NEW FOREST BASICS BANK
NEW BUILDING APPEAL
2019
New Forest Basics Bank (NFBB) dates back more than 15 years and became a registered charity in 2014. It was started by John Begbour, a church pastor from New Milton. He recognised the local need and collected basic foodstuffs in a room in his own home. As the need expanded, Churches Together in Lymington agreed to take on the operation of a food bank initially from an upstairs room in the United Reformed Church in Lymington.

NFBB operated from here for several years, and then moved to the old school rooms at the rear of the Roman Catholic Church at the bottom of Lymington High Street. In 2008, when these rooms were demolished, the United Reformed Church provided space where, after temporary planning permission was granted, the current cabin was erected and the NFBB found a home.

Because NFBB only has temp planning permission, and has outgrown the cabin, it now has to relocate. A site has been found behind the RC church at the bottom of Lymington High Street, with planning permission obtained. The new building will be supplied by a local company. With wooden cladding and a low pitched roof, the building will fit well into this currently unused space, which was originally part of the RC School playground.
THE CABIN

Cramped conditions in the current cabin make it difficult to manage stock when we have seasonal increases in donations, such as Harvest Festival time and Christmas.
WHAT WE DO AND HOW WE OPERATE

- NFBB provides the ‘basics’, including non-perishable food and toiletries to clients referred by more than 40 agencies including Citizens Advice, Christians Against Poverty, the Job Centre, Inclusion, the Probation Service and many more.

- At Christmas additional parcels are distributed by local charities and agencies to try to help our local community enjoy a few festive treats. Last year 300 parcels were needed plus 100 goody bags for children.

- Food is donated on a regular basis by customers in Waitrose, Sainsbury, the Co-op and Pilley Community Shop and by local churches and individuals. In addition, local schools collect food during Harvest Festival which gives a much needed boost to our supplies. We also have many monetary donations from Freemasons, Rotary, Lions and private individuals.

- Each parcel is worth around £40, and provides sufficient food for a week. This typically includes: tinned meat, vegetables, fruit, soup, pasta, rice, tea, coffee, milk, toiletries and cleaning materials. Fresh bread, cheese and spread is also included. During school holiday times there is extra demand on NFBB where there is a need to cater for children who would normally have a school meal option.

- The cabin volunteers work three mornings a week. Parcels are made up for individuals and families as required by the referral agencies. Food parcels are mainly delivered directly to the client’s home by NFBB’s volunteer drivers, and occasionally clients will come to the cabin in person for collection. On average, a family will receive several carrier bags of food for a week.
AREA COVERED BY NEW FOREST BASICS BANK

- Lyndhurst
- Burley
- Brockenhurst
- East Boldre
- Lymington
- New Milton
- Barton on Sea
### NEW FOREST BASICS BANK STATISTICS 2016 - 2019

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*The monetary value of parcels in the year ended 30 April 2019 was £46,440*
NEW PREMISES

- Since opening, the local need has grown year on year and in 2018/19 we have seen an increase of approximately 25% partly due to the roll out of Universal Credit, taking the total number of recipients to an astonishing 2542 individuals of which at least 884 are children.

- Due to the increase in demand NFBB now rents containers for storage, and thus our current premises are no longer fit for purpose. We vitally need greater space for storage and packing.

- A suitable site behind the RC Church in Lymington has become available to us, and full planning permission obtained to allow NFBB to build a new modular food store comprising 169m² of storage space, including an area for clients’ privacy.
THE NEW BUILDING
THE SITE FOR THE NEW BUILDING

[map of Cannon Street Car Park with a marked proposed location]

[photo of the proposed location]
THE NEW BUILDING
FLOOR PLAN AND ELEVATIONS

1 North 1:100
2 East 1:100
3 South 1:100
4 West 1:100
PROJET COST

• The project has been carefully costed and numbers verified by a Quantity Surveyor and supported by price quotations.
• The total cost is budgeted at £210,000 to include a small contingency.
• Details of the budget are available to interested parties upon request.
### SOURCE OF FUNDS

- NFBB reserves and donations £75,000
- Lymington and Pennington Town Council (matched funding) £50,000
- Total thus far £125,000
- Meaning the shortfall is: £85,000

*If our fund raising efforts exceed the shortfall required, funds will be utilised for the continuing work of the NFBB.*
HOW CAN YOU HELP?

• NFBB is now an important lifeline for people in our local community. Any contribution you can give, be it great or small, will be gratefully received.

• If you are a UK tax payer Gift Aid increases your donation by 25%

• Please make contributions/donations to:
The Treasurer
New Forest Basics Bank
Rear of United Reformed Church
High Street
Lymington SO41 9AG

• Please make cheques payable to New Forest Basics Bank

• Online transactions:
Account: 6136 6823
Sort: 40 30 36

• If you wish to contact a Trustee or the Treasurer about a donation, please call: 01590 610008 or email: treasurer@basicsbank.org.uk

• For Gift Aid information and forms, please visit:
www.basicsbank.org.uk

• NFBB is a registered charity: 1150170
THANK YOU

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