Feeding a Mixed Diet

As the cost-of-living bites it's becoming more and more common to ask is it cheaper to feed kibble/dry/wet freeze dried etc? Or is it cheaper to feed raw but mix it with something else to spread the cost?

Benefits of feeding full raw

- Species appropriate
- Rich in essential natural nutrients
- Reduced obesity risk
- Reduced cancer risk
- Reduced joint disease risk
- Reduced gum disease risk
- Reduced heart disease risk
- Reduced diabetes risk
- Reduced pancreatitis risk
- Improved health
- Improved vitality…and the list goes on and on.

Benefit of feeding full kibble/freeze dried/cold pressed?

Its sole benefit is the convenience it brings you.

Can you feed a mixed diet of both none-raw and raw?

In short, yes you can.
It's recommended that if you do this, you should:

- Feed 50% of the raw feeding allowance (2.5% of current bodyweight) for one meal.
- Feed 50% of the kibble feeding allowance recommended on your packaging for the other meal.

Are there risks to a 50-50 diet?

Sadly, yes!

- You are in effect giving a better diet than a 100% none raw diet to your dog, however, you are still going to be increasing the risks of the life reducing illnesses affecting kibble fed dogs.
- You are going to be adding poor quality nutrients (synthetically added vitamins and minerals) to your dog's diet, instead of fresh food that is more biologically available for dogs to utilise.
- You are also going to be increasing the chances of an itchy, yeasty dog.

Is raw more expensive than none-raw?

Quite simply, the answer is… No
If you look at the foods with the highest nutritional rating on all about dog food, you will find that a raw brand alternative is in fact cheaper and will have an even higher nutritional value.