

Community Action Sutton

Building Stronger Communities

Snap Shot of our year 2019-2020

Introduction

The last year has been another busy year for Community Action Sutton, we have continued to work with our partners and stakeholders and continue to support our 260 members.

In 2019/20 we provided 124 one to one advice sessions to organisations with 12 organisations received bespoke support for fundraising. To ensure the voice of the sector is heard we represent them at regular strategic partnership meetings and have also facilitated 40 meetings across our own forums.

We also continue to administer the Sutton Community Fund, and last year distributed £76,339.20 in grants to deliver work beneficial to the local community.

We continue to increase our presents on social media and send out regular ebulletins to keep members informed of local and national developments.

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Staff Team

Alison Navarro - Chief Executive Officer

Jackie Parr - Organisational & Voluntary Sector Support Manager Lorraine Davies - Team Administrator Simon Foxcroft - Team Administrator Razia Sattar - Senior Organisational Development Manager Kieran Reynolds - Youth Participation Lead Daniel Ayeni - Social Action Lead Sara Thomas - Marketing & Events Officer Dunstanette Kuti - Finance Manager James Poon - Community Accountancy Officer

CPS Payroll

Karen Adorjan - Payroll Officer Tina Green -Payroll Assistant Owen Williams - Payroll Assistant

healthwatch

Pete Flavell - Chief Executive Officer Gemma Thatcher - Communications, Engagement & Projects Officer Pam Howe - Patient Engagement Officer



Raising awareness in the community

National Hate Crime Awareness Week This year as part of national hate crime awareness week we held a series of activities and events throughout Sutton. Staff and colleagues engaged with over 170 individuals and over 150 leaflets were handed out.



Mental Health Awareness Week

A programme of events and activities were held during Mental Health Awareness Week to raise awareness around mental health and reduce the stigma and discrimination against people with mental health.

Programme of Events



Dementia Action Alliance

The Dementia Action Alliance successfully gained Dementia Friendly Communities status. This year dementia friendly training session were delivered to organisations working in transport and housing.

Youth Participation

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local organisations secured funding from the Young Londoners Fund.

Interfaith Forums

During 2019-2020 we facilitated 4 Interfaith Forums. Local Faith communities discussed;

- Funding
- Joint working
- Representation
- Celebrating Interfaith Week

International Women's Day

Following a sucessful women's event a Women's Creative Writing Network was set up. The network continues to grow from strength to strength.







Hill House

We took over the management of Hill House in October 2019. Since then we have been busy implementing a new approach to community development in the St Helier community area, leading to:

- Increased local engagement with residents
- Inspiring new partnerships
- Collaboration with local groups/agencies and developing innovative ways to transform the local community through resident's participation and contributions.



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We provide a listening ear and a voice for the sector through a range of forums, networks and partnerships.

During 2019-20 we facilitated 14 themed forums and networks. These forums provide a valuable platform for groups to network, share news and find out about what's happening locally and nationally.

- 2 Voluntary Sector Forums
- 1 CEO Leadership Forum
- 1 Health Social Care and Wellbeing Network
- 2 Children young People and Families Forums
- 5 BME Forums
- 1 Dementia Action Alliance Forum
- 2 DV Provider Forums
- 4 Young Sutton Forums
- 4 Faith and Belief Forums
- 2 Community Development Action Groups
- 4 Time to Change Forums
- 7 Hate Crime Forums
- 2 Small Groups Forums
- 3 Leaning Disability Health and Wellbeing Forums

Over 330 individuals attended our forums and network during 2019-20



Sutton Community

Fund During 2019-20 we distributed £76,339.20

in grants to organisations and groups deliver work beneficial to the local community.

Examples of projects that were funded through the Sutton Community Fund

Singing Sensations were awarded a grant to provide a programme of singing sessions for people with dementia and their carers. Nickel Support CIC were awarded a grant to refurbish office space into a multi-use enterprise space.

Head 2Head Theatre were awarded a grant to provide 4 half day workshops for families with a child with a disability.



organisations received bespoke support for fundraising

During 2019/20 we supported 124

organisations





During 2019/20 over 160 organisations used the CPS Payroll service. Groups range from some with just a single part time employee to some with over 90 employees.



A Massive thank you to you both Tina and Karen for all your support, clarity, advice and most importantly from me – your impeccable patience with me.

Kay, London Learning Consortium

I know I've said it before, but I shall say is again - you 2 should be running this country!

Hannah, In Unity UK

Christmas is almost upon us so a good time to step back and say a HUGE THANKYOU to you both for all your care and support over 2019. Nicole and I often comment that we feel very lucky to have the two of you taking care of our payroll and tolerating our numerous quirks and multiple changes, you are most definitely appreciated by both of us.

Karen, Off the Record



The key achievement during 2019/20 was Community Action Sutton in partnership with Volunteer Centre Sutton being commissioned by London Borough of Sutton to develop and deliver the Voluntary Sector Infrastructure and Capacity Building Programme



people attended the Annual Compact event in July 2019

Sutton Compact

During 2019-20 we held an event, providing an opportunity for the voluntary and community sector to hear from the London Borough of Sutton on their Outcome Based Commissioning Review Process



During 2019-20 our colleagues at Healthwatch Sutton were highly commended for

'Helping more people to have their say'

at the 2019 Healthwatch Network awards for their work on children and young people's mental health.

This work was instrumental in the application process that secured an extra £1.8million of funding for schools to support mental health in young people.