



Feock Parish Council

“Your Choice” Funding 2017

Feock Soup Lunch Group

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Background:

- Founded in 2002 by volunteers
- Lunches are held every other Thursday between September and May
- The average attendance is between 28 and 34
- Most attendees live in the parishes of Feock or Kea, but some travel from further afield as they have family links to the village of Feock
- Volunteers prepare meals at home and serve them in Feock Sunday School room

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- Everyone is welcome
- For a contribution of £3, diners receive:
 - a choice of two homemade soups and variety of bread rolls
 - a selection of salad
 - a selection of cheeses and crackers
 - a choice of homemade desserts
 - a cup of tea or coffee

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- **What some of our diners have to say**
- “For people living on their own it gives company as eating on your own can be very lonely”
- “I have attended the lunches since they started and enjoy it because of the wonderful friendly company and the lovely soups, salads and puddings that are served...”
- “Delightful ambience and company, greatly appreciated by elderly residents, especially those living alone. Lovely lunches, always greatly enjoyed by everyone – as is the warm welcome given”

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- **What we will use the money for:**

- New desert bowls – our current ones are totally mismatched and too small for those with healthy appetites!
- New sets of cutlery – the cutlery we use is dated and mismatched.
- Serving utensils – many of our current ones are in disrepair/past their best.
- New glasses – none of our glasses match which makes stacking for storage very awkward.
- A hoover make clearing away at the end of each session far quicker.

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- People from across the parish enjoy the food and drink, but for many the real benefit is to relax and socialise with others.
- The majority of our diners are over seventy years of age. The opportunity to meet others is important for all and even more so for those who may live alone or are unable to cook for themselves.
- We wish to improve our community soup lunches and would be very grateful for your help. The experience will be even better if we were able to replace equipment that is not fit for purpose.
- This year we are asking the council for a £400 grant to enable us to purchase new items of matching cutlery and crockery and a hoover to assist with cleaning up after each lunch.
- We can assure you that the grant will be well used for the benefit of the older members of our community.