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The newsletter of Rossendale Hospice

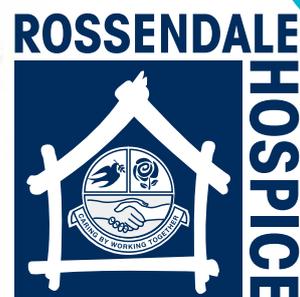
A new contract and a new way forward for Hospice at Home

The New Year began with a shock for the Hospice. We were informed that our contract with Social Services that has supported Hospice at Home for several years, was not going to be carried forward this year and that the Hospice would have to tender for a contract along with other local hospices.

Everyone at the Hospice agreed that Hospice at Home is an essential part of the service we provide and that we needed to tender and win the contract. Marion McCall, Family

Support Lead, prepared a paper outlining the way Hospice at Home currently works and with some thoughts about the future. A group was formed with Marion, Chris Durkin, vice chairman, and Brian Topping, a trustee with a background in contracting and procurement work, and they liaised with the staff who provide the hands-on care.

Together they produced a tender that has been accepted by Social Services and the Hospice has now been awarded a 12-month



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contract from 1 April to provide the care so urgently needed.

Chairman Geoff Summers said: "It's been good work by everyone involved, a real team effort. The new contract is for a year and that gives us time to plan for the future and look at the service we need to provide.

"The Hospice at Home service costs the Hospice much more than the grant provides, but the Social Services money has always been a really useful contribution to our costs."



Sean Ruane with 150 children from Rossendale Valley school choirs, pictured together at Blackburn Cathedral.

Voices touched the hearts of over 400 people who attended a memorable evening in the beautiful setting of Blackburn Cathedral and raised £4,700 for the Hospice in February.

The audience was treated to performances by international opera star, Seàn Ruane and 150 children from the Valley's school choirs. They were accompanied by pianist Samuel Hudson, musical director at the Cathedral, and the 2nd Rossendale Scout Band who have also performed in front of Her Majesty the Queen.

Hearts and voices in harmony

Tenor Seàn and Chant Productions have been working closely with the school choirs to produce the 'Hearts & Voices' concert with companies across the Valley giving their support.

This event was a first for the Hospice but it won't be the last. It brought everyone together and created a phenomenal concert. The atmosphere was emotional, exhilarating and enjoyed by a wide audience.

The Hospice is grateful to Seàn, the Scout Band, and all the school choirs; also to our corporate sponsors - Wynsors Shoes, Woodcocks Haworth & Nuttall, Cassons, Fred Hamers Funeral Services, Musbury Fabrics and Riley's Butchers. Together they made the evening possible. Special thanks also go to HD Signs, CFH design and all our volunteers.

To be involved in next year's concert please contact sam.morris@rossendalehospice.org

Spring is a time for change and a time for hope



Judging from my gas bill, better weather is on the way and I am certainly looking forward to Spring, with sunny days and warmer temperatures and the spurt of colour and new growth in the garden.

I was there recently looking up at a certain eclipse of the sun and saw a happy, smiley face peering back at me. That put me in good heart to press on with a few outstanding tasks – including writing this note for the newsletter.

Over the past few months much has happened. You will read elsewhere about the retendering exercise we have had to go through with Social Services for our Hospice at Home contract. Fortunately we have been successful, and I was so impressed with the enthusiastic contribution of staff and trustees who got involved at very short notice and worked hard to put forward a terrific bid. I suppose it's a sign of the times that we can take nothing for granted for the future, so we will be giving

careful thought as to how best we can organise our Hospice at Home service in the years ahead so that we can continue to meet the needs of those patients who need our support.

I attended the Hearts and Voice event on 13 February at Blackburn Cathedral. What a super venue and what a splendid occasion! Everything went to plan and I could tell that all the participants – especially the children – and the spectators really enjoyed a magnificent evening of singing and music. Thanks in particular go to Sean Ruane, who dedicated so much time and effort to offer tuition to the children beforehand and who compered the event on the night. You know a function has gone well when people insist that it is repeated. It did and we certainly hope to!

