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The Hospital Saturday Fund Charity Update

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Grant Making Back in Full Swing

The decision was made in March this year to pause our regular grant making efforts. However, we were determined to find a way of continuing to support local communities during the pandemic. The organisation's solution was to introduce the Covid-19 Grant, which has enabled 102 charities such as hospices and care homes throughout the UK and Ireland to receive support. This funding went towards the purchase of PPE equipment, and extra funding for helplines and home visits.

One of our UK-based beneficiaries was Tŷ Hafan, a children's hospice in the Vale of Glamorgan, Wales. Eleanor Prescott, the charity's Grants and Trusts Fundraiser, explained that without support during the pandemic, that they would "struggle to meet the (funding) levels necessary, and in the worst case have to restrict our services to keep families safe". The Hospital Saturday Fund has been thrilled to contribute towards the continuation of this vital service, so that Tŷ Hafan can go on "fulfilling their purpose to help make short lives full family lives, and be there for families as long as they need us".

From Ireland we heard how innovative Cork Life Centre had been with their grant.

"At what has been a stressful time, it has been so heartening to see how communities, and those who support them, have come together. In our lovely home on Winter's Hill in Cork, behind the red door, work is well under way in preparation for safe re-opening for a new school year. This would not be



Cork Life Centre prepare perspex for their protective visors.

possible without the generous support of the Hospital Saturday Fund with whom we are fortunate to have been involved with since 2017.

In May and June, as restrictions began to ease, we explored and identified the needs of our community in terms of safety in the current climate and in terms of planning for a new school year. The task felt daunting. When Paul Jackson and the Hospital Saturday Fund approached and offered the support of their COVID-19 Fund, it allowed us to take vital steps on the journey to full re-opening.

With the support of HSF, we were able to purchase three 3-D printing machines and printing materials which are allowing us to print and produce our

own visors. We were very fortunate that we were able to reach out to our community partners in CIT (Cork Institute of Technology), who advised us in relation to purchase and use of 3D printers who also shared their blueprint for manufacture of visors. The added bonus of producing visors on-site at a low cost, was being able to build the sense of community around preparation for re-opening by having staff and students support the production process".

Paul Jackson said how very proud he is that we were able to be there for beneficiaries and communities like Tŷ Hafan, Cork Life Centre and many more, when they needed us the most.

In July, the exciting decision was also made to resume normal grant-making for charities and individuals.



Tŷ Hafan Supporter Dialch

Lewis-Manning Hospice

On Wednesday 30th September, John Greenwood, HSF Chairman, travelled to Poole in Dorset to present a cheque to Lewis-Manning Hospice for £6,349.

He was met by their Trusts Fundraiser, Clair Warren who made him very welcome. They met at their new Hospice which has only just been completed and is ready for their first patients. The building is very well equipped and will be of great benefit to the patients and staff.

John was shown the equipment we were able to purchase for them. This consists of an inflatable sleeve that can be placed on the arm or leg and when switched on will gently massage the

limb, and a Lymphflow Advance Pump.

This equipment is vital for people suffering from Lymphoedema who need massage. Due to the current Coronavirus pandemic this massage can no longer be done manually so this equipment will enable treatment to be carried out without human contact.



Claire and John Greenwood with their new equipment

After Lunch John was taken to Christchurch to see two of the mobile support units they are hoping to hire when they need to. These units have the benefit of being able to go to local areas to treat patients locally which prevents them from having to travel to Poole.

This was a very rewarding visit and once again demonstrates the good The Hospital Saturday Fund can do.



John Greenwood at the Mobile Support Unit

FitzRoy

John Greenwood and Paul Jackson visited FitzRoy in Peterfields on 22nd September 2020, to present a cheque for £9,155 towards pulse oximeters and non-contact/infrared thermometers for all their care homes.

FitzRoy was founded 50 years ago by Elizabeth FitzRoy and John Williams. Elizabeth's son, Michael, had Down's Syndrome and Elizabeth wanted him to be able to do the things he loved and be part of the community. Similarly, John's son Huw had severe learning disabilities – but John and his wife were determined not to put him into an institution. In 1962, Elizabeth and John's vision for doing things differently was realised, through the purchase of Donec in Surrey. This was to be FitzRoy's first family-style home. In acquiring Donec, they secured a future that was transformed, not just for Michael and Huw, but also for generations to come.

