



Transform Your Team – 10th July 2017.

” Food for Thought”- something worth thinking seriously about.

#The Essential News Story

Last week’s quote, spoke a lot to me, especially as I have been meeting with the charity Trussell Trust. The Trussell Trust is the largest food bank network in the UK. I thought you might be interested in some of my research and numbers. Excuse the pun **“Food for thought”** – this certainly made me think seriously on how can I help?

“Foodbanks are run by generous, caring people who are moved to support people in need. They are admirable in every way and deserve our thanks. But the need for all foodbanks shames us all” Ken Loach, Director of I, Daniel Blake.

The number of users of Trussell Trust food banks has gone up, but how many individuals rely on them. The Trust handed out around 41,000 food packs in 2009-10 compared to 1.2 million in 2016-17. But some people use foodbank more than once hence why exact figures are hard to come by. The Trust says that the average person using a food bank will do so twice in a year, so it estimates that around 590,000 different people used its services in 2016-17. A 2014 estimate suggested that the Trussell Trust’s food banks account for half of the food banks in the UK . That suggests the actual number of food parcels handed out across the UK and the number of users of foodbanks will be higher. What does that mean is demand increasing? What do you think? But, surely, we don’t have the issue in Wales? The sad news is that outside of London, Wales is the poorest area below the “poverty line”.

Foodbanks in Wales	Why here. why now?
416,250 Emergency food parcels since 2010	13 million people in UK live below the poverty line.
Last year food parcels – 96,248 (35,141 children)	Wales is the poorest part in the UK (outside London)
892 tons food given away	Number of 3-day emergency food supplies given to people in crisis by Trussell Trust Foodbanks 1,182,954
37 foodbanks	
110 centers	
1,500 + volunteers	

Aim of Trussell Trust “To challenge injustice & give a voice to the voiceless. Trussell Trust passion - no one in the UK should go to bed hungry or cold



#SportsCricket - “food for thought”

“There is always hindsight to think when you don't win games, as I said we bowled decently well, but the execution wasn't quite there. Obviously, there is **“food for thought”**, but you gotta give credit to other teams as well. You don't take any team lightly. It's going to be like this throughout the tournament and we don't expect anything less”
Champions Trophy 2017 - India skipper Virat Kohli after defeat to Sri Lanka in the group stages

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“The number of people using food banks has gone from the tens of thousands to the millions.”

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