



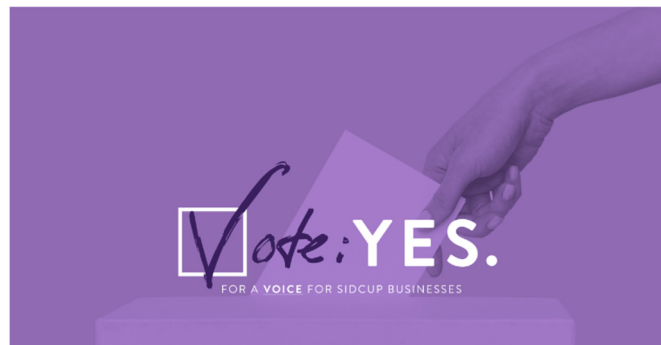
## Newsletter March 2022

Firstly, we would like to express how delighted we are to be working with you again for a further five years after you voted yes.

The results are as follows;

**Turnout of 43%**

**Yes Vote of 74%**



### Community Clean up

Our next community clean-up will be Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March from 10.30am-12.30pm.

As usual we will be providing all equipment and a health and safety report will be completed prior to the clean-up. The meeting point is the BID office located at 1 Elm Parade Sidcup DA14 6NF.

### Valentines Event

Thank you to everyone that participated in our Valentines event. It was a huge success and we received fantastic feedback. A full gallery of photos is available on our website



### Kickstart

We have a new member of our team. Josh joined us as part of the kickstart programme in February. He is enjoying his role within the BID team. The Kickstart scheme delivers funding for employers offering new job roles for 16–24-year-olds who currently receive Universal Credit and are at risk of long-term unemployment. The funding we are receiving covers 100% of the national minimum wage for 25 hours per week for a total of six months. It also covers national insurance contributions and pension.



### Future Events

We are currently organising events for Easter, the Queens Jubilee and Fringe Festival. The Easter event will be located in the High Street and Station Road over the Easter weekend. The Jubilee event will be held on June 4<sup>th</sup> at The Green (Sidcup Place) and The Fringe after the success of last year will be held at Lamorbey Park on September 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please continue to follow us on social media for the most up to date information on these events.

### FiverFest

We will be promoting Fiver Fest this year. Many businesses have already joined the promotion where businesses offer something that would usually cost more but will be discounted to £5 during a two-week period. We will promote the business as well as their offer during the period of promotion which runs from March 12th-26<sup>th</sup> and encourages people to shop locally.



### Training

We have organised for training to take place on two selected days in March. The training includes First aid training as well as Social Media training. It has proved to be in high demand with very limited places now remaining. The training will take place from 10 am - 4pm on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March and Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March. Both courses are available for BID levy payers only.

We hope to secure further training dates in the future.

### Sidcup Spotlight

We are pleased to share we will be launching a local magazine called Sidcup Spotlight which will be published seasonally. The first issue will launch in March and be distributed locally.

### Collection for Ukraine

Local business Your Move Petty Freeman have become a collection point for donations of items for Ukraine. Volunteers have worked tirelessly to package the items donated so kindly by many of our local businesses. We are proud to see everyone working together. Donations can continue to be made but only selected items are being accepted. Please follow our social media pages for the most up to date information.



Please keep up to date with the latest work of Sidcup Partners by following us across our social media pages including Facebook, Twitter and Instagram or through our website [www.sidcuppartners.co.uk](http://www.sidcuppartners.co.uk).

In the meantime, if you know of any other ways in which we can help businesses or the local community please do not hesitate to get in touch, we are always happy to answer any questions.

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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