Provide an On-Campus Foodbank Donation Point

This Union Notes:

1. That between 1\textsuperscript{st} April 2016 and 31\textsuperscript{st} March 2017 the Trussell Trust’s Foodbank Network provided 1,182,954 three-day emergency food supply packages to people in crisis across the UK\textsuperscript{1}
2. That during 2016, the Warwick and Leamington foodbank provided food for 3572 people, and the Kenilworth foodbank provided food for 241 people\textsuperscript{2}
3. That donations can be made to the Warwick District Foodbank at several locations in Warwick and Kenilworth\textsuperscript{3}, and that donations can be made to the Coventry Foodbank at several locations in the city\textsuperscript{4}
4. That while student group Rawkus collect leftover food to donate to charity at the end of each academic year\textsuperscript{5}, and some societies have run very successful one-off foodbank collection events, there is currently no fixed location on campus to donate food year round\textsuperscript{6, 7, 8}
5. That as a signatory of the Coventry Food Charter the SU is committed to ‘Co-ordinate, engage and target specific interventions that ensure and fulfil the human right to food, nutrition and health’\textsuperscript{9}

This Union Believes:

1. That food poverty is a persistent and major problem both nationally and in the local area
2. That more should be done on campus to tackle the problem of hunger in the local area
3. That existing partnerships between local foodbanks and businesses show that providing a food donation point is a simple, easy and effective way to help the local community

This Union Resolves:

1. To mandate the Democracy and Development Officer and the Environment and Ethics Officer to work with the University to explore the possibility of – with an aim to introduce – a fixed foodbank donation point on central campus, in a location such as within Rootes Grocery Store

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\textsuperscript{1} https://www.trusselltrust.org/2017/11/07/foodbank-demand-soars-across-uk/
\textsuperscript{2} https://warwickdistrict.foodbank.org.uk/2017/05/14/during-2016/
\textsuperscript{3} https://warwickdistrict.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/
\textsuperscript{4} https://coventry.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/
\textsuperscript{5} https://www.warwicksu.com/campaigning/campaigns/development_environment/rawkus/
\textsuperscript{6} https://www.facebook.com/events/501646976870103/
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