



**This week, the 100th Your Local Pantry is opening in Aylesham in Kent. We want to celebrate, and say a big thank you!**

**We've been able to reach that milestone thanks to the enthusiasm, support, camaraderie and compassion of people like you – Pantry members, volunteers and staff who make the whole Pantry network so kind, cheerful and welcoming.**

**The first Pantry was opened by Stockport Homes Group in North West England in 2013. Since then, it has spread and spread to 100 neighbourhoods across all four nations of the UK – from Edinburgh to Ebbw Vale, from Portadown to Portsmouth.**

**Every Pantry and every Pantry member can take pride in this milestone, and in helping to uphold dignity, choice and hope in your neighbourhood and beyond.**



**What do YOU like or value most about Your Local Pantry?  
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we'd love to hear from you.**



*Your Local*  
**PANTRY**

**If Your Local  
Pantry  
had 100  
members...**

**97**

would say being  
a member has  
improved their  
household finances

**98**

would say tackling  
food waste is  
important to them

**74**

would feel more  
connected to their  
local community  
through the Pantry

**68**

would say being a  
member has been  
good for their  
physical health

**83**

would say being a  
member has been  
good for their mental  
health

**66**

would have  
made new friends  
at the Pantry

**59**

would say they  
are eating less  
processed food

**63**

would say they now  
eat more fresh fruit  
and vegetables

**14**

would be  
volunteering  
at the Pantry

# Your Local PANTRY

## What's important to Pantry members?



**99%** said that saving money on the weekly shop is important, 88% said it's very important



**98%** said tackling food waste is important, 73% said this is very important



**98%** said knowing that their Pantry belongs to the local community is important



**98%** said that increasing the amount of fresh and healthy food eaten in their household is important



**95%** said increasing the variety of food eaten in their household is important



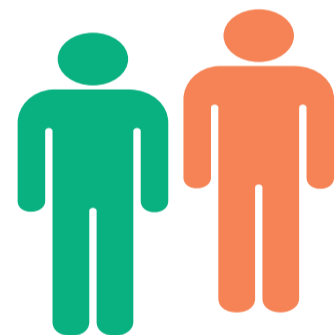
**98%** said being able to choose their own food is important



**74%** said having a say in the decisions about running a Pantry is important



**91%** said increasing the overall amount of food eaten in their household is important



**89%** said making friends with others in their local community is important



**73%** said having the opportunity to volunteer at the Pantry is important



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