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Your RWT Charity Catch Up

Bringing you the latest news from Your RWT Charity

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30 years of making a difference – be part of our story

On 27 November 2026, Your RWTC, The Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust's Charity, will proudly celebrate its 30th birthday.

For three decades, thanks to the incredible support of our staff, patients, families and local communities, we have funded projects that go above and beyond NHS provision to enhance the experience of those who use and work within our hospitals and community services.



As we look ahead to this significant milestone, we want to mark our anniversary by delivering even more ambitious projects that will make a lasting difference across RWT.

To do this, we are inviting teams and departments from across the Trust to help shape our future fundraising appeals – but the deadline of 6 November is approaching fast!

We need your ideas

We want to hear your suggestions for projects that would make a real impact on:

- Patients
- Families and carers
- Trust staff

These could be Ward day rooms, sensory spaces, gardens, a piece of equipment over and above what the NHS can provide, or a staff rest area – to name just a few possibilities.

Your idea should focus on something that enhances care, wellbeing, comfort or the overall experience of people using our services.

Once submissions have been received, a shortlist of projects will be created and put to a staff vote, helping us decide which major appeals and fundraising campaigns we focus on as part of our 30th birthday celebrations and beyond.

How to submit

Please work with your department to develop your idea and submit it as a one-page A4 document outlining:

- The project idea
- Who it will benefit
- The difference it will make
- The estimated cost of the project
- Why it should be considered as a charity fundraising appeal

Email your submission to rwh-tr.fundraisingteam@nhs.net by Friday 6 November. We will then launch the appeals at the Christmas Fair and Light Switch-on taking place on Monday 30 November 2026. Our Fundraising Team is happy to be contacted if anyone has any questions about the process.

This is your opportunity to help create something special for our patients, families and colleagues. We look forward to seeing your ideas and working together to make our 30th anniversary year one to remember.



Introducing…Charity Patron Jason



A champion fundraiser and proud Wulfrunian has agreed to become the first Patron of Your RWTC.

Jason Guy is well known across the city and beyond for the tireless support he and wife Aimee have shown for good causes and the couple have raised many hundreds of thousands of pounds to support Breast Cancer Now, New Cross Hospital's Neonatal Unit and 1p36 Family Trust.

The couple's young daughter Olivia has 1p36, a rare condition that typically causes severe intellectual disability and complex medical needs. She also spent around six weeks in the Neonatal Unit at New Cross from October 2020.

Jason, who is a massive Wolves fan, said it was "a huge honour" when he was asked to become a Patron.

"As a parent of a disabled daughter, who has been cared for by the Trust, I have seen first-hand the tireless work the staff at the hospital have done for my family and that of others.

"To be named as the first patron for Your RWTC is not only humbling but a huge honour as I know the hard work that each dedicated staff member and fundraiser puts in.

"I am proud to be given the responsibility of such a position and will continue to promote the excellent work that the Trust does for our community and beyond. My family will be eternally grateful for the care and support that we have received and that's why we must continue to give back."

Businessman and mentor Jason has supported a host of fundraising events through Your RWTC including the Paediatric garden makeover off the Children's Ward and in his role as Patron he will be inspiring others to get on board as well as helping to raise the profile of the charity and awareness of the work it does.

Amanda Winwood, Charity Development Manager, said: "Jason embodies all the qualities we want in a Patron – he is dedicated to making a real difference in his local community, goes out of his way to help others and is a role model for so many people.

"His emotional reaction to being asked to become our first Patron just showed how much he cares about the work we are doing and how compassionate he is, and we are thrilled he has agreed to take on the role."

How we support patients



Thanks to funding from Your RWTC and DDC Engineering Limited, patients at the Neuro Rehabilitation Unit (NRU) at West Park Hospital have continued to benefit from an inspiring programme of art and British Sign Language (BSL) workshops delivered by Alex Vann and Gary O'Dowd from Real Arts Workshops (RAW).

