

Banc Bwyd Taff-Ely

Monthly Newsletter

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Ending hunger together

A message from our CEO, Andrew Butcher



At Taff Ely Foodbank, our work is like the intricate movement of a watch. Each cog, large or small, has a vital role, turning in harmony to keep time steady and true. If even the tiniest gear stops, the whole watch falters. In the same way, every referral agency, staff member, and volunteer is essential to keeping our support focused and reaching those who need it most.

Thank you all for being the cogs that keep this watch running; your dedication, however visible or quiet, is what keeps Taff-Ely Foodbank moving forward together.



News and Announcements

- We have filled all of our spots for the **Cardiff half-marathon** and our **Zip World Charity Day** at the Principality Stadium. Thanks to those who are taking part, raising vital funds to ensure we can support people in crisis.
- Our **AGM** is almost here! We cant wait to bring together our staff, trustees, and volunteers to look back on an incredible year and plan for the year ahead!
- With the Senedd elections fast approaching, we are working with other foodbanks in RCT to organise **hustings events** - a chance to hear about candidates' plans to tackle hunger and hardship. Keep an eye out for more info!

Monthly Spotlight

- Shoppers at Tesco, Talbot Green, who donated an amazing **616kg** (equivalent to 58 crates) of food during our February collection.
- Sally's Angels, who volunteered at our Tesco collection and have begun their own regular food collections to support us.
- Garth Rotary Club, who donated **340kg** of food to suport us this month.
- The Ivor Arms, Brynsadler, who raised over **£900** to support our work!
- All of our shelf adoptees, regular supporters, and our amazing staff and volunteers!

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A message from our Partnership Coordinator

As Spring finally arrives, and brings with it some nicer weather, we have a lot of exciting projects underway at Taff-Ely Foodbank! In the next few months we'll be organising **hustings** events for the 2026 Senedd elections - a chance to discuss the impact hunger and hardship is having in our communities - be sure to keep an eye on our socials for more details.



Next month we'll be publishing our **annual stats**, highlighting how the need for emergency food support evolved in 2025. Meanwhile, we're continuing with the **Anti-Poverty network** and our **Lived Experience Partnerships**, and we're closer than ever to successfully becoming a **Cinnyng Cymraeg** accredited foodbank.

Easter is fast approaching, so be sure to check this section next month to hear from our Head of Fundraising, **Laura**, on how you can support us as we support families facing hardship.

Key Dates for the Diary

March 31st - Brothers, Pontyclun, are holding a charity evening to support us! Two course Indian dinner for £35 per person. For more info, or to sign up, scan here:



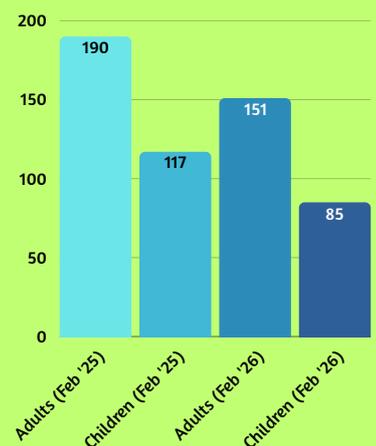
Our month in data

- This month, we distributed **236** parcels in Taff-Ely, including **85** for children (compared to 307 parcels in Feb 2025).
- That's almost **2,200** meals, and almost **2,400kg** of food to support local people in crisis.
- Over **50** local people volunteered with us.

Vouchers distributed per Distribution Centre (Feb 2026)



Vouchers by age group (Feb 2025 / 2026)



Items we need

Tinned Soup
Tinned Fruit
Tinned Tomatoes
Tinned Meats
Tinned Fish