



We're pleased to report that the larder is now in daily use. We're getting some great feedback but we've also had a number of people asking for clarification on who can use it and for what purpose.

- Is it a food bank? Partly, yes. We take food donations and buy food with our small amount of grant money to help those who are currently in genuine need. Unlike traditional food banks, though, it's self-service and open 24/7 using an honesty approach.
- Is it a store-room which you can borrow from? Yes! If you run out of something you urgently need, please borrow from the larder and replace like for like when you can. Some people borrow one item and replace it with two – fantastic! Put your replacements back in the larder or in one of the other donation points around the valley.
- Is it a food-waste reduction scheme? Yes! Surplus garden produce and other food that you can't use can be donated for others to use or you can do a swap.
- Is it a 'free shop'? Definitely not! Items in the larder have been bought with our very limited grant money or donated by friends and neighbours primarily to help those who are genuinely struggling to buy everything they need during the current crisis. It also serves as an emergency loan supply, for example for those waiting for supermarket deliveries because they are self-isolating, or the occasional item you really can't do without.

We hope that helps to make things clearer and please do keep using the larder.