Today FitzRoy assists 850 people with learning difficulties and autism at 78 services from areas such as Birmingham, Sussex and Hampshire. The homes all offer comfortable accommodation, 24-hour support and the opportunity for the Charity's beneficiaries to live as independently as possible.

They met Anna Galliford, Chief Executive and Emma Harrison, Philanthropy Manager. Emma explained that, obviously, Coronavirus is catastrophic for the social care sector. At FitzRoy they support

some of the most vulnerable and marginalised people in society so the Charity went into lockdown a week before the Government advised care homes to do so, in order to better protect residents. PPE was the most pressing issue for the charity but FitzRoy appointed a dedicated PPE procurement employee so it was able to source enough PPE. To date the charity has experienced only one Covid-19 death and that person sadly died in hospital. The Charity is determined to keep its residents as safe as possible so had applied to the Hospital Saturday Fund for pulse oximeters and non-

contact/infrared thermometers for all its care homes.

Anna informed John and Paul that the oximeters had already saved one of their beneficiaries from going into hospital as the instrument was able to monitor one of their elderly residents whose blood oxygen levels were giving volatile readings.

Paul Jackson went on to say "this is an excellent charity and I would not hesitate in recommending FitzRoy for further funding."



Paul Jackson, CEO, HSF and John Greenwood, Chairman, HSF with Anna Galliford, Chief Executive, FitzRoy.

The Parliamentary Review BEST PRACTICE REPRESENTATIVE 2020



Earlier this year Paul Jackson had an article published in The Parliamentary Review, this combines political commentary from leading journalists, with sector specific insight from Secretaries of State, Ministers and MPs. It is an indispensable guide to industry best practice, which demonstrates how sector leaders have responded to challenges in the political and economic environment.

Paul explained “The day-to-day operations of the company are orientated around two fundamental goals: providing a number of generous health benefits to families via affordable health cash plan schemes, and upholding the visions of our founders through donating funds to worthy causes. Here at HSF, we pride ourselves on having a culture built upon collectivism and inclusivity. In terms of the Charity, staff are encouraged to participate in deter-

mining grant recipients, and are invited to sit in on Grant Making Committee meetings and charity presentations. It’s for these kind of reasons that we have managed to obtain gold Investors in People status. This commitment to our staff has had a positive ripple effect on our customer service, earning us our Customer Service Excellence accreditation.

In 2019, £1.5 million was given away – a staggering development from a decade ago, when the grant figure was £50,000. This progress has enabled The Hospital Saturday Fund to reach the Charity Commission’s top 300 charities list and make an even more profound contribution to the community than ever before. Of all the recent challenges that the company has faced, the most noteworthy is Brexit. As a result of these forthcoming changes, the charitable group will require an extra €350,000

per annum to run, and a reduction in grant-making will also occur.

Further to these challenges, other obstacles overcome have included the likes of GDPR, the rise of insurance premium tax from 2 to 12 per cent, and austerity cutbacks for social welfare within the UK. Internally, our most significant challenge is being unable to provide support to all grant applicants, where, due to volume, 60 per cent are turned down. With the path paved by our founders directing us, we look forward to maintaining and extending our grantmaking efforts and providing greater contributions to the work of the charity sector”.

Paul was asked to follow up on his article by means of podcast, regarding the effect COVID and Brexit had had on HSF. Along side former English Cricket Captain Andrew Strauss. The podcast can be found at; www.youtube.com/watch?v=6pRwsqUjtYM&feature=youtu.be.

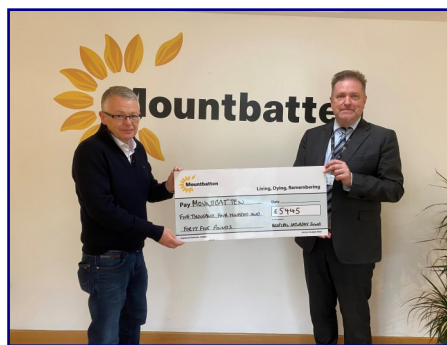
Mountbatten Hospice Isle of Wight

Nothing stops our CEO from presenting cheques! On 9th December 2020 Paul Jackson travelled to the Isle of Wight to present Nigel Hartley, Chief Executive Officer at Mountbatten Hospice, a cheque for £5,445 towards the urgent purchase of five syringe drivers for a number of patients currently benefitting from their care on the Island.