Our Specialist Nurse programme is making very good progress. We now have more staff in post and the benefits are showing. Our two specialist nurses and their team work with elderly people in the community and liaise with other agencies to ensure that

all have the support they need to enable them to stay in the comfort of their own home. It's joined up health, social services and community care. It's a very sensible approach and increasingly successful and our thanks go to the local Clinical Commission Group for securing the funds for us to move forward.

Finally can I welcome two new trustees – Charlotte Lees and Ann Gallagher. You can read more about them elsewhere in the newsletter, but I would like to say how impressed I am both with their skills and their enthusiasm and I am confident that they will add much to the quality of the Board's decision making.

Best wishes for the coming months and let us hope that the smiley face up in the sky continues to look down kindly on us all.

**Geoff Summers,
Chairman.**

Hospice wake-up call for the government

In a report published in March, MPs have called on the government to address funding for the hospice sector, ensure round-the-clock access to specialist palliative care and make social care free at the end of life.

“The NHS was set up to care for people from cradle to grave, but ... despite some excellent care ... the system is still too often failing people as they reach the end of their lives.” The Health Select Committee has been investigating how different care sectors support people who are likely to die within 12 months, and identifying opportunities for improving the quality of care and experience of patients and carers.

One of their key recommendations is that sustainable, long-term funding for the hospice sector needs to be addressed as part of the government's response to the Palliative Care Funding Review.

In its report, the committee outlines its concerns around the “unacceptable levels of variation” in the care that people receive at the end of life, in both acute and community settings.

Highlights

The committee also highlights the inequity in access for people with a non-cancer diagnosis, older people and those with dementia. In addition, the report highlights how round-the-clock access to specialist palliative care in both acute and community settings would greatly improve the way that people with life-limiting conditions and their families and carers are treated.

Chair of the Committee, Dr Sarah Wollaston MP, said: “The care that people receive at the end of their lives has a profound impact not only upon them but also upon their families and carers.....It's time for a new, sustainable

partnership between hospices and the wider care system”

The hospice and palliative care sector has welcomed the report and called on the next government to implement the committee's recommendations.

Geoffrey Summers, Chairman of Rossendale Hospice says: “We welcome the committee's recommendation that hospices are given adequate recognition for the care that we provide, as well as reliable funding in order to continue our vital work. It's time for a new and sustainable partnership between hospices and the wider care system. The next government should act on the recommendations and observations in the committee's report and work more closely with our country's hospice movement to deliver better care for all at the end of life.”



Sam Cannon, Geoff Summers, Christine Durkin and Beck Thorpe at the presentation evening.

Proud moment for Christine

Training in end-of-life skills continues with 28 care homes in Rossendale now accredited and approximately 175 staff trained.

Hospice staff are now accessing the training and on Wednesday March 4 a presentation was held at the Hospice when four care homes and Rossendale Hospice received accreditation.

This was a proud moment for Christine Durkin, six steps facilitator, as the first two members of staff from the Hospice received their certificates.

15 amazing years for the Special Events Committee

The Committee organises three main events a year, the annual ball which has grown to become Rossendale's premier night out which this year is on 19th September at the Radisson Blu Edwardian Hotel Manchester, Rossendale Woman of the Year which will be held on 17th April at the Red Hall Hotel, and the Ladies Lunch which is usually the first Friday of December.

Each event entails hours and hours of organisation, introduces a huge number of people to the Hospice's work and provides an absolutely vital income for the hospice, especially needed in these troubled financial times.

"We rely on them and the Hospice couldn't really function properly without their contribution" said Hospice chairman Geoff Summers.

So who are the ladies who help the Hospice to help the people of Rossendale?

Their chair is Belinda Evans, a member of the Special Events Committee for five years and chair for 2 years taking over from the longest serving member and former chair Louise Pillitteri.

