



Joint Western Arun Area County Local Committee Community Initiative Fund application



CLC Reference: 284/JWAAC

Local Councillor: David Edwards

Status: Fundraising Stage

Project Cost: £2,213.00 (as found under crowdfunding goal total)

Project Title: Space 4 Sight

About:

Creating an accessible activity hub to home vibrant and social engagement for people living with sight loss and the wider community. Designed and created with accessibility and remaining independence at the core, we want your support to create a unique community area, fitted out with all the appropriate furnishings and equipment for wider inclusion – specifically tailored for people living with sight loss. Everyday 250 people in the UK begin to lose their sight, and here at 4Sight Vision support we work to make a positive difference for people living with sight loss in West Sussex. Creating practical support, raising awareness, opportunity for participation and learning how to remain independent. This multipurpose room will become the place to host sports groups, meetings, talks, demonstration days, social events, films, and many other initiatives with great accessibility. We not only can open our doors to more members for our clubs as we increase our capacity, but also open up opportunity to other organisations to host activities looking for a specifically accessibility equipped space for inclusion and diversity.

Project Delivery Manager: 4Sight Vision Support

About me:

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Website: <http://www.4sight.org.uk>

Why we're pitching for a pledge:

Sight loss can happen to anyone of us at any time and today you can make a positive difference to someone's life.

What we'll deliver:

- Convert empty unused space to a multipurpose room.
- Equip room with all the appropriate furnishings and equipment for people living with sight loss - and other disabilities
- Adapt current facilities to ensure function and accessibility is continued

Why it's a great idea:

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Steps to get it done:

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