

Press Release

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Brighton Marathon Runners do themselves and St Peter & St James proud!

On Sunday 18th April 40 runners took part in the first ever Brighton Marathon. They were running for St Peter & St James.

First Runner home in an incredible time of 3hrs 15minutes was Paul Moffett. Paul was running in memory of his mother-in-law who was cared for by St Peter & St James. Next was Simon Christmas, an estate agent based in Burgess Hill, who completed the run in just 3hrs 24minutes.

Two members of staff also took part, Louise Gregory, one of our Specialist Community Team and Allan Wheeler one of our Shops Van Drivers.

The atmosphere was electric with 80,000 people cheering each one of the 7,500 runners on as the sun shone down on what could only be described as the perfect day for the first ever Brighton Marathon. Hayley Bradbury one of our Fundraisers at St Peter & St James said: "It was a really emotional day, not only being part of the first ever Brighton Marathon or to see the first set of runners, but to see our own runners as they ran past me was just such a privilege and made me very proud to work for such an amazing place"

It is hoped that the Hospice will realise over £10,000 in sponsorship.

We'd like to thank and congratulate all of our amazing runners who trained so hard and thank all of their sponsors for supporting their fundraising efforts.

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Notes to Editors: About St Peter & St James Hospice & Continuing Care Centre

Our mission as a registered charity is to provide specialist care, love and support for those living with progressive, life limiting illnesses from East and West Sussex. We will endeavour to meet the needs of each patient, their family and friends. We aim to encourage and enable all patients to live their lives to their full potential despite their illnesses.

We care for patients from Burgess Hill, Haywards Heath, Lewes, Uckfield and the surrounding villages. Last year we provided care for more than 400 patients and their families. All of our Hospice services are free of charge and we receive less than 20% of our funding from the Government. This means we have to raise more than £1.4 million every year through fundraising. That's £4,000 every single day.

If you are interested in working or volunteering at St Peter & St James please contact Human Resources on 01444 471598 or visit www.stpeter-stjames.org.uk.

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