

# Project Updates

(Jan, Feb and Mar 2019)

## Foodbank

Meals Distributed 21,675  
 People Supported 1,079  
 No of Referrals 554

Most Referrals CAB  
 Greatest Reason Poverty

## Soup Pot

No of People Supported 561

## Home Starter Packs

Packs Distributed 9  
 Single People Supported 8  
 Families Supported 1

## Books N Blether Reading Group

Two places available! This group meets monthly to analyse a latest read over coffee & cake!

## Knit N Natter Social Group

Due to unforeseen circumstances this project has closed temporarily. We are hoping to reopen this group during 2019. We will keep you informed!

## Gate Catering Services

We plan to cater for Woman's Aid's AGM on Wed 19<sup>th</sup> June 2019, to be held at The Gate Centre. Drinks & refreshments only. If you would like to assist with our Gate Catering Services, please speak with Marie.

# Volunteer Newsletter 6

**Thank You Brian!** Our new voluntary handyman has been busy building new shelves in our back room. These shelves have made a huge difference for storing stock in line with Environmental Health and HASAW guidelines and recommendations. *Great Job Brian! Well done!*



## Volunteering Opportunities – Please Help!

Project	Activities Involved	When?	Time?
<b>Gate Catering Services</b>	Serving/Preparing Drinks & Homebaking	Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> June 2019	3.30pm to 6.30pm
<b>Gate Catering Services</b>	Preparing and Serving a Savoury Buffet	Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup> July and Frid 5 <sup>th</sup> July	2pm – 4pm and 12 – 3pm
<b>Gig at The Gate</b>	Home Baking Event Participation	Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2019	1.30pm – 4.30pm
<b>Annual School Uniform Bank</b>	Sorting, collecting and distributing school uniforms and equipment	<b>See overleaf for further information</b>	<b>See overleaf for further information</b>

## Clack's Council SLA Funding Secured!

We were delighted when a representative from Clack's Council recently confirmed that our Soup Pot and Foodbank funding will be maintained in 2019/20 at current levels!

We would like to thank everyone for their participation in the budget engagement exercise earlier this year.

Your contribution played a valuable role in supporting elected members during the decision-making process.

**Thank You for Your Support!**



## Gig at The Gate

When: Sat 1<sup>st</sup> June 2019

Time: 2pm – 4pm

Where: The Gate Centre

**Tickets Cost: £2.50**

Available at The Gate!

A fun afternoon to dance, sing and meet new friends!

**Tickets are limited, Book Now!**



**Our Annual School Uniform Bank will Return this Summer!**

## Help Urgently Needed!

Project Set Up Period: Mon 27 May – 6 June.

Supermarket Collection: Dates to be confirmed!

Sorting Period: Mon 17<sup>th</sup> June – Frid 19<sup>th</sup> July.

**Open Week: Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> to Friday 26<sup>th</sup> July**

Clean Up Period – Mon 19<sup>th</sup> – Frid 29<sup>th</sup> Aug.

You can help any day of the week between 9.30am – 4.30pm (excluding weekends) for as many hours as you wish.

We are happy to work around your availability!

Last year this project helped **328 vulnerable children** to return to school with dignity and pride, **20 schools were supported**, and we received **151 referrals from community partners**. *Let's make a difference again this year!*



**Our Jackson joined Hazel at her recent 70<sup>th</sup> birthday party.**

**Hazel is a new Community Café volunteer and a great asset to the team!**

## Training Opportunities

Are you interested in attending a First Aid Training course? The course will include training on how to operate a Defibrillator.

If so, speak with Marie as this course will be available soon to all Gate volunteers.

## Sunnyside Summer Club

Dates for the Summer Club will be confirmed soon by email!