

Board Report July 2023

The Fridge and cupboard have been serving between 50 – 90 Members on a weekly basis throughout July 2023 we had 239 Members visiting us during our normal opening sessions.

We had 6 Emergency food parcels to help some families out.

The Fridge and Cupboard has been issuing Memberships for a year now and we have successfully registered 228 members.

From Monday 3rd July 2023, we have been asking all members to complete the registration again, so we have up to date info so a small data cleanse also the registration form has been updated to include all info for funding purposes.

We have taken on some extra supermarket collections, so we now have 12 supermarkets and a total of 33 collections per week. We now have the same volunteers collecting from the same stores weekly, so we have a better rapport with each store. We also collect from KFC in Ash and Aldershot and have been invited to collect from a bakery.

We trialled Saturday Morning opening in April & May, but we didn't get any new members it was all members who couldn't attend on the Friday as we closed due to the Saturday opening, we made the decision to cancel June and July Saturday dates and will try again in the winter months.

As a complimentary service we have acquired funding from the Sparks Fund to offer 30 packed lunches per day, the days that the Fridge is not open in the week for the last two weeks of the summer holidays. We are funded through to the end of the financial year but with savings we can make by using Fridge donations we feel confident that we can offer this for all the holidays through this coming school year.

We have also received £500 from Sainsbury to use towards the Fridge at Christmas and other food related Christmas projects.