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Bedford Foodbank's New Board of Trustees

Since becoming a charity in its own right in October 2018, Bedford Foodbank has appointed a Board of Trustees who are now responsible for ensuring that the foodbank is run well and meets all its legal requirements. All are deeply committed to supporting the foodbank.

Chris Hall will be known to many of you as a volunteer picker at the warehouse and as one of the team leaders at Salvation Army Friday distribution centre.

Carol Dwan was part of the committee of the Hope Trust who used to administer the foodbank when it was administered by All Nations Church.

Bill Fradin has been helping at the foodbank for a number of years, as the resident tea-maker at the Salvation Army distribution centre and also in helping to take care of the finances. He has kindly agreed to continue in this role to help make the transition as smooth as possible.

Simon Danes has been a volunteer driver who has organised Dr Who Conventions which have raised thousands of pounds for the foodbank and also organised carol singing. He is responsible for fund-raising and grant applications.

Leanne Long is new to the foodbank but has been asked to join the Board of Trustees because of her wide experience of working for major charities and her specialisation in Human Resources.

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Sarah Broughton is not a member of the Board of Trustees as she is answerable to them for the smooth running of the foodbank, and they in turn support her in her role as Project Manager. She is however, generally invited to attend the meetings so that she can give up-to-date input to the Board on what has happened, what is happening and what we want to achieve in the future and is involved in implementing the decisions of the Board.

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The Board has met several times since October to resolve the many transitional issues, but it is expected that once everything has settled down they will meet every two or three months for routine matters. More frequently if it becomes necessary. I am sure you will do your best to support the Board as they embark on this exciting new venture, and in turn they will try to make the wisest decisions they can to make the foodbank effective and relevant to the changing circumstances that it faces in the months and years ahead.

	Food received	Food Distributed	Thanks to everyone who donated, sorted, picked, packed and distributed!
Jan 2019	9481.9kg	7052.0kg	
Feb 2019	4647.7kg	6791.7kg	
Mar 2019	4817.1kg	6842.3kg	