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Glasgow's Hospice appeal reaches £19.25million
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Pictures attached – credit: Martin Shields

Christmas came early to The Prince & Princess of Wales Hospice, Glasgow, with the fantastic news that the Brick by Brick Appeal total has now reached a massive £19.25million.

With £1.75m to go to reach the £21m fundraising target, the figure was announced as staff at Carlton Place marked Christmas Jumper Day.

The Brick by Brick Appeal to build a new home for the hospice in Bellahouston Park has had the backing of supporters across Scotland and around the world.

Construction work has now started on the site, with patients expected to move in 2018.

“To see our Brick by Brick Appeal reach this amazing figure is just phenomenal,” said Rhona Baillie, chief executive of the hospice.

“What a wonderful way to mark the end of 2016. The people of Glasgow have been incredibly generous and we can’t thank them enough for all their support.

“We hope they stay with us as we work in 2017 to reach our total.”

Since the Brick by Brick Appeal launched in 2012, donations have flooded in from fun runs and bake sales to world record-breaking marathon runs.

A fundraising committee has now been set up by Scots living in New York to raise money for the hospice, with its first event in Central Park in May 2017.

“We are one step closer to providing 21st-century palliative care to the people of Glasgow,” added Rhona.

“This will be a major step forward in the provision of palliative care services, providing us with the flexibility to develop and improve our services, and lower our age limit to include 16-year-old patients and their families.”

Buy a Brick, the latest phase of the hospice’s Brick by Brick Appeal to build a new home for Glasgow’s Hospice in Bellahouston Park, launched recently. To Buy a Brick and donate £5, text BRICK to 70660 or make a donation online at www.ppwh.org.uk/donate.

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Notes to Editors:

About The Prince & Princess of Wales Hospice

The Prince & Princess of Wales Hospice at Carlton Place, Glasgow, is a charity, founded in 1980.

We provide free person-centred and family-focused palliative care and support. Our specialist staff and wonderful volunteers are trained to work with those individuals and families who are living with significant challenges to their health and wellbeing.

In day care and on the wards, more than 1200 patients and families are cared for every year.

The hospice depends on the generosity of supporters and the community to raise the £3.1 million annually in voluntary donations that is required to maintain our invaluable services for the people of Glasgow.

We have outgrown our much-loved hospice building – it no longer meets our requirements or vision for the future of care of patients and their families – and are raising £21 million to build a brand new, purpose-built hospice on a leafy green site in the city's Bellahouston Park. The foundations go down in 2016 and patients are expected to move in 2018.

Our aim is to bring 21st-century hospice care to the people of Glasgow, a major step forward in the provision of palliative care services, providing us with the flexibility to develop and improve our services and lower our age limit to 16-year-old patients.

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