Belinda said "The ladies come from all walks of life, we have a mixture of business women and ladies who are retired but they all want to give something back to the community. One of our ladies sadly passed away recently and benefitted from the Hospice at Home service, and while this has devastated the Committee it has brought home the reason why we ladies carry on with our fundraising."

The committee have been raising money for more than 15 years and over that time they have collectively raised more than £675,000, a magnificent sum for the Hospice.

Belinda said: "It's getting harder each year and businesses are also feeling the pinch and finding it harder to donate year on year, so we really appreciate the support we receive in sponsorship or raffle/auction prizes. Without this generosity we couldn't achieve the sums we have raised to enable the Hospice to continue the amazing work they do for our local community."

£10,000 raised at Christmas lunch

More than £10,000 was raised for Rossendale Hospice at a sparkling Christmas lunch on 5th December at Nino's, Rawtenstall. This annual event was organised by the Hospice's Special Events Committee. Jamie Hoyland hosted an auction which included; Hair & Beauty pamper day at Claxton's & Helen Coates; Champagne dining at Nino's; personal training package from Prime Personal Training; and a host of luxurious treats. Guests also received gifts donated by Ruby & Daisy, B Beautiful and Mary Kay Cosmetics.

Belinda Evans, Chair of the Special Events Committee said: "The event was a great success. I'd like to thank everyone who gave so generously. Funds raised will help the Hospice to provide services to those who need us."

If you would like more information about the events that the Special Events Committee organise please get in touch with the Chair belinda.evans@rossendalehospice.org

Two new Trustees for the Hospice

Two new Trustees have joined the Hospice board this year.

Charlotte Lees joined the board in January 2015. She is a previous fundraiser, having been sponsored to complete the Great North Run for us in 2013.



She lives in Helmshore with her husband and two young children, who attend Helmshore Primary School. Charlotte is a chartered accountant by background and has spent most of her career working in various corporate finance roles in Manchester. She currently works at Santander and we hope she will be able to use some of her financial and commercial skills to help the Hospice.

Ann Gallagher joined the board of trustees earlier this year after a 12 month period of volunteering at the Hospice.

Ann has worked for over 30 years in the healthcare environment and was the Director of Occupational Health and Medical Services for a national private healthcare company. Along with her clinical expertise, Ann brings with her great experience in the management of people, governance, strategic planning and business development.

Ann also worked for the Dutch Ministry of Defense and she lived in the Netherlands for nearly 10 years returning to Rossendale in 1989.



The Special Events Committee with the Hospice's Sam Morris pictured at the Nino's Christmas lunch.

Supporting Rossendale's children and young people

Alongside the services for adults within the community, Rossendale Hospice offers counselling support to children and young people who are affected by the significant health problems or death of a loved one.

We may work with the whole family – for example, in one case Dad attended day therapy, Mum, as Dad's carer, accessed complementary therapy and their children had one-to-one counselling both before and

after Dad's death.

Alternatively, we provide counselling on an individual basis to a child or young person. During this past year, 32 young people accessed the service and some of their comments are "I could talk about things that I don't talk about with my friends"; "I feel less stressed about my mum feeling sad" "I liked that I had someone I could totally open up to"; "I'm really happy I went, it was very helpful ...

has calmed me down a lot". We have a very positive relationship with many local schools and examples of feedback from them are "The Pastoral Team who work closely with the students say they see a huge difference in those who have accessed the service"; "We are lucky to have such a specialised service available to us" and "We value the ease of referral and the speed in which our students are seen".





We are looking for anyone interested in joining eBay team

We have recently developed a dedicated Rossendale Hospice eBay team and need volunteers to help us sell our goods.

We know that eBay is an exciting marketplace giving us significant opportunities to reach a large customer base, find the right buyers for unusual or specialist items and optimise profits from our wonderful donations.

You can donate items for sale on eBay by taking them to your local Hospice shop or it may be possible for us to collect.

