



Larder report : November 2017

Thank you all once again for your Harvest generosity. We are now full of beans, swimming in soup, as well as the pasta mountain and tons of tuna!! But please do keep donations coming - basic tinned vegetables (peas, carrots and corn), tinned fruit and custard are relatively short - and we do not know what lies ahead; everything is suitably dated and stored, so it is prudent to maintain a good reserve.

Christmas falls on a Monday this year, and The Larder will be CLOSED. We will be open the Friday before Christmas, the Friday after, and also with a skeleton staff on New Year's Day, which is also a Monday.

Demand for October was very close to the October of all previous years, continuing the random ups and downs. News reports of problems over Universal Credits are reflected in the reasons people give for needing help, but overall numbers are not yet changing. Economic, Brexit and job reports in the news leave us wondering what will happen next - prudence tells us to carry on as before, but to maintain good reserves - all with your amazing help and support!!

The graph shows annual usage so far; 2017 is estimated from first 10 months of the year. The full statistics are on the website as usual (www.exmouthlarder.co.uk).

Budgeting and debt problems continue to be difficulties for the people we support, not helped by the overload experienced by the CAB. The CAB welcomes more volunteers - they give training and the main qualifications are reliability and common sense!! Go to: www.eastdevoncab.org.uk/ for more.

As always, THANKS to you all for the continued generosity from the whole area and good wishes for Christmas and its festivities. Please remember we do NOT give out anything alcoholic; our mandate is to provide basic food all year round rather than festive hampers - so please go easy on mince pies etc. but keep the basics coming!!



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