



## 'Making a Mark'

### Mark Holder Social Impact Declaration

## Southville Community Development Association (SCDA)

The Southville Community Development Association (SCDA) is a registered charity, which runs the Southville Centre in Bristol, a community centre that provides support to local groups and the community.

The Southville Centre is a modern community centre run by the SCDA which provides support to local groups and the community in wide and diverse ways. We receive no direct funding and generate income through trading and fundraising, with any surplus being reinvested into community projects that improve the lives of people living in the Greater Bedminster area.



The Social Enterprise Mark criteria includes a requirement for all applicants and renewing Mark Holders to provide 'social impact statements', which illustrate how they are striving to meet their social/environmental objectives. Below are examples of how **SCDA** is Making a Mark, striving to create a positive impact on people and planet.

### Social inputs – benefits for local community

The community centre provides a diverse range of public benefits, and is a space where the community can come together to mingle and socialise over a coffee, whilst exercising or attending an event.

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Our support for the community through locally-led projects has remained an important part of the SCDA's work. Projects have included:

- Work with young people and young adults
- Inter-generational work between old and young people
- Environmental projects that help to improve the appearance and sustainability of our local community
- Health and well-being projects, particularly those aimed at our older residents to help reduce isolation and loneliness

## Social outputs – examples of key benefits created

- **We are a significant local employer** – we employ 52 people, around 70% of whom within three miles of the Southville Centre
- **We are a community venue** - the centre provides a home to a wide range of groups and activities, and is open to the public and in active use from 9am to 9pm five days a week
- **We help community development** - we provide support to many of the groups we founded originally
- **We offer family services** - we run nursery provision, a Breakfast Club, After School Club and Holiday Club for children between the ages of 4 and 11 years old

## Social outcomes – case study example

Dian Keepin joined the older people's weekly social club run by the SCDA 2 years ago. In 2011, retired and recently been widowed after 60 years of marriage, Dian was at a very low point in her life. She says that from the moment she walked into the Monday Club she felt at home. She takes part in craft activities, enjoys the group day trips and wins most of the quizzes!



In particular Dian really enjoys the sing-along sessions as she used to be a member of a choir and it gives her great pleasure to once again take part in collective singing. *"The Monday Club gave me a new lease of life..It's the place I feel most relaxed."*

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