

SUTTON SOUP 7 - 5th October 2017



The seventh Sutton Soup was our most successful yet, raising a staggering £798! This amazing pot of funds was bumped up by incredibly generous donations from [Dawn at Little Eden](#) (the lovely winner of Sutton Soup 4) and the guys from 'PBM' a local pub quiz team (they know who they are!)

We heard pitches from:

- [Wallington Little League](#) – we heard from Andy and Heather who volunteer for the Little League. They told us how they encourage children from all backgrounds to stay involved in team sport and how this helps the children’s wellbeing and self esteem. They were pitching for funds to help with the league’s approximate £12,000 a year running costs, not all of which can be covered by contributions from parents.
- [Sutton Black History Group](#) – Veronica from SBHG pitched for funds for the group to hold a finale party at the end of October, which is Black History Month. Black History Month is an important opportunity to acknowledge and celebrate the achievements of African and Caribbean people in our society and SBHG are making sure that Sutton is fully involved! Veronica also donated a lovely cake to the Sutton Soup refreshments stall – thank you Veronica.
- [Sutton Mencap](#) – Dave from Sutton Mencap and John, a parent of one of the teenagers who use the service, pitched to us for funds to help buy a new trike which can be used by wheelchair users. They told us about all the great work Sutton Mencap do for people with disabilities in the borough. They brought their old trike along for us to have a look at and Jeff ended up riding it around the stage!
- [Sutton New Town Community Festival](#) – Based in St Barnabas Church, Sutton, this community group has just recently formed this year. We were joined by Sally and Louise who talked about how excited they are for this new project, the first venture of which will be the St Barnabas Christmas Tree Festival, starting on 8th December. They were pitching for funds to cover the costs of setting up the festival.

They were all great pitches, and the voting was close, but in the end the £798 went to [Wallington Little League](#), who were absolutely blown away with their giant cheque! Andy and Heather will be back to see us in January to let us know how they spent the money...

Speaking of which, we were joined by Laura from [Sutton Parents Forum](#), who won £590 at Sutton Soup 6 in July. She updated us on their activities and gave us