

SUTTON SOUP 2 - 7th July 2016



The second Soup on 7th July was another feel good evening with four great pitchers promoting their projects. We were again joined by the very talented Phil from [SCILL](#) who made us a Roasted Red Pepper & Tomato Soup with Moroccan Spices. The soup was delicious and went down really well – we had loads of requests for the recipe, watch this space for a recipes page coming soon. Heather from The Bread Club provided another batch of homemade spelt bread, the perfect complement to the soup. But the evening was not about the food, however tasty! It was also about the pitches. It was about us listening, voting and helping to change our community.

The pitchers at Sutton Soup 2 were:

- [SMILE](#) (Sutton Mentoring & Independent Leisure Experiences) – Nigel told us about SMILE, a peer mentoring scheme for disabled people aged 12-18 living in Sutton, developing life skills and improving social lives for these young people.
- [Community Works Job Club](#) – Mark from Community Works pitched for their Job Club, a much needed resource for local people who are trying to find work, offering support, skill and knowledge.
- [Angel Tree](#) – Roger and Jean from Prison Fellowship gave a great pitch for their project Angel Tree, enabling both male and female prisoners in Sutton's local prisons to be able to give Christmas gifts to their children.
- [Sutton Community Farm](#) – our local farm grows masses of produce and runs a [vegbox scheme](#). They pitched for their volunteering arm which offers volunteering opportunities to vulnerable people enabling them to improve their self esteem and skills.

A special mention has to go to Charlotte from Sutton Community Farm who stepped in to pitch at the last minute when another pitcher pulled out – they had in fact come along for the evening to promote their [veg box scheme](#) (do check it out) but really helped us out by delivering a great pitch off the cuff.

We were really pleased to welcome back Dean and Steve Killick from Sutton Night Watch. They told us that they are now only a few hundred pounds away from their target of £5000 which will enable them to apply to become a registered charity. It's great to think that we've all helped them on the way to this fantastic achievement. Good going guys!

We raised £345 and the money went to SMILE. Nigel from SMILE was chuffed to receive his giant cheque and said the funds would go toward the group's 28 summer activities. We'll see Nigel again at the next Soup in October to find out how SMILE is getting on.

All throughout we were entertained by the lovely Shirley Evans, our resident pianist. Thanks Shirley! You were great