We would also welcome corporate donations which could help the green credentials of your business.

Anybody who is an 'eBay seller' can choose to donate between 10% and 100% of their final sale price to Rossendale Hospice – this is called 'Community Selling'. Community sellers pay the donation to PayPal giving fund, Gift Aid is added (where applicable) and the funds are delivered to Rossendale Hospice.

Becoming a Community Seller has a number of benefits for you as well.

- You will receive a charity ribbon next to your listings making it stand out from the crowd;
- Your listings will also be featured on the eBay charity pages further increasing the profile of your listings;
- There are worthwhile savings on listing fees;
- Each listing will also feature our graphics and mission statement promoting Rossendale Hospice to people around the globe.

Volunteering is fun and enormously rewarding. If you have good computer skills, experience of using eBay and time to spare, please visit our website www.rossendalehospice.org to see the latest volunteering opportunities to join the eBay team or give shops manager Caren Cookson a ring on 07956447326

It's party night for our volunteers

Another successful volunteer party got off with a swing with singer Billie Arnold Palmer, a jazz and swing entertainer. Christine Durkin, vice chair, gave a speech to thank the commitment and loyalty of volunteers during 2014 and she made special welcome to the shop volunteers who were attending for the first time. Crooner Billie has been entertaining patients at the hospice for a while and kindly agreed to sing at the party held at Rossendale Golf Club on March 30. The club gave the room free of charge and more than 80 volunteers attended.

Please come and help, we need you

The Hospice would not be able to deliver its services without a large army of volunteers and we are constantly on the lookout for volunteers who, after careful selection will undergo a thorough induction and training. In particular, we are currently seeking:

- **Assistant** to the Volunteer Co-ordinator on one or two days a week. We need someone to input information on a database, keep records, assist with interviews and inductions and to act as a point of contact for our volunteers when the volunteer co-ordinator is away from the Hospice.

- **Receptionists and Day Therapy** helpers to fill in for holidays and sickness.

Please contact Lesley Marsh, Volunteer Co-ordinator on 01706 253633 Option 4; email: lesley-ann.marsh@rossendalehospice.org; or download an application from our website www.rossendalehospice.org/volunteering.

- **Befriending volunteers** for our new Befriending Service. The service is for people or the carers of people who are elderly or have health problems. Volunteer Befrienders will visit to provide some social interaction. Are you a good listener who is approachable and love spending time with others? Please contact Sharon Rowland, Befriending Coordinator on 01706 253648 or 07528 753085; or email Sharon.rowland@rossendalehospice.org

Jimmy and David do it again

Jimmy Eaton and David Edmondson have once again organised a very successful Christmas Ball that raised £3,310 for the Hospice, and we are extremely grateful for their continued support.

This annual event is always a sell-out with many people returning each year to enjoy the evening which is supported by many local businesses who donate raffle prizes and items for the auction.

The evening had a great early Christmas Party atmosphere. This year's event will be at The Riverside, Whitworth on Saturday 12th December. Tickets £35 Book early to avoid disappointment: 07907 595933



Jimmy Eaton and David Edmondson with trustees Christine Durkin, Brian Rhodes and Dr Liam McGrogan

Diary Dates

25th April - Ian Walkden's folk & rock night at St Marys FC, Haslingden. Last year's event raised £922. Tickets £10 inc. supper. 01706 226753

17th May - Rotary of Church & Oswaldtwistle 5k/10k canal walk only £5 to register visit: <https://rotarywalk.wordpress.com/>

21st May - 'Darling Buds of May' organised by The Friends Group, flower arranging demonstration with Tatton Park's Arthur MacDonald at Rawtenstall Cricket Club 7.30pm. Tickets £5.50: Susan 07902 844767/ Hilary 07554 532345

25th June - Sale and information day at Rawtenstall Health Centre, opportunity to find out about the Hospice and buy artwork along with some craft items made by the patients.

