

Chesterfield Foodbank

Cost Of Living Crisis - Roisin O’Gorman,
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Food Bank Centres:

Monday: Brimington: St Michael & All Angels Parish Hall (12:00 - 14:00)

Monday: Hasland, African & Caribbean Community Association (17:00-18:30)

Tuesday: Town Centre, The Compass (13:00 - 15:00)

Wednesday: Town Centre, The Compass 12:00 - 14:00)

Thursday: New Whittington: St Barnabas Church (12:00 - 14:00)

Thursday: Grindleford: St Helen's Church (12:00-14:00)

Friday: Loundsley Green: Community Centre (13:00 -15:00)



What goes in a food parcel?

A typical food parcel includes:

- Cereal
- Soup
- Pasta
- Rice
- Tinned tomatoes/pasta sauce
- Lentils, beans and pulses
- Tinned meat
- Tinned vegetables
- Tea/coffee
- Tinned fruit
- Biscuits
- UHT milk
- Fruit juice



Referral Agencies

We work with referral agencies as they are well placed to identify people in crisis.



We work with a variety of organisations such as:



- Churches
- Schools
- Doctors surgeries
- Domestic abuse charities
 - Social services
 - Probation services

Top 10 reasons people use the foodbank

Crisis	Vouchers Fulfilled	Total People
Low Income	1800	3321
Debt	239	423
Benefit Delays	160	329
Sickness	168	316
Homeless	262	302
Domestic Violence	127	284
Benefit Changes	125	228
Other	111	220
Delayed Wages	14	37

Statistics - January 1st 2022 - August 31st 2022



How we work to try and help people out of crisis

- Offer a signposting service with a signposting volunteer
- CAB advisor at five of our sessions
- Marches Energy Agency have a member of staff that attends one session to offer energy advice
- All of the teams make referrals to Marches Energy Agency as well so that they are also able to receive support.



Cost Of Living Crisis - Demand On The Foodbank

Year	Number of people supplied food to 1 st – Aug 31st	% increase / decrease from previous year
2022	5188	+33%
2021	4139	+17%
2020	3525	N/A



What are our concerns about the cost of living crisis?



- People simply cannot make ends meet!!
- Forced into impossible situations.
- Forced to make impossible decisions between heating or eating.
- Affecting peoples mental and physical health
- Demand for the service is up and donations are down
- Will we have volunteers if demand continues to increase?

Thanks for listening!

Please let me know if you have any questions?

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