



Storeroom News

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Do you have spare time which you could donate to us by becoming a volunteer at Storeroom? Give as little or as much time as you can spare and be part of our team. You can help in our shop, warehouse, or on our vans. Our volunteers are the reason we are here and open for everyone in our island community. Please speak to a member of our staff or give us a call on 01983 298679. Team Storeroom ☺

Storeroom Volunteers have received The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service – this is the **MBE for Volunteer Groups**. Our Volunteer team are the reason Storeroom is here for you all. They keep Storeroom running smoothly and without them we would not be able to open our doors.



We have a **referral system** in place, enabling people in need to qualify for a discount on many of the items offered for sale at Storeroom. Please ask your support provider for further information. Also, Isle Help – Help through Crisis, will consider all applications for assistance for those experiencing genuine hardship. Please follow this link <https://islehelp.me/help-through-crisis/>
A NON-CASH SCHEME

Our Patron, Fred Dinenage MBE, is an English television presenter, broadcaster and author. He has a TV career spanning more than 50 years. Fred was appointed a Member of the Order of the British Empire (MBE) in the 2010 Birthday Honours.



This August we collected re-usable items from around 170 homes enabling **nearly 500 families to benefit** from being able to purchase affordable household goods for their living space. In 2018 more than 1,400 households donated furniture and household goods to Storeroom and around 8,600 people/families were able to purchase affordable items to help make their home more comfortable.



Thank you for your support this month. By promoting re-use of furniture and household goods, we have together **saved over 13,500kgs of perfectly good items from landfill** on our island. (That is about the same weight and maybe easier to imagine as 274 average small sofas - whew!)



Our Community project **The Cowes Men's Shed** is being supported by the National Lottery Community Fund over the next two years. The Cowes Men's Shed is the only Shed operating in the Cowes area and is open Monday to Friday, 10am-3pm. There is FREE parking available locally on the estate and the Cowes Park and Ride bus stop is just a few minutes walk along the road if you are using public transport. **No Shed membership fee!** Sorry ages 18+ only, but everyone welcome. Regular events held. Call Adam our 'head shed' for more information during shed opening hours on 01983 209734.



We post on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram if you like to use **social media**. Search for Storeroom2010 on Facebook, @Storeroom2010 on Twitter or storeroom2010 on Instagram



Storeroom2010 has a **website** with several pages giving information on us, our history, how we help and our Men's Shed community project. Please visit www.storeroom.org.uk over 184,500 views to date!