

SUTTON SOUP 5 - 27th April 2017



Sutton Soup now seems to be really taking off with this, our fifth event, being the most successful yet. And we thought we couldn't top January! We had loads of new people to Soup #5 (a big welcome if you were one of them) and raised £757.

Our pitchers on the night were:

- **Jigsaw4u** – Jigsaw4u are a well established children's charity who were pitching for their Grief and Loss project, providing bereavement support to Sutton children who have experienced the death of a parent or significant relative. We heard all about this from the lovely Michelle, who works for the charity.
- **Clusters** – Centre of opportunity for adults with a disability. Clusters meet every Wednesday at Holmwood Hall in Wallington to provide recreational, educational and leisure activities for people with any sort of physical, sensory or mental impairment which seriously affects their day to day lives. Mollie, who chairs the group, pitched for funds to take members for a day trip to the seaside in a specially adapted coach.
- **Sutton Foodbank** – Helping local people in crisis. Sutton Foodbank will provide three days' worth of nutritionally balanced emergency food and support local to local people who have been referred to them by an appropriate agency. They don't think that anyone in our community should have to face going hungry. Mark from Community Works was pitching on their behalf.
- **The National Autistic Society Sutton Branch** – NAS Sutton Branch is run entirely by volunteers and rely on donations to fund all the events and activities that they put on for local autistic children and adults and their families. We heard a double headed pitch from co-chairs Rachel and Roberta, who told us more about the amazing and much needed work they do.

All of the pitches were really good – a few even came in under the four minute time, which was very impressive! Our runaway winner, however, was Mollie from Clusters, who really captured the audience's imagination with her vision of a day trip to Brighton for her members. She told us how some of them have never been to the seaside – we can't wait to catch up with her in July and hear how they all got on.



Dawn from **Little Eden** came back to tell us how she's been spending the money she won in January. It was really lovely to see her and