



Thank you for your wonderful response to our requests for the items we need. Each time we ask you for something you respond so generously and we are very grateful to you.

The one thing we do need at present are empty bags for life to put the food into.

Because of your amazing support we are well stocked with food items. THANK YOU.



We want to thank Arnold Clark Community Fund for their generous donation to Larne Foodbank for our Fresh Food Vouchers scheme. This scheme allows those receiving a pack of long life food to also receive a voucher so that they can purchase fresh meat, milk, vegetables or fruit. This is a very welcome addition to our food parcels.

A Welcoming Cup of Tea

We are delighted that one of our distribution teams have reintroduced a welcoming cup of tea or coffee to those who are calling for food. A lady this past week said "Thank you so much for the lovely cup of tea and the biscuit, *and the chat*, I really needed it."



TOGETHER FOR CHANGE

As mentioned in last month's UPDATE Larne Foodbank held a meeting of local Referrers and Churches to share what help was available to the growing number of people in our community who are reaching crisis point. Joan Erwin, Larne Foodbank's Chairperson, opened the meeting by explaining what Larne Foodbank does, "We do Food" she said as she opened the meeting to everyone else by asking, "What is it that you do?"

Each person who attended was then given the opportunity to share what their organisation provides in order that we might tackle poverty together by meeting the immediate need while at the same time working to deal with the underlying cause. The meeting was well attended by the following agencies and churches: -



Those who attended expressed their appreciation to the Foodbank for taking the lead in this. As one person put it, "It was a very informative meeting and proved useful in networking among agencies." It is hoped that the event will be repeated later in the year so that we can continue to work together for change.