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### **National BID Awards**

Sidcup Partners are very proud to have been one of the only three BIDs nationally that were shortlisted in the Place Management Category in The National BID Awards 2019. Sidcup were up against South Bank BID in London with an annual income in 2018/2019 in excess of £500 000 and Sligo BID in Ireland with an income in 2018/2019 of £470 000.

The winner Sligo was announced at the BID conference in Cambridge on Thursday 7th November. Although disappointed to not have won we were pleased that we were good enough to be shortlisted.





**Sidcup**  
*Christmas*  
**2019 Extravaganza**

Christmas Stalls  
Face Painting  
Full entertainment programme  
Bright Bricks make and take  
Free Cinema  
Bar & Refreshments

★★  
**Saturday  
30th  
November**  
10.30 - 17.30  
★★

★★  
**Location:  
New Community  
Church  
Station Road**  
★★

In association with



**MERTON COURT**  
PREPARATORY SCHOOL  
CO - EDUCATIONAL DAY PREPARATORY SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN AGED 3-11  
*WHERE OPPORTUNITIES MAKE ALL THE DIFFERENCE*

## **Christmas Extravaganza 2019**

This years Christmas Extravaganza will be held at The New Community Church in Station Road on November 30th. There will be a free cinema showing, stalls and entertainment as well as refreshments and of course Father Christmas and Mrs Christmas too. After such a success at our last event Brightbricks will also be available at our Christmas event too.

## **Mental Health First Aid Course**

We are pleased to announce a Mental Health First Aid Course provided by a fully qualified professional.

Venue: New Community Church Station Road Sidcup

Date: 30th January 2020

A one day course - MHFA Champions

The course is an awareness and skills course which will teach you to;

- Recognise the main signs and symptoms of common mental health issues
- Provide initial support
- Guide a person towards appropriate professional help
- Be mindful of your own wellbeing
- Develop an understanding of how you can create and maintain a healthier workforce or community

If you are a Sidcup Partners BID levy payer the course will be free. For non levy payers the cost is £100 and is subject to availability. Free places will be offered on a first come basis.



To learn more or book a place please contact David Whiting on 07736123947

## **Poppies**

Poppies were installed in the High Street and Station Road and the scheme has been extended from last year. On Sunday 9th November Mat and Ronnie from The Alma Public House joined the Remembrance Parade and laid a wreath on behalf of Sidcup Partners. We would like to thank Mat and Ronnie for representing Sidcup Partners at this important event.



**Burnt Oak Buzz**

Burnt Oak Buzz is a childrens digital newspaper created by the children of Burnt Oak Lane School in Sidcup. The latest issue of a very impressive Newspaper is available online on our website at [www.sidcuppartners.co.uk](http://www.sidcuppartners.co.uk) and it is well worth a read. Sidcup Partners are very pleased to say we have supported Burnt Oak Lane School who are members of the BID by providing equipment including laptops and software to help with the production of publication.

### **Market**

We held a local producers market on Friday 1st November along Elm Parade. This is the location that the council have authorised Sidcup Partners to use. We are investigating other locations and are currently negotiating with the council.

The market included a range of products including fresh fish, fruit and vegetables, sausages, liquors, fresh bread, candles, Himalayan pink rock salt and a range of hand made gifts. The next market will be held on Friday 6th December from 10am-2pm.

### **New Library and Cinema**

Work has begun on the demolition of the former Blockbuster building. DRDH Architects were appointed at the end of last year following a competitive tendering process. Planning for the new building was approved in early October. The library will be on the ground floor of the new building with a three screen cinema above. Construction will start in early 2020 and it is scheduled to open by the end of 2021.

### **Crime Survey**

Please find details below of the Bexley Crime survey. If you could take a few minutes to complete it would be greatly appreciated.

[www.bexley.gov.uk/crimesurvey](http://www.bexley.gov.uk/crimesurvey)

## Sidcup Fire Station

Sidcup Fire Station helped out over the three days of our Fringe Festival event in September. A fire engine was on hand for children and adults to explore and officers gave out advice as well as participating in the creation of a large community mosaic. Sidcup Partners were able to donate £500 to the Fire Fighters Charity.





### **Halloween Trail**

This years Halloween Trail was even bigger and better than last years. We are delighted to work in partnership with St Johns Church and Waitrose to deliver this event. Families met at St Johns Church with children in their fancy dress outfits and they all had the opportunity to make paper lanterns lit with glow sticks, to make bracelets, decorate biscuits and have their face painted before collecting the trail map and a bag to go into the High Street to collect treats kindly donated by Waitrose before returning to the church for a judging of the fancy dress competition.









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If you have any news or offers that you would like to promote, please get in touch - the website is there to be used for the benefit of all BID levy payers.

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