

Meeting	Community Development Committee
Date	3 rd December 2024
Report Title	Christmas Parcel Update 2024
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Officers Recommendations

1. To note the report.
2. To consider expanding the criteria to support vulnerable adults and families within our parish who have expressed an interest in the scheme and could do with some extra support.

Christmas Parcel Update

We have currently recieved 93 applications (as of 27/11/24), previously we have received 130 parcels, there is still two weeks until the deadline. We have budgeted to provide 150 parcels, any surplus will go to local Foodbanks.

We have also received enquiries from 2 parishoners who are in need of help but are under the age requirements. Would it be a consideration to expand our scheme to support vulnerable adults / families with our parish? Perhaps be allocating money from the Community Choices budget.

The Office Administrator is leading on this project and so far has collected 30% of the produce. There are plans to collect a large ALDI order w/c 2nd December 2024.

Donations have been received from:

Aldi	150 boxes of 6 Mince Pies
Asda	100 sachets of Custard Powder
Farm Foods	29 cans of Carnation Milk
Church	150 x Corned Beef 150 x Jam 150 x Biscuits 150 x Cuppa Soup
Juniper Stores	£80 of various items

Volunteers for 14th December

Packing (9.30am – 11.30am): Rebecca / Ellen / Leanne / Laura / George / Jackie / Julie / Karen and Paul (Memory Café) / Zara (Parishioner).

Deliveries (11.30am – 13.30pm): Richard / Rebecca / Leanne / Laura / George / Liz / Julie / Jodie / Jackie / Zara (Parishioner) / Karen and Paul (Memory Café) / Karen and Paul (to drive the minibus).

Complete parcel contents: 18 items, total budget £1,200.00, which is around £8.00 per parcel and has been helped by the donations as above.

Tea	Coffee	Sugar
Christmas Pudding	Mince Pies	Instant Custard
Chocolate Orange Segments	Cuppa Soup	Sweet Biscuits
Cream Crackers	Jam / Marmalade	Rice Pudding
Tinned Peaches	Tinned Potatoes	Tinned Carrots
Corned Beef / Tuna	Baked Beans	Shower Gel

Next Steps

A press release will be issued following the project to thank everyone for their donations and time.

A post audit will be presented to the Full Council in January along with a financial report of this year's spending. Recipients will be given the opportunity to complete a short questionnaire which will help us to make any improvements necessary to our current provision.