

**Upcoming Webinars:**

13th March 2025, 3.30-5.00pm – **The Children’s Kitchen Webinar: Making Food Sessions Accessible.** This session forms part of our series with The Children's Kitchen and will focus on makingfood sessions accessible for all children, especially those with special educational needs and disabilities or dietary requirements. - You can sign up to attend or receive a copy of the recording [here](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfrrODzPyOzs6Wh5fXBiFJdXW8res78AQzoFUehNRef9nbm8A/viewform?usp=header).

18th March 2025, 3.30-5.00pm - **Cooperation Town: An Introduction to Affordable Food Co-ops** This webinar will be hosted with Cooperation Town to give an overview of their model. - You can sign up to attend or receive a copy of the recording [here](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf4WX17GpqqnedrVm0fVO2_TCsxfIGgpqJH0Q2Q6PSAbnyRsQ/viewform?usp=header).

24th March, 10am – 11am – **B&NES Food Insecurity Toolkit -** Our partners from Bath and North East Somerset will be talking us through their Food Insecurity Toolkit. This toolkit is based on a set of 12 characters, and is used to encourage reflection and discussion on how diverse needs around food insecurity are, or could be, met in different localities. There is a downloadable printable PDF of the toolkit available for partners to use. - You can sign up to attend or receive a copy of the recording [here](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc1gwYMv6ZR88lJvzWXsbwuKUY7vTfg79AKqIMH5MyHm_nGmw/viewform?usp=sharing).

1st April 2025, 3.30-5.00pm - **Collecting and Using Data to Understand and Address Food Insecurity** - You can sign up to attend or receive a copy of the recording [here](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSetEeSUZeeoX4WW0ou-dP4Wblyh5UMa7IRejSEZXe3OqnFU-Q/viewform?usp=header).

29th April 2025, 3.30-5.00pm - **Till, EPOS and Membership Systems for Affordable Food Clubs.** This webinar will feature partners sharing their experience of and advice for till and membership systems. - You can sign up to attend or receive a copy of the recording [here](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScQeHl2yhDsq0nXHcXINmSI5TVG0OWG04ZpLsSSfYBjVFPtgw/viewform?usp=header).

**Please see the end of this email for a list of the recordings of recent webinars.**

We usually send out the webinar joining links on the Monday the week of a webinar and the day itself. If you have not received an email, it is worth checking your spam. However, **we add the Zoom link directly to the sign up form about 30 minutes before the webinar starts** as a backup so please do check there if you cannot find the link.

**Free School Meal Registration:** Following Feeding Britain’s longstanding efforts to secure the automatic registration of all eligible children for their free school meal entitlement, **we have now submitted our final report**, with a series of detailed proposals, to the Department for Education. You can read the full report [here](https://feedingbritain.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/Feeding-Britain-FSM-registration-working-group-final-report-Nov-2024-v2.pdf).

The report was [raised](https://x.com/EmmaLewellBuck/status/1856019525700870550) on the floor of the House of Commons, by Emma Lewell-Buck MP, and our National Director, Andrew Forsey OBE, wrote about the report in a letter to The Guardian this month, which you can read [here](https://www.theguardian.com/society/2025/feb/12/tackling-child-poverty-in-britain-must-be-made-a-priority). The report also formed the basis of our submission to the UK Government's child poverty taskforce. **This month, ministers reported to the House of Commons that they are looking at the relevant legal gateways with other departments, and they have recently confirmed to the Education Select Committee that they are looking very closely at this area of policy**. You can listen [here](https://www.instagram.com/p/DGScy6xPPAJ/) to a clip of Stephen Morgan MP, Minster for Early Education, discussing how data sharing arrangements might play a role in this. We have been, and will remain, in discussion with ministers and officials.

Thank you very much to our partners for their ongoing support of this programme. **If you'd like your local MP to raise this issue with ministers, you are more than welcome to share the report with them.** Please do not hesitate to get in touch with any comments or ideas.

**Second Round of Affordable Food Club Research**: Just a reminder that we are currently conducting our second Affordable Food Club survey. **For those taking part, the deadline for members to complete surveys is today** and any questions can be sent to info@feedingbritain.org.

**Webinar Recordings:**

If you missed our most recent webinars, you can watch the recordings below. Please feel free to share these with anyone you think might find them useful.

**An Introduction to** [The Alliance for Dignified Food Support](https://www.alliancefordignifiedfoodsupport.org.uk/)**and their Dignity Toolkit (28th Nov).** You can view a recording of the session [here](https://youtu.be/-B9_HDUpFuM).

**Purchasing Discounted Food Supplies through Ankose CIC (14th Jan).** – You can view a recording of the session [here](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lBFAwobq_SA).

**Participating in Feeding Britain's Research on the Impact of Affordable Food Clubs (15th Jan)**. – You can view a recording of the session [here](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ahBettmnwWY).

 **What next for our food bank? Reducing dependence on emergency food provision and developing affordable food models (23rd Jan).** - You can view a recording of the session [here](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_e1uuTA8euA).

**Food Supplies for Affordable Food Clubs (29th Jan).** - You can view a recording of the session [here](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x1f49-FPZGo).