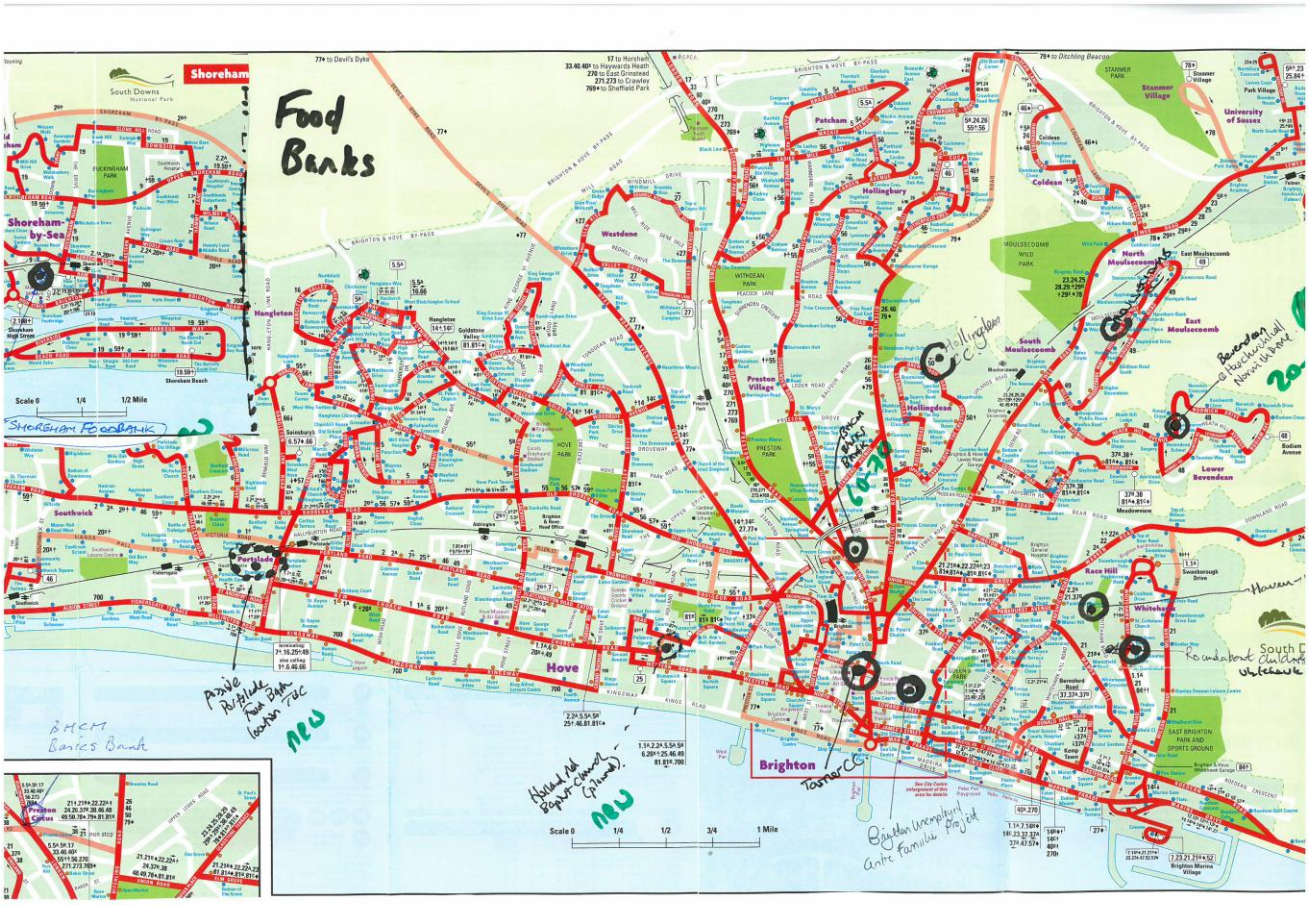
Brighton & Hove Food Banks/Emergency food - a snapshot at July 2013

This is a snapshot of food parcels given out by food banks in the city; using information supplied at the networking meeting held in July 2013.

- There are 6 organisations regularly giving out food parcels. All but 2 have opened within the last year. Collectively they give out around 220 food parcels per week – of variable sizes and contents.
- 4 new food banks plan to open this year in the city; plus 1 in Shoreham.
- 1 plans to close in September as it is losing premises.
- The organisations are very different – church based (1, plus 2 planned); children's centre based (2 current, 2 planned); community organisation. (2 current, plus 2 planned).
- They are currently concentrated in the centre and east of the city, although 3 of the planned new food banks are in the west.
- Some other community organisations e.g. Lunch Positive, Women's Centre, Hollingdean TUC Unemployed Workers Centre also give out some emergency food as a part of their activities and these are not included here.