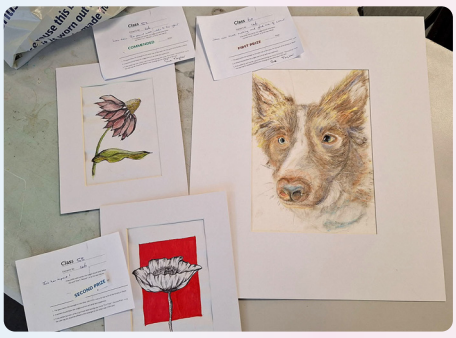
Since May 2025, the project has provided patients with regular opportunities to explore their creativity, learn new skills and build meaningful connections through a wide range of activities, from drawing, painting and clay work to fabric design, BSL sessions and outdoor creative projects. Patients have also enjoyed unique experiences beyond the hospital setting, including a memorable visit to Wolverhampton Art Gallery where they were given special guided tours of both the Pop Art Gallery and the Andy Warhol exhibition.

The impact of the project extends far beyond the weekly sessions. One participant recently entered artwork created through their developing artistic practice into a local art competition, achieving an incredible first, second and commended place. Their success demonstrates how the project is helping to build confidence, develop new skills and encourage patients to pursue opportunities beyond their rehabilitation journey.

The programme has also left a lasting legacy within the hospital. A large collaborative artwork inspired by Mexican painter Frida Kahlo, created by patients working together, is now proudly displayed in the corridor at West Park Hospital for patients, visitors and staff to enjoy, showcasing both the talent and determination of those involved.

Reflecting on the project, Alex Vann, Director of RAW, said "We are delighted that this project has been funded to provide continuity for participants for whom this is providing an important aspect to their rehabilitation. The creativity that emerged was remarkable; not just in the artwork, but in the conversations, the friendships and the renewed sense of purpose and fun. Many of these individuals experience high levels of anxiety, isolation and reduced confidence. Participation in creative activities offers a proven, gentle and inclusive way for people to express themselves, process difficult experiences and reconnect with others."

Your RWTC is proud to support projects like this that enhance patient wellbeing, reduce isolation and promote recovery through creativity, helping patients gain confidence, make connections and discover new opportunities during their rehabilitation journey. Most importantly, projects like this are only possible because of the generosity of our supporters. Every donation made to Your RWTC helps us fund opportunities that go far beyond traditional healthcare, providing activities and experiences that enhance wellbeing and support recovery.



Amanda Winwood, Charity Development Manager said: "This project is a powerful example of how charitable funding can make a real difference. Thanks to our donors, patients have been able to learn new skills, form friendships, gain confidence and rediscover a sense of purpose during their rehabilitation journey. Thank you to Alex and Gary for facilitating the sessions and continuing to support patients at The Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust."

Process update for requesting Charitable funds

Before submitting a request for charity funding, please ensure that the supplier you wish to use is already registered with Procurement and is on the Oracle system. This will help prevent any delays in processing your request.

Thank you

RWTC FC makes a winning debut

An afternoon of football, fundraising and team spirit saw the newly formed RWTC FC secure an impressive 6-1 victory against a fellow NHS team in their very first fixture.

Your RWTC FC is the dedicated football team for Your RWTC, The Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust's charity, and yesterday marked its first outing.

Grateful patient Robbie Meakin, who was diagnosed with stage 4 cancer last April and is having treatment at New Cross Hospital, is the Founder and Chair of the new side He has already held a host of fundraisers to support Your RWTC.

The match, held at Bilston FC in Queen Street, Bilston, brought together colleagues, supporters and members of the local community.

Robbie said: "I am so proud of the team and it's great to bring together players from different areas of 'fame' in their own rights whilst raising funds and awareness for Your RWTC.

"It's an honour and pleasure to give back to our NHS heroes that bring life into the world, care for people in need, however minimal, and save lives. I'm a proud Wulfrunian so I love that I can do my bit to help people in our city."

