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Queen's Park FC have eye on fundraising target

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Queen's Park FC players have got the number of the new Buy a Brick fundraising campaign, launched recently by The Prince & Princess of Wales Hospice.

To announce the hospice is the club's charity partner this season, players held up the text number to Buy a Brick to help build Glasgow's new hospice.

With £2.8million still to be found to reach the hospice's fundraising target of £21m to build a new healthcare facility in Bellahouston Park, the public are being asked to text BRICK to 70660 to Buy a Brick.

"We are absolutely delighted that Queen's Park FC have chosen the hospice as their charity partner this season," said Heather Manson, the hospice's director of fundraising.

"The launch of Buy a Brick is a vital point in fundraising to build our new home and the support of the club and its fans is fantastic news."

The club will be taking a collection for the hospice at its home game against Alloa Athletic on September 17.



Work starts now to build a state-of-the-art hospice on a site donated to the hospice by Glasgow City Council and patients are expected to move in 2018.

“We are delighted to be forming a partnership with The Prince & Princess of Wales Hospice. It is an extremely important year for both organisations, with the hospice now building its new home and Queen’s Park celebrating their 150th year in Scottish Football,” said Queen’s Park FC president Alan Hutchison.

“We have had informal connections with the hospice for many years and are now pleased to cement this connection.

“The fundraising efforts of the hospice to build a new home have been magnificent and are a great credit to the generous people of Glasgow.

“As Scotland's oldest football club, it is fitting that Queen’s Park formally joins in the final push to find the money for the new hospice.”

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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 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 fundraising to build a brand new, purpose-built hospice on a leafy green site in the city’s Bellahouston Park.

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 15-year-old patients.

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