

Leatherhead Food Research supports local families

In response to the ongoing coronavirus crisis which has left families struggling to put food on the table and keyworkers battling to get food from depleted supermarkets, Leatherhead Food Research, part of Science Group, has donated £1500 to a charity local to its Epsom office.

Mike Painter, Science Group HR Director said “As a business, we take our corporate social responsibility very seriously and we are committed to making a tangible difference in the local community. With that in mind, I am pleased to share that we will be donating a total of £1000/month to local food charities in Epsom and Cambridge for the next three months.”

Local to the Leatherhead Food Research offices, a total donation of £1500 will be given to the Epsom and Ewell Foodbank, which keeps some of the borough’s most in-need residents fed and supported.

Founder and de-facto Manager, Jonathan Lees, said: “We are delighted to receive this donation from Leatherhead Food Research. The foodbank has been going for nearly eight years now, but this current period has seen us busier than ever. We are feeding double our usual numbers per week — on average we feed about 100-110 people - but recently we've been feeding around 230 people a week. The financial contribution will certainly help us in meeting the needs of more families and make a real impact.”

Near our Cambridge, UK headquarters, a total of £1500 worth of fresh fruit and vegetables will be delivered by Cambridge Fruit Company to The Red Hen Project, supporting local vulnerable families, and to NHS workers at Addenbrookes hospital over the next three months.

For more information on the local business and charities Science Group is supporting: [Epsom & Ewell Food Bank](#), [Cambridge Fruit Company](#), and [Red Hen Project](#).

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About Leatherhead Food Research

Leatherhead Food Research provides expertise and support to the global food and drink sector with practical solutions that cover all stages of a product's life cycle from consumer insight, ingredient innovation and sensory testing to food safety consultancy and global regulatory advice. Leatherhead operates a membership programme which represents a who's who of the global food and drinks industry. Supporting all members and clients, large or small, Leatherhead provides consultancy and advice as well as training, market news, published reports and bespoke projects. Alongside the Member support and project work, our world-renowned experts deliver cutting-edge research in areas that drive long term commercial benefit for the food and drink industry.

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