28th June - Pennine 10k, visit www.runforall.com/10k/pennine-lancashire

2nd July - Cake Sale hosted by Friends Group at Rawtenstall Health Centre 10 – 3pm. Those wishing to bake cakes contact Hilary 07554 532345

6th & 7th July - 'Sound of Music' concert with St Mary's RC Primary School, Haslingden & Chant Productions, Sean Ruane at St Mary's at 6.30pm. Tickets £3.00 from school office: 01706 214747.

19th July - Fancy Dress Walk, a 3 mile walk leaving Whitaker Park, Rawtenstall. Fancy Dress optional, to register please go to: www.rossendalehospice.org/walk

30th July - Sale and information day at Rawtenstall Health Centre.

23rd August – Summer Delight hosted by RWV Committee - at The Warren, Cloughfold

(home to 38 Rossendale Scout Group from 2pm - 5pm. Tickets £6 Louise Cooper 07977636162

6th September - Great North Run – application form fundraising@rossendalehospice.org

10th September - Start of Inter-School Challenge – All Rossendale schools are given a collection box to fundraise over a period of six weeks.

19th September - Annual Gatsby Ball at the Radisson Blu Hotel Manchester. A night of fantastic entertainment & food. For further info contact: Belinda.evans@rossendalehospice.org

24th September - Sale and information day at Rawtenstall Health Centre.

5th – 11th October - Hospice Care Week Why not hold your own event during Hospice Care Week, take part in Hero Day, hold a coffee morning, donate some goods to our shops or purchase something at our shops. Please support your local Hospice. We need you!

9th October - Hospice Hero Day - a great excuse to don those superhero capes and have fun!

This will raise funds for the Hospice and raise awareness of Hospice Care Week.

22nd October - End of Inter-school challenge.

29th October - Sale and information day at Rawtenstall Health Centre.

12th November - Thomtons Chocolate Evening at Rawtenstall Cricket Club 7pm. Tickets £7 at the Hospice or Friends Group members: Susan 07902 844767 & Hilary 07554 532345

26th November - Sale and information day at Rawtenstall Health Centre.

4th December - Ladies Christmas Lunch at Nino's. Tickets £45 for further details please email belinda.evans@rossendalehospice.org

5th December - Jimmy Eaton's Xmas Ball at The Riverside, Whitworth, tickets £35 contact Jimmy: 07907595933

17th December - Light up a Life at St Marys Parish Church.

Rossendale remembers by candlelight

More than 400 people attended our 'Light Up a Life' ceremony at St Mary's Church, Rawtenstall. One of the best loved and most poignant events in the Hospice's calendar, this event sees Rossendale coming together, regardless of faith or culture, to remember friends and family by dedicating a light in their honour.

The candle-lit service was particularly moving thanks to the stunning vocal talents of opera star Sean Ruane and Helmshore Primary School's choir accompanied by the gifted musicians of 2nd Rossendale Scout Band.

The Light up a Life service provides a moving opportunity to reflect and remember loved ones whilst supporting the Hospice and its services. This year we received more dedications than ever helping us to raise over £11,000.

Raymond Dunkley, from Bacup, a regular at 'Light up a Life' for many years said the ceremony was the best he has attended. "Sean's voice filled the church and the choir and



Hannah Winfield and Freya Morris

band were excellent making it very memorable.' Special thanks go to Fred Hamer Independent Funeral Services who sponsored the event, and to Cordeys Craft Bakery who supplied refreshments as well as to Reverend Stephen Crook, Martin Short and the parishioners who were welcoming and helpful.

This year's Light up a Life will take place again at St Mary's on the 17th December. If you would like more info please contact fundraising@rossendalehospice.org

Running and other challenges

The Great North Run was a great success raising over £8,000!

Congratulations to Vicky Frost, Roger Medlock, Michael Curran, John Coyne, Thomas McVicker, Caroline Sandiford, Hakan Burton, Carol Cooney, Claire Whittaker & Laura Summers on your personal achievements and thank you for supporting the Hospice.



