

Special Needs Objective Outreach Project

Charity number: 1115566

# **Fundraising news**



# Welcome to our Fundraising Newsletter

### **CEO** message

### Hello

I just wanted to say thank you to everyone who has helped us and supported us to raise funds for SNOOP in 2023. Your support means that we can deliver our services and projects and provide fun and new experiences for children and adults with disabilities. Working with an age range of 2-45 years across the services means our wonderful staff have to be creative and are kept on their toes, but they are amazing, I'm sure you will agree.

I've no need to tell you that we are in challenging financial times as everyone has been affected in some way. But I wanted to tell you that we welcome your involvement in our fundraising, whether this is in the planning, on the day or running an event, doing a sponsored run or walk, donating prizes or whatever you feel you can do. Our door is open, so come in and have a chat. It is our 25th Anniversary of SNOOP in 2025, so there will be lots of fun things to do.

Once again thank you. We couldn't do what we do without your support.

Carol Beardmore – CEO and Parent/Carer SNOOP/Tadpoles Nursery

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# Fundraising spotlight





### Why did you choose to support SNOOP?

We were inspired to support SNOOP after hearing from a relative about your appeal for 100 Easter eggs in the local area. They shared with us the amazing work you do for people with learning disabilities and asked us if we could lend a hand. We were delighted to help, as it aligned with our values. We were impressed by the support you offer at SNOOP when we visited and eager to find out how we could help you more. We have 8 core business values that help to shape Ison Harrison. One of those values is Community, we are a people business and love meeting new people and being able to help people where we can.

We are passionate about our local communities in which our offices are based and where our colleagues live. Supporting SNOOP allows us to get involved in the local community and we are passionate about supporting good causes. We could tell from our first visit to your centre that your staff are very caring and committed to creating a safe and fun environment for all of your members. The support you give to your members is priceless and we saw the positive impact of your services ourselves and felt motivated to join and support such a vital charity.

### What does giving to a charity like SNOOP feel like?

We were lucky enough to be able to support SNOOP in a variety of ways last year. Giving to a charity who supports local people is a rewarding and fulfilling experience. It feels good to know that we are supporting a charity who is making a difference in the lives of people who face many challenges and barriers in society.

# How we can help support you if you choose to fundraise for SNOOP in the future?

We would love to continue supporting SNOOP in the future. The best way that you can support us in doing this is to keep us up to date with what you have planned for the year, your goals and where you require support. This will help us when we are planning and allocating our resources. You could also share details of our services with your members or display leaflets advertising our services in your centre. We are committed to creating a large, accessible, energetic and successful law firm that puts our people and our clients at the heart of everything we do.

### Abigail Hewison-Ison Harrison



# Our vision

"Our vision is for a society where people with learning disabilities and their parent/carers feel valued, supported and enabled to have a good life with the same chances and opportunities as any other person".

# Some statistics about our community



1.5 million people in the UK have a learning disability



In a survey by Sense, over half of disabled people reported feeling lonely, rising to over three quarters (77%) for those aged 18-34. Loneliness is associated with physical and mental health problems and poorer quality of life (Gilmore & Cuskelly, 2014).



Some studies suggest the rate of mental health problems in people with a learning disability is double that of the general population (Cooper, 2007; Emerson & Hatton, 2007)



Children with special educational needs (SEND) are twice as likely to be bullied regularly than children with no SEND (IoE London, 2014)

People with a learning disability have worse physical health than people without a learning disability.



On average, the life expectancy of women with a learning disability is 18 years shorter than for women in the general population.

The life expectancy of men with a learning disability is 14 years shorter than for men in the general population (NHS Digital 2017). 58% of people with learning disabilities die from avoidable causes. (NHS Digital 2017)

# Amelia's journey



### A little bit about Amelia....

My name is Amelia and I have been working at SNOOP for five years! I love arts and crafts, reading and music.

Before I worked at SNOOP I used to attend with my brothers. I always loved it. The staff were nice, we would do activities and play games and I could have some quiet time to read and chill if I wanted.

SNOOP has always been somewhere that I could be myself without judgement. Both attending and working here has improved my social skills, independence and confidence, both in myself and what I do.

One of my brothers continues to attend SNOOP. He always looks forward to it and will constantly ask about it in the days leading up to it. SNOOP is a great place for him to socialise with other young adults with plenty of support from staff, it gives him independence from home and allows our mum to have some respite.

### Why I chose to work at SNOOP....

I chose to work at SNOOP because of the supportive and encouraging environment. It was something that I knew I would enjoy doing and provided flexible working hours especially around college and university.

I graduated from university last year and SNOOP has been brilliant, giving me the opportunity to work when I came home for the holidays.

I did Film Production at Uni, and now that I have finished I have been looking at other jobs. The staff at SNOOP have all been very encouraging and I feel very supported in this transition from one chapter in my life to another-I know that wherever I want to go next, I'll be going with all the confidence, transferable skills and positivity that I have developed in my time here.

I love to crochet, and one thing I like to do is crochet things that SNOOP can sell to raise money. I will also sometimes do arts and crafts with the young adults. It is really nice to be able to share the things I like with other people, especially knowing that supports SNOOP and the people who attend.

