

# SCCCC News

SPRING 2024



Looking back on a fantastic year we want to thank everyone who has supported our work throughout 2023.

Here are some fabulous photos from the year.



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2023 was a fantastic year for us. Highlights for me include SCCCC being one of the 10 winners of the GSK | Kings Award Impact Award, a huge achievement, highlighting our impact on the community. Being listed as one of the top 100 most inclusive UK workplaces meant so much to us. We launched new services to support older people to live independently and prevent hospital re-admission.



A new year can mean new beginnings, but for many isolated older people the thought of another new year means another 365 days alone, and it's a heavy burden. That's why at SCCCC we are committed to reaching out to those who need us most. Recruiting volunteers to visit older people regularly to help reduce loneliness.

If you can spare an hour a week please get in touch.

Mark Storey, CEO

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## Tina - Staff profile

Tina is the newest member of the SCCCC family, she is a Hospital to Home Support Worker. Here Tina talks about her experience so far.

"I spent a fantastic 25 years at Wilko, doing everything from working the tills to merchandising and handling stock issues. Unfortunately, the company went through tough times and had to close in October 2023, leaving me without a job.

Not sure what to do next, I started browsing job sites. That's when I came across a posting for SCCCC. After reading about the job, I thought it sounded perfect for me. I wanted a change and something that would be fulfilling and make a positive impact.

Now, in the early days at SCCCC, my role involves learning the ropes with my new colleagues. Every day is a fresh adventure - from helping patients get home from the hospital to installing key safes, moving furniture to make way for hospital beds, and even feeding clients' pets. It's never boring!



Since day one, I've been loving it. I really wish I had applied for this job years ago. The entire team at SCCCC has been incredibly welcoming and friendly. I know I have a lot to learn, but I'm excited about the journey ahead and confident I'll get there.

**The best part is connecting with clients, hearing their stories, and seeing their smiles of gratitude.**

I can't wait to see what the future holds working with SCCCC!"

## Our befriending Scheme

Join our befriending Scheme, Good Neighbours, and make a positive impact on the lives of isolated older people. We have more than 200 older people eagerly waiting for a friendly volunteer to visit them at home, share a regular cuppa, or engage in uplifting telephone conversations. Can you dedicate just one hour per week? Reach out to us at [volunteers@scccc.co.uk](mailto:volunteers@scccc.co.uk) to request an application form.



## Indian Eatery Forges Partnership to Nourish the Spirits of Isolated Seniors

Lavang, an Indian restaurant located in the heart of Fulwood, is introducing a discretionary charity donation on each customer bill, with the proceeds going directly to SCCCC. This initiative reflects the restaurant's commitment to making a positive impact beyond the realm of exquisite cuisine.

AJ Ali, Co-Founder of Lavang, knows first-hand the issues, isolated people experience, having spent years regularly food shopping for his older neighbour who was unable to leave their home.

"We believe that a little kindness goes a long way, and we are thrilled to partner with SCCCC to support the well-being of older individuals in our community," said AJ, "Our customers now have the opportunity to join us in making a difference with every dining experience."

"Lavang's decision to support SCCCC resonates deeply with our mission to enhance the well-being of isolated older individuals," said Ericka Hill, Fundraiser, Marketing and Communications Officer at SCCCC. "AJ's genuine connection with the community and his dedication to kindness aligns perfectly with our goals, and we are thrilled to have them on board."



### CAN YOU BE OUR SUPERHERO?

CHALLENGING 6KM MUD RUN & OBSTACLE COURSE  
11TH MAY 2024

**BOG COMMANDER**

**£30** registration fee

**Sign up online here**



**Bog Commander - Our Muddy Fundraiser**

**It's back!** And this time it's super (hero) powered. Join us on the **11th of May** for a mud run and obstacle course in the beautiful Peak District.

This gruelling 6KM is no walk in the park. Sponsored by The World of Superheroes, we are donning our capes, adjusting our masks and pulling our pants over our tights, to combat loneliness.

Registration is £30 per person, and contestants must pledge to raise a minimum of £150 in sponsorship.

Email [Kimberley.france@scccc.co.uk](mailto:Kimberley.france@scccc.co.uk) or head to our website for details.



## LOVE

TO JOIN US FOR TEA?

FUNDRAISE TO REDUCE LONELINESS ONE CUPPA AT A TIME

**S4C TEA**

**Host your own #S4Ctea**

A great reason to gather your friends, family or colleagues, eat cake & drink tea whilst fundraising for a great cause

**FR** Fundraising Regulator

SCCCC is a CR registered charity (England & Wales: 1228071)

## GET INVOLVED...

**Volunteers are the heart of our charity. We have a number of different volunteering roles here at SCCCC.**

**Good Neighbour friendly visitor** – become a befriending volunteer, visit an isolated older person in their own home for a cuppa and a chat on a regular basis.

**Telephone Support** – speak to an isolated older person on the telephone on a regular basis.

**Pen pal Scheme** – Write letters or send in cards to our service users to help them stay socially connected and bring a smile to their faces.

**Hospital to Home** – Does your employer offer you volunteering hours? Why not spend them with us, working alongside our friendly staff?

**Event support** – Come along and spend a few hours assisting our Volunteer Recruitment and Fundraising teams at Community and challenge events.

**Do you have a skill that could support our work?** Become a Trustee and be part of an award-winning charity. If you can help contact [volunteer@scccc.co.uk](mailto:volunteer@scccc.co.uk)



## LETTERS

*Just a quick thank you for your help in moving furniture for us when my husband came out of hospital and needed a hospital bed at home. It has made such a difference to us and taken away a lot of worry as to how we would have done it. A big thank you - Judith*

**What are your thoughts about SCCCC? Share them with us.**

**Email:** [mail@scccc.co.uk](mailto:mail@scccc.co.uk)

Make a donation today to help SCCCC to maintain the level of care that all of our friends and families deserve. Your donation will go a long way to improving the level of care in our communities.

**£5 can pay for** an emergency food parcel to be delivered to an older person's home who has just been discharged from hospital and has no support.

**£10 can help provide** emergency practical support for an older person in need.

**£20 can support a** fully trained friendly visitor to visit an older person at home - helping to reduce isolation and preventing ill health which can result in hospital re-admission.



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Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to make a donation of £ \_\_\_\_\_  
to Sheffield Churches Council for Community Care.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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