Amanda Winwood, Charity Development Manager for Your RWTC said Robbie's passion, commitment and hard work had made the event possible.

"From creating the team to organising the fixture, Robbie has provided Your RWTC with a valuable new platform to engage with supporters, raise awareness of the charity's work and strengthen connections across the community. We raised over £700 which is amazing and will make a huge difference in helping us go above and beyond what the NHS provides.

"To see the team win their first match 6-1 was amazing, but more importantly, this initiative provides a fantastic opportunity to raise awareness of the charity and reach new supporters. We are grateful to Bilston FC for hosting us and look forward to seeing RWTC FC continue to grow and achieve great things both on and off the pitch."



Your RWTC FC's next match is on Friday 6 November, 7.45pm kick off at Wednesfield Community Football Club vs Teachers FC.

NHS choir celebrates decade of music

An NHS choir is celebrating its 10th anniversary, marking a decade of bringing staff together through music, friendship and support.

The RWT Choir held its first rehearsal on 13 October 2016, with the aim of creating an opportunity for staff to come together and support their health and wellbeing through singing.

It is helped by Your RWTC and is financially self-supporting.

Jayne Harper, Choir Organiser, said: "Ten years on, the choir has gone from strength to strength and has become much more than a group of colleagues who enjoy singing.

"It is like a family as we support one another through both the good times and the more difficult moments.

"We provide a chance for staff to relax, have fun and enjoy the benefits of music after a busy working day."

Over the past 10 years, the RWT Choir has performed at a wide range of Trust and community events, including:



- Staff Long Service Awards
- Staff Carol Services
- Adult and Baby Memorial Services
- Allied Health Professionals (AHP) celebrations
- Christmas fairs
- Gala dinners
- Events for patients at New Cross Hospital
- Performances in residential homes
- Community events, pubs and special occasions
- Midlands Choir of the Year, where it was a finalist in both 2022 and 2026

It also performs regularly at New Cross Hospital for patients and at a variety of special events throughout the year, with Christmas being a particularly busy period.

The choir's Musical Director is Martin Trotman, a freelance pianist, vocalist, composer, musical director and producer. Martin leads rehearsals and prepares members for performances throughout the year.

As part of its regular programme of events, members put on two public concerts each year, one in the summer and another at Christmas.

Amanda Winwood, Charity Development Manager at Your RWTC, said: "The RWT singers are a fantastic example of how bringing people together can have a positive impact on both individuals and the wider organisation.

"We are proud to support an initiative that not only enriches the lives of our staff but also helps create meaningful connections with the communities we serve."

The choir's next major event will be its Christmas concert at 3pm on 12 December at St Mary's Church, Bushbury. Tickets cost £8 and can be bought on the door.

Any member of staff who would like to join is asked to email rwtchoirnx@gmail.com



Christmas Fair and Lights switch on

Your RWTC Christmas Fair and lights switch-on will take place on Monday 30 November, 11am - 5pm, in the Emergency Department marquee at New Cross Hospital.

There will be festive fun, shopping and treats, which will be the perfect opportunity to get those Christmas presents for friends and family.

The lights switch on will take place at 4pm with special guests including RWT Big Band, DB Productions Panto Dame, Your RWTC FC and Perry Hall Primary School choir serenading us with Christmas carols.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Christmas Raffle

Get into the festive spirit and support Your RWTC by taking part in our Christmas Raffle.

We have some fantastic prizes up for grabs this year, including:

- Two tickets to West Midlands Safari Park
- Four tickets to Lower Drayton Farm
- Love2shop Voucher
- Luxury Hamper
- Cristiano Ronaldo LEGO Set



The raffle will be drawn on Tuesday 15 December 2026, giving you plenty of time to get your tickets and be in with a chance of winning one of these great prizes.

Tickets cost just £5 per strip or 3 strips for £10.

You can buy your raffle tickets by contacting the Fundraising Team on 01902 694473, from the Staff Wellbeing Hub or by visiting the Your RWTC charity stand at the Christmas Fair on 30 November.