Amelia

# Supporter challenges

### JEFF AND CRAIG'S WALKING CHALLENGE

In June last year two of our supporters walked the length of the Leeds Liverpool canal to raise money for SNOOP. Jeff and Craig started in Liverpool and walked all the way to Leeds a total of 125 miles.

# THEY RAISED A TOTAL OF £540, AN INCREDIBLE AMOUNT!

"Today I completed the Leeds/Liverpool canal walk to raise money for Snoop, I can't thank everyone enough for all your support, it has definitely kept me going. It has been an amazing walk and something I will never forget!" -Craig

Q. What does giving to a charity like SNOOP mean to you?

"Doing something for a good cause and combining it with something you've always wanted to do is really special and rewarding"-Jeff

### YOUNG ADULTS WOODWORK PROJECT

Our young adults came up with the idea to do a woodwork project to raise some funds. They chose to make wooden rabbits which they sold for Easter.



THEY RAISED £70, WELL DONE GUYS!



### **JENNY'S RUN CHALLENGE**

"In October last Year I completed the Manchester Half Marathon to raise money for SNOOP. I decided I wanted to improve my fitness so in September 2022 I joined a local running club. After completing the couch 2-5K program I did a 10k race and then decided to do something a little more challenging.

I feel very lucky to have good physical health as so many our children and young people find physical activity challenging, but still do their best to remain active and have a really positive attitude about it.

I really wanted to give something back to the charity to support them. I really enjoyed the race and felt a great sense of achievement in doing it!"-Jenny

### THE TOTAL RAISED WAS £470



Download our Fundraising Pack to see how you can help.



https://www.snoopcharity.org/wpcontent/uploads/2024/01/NEW-FUNDRAISING-PACKcompressed.pdf

# Team days

Last summer a team of volunteers from Vanquis Bank, organised through Participate, Good Team Building Days helped to transform our nursery outdoor play area.

THE TOTAL VALUE OF SUPPORT WE **RECEIVED FROM THE GOOD TEAM BUILDING** £2.136. THIS INCLUDES £456 DAY WORTH OF DONATED MATERIALS. AND AN OF **ESTIMATED** £1.680 VOLUNTEERING TIME FROM THE 16 **VOLUNTEERS WE HAD INVOLVED!** 



Ison Harrison also supported us through sending a team of volunteers to make over our children's play area. Including painting all of the fences, installing a new trampoline, water wall and bench and cutting all of the grass.





IF YOU WORK FOR COMPANY AND WOULD LIKE TO CONSIDER VOLUNTEERING YOUR TIME WE HAVE A RANGE OF OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUR TEAM. YOUR SUPPORT IN KIND WILL ENABLE US TO PROVIDE SO MANY GREAT OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE. PLEASE CALL US ON 01274 292126 TO DISCUSS THIS FUTHER.



# Community Events

Our largest community fundraising events are our Summer and Christmas fair. Last year's events were a great success, providing an opportunity for us all to come together and celebrate our community. Over 100 people attended each event and we received some great feedback.

### TOGETHER BOTH THESE EVENTS RAISED £1500

Our other community events included our stall at Saltaire Festival where we held a tombola and win a bottle stall. It was our first year taking part in the event and we had a great time!

We're hoping to make this years events even bigger and better! If you would like to volunteer at our events or have an idea for your own fundraising event please get in touch.

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### **Upcoming events**

# Our year in fundraising

This year's fundraising efforts have been amazing. We want to thank all our funders and supporters. It is because of your kindness and generosity that we are able to continue with our charitable work and we feel blessed to be part of such a wonderful community. We have had so many fantastic donations and time given in kind from tombola and raffle prizes to donations of toys and resources, volunteer days and people completing sponsored events for us.

IN THE 2023/2024 YEAR OUR COMMUNITY FUNDRAISING TOTAL SO FAR IS £4352! AND BY THE END OF MARCH 2024 WE AIM TO GET TO £6000

# Can you help us reach our target?

Tad roles Nursery

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ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A 2024 CHALLENGE?

FUNDRAISE FOR SNOOPI

Are you thinking about completing a fundraising challenge this year? Choose SNOOP as your chosen charity. Every penny will go directly towards supporting children and young people with learning disabilities.

### **OUR TARGET**



# Other ways to support SNOOP

Every time you shop through the Easy Fundraising website a free donation is made to SNOOP.

It could not be easier, once you've signed up and shop online, the retailer will make a donation to us. You pay nothing extra!

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Join over 2.4 million people raising free donations at over 7,000 retailers every day the easyfundraising way! Over £42 million has already been raised for good causes.

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# DONATE Sm

No matter how much you can give you will be helping to make a big difference to the lives of our children, young adults and carers.

# How to donate

If you would like to make a donation you can:

Send a cheque to:

Snoop – Newlands House Newlands House One Inspire Bradford Business Park, Newlands Way, Eccleshill Bradford BD10 0JE

### Make a Bank Transfer:

sort code - 56-00-36 Acc no - 40176533

Pay by Debit / Credit card or PayPal by clicking on the donate button

Thank you!

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