



## SUTTON SOUP 13 - 25th April 2019



### Hello Soup Dragons

Wow, wow, wow! It's all we can say! Sutton Soup 13 raised a staggering £1295! Thank you so much to all of you who made it along on the night, and to our amazing sponsors: our headline sponsor **Condell Ltd**, **Sainsbury's**, **Cheam Financial Planning** and **Ace Accountancy Services**.

It really was a fun evening with a selection of very different pitches from:

- **Dementia Action 2019 Week** - Sutton New Town Community Festival are running a series of art and craft workshops and an art exhibition to display work created by people with dementia and or by people reacting to their experience of dementia as relatives or carers, during the borough-wide activities for Dementia Action Week. Louise told us how they would use the funds to help promote the events and to pay for transport to allow as many people as possible to attend.
- **Kingswood Shetlands** - are based in Surrey but would like to bring their Animal Assisted Therapy Scheme to Sutton residents. Denise and Sarah told us how beneficial this therapy can be to special needs children, adults and the elderly. With money from Sutton Soup they would offer this therapy for free or at a reduced rate to vulnerable Sutton residents who would otherwise be unable to afford it.
- **Sutton Young Carers Ambassadors** – The Young Carers Service, run from Sutton Carer's Centre, provides much needed support to young people who have caring responsibilities for a family member. They aim to reduce the impact of caring through building capacity and resistance, improving wellbeing, improving educational outcomes and reducing inappropriate caring. The Ambassadors are young carers themselves and, along with Mel who works for the service, they gave us an impassioned pitch to tell us how much they have been helped.
- **Holiday at Home** – This scheme, run by Carshalton Beeches Baptist Church, offers a two day holiday to local seniors. The first one they held, last year, was a great success and they would very much like to be able to offer another one this year. Selwyn told us about all the varied activities they are planning and how much of a difference the event makes to those who attend.

The room was packed out (best attended Soup ever!) with people hanging on every word the pitchers had to say. It was a difficult choice for many, but, in the end, the record breaking £1295 went to the amazing bunch of kids that represented the Sutton Young Carers Ambassadors. Well done Chloe, Israel, Tim and Keira! We can't wait to see you again in July.