

Factory employees donate to causes close to their heart

Portable Foods Manufacturing Company in Wrexham is supporting local charities by allowing employees to donate foods to a cause that is special to them.

The Portable Foods Manufacturing Company operates from the same site as Kellogg's Wrexham factory on Bryn Lane, and produces a range of Kellogg's foods such as Kellogg's cereal bars and fruit winders. The factory has donated food to local causes in support of the Kellogg's commitment to help people during this difficult time.

Last month, Kellogg announced it would be distributing a minimum of three million servings of food to its charity partners, to reach food banks, schools and community groups supporting the most vulnerable people. The business is also donating a further 1.2 million servings of food direct to NHS workers on the front line.

Donations of Kellogg's cereal bars and Pringles have been taken to 23 local causes which were personally selected by the employees at the factory.

Lee Evans, operator at Wrexham Portable Foods said, "I have chosen the Rhos Community Café as one of the charities to receive the Kellogg's donations. I decided to choose this particular charity as after spending two weeks in isolation myself, I realised how difficult it can be for people to get what they need.

"This charity is committed to getting food to those who need it, especially the elderly and those at a high risk. I have been delivering parcels to the community for a couple of weeks now and it is great that I am also able to help by nominating the Rhos Community Café as my chosen charity."

Over 8,000 items of Kellogg's food have been split between the following charities:

- Caia Park Partnership Foodbank (a Portable Foods' employee's step daughter currently works there)
- Caia Park Health Visitors (an employee's wife is a health visitor here)
- Borrass Park Junior School (employee's children attend this school, which has remained open for vulnerable children and families of keyworkers)
- Rhos Community Café (an employee currently volunteers here)
- Rhos Food bank
- Wrexham Ambulance Centre (a previous employee's partner is now a paramedic here)
- Wrexham Maelor Hospital Heddfan – Adults Mental Health service, who are also dealing with Covid 19 (an ex-employee who worked for Portable Foods for 12 years is beginning her 3rd year as a student nurse here)
- Wrexham Maelor Hospital Pharmacy (two employees have siblings that work here)
- Tapley Avenue Children's Centre (an employee's partner works here)
- Leave No One Behind – community support group in Lymm (chosen as the Plant Director's local cause)
- Nightingale House Hospice (previous fundraising activity at Portable Foods has been in aid of this hospice, so it is close to everyone at the factory)

Liverpool Women's Trust, Llangollen zero food waste and Food Share, Penley Community Hospital and Penley Rainbow Centre, Meifod and Vicarage Court Care Home, Overton NHS Clinic, Countess of Chester Hospital Midwifery, Gobowen Orthopaedic Hospital, Sycamore Lodge Dementia Nursing Home, Borrass Park School and the Salvation Army.

Portable Foods Manufacturing Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Kellogg Company. The factory was set up in 1998 and has grown over the last 22 years. It now consists of three plants and manufactures cereal bars and Winders for Kellogg. The factory has just over 180 employees - 95% are from the local Wrexham community.

More broadly across Wrexham, Kellogg's factory colleagues have been providing donations of cereals and snacks to Wrexham Maelor Hospital, Gobowen Hospital, Ty Derbyn, Y Heddfan, Grove Road Health Centre, Wrexham food bank at the Salvation Army and Hafod Y Wern Primary School.

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