Michael Curran, John Coyne and Thomas McVicker

This year's runners

If you would like a place this year please contact: fundraising@rossendalehospice.org registration is £50 with a minimum sponsorship of £200.

Good luck to our 2015 runners:-

Michael Scott www.justgiving.com/EdMikeScott

Edward Scott www.justgiving.com/EdMikeScott

Gill Simpson

Lucy Terry www.justgiving.com/linzi-lucie

Linzi Byrne www.justgiving.com/linzi-lucie

To support our other runners this year visit their fundraising pages:

Ignazio Pillitteri, London Marathon;

www.justgiving.com/ignazio-pillitteri

Emma Knowles, Manchester Marathon;

www.justgiving.com/Emma-Knowles12

Jemma Gorst, the Blackpool Half-Marathon;

www.justgiving.com/jemma-gorst

Emily Sawicz 100Km Race to the Stones

(Avebury stone circles); www.justgiving.com/Emily-Sawicz1 or www.mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/memoryofcharliedunne

Deborah Hayden-Pawson, Lorren Dunn,

Jade Hartley, Debbie Miles Manchester 10k;

www.justgiving.com/haydensolicitors

Mayor nominates Hospice

Thank you to our Mayor, Cllr Thomas Aldred and Stephen Chippendale, Personal Banker at the Rawtenstall branch, for nominating us to receive a Santander Community Plus award of £5,000. The Community Plus fund provides donations of up to £5,000 to small, local charities nominated by customers, staff and the charities themselves.



Gina Brierley, Stephen Chippendale, Sam Morris, Mayor Cllr Thomas Aldred, Julie Murdoch and Holly Todd

Flying high. David Howarth is a patient at the Hospice and is preparing for his amazing life-long ambition to jump 13,000 feet from a plane. Dave wishes to show his appreciation for the support he has received in Day Therapy at the Hospice. He is busy collecting sponsors. Please visit: <http://www.justgiving.com/L5CAP>

Helen Melling 24, is

running the Edinburgh

Half Marathon. Helen

is the daughter of,

Catherine Melling

who attended day

therapy in 2013.

"The Hospice was

such a help at the time, they helped me

through. I found it helped take my mind off

the treatment. I found friendship and good

advice. I'm now back at work and things are

looking good." You can sponsor Helen

at: www.justgiving.com/Helen-Melling1/



Young Heroes Rise to the Challenge

Pupils from schools across the Valley have once again rallied in support of Rossendale Hospice's annual 'Penny Pinching Challenge' raising almost £5,000 of vital funds. Pupils from 33 schools had six weeks to fill their boxes with all the pennies they could collect.

The winning senior school was Haslingden High; the primary category was Helmshore Primary; and the nursery category was Staghills Nursery. Congratulations to each of our winners! We really appreciate the time and effort each school puts into encouraging pupils and families to support the Challenge.



Winners from the Nursery Category – Staghills Nursery School

This year's challenge had an added twist as schools and nurseries were invited to take part in the Hospice's Hero Day to help boost their challenge fund - a great excuse to don those superhero capes and have some fun.

Thank you to our patrons

Thank you to Arthouse, one of our Patrons, who continue to support us with their fundraising. Over the last 12 months they have raised £5000 by holding Friends & Family sale evenings, dress-down days and a sweepstake for the Grand National

And thank you to our patrons Woodcock, Haworth and Nuttall who continue to provide sterling support to the Hospice. This includes their annual golf day which will be on 17th June this year. Please contact Stacey.McCann@whnsolicitors.co.uk for further details.



Woodcock, Haworth and Nuttall are also sponsoring our new "Leave a lasting gift in your Will" leaflet (see article) and this year's Make a Will Fortnight which will take place over the two weeks commencing Monday, 1st June (see article).

