

## Powerful voices unite to call for urgent changes

A POEM lifting the lid on how Trussell Trust Foodbanks reach people in need across all walks of life has been released as part of the Hunger Free Future campaign.

A video has been created featuring a number of food bank managers and volunteers reading the poem, as well as the author's own voice. It describes how anyone can be in need of food when income simply doesn't cover the basics.

The project highlights the campaign for change being led by the Trussell Trust, supported by Newcastle Staffs Foodbank.

Last year, food banks in the Trust's network gave out more than 2.5 million emergency food parcels to people in crisis. Almost a million of these were provided for children.

Often things like ill health or a job loss makes it more difficult for some people to afford the essentials through no fault of their own. More people are being asked to share their stories.

**Together,  
let's get creative  
for change.**



**HUNGER  
FREE  
FUTURE**

The poem 'Acceptable' was written by Caroline, one of the thousands of people who've signed up to help build a hunger free future and who has needed to use a food bank in the past.

The Trussell Trust said: "We can't let this continue. It's time to stand up and say that this is unacceptable. And we need you to stand alongside us."

To hear the poem click [here](#) or to share your story of your experience of our foodbank call us on 07519 159061.

*We are Newcastle-Staffs Foodbank.  
Looking forwards, learning from the past.*

## Slimmers shed pounds

THE team at TT Pumps are making great strides towards a fantastic fund total for Newcastle-Staffs Foodbank.

Already they have collected £250 thanks to the determination of a dedicated group of slimmers.

The TT Slim Down Club lost a combined total of 44lbs up to March, collecting £98.80 in the process. This was topped up to £250 by their employer.

Ann King, fundraising coordinator, said: "The support of businesses is invaluable. Well done to all the slimmers and a huge thank you for choosing to support our cause while helping each other stay fit and healthy."



## IN OTHER NEWS



## Support in a digital age

If you would like to help our foodbank but are unable to hold traditional collections, please make use of our QR code which takes scanners directly to our Crowdfunder donation page.



## Connect with us!

Did you know Newcastle-Staffs Foodbank is on social media? You can keep up-to-date with our latest news and appeals at the touch of a button. Please engage with us online as well as in person.

Like, share, follow!

Tweet @NewcStaffsFB.

Share @newcastlestaffsfoodbank on Instagram.

Or you can always message

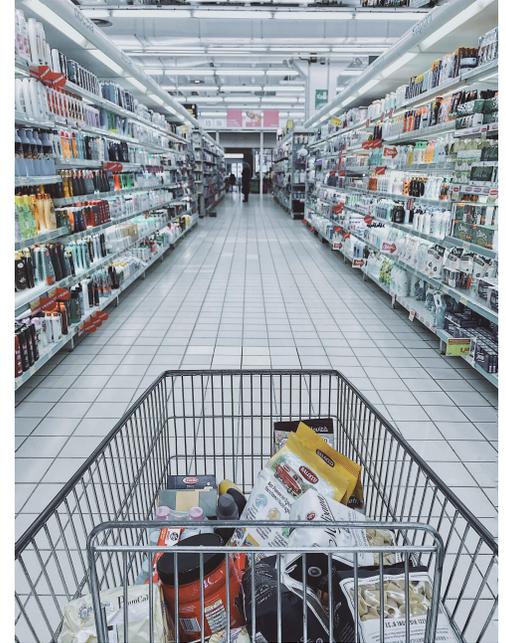
@NewcastleUnderLymeBoroughFoodbank on Facebook.

# Do you know where to leave food donations?

AS always, we are humbled and astounded by the generosity of our community - from individuals who give regularly to group fundraising efforts.

Over the last 12 months in particular, supporters have gone out of their way to continue to ensure those in need do not go hungry despite the strain of Covid-19 restrictions felt by all. Traditional supermarket food drives are key fundraising events which have been put on hold recently because of coronavirus. So we thought we would give you a quick recap on the many varied locations available to leave a food donation:

- Over the next two months (May/June) our usual Asda food drive is being replaced with an awareness campaign reminding shoppers of our Permanent Collection Point (PCP) in store at Wolstanton. Please only leave donations of food that have been purchased in store.
- At Tesco in Trent Vale and Kidsgrove, we also have PCPs. Food purchased in store can be left here, as well as donations sourced elsewhere. However, these



must be bagged up, sealed and clearly labelled as such.

- Sainsbury's in Newcastle also hosts a PCP.
- One-Stop in Madeley is a designated collection point.
- Co-op in Butt Lane has a donation point.
- Donations can be left at our warehouse in Brick Kiln Lane, Parkhouse Industrial Estate, on Mondays from 2pm until 4pm and on Wednesdays from 10am until 12noon.
- All centres will accept donations during opening hours: visit [www.newcastlestaffs.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/](http://www.newcastlestaffs.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/)



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