**FOOD BANK ANALYSIS FOR SEPTEMBER 2016**

This has been a busy month one way and another. First of all I should say that we are now a registered charity, which means that we can claim the tax back on any monetary donations we receive. Our new constitution is now in place, but in essence the Food Bank will carry on as usual. At this point I should like to once more thank all of you for your generosity and support, without which we wouldn’t be able to operate.

We have had a steady flow of people seeking help this month – 44 adults and 31 children and it is always a pleasure to be able to give a good selection of food in the bags.

Of course we are now in the season of harvest, which for us means the busiest time of the year. Eileen and I have been to Cranford House (twice) and joined them for their harvest services. We were at Langtree ten days ago and are there again this Friday, we were also at Benson Primary School and had an uproarious time with the children (do ask Eileen or me if you want to know more!) Harvest donations are now starting to come in and in about two weeks time our house will have been turned into a warehouse!

I should like to thank the volunteers who help at the Food Bank and for their willingness to come and help sorting out the food which will be coming in over the next two or three weeks, it is hard work but quite enjoyable when there are a number of people involved.

I will let you know if we are in need of anything specific in my next report but perhaps you could start thinking of Christmas donations, as we like to give these out at the beginning of December. I already have a great number of Christmas puddings stored away.

My thanks again to you all,

Jean Burt