

All Saints' Mission of the month March 2024

Faringdon Food Bank

Faringdon Food Bank is run by Churches Together in Faringdon in partnership with the Town Council.

Since December 2023, following the dramatic increase in demand on food banks in general, our food bank is now managed on a part time paid basis by Adele Vincent who is supported by a small sub-committee of members representing All Saints, the Baptist Church, Blessed Hugh and the United Church.

Our volunteers come from all denominations and none and work very effectively together to deliver a caring but efficient service to those in need. We are also in need of more volunteers, and if this is something that you feel you could do, please ask Jeni Summerfield for more information.

We continue to experience a very high demand for our services in these straightened times with over 150 clients or families from Faringdon, Stanford in The Vale, Shrivenham and Watchfield on our records. This has increased with the introduction of some asylum seekers being housed in the Brackendale complex off Ferndale Street.

We are always grateful for the generous donations from members of all the churches, and also of many others not connected to a church who are keen to help - especially those who donate at Waitrose and Stanford Co-op. Adele is also working hard to get even more help from other local supermarkets and has recently secured a large grant to help provide foods for us to distribute. If you're able to offer even one small tin or packet of food a month that will really help us to feed those who are finding life particularly challenging.

Alternatively, if you are able and would like to make a financial donation, the details are as follows...

Faringdon Food Bank; sort Code 20-90-91; Account No. 53402738.

Jeni Summerfield – All Saints Rep.