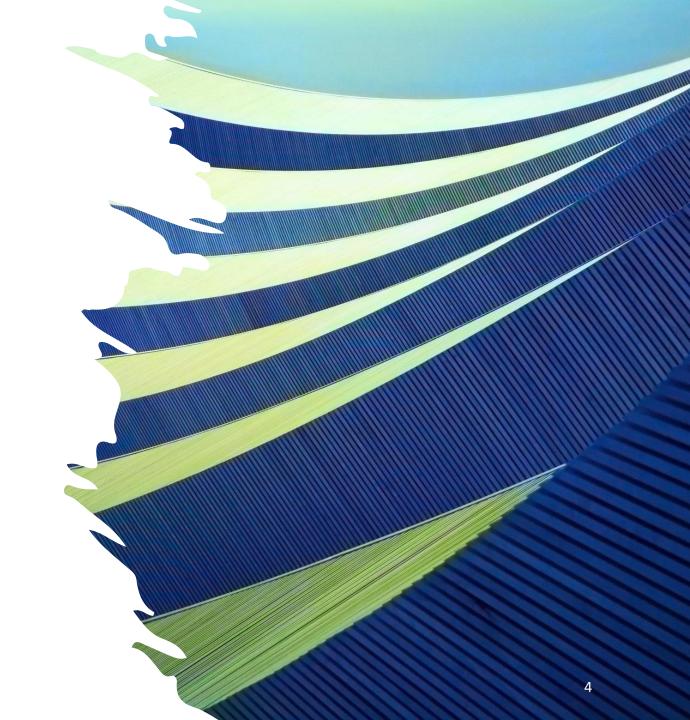
# Cash first approaches in Glasgow

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## What are cash first approaches?



#### Cash-first

Ready access to emergency income when someone has no money for food. To prevent future hardship this should be delivered alongside welfare rights and income maximisation advice and support.





Prioritising income-focused crisis support with cash payments

Vouchers if cash payments aren't available

Advice and support to maximise income

### Cash First: Ending the need for charitable food aid

Adequate benefit payments, wages and secure work would mean everyone could afford food.

Adequate social security & wages

Cash payments via

local authority

Advice is key...

Adequate advice and support is fundamental to a cash first approach. Properly funded advice services and referral pathways will ensure everyone can access their full entitlements.

Ensuring access to cash in a crisis reduces food insecurity and pressure on food banks.

More dignified, and shifts responsibility away from charitable food aid.

Vouchers/cash via advice agent

Potential for more choice and dignity, still a stop gap measure.

Vouchers/cash via charitable food aid provider

charitable food
ach aid provider

Such as a food bank, food pantry, social supermarket, larder or soup kitchen.

Stop gap measure which does not reach

most people in

need.

INDEPENDENT FOOD AID NETWORK

www.foodaidnetwork.org.uk

# Cash first approaches: priorities for year 2 and legacy planning

A better understanding of food insecurity across Glasgow

Promoting common referral pathway- Glasgow Helps

Capacity building: increase awareness of training and support available

Online toolkit: access to free training and resources, signposting to services

### Cash first resources



Cash First approaches in Glasgow

### Webpage

- Background to cash first approaches
- About the cash first pilot projects
- The importance of advice
- The importance of cash first referral leaflets
- Events

WHAT ARE

# Cash first approaches?

(p.s. not just giving out money!)

**Concept explainer**: What are cash first approaches?





#### Recorded webinars and slides

- Cash first approaches: reducing the need for food banks in Glasgow
- Money Counts training: a cash first approach to food insecurity
- Working with refugees and asylum seekers experiencing food insecurity
- Unlocking local resources in Glasgow: a guide to ALISS