

## **TVF Supper Club with special guest Sophie Cornish MBE, co-founder of [notonthehighstreet.com](http://notonthehighstreet.com)**



The Victoria Foundation Supper Club with special guest Sophie Cornish MBE, co-founder of [notonthehighstreet.com](http://notonthehighstreet.com) was a sell-out event. Over 80 guests, many local business owners, attended the fabulous event on 3<sup>rd</sup> March at The Bingham Hotel.

TVF Ambassador Linda Duberley was MC for the evening. Linda welcomed guests before introducing Graham Ball, CEO of The Victoria Foundation. Graham gave a brief summary of the aims of the charity and introduced Anna, a local teenager, The Victoria Foundation has supported. Guests listened intently as Anna explained how hard life had been for her with a heavy wheelchair and how the light-weight wheelchair the charity had funded for her had helped to transform her life.

After dinner Linda introduced Sophie Cornish MBE who told her story of how she had co-founded [notonthehighstreet.com](http://notonthehighstreet.com). Sophie shared her 'Top Tips' and 'Lessons Learned the Hard Way' before taking questions from the audience.

After questions Sophie launched The Victoria Foundation 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Appeal and said,

*'I am proud to have been asked to launch The Victoria Foundation's 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Appeal this evening to fund 10 more wheelchairs which will transform the lives of 10 more youngsters like Anna. A wheelchair like Anna's costs from £5,000 upwards and if everyone here this evening donated £10 per month to The Victoria Foundation we could raise funds for two more wheelchairs by the charity's 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary in March 2017 which would be a fantastic achievement. Donating £10 a month equates to giving up just one cup of coffee /tea a week. I do hope you will join me and be part of this fantastic 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Appeal. You should have all received a pledge card with details of how you can get involved. Please don't go home this evening without making your pledge as together we can transform more lives. Thank you.'*

Sophie Cornish

As the evening drew to a close there was much excitement as winners of the fabulous raffle were announced. Excitement grew as the winning number for the diamond earrings donated by Embers Jewellery and notonthehighstreet.com was announced. Patricia Campbell-Parker, the lucky winner, was speechless but delighted to have won such a fantastic prize!



Lorna Votier, Development Director at The Victoria Foundation thanked all those who had so generously donated raffle prizes including Annie Armitage Photographer, Vital Wellbeing, Coco Hair and Beauty, Steins Kingston, LS Hair Richmond, Funny Women, Naledi Copenhagen, Bootcamp Pilates, Moody Tom Jewellery, The Bingham Hotel, Embers Jewellery and notonthehighstreet.com.

Lorna thanked guests for their support and presented Sophie, Anna and Linda with beautiful bouquets of flowers kindly donated by Bramble and Moss.

The Supper Club was a great success and raised over £1,500 which will help to transform the life of another teenager like Anna. Further donations were pledged by a number of guests.

### A big thank you to the sponsors of the Supper Club event:



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