The Hospice was founded 35 years ago to provide and promote good care and support for those people living with, affected by, or curious about death, dying and bereavement across the Isle of Wight. It is the only hospice on the Island and assists nearly 3,500 people per annum. The Charity wants to make sure that no-one dies alone on the island and that they are provided with the correct care so they will be less afraid when the time comes. Most of the care the Hos-

pice provides takes place in the person’s own homes or care homes. It also has a 16 -bed ward (inpatient unit), the John Cheverton Centre, and the charity sup-

ports people in hospital. All care and support services are provided free, thanks to the fundraising efforts of the Island community.



Paul Jackson, HSF CEO, presenting the grant cheque to Nigel Hartley, CEO, Mountbatten Hospice.

Nigel told Paul that he is a trained psychologist and has worked in the Hospice sector for over 30 years. He explained that the Isle of Wight is 15 years ahead of the rest of the UK in terms of age profile and he has seen a 200% increase in the requirement for hospice’s services in just 3 years! The syringe drivers are extremely important as they are used to provide pain relief at the very end of life, either in the Hospice or at home. This is very important as it gives patients a choice of where they wish to die. Nigel explained that this has become even more important due to Covid-19, with more people choosing to pass away at home.

Sullivan’s Heroes Individual Grants Feedback

A special thank you from Sullivan’s Heroes who have supported several individual applications. They offer fundraising support specifically for vital home adaptations. “Our gratitude goes to The Hospital Saturday Fund for their ongoing support in providing funds to many of the children Sullivan’s Heroes is helping with their home disability adaptation projects.

These funds have provided towards vital elements of creating fully accessible home environments for the children, with bedrooms and wet rooms that meet their care requirements safely and with dignity, and greatly improve their quality of life and well-being”.



Sophie received £1,000 towards non slip flooring.



Thomas received £1,701 towards non slip flooring.



Iman received £1,610 towards a non-slip wet room flooring.



Ana-Lily Rose received £2,000 towards a wet room.



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The Hospital Saturday Fund (HSF) is a UK charity that was founded in 1873 by pioneers in social and philanthropic work to help people to afford medical care. In recent times, the Fund has 'tailored' its benefits and these are now offered through HSF health plan, one of the leading health cash plans in the UK and Ireland. Profits from the trading company, HSF health plan, are channelled into the 'parent' charity, The Hospital Saturday Fund, to enable charity donations to be made. In 2020 The Hospital Saturday Fund will give £1.4 million in donations and grants to medical charities, hospices and hospitals across the UK and Ireland. Assistance will also be given to individuals whose illness or disability has caused financial difficulties.

Grant Information

Who can apply:

The Hospital Saturday Fund is a registered charity whose aims are to provide assistance through its charitable funds for:

- Registered charities, hospices and medical organisations which are in need of grants for medical projects, care, research or support of medical training within the United Kingdom, Isle of Man, Channel Islands and Republic of Ireland ;
- Individuals with a medical condition or disability who would benefit from assistance with the purchase of specialised equipment or from particular forms of treatment.

For how to apply see the HSF website for criteria and link to the online application form:
www.hospitalsaturdayfund.org

Applications for Organisations:

The Grant Making Committee (GMC) meets quarterly. Applications should be submitted online by close of business on the deadline date. Here are the dates for 2021:

GMC 26 January 2021

Standard Grants of £2,000 or €3,000 – deadline 4 January 2021

Large Grants of up to max £10,000 or €13,500 – deadline 1 December 2020

GMC 18 May 2021

Standard Grants of £2,000 or €3,000 – deadline 20 April 2021

Large Grants of up to max £10,000 or €13,500 – deadline 23 March 2021

GMC 10 August 2021

Standard Grants of £2,000 or €3,000 – deadline 13 July 2021

Large Grants of up to max £10,000 or €13,500 – deadline 15 June 2021

GMC 4 November 2021

Standard Grants of £2,000 or €3,000 – deadline 7 October 2021

Large Grants of up to max £10,000 or €13,500 – deadline 9 September 2021

GMC January 2022 (all dates for 2022 meetings to be confirmed in December 2021)

Standard Grants of £2,000 or €3,000 – deadline 4 January 2022

Large Grants of up to max £10,000 or €13,500 – deadline 1 December 2021

Applications for Individuals:

Individual applications are accepted throughout the year on a rolling basis. See the guidelines on our website for further information.

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