Every ticket sold helps Your RWTC continue to support patients, families and staff across The Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust, making a real difference where it's needed most.

Good luck and thank you for supporting us.

Announcing our 12 Days of Christmas Prize Draw



Thanks to Your RWTC every member of staff will automatically be entered into our festive prize draw for the chance to win a £250 shopping voucher.

For the first 12 working days of December, one lucky winner will be selected each day. The draw will run from Tuesday 1 December to Wednesday 16 December 2026.

All staff will be entered automatically, so there is no need to apply. Winners will be contacted directly by email from amanda.winwood@nhs.net

If you are selected as a winner, your voucher must be collected by Friday 18 December 2026. Please bring your staff ID badge when collecting your prize as proof of identity.

Be sure to keep an eye on your inbox throughout the draw period. If you receive a winning email, please call 01902 694473 to arrange collection of your voucher.

Good luck and thank you for everything you do for our patients and communities.

Strike a chord with RWT Big Band

Are you up for something fun, social and musical? Joining the brand-new RWT Big Band could be right up your street.

Whether you're a serious saxophonist or simply someone who enjoys making music in a relaxed, friendly environment, there's a place for you in the band.

All staff, all roles, all ages, all abilities are genuinely welcome. Our numbers are already growing and we'd love to see even more of our RWT community get involved.

Interested? Please email us at rwh-tr.fundraisingteam@nhs.net



Call for prizes



As Christmas approaches, Your RWTC is preparing several festive fundraising events to bring staff, patients, volunteers, and supporters together while raising vital funds for projects that enhance care across our Trust.

We are asking if you would consider donating a raffle prize to support our Christmas fundraising events. Prizes of any size are greatly appreciated, from unwanted gifts, hampers and experiences to products that can help make our raffles exciting and successful.

Every pound raised through these events helps us fund projects and enhancements that go above and beyond NHS provision, supporting patients, families, and staff when they need it most. Your generosity will not only help us raise valuable funds but will also demonstrate your commitment to supporting your local NHS community.

In recognition of your support, we would be delighted to acknowledge your donation in our event communications and on our social media channels where appropriate.

If you are able to donate a prize or would like further information, please contact the charity team at rwh-tr.fundraisingteam@nhs.net or on **01902 694473**.

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Please sign up today and help us support patients, their families and staff at RWT.

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Want to keep up with the latest news, events, opportunities and stories from Your RWTC? Join our growing online community and never miss a moment.

Follow us on your favourite platforms for updates, behind-the-scenes insights, and everything happening across our service.

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Follow us today and be part of the conversation. Your RWTC is only a click away.

Bag some bargains

We have plenty of local businesses coming to join us over the next few weeks, bringing bargains to staff at work.



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Market Stalls at West Park Hospital

NOVEMBER 2026

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2	3 The Little Perfume Shop	4	5	6
9	10 Aunt Megs Creations	11 Christmas Crafts	12 Michelle's Makes	13 Amazing Candles
16	17 LB Jewellery	18	19 Aunt Megs Creations	20
23	24 Angel Wings Crystals	25 LB Jewellery	26	27
30 Aunt Megs Creations				

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Market Stalls at Cannock Chase Hospital

NOVEMBER 2026

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 Stellar Bloom Boutique	**3** Jackson's Arts and Crafts	**4** John's Bargains	**5** Amazing Candles	**6** Christmas Decorations Toys of Character
9 Cosy Cushions	**10** LB Jewellery	**11** LB Jewellery	**12** Jayne's Cosmetics	**13** A little bit of sparkle
16 Children's knitted wear	**17** Bramble Berry Fairies	**18**	**19** Michelle Makes	**20**
23 Scents by Julirnas	**24** Bramble Berry Fairies	**25** Bubbles Crafts	**26** Amazing Candles	**27** Stellar Bloom Boutique
30 Fragrance and body care				

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