

## Awards Special!

Barrow Foodbank is honoured to receive the Queen’s Award for Voluntary Service. This recognises the hard work done by all our volunteers in Barrow, Millom and Ulverston. The award is the highest award given to groups across the UK to recognise outstanding work done in their own communities. Any group carrying out voluntary work that provides a social, economic or environmental service to the local community can be nominated for the award. Each group is assessed on the benefit it brings to the local community and its standing within that community. This award would not have been possible without the support of wonderful local communities. An event was held at Abbey Road Baptist Church to celebrate the role all volunteers played in achieving the Queens award, volunteers were presented with a pin badge by Reverend Gary Cregan to recognise their contribution.



“ *The award is a boost, recognition and encouragement of the invaluable work everyone does. – Reverend Gary Cregan* ”

## Our Youngest Supporter!

Harrison who goes to the toddler group at the Abbey Road Baptist had a birthday party and guests were asked to bring food for the foodbank instead of toys. He donated 134 meals worth of food – what a superstar!



## IN OTHER NEWS

**Volunteer Insight – Jean Liney**

My role within Barrow Foodbank in Millom is dealing with all the administration, I volunteered for this role to take the pressure off the Project Manager. I work alongside others in the team to help with all the correspondence such as thank you letters and certificates and I help with publicity materials. I participate with special events such as Harvest Festival and 'Big Shop' weeks & keep updated all Health and Safety documentation updated. I also assist with interviews & engage in administrative training always work to the Trussell Trust standards. I enjoy working alongside the team in Millom and being the secretary of Millom Baptist Church helps with any issues that arise within the premises. I spend approx four hours a week in my role, due to the Project Manager's resignation I am also keeping on top of any monetary donations and I have also volunteered to attend the CORE meetings which are held in Barrow.



## Foodbank Summer Appeal

The foodbank is having a summer appeal for food. We have the lowest amount of stock in the warehouse since just after we started in 2012 even though local people are giving faithfully.

Since the beginning of the year, we have seen an increase of 30% of people needing the support of the foodbank. In food terms it means that each month we have given out twice as much food than we have coming in. In total we have fed 3463 people of which 1293 were children between January and May.

Our appeal has been covered by the North West Evening Mail who also kindly donated £500 and Radio Cumbria broadcast from our Barrow Warehouse to cover the empty shelves. The community support has been fantastic and we've already received a significant number of donations – but we still need more. Thank you everyone for your continued support.



### Barrow Foodbank

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### Another Award for Millom!



The team from Barrow Foodbank in Millom attended an awards night for volunteers at the Rugby League Club in Millom on 8th July and received a certificate and a glass plaque. The evening was organised by Copeland Community Funding team to say thank you to all the local volunteers.



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