School Re-Union after 61 Years

A school re-union for pupils who left Blackthorn School in 1954 at Bacup Cricket Club – raised £53 for the Hospice on the night.

Celebratory Giving.

Joyce Darlington 83 and her husband Derek 85 celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary with Hospice donations instead of presents. They raised £1000. If you have a celebration and would like some of our donation envelopes and collection buckets please contact us.

Remembering Jim Watts

A team of five cyclists and a support driver will ride from John o' Groats to Lands' End in seven days averaging 120-130 miles a day between May 23-30. Richie Watts said: "We have chosen Rossendale Hospice because my father Jim Watts was one of the founders and supported them until he died in 2013 having benefitted from their superb services."

Spreading the word

We have a Hospice DVD that we would like to share with the valley. If your business or organisation would welcome a talk or presentation please contact us.

Young and old support us

Isabelle Barrett 12 and Eileen Tuohy 91 are generations apart but have a lot in common. They both put their skills to good use to raise money.



Eileen Tuohy

Isabelle has been creating loom band bag charms and bracelets and selling them at her dance school (DLNW) and her mum's beauty shop (Beauty with Sarah) So far she has raised £123.



Isabelle Barrett

Eileen loves to crochet and has orders from the patients and their families who have been purchasing them to use in baby cribs and even dogs' beds!

Eileen said "It normally takes around 10 hours to produce one, I love it, it keeps me busy and helps the Hospice." If you would like to donate wool please get in touch with us.

Legacy leaflet

The Hospice has received nearly £45,000 this year from nine legacies. This is a crucial source of income and we are so grateful to these legators for thinking about the Hospice and leaving a donation in their Will. Some of them were patients; some



were relatives who were grateful of the support that the Hospice gave their loved one. Others were names we did not recognise and may have simply chosen the Hospice as a 'good cause'. They have all left a wonderful legacy that is helping others, and whatever the reason behind these generous gifts, we are most grateful.

Because these legacies are so important to the Hospice, we have produced a leaflet that will hopefully encourage others to make a Will and to consider leaving a gift to the Hospice. Having a professionally prepared and up-to-date Will is the only way of ensuring that your loved ones and favourite charities can benefit following your death, and that your wishes are carried out.

If you would like a copy of the Will Guide leaflet please call our fundraising team on 01706 253633 option 3 or email us fundraising@rossendalehospice.org. All enquiries will be treated in the strictest confidence.

Make a Will Fortnight

If you are considering making a Will, we are holding a Make a Will Fortnight during the two weeks commencing Monday 1st June. We have teamed up with Woodcocks, Haworth & Nuttall Solicitors, who are Patrons and long-term supporters of the Hospice. Phone their office in Haslingden, Rawtenstall or Bacup to make an appointment. The solicitors have kindly offered to give their services free of charge on the understanding that clients make a donation to the Hospice in lieu of their charges.

Trusts and foundations

The Hospice has received £22,250 from five trusts and foundations over the past year. We are extremely grateful to The W O Street Charitable Foundation, The Garfield Weston Foundation, The Freemasons' Grand Charity, the Skipton Building Society Charitable Trust, and a local trust that wishes to remain anonymous, for their generous support. As a direct result of these grants we have been able to - Set up a night-sitting service on 3-nights a week to care for patients as they approach the end of their lives and support their families throughout the night. Provide specialist counselling to meet the urgent needs of children and young people in Rossendale who have been bereaved and are in need of additional support to cope with their loss.

Rossendale Hospice contact details...

Main Line: 01706 253633
Facsimile: 01706 218878 Hospice at Home
01706 222712 Day Therapy
Email: admin@rossendalehospice.org
Web: www.rossendalehospice.org

Rossendale Hospice, New Cribden House,
Rossendale Primary Health Care Centre,
161 Bacup Road, Rawtenstall BB4 7PL.

Fundraising and Volunteering

If you think you can help, ring Fundraising on 01706 253633 or email fundraising@rossendalehospice.org

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