



iSmooth Community Café

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REconomy Project

Mission

To address the community's need to provide work and volunteering opportunities to the disabled members of the community while also providing a place where locals can get together.

Is there a link with Transition?

No.

Your product or service – how much does it help improve resilience in your local community or elsewhere?

The community café provides a place where people can meet and purchase fresh, health, affordable food daily while also providing a place where the most disadvantaged have an opportunity to volunteer and learn new skills improving their employability and confidence.

Employees

1 x 35hrs, 2 x 30hrs, 1 x 25hrs and 16 volunteers.

Are you in profit? If not, when do you anticipate being so?

How long have you been trading?

Turnover: £38,000.00. Profit: £6,000.00 We have been trading since 4 June 2010.

What is your company structure and why did you choose it?

Social enterprise – company limited by guarantee.

What about financial sustainability? Are you trading or part-trading without money?

3 members of the committee put £500.00 in each to get started.

Are you looking to build more common wealth & ownership and is priority your profit sharing and/or community benefits versus more traditional investor returns?

The profit that we make annually is reinvested into the service we provide and to purchase new equipment.

Localisation – are you sourcing, distributing and interacting locally?

We purchase all produce locally and work in partnership with local social enterprises to provide catering etc.

Climate impacts – negative, beneficial or neutral?

We are environmentally friendly in every aspect of the business, we use recyclable products, we grown our own fresh herbs, the café is fitted out by low energy, light and equipment.

