

**BID FOR FUNDING FROM AREA COMMITTEE BUDGET  
PRO FORMA**

1. **Project title:** Colne Open Door Centre – New Fridge
2. **Bid submitted by:** Nick Alderson
3. **On behalf of (please include contact details):**  
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  - a) **Does your organisation have a constitution?** Yes
  - b) **Does it have a board of governors/directors or a committee that oversees its work?** Yes
  - c) **Does your organisation have its own bank account?** Yes
  - d) **How many signatures are required to authorise a payment from your bank account?** Two
5. **Is your organisation VAT-registered?\*** Yes
6. **Amount requested:** £500
7. **Total amount of project:** £500
8. **Is there match funding for the project from elsewhere?**  
**If so, please give details:**
9. **Brief details of project:** Colne Open Door Centre's community café provides hot meals at a low cost to ensure people in our area can access a hot meal or free meal, whatever the social circumstances are.

Recent our fridge broke which meant for the past few weeks we have been using a small under the counter fridge. The under the counter fridge, although helpful is not fit for purpose, especially considering the amount of fresh food we need to buy to ensure that our vulnerable customers can access meals.

This year has been a significant one for the charity as we saw more and more individuals and families access the community cafe not only for low cost food but to keep warm and safe during winter. Clients and customers reported that it was cheaper for them to keep warm with us, than put the heating on at home. This has

been a particular problem for the older generation in our community. We as a charity are not immune to this and our own utility bills have nearly trebled in a year.

This financial year to help combat the rise of food poverty and child hunger in our community we introduced a "Kids Eat Free" policy. This is to ensure that no child in our area has to go without a hot home-cooked meal. On average we now provide 6 free meals to children in our community per week. The charity also provides free meals to any individuals who may be homeless or suffering with severe financial difficulty. Last financial year we provided 406 free meals to adults suffering with hardship in our community.

**10. Main outcomes to be achieved:** New tall industrial fridge to be bought .

**11. When will project be implemented?**

**Start Date:** ASAP

**Expected Completion Date:**

**12. Who will undertake the project works?** Nick Alderson

**13. Are there long-term revenue consequences and how will these be funded?**

Not applicable.

***\*Please note that grants inclusive of VAT will only be awarded where the organisation is not VAT-registered and is unable to reclaim VAT***