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**Changes to Salisbury Foodbank services following Coronavirus pandemic:**

As the coronavirus pandemic unfolds in the UK, our main priority is ensuring the safety of everyone who comes to our food bank – whether it’s someone needing help, someone volunteering their time, or someone making a donation.

Things are changing quickly, so we’ll keep this page updated regularly with information about what’s happening at Salisbury Foodbank and how people can access support and help us be there for people in crisis.

We’re still supporting people with emergency food but we’re running a reduced service due to measures put in place to slow the spread of infection.

We’ve made the difficult decision to close St Paul’s Foodbank Centre & Bemerton St Michaels Foodbank center for the foreseeable future. It my understanding the community fridge operated by St. Michaels Café will continue to operate Tue – Thur.

Emergency food boxes are still available from Bemerton Trussell Trust Community shop.

A new location for Salisbury will be **Unit 6b Ashfield trading estate,** SP2 7HL on **Mondays, Thursday & Fridays between the hours of 2-4 ONLY.**

If anything changes, we’ll let you know immediately. Your support is vital at this time, so if you’re considering donating, we’re particularly in need of:

* Rice
* Vegetarian meal options
* Tinned potatoes
* Tinned Carrots
* Tinned Peas
* Sponge pudding
* Dried Milk

You can find out more about the Trussell Trust network’s response to coronavirus here [link: [www.trusselltrust.org/coronavirus-food-banks](http://www.trusselltrust.org/coronavirus-food-banks)] and you can follow us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/salisburyfoodbank> to stay up to date.

Kind regards,

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