

SINGING has done the power of good as Soul Symphony Choir celebrate their part in raising £1242 for Mind in Croydon, at St Paul's United Reformed Church, Croham Park Avenue, Croydon.



Founder and Vocal Coach Joanne Miller, never needs an excuse to raise awareness and do a little fundraising – be it for national charities or in supporting local causes at her many concerts.

Joanne, who runs Soul Symphony Choir, which meets weekly at The Holy Family Church Hall, Limpsfield Road, said: "We're always encouraging new people to join the choir by shouting out the benefits that singing brings to people's lives. I'm delighted that we have achieved £1242 – I'm sure the monies raised will bring real benefits to many people in Croydon."

"More and more people are coming to Mind in Croydon for help and support and most of our services now have a waiting list. We get very good support from Croydon Council and the NHS, as well as from organisations like Comic Relief and the Big Lottery. However, we need support from the community if we are to keep up with demand and fundraising and donations are an important part of this. The fundraising concert that Soul Symphony Choir held for us was an excellent event. Not only did it raise much needed funds, but it gave people the opportunity to talk about mental health and well-being and how important this is for all of us." Richard Pacitti, Chief Executive, Mind in Croydon.



If you want to join the group and help raise money for local causes, Joanne is holding a free 'open rehearsal' on Tuesdays, 4-18 in July 2017 and 12 September at 7.30pm at The Holy Family Church Hall, 115 Limpsfield Road CR2 9LF. Next concert Sunday 23 July 2017, [joanne@soulsymphony.co.uk](mailto:joanne@soulsymphony.co.uk)