ever before. Just last month we fed 162 people compared to 72 people in February of 2020, just before the first lockdown began.

To all of you, you are outstanding. Thank you for your support for Larne Foodbank, please keep up the good work.

## Looking forward to the future

As we move forward into 2021 we are working with the Trussell Trust on a programme called Together for Change.



**TOGETHER**  
FOR CHANGE

We want to be in a position to change minds, to change our community and most importantly to change policy so that people do not need to use foodbanks and there is an end to food poverty. Until such times, we remain open and ready to meet the need in our own community.

